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VOL. I

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NO. 1

Important Announcement

See Other Side

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Something Different

IN presenting The Stamp Collector to the stamp collectors of America it will be our object to give them something different in the way of a Philatelic Journal. The Stamp Collector will be modeled on lines entirely different from the usual American magazines and will appeal to the general collector, besides being deep and broad enough to interest the advanced collector and specialist also.

The typographical appearance will be of the best and with a wide awake collector as the publisher and business manager, besides directly superintending the work of getting it out, you can rest assured that it will be reasonably free from the errors which usually creep into philatelic printing when done under any other conditions.

November Fifteenth

The Stamp Collector will be a standard magazine size, 7x10 inch pages, two columns 2½ inches wide and 8 inches long, making 16 inches to the page. The first number will be ready November 15, will consist of 16 pages or more and following issues will increase in size as the business received will warrant.

Our first aim will be Quality in so far as the reading matter is concerned and then Quantity. We know that a well edited and neat publication of 16 or more pages will be more welcome to collectors than a much larger one full of really nothing in the way of good philatelic reading.

Journal of Columbus Collectors Club

By action of the Columbus Collectors Club, The Stamp Collector will be issued and handled as the Official Journal of the Club. Mr. Paul Mason, president of the Club will edit the magazine for the Club and will be assisted by the following associate editors: Mr. Geo. K. Smith, Jr. New Issues Editor; Mr. Opha Moore, as Editor of the Revenue and Tax Pairs Department—a new field which will be given special attention; Mr. W. H. Field, Auctions and Mr. George Ward Linn, Philatelic Literature. Other members of the Club will give liberal assistance in the matter of supplying copy etc.

The sheet containing this announcement shows size of page and size of columns.

Auction Dealers

We will make a special feature of our Auction Department and as our Mr. Field is an experienced buyer at auctions, he will be able to give many pointers to our readers. Auction dealers are invited to furnish copies of their catalogs and advance information of sales to be held at dates after the appearance of our regular issue for each month. Catalogs must be sent to both the publisher and Mr. W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St. We also ask that you furnish priced catalogs after the sale to both of the above parties, and a careful review of the selling prices will be published. This feature will be valuable to the dealer as so much free advertising to the dealer besides being a general review of the market.

To Publishers

We desire to exchange two or more copies each issue with all journals containing matter devoted to stamps. One copy must be sent the publisher and a copy to the Editor. Publishers of handbooks etc. are requested to send copies for review to the publisher and proper notice will be given.

Dealers in Stamps

Wide awake dealers will be able by the use of our columns, to keep in touch with the leading collectors of America. A good monthly stamp publication has been needed for some time and we feel that you will admit that it has arrived, when our first number reaches you.

We solicit the patronage of all dealers and will endeavor to furnish a magazine worthy of carrying the business announcements of the foremost dealers in the world. We shall try to make our publication a market place not only for the ordinary line of stamps but for the rarities as well.

Advertising Contracts

Our prices are based on a circulation of 2000 copies and a liberal discount is offered on yearly contracts. A contract blank is enclosed and we solicit your order with copy for our November number. Copy should arrive by November first if possible.

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CONSIDER the postage stamp, my son;
its usefulness Konsists in sticking to
one thing Until it gets there.

—Josh Billings

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No. 1

The Editors Foreword

The Stamp Collector

In presenting the first number of The Stamp Collector to those represented in its name, there is only the thought and intent to give to them something that will be worth while—something better than the average philatelic publication, something interesting, something valuable, something that shall excel by typographical excellence as well as by reason of what it contains, something that shall be worthy to live and endure. Necessarily, there are some crudities in this, the first number. These will be eliminated as the component parts of the machinery become adjusted and in smooth running order. There is a less wide range of subject matter than it is intended to run, because in the short time allotted to the task of preparation it was not possible to get in touch with all the available sources of information and of literary output. Nevertheless, publisher and editors feel that they have no cause to feel ashamed. Therefore they have no hesitation in asking the friendly support of the stamp-collecting world, as represented by both advertisers and subscribers.

The scope of The Stamp Collector is to be practically unlimited. Specifically, its title includes the collector of postage stamps, revenue stamps and tax paid. Actually, its work will be to arouse interest in and disseminate information concerning all the forms of stamped paper that are collected. Beyond this it is hoped to establish soon a permanent department of philatelic literature, which shall serve as a clearing house for the best philatelic thought of the age.

Our Departments

It is proposed in The Stamp Collector to take care of all the recognized departments of philatelic endeavor, and as need for new departments develops, they will be added. A special feature will be made of stamp auctions and the auction market. This will be conducted by Mr. W. H. Field, 1081 Newton street, Columbus. Auction houses are requested to send to him, before the first of each month, auction catalogues or the dates of their sales between the 15th of the month and the 15th of the following month, in order that they may be listed with the names and addresses of the firms or individuals conducting the sales. In cases where the catalogues can not be sent in time to reach Mr. Field before the first, he should be informed of the date and the number of lots, catalogue to follow as soon as issued. Then, in order that the state of the auction market may be treated in an intelligent and up-to-date manner, it is requested that priced catalogues be sent Mr. Field as soon as possible after the sale is held. The general condition of the market will be carefully analyzed and prices of rarities noted. Mr. Field has been a member of the Columbus Collectors' Club since its organization, and for many years before that was (and still is) a member of the Garfield Perry Club of Cleveland. He is a careful and steady auction buyer, and it is believed by the directory of The Stamp Collector that he will make this department one of the most valuable in the magazine.

The new issues department will be managed by Mr. George K. Smith, Jr., secretary of the Columbus Collectors' Club, to

whom, at 801 Outlook building, Columbus, all information concerning new issues should be sent. By the time the second or third issue of *The Stamp Collector* is reached, it is expected to illustrate this department; therefore the receipt of new issues as those handling this service may feel inclined to forward to him will be appreciated. Full credit will be given for the information furnished, from whatever source.

Mr. Opha Moore of 103 W. Fourth avenue, Columbus, will handle the department of revenues and tax paid. Mr. Moore is an earnest student of the revenue issues, public and private, and is well qualified to handle the department and make it interesting.

For the present, the editor-in-chief will handle the exchange department. It is hoped that both foreign and domestic philatelic publications can see their way clear for the exchange of two copies. One should go to the publisher, George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus, Ohio, and the other should be sent to Paul Mason, 1017 Oak street, Columbus, Ohio, for editorial use. In this, as in all other departments, full credit will be given for all subject matter used.

The department of philatelic literature will be under charge of Mr. George Ward Linn, who has been interested in this branch of our hobby for a number of years, and it will be his endeavor, with the assistance of others who are interested, to furnish matter of interest to all literaturists.

As to the Specialized Catalogue

In view of the wide interest in and general demand for a specialized catalogue of United States stamps, the attitude of Mr. George H. Worthington, Ohio member of the A. P. S. committee having the subject in charge, toward that enterprise, is to be viewed with regret. Our Cleveland correspondent's annotations of Mr. Worthington's reasons for opposing the specialized catalogue will be read with disappointment. It seems to us that Mr. Worthington's objections are not well founded. The *Luff* and *Power* handbooks can not be regarded as in any sense taking the place of a catalogue. They are handbooks, and nothing else. To the advanced student they are invaluable, but the catalogue, as contemplated by those who brought the project to the fore, will be invaluable to the youngest, as well as to the most advanced, collector of United States stamps. While Mr. Worthington's opinions necessarily will have great weight, it is to be hoped that

the manifold differences between a handbook and a catalogue will be so plainly set forth that this apparent confusion will be dissipated, and that the American collectors will get, at the earliest possible moment, the specialized catalogue they have needed so long.

Columbus as a Philatelic Center

Sixteen months ago, in the *Convention Bulletin* of the Columbus Collectors' Club, issued during the sessions of the American Society's convention, the writer alluded jokingly of the club's intention to make Columbus the philatelic center of the universe. That has not been accomplished, but the steady work of the club, coupled with the presence in Columbus of the secretary of the national organization, has done much to increase the philatelic importance of the city. Since then, much philatelic publishing has been done here. The year-book of that convention set a new high mark of excellence in promptness of publication and in typographical excellence and other points of appearance. Since then the *Chase* handbook on *The Three Cent Stamp of 1851* and the *Power* handbook on *United States Stamps* have been issued here—both works of great excellence, excellently printed. These works have served to draw attention to Columbus as one of the best cities in the country for the distribution of such works as these as well as the facilities for getting them out, and have resulted in bringing a considerable volume of other philatelic printing here. All that has been needed to emphasize this phase of local philatelic activity has been a stamp journal of merit, and this *The Stamp Collector* will endeavor to be.

But neither Columbus nor the Columbus Collectors' Club is satisfied with these things. The city long has needed a stamp dealer with sufficient capital, stock and energy to establish a business here that will be a factor in the mercantile end of philately. There is reasonable ground for hope for the early fruition of plans now under way looking to that end. Plans also are in contemplation for the organization of a great stamp exchange, which shall exceed anything of this kind ever before attempted. If these plans go through, then, and then only, will Columbus collectors feel that the city is taking its rightful place in the philatelic world.

Marginalia

FRED H. CALEY, Registrar of the Ohio State Automobile Department, is much interested in revenue stamps; Opha Moore, who was one of the Secretaries to former Governor Harris, has the same weakness. It's funny how these state officials look after the revenue.

THIS PAPER is not out for the official organship of the A. P. S. It will have a sufficiency of troubles of its own if it keeps that lusty infant, the Columbus Collectors' Club, within reasonable bounds.

THESE REPORTS of minor earthquakes in various parts of the country are believed to be due to Brother Nast sharpening his pencil for his next year's editorials on the question of the next A. P. S. official organ.

LADY PHILATELISTS of the south are hereby warned that Secretary Harry Adair of the A. P. S. is no relation to Robin Adair, and that there is a Mrs. Adair and a little Adair.

OUR ADVERTISERS are reminded that persistent advertising begets persistent collecting and is conducive to consistent profits.

THE UNITED STATES has issued so many commemorative stamps in the last year or two that it ought to be an easy matter for the A. P. S. to secure a commemorative issue for its silver jubilee convention next year.

IT'S ABOUT TIME for Nicaragua or Salvador to float a series of intra-national stamps for aeroplane post. It's about the only thing they haven't got out in the stamp line.

Difference in Size of Current Stamp Designs

Some remarkable difference in size of the design are to be noted in the 2-cent United States stamp of the current issue. This issue, already remarkable for the number and variety of its shades, as well as because, for the first time in many years, a portion of it was printed on experimental paper, therefore offers a fertile field for the specialist in minor varieties. To a less extent, the differences herein noted exist also in the 1 cent of the same issue, but they are not so marked.

My attention was first called to the discrepancies by Mr. Harry Kortie of the Ohio State Journal. Since then I have found several copies of the 2-cent stamp in which the design, to the outside of the solid line which constitutes the frame, measures 19 by 21 2-3 millimeters, but the greater portion seems to measure 18½ by 22 plus millimeters, the plus amount being hardly more than a line in width. I have nothing to indicate the plate numbers under which these stamps were issued, but the shorter, wider stamps seem to approximate scarlet rather than the rose carmine, which is the predominating color of the narrower and longer stamps.

In the 1 cent value the difference is hardly more than a third of a millimeter, but nevertheless it is distinct. As in the case of the two, the longer stamp is slightly narrower than the shorter stamp. The most

marked difference was one of width—half a millimeter.

The theory has been advanced that the differences might be due to shrinkage of the paper after being wet down for printing, but this theory is hardly tenable. Though the shrinkage of the paper is very irregular, it would hardly be possible that the paper would shrink in one direction and stretch in another.

An authoritative statement on this point will be awaited with interest.

C. C. C. Special Exhibit

Columbus stamp collectors, of whom there are many, and especially those of the Columbus Collectors' Club, are to be congratulated in securing, for the Club's exhibit the night of Nov. 30, a portion of the great collection of George H. Worthington of Cleveland. The presence of Mr. Worthington's secretary, Mr. Alvin Goode, in Columbus, with the superb stamps constituting the Worthington collection of British North America, should assure an outpouring of stamp lovers of every degree, and contribute largely to an increased popularity of these already popular stamps among Columbus collectors.

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.

The courtesy of two copies is requested, on a reciprocal basis, from

Redfield's

Recent improvements in the appearance of Redfield's Stamp Weekly have added much to the pleasure of those who have been its well-wishers from the beginning. Its improved appearance, incident to a new dress of type, can not fail to be a determining factor as a business getter and as an inducement to subscriptions, and the use of a smaller size of type permits the use of a greater volume of reading matter, which, in view of the excellent assortment of this habitual to Redfield's, will be conducive to the same ends. In its October 30 issue, the paper contains a comprehensive review of the new Scott Catalogue; a somewhat lengthy editorial on the new crusade on anti-speculative issues; an installment of Somerset Rivers' review of M. Maury's "Stamps of France," and an interesting array of correspondence and notes. Its growing strength with the business end of philately is in evidence in an increasing amount of advertising, well displayed.

Mekeel's

The most interesting thing in Mekeel's recently was Vanderhoof's notes on revenue stamps in the Oct. 25 issue. Three minor discoveries in tax paid, by J. D. Bartlett, are chronicled and described. Several new varieties are noted in the way of New York state fiscal's, and a growing interest in this branch of philatelic endeavor is subject of favorable remark. The issue of Oct. 30 was a "Chicago Special," which contained much interesting information on stamp men and stamp doings in the Windy City.

From the Foreign Exchanges

B. S. A. "Necessity Money"

A Cape Town correspondent of the Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly (London) after reading an article on the Encased Postage Stamps of the United States, published recently in that journal, contributed an interesting letter on the "Necessity Money," which, owing to the almost complete absence of coin, was put in circulation by the British South Africa Company in Bulawayo during the last Boer war. He says:

"I do not know the total amount of the currency provided, nor do I recollect all

(the values forming the series, but I have in my possession several specimens, ranging in value from 3d to 10 shillings, bearing the stamps, uncanceled, of the 1896, 1897 (re-engraved), and 1898 issues, which I keep as a memento of an historical event.

"Owing to the nature of the currency, the wear of circulation was rapid and disastrous; some specimens being almost beyond recognition after a few days' use and change of pockets. This will be understood from a short description of the 'money.'

"The company's stamps, as above mentioned, were used; one stamp only of a particular value being affixed to the back of an ordinary card (about 3x2 in.), the front of which bore the following, printed by a firm of printers in Bulawayo:

"The Civil Commissioner, Bulawayo:

"Please pay in cash to the person producing this card the face value of the stamp affixed thereto, if presented on or after the 1st of August, 1900.

"This card must be produced for redemption not later than the 1st of October, 1900."

to which was affixed the signature of the secretary, Mr. H. Marshall-Hole, over the official stamp of the Administrator's Office. The cards were legal tender in Bulawayo for the purchase of supplies, the payment of wages, etc., and were in use for some time, but the inhabitants generally were only too glad to exchange them for hard cash at the earliest opportunity, owing to their flimsy nature and the delapidated state into which most of them had fallen long before the time they became redeemable. Consequently, not many specimens are to be met with now-a-days. Those I have are in very good preservation, and, judging from some offers made for them, I should imagine that from a curio collector's point of view, they are of considerable value, considering the circumstances and place, with its associations, in which they were used as currency."

Errors in Stamps of Great Britain

In The Postage Stamp of Oct. 2, Fred J. Melville's bright and entertaining paper, "Miss Fitte" presents the first series of articles on "The World's Stamp Errors." This first article deals wholly with errors in the stamps of Great Britain. In outlining the scope of the series, the author proposes

to eliminate from consideration all errors of spelling in stamps that are wholly type-set; every error in or caused by the addition of an over-print or surcharge; stamps such as tete-beche pairs which are not errors when separated; "inverts," if the result of two or more printings; and "double prints," in the usual meaning of the term.

At the first blush, this would seem to circumscribe the scope of the article too closely, but the first article is well worth the reading. It is entertaining and instructive, and is manifestly the result of much painstaking study. The following errors are chronicled and fully described:

1841 1d. red-brown. "B." The letter "A" is omitted from the lower right-hand corner. This occurs in the Die I sheets, Plate No. 77.

1870 1½d. rose-red. "O. P.—P. C." The first error was one of omission; this was one of commission. The workman, mistaking an "O" for a "C," punched an "O" in the left top corner of the third stamp in the sixteenth horizontal row. There were about 67,000 of these errors, in various printings. They are perf. 14, but are supposed to exist imperf. in all the shades.

1867 10d. red-brown. Wmk. Emblems. The heraldic emblems paper was being superseded by the spray of rose paper, and two or three sheets of the former became mixed in a stack of the latter. Most of the copies were cancelled in Constantinople, but at least one London copy is known. It has not been found in unused state.

1875 2½ d. rosy-mauve. "L. H.—F. L." Printed on small anchor water-marked paper; 35,000 sheets were struck. In the last stamp of the eighth horizontal row of the upper pane, an "F" was used to punch the initial in the plate in the lower left-hand corner. The error was discovered in America in June, 1893.

1884 £1 brown-lilac. Wmk. Orbs. A mistake was made in issuing the order for the paper for these stamps, and as a result 80,800 of these stamps were printed on the orb paper instead of on the Imperial crown paper, three to a stamp. The stamp is more common over-printed I. R. Official than in its original state.

The October "Hobbyist"

Original Kendall's Winnipeg paper, in its October issue, contains some interesting matter, notably a summary of the first part of Dr. Carroll Chase's brochure on the three-cents stamp of 1851, written by the Doctor. The publicity thus given the work should result in arousing wide-spread interest in it. Henry J. Crocker, of San

Francisco, contributes some interesting notes on the western franks of the early overland express and mail companies. He tells a striking anecdote about the Pike's Peak and Missouri River express stamp.

These come stamped in black only. A collector found one stamped in green and consulted many specialists, who reported that it looked absolutely genuine, but that it never came in that color. At a meeting of the Pacific Philatelic Society it was being discussed, when one bright man said "that stamp is genuine and the express agent was an Irishman." When twitted about his brilliancy he offered as proof the dating of the stamp in the oval, March 17th. The stamp is absolutely genuine and the only one known.

It may be unbecoming for a stamp man to say it, but The Hobbyist is not well balanced. It seems to run all to stamps, and while the growing interest in philately in Canada, as in evidence in The Hobbyist, certainly is gratifying, it would seem that if the paper is to live up to its name, there should be something in it besides stamps and stamp collecting. Indeed, the criticism herein set forth is but voicing the comment of two or three hobbyists of the writer's acquaintance, who, attracted by its name, seized upon it with delight, but returned it in disappointment, because there was nothing in it to interest them.

Notes of the Exchanges

The Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly Review (Eng.) has reprinted from the French Sigismond Jean's "The Postage Stamps of Uruguay," under copyright. It is a work of great value to the collector of this interesting country's issues.

The Postage Stamp (Eng.) published practically complete reports of the American Philatelic Society's convention at Atlantic City, with reports of committees and officials and portraits of officials and chairmen. It was a great stroke of journalistic enterprise, and can not fail to make still more popular Mr. Melville's already popular journal.

According to the London Globe, Berne, Switzerland, is to have an international philatelic exhibition in 1911. Besides being the seat of the federal government, Berne is the home of the International Postal Union, to which all stamps used by the countries composing the Union are sent for registration and preservation. The exhibition will be held in one of the chambers of the new Casino, and should make of the city even more of a philatelic Mecca than it now is.

J. Ireland contributed an interesting article on the collection of French colonials to *The Postage Stamp* (Eng.). It was attractively illustrated, and ran through two numbers. The Oct. 2 issue of this journal contained a complete account of the postal service and postage stamps of the New Hebrides.

Collectors of special postmarks, as to which there have been several articles of interest in the *Fortnightly*, will add to their treasures the special cancellation for the recent "Aviation Week" at Rheims. This is a hexagonal mark inscribed "Betheny-Aviation."—*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*.

A correspondent sends us a letter from the Third Assistant Postmaster General, from which we quote: "Postmasters are not required to supply less than a full sheet of imperforate stamps, because of the lack of facilities for separating them. For the convenience of purchasers, how-

ever, the postmaster at Washington, D. C., has made arrangements to supply less than full sheets. You can obtain any quantity of imperforate Hudson-Fulton stamps desired by sending their value in a registered letter or postal M. O. to the postmaster at Washington."—*Mekeel's Weekly*.

Germany is following the lead of the United States in supplying stamps in rolls for vending machine use. Orders have lately been given that the current low-value German stamps be printed in long rolls of 500, one stamp wide, and be placed on sale at all the larger postoffices. The rolls are, of course, intended for use in the automatic vending machines, of which a goodly number are in operation in the principal German cities. Up to now the vending companies have been obliged to use rolls of stamps made by piecing together strips of ten—a decidedly laborious and unsatisfactory process.—*Redfield's Stamp News*.

A. P. S. Notes

The American Philatelic Society continues to grow rapidly, an examination of the Secretary's reports showing the gain in membership from September 25 to October 23, 30 members, with 16 applications pending October 23.

The Recruiting Committee, of which Mr. W. H. Barnum, Cleveland, Ohio, is Chairman, is getting down to work and, if it were not for the loss in membership each year through non-payment of dues, the membership should pass the 2,000 mark within the next three or four months. However, since the society suffers this loss through the expulsion of delinquent members, the achievement of a membership list of 2,000 is a larger task than appears on the face of it, and one that will try the mettle of Mr. Barnum's numerous aides. Now that the society has undertaken the publication of a quarterly magazine and of handbooks, there should be a large decrease in the number of withdrawals.

The educational work for the coming year is being taken up with great enthusiasm by the strong committee which President Mudge has appointed. The Educational Committee as constituted this year bids fair to do great work for the Society and for Philately generally, and should be given hearty support.

New Find in Swiss Stamps

It seems almost impossible that anything more could be discovered about or written of this old-world stamp (the Basle) issued sixty-four years ago, but the following paragraph communicated to the *Standard Shows* that this is not so.

"When part of the archive office at Bale was being cleaned recently, a sheet of fifteen rare stamps was discovered among a heap of dust-covered papers. The stamps, which are known to collectors as the 'doves of Bale,' are very valuable and extremely rare. This sheet of fifteen stamps—the largest number known to exist in one set—has been roughly valued at \$1,500, but, though a much larger price might be realized if the stamps were sold separately to collectors, it is improbable that they will come into the market."

We learn that this unique block (consisting of five rows of three, with margins above, below and on the right-hand side), was discovered behind some wallpaper, that it was rescued in fine condition, and after having been secured by Herr E. Zumbstein of Berne, now occupies a resting place in one of the greatest collections of the world.—*London Philatelist*.

In The Auction Rooms

All information for this department should be sent to W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St., Columbus, prior to the 1st of each month, for

the 30 days following the 15th of the same month. If copies of catalog before the sale and priced catalogs after the sale are sent to both the publisher and Mr. Field, your name will be placed on our exchange list. In case catalogs are not ready by the first, written information should be sent Mr. Field. When priced catalogs are furnished after the sale, the state of the market as reflected in the sale will be carefully analyzed and full credit given.

Coming Sales

- Nov. 16—J. C. Morgenthau & Co., 87 Nassau St., New York; twenty-sixth sale. 500 lots. Evening session.
- Nov. 19-20—Philadelphia Stamp Co., 1204 Chestnut St., Philadelphia; twentieth sale, 2,425 lots. Afternoon and evening sessions both days.
- Nov. 20—Co-Operative Exchange, 1464 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; nineteenth sale, 700 lots.
- Nov. 27—United Stamp Co., 1151 Marquette Building, Chicago; 140th sale, about 800 lots.

Auction Notes

The Lynde sale, to be held by the Philadelphia Stamp Company, will be one of the record sales of this season, both in quality of the stamps offered and completeness of the collection. Many stamps in it are seldom seen in dealers' stocks and are rarely found in collections offered for sale in the auction room. Although none of the great rarities is to be found in the list, the sale is full of many interesting things, especially minor varieties, unpriced in the different catalogues. The British Colonials in it are mostly twentieth century stamps in unusually good condition, the 10sh. King's head Lagos single CA; 1 pound Southern Nigeria King's single CA; and 5 pound Transvaal King's single CA are evidence of its completeness.

The specialized collection of Austria in unused condition in the different perforations, single and compound, ought to be attractive to students of that country, and offers a chance to fill in many vacant spaces. Denmark, Iceland, France, Finland and Holland are equal to Austria in completeness of nice stamps offered, and another feature is the French Colonials, which is especially rich in minor varieties made possible by bad printing. Another feature of the sale to show its completeness is the fact that it was necessary to use four of the leading catalogues to price it—but yet many spaces are still vacant.

Wolsleffer's sale, held Nov. 13, was rich in philatelic literature, among the items were four volumes of Mount Brown's early stamp catalogues, 1862 to 1864, which are now very scarce and highly interesting for comparisons in stamp values. A United States 1870 24c. grill; Confederate local Tallico Plains 5c; Saxony 3c No. 1, unused, and a 5sh. St. Vincent star watermark were a few of the good things offered.

The J. C. Morgenthau & Co. sale on Nov. 16 consists largely of a fine collection of Australian stamps, among which are 15 Sydney views.

The nineteenth auction sale of the Co-Operative Exchange, of Brooklyn, N. Y., listed in this department, shows an unusually good selection of United States proofs. Growing interest in these proofs, both card board and India paper, has been manifested strongly, in recent months, in a number of auctions. The price tendency seems to be upward, though they still may be bought at very reasonable prices. Two notable items in this sale are full sheets—one in yellow and one in magenta, of essays of the 3 cent, 1876.

Coin Collectors Meet

At the fourth annual convention of the Ohio State Numismatic Society, held in Columbus last month, George J. Schwartz, Wooster, was elected president; Dr. J. M. Henderson, Columbus, vice president; Robert T. King, Columbus, treasurer; Congressman William A. Ashbrook, Johnstown, secretary; Arthur B. Coover, Chillicothe, curator. There was a splendid exhibit of coins, tokens and paper money, and a successful auction was held. Of great interest to stamp collectors was a collection of encased stamps, used as change during the Civil War. Dr. Henderson, who retired as president to become vice president, is the newly-elected president of the National Numismatic Association. Congressman Ashbrook has promised his support to the American Philatelic Society's proposed legislation to permit the illustration of United States stamps.

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The Publisher's Page

A quarter now pays for a subscription to January, 1911. After January 1st, 50 cents per year.

Our hearty thanks are given to the representative dealers who have taken space in this first issue, and we have many letters and promises of support for future numbers which confirm our belief that we are in the right path.

Owing to the fact that the publication of The Stamp Collector was decided upon and rushed to completion within about two weeks, it was impossible to present an opportunity to all dealers to secure space for the first issue, but with this number in your hands you can readily determine from the general tone and appearance of same that it will be the high-class journal for American collectors and will be the one which will be appreciated and favored by

the serious collectors, both in this country and abroad. The larger dealers have needed for some time a high-class monthly magazine, through which they could keep in touch with the collectors of America, and such it will be our aim to furnish. Information as to rates, dates of closing of forms and of publication will be found on this page, and advertising contract blanks, which allow a liberal discount, will be supplied by request.

The following extract from the proposition to and the resolution of the Columbus Collectors' Club will give you the why and wherefore of the appearance of The Stamp Collector, and we believe that the combination thus created will be hard to beat.

Columbus, O., Nov. 1, 1909.

To the Columbus Collectors' Club:

The undersigned, having decided to publish a monthly magazine for stamp collectors, to be known as The Stamp Collector, offers the following proposition to the Columbus Collectors' Club:

The editorship of the magazine to be in the hands of the editor and associate editor appointed by the club, same being subject to the approval of the publisher. The editors to furnish copy for the publication and handle the editorial business of the magazine in the usual way. All matter for publication subject to the approval of the publisher.

The Stamp Collector will be the official organ of the club and will reflect in a way just what the club is doing and is capable of doing. It will in all ways be a journal of and for the club.

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(Signed) GEORGE WARD LINN,
 Publisher of The Stamp Collector.

The resolution of the Columbus Collectors' Club accepting the proposition follows:

Whereas, A monthly philatelic magazine is to be published in the City of Columbus by Mr. George Ward Linn; and,

Whereas, The editorial management of said magazine has been offered by him to the Columbus Collectors' Club; it is hereby

Resolved, That the Columbus Collectors' Club accepts Mr. Linn's proposition and hereby directs its Board of Directors to make the necessary arrangements for such editorial management and, it is further

Resolved, That said magazine be and it is hereby designated as the Official Organ of the Columbus Collectors' Club, it being understood that Mr. Linn agrees to hold the Club free of all financial responsibility or expense in connection with the publication.

Record of New Issues

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Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Argentine Republic

The 6 centavos has been issued in the new San Martin type, according to Gibbons' Weekly. The first stamps of this type appeared in 1908.

Adhesive—

6 c. olive-bistre.

Barbados

The following stamps, with colors changed to conform to the new color scheme have been received from The New England Stamp Company. Stamps are of the Britannia and sea-horses type, wmkd. multiple Crown C A, perf. 14, value in second color.

Adhesives—

¼d. brown, ordinary.

1d. carmine, ordinary.

6d. dull and bright purple, ordinary.

Bolivia

Gibbons Weekly states there has been an issue of four stamps to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the revolution of July, 1809 (?). Twelve thousand of each value were printed and the set was to be current during July, August and September, but all except the two Bolivianos were exhausted by the end of August. Large rectangular stamps with centers in black.

Adhesives—

5 c. blue (coat-of-arms).

10 c. green (Murillo).

20 c. pale orange (Lanza).

2 Bol. red (?).

Bulgaria

Below is a list of the provisionals of this country issued during 1909, as given by Gibbons Weekly. The New England Stamp Company have forwarded most of these for our inspection and we find some rather interesting shades in the stamps of the 1889-1890 issue, showing that the stamps of more than one printing were over-printed. We have also noted one or two minor varieties due to broken type in the over-print.

Can any of our readers inform us whether the 25 on 30 stot. of the 1901 issue, blue over print, and the 10 on 50 stot. of the 1889-90 issue, with black over-print, are errors?

Adhesives—

Over-printed in Black (Bk.), blue (B.) or in red (R.) on 1901 issue.

5 on 15 stot. greenish black and lake (B.).

10 on 15 stot. greenish black and lake (B.).

25 on 30 stot. black and bistre-brown (R.).

25 on 30 stot. black and bistre-brown (B.).

On 1889-90 issue

perf. 13-13½,

over-printed 1909 in black,

1 stot. lilac,

a—over print inverted;

5 stot. green,

a—over-print inverted.

Over-printed 1909 and value in two lines,

5 on 30 stot. brown (Bk.).

10 on 15 stot. yellow (Bk.).

10 on 15 stot. blue-green (R.).

10 on 50 stot. blue-green (Bk.).

China

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the new Chinese commemorative stamps. The stamps, which were engraved and printed by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd., are oblong, the center showing a picture of the Temple of Heaven. Above they are inscribed "Chinese Empire" and "Hsuan Tung First Year," in two lines. On each side is a Chinese inscription and the numeral of value appears in an oval at bottom.

Adhesives—

Center in first color.

2 c. green and orange.

3 c. greenish blue and orange.

7 c. purple and orange.

Colombian Republic

Gibbons Weekly reports the following stamps as appearing with a black over-print, converting them into official stamps. The surcharge is set up in a horizontal strip of five, double frame line around strip and four vertical lines dividing the strip into five parts.

Overprinted in black

Correos

Departa-

mentales.

Scott's Nos. 308, 349, 350a, 351a, 352a, 353, 354, 356, 361, 363, 364, 361 imperf., 363 imperf., 519 and 563.

Cook Islands

The current 1d. stamp, wmkd. Star and N. Z. close, perf. 14, is now appearing in carmine.

Adhesive—

1d. carmine.

Diego Suarez

A copy of the 1892 15 centimes blue, Scott's Nos. 18, with inverted over-print, is reported by Gibbons Weekly.

Gold Coast

Current type in new color, multiple chalky paper, perf. 14, chronicled on the authority of Gibbons Weekly.

Adhesive—

1 s. black on green.

Italy

From Gibbons Weekly we learn that an imperforate pair of the current 10 centesimi stamp has been found in London.

Adhesive—

10 c. rose, imperforate.

New Zealand

The Philatelic Adviser reports the current ½d. imperforate, one sheet having been issued in error.

Adhesive—

Wmkd. single-lined N Z and Star,
½d. green, imperforate.

Paraguay

The following provisionals are reported by Gibbons Weekly.

Adhesives—

Scott's type A 35. overprinted 1909 in black.

1 c. bluish-grey.

5 c. grey-green.

10 c. carmine.

20 c. chromo-yellow.

Siam

The following stamps of the 1906-08 issue, over-printed in the new currency, have been received from The New England Stamp Company:

Over-printed in new currency in black.

Adhesives—

100 satangs equal 1 tical.

2 sat. on 1 a. green and yellow.

3 sat. on 3 a. grey and deep violet.

6 sat. on 4 a. rose and carmine.

12 sat. on 8 a. olive-bistre and dull black.

14 sat. on 9 a. pale blue and blue.

Southern Nigeria

The New England Stamp Company has shown us all of the below mentioned stamps except the 1 pound, which is chronicled on authority of Gibbons Stamp Weekly. Stamps are of the current type in the new colors, wmkd. multiple Crown C. A. perf. 14.

Adhesives—

2d. greyish-slate, ordinary.

2½d. ultramarine, chalky.

3d. purple on yellow, chalky.

4d. black and red on yellow, chalky.

6d. dull and bright purple, chalky.

1s. black on green, chalky.

2s. 6d. black and red on blue, chalky.

5s. green and red on yellow, chalky.

10s. green and red on green, chalky.

£1. purple and black on red, chalky.

Straits Settlements

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the 5 cents in brown-orange on multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

5 c. brown-orange.

Transvaal

The 2s. 6d. on multiple chalky paper is reported by Mekeel's Weekly.

Adhesive—

2s. 6d. mauve and black.

Trinidad

Gibbons Weekly chronicles the following in the new colors, current Britannia type. multiple chalky paper, perf. 14, value in second color:

Adhesives—

4d. black and red on yellow.

6d. dull and bright purple.

Turkey

Gibbons Weekly reports the appearance of one value of a new issue. design similar to 1908 issue, except that inscription at right of the large central inscription reads "Rechad" (the name of the new sultan), instead of "Abdul-Hamid." We are informed that other values will appear shortly.

Adhesive—

20 paras, rose carmine.

Uruguay

Two stamps were issued August 24 to commemorate the opening of the Port of Montevideo. Following is the description of them appearing in Gibbons Weekly:

"The stamps appear to be surface printed and are in sheets of 25, the watermark 'R. O.' appearing all over the sheets in the form of script capitals, enclosed in lozenges 9mm. high. The stamps were manufactured by the Compania Sud-Americana de Billetes de Banco, 200,000 of each having been printed.

"The stamps were available for three days only, inclusive of the day of issue."

The central portion of the design, which is printed in grey-black, shows a picture of the Port of Montevideo.

Adhesives—

2 c. brown and grey-black.

5 c. salmon-pink and grey-black.

Philatelic Literature

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone

interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

Stamp Literature at Auction

The most interesting event for some time to literature collectors is the offering of 139 lots of books and magazines in Wolsieffer's 100th auction sale, which was held on the 13th. The remarkable feature of the offerings is the value and rarity of the publications. We can not attempt to give a description of the entire 139 lots, as they occupy nearly five pages of space in the auction catalog. It is our belief that no such lot of valuable publications as those listed have changed hands in America for many years, either at public or private sale.

We hope to be able to give a review of the prices realized in our next issue.

The entire 139 lots are offered for sale as one lot and also in separate lots, in case the bid for the entire lot does not equal the combined bids for the separate lots they will be sold separately.

Among the rarer pieces offered we mention:

The Standard Guide to Postage Stamp Collecting; by Bellars and Davie, London, 1865.

Four copies of Mount Brown's Postage Stamp Catalog; 1862, second edition, 1863, third edition, and 1863 and 1864, fourth and fifth editions.

Collin and Calman's Catalog for Advanced Collectors, in three volumes, fully illustrated, and also with complete set of illustrations of all U. S. postage stamps and envelopes.

A "De Luxe" Edition of John N. Luff's Postage Stamps of the United States. This is one of 50 copies signed by the author and containing full illustrations of all U. S. postage stamps.

The Postage Stamps of Switzerland, 1843 to 1862, by Mirabaud and De Reuterskiöd. This is an English edition, only 150 copies of which were printed. The value of this book is variously estimated at from \$50 to \$100.

E. B. Sterling's United States Revenue Catalog—1888. The first series of the American Journal of Philately from Vol. I, 1868, to Vol. II, 1877; also the second series

from Vol. I, 1888, to Vol. XVI, 1903, a valuable library in itself.

Several complete files and volumes of other scarce and desirable papers of days gone by are also offered. The collection in itself would make a reference library for any collector to be proud of, but the entire lot is beyond the reach of the average collector, as the selling price should run well into three figures.

A 16-page section of advance sheets from the first number of The Philatelic Journal of America, which Mr. C. H. Mekeel is reviewing, has just been sent us by Mr. Mekeel. The size of the magazine varies somewhat from previous volumes; the pages before us measure 6½x10 inches and are made up of two columns set 2 1-6 inches (13 picas) wide and 7½ inches long. The advance sheets contain an exhaustive article on the special perforations being applied to current U. S. stamps, besides several pages of other interesting matter entirely different from and above the reading matter found in the usual American papers.

The advance sheets prove conclusively that America will have a philatelic publication second to none, and the best feature about it is that it will come twice a month.

The date for the appearance of the first regular number is not announced.

The editor of this department is a collector of Philatelic Literature and will have some announcements to make which should help to enliven this branch of our hobby. The first one of which is to the effect that early after the first of the year he will publish a Literature Collector's Year Book, and asks the assistance of everyone interested in the hobby. It is intended to give a complete list of all papers in the English language issued during 1909, names of publishers, number of copies issued, etc. A list of all literature collectors known to the publisher will also be printed, and any other matter which seems to be of interest. Only a limited number of copies will be printed, in the best of style, on high grade paper, and each copy will be numbered and signed by the publisher.

Your assistance is requested in furnishing names of collectors and any information regarding handbooks or papers issued during the current year.

Stamp Doings Across the Water

Saturday, Oct. 2, witnessed simultaneously the ushering in of the new philatelic season in London, and the termination of the successful Golden West Stamp Exhibition at Earl's Court.

The opening of the season was signalized by the Junior Philatelic Society holding their inaugural meeting of the session 1909-10 at Prince Henry's Council Chamber, 17 Fleet street, when their popular president delivered his eleventh annual address, writes a London correspondent of Redfield's. This discourse always contains much that is of interest to the philatelic public at large, besides an outline of the general policy of the society for the year, which, occupying the prominent position that it does in the philatelic world, must necessarily largely reflect that of the philatelic public in Great Britain in general.

This year Mr. Melville laid particular stress upon the manifold pleasure and advantage to be derived from a judicious association of items of newspaper intelligence with current postage stamp emissions and changes. He referred to a number of political events of the past year which had given rise to philatelic changes in Crete, Turkey, Kedah, the Congo territory, etc., and went on to mention the coming South African Union, stating that the Anchor watermark error which was discovered last year on the Transvaal stamps had, by a strange coincidence, been actually prophetic of coming political happenings in South Africa.

The summer, Mr. Melville said, had been extremely prosperous as regards the stamp trade in England, and a boom in stamps was being experienced in the United States, where the famous Paul collection has just been sold to the New England Stamp Company of Boston for \$57,000, probably the highest price ever paid outright for a stamp collection in America.

The closing night of the Earl's Court exhibition has in past years gained for itself an unenviable notoriety for rowdyism and horse-play when the exhibition grounds are usually invaded by gangs of boisterous youths, whom a prominent London daily very aptly described as "grocery assistants masquerading as medical students." Accordingly the meeting was terminated somewhat earlier than usual and a number of the more courageous members, headed by the president, repaired to the Stamp Exhibit section of the Golden West exhibi-

tion, to protect the valuable collections on show there from damage by roving bands of rapacious and irresponsible Cockney hooligans.

Fortunately these precautions proved entirely unnecessary and the closing scenes, though accompanied by considerable vocal effort, were distinguished by a complete absence of riotous behavior.

The correspondent then alludes to the receipt of the Hudson-Fulton commemorative stamps in London, and gives the description of the three stamps included in the new Chinese celebration issue:

The design, which bears the imprint of Waterlow & Sons at the foot, consists of a view of the world-famous Temple of Heaven, in the Imperial Palace at Peking, a sacred building which, previous to the Boxer operations of 1900, had never been penetrated by Europeans. This central device is printed in a different color for each value, whilst the ornamental framework is the same on each stamp, viz: Imperial Yellow.

These stamps mark the advent of two new values—3 and 7 cents—in the category of Chinese stamps.

The first anniversary of the establishment of Penny Postage between the United States and Great Britain passed practically without comment in the philatelic press, although but a short twelve months ago we were all excitement over the issue of special commemorative envelopes, handbooks, etc. It is understood that the total increase in the volume of mail matter exchanged between the two countries during 1908-09 amounted to something like 25 per cent, the number of letters dispatched from the United States to England during that period being estimated at 25,000,000 and those from England to America at 44,740,000.

A gratifying sign of the cordial relations existing between the two great English-speaking nations of the world is instanced by the increased attention that is being paid by English philatelists and the philatelic press in Great Britain to American stamp matters.

There is scarcely an English stamp paper without its American correspondent, chief amongst which may be reckoned the entertaining gossip furnished by the New York representative of the English name-sake of this journal, whose letters are eagerly looked for and read with keen ap-

preciation by the readers of that paper, whilst another English philatelic weekly has recently devoted a large proportion of no less than three of its numbers to a very full and complete account of the recent convention of the American Philatelic Association at Atlantic City.

In the United States several of the principal journals print letters from the London correspondents at regular intervals, all of which helps to bring the philatelists of both countries into closer contact with each other and to foster a feeling of brotherhood and fellowship in their hearts.

The sale of remainder stocks of obsolete stamps, even though at a premium on their face value, can not be said to be beneficial to the interests of our hobby, and the writer therefore learns with regret that the crown agents for the colonies are offering for sale by tender a large number of the obsolete queen's head stamps of British Honduras which, having apparently escaped destruction in the great fire which destroyed the postoffice at Belize, are to be made to provide funds for its reconstruction.

Cleveland Chatter

The local club, the Garfield-Perry, has entered upon what bids fair to be its banner season. No less than twenty-five enthusiasts attended the last meeting, including Mr. Ivor Johnson of Chicago and Mr. Clarence Wilson of Detroit. After the regular order of business Mr. Johnson gave an interesting twenty-minute talk upon the manufacture of United States stamps. He recently inspected the plant and system of the Bureau of Engraving at Washington, as the guest of Mr. Charles R. Morris. While, of course, our members were familiar with this subject, in a general way, Mr. Johnson brought out many before unknown points, and told his story so clearly that it seemed almost like a "picture talk." Mr. Wilson followed with a "ginger" talk on Detroit, the next convention city, and aroused much enthusiasm.

Aside from the general awakening the country over in philatelic subjects, and which is felt here as elsewhere, the big factor in our club's present activity is, without doubt, D. H. Beatty, the present secretary, and if the members have their way he has a life claim upon the office. Coming into the club less than two years ago, he already is a power with his live, business-like methods.

Speaking of Mr. Beatty brings to mind that he recently came across a puzzler that, at the present writing, is still unsolved. This is in the shape of several blocks of the current two-cent stamp, on which the paper appears in a dark olive brown, giving the stamps much the appearance of the old-time experimental chemical papers. Mr. Beatty, in common with all the collectors to whom he showed them, naturally

jumped to the conclusion that the stamps had been soaked in an oil of some kind, but this was later disproved, as stamps given various oil tests failed to assume any such color and, in addition, the oil invariably soaked through to the gum, whereas, in these stamps, the odd color is wholly on the surface and can be scraped off, the white paper remaining. In addition, these specimens were treated with muriatic acid, peroxide, alcohol and gasoline in turn, but none of these tests changed the color in the slightest. These stamps were received by a local mail order house as a remittance, from a Chicago customer, whose name they refused to divulge, so that Mr. Beatty is unable to get any information at that end of the line. In consequence, the local Wise Men are still guessing.

To collectors in general it will be interesting to know that the select committee of nine, appointed by the Atlantic City convention, to consider and formulate plans for the issuing of a United States catalogue, has met and organized. Mr. George H. Worthington, the Cleveland member of this committee, attended the meeting in New York and, incidentally, took the initiative in demanding that this be a priced catalogue, if published at all. Mr. Worthington believes that the field for reference lists already is covered by Mr. Luff's work and the new book by Mr. Power, which is just being issued, and therefore it would be foolish for the Society to publish a volume which would simply be a re-hash of other works.

The local A. P. S. branch will be under the direction of Mr. John F. Rust, who recently was elected Branch Manager, vice

W. C. Rhodes, who refused a re-election. Mr. Rust is peculiarly fitted for this work, as he has much leisure and is an ardent A. P. S. man.

It would not be fitting to bring these notes to a close without mentioning the fact that Cleveland collectors feel proud that they should have had the first view of the now famous Paul collection, as it was brought here, direct, by Messrs. Carpenter and Batchelder of the New England Company. Mr. Batchelder was here no less than ten days.

PERNICIOUS PENSLIP.

New Legislative Committee

President Henry N. Mudge of the American Philatelic Society has reappointed Paul Mason of Columbus chairman of the National Legislative Committee. George K. Smith, also of Columbus, takes the place of Henry S. Adair as the other Columbus member. Dr. H. A. Whipple of Omaha is the western member. In the face of Mr. Charles R. Morris' refusal to continue on the committee, a Washington member remains to be selected, with one from New York or New England, the committee having been increased to five, in accordance with the chairman's recommendation in his report to the Atlantic City convention. Acting on the advice of two or three members of Congress, with whom he has come in contact, the chairman will recommend to his fellows that the committee this year confine its efforts to securing a joint resolution by Congress empowering the Postmaster General to authorize the illustration of United States stamps in the proposed specialized U. S. catalogue. As planned, the cuts necessary for illustration would be used under the direction of the department or one of its agents, and after being used, would be returned to the custody of the department, to be held in trust for the Society.

It is believed that this would be an effective entering wedge to the greater demand the Society has in view—a blanket law permitting the illustration of United States stamps in catalogues, circulars, stamp and newspapers.



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During October the Columbus Collectors' Club held two meetings.

At the meeting of October 6, Mr. Linn gave a very entertaining and instructive talk on the various methods of printing and engraving. The talk was accompanied by a display of type, cuts, etchings and samples of different kinds of color work.

Mr. Eben S. Martin of Evergreen, Ala., was present at this meeting and addressed the club.

October 19, Mr. C. B. Duffy exhibited his fine collection of United States proofs and essays. A collection of United States proofs makes a beautiful display and collectors are waking up to this fact, as well as to the fact that, in proportion to the number of corresponding stamps issued, proofs are scarce and are bound to increase in value.

November 2, the subject of perforations was discussed and it was somewhat surprising to find how little our members knew of this important subject, especially as regards the mechanical side. It is not unlikely that "The Stamp Collector" will be asked to publish something in regard to the various machines used in perforating stamps.

Among the important business matters that have come before the Columbus Collectors' Club was a plan for the formation of a Stamp Exchange, presented by Mr. Opha Moore. This plan received the unqualified support of the club and, as soon as all the details are worked out, we understand the exchange will be put in operation.

Another matter of importance was the selection of "The Stamp Collector" as Official Organ at the meeting of November 2. The text of the resolution appears on another page.

By virtue of the authority contained in the resolution, the Board of Directors selected the editors, whose names are given elsewhere in the magazine.

November 16 the club will take up the

subject of cancellations appearing on United States stamps, and each member is expected to bring as many interesting domestic or foreign cancellations on United States stamps as possible.

November 30 the members will have an opportunity to see some of the treasures of Mr. George H. Worthington, and a number of other good things are in prospect for future meetings. A decided innovation in the programs of the club will be the giving up of the meeting of December 30 to the social side of our hobby. It is hoped that this meeting will be the means of emphasizing what is perhaps the most important feature of stamp collecting—the good fellowship that goes with the true collecting spirit.

Secretary Adair Goes South

It is with regret that we chronicle the loss to Columbus philatelic activities, for a time at least, of Henry S. Adair, who has been identified with every movement for the betterment of philately since he became of stamp collecting age, by his removal to Atlanta. He was one of the organizers of the Columbus Collectors' Club, and has been one of its mainstays ever since, his activities including more than a year and a half as its secretary. Since his resignation from that office, his labors as secretary of the American Philatelic Society have made his name known wherever stamps are collected, and he in turn has made the name of his local organization known as that of a bunch of live wires. While Columbus regrets to lose him, his friends here feel and believe that his removal to the South will result in an early and appreciable advent of philatelic activity in that part of the country. Their hopes are strong, and their good wishes will follow him without stint.

New Dies For Current U. S.

New dies for the 1 and 2 cent stamps of the current issues have been prepared by the bureau of engraving and printing at Washington, or at least are in course of preparation. They will carry the numerals, 1 and 2, in the absence of which the stamps now in use violate at least the spirit of the Universal Postal Rules agreement concerning the designs of lower value.

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CONSIDER the postage stamp, my son;
its usefulness consists in sticking to
one thing Until it gets there.

—Josh Billings

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The Editor's Foreword

The Worthington Collection

In many respects the stamp collectors of Columbus have been singularly fortunate. In its less than three years of life many good things have come to the club. Formed at a time when philatelic activities in the state seemingly were confined to Cleveland, it has gone steadily from small beginnings to great accomplishments, and has made for itself a record and a name as about the liveliest aggregation of collectors in the country. Of course it has worked hard, and most of its success has come because it always has set a task for itself to do, and this is as it should be.

But—and also as it should be—once in a while something good comes to it without any particular effort on its part. And then it feels—in the words of the evangelist—that it is good to be here. One of these good things was the dispatch, last month, by Mr. George H. Worthington of Cleveland, of a part of his matchless collection to Columbus for the delight of the local collectors. It is a rare privilege to see even a part of Mr. Worthington's treasures; so rare, even in Cleveland, that they are ever new to those who have seen them oftenest. It is doubly rare that he permits even a part of them to go so far from home, and that he should send such splendid sections as those of Canada, Cape of Good Hope and Denmark, which were on exhibition Tuesday night, Nov. 30, for the delectation of the club, is a doubly appreciated honor.

To those members who had not before had the pleasure of meeting his secretary, Mr. Alvin Good, who brought the collection to Columbus, the pleasure of seeing the

stamps was increased, because it added to the circle of their friends one who showed himself to be a jolly good fellow.

Broader Convention Programs

The editor of *Redfield's* comes to the fore with an unqualified indorsement of Mr. Nast's suggestion in the *October Stamp Journal* that something should be done in the American Philatelic Society conventions to give them an educational and instructional value. It is to be hoped that with two such able exponents the idea will take root, and that something besides routine and "entertainment" will be included in the future convention programs. It has been something of a sore spot with the members of the Columbus Collectors' Club that, proceeding on the assumption the conventions were educational as well as for business and entertainment they made arrangements for several papers of great value to be presented to the convention in this city, only to be bluntly told, after the convention met, that there was no room for them and they were not provided for in the bylaws. An exception was made in the case of Mr. Farran Zerbe, president of the Numismatic Association, but with this exception the whole of this part of the program was so promptly and effectively squelched that the members of the Columbus convention committee have felt in an apologetic mood ever since. Therefore it is with real delight that *The Stamp Collector* welcomes Brothers Quackenbush and Nast as comrades in a campaign for a broader scope to the activities of the national conventions.

To Our Friends, Thanks

The welcome accorded to The Stamp Collector has been so cordial that the editor and publisher are moved to the thought that maybe it was better than we had dared to hope. Many friends, with vehicles of expression at their command, have said kind words; the dealers have given us recognition, perhaps all that could be expected of so new a paper put together in such a hurry, and subscriptions have come in generously. For all these, many thanks. When we really get our bearings we hope to justify all these and many more.

Marginalia

THE EDITOR of our Esteemed Boston Contemporary is quite correct; sample copies of The Stamp Collector will be sent gladly to all who may indicate a desire to receive them.

IF DR. COOK or Commander Peary had been up to snuff, philatelically speaking, either would have clinched his proof of presence at the pole by getting out a provisional issue of stamps.

THERE'S A NEW revolution in Nicaragua, in which four brothers Estrada are trying to break into a new issue of postage stamps. It's a question, at this writing, whether Zelaya is able to lick them.

WORD FROM WASHINGTON to the effect that designs are being made for a new nickel, bearing the head of

Washington, calls renewed attention to the crying need for a nickel that will stay with us.

THOSE BRETHREN who are contemplating attending the next A. P. S. convention must remember that because it is to be held in the City of the Straits it will be increasingly necessary to walk in the straight and narrow path.

AND NOW UNCLE SAM is about to wallop Nicaragua, as if it wasn't enough for that little country to be afflicted with Zelaya and 13 pages in the catalogue at the same time—to say nothing of a bunch of cast-off politicians in the shape of American consuls, most of whom are busy feathering their own nests at the expense of the Nicaraguans. Zelaya is about as bad as they make 'em, but Lord deliver us from the average U. S. consul to Central America.

WILL E. CAIN, member of the Columbus Collectors' Club, for the last 18 months connected with the Johnstown (Pa.) Democrat, blew into Columbus the other day just in time to see the Worthington collection of Cape of Good Hope stamps. B. S. A. is Brother Cain's specialty, and what he saw made such an impression on him that when he went to a restaurant after the meeting to get a lunch before starting east, he made the waiter serve his ham and eggs in triangles.

Part of Worthington Collection in Columbus

Nov. 30, the date of the seventy-first regular meeting of the Columbus Collectors' Club, will be entered as a red letter day in its alistory. The presence in its rooms, 505 Columbus Savings & Trust Building, of a part of the great Worthington collection, brought to Columbus by Mr. Worthington's secretary, made the occasion a notable one.

The display of the evening being such a large and important one, all business was dispensed with and the President, after a few words of welcome, turned the meeting over to Mr. Alvin Good. Mr. Good, who is Private Secretary to Mr. George H. Worthington of Cleveland, had with him the collections of Canada, Cape of Good Hope and Denmark, which Mr. Worthington permit-

ted him to exhibit to the club. A complete description of the many gems in these great collections is impossible. Pairs, strips, blocks and rare splits vie with each other for attention, the whole effect being rather bewildering to one whose acquaintance with many of these stamps has been only through the medium of some catalogue.

The Canadian collection contains many attractive items. In the 1851 issue, laid paper, an unused copy of the 6d. was noted, also a pair and single of the 12d. and a single on cover. The wove paper set was represented by used and unused singles of the two lower values and a fine copy of the 12d.

Numerous used and unused copies of the

stamps of the 1855-57 issue were shown, one of the gems being an unused strip of three of the 6d, violet on very thick soft wove paper, an extreme rarity. Of the 1857 issue, perforated 12, there were numerous copies, including five copies of the 6d.

Of the 1859 issue a block of four, thirty-two singles, an imperforate block of four and a split (on cover) of the 10c. red lilac were shown, together with the very scarce black brown used and unused and a split on cover.

The 1859-64 issue, Nos. 18 to 20 in the Standard Catalogue, was represented by blocks and singles and imperforate blocks. A red cancellation on the 17c. blue, which is considered very scarce, was also noted.

The rest of the collection is as complete as the first part, being particularly rich in shades and imperforate blocks. A split of the 6c. 1868 on cover, an unused copy of the 1c. orange 1870 on laid paper, copies of the 2c. on two-thirds of 3c. and 1c. on one-third of 3c. 1898, as well as mint blocks of both varieties of the 2c. on 3c. 1898, with inverted overprint, were noted.

Any collection of triangular Capes is sure to prove attractive, but when the stamps are shown used and unused in singles, pairs and blocks, words fail.

The Perkins, Bacon & Co. issues on blue and on white paper were fully represented, some magnificent blocks being shown, also a split of the 6d. lilac.

Of the wood blocks, an unused block of four 1d., and copy of the brick red unused

and unused pair of the 4d. were noted. The error 1d. blue was represented by a single and by an unsevered pair of the 1d. and 4d. Of the 4d. red error a single was shown and a block consisting of three of the 1d. and one of the 4d. used on cover, which is said to be absolutely unique.

The De La Rue set was rich in large blocks. An exceedingly rare item in this set was a pair of the 1d. on Crown C. C. paper.

The later issues were shown in great profusion, all varieties of surcharge being represented. Perhaps the most interesting item in the later issues was a mint copy of the 5s. orange, Crown C. A. watermark, a great rarity in unused condition.

The third collection shown, Denmark, was quite up to those of Canada and Cape of Good Hope for completeness. Like the other two collections, it was rich in mint blocks and the time devoted to the study of this country was well spent.

Not the least enjoyable feature of the exhibit was the little talk with which Mr. Good accompanied the display. His entire willingness to answer questions and explain obscure points resulted in many interesting items of information being developed. The Columbus Collectors' Club was very fortunate in having the opportunity to see these treasures and is deeply grateful to Mr. Worthington for the privilege, and also to Mr. Good for the manner in which he displayed and explained the stamps.

The meeting adjourned at a late hour.

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.

The courtesy of two copies is requested, on a reciprocal basis, from

Redfield's Stamp Weekly

Redfield's continues to fill acceptably its mission as a Philatelic newspaper, with a considerable amount of interesting news scattered through the November numbers. In addition, the editorial scissors have been used discriminatingly in the selection of an interesting lot of informing matter from the foreign press. Unfortunately, there have been some serious reversions to the errors in "makeup" which for so long marred the paper, and which it was hoped had been practically eliminated by the removal of the printing to another shop. But accidents will happen, even in the best regulated families, and in view of the interesting nature of the contents, its friends

and readers will forgive if Galley 9 and Galley 6 obtrude their personalities occasionally.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News

L. Harald Kjellstedt, international secretary of the A. P. S., is making the foreign news and comment department of the official organ of vast interest. There is no one better equipped to make such a department interesting and valuable, and Mekeel's is to be congratulated on securing this exclusive service. Two special editions—Chicago and Texas, the latter complimentary to the Southern Association convention—have tended somewhat to diminish the mere A.

P. S. member's interest in matters Philatelic, as seen through Boston eyes, but the intervening issues were sufficiently diversified to mitigate the disappointment.

The Stamp Journal

The seal of prosperity is manifest on the 36 pages of the November number, to which Mr. Nast contributes an interesting paper on the new catalogue prices on match and medicine stamps. "Plate Number Collection; Shades of U. S. Postage," from the same versatile pen, is of special and timely interest in view of the mild controversy in England, where the plate number collectors have felt called upon to explain and defend their hobby in a recent issue of Gibbons' Stamp Weekly. Mr. DeKay's master touch is manifest in the 22 pages of advertising

From the Foreign Exchanges

The West End Philatelist

Collectors of Bulgarian issues will be interested in the notes on stamps of Bulgaria contained in the October issue of this English journal. Concerning the 50 stotinki of the 1889-96 issue the editor writes:

"Judging from the singles and blocks I have seen of this value it was issued only in the larger sheets of 180, but whether there was more than one printing I can not say at present. I have two large blocks, one of seven rows of 12 and the other of eight rows of 12. They probably form an entire sheet, but as both are devoid of even the merest trifle of margin, it is impossible to say which is the top and which the bottom portion of the sheet. There are plenty of minor varieties in the shape of broken lines, etc., by means of which this value probably could be plated, but none is of sufficient importance to warrant special mention. Dark and pale tints may be obtained, but differences in shade are not very striking. This value was reported perf. 11½, and also 15 by The Philatelic Record, in 1893, but as no one seems to have seen copies of these, it may be inferred that these do not exist."

The Stamp Lover

J. Ireland contributes a brief article to this journal which will appeal to all collectors who struggle vainly with the complications of the standard catalogues. Mr. Ireland argues the question whether collection of old or new stamps is preferable, but at the bottom it is a cry of distress against the burdening of the catalogues with minute and useless varieties. In part he says: "The argument brought forward in favor of the 'old' stamps is that apart from the

beauty of design which exists in a great number of cases the catalogue value is far greater than that of new issues ever can be. The new issue collector, as a rule, takes his stamps in mint condition, considering that they are always worth their face value, and that if he begins at a certain period, say with 'King's heads,' he can attain a certain measure of completeness.

"If a beginner turns to the catalogue to try and form an independent opinion, he probably will conclude that the new issue camp is right. * * * Because he will see that he has set himself a task he may hope to complete, at least within certain limitations, because he can get them. Whereas, owing to over elaboration of lists in the catalogue, many of the older stamps are beyond the means of those now beginning to collect.

"The only remedy is to drop the over-elaboration that exists in the catalogues and get down to stamp collecting. The long lists of varieties can be consigned to hand-books, which are being produced at prices within the reach of everybody. When the general collector will be able to make more headway, and if he wishes to take up any country in detail, this can be done with the aid of the handbook on that country."

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly

Taking issue with a writer in The London Philatelist, who in an article on "The Postage Due Stamps of Australia," declared that "postage due labels" in general, and those of Australia in particular, "are not postage stamps at all," the editor of Gibbons' pertinently asks "What is Postage?" and then proceeds to answer his question as follows:

"Postage is simply the charge for the transmission (with or without delivery) of a letter or packet sent through the post. It does not matter whether that charge is paid in advance or collected on delivery, it is postage just the same; and if the charge is indicated by means of a stamp, or label, or adhesive token, the thing is a postage stamp, in one case as much as in the other. We have no personal affection for postage due stamps; on the contrary we wish they had never been invented, for there are plenty of stamps to collect without including them. They are a special class of postage stamps, but they certainly are stamps, and they as certainly indicate postage.

"* * * * It is open to us all to collect what we please, and a collector has as much right to omit postage due stamps, or official stamps, as he has to omit stamped envelopes and post cards; but do not let him proclaim that 'collecting of postage due

stamps is not Philately," because no individual collector has a right to say what Philately is or is not."

The Hobbyist

Mr. Kendall, in his November number, gives evidence of his enterprise in having secured from Dr. Corroll Chase, author of the recently issued handbook on The Three Cent United States Stamp of 1851, a monograph on "Watermarks on the 1847, 1851 and 1857 United States Adhesives." It is a fact little known or regarded that these watermarks exist, though Mr. Luff mentions them in his "United States." There is much other interesting reading matter, including an article by Mr. Crocker, comparing present auction prices with those obtained at a Sotheby sale of stamps in London, in 1872.

Notes of the Exchanges

All the English stamp papers devote considerable space to the recent exhibition of the Junior Philatelic Society at Brighton, the first stamp exhibit ever seen in the ancient town.

Leon Carter Grosjean of Shreveport, La., has increased the size of his Southern Philatelist from four to eight pages, with the November number, and has made a very newsy showing in the way of brief items, which most stamp papers lack.

A. C. Roessler's house organ, The Stamp News, New York, prints rather more news matter than most folio publications of this kind. Mr. Roessler has the right idea. Collectors want stamp news quite as much as they want clear-cut advertisements.

In The Auction Rooms

C All information for this department should be sent to W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St. Columbus, prior to the 1st of each month, for the 30 days following the 15th of the same month. **C** If copies of catalog before the sale and priced catalogs after the sale are sent to both the publisher and Mr. Field, your name will be placed on our exchange list. **C** In case catalogs are not ready by the first, written information should be sent Mr. Field. **C** When priced catalogs are furnished after the sale, the state of the market as reflected in the sale will be carefully analyzed and full credit given.

Coming Auction Sales

The list of coming auction sales is necessarily short this month, because the auction houses in many cases have failed to notify us of the dates of their sales after our date of publication. We hope to make this department of real value to all concerned, but in order to do so we must be notified promptly, as far in advance as possible, of the dates of coming sales. Those available for our list follow:

Dec. 21—United Stamp Company, 1151 Marquette building, Chicago; 142nd sale, about 800 lots; evening session.

Date Not Available—B. L. Drew & Company, No. 7 Water street, Boston; 208th sale, particularly rich in Ceylon and New Zealand. On view Dec. 22 at the Bellevue-Stratford, Philadelphia; Dec. 23-4, at the Astor House, New York.

Jan. . .—Philadelphia Stamp Company, 1204 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, the Mrs. L. C. Hooper collection of Winnipeg, Man. Rich in British North America. Early in February the 10,000 varieties collection of W. N. Bannard of Wilmington will be sold by this company.

Delayed Catalogues Received

The following sales catalogues were received too late for listing in the November issue:

B. L. Drew & Company, Boston.
J. C. Morgenthau & Company, New York.
George R. Tuttle, New York.
Percy G. Doane, New York.
United Stamp Company, Chicago.
B. L. Voorhees, Chicago.
Philadelphia Stamp Co., Philadelphia.
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Western Stamp Company, Omaha.

Auction Prices

By way of introduction to this department we wish to state to the readers of The Stamp Collector that prices quoted, high or low, on different stamps are not always to be taken as the exact market value of each, as too many different causes may induce either a high or a low price. Condition of the specimens sold, lack of interest by those present in certain specimens offered, which might not be the case at another sale; rivalry of two buyers running up a certain specimen above its market value and many other causes are influential, all of which show that the price

obtained on a single specimen at any sale does not always prove its market value. One object in this department is to quote the prices obtained on stamps of several kinds which we think will be interesting to the readers, namely, stamps unpriced in catalogues, fine specimens of priced stamps, rarities, uncatalogued varieties, and any other interesting items that may offer opportunity to make comparisons.

Philadelphia Stamp Company

The auction sale of the Lynde collection, which took place November 19 and 20, realized a total of \$7,068.95. The total catalogue value was in the neighborhood of \$16,000, and the average was therefore considered very satisfactory, inasmuch as there were a number of slow selling stamps, such as Persia, Nicaragua, Montenegro, minor varieties of Holland and Colonies, Ecuador, Salvador and Costa Rica. The British Colonials brought excellent prices, also the stamps of France and Colonies, Russian Levant, etc. Some of the interesting prices were as follows:

	Cat. Val.	Brought.
British S. Africa, 1896, 1d.		
on 3d.	\$22 50	\$15 10
Cayman Islands, 1907, 5Sh..	5 00	4 30
Maldives, 15c	5 00	4 00
Maldives, 25c	5 00	9 25
Cook Islands, 1899, 1/2d. on 1d., inv. such.....	7 50	6 50
Cook Islands, 1902, 1/2d. blue green. vert. pair, Imp. horizontally	—	5 25
Jamaica, 1903. 5d., "Seret" error	12 50	15 10
Lagos, 1904, 10 Sh.....	40 00	24 10
Niue, 1 Sh. (Thief error)...	20 00	11 50
British New Guinea, 2Sh. 6d.	16 25	9 50
Southern Nigeria, £1, King's Single	30 00	15 10
Transvaal, £5	30 00	24 00
Austrian Italy, 1850, 15c. laid paper, used.....	30 00	17 60
China, 1897, \$5	20 00	12 25
Danish West Indies, 2c. on 3c., "1901"	—	7 10
Iceland Official, '03-'03, 4a...	13 75	9 60
Iceland Official, 5a	—	9 60
Iceland Official, 10a	12 50	9 60
Iceland Official, 20a	12 50	10 00
France, 1849, 20c. tete-beche, used	20 00	12 25
France, 1862, 20c. tete-beche, used	10 00	6 10
France, 1862, 80c. tete-beche, used	40 00	21 00
France, 1870, 10c. tete-beche, used	30 00	15 10
France, 1872, 15c. and 10c.		

se-tenant	76 00	61 00
French Zanzibar, 1897, 2 1/2 and 25 on 1a, used	25 00	13 00
French Zanzibar, 1897, 2 1/2 and 25 on 1 1/2a, used.....	15 00	10 00
French Zanzibar, 1897, 5 and 50 on 4a, used.....	20 00	11 00
French Colonies, 1878, 25c. black on red	10 00	6 25
French Congo, 1900, 15 on 30c., used	—	12 50
French Soudan, 1894, 15c. on 75c. Imp. used	62 50	32 50
Gabon, 1889, 15 on 30c.....	30 00	17 00
Guadeloupe, 30c. pair, one Gnadoupe	31 50	16 00
Martinique, 1888, 15c. on 4c.	75 00	56 00
New Caledonia, 1892, Imp. 2c.	30 00	20 00
New Caledonia, 1892, Imp. 4c.	35 00	28 00
New Caledonia Due, 1903, 2 Fr., used	30 00	15 25
New Caledonia, 60c. "Cinquantenare" error, in block of 4	24 60	18 00
Nossi Be, 1889, Imp. 25c. on 40c., used	15 00	8 00
Kiautschou, 1905, 1 1/2 Dol...	10 00	9 10
Kiautschou, 1905, 2 1/2 Dol...	18 75	18 00
Holland Due, perf. 11 1/2x12, type I. 5c.....	—	10 00
Curacao Due, 1889, type 2, 20c	10 00	8 10
Curacao Due, 1889, type 2, 40c.....	7 50	6 10
Dutch Indies, 1875, perf. 1 1/2x12, 10c	—	8 25
Liberia, 1901, "Ordinary" \$2.	50 00	25 50
Liberia, 1902, 75c. on \$1 "Official"	20 00	20 25
Liberia, 1902, 75c. on \$1 "O. S."	20 00	20 25
Monaco, 1885, 5 Fr.....	16 25	10 00
Russia, 1875, 2 k., vert. laid paper	40 00	27 00
Russia, 1883, 7 k., inv. background	—	14 00
Levant, 1865 2 k., used.....	35 00	25 00
Samoa, 1898, 2 1/2d. on 1d., inv. surch., used	—	21 00
Uruguay, 1895, 3p.....	7 50	6 00

Wolsieffer's "Centennial"

Collectors certainly had an opportunity of a rare occurrence at the Centennial sale of P. M. Wolsieffer to fill up many missing items in their libraries, but as to prices we will leave that for the literary editor to review. Plenty of fine stamps were sold, among which was a twentieth century collection, which brought good prices. Fine United States seem to be in demand. A peculiar combination of 1c., 1851, on piece of cover shows No. 31 at bottom and No.

32 at top, a very scarce combination, brought \$7.35. A fine used block of 4, 1869, 30c., catalogued at \$12, brought \$10.75. Two Pan-American inverts in fine condition sold at \$16.25 and \$15.50 respectively; 2c. green Navy Error, the genuine article, brought \$29. A 50c. Proprietary fine on green paper catalogued at \$25 brought \$15.50. A Confederate 5c. No. 206, printed on both sides, showing parts of four stamps on reverse, brought \$7.30.

Among the foreign we notice a pair of Cape of Good Hope 1d. red used, catalogued at \$3.50, sold at \$4. A horizontal pair of St. Vincent 1d., No. 2 imperf. vertically sold very cheaply at \$10.75. Greece 20l. No. 4, printed on both sides, sold at \$6.25. A block of 4 Mexico 1 peso. No. 7, on cover, brought \$31.50. Another cover having 4 of No. 5 40c. blue and a pair of No. 3 15c. yellow Modena, catalogued at \$2.50, brought almost full catalogue—\$2.15.

Morgenthau Sale

Some record prices were obtained at the twenty-sixth sale of J. C. Morgenthau & Company, Nov. 16, consisting largely of early Australians. The 100 copies of Sydney views sold all brought nearly catalogue prices, and in some cases more.

New South Wales No. 1, 1d., carmine on yellowish wove paper, catalogued by Gibbons at \$15, brought \$15. No. 1c., 1d., red on ribbed paper, catalogued at \$15, brought \$12.50. No. 2c, 1d., red, re-engraved early impression, catalogued at \$13.75, brought \$14.25. No. 3, 2d., blue, early impression, catalogued at \$15, brought \$20.50. No. 4, 2d., blue re-engraved, catalogued at \$15, brought \$15.25. No. 28a (Gibbons), 2d., violet blue (double line bale), brought \$21. No. 9, 3d.; green, catalogued at \$12.50, brought \$12.75.

New Zealand 1866, 1s., green, Gibbons No. 8, catalogued at \$20, brought \$15.50.

New Zealand 1862, 1d., vermillion, pelure paper, catalogued at \$20, brought \$16.

New Zealand 1862, 6d., black-brown, horizontal pair, one stamp cut close at bottom, brought \$17. New Zealand 6d., red-brown, 1864, catalogued at \$15, brought \$12.25.

Tasmania 1d., blue, 1853, horizontal pair, used, catalogued at \$37.50, brought \$49.50. Tasmania 1892, 1c., green and yellow, unused, catalogued at \$35, brought \$25.

Victoria 1857, 1d., blue-green used, horizontal pair, Scotts No. 37, catalogued at \$3.70, brought \$3.25.

Egypt 1875, 10 para, grey lilac, vertical strip of three, unused, center stamp tete-beche, catalogued at \$6.25, brought \$4.

Prince Edward Island 1865, 2d., rose strip

of three, center stamp "TWC" instead of "TWO," unused, sold at \$7.75.

Voorbees Oct. 30, Sale

Some interesting Confederates were sold. Among them we note the following: New Orleans 5c. brown, a horizontal pair on entire envelope, catalogued at \$5.50, brought \$3. A 2c. green 1862, used on cover, sold at \$3.35. Pair of 2c. red brown of 1865 on cover brought \$10.50. Two copies of 20c. green on one cover brought \$6.10. The last three items, although easily obtained unused, are quite scarce used on original covers. Another fine thing was a diagonal half of 20c. green, sold at \$10.50. A "Ten Cents" blue, No. 208, catalogued at \$7, sold at \$5.20.

Auction Notes

The twenty-first sale, Dec. 10 and 11, of the Philadelphia Stamp Company, should have appealed strongly to the general collector, as it was filled with a nice line of the medium-priced stamps, some of which are hard to get in fine condition.

The Wolseley sale, held by J. C. Morgenthau & Company at the Collectors Club, New York city, was a notable one in many respects. Four evening sessions were necessary to complete it. Chicago collectors should have been especially interested, as they lost by it one of their many notable collections. Mr. Wolseley was particularly careful in purchasing, consequently the condition was above the ordinary. Many fine things were to be found both in United States and British Colonies. Among the most noticeable was an August, 1861, 3c. brown red in fine condition, and a complete set of the 1869 reissues. Among the British Colonies were such stamps as Barbadoes 1d., on half of 5s. dull rose, in unsevered pair, lightly canceled, from Painter collection; 2s. and 2s. 6d. Bechuanaland Protectorate, unused; British Guiana 4c. blue, 1852; Ceylon 1857 4d., dull rose used imperforate; Gold Coast 1889 20s. green and red, India 2 anna green 1854 block of four unused; Lagos 1885 2s. 6d., 5s. and 10s., three exceedingly scarce stamps in unused condition; Mauritius 1848 1d. vermillion; Nova Scotia 1 and ½d. on 6d. orange in a horizontal pair. This is an exceedingly scarce combination and has a long pedigree. It was purchased from the Thorne collection, to which it went from the noted Castle collection, and so on. These notes would be incomplete without mention of Mr. Wolseley's Protected States of India, also the Straits Settlements portion, both of which were practically complete and all exceedingly hard to find.

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The stamp business is always best from after Christmas and up to June, and dealers who are looking for their share of the harvest, which will be quite large from present indications should not neglect to secure space in our January issue. Our columns are larger than those of other journals, and a column of space in The Stamp Collector contains a third more of area than in other journals with a 7-inch 13-pica column, and allows of a much better arrangement of your advertisement.

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The above are from all parts of the country and are representative of the high class of collectors who are sending subscriptions daily.

Another welcome letter from a fellow member and President of the M. P. A. is too good to overlook. Mr. A. W. Dunning of Newton Mass., says:

"If number one is a fair sample, your paper will be very good! If you were not publisher, and Mr. Mason not editor, I think I should still subscribe, as Columbus is dear to me. I have many relatives there and much of my early childhood was spent in your city on the banks of the Scioto."

Mr. Dunning sailed on the "Moltke" Dec. 9th for Naples, and expects to be away four or five months, and has arranged to have The Stamp Collector follow him.

Record of New Issues

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Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Antigua

We learn from Gibbons' Weekly that the current 1d. has appeared in single color, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—
1d., carmine.

Australian Commonwealth

Ewen's Weekly reports the appearance of the rest of the new unpaid letter stamps. The design is similar to that of the set for Victoria, except that the word "Australia" appears in the bottom tablet.

Adhesives—
Unpaid letter stamps.
Center in first color.
½d., rosine and yellow green.
1d., rosine and yellow green.
2d., rosine and yellow green.
3d., rosine and yellow green.
4d., rosine and yellow green.
6d., rosine and yellow green.
1s., rosine and yellow green.
2s., rosine and yellow green.
5s., rosine and yellow green.
10s., rosine and yellow green.
20s., rosine and yellow green.

Barbados

According to Gibbons' Weekly, the current ½d. is now being printed in a new shade. The stamp evidently belongs to the new set, of which we listed three varieties last month. Current type, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—
½d., green.

Bolivia

We learn from Mekeel's Weekly that the two Bolivianos reported in our last issue should have been chronicled as appearing in carmine and black instead of in the single color.

From the above paper we also learn that a new stamp has been issued to commemorate the war of independence from Spain, fought in 1810. "The portrait is contained in a circle with the name in the same color. 'Centenarios do la Guerra de Independencia' in small letters around the upper half, 'U. P. U.' in each of the upper corners, and 'Bolivia' and 'Correos' appear in two curved

lines above the portrait. A curved line below the portrait has '14 de Septiembre de 1810.' The value is printed in a straight line at the bottom."

Adhesive—
20c., violet and black.

Canada

Mr. Geo. W. Linn has shown us a copy of the 5c. 1898, Scott's No. 78, on white paper. While there is no indication of the paper having been chemically treated, the color of the stamp is quite different from that of the variety on blue paper.

Canal Zone

The following stamps of the 1909 type have appeared with the new overprint, which was applied by the American Bank Note Company. The new overprint, which reads up instead of down, is also smaller and heavier than the old one.

Adhesives—
1c., dark green and black.
2c., red and black.
5c., deep blue and black.
10c., violet and black.

Columbia Republic—Medellin

Two new adhesives are described in Mekeel's Weekly for November 20. The first is Scott's No. 271 (20 centavos) printed in green instead of dull red. The second is an entirely new design, small horizontal oblong with "50 Cent." in upper left corner and a postman at the right, inscribed "SMP" and "Medellin."

Adhesives—
20c., emerald-green.
50c., red-brown.

Dominica

According to Mekeel's Weekly, the following stamps of the current type have been issued in new colors, wmkd. multiple Crown C. A., perf. 14, centers in first color.

Adhesives—
2d., greyish-slate, ordinary.
6d., dull and bright purple, chalky.
3d., purple on yellow, chalky.

Dominican Republic

From Mekeel's Weekly we learn that the current 2c. and 10c. unpaid letter stamps

are now appearing on paper water-marked by crosses and circles. The 5c. is said to have been withdrawn; while the 4c. is still appearing on unwater-marked paper.

Adhesives—

- Unpaid letter stamps.
- Wmkd. crosses and circles.
- 2c., brown-olive.
- 10c., brown-olive.

Ecuador

According to Mekeel's Weekly the 50 centavos of the 1909 Exposition set has been overprinted "Cinco Centavos" in two lines, evidently with a rubber stamp.

Provisional Adhesive—

- 5c. on 50c., red, black overprint.

Gambia

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the following stamps of the current type in the new colors, multiple wmk., perf. 14, value is second color. The entire set is on unsurfaced paper.

Adhesives—

- 2d., grey.
- 3d., brown on yellow.
- 5d., black and red on yellow.
- 5d., orange and purple.
- 6d., dull and bright purple.
- 7½d., brown and blue.
- 10d., pale sage green and red.
- 1s., black on green.
- 1s6d., black on green.
- 2s., purple and bright blue on blue.
- 2s6d., black and red on blue.
- 3s., yellow and green.

Great Britain

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the current 4d. stamp printed in one color on unsurfaced paper. From Gibbons' Weekly we learn that the change was an unexpected one.

Adhesive—

- 4d., deep orange.

Messrs. Bright & Son have discovered an interesting variety of the current ½d. In a lower right-hand corner block of six which they have received, the three lower stamps are doubly printed and on the third stamp of the upper row the value appears twice. The block is said to be absolutely unique.

Adhesive—

- ½d., pale green, double print.

India

From Ewen's Weekly we learn that the current ½ anna stamp has been issued overprinted C. E. F. in black.

Adhesive—

- Overprinted C. E. F. in black.
- ½a., green.

Montserrat

The following stamps are chronicled by Ewen's Weekly, current types in new colors, wmkd. multiple Crown C. A., perf. 14, centers in first color.

Adhesives—

- 2d., greyish slate, ordinary.
- 3d., purple on yellow, chalky.
- 6d., dull and bright purple, chalky.
- 1s., black on green, chalky.
- 2s., purple and bright blue on blue, chalky.
- 2s6d., black and red on blue, chalky.
- 5s., green and red on yellow, chalky.

Paraguay

In addition to those chronicled last month, the New England Stamp Company has sent us the following provisionals, Scott's type A 35:

Provisional Adhesives—

- Overprinted "1900" in black on 1904 issue.
- 1c., carmine.
- 5c., orange.
- 10c., brown.
- 20c., violet.
- 30c., yellow-brown.
- 30c., inuigo.

Patiala

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the current 3 pies of India, overprinted in black "Service-Patiala," in two lines.

Adhesive—Official—

- 3 pies, grey.

Persia

Mekeel's Weekly for November 20 reports a new provisional, the current 1c. having been overprinted "Imprimes" and Persian characters in two diagonal lines.

Provisional Adhesive—

- 1c., purple on blue.

Philippines

The 1 peso stamp is now appearing in the same color as the current 50 cents U. S., a supply having been placed on sale at Manila on September 8.

Adhesive—

- 1p., lavender.

Russia—Offices in the Levant

From various sources we learn that, following the lead of the Italians, the Russian postal authorities have overprinted the set used for the Levant with additional overprints, indicating that the stamps are available for use in Constantinople, Jerusalem, Jaffa, Kerasunde, Metelin, Mont-Athos, Rizech, Salonica, Smyrna and Trezibond, respectively. As the set for each city will con-

sist of 5, 10 and 20 paras and 1, 5, 7, 10, 35 and 70 piastres, the face value of the full set will be over \$50.

St. Kitts-Nevis

Gibbons' Weekly reports the current 1s. on multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14, center in first color.

Adhesive—

1s., grey-green and orange.

Salvador

Gibbons' Weekly chronicles a new commemorative for this country, the 1 centavo of September, 1907, having been overprinted "1821—15 Septiembre—1907," in three lines in red. This date is the Independence Day of the republic.

Adhesive—

1c., black and green, red overprint.

Sweden

From Mekeel's Weekly we learn that a new issue for this country will be placed on sale in January, 1910. The portrait of King Gustaf has been engraved by Schirnbock, the Austrian engraver.

Turkey

Last month we reported the appearance of one value of a new issue on which the name of Sultan Rechad replaced that of Abdul-Hamid. Gibbons' Weekly now reports two additional values of this set.

Adhesives—

Perf. 12, 13½ and compound.

5 paras, brown-ochre.

1 piast., ultramarine.

Turks and Caicos Islands

Gibbons' Weekly chronicles a set of stamps for this colony in a new design, somewhat resembling the current Transvaal stamps. The stamps are line-engraved on copper, printed in one color on multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesives—

½ d., yellow-green.

1d., carmine.

2d., greyish-slate.

2½ d., blue.

3d., purple on yellow.

4d., red on yellow.

6d., purple.

1s., black on green.

2s., red on green.

3s., black on red.

Uruguay

The following provisionals are chronicled on the authority of Gibbons' Weekly. From another source we learn that the rate of postage from Uruguay to foreign countries

has been lowered from 10 to 8 centesimos, which, we presume, is the cause of both provisionals. The overprint consists of the numeral of value, "Centesimos" and "Provisorio" in three lines:

Provisional Adhesives—

8c. on 10c., dull violet (Scott's No. 164). red overprint.

23c. on 25c., pale brown (Scott's No. 166). black overprint.



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The seventieth regular meeting of the club was held November 16, at the rooms of the club, President Mason in the chair.

There were present: Messrs. Mason, Duffy, Lailey, Sachs, Savage, Sandrock, Parker, Broucher, Maetzel, Ranney, Bauer, Linn, Field and Smith. Visitor, Mr. Martin.

The minutes of the sixty ninth meeting were read and approved.

Mr. E. A. Bauer was elected to active membership. Mr. Eben S. Martin was proposed for active membership and his name ordered posted.

Messrs. Linn, Sachs and Smith had displays of cancellations appearing on United States stamps. Many interesting varieties of the early "Paid" cancellations were shown, as well as a number of the "cork" cancellations, some very odd specimens being shown. Several colonial postmarks and one Shanghai postmark were also shown.

The meeting adjourned about 9:30.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR., Secy.

No business was transacted at the Nov. 30 meeting, on account of the importance and size of the display. Eighteen members and five visitors were present.

Philatelic Literature

Interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

Stamp Literature at Auction

To keep our promise made in the last issue we give below a few of the prices realized on various pieces of philatelic literature sold at Wolsieffer's one hundredth sale on the 13th of last month. Believing that some comparisons of prices realized on the same books in previous sales would be of interest and at the same time show that literature collecting is becoming more general among stamp collectors, consequently higher prices on our old publications, we have selected a few prices realized at the sale of the Joseph J. Casey library, in New York, January, 1899.

Some of the prices realized at the Wolsieffer sale were very good, in other cases books went below their real value, and this will be more apparent as the number of literature collectors increase, for a few years ago an edition of 500 or 1,000 copies of a book was considered quite sufficient, and as a great many of these have been destroyed, it is evident that there will be many books lacking in future libraries and the value of a good philatelic library will be double with the advent of a few hundred more collectors taking up this branch of our hobby.

Moen's catalogue of the Russian postage, local and rural stamps, published at 40c., brought \$1.05, and in the Casey sale \$1.20. Postage Stamps of Saxony, published at 80c., brought \$1.10, and at the Casey sale 90c. Argentine Republic, published at \$1.20, brought \$1.05, and at the Casey sale 60c.

The publications of the London Philatelic Society brought higher prices at the Casey sale, although the difference in some cases was very small. North American Colonies brought \$16.35, and at the Casey sale only \$15.25. The other books offered should have brought nearer to these prices.

Three volumes—1904-5-6—and seven odd numbers unbound of The Philatelic Record of London brought \$4.25, a very good price. There were eighteen volumes in the Casey sale and they sold at from 25c. to \$2 a volume. Wolsieffer's sale shows nearer the real worth of this good publication.

Nine volumes of the first series of the A. J. of P. sold for \$25.65, an average of \$2.75 per volume; the prices varied from \$2.60 to

\$3.70 on the separate volumes. In the Casey sale the first five volumes, bound in half morocco, brought \$13, or \$2.60 per volume. The first sixteen volumes of the second series of the A. J. of P. brought \$16.

Twelve volumes of The London Philatelist brought \$13, bound in half morocco. The first eight volumes of the Metropolitan Philatelist, bound in cloth, \$8.50. Nine volumes of the Post Office (complete), cloth bound, \$9. These two latter lots brought a much higher price in comparison to their rarity than most of the other publications. This may be because Americans are more familiar with American magazines than with the English publications, and consequently do not realize the great value of some of the latter.

Messrs. H. Cooke & Co., 98 Brighton Road, Stoke Newington, London N., have purchased from the Royal Philatelic Society a portion of their duplicates left over from the famous Fraenkel library, which library was presented to the R. P. S. by the Earl of Crawford. The lot consists of about two tons of publications and contains many complete files and single publications of great value.

Our announcement last month in regard to a literature collector's year book has brought some few responses, but we feel that there are many more collectors who could give some assistance which would make the publication of greater value. Let it be understood that the book which we propose to issue is merely a "feeler" and in case any interest is manifested in its publication an effort will be made to get out some books of real worth.

If you are interested in philatelic literature, you should take this as a personal invitation to get in communication with the publisher and assist in advancing the hobby.

The names and addresses of all collectors of philatelic literature are wanted by the publisher; send your own and that of any others whom you know.

Information regarding any publications issued during 1909 is also wanted, and same will be thankfully received.

How Postage Stamps Are Made

Probably one phase of stamp collecting of which the least is known by the almost countless devotees of Philately is the process of making the stamps they are so eager to acquire. In view of this fact there is extreme timeliness in an article printed in the Melbourne Argus of Sept. 11, concerning the printing of stamps for the Australian Commonwealth.

Three and a half million pounds worth of stamps, postal notes and post cards go through the hands of the Commonwealth stamp printer every year, says The Argus. In other words, the staff under the stamp printer turn out over £1,200 worth of stamps and postal notes every hour they work. The cost of the paper is comparatively small, but once the little squares or strips bear the government imprint they have a very real value. Before the fine watermarked paper reaches the stamp printer it is treated with the respect due to merchandise labeled "handle with care," but once the electrotype plates strike their impress on the paper it becomes money, and as such it is counted, indexed and jealously guarded. From the time the innocent-looking stamp emerges from the printing press till it passes under the wire grating at the General Postoffice to the customer, it is viewed with suspicion. Its every movement is watched and duly entered in an official ledger. Once it is sold it has a sporting chance of freedom. Maybe it passes into a city office, where a clerk has to account for its final journey but the probabilities are that some careless youth or maid will pay kindly tribute to its worth as they entrust it with a message of love.

To the stamp all this matters nothing. Born in the grim embrace of a powerful printing press, it knows that its sphere of usefulness must come to an equally sudden end. One touch of the mail-room obliterator and its value is canceled forever, save, perhaps, to some eager philatelist of a future age, who may cherish it merely as a relic of the past.

In a small department at the rear of the Government printing office most Australian stamps first see the light. They come to the Commonwealth stamp printer (J. B. Cook) as plain sheets of paper a couple of feet square. This paper is parceled in lots of 500 sheets. It is very important that each package should contain exactly that number. When ordering this paper the stamp printer stipulates that each package shall

contain exactly this number, "neither more nor less." The reason is that the 500-sheets parcels can be readily checked with the counting machines, and with other precautions taken, danger of a sheet of stamps going astray is reduced to a minimum. The stamp paper bears a distinctive watermark—a crown over a capital "A," representing Australia. Once the paper is unpacked and counted it is introduced to the printing press.

Originally all stamps were printed from steel plates. Even now the die from which the plates or type are cast is made of steel. The process calls for great skill in workmanship. A cube of steel, measuring little over an inch each way, is placed in the hands of the die-sinker. As the metal is then fairly soft, the workman, by using tools of the hardest steel, is able slowly to trace a pattern on the die. This pattern has to be sunk into the solid steel, until its face represents a perfect picture of the stamp. One false move—one impatient move—and the work is spoiled. But die-sinkers know the value of patience. Once the die is made and hardened, the stamp may be printed by one of two processes. The original method—still followed in some countries—is known as *intaglio*, or steel-plate printing. By this system the finest results are produced, but in most places it has been superseded by a faster and cheaper process. When printing with a steel plate, the printer first fills the depressions in the die with ink, until a common surface is obtained. The face of the die is then carefully wiped, so that the flat surfaces are left perfectly clean. Then the die is placed in the printing press, and the thick ink left in the depression prints the stamp. The cleaned, flat surfaces give the finely chiselled effects associated with steel engravings or copper plates, both of which are produced by the same method.

The newer system is known as *electrotype printing*. When the dies have been cut they are placed in a powerful stamping press, and an imprint is made on a cube of lead. This mould is suspended in a solution of sulphate of copper, and the copper is made to adhere, by electric action, to it. Thus a shell of copper is formed on the face of the mould. This copper shell is separate from the lead, and after being backed with an alloy of tin, lead and antimony, the electrotype is ready for use. The block from which postal notes are printed

is made by a slightly different process. A form of type is set up and a wax impression of it is taken. Then the wax is black-leaded, chemically treated, and suspended in an electric bath until covered with a coating of copper. The rest of the process is similar to that employed in mounting electrotypes for stamps.

In preparing the blocks for the printer much care must be exercised. For one-penny stamps a block of 120 to 480 printing surfaces is made. Proofs have to be taken, to see that each surface gives a clean print. If it be faint or indistinct, the block has to be built up or adjusted by the mechanic until it is perfect. Then, having been sawed, planed, and finished by machinery, the block is ready for the printing room.

Now the actual work of printing the stamps is begun. The forme containing the electrotype is placed in the printing machine, the rollers are smeared with thick red ink, the electric motor is set in motion, and Victorian penny stamps—looking almost ready for the envelope—are turned out at the rate of 546,000 an hour. From the printing press the sheets of stamps—each representing £2—are deposited in a neat pile in front of the operator, who counts them carefully, checks the number with the automatic counting apparatus attached to the press, and passes them on to the next department.

Close by the press is an electrically operated gumming machine. The adhesive used on all stamps printed in Melbourne is South Australian wattle gum. After having been subjected to an elaborate refining process the gum is shipped to the stamp-printing office in two-gallon barrels. It is poured into a receptacle, from which it runs automatically on to the distributing rollers. As the printed stamp sheets are fed into the machine they are gripped by metal clamps and held until the gum roller passes over them. Then the machine gently deposits the gummed sheets on an endless carrier or webbing, which takes them to the drying chamber. Wet gummed sheets of paper are not easy to handle, but the machine makes no mistake. Each slip of paper is clamped in exactly the same position, and never, by any chance, does a spot of gum touch the printed surface. From the webbing the stamp sheets are lifted by boys and hung on a revolving rack, which carries the stamps into the drying chamber. This is a brilliantly lighted apartment, for the heat is supplied by electric globes. So accurately is the temperature adjusted that a stamp sheet has just time to become thoroughly dry before it leaves the drying chamber.

As may be imagined, the paper has curled

into all sorts of fantastic shapes by the time it emerges. To the uninitiated it would seem an almost hopeless task to attempt to straighten the curled and twisted stamp sheets. It is here—where patience and deft fingering are required—that woman's work begins. A girl takes a few hundred sheets, smooths them out and puts them aside, a few sheets at a time. When a pile of 500 slips has accumulated, she places them carefully between hard cardboard covers, taking particular pains to see that all the corners are straightened. Then the covers and their contents are put into a press, from which, in a few hours, the stamp sheets emerge without curl or crease.

As yet the 480 stamps are only so many imprints on a sheet of paper. Perforation is the next—and final—process. Two distinct perforating machines are used in the Melbourne office. One is fed by hand, the other automatically places the sheets of stamps beneath the perforator. Four or five girls are employed at the hand machines. Theirs is a work requiring the greatest exactitude. Before running the sheets beneath the perforator, they sort them into divisions of four each, that being the number which can be perforated at one operation. To insure accuracy the girls run the point of a pin through a common spot on each sheet. They are thus enabled to feed four sheets at once, confident that the perforations will follow the white roads between the squares of red. The work of feeding the machines entails a great strain on mind and eye. Absolute concentration on the part of the operator is necessary. A moment's lapse might result in the defacement of a sheet of stamps.

The automatic perforator, which possesses obvious advantages, is used chiefly for South Australian stamps. Its principle was invented by the present Commonwealth stamp printer, Mr. Cook, 19 years ago. Since then he has improved it in various ways. It is fitted with guides to insure exactitude in perforation, and its long rows of metal pins descend with unerring precision. Its chief advantage lies in the fact that it can accomplish in an hour a task that it takes the hand machine a day to perform.

Every stamp is scanned by human eye before it leaves the printing office. After the perforator has left the sheets neatly divided into little squares, they are passed on to girls, who act as scrutineers. These employes are especially selected for their quickness and keenness of vision, and it is theirs to see that there is neither spot nor blemish nor mark of encroaching perforation on the stamps sent out to the public.

Suddenly, as she works, one of the slips is cast aside. "What's the matter with that one?" asks Fr. Cook, who stands beside her. "Perforation defective," replies the girl, as she shows where the line of tiny holes has encroached on the stamp print. Then she settles down to her task again, and the pile of stamp squares before her grows steadily higher and higher.

Postal notes, clean and fresh from the printing press, at once suggest hard cash. Their value is stamped upon them in bold figures, and they are easily negotiable. Notes of different value—sometimes as many as 14 denominations—are printed upon one sheet. Wax impressions of the type for each note are taken, electrotypes are made, and the various blocks are built up into one forme, ready for the press. The result is that when the sheet issues from the press it represents a large number of notes of varying value. These are cut apart by machinery and sorted according to value. Postal notes are spared the ordeal of the perforator, but they have to pass through a machine that leaves a life-long brand. This is a little contrivance hardly larger than a sewing machine, which hour after hour, day after day, can count on, never tiring and never making a mistake. And as it counts it leaves its record in the two top corners of the note—a record that makes the little slip of paper forever distinctive. Should the number be "458,729A," on a 10s. postal note, it is certain that that number will never again be registered on a note of like value. The counting machine can number four sets of postal notes at once. An operator feeds the notes in sheets of four, and as the ratchet moves the revolving figures, each note is stamped with its distinctive number. And so the machine, working its four sets of figures, numbers neatly, and with absolute accuracy, 32,000 postal notes an hour.

If the designer had nothing to consider but artistic effect, our stamps would soon resemble miniature pictures. But he is hemmed in by restrictions. Very little scope is allowed as to the design; steel plates—by which the finest effects can be produced—have had to give way to the less expensive electrotypes, and only the lighter shades can be used as colors.

In nearly every country the practice has been, since the introduction of postage to reproduce on the stamp the head of the reigning monarch. In many countries the custom is still followed, but in a number of countries and in certain states of the Commonwealth, selected scenes have been introduced. The United States was one of the first to break away from the portrait

practice, and its stamp bearing a pictorial representation of "The Landing of Columbus" is known throughout the world. This stamp is a very fine example of the perfection of steel-plate printing.

Tasmania advertises its beauty-spots by means of its stamps. Adopting a large rectangular stamp, the Tasmanians have worked onto it designs showing picturesque views of many beautiful scenes. These were originally produced by the steel-plate process, by which fine sky and water effects and excellent perspective were obtained. Cheapness and durability, however, have turned the scale in favor of the electrotypes process, which now is used in all Australian states.

Light colors are used exclusively. This is because it is essential that the slightest touch of the mail-room obliterator shall permanently disfigure the stamp. Moreover, black is a prohibited color—if we admit it is a color at all. Mr. Cook, at the Commonwealth printing office, has a number of Tasmanian proof stamps, printed from steel plates in black. The result in each case is a delicately shaded artistic study in black and white, with light fleecy clouds, sunlit waters and shaded hill slopes. But as the postoffice ink is black, it is obvious that these little black and white pictures would be dangerous from a revenue standpoint. Thus it is that light shades of red, heliotrope, green and yellow are more favored by the stamp printer and by the department. As a general rule, distinctive colors are used with the different values. If it is found that one stamp is liable to be confused with another, the printer is asked to submit a recommendation for a different color.

The advantages to be derived from the use of a general Commonwealth stamp are likely to receive early consideration of the department. When the American fleet visited Australia, the Commonwealth, as a concession to the visitors, allowed them to use New South Wales stamps in Victoria or any other state, and a great deal of confusion was thus obviated. But other travelers have still to suffer the inconvenience.

Some stamps die in infancy, many pass away just as they reach a healthy maturity, a few live to a ripe old age. The first class are hurried from the postoffice to a business firm, they carry a letter to an office—probably in the same city—and then their passage to a waste basket and a fire is quick and sure. Those that live to maturity are stamps that bear missives to distant countries, and are treasured until the next letter arrives, or carry messages between lovers, and are kept as mementoes of the

loved one for a greater or less period. But the stamp that would live to hoary age must not trust to fickle lovers. Rather it should await the bulky legal envelope, on which it will travel to some foreign office. Then, years hence, some covetous philatelist will surreptitiously detach it from the

musty paper, and carefully transfer it to his collection. And so it may hope to live on—guarded from mould and vandal touch, gathering value as the years go by—long after its twin brothers of the stamp press have passed into dust.

Christmas Stamp of the American Red Cross



This is a stamp that no letter will bear,
But the mails will carry it anywhere.

—COURTESY OHIO STATE JOURNAL

This is not a stamp that has philatelic value, but it is an effective instrument in the warfare against the most dread disease of modern times, so The Stamp Collector offers no apology to its readers for presenting its likeness and urging, not its collection, but its distribution as widely and generously as possible. Buy it liberally and put it on all your correspondence. Added to the covers addressed to your foreign correspondents it will carry the story of

an American benevolence to the uttermost corners of the earth. Be sure to remember your philatelic friends with a cover, for as the design of the stamp is changed from year to year, a collection of pleasing variety will be the result in time. For the first time, the federal government this year has permitted its sale in the Columbus post-office, so it is getting—officially—very near to the postage stamp.

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CONSIDER the postage stamp, my son;
its usefulness consists in sticking to
one thing Until it gets there.

—Josh Billings

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The Editor's Foreword

The Detroit Convention

Pleasant information is received in a message from Detroit that the members of the Detroit Philatelic Society, headed by Gen. C. A. Coolidge, intend, so far as lies in their power, to make the Detroit convention notable by "giving the visitors a good time in a Philatelic way" every day of the meeting. This is as it should be. Business of a great and growing Association such as the American Philatelic Society naturally must be voluminous and complicated, and must be attended to in a business-like manner, but mere business, any more than mere entertainment, should not shut out from consideration the first aim of Philately, which is the collection and study of stamps. The Columbus convention committee tried to give the assembled Philatelists something about stamps, but after the feast was provided, the convention refused to partake thereof. It is much to be hoped the Detroit brethren will have better fortune, and if anything the Columbus Collectors' Club can do will contribute to bring about that result, be assured it will be done.

The Columbus Collectors' Club

Ere this number of *The Stamp Collector* reaches its readers, the Columbus Collectors' Club will have celebrated the third anniversary of its founding and will have started on its fourth year of Philatelic endeavor. Things have changed, philatelically, since that stormy night of Jan. 16, 1907, when seven earnest men gathered in the office of C. B. Duffy, then the only member of the American Philatelic Association in Columbus, and decided that Columbus should get on the Philatelic map. From

small beginnings the Club has progressed to great accomplishments, and it looks the future in the face with assurance in the hearts of its members that it can still go forward, and with the determination that no backward step shall be taken. To its associates in the Philatelic world it gives greeting, and to them and itself it pledges its loyalty to the pure science of which we all are devotees.

Two New Columbus Enterprises

It has been told of a professor that he once asked his class to describe, as briefly as possible, a crab, and one budding biologist responded:

"A crab is a small red fish that walks backward."

"Excellent!" said the professor; "excellent!—except for three minor inaccuracies: A crab is not a fish, it is not red, it does not walk backward."

This story is brought to mind by the following paragraph, which appeared in the *December Hobbyist*:

"The Columbus, Ohio, Stamp Collectors have incorporated 'The International Stamp Co.'—Capital, \$25,000.00—to publish a little magazine called 'The Stamp Collector.'"

Excellent! —Except for certain inaccuracies.

Mr. George Ward Linn is publishing *The Stamp Collector*, and no other stamp collector or collectors, in or out of Columbus, is or are connected therewith in a financial way. Mr. Linn offered the editorial management of *The Stamp Collector* to such an editorial board as the Columbus Collectors' Club might select; the Club delegated the entire subject to its Board of Directors, and

the Board selected Paul Mason, President of the Club, as editor-in-chief, with power to select his assistants. The editor thereupon selected Mr. George K. Smith, Jr., as editor of the New Issues Department, Mr. W. H. Field as editor of the Auction Department, Mr. Opha Moore as editor of the Revenues and Tax Pairs Department, and Mr. Linn as editor of the Department of Philatelic Literature, all of which appointments were approved, both by the Board and by Mr. Linn as publisher.

Not long thereafter certain members of the Columbus Collectors' Club discerned an opportunity to found in Columbus a stamp business of considerable magnitude; which has long been desired by members of the Club and other Ohio collectors. They thereupon incorporated The International Stamp Company under the laws of Ohio, with \$25,000 authorized capital, to deal in stamps, coins and philatelic accessories. The law provides that not less than 10 per cent of the authorized capital must be paid in before incorporation papers can be granted. Considerably more than that percentage has been paid in, and The International Stamp Company is doing business on its own capital, in its ground-floor rooms, at 18 West Long street, with no connection between it and The Stamp Collector, or with the Columbus Collectors' Club. Its relations with both, however, are pleasant. It is an advertiser in The Stamp Collector, and finds it profitable; most of its officers and stockholders are members of the Club, but all these facts do not preclude the possibility of each conducting its own affairs without other than friendly regard for the others.

The Club has been diligent in Philatelic research, and enterprising in its activities, but conservative in all its immediate aims. It has preferred to work slowly, but surely, toward the goal of its ambitions, rather than to fall short in attempting haste. The Stamp Collector has been laid down on broad lines, to secure and disseminate information about stamps and those who are interested in or doing things with stamps, and it does not expect to depart from the lines laid down. The International Stamp Company has been founded in a manner which is believed to be safe and solid, for the purpose of dealing in stamps, coins and Philatelic supplies. It hopes to find a reasonably profitable field, not alone in competition but in conjunction with the other dealers in the country. It will "knock" no one; it will "boost" the cause of Philately when and where it can; it wishes for other dealers, as it hopes for itself, success; it will deal fairly; it asks only for a square deal.

The fact that the president of the Club, the editor of the Paper and the president of the Company are one and the same person does not eliminate him from the ranks of collectors, and the same is true of his associates in these enterprises, the one now three years old, the others new. Each of these can serve an honorable part in the interests and activities of Philately, and we trust that none of them shall ever fall short of the purpose set before it.

Excrescences of Philately

There are many of these fungi incident to a period of great Philatelic prosperity, such as this. Two of them, typifying them all, deserve criticism as being particularly meretricious, and liable, for that reason, to bring legitimate Philatelic endeavor into disrepute. One is the oft-repeated stamp paper "special"; the other is the speculative society, formed to boost some one's game, whether it be a paper, a stock of stamps to be sold, or merely the seeking of notoriety. There is no doubt that a stamp paper "special" is legitimate, with limitations, and has its proper place in Philatelic literature. A great holiday edition of a Philatelic journal, attractively put together, with special articles on various phases of the science, with histories of clubs and societies, biographies of great collectors and descriptions of their treasures, makes pleasant reading and is worthy of preservation. A "convention number" of a great national society, with an outline of its history, definition of its hopes and aims, sketches of its leaders and a Philatelic resume of the convention city, falls within the same category. Their scope is broad enough to attract all the legitimate dealers to their advertising columns and to draw the attention of thousands of non-subscribing collectors to the merits of the publication, if proper means of publicity are employed. A great anniversary number also is a fine thing, both for a paper and for its readers. The supporters of a Philatelic paper like to know something of its history, its struggles and triumphs, its disappointments and achievements. But beyond these the "special" has little excuse for being. Of the speculative society there is nothing good to be said. Those who are not in the game are its dupes, and soon or late they will awaken to the fact and be forever lost to the world of legitimate Philately. And the man lost in this way not only is a loss personally to the cause, but his influence is ever after exercised against it. So the cost goes on in an ever-increasing ratio. It is up to those who have the best interests of our science at heart, therefore, to do what they can to

arouse a sound sentiment against both these evils, that their effect may be minimized, even if they do not disappear.

A Step Outside Philately

Mr. Henry Clyde Shetrone, who contributes to this number of *The Stamp Collector* a paper on the experiences of a relic hunter, needs no introduction to those members of the American Philatelic Society who attended the Columbus convention. His little talk at the "smoker" made a pleasant impression on those who heard him, and his beautiful little poem, "Arrow Heads," published in the *Convention Bulletin*, made his name familiar to hundreds who were not at the Columbus meeting. We present his paper for delectation of those of our readers who are interested in archaeology, as well as in stamps, and if it shall strike a responsive chord even in the breast of one, we shall feel amply repaid for this digression from the paths of pure Philately.

Marginalia

THE NEW YORK SUN recently stated that the first Scott catalogue came out in 1876, and an indignant subscriber, who must have a trace of stampic blood, writes to inform the editor that it was in 1875. If they'd both write to Chris Duffy he'd tell 'em he gave one to E. B. Power that was four or five years older than that.

IT IS POSSIBLE for a fowler to be snared in his own net.

EVEN GEO. H. WORTHINGTON had to come to Columbus when he wanted a real rarity for his collection of rarities.

TWENTY-EIGHT PAGES of reading matter and ads, besides the cover, in the *December Hobbyist*, seem to be pretty good indication that a hobby may be ridden to financial success.

THE ONLY FAULT we have to find with *The West-End Philatelist* is that the pool sometimes is so deep some of us have difficulty to swim out.

BEANS AND BROWN BREAD are a substantial diet, nourishing in the extreme and delectable on occasion; but they are apt to pall on the taste when served too frequently with special dressing.

IT IS PATENT that Nicaragua is to have a new series of postage stamps. Recent news from that interesting Philatelic center may be safely taken to indicate that Dr. Zelaya will not lick 'em.

THE LONG-SUSPECTED and much-delayed *Philatelic Journal of America* has made its reappearance. It contains, besides much matter of value, an able frontispiece of The Stamp Security Company in striking pose.

The Mulready Envelopes

Spread and growth of interest in philatelic subjects is in evidence in the fact that the range of publications giving attention to them is broadening steadily. A recent issue of *Housekeeping* printed a comprehensive story on early English postal issues, in which the following, concerning the Mulready envelopes, is of special interest: "The Mulready envelopes were the first stamped envelopes used on the introduction of penny postage in England. They were in the form of a half sheet of paper to be folded over the letter, as previously part of the letter sheet had been folded to close the missive. On the side to be stamped an ornate design, drawn by Mulready, the artist (whence the name), had been printed, with a small space in the center for the address. These decorated envelopes were so inappropriate for the needs of correspondence and business that they remained in use only one year under the first contract made with the government for their sale."

Antigua Used in St. Kitts

In a comprehensive article on "Foreign Postmarks," contributed by D. B. Armstrong to a recent number of *The Stamp Lover*, the following will be of great interest to collectors of the Leeward Islands issues: "In February, 1890, during a temporary shortage of 1d. postage stamps at the local postoffice, the island of St. Christopher, in the Leeward group, borrowed a small stock of this value from the premier presidency of Antigua, which were used in St. Christopher without distinguishing mark until exhausted. The stamp was the 1d. red of Antigua, 1884, wmk. Crown C. A., perf. 14, and copies used in St. Christopher may be recognized by the obliteration "A12," which was the number assigned to St. Christopher by the British postoffice when it maintained an agency on the island."

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.

The courtesy of two copies is requested, on a reciprocal basis, from

Philatelic Journal of America

After long delay the first number of Volume 20 of the revived Philatelic Journal of America has been delivered to subscribers. Though—as must always be the case with a first number—much matter is explanatory, and much more is reproduced from the "News and Trade Circular," it is a publication in which publisher and editor alike may justifiably take pride. Typographically, it is all that can be desired; its illustrations will prove an interesting and valuable feature if kept up to the standard of the initial issue; there is a considerable range of interesting reading matter, and a comprehensive new-issues chronicle is promised. The system under which it is projected, of a limited number of copies, the same number to be carried through each volume, and the support of the paper to be derived from its subscribers, makes a venture unique in philatelic journalism. The outcome of the experiment will be awaited with interest. Time also must be the arbiter, whether it will fulfill the high mission it has set for itself. Those who are friendly, or impartial, or truly interested in philatelic science, can not do other than wish that it may not fail in any of these things it has set for the goal of its ambitions.

The Vest Pocket Philatelist

Dr. H. A. Davis' clever little publication comes to remind us that good goods usually come in small packages—and the Doctor certainly has the goods. The editor continues his history of the two-cents value of United States stamps and takes up the three-cents value. He notes more than 40 varieties of this value, but classifies only five main varieties. His leading editorial is a timely protest against collectors of moderate means spending more than they can afford. The Philatelic Knots are made up in a menu which looks attractive enough in a stampic way to be delectable when reduced to culinary terms.

Redfield's Stamp Weekly

Redfield's comes to hand regularly, showing steady improvement typographically and with an increasing amount of interesting reading. The Christmas number contains the first stamp story we remember to have read that was not maudlin. The edi-

tor's "Reading Table" contains about the best reviews of the Philatelic press that are obtainable. They are, what a Philatelic review should be, a digest of what is appearing in the journals of the hour, though frequently they are longer than is necessary in individual cases. But be that as it may, the collector who reads Redfield's carefully can be better informed on stamp doings than the one who skims through half a dozen or more publications. With its improvement otherwise there appears to be a steady accession of new advertising, evidence of that prosperity which is the legitimate reward, present or prospective, of every honestly conducted Philatelic journal.

Billikin's Philatelic Magazine

A hearty welcome to the little god of things as they ought to be! From the mature age of three months we look down to this infant of Philatelic Journalism—with a capital I—and congratulate Mr. Kin on the result of his efforts. Bill's is the gospel of the Smiling Isles: If you can't smile, Billy kin. Step up and take a smile with him. It only costs a cent a smile, and you buy 'em in bunches of 12, so as to have 'em distributed throughout the year. Incidentally, Mr. Kin purveys some interesting intimations concerning a recent Philadelphia stamp deal that is likely to cause trouble in the national society, and presents the equally interesting advertisement of the Central Stamp Exchange, just opened in Columbus by Opha Moore of the Columbus Collectors' Club.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News

Three times, in two months, Mekeel's has put out a special number. It can not be denied that there is much of interest in these special numbers, but it is equally true that there is much which does not appear to the average collector. In other words, there is much that tends to limit those interesting articles and items for the publication of which, so far as the American Philatelic Society is concerned, the official organ lives and moves and has its being. Mr. Cornwall's history of Philately in St. Louis, contained in the St. Louis special, is an interesting contribution to the written records of American collecting. Such articles as these, however, always are timely, and would be equally interesting and valuable in any issue of any Philatelic publication.

From The Foreign Exchanges

The Stamp Lover

Melville's interesting paper in its December issue contains a vast amount of interesting information. Ralph Wedmore contributes a paper of great value on the Bordeaux issue of French stamps, in which the distinguishing marks of this (to many) puzzling issue are carefully set forth and extensively illustrated. A correspondent has an interesting letter on the stamps and postmarks of Baden, and considerable attention is given to the needs and requirements of the beginner in stamp collecting. "Foreign Postmarks" furnish D. B. Armstrong with material for much interesting matter, included in the first installment of what evidently is to be a very comprehensive work. Included in this first installment are foreign postmarks on stamps of Great Britain, Antigua, Argentine Republic, Austria, Austrian Italy, Belgium, British East Africa Protectorate, Canada, Cape Colony, Ceylon, Chile, China, Cook Islands, Curacao, Denmark, Dutch Indies Ecuador, Egypt, Fiji Islands, Fernando Po, France and French Levant.

Philatelic Journal of Great Britain

Several notable articles are included in the latest issue of this publication, available before going to press. "Notes on Australian Stamps," by the editor, are continued from previous issues, copiously illustrated. Specialists in Persian issues will be interested in a well written and illustrated article on the stamps of that country. There also is a particularly valuable article on "The Bisected Pence Stamps of Nova Scotia," also by the editor, F. F. Lamb, whose researches seemingly have carried him into the postal issues of all parts of the world. J. R. Burton, a Fellow of the Royal Society, contributes an installment of his article on the adhesive stamps of Chile. The various departments are full of valuable information, are carefully edited and well illustrated. As always in this journal, there are copious reviews of the Philatelic press.

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly continues to make notable contributions to current Philatelic literature. Its issues of the last month have contained, among other valuable articles, the continuation of L. Hancianu's story of "The Postal Issues of Denmark and the Danish Colonies"; Bertram W. H. Poole's "A Type Collection," which has been running through several numbers; an added in-

stallment of C. L. Harte-Lovelace's "Notes On the Postage Stamps of China," and all the usual features which has made Gibbons' a weekly visitor for many years. Rules and regulations for the Second Philatelic Congress of Great Britain to be held in London this year, are reported from the committee having that subject in charge, and a communication from Berne outlines the progress made toward the International Postage Stamp Exhibition to be held in that city. A subscription is to be taken to defray the expenses of exhibition, and several medals are to be offered to exhibitors. R. E. R. Dalwigg continues his article on "An Error Collection," from which, in another part of this number, is reproduced a list of the principal errors of color. In view of the latest developments in Central America, there is considerable timeliness in Joseph B. Leavy's article on "The Stamps of Nicaragua."

The West-End Philatelist

That prolific writer on British Colonial Stamps, Bertram W. H. Poole, contributes to this magazine a section of his series on "The Postage Stamps of the Gold Coast." This portion deals with the issues of the middle seventies, and is copiously illustrated. As "The Editor," Mr. Poole writes interestingly of engravers' and designers' imprints, and again as Mr. Poole, considers the stamps of Bulgaria in his "Stamps of the Moment" series.

Journal of the Philatelic Literature Society

The October number of this classic from across the water is notable, first, from the announcement by the president of the Philatelic Literature Society that he has begun the printing of the catalogue for the Earl of Crawford's Philatelic library. When this work is complete it will constitute probably the most complete bibliography of Philatelic literature in the world. Collectors of Queensland stamps should be interested in the Bibliography of works and articles on the stamps of Queensland, in the series of stamp issuing countries of the world. No less than 71 separate publications are listed.

Notes of the Exchanges

R. W. Wilkinson has some interesting notes on the reprints of Holland, issue of 1852-64, in Gibbons' Stamp Weekly of Dec. 11.

Stamp collectors of Spokane, Wash., have organized the Spokane Philatelic Society. Herbert Armstrong is president and J. A. Hayden secretary-treasurer. Mekeel's makes the announcement.

Redfield's is adding greatly to the value of its chronicle of new issues by illustrations in photogravure. The last issue shows a total of 319 members in the Metropolitan Philatelic Association.

The Philatelic Monthly, published by Henry George of Milwaukee, came out in larger size with the November number. An interesting article is reprinted from Kohl's "Briefmarken Handbuch," on the two stamp issues of the ephemeral Republic of Formosa.

The Southern Philatelist of Shreveport, La., gives a good report of the annual convention of the Southern Philatelic Association in its December number. Most of its eight pages is taken up with advertising, which is good for the publisher, but most people like a little meat in a sandwich.

Bertram W. H. Poole is running in Gibbons' Stamp Weekly an interesting series of articles on "A Type Collection." A late number of The Weekly contains the most comprehensive review of Dr. Carroll Chase's "The Three Cent United States Stamp of 1851" that has come to the exchange table.

"Stamp Talk," published at Whitstable, Kent, England, is a new bidder for Philatelic favor. It presents a very attractive

appearance and contains considerable interesting matter. The first number appeared in October. It apparently is a house organ for Henry Abel & Company of the same place.

Both Mekeel's and Redfield's announce the purchase of the famous Seybold collection, mostly original covers, by John T. Coit, a New York banker-collector. It was a cash transaction and the purchase price was \$26,000. John B. Howe of the Syracuse Herald, made the sale for the Seybold estate.

From a philatelic viewpoint, the only important thing about the Pole is, who established the first postoffice there? Glory be to that man. An appropriate design for the stamps would be a sea of ice (assorted colors, with a Flag and Brass Tube in the center and the inscription "The Beginning: No End In Sight."—Charlat's Advertiser.

The December Hobbyist, a Christmas "special," got lost in the dark because Winnipeg's lights were out for several days, and part of the promised features are to see the light in another issue. Nevertheless, it is a very attractive number, and Brother Kendall is to be congratulated that he achieved so great a success under such great difficulties.

In The Auction Rooms

the 30 days following the 15th of the same month. **C**If copies of catalog before the sale and priced catalogs after the sale are sent to both the publisher and Mr. Field, your name will be placed on our exchange list. **C**In case catalogs are not ready by the first, written information should be sent Mr. Field. **C**When priced catalogs are furnished after the sale, the state of the market as reflected in the sale will be carefully analyzed and full credit given.

All information for this department should be sent to W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St. Columbus, prior to the 1st of each month, for

Coming Auction Sales

- Jan. 12—J. C. Morgenthau & Company, 87 Nassau street, New York City; 28th sale; 562 lots; sale at Collectors' Club; evening session.
- Jan. 17-18—Scott Stamp and Coin Company, New York City; 166th sale; 1120 lots; evening sessions. Sale at Collectors' Club, Twenty-third street, New York City.
- Jan. 22—United Stamp Company, 1149-1151 Marquette Building, Chicago, Ill. No particulars.
- Jan. 25—International Stamp Company, Columbus, Ohio; 504 lots; evening session at the club room of the Columbus Collectors' Club. Unusual collection of medium-priced, hard-to-get stamps.

Jan. 29.—B. L. Voorhees, 1049 Lawrence avenue, Chicago, Ill; 38th sale.

Jan. . .—P. M. Wolsieffer, 401 Ft. Dearborn Building, Chicago, Ill.; 102nd sale; three sessions, two evenings and Saturday matinee. Sale at Collectors' Club, New York City.

February Date—Philadelphia Stamp Company, 1204 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.; Bannard or 23rd sale.

Auction Prices

Wolsley Sale

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., New York, Dec. 9-10, 14-15, 1909.

Fine prices were obtained at this sale, as condition of stamps offered was far above

the average. The list below hardly does justice to the sale, as so many smaller lots brought high prices:

	Cat. Value	Brought		
U. S., 1857, 3c., rose, block of 12	\$1 44	\$1 50	New Brunswick, 1851, 3d., red, 4 copies used together with one-half of another copy on an entire envelope	..... 24 50
U. S., 1861, 3c., brown-red, August	60 00	36 50	New Brunswick, 1851, 6d., yellow, one-half used as 3d., on entire envelope	..... 18 50
U. S., 1862, 2c., black, block of 4	2 40	2 60	New Brunswick, 1851, 1sh., red-violet, used	..... 90 00 71 00
U. S., 1869, 3c., blue, reissue	12 00	12 25	New Brunswick, 1860, 1c., red- lilac, pair, imperforate ver- tically	..... 5 25
U. S., 1871, 24c., purple, unused	12 50	7 85	New Foundland, 1857, 6½d., scarlet-vermilion, unused	60 00 54 00
Barbadoes, 1875, 3p., claret, unused, O. G.	7 50	7 75	New Foundland, 1857, left ver- tical half of 8d., scarlet vermilion, used on entire cover	..... 20 50
Bechuanaland Protectorate, 2sh., green	30 00	18 50	New South Wales, 1850, 1d., lake, Scott's No. 1 (Syd- ney view), used	16 25 14 50
Bechuanaland Protectorate, 2sh. 6d., green	40 00	24 50	New South Wales, 1850, 2p., blue, Plate II, used	13 75 12 50
Bermuda, 1865, 6p., brown, lilac, O. G.	4 00	4 20	New South Wales, 1850, 3d., yellow-green, used	15 00 12 50
Br. Central Africa, 1896, £10, specimen copy	.....	7 75	New South Wales, 1853, 6d., brown, used	12 50 12 75
Br. Central Africa, 1896, £25, specimen copy	.....	12 50	Nova Scotia, 1851, half of 6d., dark green, used as 3d., on entire cover	..... 20 00
Br. Central Africa, 1897, £10, specimen copy	.....	7 60	Nova Scotia, 1860, Dragonal, half of 10c., used as 5c., on cover	15 00 10 25
Cape of Good Hope, 1861, 4p., blue, wood block	15 00	15 50	South Australia, 1867, 2d., vermilion, Perf. 11½, used, not priced in any catalogue	..... 22 00
Cape of Good Hope, 1d.-4d., wood block, reprints	.....	10 25	Tobago, 1880, 1d., on both halves of 6d., orange, used in horizontal pair, with perforation between	..... 51 00
Ceylon, 1857, 2sh., blue used	40 00	26 50	Trinidad, 1855, 1d., blue (litho- graph), used on entire cover	15 00 16 00
Ceylon, 1861, 8d., yellow-brown, used	30 00	20 00	Bangkok, 1868, 2c., brown, un- used, Kahl	37 50 21 25
Fiji Islands, 1874, 2p. on 12c., rose	40 00	31 00	Bangkok, 1868, 30c., claret, un- used	30 00 31 00
Gambia, 1874, 4p., brown, C. C., unused	12 50	9 10	Bangkok, 1883, 8c., orange, in- verted surcharge	..... 34 00
Great Britain, 1840, 1p., black, unused	6 00	6 25	Perak, 1878, 2c., brown, No. 1 unused	80 00 52 00
India, 1854, 2 anna, green, block of 4 unused	30 00	17 50	Voorhees Sale—December 4, 1909	
India, 1866, 6 anna, violet (short letters)	10 00	8 50	U. S., New York, pair on cover, one stamp, creased, catalogued \$20, brought \$10.50; U. S., 1847, 5c., red-brown, used brought \$1.15; Confederate, 1863, 2c., brown- red, on cover, catalogued \$2, brought \$3.70; Confederate, 1863, 10c., blue, perforated, on cover, not priced, brought \$3.25; Br. New Guinea, 1905, 2sh. 6d., catalogued at \$15, brought \$14; Parma, 1853, 6c., rose,	
Patiala, 1891, 3 rupee, green and brown	15 00	12 25		
Patiala, 1891, 5 rupee, violet and blue	18 00	15 25		
Jamaica, 1860, 8 varieties of pineapple watermark used	6 20	4 10		
Labuan, 1880, 8 on 12c., car- mine, 8 inverted unused, O. G.	.....	22 00		
Lagos, 1885, 2sh. 6 d., olive- brown, O. G.	25 00	18 50		
Lagos, 1885, 5sh. blue, O. G.	37 50	29 50		
Lagos, 1885, 10 sh., brown-vio- let, O. G.	70 00	41 00		
Lagos, 1885, ½p. on 4p., double surcharge	3 00	2 90		
Mauritius, 1848, 1d., vermilion on yellow, early impression	.....	54 00		
Natal, 1857, 3d., rose, used	11 00	9 75		

and 9c., blue, on cover, Scott's No. 17-18, catalogued at \$9, brought \$5.20; Great Britain, 1p., black, Mulready, envelope, brought \$2.80.

Auction Notes

Voorhees' sale on Jan. 29 will consist largely of fine British Colonials, also a nice line of stamps on original covers. Many stamps easily found are exceptionally hard to get on cover. This sale should appeal strongly to the collectors of entires.

Banard sale of the Philadelphia Stamp Company promises a fine line of good things. It is a general collection and contains such stamps as Cape wood blocks, early Ceylons, Sydney views, Swiss cantonals, and early British colonials, unused U. S., and a good line of U. S. envelopes, are strong features of this sale.

The International Stamp Company is out with a catalogue of its first sale, which is a novelty in itself, being small and can be carried in the pocket without folding. The lots are minutely described by a system of specific insignia for specific conditions. Each sign denotes the different condition of stamps offered, which saves space in catalogue, at the same time fully describing the condition. The sale contains no rarities, yet is full of nice things that appeal

to the average collector. It will take place at the club rooms of the Columbus Collectors' Club. The new firm will no doubt receive its share of the auction business with these up-to-date methods.

Morgenthau's sale on Jan. 12 contained many interesting things, a few of which deserve especial mention, such as U. S., 1851, 1c., type 1, beautiful copy, lightly cancelled; U. S., 1851, 30c., black, unused—the stamp that experts have not decided whether it is a proof or a regularly issued stamp; U. S., 1857, 5c., brick red, used; Austria, 1858, 2kr., orange, unused; Danish West Indies, 1872, 4c., dull blue, horizontal pair, imperforate, also a block of four. A fine line of Ceylon is included. One of the many features is the number of bisected stamps, which are particularly interesting to many collectors.

Scott Stamp and Coin Company sale of Jan. 17th and 18th will be held at the Collectors' Club in Twenty-third street, New York. The catalogue at hand shows that this will be a sale of especial merit, as the illustrated page, which forms the frontispiece, shows a fine selection, including such notable stamps as the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick shillings, 10c. St. Louis, Moldavia 27 para, and Saxony 3 pfg. The offerings of New Foundland are exceptional, in pairs, blocks of 4, and even full sheets.

Power's "General Issues of U. S. Stamps"

The long heralded handbook on stamps of the United States, written by Eustace B. Power and published under copyright by Stanley Gibbons, Inc., of New York, has just come from the press of Hann & Adair of Columbus. It is literally "the last word," in every sense of that expression, on the general postal issues of the United States, and needs only complete illustrations to make it all that could be hoped for from a specialized catalogue covering the same ground. Its title is comprehensive—the General Issues of United States Stamps, Their Shades and Varieties, to Which is affixed A History of the Private Perforating Machines and Their Products—but it is none too comprehensive for its contents. Beginning with the first regular issue in 1847, it sweeps through the full gamut of United States stamps to the current issue of 1908-9. Illustrations setting forth the differences between issues and minor varieties are plentifully employed through the 15-cents value of the issues of 1870-82, but

after that descriptions only are made to suffice. These illustrations are so sharp and clear and on such a large scale, that they must necessarily smooth the way for the unskilled but painstaking collector in solving many knotty problems of identification. This is particularly true of the stamps of the 1870-82 issues; indeed, that portion of the work dealing with these puzzling issues is a library of information in itself. In the earlier issues, there is a clear and illuminating description, with illustrations, of the differences among the Types I, II and III of the 1c. 1851-7, to which is added a Type IV, defined and illustrated with equal clearness. This stamp, not recognized in the catalogues, generally is known as the Type III re-engraved. It would seem reasonable to predict that it can not much longer be kept out of the catalogues as a distinct type.

One of the most valuable features of the work is its pricing of all specimens listed by the author, than whom none has greater

facilities for arriving at true valuations. His comment as to the relative rarity of certain specimens, whether they are overpriced or underpriced, relative values of used and unused specimens, is interesting and illuminating. This portion of the book is especially commended to the consideration of the devotees of the so-called "pink" of the 1861 issue.

He also points out the dangers arising from the cleaning and regumming of stamps, tells how these things are done and the best methods of detecting them.

Taken as a whole, considered from the standpoint of practical value to the average

collector, the book undoubtedly is the most notable contribution to the Philatelic literature of recent years. The recent work on "Campeche" and Dr. Chase's book on the three-cents stamp of 1851, while great and ambitious works, are of interest only to the specialist. Mr. Power's book supplies a compendium of needed information to every collector of United States Stamps, and as such, published at a price within the means of every one, it steps at once to the forefront of the stamp literature of the hour, exceeding in practical value even the great works of Tiffany and Luff.

New British Colonial Color Scheme

Following are the full particulars of the new color scheme, which has now been adopted by the following British Colonies: Barbados, British Solomon Islands, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Fiji Islands, Gambia, Gibraltar, Gold Coast, Grenada, Jamaica, Leeward Islands, Mauritius, Natal, Nyasaland Protectorate, St. Helena, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Sierra Leone, Southern Nigeria, Straits Settlements, Transvaal, Trinidad, Turks and Caicos Islands, Virgin Islands. This list is taken from Stanley Gibbons Stamp Weekly, but it will be noted that few if any of the Colonies have yet completely brought their issues into full harmony with the prescribed color schedule.

Certain modifications are also to be made in the list of colors as printed. For instance, Dominica is to reverse the colors of the head and duty plates, so that the larger area may be printed in the doubly fugitive inks. Gambia has already signified its intention of departing from the general rule, so far as the 5d., 7½d., 10d., 1s. 6d. and 3s. stamps are concerned.

The full color scheme, as suggested by the British postal authorities, and already adopted by the Colonies named above, and altogether likely to be adopted by all the others as well, is as follows:

Value.	Frame.	Center.	Paper.
Under ¼d	Black	Black	White
¼d	Brown	Brown	White
½d	Green	Green	White
1d	Red	Red	White
1½d	Orange	Orange	White
2d	Gray	Gray	White
2½d	Blue	Blue	White
3d	Purple	Purple	Yellow
4d	Red	Black	Yellow
5d	Sage Green	Purple	White

6d	Purple	Purple	White
7½d	Yellow	Purple	White
8d	Black	Purple	White
10d	Red	Purple	White
1sh	Black	Black	Green
1sh 6d	Blue	Green	White
2sh	Blue	Purple	Blue
2sh 6d	Red	Black	Blue
3sh	Violet	Green	White
4sh	Red	Black	White
5sh	Red	Green	Yellow
8sh	Em. Green	Purple	White
10sh	Red	Green	Green
£ 1	Black	Purple	Red
5	Yellow	Green	White
10	Blue	Purple	White
25	Red	Green	White

The above list is taken from the Colonial Office Journal, and is therefore official, but it will be noted that in working out the scheme there have been important modifications. This is especially true from the philatelic color standpoint. For instance, the 2½d. stamp is generally in ultramarine instead of blue, the 3d. and 6d. are in violet instead of purple, and there are other modifications of shades. The Colonial Office Journal says: Though the colors of stamps printed from the old Universal King's Head keyplate would agree exactly with the list given, they would be found reversed in the case of the 8d., 10d., 1sh. 6d., 4sh. and 8sh. printed from the new Universal King's Head keyplate. It is also necessary to add that although stamps bearing designs other than that of the King's Head would be printed in the regulation colors, it does not follow that the constant portion of each design will be given for the King's Head, as this color may be allowed to the border of the stamp.

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The Publisher's Page

With this, the third number of The Stamp Collector, we enter upon a new year, and our resolution was to make The Stamp Collector better each issue, and to keep on making it better until it is the undisputed peer of American Philatelic magazines.

This is, as you will admit, a good resolution, but do you consider what a hard one it will be for us to keep. You, Mr. Collector, can do more than we can to bring this about, for without your support and assistance we would be powerless. Our subscription list numbers nearly one thousand, wide-awake stamp collectors, and if each of you would make an effort to secure but one new subscriber for us it would be the greatest help that could be given in enabling us to keep our resolution.

It is our intention to illustrate The Stamp Collector in the best possible style, starting first with the New Issue Service, and

then illustrating our articles. Good cuts cost money and none but good ones will be used in this magazine. At the present time we can give you a better magazine by leaving out the cuts but its value to you would be increased with them.

Many letters from business men of high standing have been received in the past few weeks, commenting on the paper in general and our Auction, New Issue and Literature Departments in particular. All of which lead us to believe we are on the right road and will secure the support of active collectors just as fast as we are able to get in touch with them and put a copy of the magazine in their hands.

Several new advertisers are with us this month, and as most of them have contracted for space regularly at our current low rates, you can expect to see their announcements each month.

Dealers who are not using space in The Stamp Collector are invited to come in at once. We would prefer that you use an inch space regularly, instead of a large space once, as better results for you and a better feeling for The Stamp Collector would be created by this plan.

Contracts for monthly insertions of their advertising have been signed by the following dealers, and their announcements will be found to contain interesting items for all classes of collectors. By patronizing our advertisers and calling their attention to the fact that you saw their ad in The Stamp Collector, will increase our business and give you a better magazine:

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We have letters from several other dealers asking for prices or special rates. We make but one price to all, and can quote no other rates than those on this page, or appearing on our contract blank. A blank will be gladly sent to any dealer requesting same.

Any addresses of collectors who would appreciate a copy of the paper should be sent the publisher and a sample will be mailed at once.

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Record of New Issues

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Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Argentine Republic

Additional values in new San Martin type, chronicled by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly:

Adhesives—

½c., violet. 20c., blue.

Bermuda

Change of color, reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14:

Adhesive—

4d., blue and chocolate.

British North Borneo

A correspondent informs Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News that, of the 50,000 new 18c. stamps without overprint, but 1,105 were sold to the public. It is stated the stamps without overprint are now selling for \$5 each in the colony.

China

According to Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, the current 4c. is now appearing in scarlet, the color of the old 2c.

Adhesive—

4c., deep scarlet.

Cuba

A new issue will appear shortly, the stamps from 1c. to 10c. to be the same size as the present low values, and the 50c. and \$1 the size of the current 50c. stamp. The new 50c. will be printed from the plate of the current stamp, with color changed. A change in the design of the special delivery stamp and the stamped envelopes is also contemplated.

Dominican Republic

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 6c. postage due on paper watermarked crosses and circles.

Adhesive—Unpaid letter stamp—

6c., brown-olive.

French Somali Coast

The New England Stamp Company has sent us a new set for this colony, the designs being practically the same as those of the 1902 set, but the centime values now measure the same as the franc values, 35x20 mm. The stamps from 1c. to 20c.

show the Mosque of Tadjourah, 25c. to 75c., mounted Somalis, and 1, 2 and 5 fcs., mounted Somali warriors.

Adhesives—

1c., claret and pale brown.
2c., purple and grey.
4c., olive-grey and blue.
5c., green and olive-green.
10c., carmine and red-orange.
20c., grey black and red-brown.
25c., ultramarine and blue.
30c., brown and red.
35c., purple and grey-green.
40c., carmine and violet.
45c., brown and blue-green.
50c., claret and brown.
75c., red and yellow-green.
1fr., purple and brown.
2fr., red-brown and carmine.
5fr., brown-violet and blue green.

Gambia

The current 1d. stamp is now appearing in red instead of carmine, a copy having been shown us by The New England Stamp Company.

Adhesive—

1d., red, ordinary.

Great Britain—Offices in the Levant

New values on current British stamps, received from The New England Stamp Company, chalky paper.

Adhesives—

30 pa. on 1½d., dull purple and green.
1 pl. 10 pa. on 3d., purple on yellow.
1 pl. 30 pa. on 4d., green and purple brown.
2 pl. 20 pa. on 6d., dull purple.
5 pi. on 1s., green and carmine.

Japan—Offices in China

The International Stamp Company has shown us what appears to be an error in the first issue for use in China, the 2 sen, with red overprint in olive (the color of the 8 sen), instead of yellow-green.

New Zealand

From Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News we learn that a king's head set has been issued, inscribed "Dominion of New Zealand." The stamps are watermarked single-lined N Z and star. The ½d. and 1d. are perforated 14x15½ and the rest of the set 14.

Adhesives—

- ½d., yellow-green.
- 1d., carmine.
- 2d., lilac.
- 3d., yellow-brown.
- 4d., orange.
- 5d., violet-brown.
- 6d., rose-carmine.
- 8d., deep blue.
- 1s., red-orange.

Nicaragua

Current type with imprint of The American Bank Note Company, re-issued in new colors and overprinted "C" and "Dpto. Selaya" in two lines, black overprint, perf. 12, reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Adhesives—

- 1c., bright green.
- 2c., vermilion.
- 3c., reddish orange.
- 4c., violet.
- 5c., deep steel-blue.
- 6c., sepia.
- 10c., deep brownish lake.
- 15c., slate.
- 20c., olive-brown.
- 50c., myrtle.
- 1p., orange-yellow.
- 2p., rose-carmine.

Persia

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports a new 50 krans stamp to complete the 1907-8 set. The stamp, which measures about 40x30mm., has the central design in black, the frame in vermilion and the spaces between the stamps printed in gold, giving each stamp a gold border. The stamps are perforated 11, 11½, single-lined machine. The center consists of a three-quarter face portrait of the lately deposed Shah and is line-engraved, while the frame is lithographed.

Adhesive—

- 50k., vermilion, black and gold.

Roumania

The 15 bani has appeared in a new color and lithographed, according to Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, the design being similar to that of the 1908 set, perf. 11½, 13½ and compound.

Adhesive—

- 15 bani, pale sage-green.

St. Lucia

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the following stamps in new colors, watermarked multiple Crown C A, perf. 14.

Adhesives—

- ½d., blue-green, ordinary.
- 3d., purple on yellow, chalky.
- 1s., black on green, chalky.

Salvador

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports an error of overprint on the 6c. of the 1907 issue, the shield having been printed in red instead of black. It is said only twenty-seven copies exist.

From the same source we learn that the current set is appearing on paper watermarked multiple circles about 4 mm. in diameter.

Adhesives—

- Current type, wmkd. multiple circles center and value in second color.
- 1c., green and black.
- 2c., rose and black.
- 5c., deep blue and black.

Siam

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the 6 atts of the 1904 set overprinted in the new currency and Gibbons' Weekly reports the 2 atts of the 1906 issue similarly overprinted.

Adhesives—

- 6 sat. on 6 a., dark rose (Scott's No. 60.)
- 2 sat. on 2 a., green (Scott's No. 87.)

South Australia

Current large type, watermarked Crown A, received from the New England Stamp Company:

Adhesive—

- 8d., ultramarine.

Spain

The New England Stamp Company sends us the 15c. of the new set. The stamp shows a portrait of King Alfonso in small circle, surmounted by a crown and surrounded by the collar of the Order of the Golden Fleece. 15 and Cs. appear in small shields in the upper corners and Espana and Correos appear below the portrait. Gibbons' Weekly reports the 5c. of the same type.

Adhesives—

- 5c., deep green.
- 15c., violet.

Straits Settlements—Federated Malay States

We learn from Ewen's Weekly Stamp News that the 4c. black and rose was issued on chalky paper last June or earlier, wmkd. multiple Crown C A, perf. 14, center in first color.

Adhesive—

- 4c., black and rose, chalky.

Transvaal

Current type in single color, multiple ordinary paper, received by The New England Stamp Company.

Adhesive—

- 2½d., ultramarine.

Tchongking

The New England Stamp Company sends us the following additions to the set issued in 1908, stamps of Indo-China overprinted with value in Chinese characters and "Tchongking" in red, centers and value in black.

Adhesives—

2fr., green and black. 10fr. violet and black.

Trinidad

The New England Stamp Company has shown us three new stamps with the value expressed in figures. The portrait of Britannia is the same as in the previous set, but there are many changes in the frames, tablets, etc., wmkd. multiple Crown C A, perf. 14.

Adhesives—

½d., green, ordinary.

1d., carmine, ordinary.

2½d., ultramarine, chalky.

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 1d. of the 1907 issue overprinted "Official" in black.

Adhesive—official—

1d., carmine.

Turkey

Additional values of new set mentioned in Nos. 1 and 2, reported by Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News.

10 pa., emerald green. 2 pl., grey-black.

United States

A prominent firm is advertising the current 10c. bluish rag paper. This is the paper on which the 1c., 2c. and 2c. Lincoln were issued experimentally a short time ago. So far nothing definite has appeared as to the quantity issued.

Zanzibar

New values of current set, reported by Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, wmkd. multiple rosettes, perf. 14:

Adhesives—

1c., grey (Scott's type A-8).

10c., brown (Scott's type A-8).

75c., grey-black (Scott's type A-9).

Late New Issue News

Canada

Mr. H. S. Adair has shown us a copy of the 2c. Quebec issue in orange. It is said that a few sheets were printed in orange at first as an experiment and the color then changed to red.

United States

The International Stamp Co., advises us on good authority from New York, that the current 6c. orange has appeared on blue paper.

Mr. Peckitt's "The Avery Collection"

One of the most beautiful brochures, as well as one of the most valuable Philatelic handbooks of current times, is Mr. W. H. Peckitt's recent monograph on the collection of the late Sir William Avery, purchased by Mr. Peckitt at a cost of \$118,980, probably one of the largest cash transactions ever completed in the stamp business. The work, printed on highly finished paper and copiously illustrated, contains a sketch of Sir William Avery as a Philatelist, with a preface concerning its acquirement by the author. There is a full-page photograph of Sir William. The book then takes us the main features of the collection, and deals with them under two heads—Great Britain and British Colonies, and Foreign Countries. All the leading rarities are illustrated. Among those thus shown are a block of 20 unused black V. R. 1d.; one of the three known sheets (20) of the British Guiana 4c. black on blue, 1862; an unused pair of the famous Canadian 12d. black; several of the Cape triangular errors; a wonderful unused copy of the imperf. 9d. Ceylon; unused copies of the 1d. and 2d. Post Office Mauritius; several complete sheets of Nevis rarities; a corner block of 15 of the "double Geneva," Swiss Cantonal stamp; used block of 8 Naples ½ tornese on cover; a unique pair of the 27 paras Moldavia, used; a block of 20 5c. Geneva large eagle; and several notable U. S. postmasters' provisionals. As a souvenir of one of the greatest collections in the world, as well as one of the greatest recorded stamp deals, the booklet is unexcelled, and it is substantial enough, and beautiful enough, to be worthy of a place in any Philatelic library.

Mr. Colson's Brochure

Warren H. Colson, 184 Boylston street, Boston, has issued as a New Year's greeting one of his monthly calendars, showing the rare Switzerland 4r. Zurich, 1843, vertical lines, with Federal cancellation. His brochure for the month is on "Opportunity" and as a special New Year greeting he encloses a beautifully engraved card, bearing John J. Ingalls' famous poem "Opportunity," beginning "Master of human destinies am I." Beyond cavil, Mr. Colson puts out the most attractive advertising matter there is in the country.

Philatelic Literature

Interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone

Philatelic Literature Society

The heading of this article is not in reference to the well known English Society of Philatelic Literature Collectors, but it is with reference to it in connection with forming a similar society in America that I intend to speak. Some few weeks ago Meekel's Weekly printed a letter of mine in reference to an American Society, and since that time letters have been received from many collectors known to myself in all parts of America and from England, promising support on the brief outline of my plan. Many of the letters were from collectors of whom I have never before heard of, and this fact encourages me to believe that a society with 40 to 50 members could be organized without much effort. I have been interested in Literature collecting for many years, and, as stated above, many of the parties writing me were strangers, and this leads me to believe there are many more with whom I have never had any dealings, although I have at times been very active in this line.

Now for a brief outline of the plan. First—the yearly dues to be \$5.00, payable in advance at the beginning of each fiscal year of the Society. This amount can not be lessened if any real or valuable work is to be attempted.

The officers should be few in number, a President, Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer should be sufficient, together with a Board of Directors, and I should also suggest an officer to have charge of publication work. The rules and by-laws of the English Society are very good, and a few changes would make them applicable to this Society.

Now as to what the Society could do. The Stamp Collector can be used as the official journal of the Society, and contributions from members can be printed therein, together with all notes or news they may be able to furnish. The paper would thus be able to furnish interesting reading for all members. This expense would be very small. Forty members at \$5.00 each equals \$200.00; 40 subscriptions to The Stamp Collector for members at 50 cents each equals \$20.00, leaving a balance of \$180.00 for the publication of four issues of a special quarterly publication, gotten up in elegant style, and a copy free for each member. Extra

copies should be sold at from 50 cents to \$1.00, according to their size and contents, and this would produce a revenue of from \$25.00 up, per quarter, or easily in excess of \$100.00 per year, which would give the Society nearly \$300.00 for the publication of four quarterlies, which should be in the shape of handbooks and treat on subjects of interest to Literature collectors.

The Philatelic Literature of each of the States of the Union could be treated in a separate booklet, and if handled in the proper manner, and the inside history of the various publications looked into, a very valuable and desirable booklet could be compiled.

As in most cases the book would be small it would be advisable to print on the best of paper in the most approved style in order that we could treasure them as real works of art in Philatelic Literature.

A complete index of the contents of the magazines published in the English language could be compiled to cover each year as it passes, together with a list of the handbooks, etc., issued on various subjects.

Many other features could be mentioned, which would give real cause for the formation of this Society, and it is an assured fact that with 40 or more members, a huge success could be made of the venture.

All collectors who are interested in the formation of a society of this sort should address the editor of this department, stating their views and ideas on the subject, and also furnish the addresses of any collectors whom they may know, that a copy of this paper may be sent them.

A list of collectors who will support a society will be printed in the February issue, and further information will be given.

The editor of this department is the publisher of this magazine, and is a practical printer, besides being one of the owners of a well-equipped and up-to-date printing and publishing plant, thus being in a position to give valuable assistance and the benefit of inside prices on any publication work attempted by the Society, and at the same time give advice as to the most desirable form or style of booklet to be issued, bearing in mind that quality comes first and price afterward.

A letter from every literature collector is desired, and an early one will be appreciated.

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December 14, the seventy-second regular meeting was held at the club rooms, President Mason in the chair, with sixteen members and one visitor present.

Minutes of the seventieth and seventy-first meetings were approved.

The committee on annual luncheon made a brief report and it was voted to hold the luncheon on Tuesday evening, Jan. 18, the committee being given authority to make all necessary arrangements.

Messrs. Adair, Ranney and Douglass were appointed to arrange a program for the luncheon.

Mr. C. B. Duffy displayed his collection of Austrian postal cards. The collection is highly specialized and lacks only three or four varieties.

After the regular program, the members were given a demonstration of the mirror-scope, a device for projecting post cards on a screen.

Meeting adjourned about 10 o'clock.

The seventy-third regular meeting was held Dec. 28, President Mason in the chair, with twelve members present.

The minutes of the seventy-second meeting were read and approved.

The resignation of Mr. Otto B. Heaton, Active Member No. 17, was accepted with regret.

The club decided to form a counterfeit and reprint collection, to be placed in charge of an officer of the Club, to be known as a Curator, which officer shall be a member of the Board of Directors.

Led by Mr. Adair, the members subscribed \$3.00 toward the purchase of a suitable blank album for this collection. Members who have not contributed toward this fund are invited to do so, and the Club will appreciate any reprints or counterfeits which the members care to give. For the present, contributions may be addressed to the Secretary.

The following nominations for the ensuing year were duly made:

President—Paul Mason.

First Vice President—Wm. H. Field, Wm. F. Savage.

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Secretary—Geo. K. Smith, Jr.

Treasurer—O. A. Schenck.

Directors (two to be chosen)—Geo. W. Linn, Jesse F. Ranney, C. W. Sachs, J. E. Douglass.

The usual prize drawings were held, a number of cardboard proofs being awarded as prizes.

The rest of the evening was devoted to various amusements of a non-philatelic character.

The meeting adjourned at a late hour.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR.,

Secretary.

Mr. Worthington Buys a Rarity

Mr. George H. Worthington of Cleveland has purchased from the International Stamp Company of Columbus, an original cover, bearing a vertical strip of three one-cent 1851, showing all three types. The stamps are in good condition and cancellations are very light for stamps of that period, so that the types are clearly to be seen. The piece is an undoubted rarity, and in that condition is almost unique.

Values on Egyptian Stamps

To those stamp collectors who may be puzzled to translate Egyptian coinage values, as expressed on stamps, into American currency, the following, culled from a consular report, will be interesting: The legal standard is the Egyptian pound, containing 7,4375 grams of pure gold. Gold pars of exchange with Great Britain and the United States therefore work out as follows: 1£ equals 98.45 piasters tariff; \$1 equals 20.23 piasters tariff. One Egyptian pound equals 100 piasters, which equal \$4.943. Egyptian currency consists almost wholly of British sovereigns, which are legal tender at the fixed rate of 97.5 piasters. On this basis the real gold pars of exchange are: £1 equals 97.5 piasters and \$1 equals 20.03 piasters. One piaster therefore equals 4.9925 cents, and 20 piasters, at 99.85 cents, are practically \$1.

Notable List of Catalogued Errors

R. E. H. Dalwigg, contributing to Gibbons' Stamp Weekly another installment of his "An 'Error' Collection," gives a long list of stamps printed in the wrong colors, in different countries. In the list, which follows, if the whole sheet was printed in erroneous color, the color used is given first and the normal color in parentheses:

Antioquia—1886, 50c., rose-carmine on buff, in sheet of 10c.; 1889, 20c., brown, in sheet of 50c; 1892, 2½c., black, in sheet of 5; 1902, 3c., blue, in sheet of 2c.

Argentine Republic—1892, 5c., green (rose-red).

Austria—1867, 3kr., red (green).

Bolivar—1879, 20c., green (red); 1880, 20c., green (red).

Bolivia—1894, 10c., blue (brown).

Boyaca—1903, 5p., black on buff (rose); 10p., black on rose buff).

Bulgaria—1882, 5st., rose and pale rose (deep and pale green).

Cape of Good Hope—1d., blue, in plate of 4d.; 4d., red, in plate of 1d.

China—1897, 50c., deep green (yellow green).

Colombia—1863, 50c., red, in sheet of 20c.

Dominican Republic—1900, 20c., carmine (purple).

Finland—1866, 5 pen., black on buff (brown on grey); 10 pen., brown on grey (black on buff); 1871, 10 pen., brown on lilac (black on buff); 1891, 3½r., yellow and black (grey and black). Of the 1866 errors there are two types of roulettes and two varieties of paper.

France—1853, 20c., yellow-buff (blue on bluish); 1872, 15c., bistre on rose, in sheet of 10c.

Honduras—1898, 5c., dull purple (pale blue); 6c., orange-red (deep mauve).

Hungary—1905, 50f., claret (lake).

Hyderabad—1871-1900, ½a., magenta (red-brown).

Liberia—1892, 1c., blue (vermillion); 2c., vermillion (blue).

Lubeck—1859 (litho.), 2½sch., brown, in plate of 2sch.

Mexico—1868, 12c., black on brown (black on green), perf. and imperf.; 50c., blue on pink (black on yellow); 1872, 50c., blue (yellow); 1879, 10c., brown (blue); 25c., red-brown (rose); 1884, 1c., blue (green); 1898, 2c., green (carmine-red).

Neapolitan Provinces—1861, ½ tornese, black (green); 2 grana black (blue).

Nicaragua—1892, 50c., marone (violet);

2p., vermillion (green; 1893, 2c., deep brown (vermillion); 1903, 1c., black and orange (black and green); 2c., black and blue (black and carmine); 5c., black and dull red (black and blue); 10c., black and green (black and orange).

North Borneo—1886, 1c., pink, in sheet of 4c.

Peru—1858, ½ peso, red, in sheet of 1 peseta; 1896, 5c., black (green).

Porto Rico—1882, 8c., yellow, in sheet of 3c.; 20c., olive-brown (slate); 1884, 8c., brown, in sheet of 3c.

Portugal—1895, 25r., orange (carmine).

Rio de Oro—1907, 4p., blue-green, in sheet of 3p.

Roumania—1876, 5b., blue, in sheet of 10b.; 1879, 5b., rose-red, in sheet of 10b.; 1893, 25b., blue, in sheet of 5b.

Servia—1866, 2p., green on lavender (red on lavender; 1896, "postage due," 5p., carmine (rosy mauve).

Shanghai—1867, 6c., orange-yellow, in sheet of 3c.; 1876, 1c., rose (yellow).

Siam—1900, 3a., red and green (red and blue); (Scott does not list this error, but gives two distinct reds—"red" and "carmine.")

Sicily—1859, ½gr., deep cobalt (yellow).

South—1886, 1a., blue (green).

Spain—1851, 2r., blue, in sheet of 6r.; 1855, 2r., blue, in sheet of 1r.

Tolima—1884, 2c., slate-blue (rose).

Turkey—1876, 25 pias., red and blue, in sheet of 5 pias.; 1881, 1 pias., black and blue, plus 1 pias. of Eastern Roumelia; 1884, 2 pias., dull yellow (brown).

United States—1893 (Columbia), 4c., deep blue (bright blue); 1873 (Navy), 2c., green (blue).

Uruguay—1857, 180c., vermillion, in sheet of 240c.

Venezuela—Guayana 1903, 10c., orange (deep red); 50c., deep red (pale blue); Maturin 1903, 50c., orange-vermillion (deep red).

Western Australia—1865, 2d., mauve (yellow); 1s., bistre (green).

Almost every month some one of the English journals devotes considerable space to philatelic literature, and, judging from the announcements of dealers, there are quite a few who make a business of buying and selling stamp literature.

Experiences of a Relic Hunter

By HENRY CLYDE SHETRONE

"Crazy? Well, mebbly I be; leastwise, if some folks that think so are sane, I'm willin' to be the other thing."

This retort, which I recall as having brought down upon myself when as a boy I once thoughtlessly questioned the mental balance of an eccentric farmer who objected to having his orchard ravished, might sometimes serve the man with a hobby.

We who know the joys and benefits of a worth-while fad, also know that there are those almost or completely devoid of sympathy with, or capacity for, enjoying a hobby. Perhaps the instinct is there and only waits to be awakened; at any rate, I doubt that there are any of us who hasn't been accosted by some acquaintance or even a close friend with some such intimation as the foregoing. If it happens to be a mere acquaintance, we make a mental resolution that if he be sane, we're glad we're crazy; if a close friend, we feel sorry for him, and proceed to convert him.

Every worthy hobby, as its devotee knows, brings out and develops many good qualities, besides making for mental, moral and physical proficiency. It matters little what the hobby may be—whether collecting tobacco tags or railroad systems—if the hobbyist finds his best pleasure therein, its purpose is served.

As a collector of prehistoric Indian and mound-builder relics, I recall many interesting experiences, amusing and otherwise. Some weeks ago with a friend, who like myself had early in life been stung by the archaeological bug and had never recovered, I was spending a day in the fields along the river.

"Whoopee-e-e! Whee-e-e! Hurray-y-y!" and other primitive and hair-raising vocal acrobatics, which defy expression in written characters, suddenly burst on my hearing. I was aware of a momentary return of the instinct which warned primitive man of the approach of enemies, and for an instant could imagine a whole horde of painted savages swooping down upon me with dire intent upon my scalp. One glance down the corn rows, however, quickly recalled me from the days of hereditary memories to the present, and I realized that it was only Old Phil, my companion in mental dereliction, who had made "a find." He had thrown his hat into the air, plunging like a bucking broncho, and then

sprawled upon the ground, where he was engaged in fending something as a mother might her long lost child. Talk about gloating—he had Fagin and his ducats beaten to a frazzle. Yes, there was a miracle; the staid and conservative man of affairs, upon whom the cares of a business life hung heavily, was instantly transformed into a schoolboy, and all because he had found—a stone. But it was the stone he had been looking for. Every spring for twenty years Phil had begun the season's search with the avowed intention of finding a prehistoric stone pipe—something that a collector hardly dares to expect even in a lifetime—and he had found it.

As I muse over many weary tramps through plowed fields, probably yielding little material recompense for tired eyes, aching legs and sunburned neck, I recall examples of the development of traits peculiar to this particular hobby. For one thing, its pursuit is bound to develop a rather doubtful virtue—a championship "kiddier." Your true relic collector never, if he can avoid it, goes alone on his jaunts. And if the hunt is disappointing it is always the other fellow's fault. He is sure to be a "Jonah," and has led you on a false scent. If one has a streak of luck and makes a good find, the other is "certainly a very bum relic hunter," and couldn't possibly see anything unless it were of Gargantuan proportions. Possibly you will condescendingly lay some worthless piece in his path, that he may not face the humiliation of finding nothing.

But the right spirit is always back of the apparent hostility. Your typical relic hunter likes companionship. He must have someone to kid. And if the luck is all his way, he doesn't enjoy himself. He wants the other fellow to find something, too; but he doesn't want him to find it all. And if perchance you have tramped half a day without a redeeming find and your companion apparently has picked up good pieces at will, your patience will be put to the test.

With your feet tired and sore from the stones in your shoes; with your throat parching for water and your stomach cleaving to your ribs from hunger; with the perspiration rolling through little furrows of dirt into your eyes, and big spider webs, corn pollen and dust conspiring to deprive you of your sight, the merciless gaffing you may receive is sufficient to try the good

nature of a saint. But don't let your temper slip a cog; it would prove fatal.

Your relic hunter is a natural born poacher; not from desire, or from inherent defects as to the rights of others. He would rather request permission of the landowner to trample his young wheat or to go plowing through the truck patch, but then—the farmer's house is so far away, and it is growing late, and—well, that field just looks so good that he simply gets over into it.

Sometimes the farmer doesn't mind, because he realizes that no harm is being done. Then again, he does mind, under any circumstances, and then the fun begins. Sometimes the farmer starts out across the field accompanied by a dog. Sometimes, but rarely, he has a gun. But usually he is alone, except for a volley of wrath which he is prepared to bestow on the poacher. Your experienced hunter never runs away. Oh, no. He is a good soldier, all right.

I have known a veteran relic hunter who would hasten to meet a fierce farmer coming after him with dire vengeance reeking from every pore and backed up by a shotgun, swearing to land the intruder in jail. But he never went to jail. Maybe he started to accompany the farmer peaceably to incarceration, but within half an hour he would be taking dinner comfortably at the farmer's home. Just diplomacy, that's all. And nothing in the world serves more quickly to develop the gift.

And oh, you dog! The bane of the collector's life. And if you can't show a nice little brown scar on the calf of your leg, don't ever try to make a veteran collector believe that you are his peer.

That scar always comes sooner or later, no matter how winning a way you may have with dogs. You can get on with the farmer all the time if you show yourself a man and have consideration for his rights, but that little snipping cur will sometime or other slip out and nab you before you can poke his ribs with your umbrella. But you won't care, as you will then be a full-fledged collector and will wear the hallmark of the craft. Anyway, it's great to be crazy.

The West End Philatelist (Eng.) devotes much space to the forthcoming second Philatelic Congress, to be held in London, April 27-29, for which H. R. H. the Prince of Wales has consented to act as patron. The Earl of Crawford will have a prominent part in the proceedings. The editor, Bertram W. H. Poole, has an interesting paper on "Engravers' and Designers' Imprints," as found on postage stamps.



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The annual meeting of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club was held Dec. 16th, 1909, at Room 202, The Arcade.

Meeting called to order at 8:10 by President Bruce, and with the following members present: Whitiker, Weigel, Bruce, Good, Barnum, Moses, Hunt, Guscott, Crowell, Bartels, Wood, Preble, Scharschmidt, Williams, Harris, J. N. Lehr, Bryan⁴, Waterbury, Larsen, Foote, Crofts, Beatty, Pomeroy, Mack, French and Johnson of Chicago. Visitors present were Lehman and Wilson.

After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved as read, Mr. Barnum read the report of the committee appointed to audit the retiring Ex-Manager's books. It was moved and seconded that such report be accepted as read.

The Secretary thereupon read his report for the past year, also his report as Treasurer of the Club, which report was approved as read.

The annual election of officers was then held and the following were elected to office: Mr. H. C. Crowell, President; Mr. John F. Rust, Vice President; Mr. R. H. Beatty, Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Crowell thereupon appointed Mr. Otto F. Moses to be Exchange Manager for the year 1910.

The Board of Directors for the coming year were elected as follows: Bruce, Waterbury, Beatty, Crowell, Langdon, Rust and Good.

A committee was appointed to arrange for the twentieth anniversary banquet, to be held early in March. Members of said committee appointed as follows: Good, Crowell, Rust, Barnum and Beatty.

After the general order of business, a photograph of the Club and the newly-elected officers was taken by Mr. Barnum.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p. m.

R. H. BEATTY, Secretary.

New Stamp Issues In 1910

Philatelically, 1910 opens with several interesting prospects. The death of King Leopold of Belgium and the accession to the throne of King Albert presages an early emission of new stamps for this country, inherently interesting, but in which interest has been minimized by the ugliness of its stamps, as much as by anything else. Probably the Belgian Congo will follow the example of the mother country. The result should be a more general interest in Belgian issues as a whole. A new and uniform stamp is in contemplation for the states of the Australian federation, and in the natural order of events a new issue can not be much longer deferred in Austria. The United States numeral issues, 1c. and 2c., should be out soon, and as some radical color scheme changes are in process of adoption, the whole will constitute practically a new issue in this country. Under these circumstances, the year may be expected to develop much enthusiasm in a new generation of collectors, one of which, it may be safely assumed, has its birth every time there is a new issue by an important country.

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The Editor's Foreword

Official Organship of the A. P. S.

According to a recent ruling of the Post-office Department, no paper can be delivered to the members of any society as the official organ of that society unless the member to whom it is so sent has signified his willingness to receive and pay for it. In effect, this means that he must pay for it apart from his dues. It can have no effect on the selection of an official organ of a society if a satisfactory contract can be made for the publication of official matter; it merely means that a member can not be forced to pay for and accept a paper that he does not want.

For this, many members of the American Philatelic Society undoubtedly will give hearty thanks.

The Stamp Journal, in its January Issue, takes a sensible view of the situation, as affecting the A. P. S., when it advocates the publication by the Society of its own official journal. What it says is so pertinent, so justified by the facts, that it is reproduced herewith:

It is very evident that the present plan of choosing official organs for the various societies must be stopped. According to the ruling of the Postoffice Department no paper or magazine will be permitted to serve in that capacity. The question arises, What will become of the Society's business, those lists of membership changes, the reports of meetings and generally the official data? Well, these must be inserted in some one or various papers, and advertising rates paid therefor; or—and here we come to the crux of the whole proposition—the Society must publish

its own official organ. The American Philatelic Society has done it before, and only the panic and hard times put it out of business. It must be evident to all that the rich A. P. S., with nearly \$7,000 reserve, can now be trusted to give us a monthly official circular without inviting bankruptcy.

This is sound and progressive argument, and, moreover, is the word with the bark on it. It may be controverted from Boston, but it can not be refuted. It will be a source of regret to the hundreds of friends of Redfield's in the Society that they can not try conclusions once more, on the fair basis provided for the selection of an official organ this year with the supporters of those who have so long dominated the affairs of the Society from the Amen Corner, because with a square deal, as well as a fair count, there would be little doubt of the result. And Redfield's has labored hard enough and long enough for the best interests of the Society, without any reward save that which comes from consciousness of good work well done, to entitle it at least to a vote of the Society's confidence as expressed in the award of the official organship. But publisher and editor of Redfield's alike, unless we have sadly misjudged them, will be the last to regret a turn of circumstances which may force the Society to make a really progressive step, even though it cuts them out of the fruition of their high and legitimate ambition.

In the possibility that the Society may not measure up to its present responsibility and opportunity, it is to be hoped that there will be a full vote on the question of

the official organ, so far as the publishing of official matter is concerned, and that Redfield's will offer an advertising contract for its publication so attractive that it can not be refused, if the Society does not decide to publish its own journal. There will be no doubt, in that case, as to the forthcoming subscriptions, for Redfield's, at least, always has been worth the money.

When Rogues Fall Out

"Great aches from little toe-corns grow," and an apparently innocent sentence in the Mekeel's Weekly St. Louis "Special" has aroused at least a part of the Bear, so that he is standing up and trying to walk like a man. It is a nasty squabble, in which one Boston and two St. Louis factors are involved, but may not be an unmixed evil to legitimate Philately, after the malodorous smoke has cleared away.

Editorially, in plucking his own deathless asphodel, the editor of Mekeel's wrote concerning the Weekly: "It was while the paper was there (in St. Louis) under its present control that it started on its career as an independent publication and acquired its successful momentum."

In its write up of the Hussman Stamp Company it persistently spelled the name of the manager "Flachmann," instead of "Flachskamm."

The first aroused there of C. H. Mekeel, founder of the Weekly, presently the subsidized and somewhat elusive power behind the occasionally revived Philatelic Journal of America, and otherwise known as the Stamp Security Company. His rejoinder to the Amen Corner is pointed. After reviewing at length the deals in which all those named were or are interested, he says:

"The Weekly is justly subject to criticism for concealing facts that its readers have a right to know. Not but that a new start with a clean sheet is to be encouraged, for it is highly commendable; but a square deal all around is better, and readers of a periodical as intimately connected with their interests as a stamp newspaper is, have a right to some consideration, as well as the advertising receipts."

To which Boston makes no response.

C. H. Mekeel also called attention to the mis-spelling of Flachskamm's name, but did it in such a way that that purveyor of stamps under another's name jumps into the arena with more than a page in the Hussman circular, in which he lambasts C. H. Mekeel and lauds the Weekly for dismissing the P. J. of A. with a five-liner notice. It is well worth reading, but too long to be reproduced, and, any way, would

be libellous, if the subject of the sketch could be libeled.

The truth of the matter is, they have all been disingenuous, each anxious to tell so much of the truth as would serve his own purpose, and to conceal the rest. If the personnel of the quarrel were different it would be regrettable; as it is, it calls emphatic attention to the old adage that honest men get their dues when certain contingencies arise. This may be one of them.

Marginalia

BEANS AND BROWN BREAD, with special dressing, seem to have caused trouble in certain St. Louis internal economies.

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LEST WE FORGET—Mekeel's has opposed every progressive move that has been advocated in the A. P. S. since it has been feeding at the trough.

SO FAR AS KNOWN there was only one error involving a two-cents Hawaiian missionary, and that is popularly reputed to have cost \$800—without getting the stamp.

IT REQUIRED A RULING by the Postoffice Department to stop the great game of grab which has centered so long in Boston. For this great mercy, make us truly thankful.

THERE'S STILL TIME for those stamp dealers who have not been advertising in The Stamp Collector to come in out of the wet. Columbus will not be satisfied with anything but the best, and The Stamp Collector is firmly minded to be it.

SECRETARY H. S. ADAIR is trying to induce the Editor of Billikin's to join the A. P. S., and his efforts have been seconded by the entire membership of the C. C. C., but without avail. Kin says he may be egregious, but he's not gregarious, and besides, if he tried to get in, the Amen Corner probably would hit him below the belt.

THE STAMP COLLECTOR takes pleasure in announcing that Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News has inaugurated a gumshoe campaign in behalf of one of its hired employes, Charles R. Morris of Washington, for Secretary of the A. P. S. Mr. Morris is all right personally, but does the A. P. S. want an employe of the Amen Corner in its most important office?

Columbus Club's Annual Banquet

The Columbus Collectors' Club held its third annual banquet Tuesday evening, Jan. 25, in the French room of the Ohio Club, with 20 members and one guest present. It was the most elaborate social affair yet attempted by the Columbus stamp men, and was an unqualified success. Several of the out-of-town members of the club were present.

There was an attractive menu, including several of the good things for which the chef of the Ohio Club is especially famous, and after coffee and cigars, there was a round of speeches and stories, which held the participants until a late hour. President Paul Mason of the Club presided as toastmaster.

The menu cards were unique. They were presented to the Club by W. M. Linn & Sons, of which firm George Ward Linn, publisher of *The Stamp Collector* and a member of the Club, is a member. Inside the folder, opposing the menu list, was a block of nine Confederate 10-cent stamps of the type of the 5-cent 1862, No. 205. These stamps were printed from an original plate, captured from the Confederates by an Ohio regiment, probably while in transit from the maker to the Confederate Postoffice Department, and so far as known no stamps were ever printed from them. The Club's reprints were printed in Confederate grey, of a tint as near as possible to that in



From the Original Plate as Used in the Menu of the Columbus Collectors' Club's Annual Banquet

which the stamps were intended to be issued, and only 50 blocks were reproduced. The copies not used locally will be distributed among the Philatelic societies of the world, and will furnish an historic souvenir of an interesting occasion.

Postmarks on Leeward Islands

In the current *Stamp Lover*, in an extended article on foreign postmarks, continued from a previous issue, D. B. Armstrong has the following interesting note on a minor form of specialization in the stamps of the Leeward Islands: "October 1, 1890, the separate postage stamp issues of the Presidencies of Antigua, Dominica, Montserrat, Nevis, St. Christopher and the Virgin Islands, comprising the British crown colony of the Leeward Islands, were withdrawn from circulation and replaced by a single series, inscribed 'Leeward Islands,' and common to all the islands named. As, however, each of the Presidencies has since reverted to a separate and distinctive series of its own, which is used concurrently with the general Leeward Island series, a few stamps of this conjoint issue, showing the postmarks of the various islands forming the colony,

might with advantage be included in a specialized collection of the stamps of any of the Presidencies."

New Siamese Currency Values

Collectors of the stamps of Siam will be interested in the new units of value, resulting from the division of the tical (36.5 cents) into 100 satangs or cents, instead of 64 atts, as formerly. New coins, in the new currency are out as follows: One satang, bronze; 5 and 10 satangs, nickel; the slung, or quarter-tical (25 satangs, and double slung, or half-tical (50 satangs), silver. Surcharges of the old stamps, representing the new valuations, are out, and a complete new issue is in process of preparation, and indeed may have been issued by the time this is laid before readers of *The Stamp Collector*.

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.

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The American Philatelist

Ere this issue of *The Stamp Collector* reaches its readers it is more than probable that the first number of *The American Philatelist*, in its new guise as a quarterly, will have been received by members of the American Philatelic Society. The publication will be uniform in size with Vol. XXII, published as an annual after the Columbus convention, and as the other quarterly sections will be issued in the same size, they can be conveniently bound uniform with that issue, thus making an attractive addition to a philatelic library. The editor of the quarterly has a pleasant foreword, summarizing the entertainment features of the convention, and, as was provided in the legislation authorizing the change from the annual to the quarterly form, the rest of the number is taken up with the convention proceedings. It is well printed, on good paper, and makes a valuable record. The only criticism that with propriety might be made is that it appears so long after the convention of which it is the history.

Billikin's Philatelic Magazine

The Columbus contemporary of *The Stamp Collector* has bestowed on us his February smile, and the philatelic world is brighter thereby. Billikin's is the philosophy of "smile and the world smiles with you," but he doesn't say anything about "snore and you sleep alone." The interesting information is conveyed that Finerty, the occasional philatelist whose acquaintance was made by those who attended the Columbus convention, has "joined" the S. S. S. S., as the result of some insinuating remarks by his friend Hogan. The "Answers to Correspondents" department contains some real hits, though probably the correspondents are not. Eight pages of advertising in this, the second number, may safely be taken to indicate that the dealers are looking for something good in which to set forth the merits of their wares. More power to Billy! If you can't smile, Billy kin.

Redfield's Stamp Weekly

A notable article on "The Stamps of the Province of Zelaya and Cabo Garcios a Dios," by Edmund de S. Brunner, in a late Redfield's, can not fail to arouse interest in the stamps of Nicaragua as a whole,

notwithstanding the malodorous state into which they have fallen because of multiplicity of issues and surcharges. Moreover, the paper is to be taken as an index of the enterprise which has marked Redfield's since its first publication. It has sought to be something more than a stamp newspaper, and though not unmindful of the value of stamp news, has consistently sought to give its readers a deeper insight into philately in all its aspects. Its departments are up to the mark and its new issue department especially is growing rapidly in up-to-dateness, and therefore in value.

The Stamp Journal

This enterprising publication bears internal and external evidence of the prosperity which is abounding in the stamp business and is reflected in the better class of papers devoted to philately. The January Stamp Journal comes to the fore with no less than 22 pages of attractively displayed advertising, with an equal amount of instructive and entertaining reading matter. Dr. Holland A. Davis contributes an interesting paper on specializing in the 1902 issue of United States stamps. The Doctor, than whom there is no more versatile stamp man, or more painstaking, differentiates three varieties of the one-cent green, for instance, with various varieties and shades in the other values. Charles Gregory reviews the 1899 Philatelic exhibition, held in New York, in an interesting paper.

From The Foreign Exchanges

The Stamp Lover

The January number of this popular organ of the Junior Philatelic Society possesses quite an American appearance, with a portrait of L. Harald Kjellstedt on the first page and one of H. S. Adair on the second, the former an international secretary and the latter general secretary of the American society. The leading article is one devoted to the expansion of the Junior Society, particularly in the states and the colonies. Mr. Kjellstedt has been appointed consul general—corresponding to chairman of the recruiting committee—for the United States, and included among the 35 vice consuls who are to assist him in recruiting are H. S. Adair and George K.

Smith, Jr., of Columbus, and W. G. Saxton of Canton. In this, as in all else, Ohio is right up to the front. A history of the postage stamps of the Cayman Islands is begun in this number by D. B. Armstrong, in collaboration with C. B. Bostwick and A. J. Watkins. It is illustrated with a sketch of the famous postoffice at Georgetown and with photo reproductions of stamps of various issues. Some interesting points are brought out on the stamps of Jamaica used in the islands, and some fine specimens of these are illustrated. There is a well illustrated book review on the famous English 1s. green forgery, and Mr. Peckit's brochure on the Avery collection is given extended notice. As seems to be the case with everything to which Mr. Melville sets his hand, the number is of abounding interest.

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly

In the January issues of this valuable English journal L. Hancianu continues his instructive paper on the postal issues of Italy and the Italian colonies. It is exceedingly comprehensive and is elaborately illustrated. Bertram W. H. Poole continues his paper on "A Type Collection, Its Advantages and How to Form One," in a way calculated to make the most hardened collector say "Bertram, almost thou persuadest me." There is an interesting article on surcharges, in which the writer declares the first surcharge or overprint was the "four pence" in black on the green Mauritius 4d. of 1849, which it will be remembered did not have the value expressed in the original. Charles J. Phillips writes entertainingly of a trip through part of South America, and J. Ireland describes the simple life in the collection of stamps of the Orange River Colony. One number devotes much space, both of type and illustration, to a continuation of an article on the stamps of Nicaragua, and R. E. R. Dalwigk continues his series on "An Error Collection," dealing especially with errors of manipulation, a section of which is reprinted elsewhere. A monograph on British postmarks since 1840 is contributed by C. F. Dendy Marshall. In all its regular departments the journal holds up to its own high standard as a purveyor of philatelic information.

Philatelic Journal of Great Britain

"Chilean Stamps Used in Bolivia" is the title of an interesting article in the current number of this popular journal. It is an able and painstaking resume by S. C. Barnett of a little known and less appreciated subject. Most collectors know, or have

heard, that Chilean stamps have been used in Bolivia, as they were in Peru, but few know when, where and why. This article is destined to exert a great influence, coupled with other recent publications on kindred topics, in the revival of interest in South Americans, which have long been neglected, so far as philatelic research is concerned, but which now seem to be coming into their own in a marked degree. The editorial foreword takes a decidedly optimistic view of the philatelic outlook for 1910. After mentioning most of the coming congresses and exhibitions, summarizing the probable new issues and alluding to some of the notable philatelic achievements and acquirements of the early winter, the editor says: "Altogether the outlook is more promising than we have known it to be for many years." In which opinion *The Stamp Collector* most heartily coincides.

The West-End Philatelist

This modest little paper always has something new of philatelic value and interest, and the January number is no exception to the rule. Its leading article on modifications of the British Colonial color scheme is reproduced in full elsewhere in *The Stamp Collector*. The editor, Bertram W. H. Poole, continues his interesting article on the postage stamps of the Gold Coast, dealing in this number with the King's Head issues. He also continues his series of papers on engravers' and designers' imprints. "Stamps of the Moment" are dealt with in an exhaustive paper on the Bulgarian stamps of 1884-7, in continuation of the series on that country, and the Bulgarian postage stamp of 1894.

Notes of the Exchanges

Alfred Smith & Son's Monthly Circular (London) has an interesting article on the rejected die of the first postage stamp, the English one penny black.

Henry George's Philatelic Monthly (Milwaukee) comes to hand with eight pages, including some interesting reading matter. An article on "Recent Forgeries" should be of interest and value to young collectors.

The January Hobbyist contains an interesting paper by Henry J. Crocker on "A Rare Find in Hawaiians," in which he chronicles the receipt of some certified Hawaiian "Missionaries." He also recites an effort made to "stick him" with some faked plates of the Hawaiian numerals.

The Attleboro Philatelist is showing marked evidences of stability and philatelic

telic enterprise. Its new issue department is remarkably up to date and complete, and it contains some very interesting matter of purely philatelic nature. It is carrying a prosperous lot of well displayed advertisements.

No. 1, Vol. IX, of The Philatelic Star comes to hand, with a somewhat lengthy

review of its somewhat stormy career. The most striking thing about it is that that irrepressible Ohioan, Clarence V. Webb, who wanted the constitution of the A. P. S. changed so that a minor could hold office, has got his hammer out because the Quarterly and the Specialized catalogue are not out and the chairman of the recruiting committee missed a report in Mekeel's.

In The Auction Rooms

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Feb. 25-26—B. L. Drew & Company, 7 Water street, Boston, Mass. Evening sessions.

March 3—Nassau Stamp, 231 Broadway, New York City, at Collectors' Club. Evening session; 503 lots.

March 15-16—J. C. Morgenthau & Company, 87 Nassau street, New York City; 29th sale; part of the Seybold collection. Evening sessions at Collectors' Club, 14 East 23rd street, New York City; 974 lots.

Auction Prices

All stamps described are used unless marked *, or described especially as unused.

Morgenthau Sale—January 12

Some interesting prices were obtained at this sale, in some cases above catalogue. Price.

U. S., 1847, 5c., dark brown, horizontal pair, lightly cancelled, catalogue \$2.00\$ 3 20

U. S., 1851, dark blue, type 1, fine copy, lightly cancelled; catalogue \$25.00 25 50
 U. S., 1851, 30c., black, unused, error of color or proof, which?..... 22 50
 Austria, 1859, 1 kr., orange, unused; catalogue \$85.00 50 00
 Brazil, 1845, 600 reis, black, unused, catalogue \$70.00 45 00
 Brazil, 1845, 300 reis, black, cancelled; catalogue \$25.00 17 50
 Cayman Islands, 1907, 2½d. on 4d.; catalogue \$30.00 15 25
 Ceylon, 1857, 1sh. 9d., green (No. 12), unused; catalogue \$30.00..... 19 00
 Ceylon, 1861, 1sh. 9d., green (No. 35), unused; catalogue \$30.00 23 00
 Ceylon, 1864, 5d., carmine-brown (No. 51)*, O. G., very fine; catalogue, \$20.00 20 00
 Colombian Republic, 1863, 50c., red, error, very fine copy, lightly cancelled; catalogue \$100.00 51 50
 Colombian Republic, 1883, 5p. on half of 10p., No. 124 7 10
 Antioquia, 1868, 5c., green, very fine, Scott's No. 2 51 00
 Danish West Indies, 1872, 4c., dull blue, imperforate (4A), block of 4*; catalogue \$50.00 40 50
 Falkland Island, 1884, 1d., claret, pair and diagonal half used on piece of original, used as 2½d..... 5 50
 Kiaochau, 1905, 2½ doll., No. 23; catalogue \$20.00 11 00
 Greece, 1900, 40l. on 2l. bistre, No. 142, double surcharge, one inverted O. G 10 25
 Italy, 1862, 5c., slate green, imperf., horizontal pair*, O. G..... 5 00
 Italy, 1862, 15c., blue, imperf. (26 A), horizontal pair* 5 50
 Italy, 1862, 60c., lilac (29 B), imperf., horizontal pair* 5 50

Montserrat, 1876, vertical third of 6d., green, used as 2d. in connection with a vertical half of 1d. (1 A) to make a 2½d. on entire..	3 50
New Foundland, 1898, 1c., yellow green, imperf. horizontally (81 A), block of 4*, O. G.....	7 25
Peru, 1858, ½p., red (No. 5), fine copy, small thin spot on upper margin; catalogue \$75.00	41 00
Queensland, 1860, 2d., dark blue; catalogue \$5.00	4 20
Queensland, 1861, 1d., rose (No. 7*, O. G.; catalogue \$6.00	4 20
Russia, 1868, 1k., orange and black (19 B), imperf., horizontal pair ..	22 00
Russia, 1868, 5k., lilac and black (23 A), imperf., horizontal pair..	27 50
Russia, 1882, 2kr., blue green (32 A), imperf., horizontal pair	21 00
Tasmania, 1853, 4p., orange, block of 4 pen cancelled; catalogue \$16.00..	19 50

Hugh M. Clark's Sale

	Brought.
U. S., 1847, 5., horizontal pair, cut in bottom; catalogue \$2.10	\$ 2 10
U. S., 1847, 5c., single copy or cover; catalogue \$1.00	1 50
U. S., 1847, 5c., single on cover; catalogue \$1.00	1 55
U. S., 1869, 1c., 2c. and 3c. on covers; catalogue 99c	1 30
U. S., 1903, 5c., imperf., vertical strip of 3	9 30
India proofs Omaha Exposition, set in two colors	10 35
India proofs Buffalo Exposition, set..	6 35
India proofs, 1869, set	5 15
U. S., 1902, revenue, 10 dollar, green, and black, lightly cancelled; catalogued \$5.00	4 20
Hamburg-American Mail, 10c., blue and yellow, on piece of cover; catalogue \$2.50	3 10
Pavaria, 1849, 1kr., grey-black; catalogue \$4.50	3 10

At the first sale of the International Stamp Company a pair of 5c. 1847, on cover, brought \$2.90; a single on cover brought \$1.35; 10c., 1847, on cover, brought \$4.10; also a fine line of U. S. India proofs were sold, bringing good prices, which seems to indicate an increasing interest in them. For example, the set of 1890 brought \$11.25, and the justice set brought \$4.50.

At a recent sale in London a stamp rarely seen at auction, Gibraltar, 1889, 10c., carmine, with value omitted, brought the sum of \$80.00.

Auction Notes

The Philadelphia Stamp Company will sell on Feb. 18-19 the collection of W. N. Bannard of Wilmington, Del. It is a general collection and contains some especially nice things. We notice some nice Hawaii, also three fine tete beche pairs of early France. A sale which will appeal to all classes of collectors.

The International Stamp Company will hold its second sale on Feb. 22 of medium priced stamps, which are so popular with the average collector. The last sale was very successful, and the new ideas on catalogue and bid sheet brought favorable comment from the many patrons. We predict the best of success for this sale, which will be followed by the third on March 15, on the same popular lines.

Scott Stamp and Coin Company will sell a fine general collection at the Collectors' Club Feb. 14 and 16, which contains many of the scarce old stamps getting more difficult to find each year in good condition.

Specialists in Great Britain will have an opportunity to fill in many vacant spaces as the highly specialized collection of Mr. Julius Herzog of New York City will be sold at the Collectors' Club March 3 by the Nassau Stamp Company. The collection consists mostly of unused in great variety of shades, and the plate numbers of each stamp as complete as can be obtained. The early imperforates in strips and blocks, besides proofs and essays of many issues. This collection is a fair example of what is possible in most countries to be found by study, research and a persistent effort after the best results.

The Seybold Sale

J. C. Morgenthau & Company, 87 Nassau street, New York City, will sell at the Collectors' Club, March 15 and 16, part one, of the Seybold collection, one of the noted collections of the United States. This sale will consist of United States and Colonies, British North America and South America (exclusive of British Colonies). The rest of the collection will be sold later at different sales. It would be extremely hard for any one to describe this sale in detail as almost every lot offered is a gem or rarity seldom seen and never offered for sale only on such rare occasions as this. Its wealth in stamps on the original cover is known by almost every collector in the world as so many of its rarities have been photographed and published in the philatelic journals at different times.

One journal, *The Perforator*, illustrated its pages each month with many of the noted covers. Notwithstanding the fact that this sale contains the finest lot of original covers ever sold at one time, yet the sale is full of fine stamps off of cover, and catalogue price can not be taken into consideration in valuing the different lots. We wish to call attention to a few of the wonderful covers;: A Brattleboro on cover; 14 covers with New Yorks, some in pairs and strips; 2 Providence on cover; 2 St. Louis on cover; 2 covers with strips of 6, 1847, 10c.; 3 covers with half of 10c, 1847, used for 5; 1 cover with block of 12, 10c., 1851; 1 cover with block of 15, 12c., 1851; 3 covers with 1c., Franklin Carriers. Among the many Confederate gems is the noted cover containing 5 copies of the 2c., Mobile. Two 5c. blue on covers and 5 13c. on covers, and 3—5 on 13c. on covers 1853 Hawaii, besides many numerals is good evidence of the wealth of the Hawaiian part. In

Canada we notice two covers with 12 pence, 1851, on them; also a cover containing a pair of 6d., purple-black, and a pair of 10d. together on a piece—this cover has no equal; besides a cover with a pair of 6d. violet on soft paper. In New Brunswick is a cover with 3 copies of 1sh., together with 3d., besides many covers with splits of all the 1851 values on them. The Nova Scot'a and New Foundland sections are as complete as any other of the Canadian provinces in rare stamps on and off cover. We wish to call attention also to one of the rarest U. S. revenues in the sale, the \$5 black and green on violet paper, 1871 issue in perfect condition, a stamp seldom seen in good condition. On good authority we hear that one of the leading English dealers requested permission to see a large portion of this sale, so it would appear likely that some record prices will be made, as the opportunity is a rare one.

Errors In The Making of Postage Stamps

"Errors of Manipulation" are taken up by R. E. R. Dalwigk, in his series on "An Error Collection," in *Gibbons' Stamp Weekly* of Jan. 8. He deals first with stamps printed on the back or printed on both sides. Of them he says:

"These are a very extraordinary class of error, but at the same time one for which there is every excuse in certain cases, such as when the color employed is a watery yellow hue; a color which at the best is not visible in a bad light, except when well scrutinized. In the bustle of a stamp-producing business the people responsible for the sheets of adhesives can not be expected to take the blame for omitting to notice a printed sheet, in a color which a collector might actually pass by if in a hurry.

"In cases, however, in which the sheets are printed in good strong colors, it seems inexplicable that the printers should have failed to notice the first impression on one side. There are a goodly number of stamps to be found which are printed on both sides, but quite half of them are not errors in the strict sense, owing to the fact that they are merely printer's waste. One form of printer's waste is this: Before the sheets to be sold to the public are printed the printers make several trial sheets so as to be quite sure of the satisfactory production of the stamp. When there is not much spare paper for trials, it is quite common to print trial impressions on both sides of

the paper. All such trial sheets or printer's waste are supposed to be destroyed, but on many occasions such trials have found their way into the Philatelic markets of the world.

"A point of interest to notice here is that British colonies appear to have sinned under this type of error much more than was the case in all previous error lists described in this article; South Australia has issued no less than 13 adhesives printed on both sides, rather a blow to the good average held by colonials, as opposed to foreign countries, in the previous lists of various types of errors."

The author lists the following errors of the class described in the foregoing:

- Austria, 1850, 1 kr., orange.
- Austrian Italy, 1850, 5c., orange-yellow, and 30c., brown.
- Chile, 1865, 5c., carmine-red.
- Colombia, 1881, 5c., blue; 1883, 5c., blue, re-engraved.
- Ecuador, 1866, 4rls., red-brown.
- Egypt, 1867, 20 paras, green.
- Fiji, 1899, 6d., rose.
- Great Britain, 1881, 1d., purple, Type B.
- Persia, 1870, 1sh., deep violet, and 8sh., rose.
- Roman States, 1852, 1 baj., black on green; 3 baj., black on yellow-buff; 4 baj., black on lemon; 5 baj., black on rose.
- Roumania, 1876, 5b., olive-bistre; 1891,

3d., mauve on one side. and 5d., green on the other.

South Australia, 1859, 2d., pale red; 1s., orange; 1867, 10d., black on 9d., yellow; 6d., Prussian blue; 10d., blue on 9d. yellow; 1d., blue-green; 2s., carmine-lake (two varieties); 1868, 2d., orange-red (two varieties); 1871, 4d., purple; 1872, 9d., mauve (two varieties).

Tasmania, 1880, 4d., lemon-yellow.

Tolima, 1871, 10c., blue.

Turkey, 1869, 2 piasters, dull red.

Venezuela, 1880, 5c.; 25c. and 30c., yellow; 5c., blue, and 50c., black-brown.

Western Australia, 1857, 2d., brown on red.

Concerning errors of double printings or impressions, the writer says: "These differ only in one point from the class described in the last section. In this the two impressions are made on one side of the paper only. Like most things, double printings vary very much. As a rule the second impression is almost on top of the first, so that it is often impossible for the inexperienced to distinguish it. Then, again, there is the second impression, which does not fall exactly on impression No. 1, but comes on the paper at much the same angle as its predecessor. In other cases the two impressions are at quite different angles, so that it is not difficult to distinguish the double stamp."

The following errors of the type just described are listed:

India, 1882, ½a., green, and 2a., ultramarine.

Monaco, 1851, 15c., bright rose.

Montenegro, 1896, center doubly printed, 3nov., green and chestnut; 5nov., bistre and emerald-green, 10nov., blue and yellow; 1898, 15nov., brown, double impression.

Errors of watermark are considered next, concerning which the writer says there are some old subdivisions. He says:

"The ordinary, common type of watermark error consists generally of a stamp to be printed on papers having figure values for watermarks; errors are often made when a stamp by mistake is printed on paper intended for some completely different issue. It goes without saying that when there is a quantity of papers on hand watermarked with various figures to correspond with value of adhesives, it is quite an easy matter to lay hold of a wrong sheet to put in the press."

Mr. Dalwigk lists the following errors of these types:

Great Britain, 1869, 10d., red-brown, wmkd. emblems, instead of spray of rose.

New South Wales, 1860, 3d., green,

wmk. 6; 6d., purple, wmk. 5; 6d., purple, wmk. 12.

Victoria, 1860, 4d., rose, wmk., five shillings.

"In inverted watermarks," he says, "we have a minor subdivision. In this case the right paper for the adhesives is employed, but the watermark on the paper is upside down in relation to the stamp itself. Inverted watermarks, as a whole, have no special market value, although it is beyond question that several are of the greatest rarity. Among the stamps of Great Britain many inverted watermarks are to be found.

"Absent watermarks constitute rather an interesting subdivision, and one well worthy of consideration. Stamps are printed on paper which bears a definite watermark, then to our surprise we find that all the adhesives composing the bottom row of the sheet are on unwatermarked paper, through the sheet having been put on the press carelessly, so that the bottom row (or the top, as the case may be), was printed on the margin, which possesses no watermark. It is essential to possess a vertical pair to show the error in the bottom stamp, with the normal variety above, or vice versa.

"In errors of color of paper there are some extremely valuable stamps. As every one knows, certain countries use papers of various tints for certain denominations of a series of stamps. Just as adhesives were, by mistake, often printed on paper bearing a wrong watermark, so it has happened that a certain value was printed on a colored paper intended for another value.

The following instances of the foregoing error are listed:

Baden, 1851, 9kr., black on green instead of pink.

Norway, return letter stamp, black on green, instead of mauve.

Saxony, 1850, ½ ngr., black on pale blue instead of grey.

Concerning the British Gulana error, the writer says only one specimen is known. The editor of Gibbons' adds a note that he has never heard of the error, and suggests that it may be the 12c., with the "1" left off.

P. O. Department to Be Represented

Secretary H. S. Adair of the A. P. S. has been advised that the Postoffice Department will be represented at the Detroit convention, in acceptance of an invitation extended by resolution of the Society, adopted at Atlantic City. The department advises Secretary Adair that if he will notify it two weeks in advance of the date of the convention, it will detail a representative to attend and address the members.

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The Publisher's Page

You probably missed the familiar features of our good friend, Benjamin Franklin, on the little green stamp that has been carrying The Stamp Collector to you, and although we think well of Benjamin, we are happy that we shall have nothing more to do with him in the matter of sending our magazine to our regular readers. Our application for second-class mailing rates, which was filed with the postmaster on Jan. 24, was duly forwarded to Washington, and our second-class mailing permit arrived on Feb. 2, at the Columbus office. It only took nine days for the department at Washington to recognize the good qualities and the right of The Stamp Collector to enjoy this privilege, without which a publisher could not continue his magazine. It is taking some collectors entirely too long to wake up to the fact that The Stamp Collector is a permanent institution of the highest quality. Many who have received

samples of our first numbers have as yet failed to subscribe—are you one of them?

The granting of second-class mailing rates marks a turning point in the life of every publication. It will mean a saving of about \$15 each month for us, and we will at once give this to our readers in the way of an improved publication.

It is not the intention of the publisher to use this entire page each month in talking to you about what is proposed to be done. We believe we have kept the promises which have previously been made on this page, and hereafter will say less and do more, letting our acts speak for themselves.

Did you count the pages in the January issue—twenty—besides the cover, making a twenty-four page magazine, and the best part about it—eighteen and one-half were solid reading matter—something of interest to every collector. We believe the January issue contained more good matter pertaining to stamps than has appeared in any single issue of an American stamp publication for a good many months.

Subscriptions are coming in at a pretty good rate and words of praise are coming from all sides. Have you a friend, or several of them who would be interested in a magazine of this class. Send us a dime, or several of them, and let us enter their names for a three months' trial subscription. After their subscriptions have expired they will pay their own renewal.

What's The Answer

What's the matter with Chicago? We have always been of the opinion that Chicago was crowded with good fellows who would willingly support a magazine of this character. In point of subscriptions received by us, Chicago is hanging on the tail end of the larger cities. What's the trouble?

To The Trade

Dealers and publishers are requested to send direct to the publisher announcements of new books, samples of price lists, catalogues, etc., for mention on this page. Beginning with our next issue we shall be pleased to announce to our subscribers the issuing of new price lists, etc., of which copies are received by us prior to the first of each month. Put us on your live mailing list, and do it now.

Record of New Issues

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Under this heading we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly, or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Argentine Republic

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 24c. in the current type.

Adhesive—

24c., red-brown.

Belgium

The New England Stamp Company informs us there has been a new printing of the current stamps, showing marked differences in shade from former printings.

Belgian Congo

The New England Stamp Company has sent us four new stamps for this colony. The designs are very similar to those of the previous issue, except that "Congo Belge" appears at the top and "Belgisch-Congo" at the bottom of the stamps and the value appears at the sides. The central designs are in black and the stamps are perforated $12\frac{1}{2}$ to 15.

Adhesives—

5c., green and black.

10c., carmine and black.

15c., ochre and black.

25c., blue and black.

Bulgaria

From Gibbons' Stamp Weekly we learn of the discovery of an error of overprint on the 10 on 50 stot., blue-green, Scott's type A-11 the overprint reading "1990" instead of "1909."

Great Britain—Postoffices In the Levant

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the 4d. deep orange overprinted 1 piastre 30 paras for use in the Levant. We understand the 4d. green and brown with same overprint was withdrawn during December.

Adhesive—Black overprint.

1 pi. 30 pa., on 4d. deep orange, ordinary.

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly states the current d. overprinted "Levant" has appeared on surfaced paper.

Adhesive—Black overprint.

2d., green and carmine, chalky.

India—Indore

Current type in new color, this value having been reported only with "Service"

overprint prior to this, chronicled by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

Perf. $13\frac{1}{2}$, 14.

$\frac{1}{2}$ a., lake.

Jamaica

The International Stamp Company has shown us the 6d. of the current type in a new color, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

6d., dull purple.

New South Wales

We have received from the International Stamp Company a new shade of the current 6d on Crown A paper.

Adhesive—

6d., reddish orange.

Panama

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the new 5c. which has already appeared with the Canal Zone overprint.

Adhesive—

5c., blue.

Papua

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News reports the current $2\frac{1}{2}$. stamp perforated "O S" for official use.

Persia

From several sources we learn of a new issue for this country which we prefer not to list until we have more definite information.

Portugal

The International Stamp Company and The New England Stamp Company have shown us the new set, bearing the portrait of King Manuel. The same design is used for the values from $2\frac{1}{2}$ reis to 300 reis, the portrait of the king appearing in a large circle, surmounted by a shield bearing a coat-of-arms. "Portugal" and "Correios" appear in curved labels above the portrait at left and right respectively, while the numeral of value appears in a scroll-bordered tablet at each lower corner with the word "Reis" between. On the 500 and 1,000 reis, the value appears above and "Portugal" and "Correios" below the portrait.

The stamps are on chalk-surfaced paper, perforated 14x15, centers in second color.

Adhesives—

- 2½ reis, lilac.
- 5 reis, black.
- 10 reis, grey-green.
- 15 reis, pale purple brown.
- 20 reis, rose-red.
- 25 reis, chocolate.
- 50 reis, indigo-blue.
- 75 reis, yellow-brown.
- 80 reis, French grey.
- 100 reis, brown on green.
- 200 reis, deep green on salmon.
- 300 reis, black on azure.
- 500 reis, olive and chocolate.
- 1000 reis, Prussian blue and black.

New Zealand

In listing the new set for the Dominion in last month's issue, we neglected to state that the ½d. and 1d. are surface printed.

St. Vincent

The International Stamp Company has shown us three values in the redrawn type, which is the same as Scott's type A-16 with the addition of a dot under the "d" in the value as in type A-15.

Adhesives—

- 1d., carmine, ordinary.
- 3d., violet on yellow, ordinary.
- 6d., dull purple, chalky.

Salvador

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports another value of the current type on paper water-marked multiple circles, perf. 11½.

Adhesive—

- 3c., pale yellow.

South Australia

Current large type, watermarked Crown S A, perf. 12x11½, reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

- 1s., brown.

Spain

According to Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, the 10c. of the new set has appeared.

Adhesive

- 10c., carmine.

Spain—Postoffice In Morocco

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the 2c. of the new set, overprinted in red "Correo Espanol Marruecos" in two lines. We have seen no mention of this value without overprint.

Adhesive—

- 2c., brown, red over-print.

Turkey

Following values of the new set are reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly:

Adhesives—

- 10 pi., red.
- 25 pi., green.
- 50 pi., brown.

Postage Due Stamp—

- 1 pi., brownish-black on carmine.

United States

Mekcel's Weekly Stamp News states that all values of the current set from one to fifteen cents, inclusive, were issued on the bluish rag paper used experimentally for the 1c., 2c. and 2c. Lincoln. In the same mail we received a card, offering the 15c. for sale. No information as to the number of each value issued on this paper is available at present. If present quotations are any criterion, however, the number was very small. We shall appreciate any information on this subject that our readers are able to furnish us and would also like to have the opportunity to examine copies of the higher values on this paper.

The International Stamp Company has shown us a copy of the current 1c. envelope, size 13, on oriental buff paper, which appears to have been printed from a broken die. The break occurs between the words "One" and "Cent" and extends from the outer edge of the stamp to the inner oval white line. The same variety is said to exist on the same size envelope on second quality manila paper.

Venezuela

New Value for foreign postage, Scott's type A-25, perf. 12, reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

- 15c., violet.

Western Australia

The International Stamp Company has shown us the 5d. in a new shade, current type, watermarked Crown over A sideways, perf. 11.

Adhesive—

- 5d., olive-yellow.

Whitfield King & Co's. Lists

From Whitfield King & Company we have received an attractive annual price list of stamps in packets and sets, which lists the stamps of all countries and practically all issues; a list of Philatelic novelties, which might more aptly be described as a price list intended for the specialist, and a descriptive price list of stamp albums and Philatelic publications. The latter is well illustrated, and includes also tongs, watermark detectors, hinges and other accessories necessary to the up-to-date stamp collector.

Philatelic Literature

interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone

An American Literature Society

Owing to the January issue appearing several days late, enough time has not yet elapsed up to this writing to receive all the responses which can be reasonably expected from the proposition on this page in the previous issue. Quite a few enthusiasts have written me explaining their views on the subject and a few are of the opinion that a \$5.00 annual fee is too high. This amount may also have kept many collectors from showing any interest in the proposition. After considerable discussion of the matter with some local collectors and a little correspondence with outside parties, the proposition outlined below seems about the best way to make a start, after this has been done, if it seems advisable and if approved by the members, an increase in dues for publication work can be made.

Now, to see who will answer to the roll call, let us organize the American Philatelic Literature Society. Annual dues \$1.00, subscription to the official organ to be 50 cents per year. Thus, those who are already subscribers to The Stamp Collector will not have to pay for it twice, and at the same time we are keeping within the recent postal ruling on matters of this sort. The Stamp Collector will set aside necessary space each month for the usual official reports, and no charge will be made for same. Other space for notes, news or articles on Philatelic Literature will be at the service of the society whenever our members will furnish matter for publication. By adopting this plan, the Society should soon number fifty or more members. The expenses under the above plan should be very small and the revenue from the annual dues should be spent at least once each year in the publication of a handbook on Philatelic Literature, which would be of some value to every member of the Society.

The following are names of parties who have written in approval of previous propositions concerning the formation of a Society and I would like to have each of them together with others who are interested to send in a card or letter as follows:

Mr. George Ward Linn.

Clinton Building, Columbus, O.:

Dear Sir—I heartily approve of your proposition for the formation of The Ameri-

can Philatelic Literature Society, as outlined in The Stamp Collector for February, 1910, and wish to be enrolled as an honorary member.

I will remit promptly \$1.00 as my yearly dues, upon demand.

Signed, _____.

GEORGE WARD LINN, Columbus, O.

H. S. ADAIR, Columbus, O.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR., Columbus, O.

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J. N. S. BREWSTER, JR., Lakewood, N. J.

C. A. NAST, Denver, Colo.

VICTOR MARSH, England.

A response worded as above is desired from all collectors. A list of same will be printed and numbers assigned. Any suggestions as to selection or rather your nomination for the following officers from the above list should also be made—a President, Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer. These should be sufficient officers for a start. All persons standing in above form are eligible to make nominations, and an election will be held at once, after which more progress can be made. No dues are wanted until matters are arranged and the success of this project is assured.

Now, Mr. Literature Collector, the matter rests in your hands.

Calman Library To Be Sold

The Scott Stamp and Coin Company of New York advises us that later in the season they will sell at auction the Philatelic Library of Mr. Henry L. Calman. Mr. Calman has always been in a position where he has had unlimited opportunities for securing everything necessary for a good library, and we feel sure the sale will be one of the features of the present philatelic season. In point of rare and desirable publications, there is probably no better library in the country.

Argentine Philatelic Exhibition

The Stamp Collector herewith reproduces in full the official announcement of the Philatelic exhibition, to be held by the Argentine Philatelic Society in Buenos Ayres, in September of this year, translated by Secretary H. S. Adair of the American Society:

The Sociedad Filatelica Argentina will celebrate during the month of September, 1910, with a Universal Philatelic Exhibition in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the Revolution de Mayo. This exposition will be held in Buenos Ayres, the capital city of the Argentine Republic.

The exposition is open to all competitors and will consist of the following classes:

1. Postage Stamps.
2. Cancellations used to Indicate Prepayment of Postage Before the Use of Postage Stamps.
3. Telegraph Stamps.
4. Fiscal Stamps.
5. Envelops, Wrappers and Postal Cards.
6. Private Post Cards and Picture Post Cards.
7. Philatelic Publications.
8. Graphic Arts Used in the Manufacture of Postage and Revenue Stamps.

The classes for competition are divided and subdivided as follows:

CLASS I.

General Collections,

Prizes—One gold, four silver and two bronze medals.

- a Collection of unused and used stamps.
- b Collection of used stamps.

Prize—One grand prize, two gold medals, four silver medals and four bronze medals.

CLASS II.

General Collections of the Argentine Republic.

Prizes—One grand prize, two gold and three silver medals.

CLASS III.

Collection of Buenos Ayres.

Prize—Two gold and two silver medals.

CLASS IV.

America.

- a General Collection.
 - b Group of Several Countries.
 - c Collection of a Single Country.
- Prizes—Six gold, six silver and four bronze medals.

Prizes—One gold, two silver and two bronze medals.

CLASS V.

Europe.

- a General Collection.
 - b Group of Several Countries.
 - c Collection of a Single Country.
- Prizes—Six gold, six silver and four bronze medals.

CLASS VI.

Other Countries.

- a General Collection of One or Several From Other Continents.
 - b Collection of Group.
 - c Collection of One Single Country.
- Prizes—Six gold, six silver and four bronze medals.

CLASS VII.

Rare Singles.

Prizes—One gold, one silver and one bronze medal.

CLASS VIII.

Postal Cancellations used to Indicate Prepayment of Postage Before the Use of Postage Stamps.

- a Collections From One or More Countries.
- b Collection From the Argentine Republic and Comprising the Ancient Vice-Royalty of Buenos Ayres.

Prizes—Two gold, four silver and one bronze medals.

CLASS IX.

Telegraph Stamps From One or More Countries.

Prizes—Two silver and two bronze medals.

CLASS X.

Envelops, Wrappers and Postal Cards.

- a General Collection.
- b Argentine Republic.
- c One or More Countries.

CLASS XI.

Fiscal Stamps.

- a General Collection.
- Prizes—One grand prize, one gold, one silver and two bronze medals.
- b General Collection of Argentine Republic.
- Prizes—One grand prize, one gold, two silver and three bronze medals.
- c Collection of One or More Sections of Argentine Republic.
- Prizes—One gold, two silver and two bronze medals.
- d Collection of One or More Countries.

e Collection of Rare Singles.

Prizes—One gold, one silver and one bronze medal.

CLASS XII.

Private Post Cards.

a Collection of Cards With Autographs.

b Collection of Cards With Views of Argentine Republic.

c Collection of Cards With Views of Foreign Countries.

Prizes—Ten silver and five bronze medals.

CLASS XIII.

Graphic Arts Used in the Manufacture of Stamps.

Prizes—One gold, two silver and two bronze medals.

CLASS XIV.

Philatelic Publications.

a Philatelic Works.

b Philatelic Journals.

c Albums For Postage or Revenue Stamps.

Prizes—Two silver and two bronze medals for each subdivision.

The Jury of Award will consist of as great a number as possible and will be divided into groups of three or four persons, each to one division of the Exhibition. The members of the jury can only exhibit in those classes or divisions where they are not called upon to make awards. The jury will make all awards and may reject any exhibit as unworthy, according to their judgment. Their decision is final.

The decisions of the jury will be made the evening of the closing of the Exposition, and all awards made at once.

Any communications relative to the Exposition should be sent to the President of the Sociedad Filatelica Argentina, Dr. Jose Marco del Pont, 1103 Casilla de Correo, Buenos Ayres.

British Colonial Color Scheme Modified

Supplemental to our notes last month on the new British colonial color scheme we reprint the following from the London West End Philatelist:

Probably many of our readers will have noticed that several recently issued colonial stamps have been printed by the copper-plate process, instead of the more usual surface process associated with De La Rue's productions. In commenting on this fact, the Colonial Office Journal observes that for small issues, of from 100,000 to 800,000, copper-plate printing undoubtedly is the most economical process—the cost of the plates and printing being cheaper where a special design is adopted, and at least equally as cheap as the general "stock" types of the King's head designs. The only serious objection to such stamps is that they are unsuitable for fiscal purposes, where cancellation by pen and ink is allowed. Most of the engraved stamps issued to date, however, are for postage only.

Several colonies which use copper-plate stamps have decided to adopt the new color scheme, but as the essential feature of this process is that the stamps are mono-colored, it is obvious that the color scheme can not be followed literally where two colors are appropriated to one value. The Crown agents have therefore drawn up a supplementary table of colors to meet these cases, as follows:

Value.	Color of Ink.	Color of Paper.
3d.....	brown	yellow
4d.....	red	yellow
4½d.....	orange	white
5d.....	sage-green	white
2s.....	purple	blue
2s. 6d.....	red	blue
3s.....	violet	white
5s.....	green	yellow
10s.....	red	green
£1.....	black	red

In the case of the 3d. we are told that the brown ink on yellow paper produces much more nearly than purple the same effect as that given by the surface-printed 3d. stamp. This scheme will necessitate alterations in one or two stamps that have already appeared. For instance, the 3d., 2s. and 3s. Turks and Caicos Islands stamps are all incorrect according to the foregoing table, and the 3d. St. Vincent color also should be changed. Altogether, the efforts of the Crown agents to secure uniformity are having disastrous effects, so far as the multiplication of new issues is concerned.

Mr. E. F. Dunn, a member of the Columbus Collectors' Club, is receiving congratulations over the addition of a philatelist to his household: Born, February 4th, a boy.

**ELECTIVE OFFICERS**

President	PAUL MASON
First Vice President	W. H. FIELD
Second Vice President	OPHA MOORE
Secretary	GEO. K. SMITH, JR.
Treasurer	O. A. SCHENCK
Board of Directors—	Consists of above, with J. F. Ranney and C. W. Sachs

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS

Sales Supt. and Librarian	GEORGE W. LINN
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The seventy-fourth meeting was held January 11, 1910, at 505 Columbus Savings and Trust Building, President Mason in the chair. The following members were present: Messrs. Duffy, Moore, Linn, Sandrock, Bauer, Parker, Sachs, Broucher, Martin, Mason, Field, Savage, Schenck and Smith. Visitor: Mr. Thomson. Minutes of the seventy-third meeting were read and approved. P. M. Thomson was proposed for active membership and his name ordered posted for the required two weeks. As this meeting was also the annual meeting, election for officers was held, resulting in the following being chosen:

President—Paul Mason.

First Vice President—Wm. H. Field.

Second Vice President—Opha Moore,

Secretary—Geo. K. Smith, Jr.

Treasurer—O. A. Schenck.

Directors—The above officers and Messrs. Jesse F. Ranney and C. W. Sachs.

The Secretary read the summaries from his annual report. Messrs. W. H. Field and W. F. Savage were appointed to audit the books of the Treasurer and Secretary. The use of the club rooms having been granted the Geo. W. Linn Company for an auction, the meeting adjourned about 9 o'clock.

January 25 the seventy-fifth regular meeting of the Club was held, President Mason in the chair, with the following present: Messrs. Mason, Adair, Field, Sachs, Martin, Dunn, Feuchtinger, Linn, Bauer, Fritter, Sandrock, Maetzel, Schenck, Savage, Moore, Ranney, Elden, Thomson, Parker, Broucher and Smith. Visitors: Messrs. Dunn, Frankenberg, Montgomery and Kleinberg. Minutes of seventy-fourth meeting were read and approved. P. M. Thomson was elected an active member. The Committee on Annual Dinner made its final report and was discharged, a vote of

thanks being tendered the committee for its work. A vote of thanks was tendered Geo. W. Linn and W. M. Linn & Sons for the handsome menu cards which they furnished the Club for its third annual dinner, same having been presented to the Club with their compliments. The Auditing Committee reported that the books and accounts of the Treasurer and Secretary had been examined and found correct. H. S. Adair presented the library with a complete file of the Philatelic Free-Lance, published at Bellaire, O., a number of years ago, and with several auction catalogues. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p. m. in order that the members might give their attention to the auction of The International Stamp Company.

The seventy-sixth regular meeting of the Columbus Collectors' Club was held February 8, 1910, President Mason in the chair, with thirteen members and one visitor, Mr. F. M. Kennedy of Washington C. H., Ohio, present. Minutes of the seventy-fifth meeting and report of Board of Directors were read and approved, the approval of the report of the Directors carrying with it the expulsion of six active members for non-payment of dues, also the appointment of Mr. Geo. W. Linn as Librarian, with Messrs. Adair and Smith as assistants, and the appointment of Mr. W. H. Field as Curator of the Club's counterfeit collection.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, Mr. H. S. Adair, a member of the Columbus Collectors' Club and Secretary of the American Philatelic Society, has refused to become a candidate for a third term; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Columbus Collectors' Club heartily endorses Mr. W. H. Barnum of Cleveland, Ohio, for the position on the Board of Directors of the American Philatelic Society to be made vacant by reason of Mr. Adair's declination.

The Secretary was empowered to solicit lots for an auction to be held for the benefit of the Club's library, details to be decided by the President and Secretary.

The Secretary was instructed to advertise for new quarters for the Club. President Mason exhibited his collections of Guatemala and British Guiana, the former being especially interesting in view of the proofs and essays displayed. After the usual drawing, meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR.,
Secretary.

Mr. Peckitt's New Issue Service

Of late years there has entered into Philately a hitherto unknown factor that has in a measure revolutionized the method of securing stamps at first hand. We refer to the New Issue Service. This has grown to such an extent that practically all the large dealers on the continent and some few in this country have established a service of this nature for the benefit of their regular patrons and the establishment of new business. Foremost among these is Mr. W. H. Peckitt, and we can not but help call attention to his advertisement exploiting his service of this nature.

Detroit Convention Features

Gen. C. A. Coolidge writes to The Stamp Collector as follows:

"You can say that the Detroit Philatelic Society's committee for the National A. P. S., 1910, convention has under consideration a proposition for an exhibition of stamps, and also an auction sale one evening of the meeting. The member in charge of the exhibition will be Mr. G. W. Rice, 486 Leyburn avenue, and of the auction, Mr. D. R. Bennett, 159 Charlotte avenue, Detroit. Other features will be officially promulgated in due time."

Second Philatelic Congress

No less than 17 of the English Philatelic societies have certified to the executive committee of the Second Philatelic Congress of Great Britain, which is to be held in London April 27-9, the names of their delegates. The Congress is to be held under the auspices of the Heris Philatelic Society, and under the patronage of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, president of the Royal Society, which will be represented by four delegates. The list of delegates registered already is in excess of 50.

New England's Anniversary

Jan. 11 the New England Philatelic Association celebrated its fifteenth anniversary with a banquet at the Crawford House, Boston. And there was nothing about the cards of invitation to indicate that it was to be a New England dinner, either. Details of the celebration have appeared in the weekly Philatelic publications, and probably are familiar to most of the readers of The

Stamp Collector, so there is no necessity of boring them with repetition. Columbus is not quite so old as New England, but it has just successfully celebrated its third anniversary with a banquet, and in memory of the fulness to repletion of that august occasion, it tenders its hearty congratulations to the New Englanders, with hopes that they have many more prosperous years and happy anniversary celebrations.

Mr. Colson's Goliad

Warren H. Colson's February brochure deals with the Goliad (Texas) 5 cents, black on rose, postmaster's provisional issued in 1864. It is described and historically reviewed uniform with the other rar-



ties, with which Mr. Colson has dealt in the past and is illustrated in the accompanying folder calendar for the month, with which Mr. Colson always remembers the friends on his mailing list.

English Interest In Hawaiian Stamps

One of the January numbers of Gibbons' contains an exhaustive article on the so-called reissues or reprints of Hawaii 5c. and 13c., 1853 type, by Henry J. Crocker, whose recent book on Hawaiians marked him as the foremost expert in these stamps extant. Gibbons' has printed several articles and letters from his pen on various Hawaiian stamps, and the discussions concerning his conclusions, in the English press between times, indicate that English collectors are taking a deep interest in the subject; probably a deeper interest than American collectors, whose special province they ought to be.

Revenue Society's Year Book

The third annual year book of the United States Revenue Society has just been issued. It is well printed, clean and dignified, and reflects credit alike upon the Society and its editor. It is the same sheet

size as last year's, but the Board of Managers decided to issue it this year in two parts, the first, just out, with the yearly records and official matter of the Society, and the second, to appear later, in the form of a handbook of revenue information. The statistical matter contained in the present issue shows the Society to be in a flourishing condition, with 142 members.

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1883, November.	
1491 205 2c red on white.....	1 .08
1495 210a 4c Green on white.....	1 .15
1884, July.	
1510 226 2c brown on white.....	2 .08
1512 227 2c brown on amber.....	3 .08
1514 228 2c brown on fawn.....	2 .10
1516 229 2c brown on blue.....	4 .10
1522 238 2c brown on or-buff.....	3 .10
1534 230 2c brown on manila.....	3 .10
1887.	
1549 263 2c green on white.....	5 .08
1550 264 4c carmine on white.....	2 .10
1556 270 2c green on amber.....	4 .06
1557 271 4c carmine on amber.....	2 .10
1558 272 5c blue on amber.....	1 .10
1562 276 2c green on or-buff.....	5 .08
1568 282 2c green on blue.....	5 .08
1575 289 2c green on manila.....	3 .08
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St. Louis, Mo.

Business Announcement

WE beg to announce that Mr. H. S. Adair, secretary of the American Philatelic Society, and formerly connected with the printing firm of Hann & Adair of this city has purchased an interest in the printing and publishing business of W. M. Linn & Sons. This business is to be incorporated and will be known as The W. M. Linn & Sons Company.

Mr. Adairs' connection with the above business carries with it a one-quarter ownership in The Stamp Collector, and beginning with the March issue he will take charge of the Department intended to be devoted to Revenue and Tax Paid Stamps. Mr. Adair is a member of the U. S. R. S. and solicits the co-operation of his fellow members in supplying interesting items for publication.

The Stamp Collector will continue as in the past, under the management of Mr. George Ward Linn and it is hoped that Mr. Adairs' connection with the business will bring the good will and assistance of his many friends.

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1495	210a	4c Green on white	1	.15
1884, July.				
1510	226	2c brown on white	2	.08
1512	227	2c brown on amber	3	.08
1514	228	2c brown on fawn	2	.10
1516	229	2c brown on blue	4	.10
1522	238	2c brown on or-buff	3	.10
1534	230	2c brown on manila	3	.10
1887.				
1549	263	2c green on white	5	.08
1550	264	4c carmine on white	2	.10
1556	270	2c green on amber	4	.08
1557	271	4c carmine on amber	2	.10
1558	272	5c blue on amber	1	.10
1561	276	2c green on or-buff	5	.08
1568	281	2c green on blue	5	.08
1573	289	2c green on manila	3	.08
1576	290	4c carmine on manila	2	.15
1580	295	2c green on am-manila	3	.08
1582	296	4c carmine on am-manila	1	.15

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one thing Until it gets there.

—Josh Billings

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The Editor's Foreword

Barnum For Secretary

The nomination by the Garfield-Perry Club of Cleveland of W. H. Barnum of that city for director in the American Philatelic Society and secretary of that organization to succeed H. S. Adair, of Columbus, should strike a responsive chord throughout the country. The prompt action of the Columbus Collectors' Club in endorsing this nomination is to be strongly commended, and it is to be hoped that the Branches generally will follow the lead thus taken. Mr. Barnum's ability, his long connection with the Society, and the earnestness he brings to everything he undertakes, coupled with the wide acquaintance he has gained among members by attendance at many annual conventions, should suffice to make his election practically unanimous. It is certain that if he is elected he will not be dominated by any clique or coterie of the Society. Certainly in its last two secretaries the Society has been fortunate in this regard, and it is much to be desired that no backward step be taken. Assurance would be doubly sure if Mr. Barnum were to be elected to the position filled with such signal credit by Mr. Adair, and we know that if he is elected, the high standards already set will not be diminished, but increased.

The A. P. S. Quarterly

Now that the A. P. S. Quarterly has been issued, it seems to The Stamp Collector opportune to take some cognizance of the storm of criticism provoked by the long delay in getting out the first number. Secre-

tary Adair promptly takes the blame on his own shoulders, and undoubtedly part of it belongs there, but only a part. Most of that was due to his removal to the South and his early return to Columbus, throwing all his affairs, including some of his official duties, into confusion. In the main, he handled the Society's business very acceptably during this period under trying circumstances. Part of the trouble was due to complications which arose in the office of issue, which could not be foreseen and for which he should not be held responsible. The major part, as we see it, was due, not to President Mudge, but to the fact that for six weeks or more President Mudge was out of the country, on his recent trip to Panama, during which time proofs of important contents of the Quarterly lay in his office, uncorrected, awaiting his return. Under these circumstances, The Stamp Collector, while regretting, in common with all other members of the Society, the delay in issuing the first number of the Quarterly, believes much of the criticism of the secretary has been ill-advised, because without sufficient knowledge of the circumstances.

Greeting To Mekeel's

The Stamp Collector extends its heartiest congratulations to Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News on the occasion of its arriving at the mature age of 1000 weeks. It is the veritable Mathuselah of stamp journals in America, and as such has acquired a position of dominating influence in the affairs of American Philately. The question as to

how it has used this influence is open to debate, but the fact that *The Stamp Collector*, its owners and its editor have differed many times with the *Official Organ* on questions of policy does not in any degree mitigate the warmth of their congratulations on this auspicious occasion. Nor does the fact that *The Stamp Collector* has recently criticised the too-frequent special edition habit lessen its appreciation of the *Thousandth Edition Special*. It was a great occasion, and the management rose to it in a manner reflecting credit on itself, on the paper and on American Philately. Again congratulations.

Reduce The A. P. S. Dues

A ruling of the Postoffice department having knocked out the "official organ" in the sense in which we have known it in the past, Editor Nast, of *The Stamp Journal*, proceeds to the logical conclusion that the time is ripe for a commensurate reduction of the dues of the American Philatelic Society. The suggestion is germane and timely. The A. P. S. does so little for the dues, small as they are, it exacts from its members, that there is no reason why they should not be reduced 50 cents per annum, and thus, in effect, pay the members' subscriptions to such a Philatelic journal as they may elect as best serving their needs. The Society does not need the 15 cents which is the difference between the price paid to Mekeel's and the amount the individual members will have to pay, unless publishers agree to take a lower rate from authenticated A. P. S. members, because, as it does nothing with what it has, there is no reason the surplus should be piled any higher. And it is no more than fair that what the individual member will have to pay should be made up to him in full by the Society, no longer able to supply him with a paper by the simple process of certifying his name to the publisher of the *Official Organ*.

In this connection, the editor notices by the *Quarterly* that George L. Toppan, of the committee on *Official Organ*, shed crocodile tears in the Atlantic City convention because, if Redfield's should be adopted as the *Official Organ*, the members would have to dig down in their jeans for 50 cents a head in order to get Mekeel's. Now they've got to do it anyway, as the *Official Organ* doesn't show any signs of giving the members of the Society the benefit of a reduced rate. Under the circumstances, it seems the only thing to be done is for

the Society to reduce its dues commensurately. But what of Mr. Toppan's tears?

Marginalia

BARNUM OF CLEVELAND has been endorsed by the C. C. C. for secretary of the A. P. S. to succeed Adair of Columbus. Paste it in your hat that there's no humbug about this Barnum.

ONE BOSTONESE DEALER advertises "more than 10,000 varieties of 13th century stamps" in a recent number of the *Official Organ*. The Counterfeit Detector is hereby reminded that such a condition as this calls for investigation.

OUR FRIEND MELVILLE, of *The Postage Stamp*, reminds us by his supposition that the Porktown Bazoo is a nom de plume that if English armor plate is as dense as English appreciation of humor, Great Britain's navy is safe.

SALVADOR'S ONE-DAY ISSUE seems to have stirred up considerable strife. To a man up a tree it looks as if those who have been unloading the stamp at 50 cents to \$1 have reached their Chalchuapa—which was where Guatemala did things to Salvador in 1885.

WE GRIEVE TO ANNOUNCE that Clarence is miffed because of our little pleasantry of a month ago. We're sorry, because Clarence is even more energetic in the collection of offices than he is of postage stamps, and we wouldn't make light of his industry for the world; for the burden of so many offices is nothing to make light of.

INTEREST IN BILLIKIN'S and the curiosity aroused as to the identity of its able and brilliant editor have reached such a pitch that there seems to be no reason for further mystification by concealment of his identity. Those Philatelists who have rallied so generously to the support of Mr. Kin's little paper certainly are entitled to the information, by this time, that—Kin is Kin.

IT'S ABOUT TIME for the other half of that hog to be coming across the road. The story is told of a northern man who on his first sight of a Florida "razor-back" asked for explanations after it dashed across his path. After a while another one crossed the road. He grabbed his companion. "Hold on," he said, "there goes the other half." The P. J. of A. is getting mighty thin.

From The Exchange Table

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Billikin's Philatelic Magazine

Billikin, god of things as they ought to be, has dispensed a bright and cheery smile for March, and it was a large and permeating smile, well worth the cent per. Kin, the irrepressible, is forced by a host of inquiries concerning his personality, to give quite an extended biography of himself, which is regrettable, because Kin is a modest fellow, and it puts him into the attitude of obtruding his personality, which is the last thing in the world he would desire to do. Hogan has a few words to say to his friend Finerty concerning official organs, in which considerable truth is mixed with pungent satire. In view of recent developments in the eastern auction market, much interest will be taken in the "deadly parallel" drawn between a Bogert-Haines announcement in 1891 concerning the loss of the plates of the Providence stamps and the Stanley Gibbons annotation concerning the reprints made in 1893 and 1898. Bill takes advanced ground in regard to the program for the Detroit convention. He emphasizes the fact that Columbus tried to do what Detroit has announced its intention to do—provide a Philatelic program—and expresses the hope that the City of the Straits will fare better than did the Buckeye capital in that connection. And the rest of Columbus says "Amen." Taken all in all, the March number is a good one, and The Stamp Collector congratulates Billikin's that deserved support seems to be forthcoming.

The Stamp Journal

Forty pages and cover, filled with the meat of good reading for stampmen and the "makings" for bread of the publishers in the shape of generous advertising patronage, constitute the February number of this interesting monthly. And it is interesting in practically every line. The leading article is a strong plea, by Brother Nast, for a parcels post, with which, in the main, we concur. Percy McGraw Mann goes extensively into a discussion of the Hayti 1904 issues, concerning which he has written extensively before, and reiterates his assertion that they were forgeries, and not remainders. His argument seems to be well founded. Editor Nast has an interesting resume

of the situation affecting revenue stamps, than which none is better able to speak with authority than he. Many other interesting subjects are interestingly considered. An enlarged March number is promised.

Redfield's Weekly Stamp News

Redfield's has been a journal of many interesting contents during the past month, and in many respects has been showing the improvement in make-up and typographical cleanliness which its friends have hoped for it. Its new-issue service is growing steadily in scope and value, and as a purveyor of Philatelic news it is constantly broadening its field. It has accepted the situation growing out of the recent ruling of the Postoffice department concerning official organs with the grace expected of it, and cannot fail to have added many to its list of friends by its offer to devote so much space as might be necessary to the affairs of such major societies as may select it as the vehicle for their official business.

The Attleboro Philatelist

Collingwood's clever little paper comes to hand with plenty of advertising, but not much reading matter, though what there is, is of very good quality. This paper is to be commended especially to those collectors who are interested in precancellations, as it is about the only stamp paper in the country that gives much space to them. An item of interest to collectors of tax-paid stamps is reprinted from The Tobacco World, in which it is intimated that a change is to be made in the cigar box stamps. According to the article, it is expected to have the new stamp ready for distribution by July 1.

From The Foreign Exchanges

The Stamp Lover

The February number of The Stamp Lover reprints extensively from The Athenaeum the ancient controversy to which Dr. John Edward Gray, Sir Rowland Hill and Charles Knight were parties, nearly fifty years ago, concerning the invention of the adhesive postage stamp. The gist of the argument seems to be that Dr. Gray claimed the credit for having first thought of the idea in 1834, and that Sir Rowland,

then Mr. Hill, first proposed it in 1837. While nothing authoritative is established, the series of letters thus reproduced makes reading of much interest to Philatelists. H. G. Jobson's paper before the Junior Society, read Dec. 18, on delineations of the world's methods of delivering the mails, as shown on its postage stamps, is more complete than such papers usually are, and shows painstaking study. J. B. Boulton, in a paper on "The Simple Life in Collecting," attacks the idea as a whole, on the ground that it tends to mere accumulation of numbers. J. C. Dallimore, discussing the collection of new issues, takes the ground that the demand for these issues has had a great effect in producing multiplicity of varieties, but as a compensating advantage admits that the fad for new issues has resulted in adding many to the ranks of Philatelists. D. B. Armstrong, C. B. Bostwick and A. J. Watkin continue their very able review of the stamps of the Cayman islands, considering the King's head issues from the first down to the famous (or notorious) provisionals. Mr. Armstrong also continues his careful series on "Foreign Postmarks," from which excerpts have been taken in the past. Interesting articles from *The Stamp Lover* are reproduced elsewhere in this issue.

The Postage Stamp

Cornelius Wrinkle, in his "Gossip of the Week," opens the number to hand of this popular journal with an able misappreciation of Billikin's. It is queer, he says, but not exactly funny; then he gravely explains that he uses the word "queer" in the English sense. That is funny, but hardly queer. As Cornelius undoubtedly is writing under a nom de plume, his animadversions on American "pernicious pen names" might be regarded as somewhat cavalier, but being English, and therefore superior, his attitude may be taken as natural—having excuse, if not justification. "Miss Fitte" contributes an interesting installment of her paper on *The World's Stamp Errors*; the formation of some new societies and the progress of the old are noted, and considerable space is given to American Philatelic affairs. Except for the unconscious humor in Wrinkle's contribution, the paper is what might be expected from Melville's facile pen and editorial ability, a good number of one of the best of the world's stamp papers.

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly

Charles J. Phillips continues his interesting account of his South American trip in

the February numbers of this popular English publication. The trip itself, as well as Mr. Phillips' breezy account of Philatelic doings in the Southern continent, cannot fail to stimulate interest in the stamps of these countries, which, after a long period of relative neglect, seem now in a fair way to come into their rightful place in the stamp world. In his series on the postal issues of Denmark and the Danish colonies, L. Hanciau takes up the post cards, and contributes a paper that should serve as a mine of information to post card collectors. Bertram W. H. Poole continues his paper on "A Type Collection," and Joseph B. Leavey his paper on the stamps of Nicaragua. Some notes on British postmarks since 1840 are contributed by C. F. Dendy Marshall, B. A., and the collector of postal issues of some of the minor isles of the sea will be interested in "Notes on the 1/2d and 1d Papua," by W. T. Elliott, B. A. To the collector of real stamps, however, one of the most acceptable articles will be J. Ireland's brief "The Stamps of Antigua Simplified," contained in the issue of Feb. 12. It will be found in full elsewhere in this issue of *The Stamp Collector*."

Notes of the Exchanges

Leon Carter Grosjean is crowding a lot of interesting reading into his little publication, *The Southern Philatelist*, issued at Shreveport, La. He also is carrying a fair amount of advertising and is building up a good new issues chronicle.

The Scott Stamp & Coin Company's Circular announces, on report of a Quito correspondent, that remainders of the Ecuador triangular stamps of 1908 are to be auctioned. It is not known if there is a provision that they must bring at least face value. Of the seven varieties there are more than 1,005,000 stamps, of which more than 330,000 are the 1-cent brown. The 2-cents blue and black, 75,000, and the 5-cent lake and black, 41,500, are the only values in which there are less than 100,000.

The best thing in the current Henry George's Philatelic Monthly, Milwaukee, is "Tips for Young Collectors," by The Office Boy. If the rest of the paper was up to the standard of that article, it would be a dandy.

Charlat's Advertiser, house organ as it is, puts many so-called Philatelic journals to shame. It doesn't pretend to be anything but a house organ, but it always contains some good things in the way of news. The

editor seems to keep closer tab on the influence of current history on stamps than the majority of his brethren. The effect is found in his always putting to the front the stamps of those countries in which there is "something doing."

Bertram W. H. Poole's "Philatelic Dictionary," as conducted in The Postage Stamp, should supply a want of long standing. It is to be hoped that it will be put

into book form when completed, after bringing up to date, and sold at a moderate price.

The Philatelic Journal of America, which we welcomed with acclaim, is coming to be somewhat of a disappointment. There is nothing in the recent issues up to the standard of the old P. J. of A. Has the editorial hand lost its cunning?

In The Auction Rooms

All information for this department should be sent to W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St., Columbus, prior to the 1st of each month, for

the 30 days following the 15th of the same month. If copies of catalog before the sale and priced catalogs after the sale are sent to both the publisher and Mr. Field, your name will be placed on our exchange list. In case catalogs are not ready by the first, written information should be sent Mr. Field. When priced catalogs are furnished after the sale, the state of the market as reflected in the sale will be carefully analyzed and full credit given.

Coming Sales

March 29—J. C. Morgenthau & Co., 87 Nassau St., New York City. Part 2 of Seybold collection, 560 lots; evening session.

April 14-15—J. C. Morgenthau & Co., 87 Nassau St., New York City. Part 3 of Seybold collection, 895 lots; evening sessions at the Collectors' Club, 14 E. 23rd St.

April 19—International Stamp Co., 18 W. Long St., Columbus, O.; rooms of the Columbus Collectors' Club; about 500 lots.

Auction Prices

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Scott Stamp & Coin Co.

U. S., 1c., 1851 ○ Type I, catalog	\$25.00	\$25.50
U. S., 1c., 1851 ○ Type, III catalog,	\$10.00	10.70
U. S., 4c. envelope, Scott's No. 1326, entire with guide lines, catalog	\$10.00	7.50
U. S., 1861, 24c., envelope entire, Scott's No. 1340, catalog \$9.00.		15.50

Wolsieffers 102nd Sale, Jan. 20-21-22

U. S., New York, 1845, 5c. on cover, not cat.	7.25
U. S., 1847, 5c. on cover 3, each on separate original cover, with red, blue and the scarce green cancellation, brought	8.15

U. S., 1857, 5c., strip of three on original cover, one Type II, two of Type III together, scarce	9.10
U. S., 1871, 24c. ★ cat. \$12.50	10.00
U. S., 1873, 7c. ★ cat. \$6.00	4.50
U. S., Navy Dept., 2c., green; error, perforations slightly cut in on bottom	30.00
U. S., Eagle Carrier, 1c., No. 802, strip of 3 on cover, unique, cat. \$6.00	24.15
U. S. Envelope, 1899, 4c., No. 1600, cut square, Die B, \$25.00	13.25
U. S., 1901, Pan-American set of die proofs	10.50
U. S., 1898, Revenue 2½c. ★ block of 4 unperforated horizontally	6.10
Phillipines, 1903, \$5 ★ O. G., \$16.50	11.25
Gt. Britain, 1902, ○ V R, official ½d. ★ cat. \$6.00	4.30
Br. Honduras, 1868, \$1 ★ No. 13, cat. \$35.00	19.25
Cape of Good Hope, 1861, 1d., wood block ○ cat. \$28.00	18.10
Cayman Islands, 1907, 2½d. on 4d., ★ cat. \$20.00	15.10
Cayman Islands, 1908, 1d. on 4d. ★	6.10
This stamp is said to be issued for revenue purposes.	
Cayman Islands, 1908, ½ on 1 and ½ on 5sh. ★ cat. \$4.50	4.00
Maldives, 1906, 15c. ★ \$5.00	4.10
Maldives, 1906, 25c. ★ \$5.00	6.00
N. S. Wales, 1850, 2d. ○ \$20.00	13.10
Trinidad, 1855, 1d. No. 11, heavy blotch cancellation, cat. \$15.00	10.00
Oldenburg, 1861, 1-3 gr. ○ \$27.50	18.50
Saxony, 1850, 3p. ○ fine, \$35.00	27.10
Italy, 1853, 5c. ○ fine \$6.00	3.80

Switzerland, 1845, 5c., Geneva No. 4 on piece of cover, \$6.00.....	4.20
China, 1897, 50c., error, \$10.00.....	7.00

H. M. Clark's Sale, Feb. 5

U. S., 1847, 5c. O (red can.), \$1.00....	1.70
U. S., 1847, 5c. O (blue can.), \$1.00....	1.70
U. S., 1862, 5c., red brown O \$3.50....	2.85
U. S., 1869, 90c., blk. & car. ★\$40.00..	31.25
U. S., 1902, 5c., blue imperf. pair.....	6.50
U. S. Revenue, 1898, \$.00, dark brown strip of 3, imperf. between.....	39.00
Tasmania, 1853, 4d., orange, used, large margins, cat. \$4.00.....	3.20
India Plate Proofs, 1869:	
1c. in red, small numeral.....	2.60
2c. in yellow, small numeral.....	2.60
3c. in violet, small numeral.....	2.60
5c. in violet, normal numeral.....	2.10
5c. in green, normal numeral.....	2.10
5c. in red brown, normal numeral.....	2.10
12c. in brown, small numeral.....	2.10
12c. in red, small numeral.....	2.10
30c. essay, surrender of Burgoyne..	2.60

B. L. Voorhees Sale, Jan. 29

U. S., 1851, trial proofs of 1c., 4 varie- ties in different stages of develop- ment	3.60
U. S., 1851, 5c., 4 var. same as above..	3.55
U. S., 1851, 24c., 4 var. same as above..	3.80
U. S., 1851, 30c., 4 var. same as above..	3.80
U. S., 1847, 5c. O blue canc, \$1.00....	1.70
U. S., 1847, 5c. O red canc., \$1.00....	1.60
Confederate States, Mobile, 5c., blue on original cover, \$6.00.....	4.10
Confederate States, diagonal half of 20c. green on original cover.....	10.25
Cape of Good Hope, 1863, 1sh., em- erald green O \$7.50.....	4.20

International Stamp Co. Sale, Feb. 22

U. S., 1847, 5c., O fine, \$1.00.....	2.20
U. S., 1857, 5c., O red brown, \$7.00..	4.10
U. S., 1857, 12c., O fine, \$1.25.....	1.10
U. S., 1861, 24c., August proof.....	3.00
U. S., 1862, 5c., O chestnut, \$3.50....	2.70
U. S., 1867, 3c., grilled all over O \$12..	6.10
U. S., 1869, 90c., O fine, \$15.00.....	10.85
U. S., 1879, 15c., sample A blue.....	1.60
U. S., 1888, 90c. ★ \$3.50.....	2.35
U. S., 1894, \$2, O block of 4, \$12.00..	6.40
Barbadoes, 1873, 5sh., O \$10.00.....	6.10
Bavaria, 1849, 1kr., O \$4.50.....	3.00
Poland, 10kr., on original cover, cat. \$2.00	3.20

Auction Notes

The Seybold collection will be sold in three parts on different dates: First part,

March 15-16; a short sketch of contents noted in our February number. Part 2 will be sold March 29, and contains the European lots, which will be followed on April 14-15 by Part 3, comprising the British Colonials. Both of these sales are filed with the same unique covers so rare and as well known as in Part 1, and will command the attention of Philatelists all over the world. Besides the stamps on original covers are to be found an exceptionally fine lot off of cover, many strips and blocks of the early issues so eagerly sought for at present prices. In the European section we notice some of the following: France, 1849, 1fr., vermilion, on cover; Baden, 12kr., yellow rural post, 2 copies used, on official cover; Bavaria, 1kr., 1849, two vertical strips of 3, on cover; Mecklenburg Schwerin, 4-4, red, No. 4 vertical pair, on cover; Saxony, 7 covers with different combinations of 3pfg., No. 1, some in pairs and strips, very rare, on cover in singles; Ionian Islands, ½p. and 1p. on cover together; Modena, 1852, 1 lira, black, strip of 3 on cover; Tuscany, 1851, pair of 2 soldi red and 1 soldi yellow, on cover; two Sicilies, 1860, ½ tornese, blue on wrapper; Roumania, 1854, 54 para, blue on green paper, on cover; Spain, 3c., Madrid, on cover; Great Britain, 1p., V. R., cancelled. The Swiss portion is the finest ever sold in the country, and contains 2 Basle on cover, one a pair; 3 double Genevas, on cover; several halves and 9 covers with single Genevas; 8 Zurich, on cover, one a bisect; half of 4 rappen and the stamps of the Federal Administration, on cover, in a multitude of different combinations. Pairs and strips abound.

Part III of the Seybold collection is equally as fine as the other parts, especially in British Guiana, Cape of Good Hope and Mauritius. Among the many rarities are such notable covers as 9 blocks of 4 British Guiana, 1862, 1c. magenta; pair of wood blocks, 4d., blue, on cover; 13 covers of the early Mauritius, containing that notable cover with two copies of 2d, blue, 1859 (fillet head) in the finest possible condition; 11 covers of Sydney views, besides numbers of the Laureated issues, and Western Australia pair of 1sh. rouletted 1857. This sale will certainly be one of the most notable events in the season of 1910, and the wise ones are predicting some record prices.

Fine copies of U. S. are bringing prices that make us think that our 1910 catalogue is out of date. Collectors will wake up

some day and realize that early U. S. in superb condition are almost unobtainable at present catalogue prices and they will have to pay more, even in average condition. All fine copies offered this year found ready buyers, and the only trouble was too few coming on the market.

A pleasing addition to philatelic libraries is now offered in a book of illustrations of the Seybold sale, containing photos of almost 40 of those notable covers soon to be scattered far and wide in many parts of the world. A copy can be obtained from J. C. Morgenthau & Co., for 25c. post free. This departure is a creditable one to that enterprising firm.

Paris Postal Service During The Siege

The straits to which Paris was put to keep in communication with the outside world have been narrated many times, but it always is an interesting story, and has been entertainingly told by W. Mead in a paper before the Brighton Branch of the Junior Philatelic Society (Eng.), reproduced herewith from *The Stamp Lover*:

After the capitulation of Sedan, and the delivery to the enemy of 86,000 men, Sept. 2, 1870, the French deposed their Emperor and proclaimed the Republic two days later. Negotiations being futile, the march on Paris was continued. As the complete investment of the capital became imminent, the authorities sent in haste almost their entire stock of postage stamps into the departments, and the postal service was directed from Tours. Stamps with the imperial effigy were not demonetized, but active steps were taken at the mint to manufacture new postage stamps with the effigy of the Republic; stamps of the type of 1849 were produced, the 10c., 20c. and 40c., in October and December, 1870. These were the only values printed during the siege, but these three stamps continued to be issued for several years, which accounts for the numerous varieties, especially in the orange.

The newspaper stamps were abolished, and editors having paper stamped in advance obtained reimbursement, the stamps being annulled in various ways. The newspapers were then either struck in color with the imperial frank or franked in cash.

Paris being completely invested from Sept. 18, 1870, various means were tried to secure communication with the outer world. Couriers attempted to bear official dispatches to Tours; some succeeded, but many fell victims. A telegraphic cable was immersed in the Seine, but the Germans discovered and destroyed it. Another system was by means of spheres of zinc fitted

with a sort of clockwork having an alarm set for periods of five to twelve hours. The ball would travel below the surface of the water, and at the pre-arranged time the alarm would go off, and the spring would push out of a tube a small tri-colored flag bearing the words, "Take this to the Town Hall." This ingenious idea had no success. There were other spheres of zinc about the size of a child's head, and provided with flanges which would cause them to progress even if they touched the bottom of the river. The opening by which the correspondence was introduced was soldered. Special wires were contrived to capture them on their arrival. Postage on these was one franc, of which 20c. went to the postal administration and 80c. to the inventors of the system, but they received only half of this on the postage of the letter, and the other half was to be paid them on the reception of each letter at the General Postoffice in Paris. This plan also proved a failure.

The most successful, however, was the aerial post by means of balloons and pigeons.

Balloons without pilots were only a partial success, but the service of those with pilots continued throughout the siege, from Sept. 23, 1870, to Jan. 28, 1871, sixty-eight ascensions in all being made. The heaviest parcel of mail was taken by the Garibaldi, which carried 450 kilos of letters. The weight of the letters did not exceed two grams each, and the postage was 20 centimes. Some of the balloons fell into the hands of the Prussians, and some into the sea, with the total loss of passengers and mails. The balloon postal service was carried out as regularly as possible, but there was great difficulty in getting news from the outside. To accomplish this return of messages to the city, most of the balloons carried pigeons; some of the pigeons made

the voyage more than once, and one of them became celebrated by doing it four times. The method employed was to take small photographs of the letters and print them on albumen paper; they were then rolled into a little quill tube and attached with silk to one of the large feathers in the pigeon's tail. This was afterward done more perfectly by a system of photo-micrography. So skillfully were these films arranged that each pigeon could take from twelve to fifteen tubes, each containing many dispatches. Owing, however, to the intense cold, to snow, the long distances and other circumstances, only about five per cent. of the pigeons reached their destinations. Each film was numbered, and if it did not arrive a duplicate was dispatched. Some were sent as many as thirty times.

The complete investment of the capital interfered, of course, with the supply of stamps, which were printed exclusively at the mint in Paris, for the rest of France. The administration therefore authorized new postage stamps to be made at Bordeaux, the type to conform to that made at Paris, with the effigy of the Republic. The lithographed stamps of Bordeaux were issued to the public about the middle of November, 1870, and never have been demonetized, although the stock and plant have been destroyed.

Growth of The Postal Service

In Washington's administration the Postmaster General had only one clerk. There were only 75 postoffices and 1,875 miles of post roads in the United States. The cost of the mail transportation was \$22,935, the total revenue \$37,935, the total expenditure \$32,140, leaving a surplus of \$5,795. It was not until 1838 that the idea of utilizing the railroads in the mail service was thought of, and the present railway mail service was not inaugurated until 1864, when it was begun by Col. Armstrong.

Brazil Reduces Postage Rates

The new Brazilian budget, adopted in December, provides for material reductions in rates of postage. Domestic postage for letters will be 100 reis (3c.) per 15 grams (half ounce), and the rate for foreign letters 200 reis (6c.) instead of 300 reis (9c.), as heretofore.

The Stamps of Antigua Simplified

Here is a very simple country which is very rarely attempted by the general collector, writes J. Ireland in Gibbons' Stamp Weekly. The most expensive stamp is the 1s mauve, which is priced at 30s. (Scott \$7.50 unused, \$6 used.) The 4d blue also is a scarce stamp, being priced at 25s unused, but being obtainable at 1s 6d used. I give the prices of the cheapest varieties in Gibbons' catalogue:

1862, line engraved: 1d rose (No. 26), 3d unused and 6d used; 6d green (29), 6s and (15) 4s.

1879, surface printed: ½d green (1882) (21) 3d and 6d; 2½d brown (22), 15s and 5s; 2½d. blue (1884) (27) 9d and 6d; 4d blue (23), 25s and 1s 6d; 4d brown (1884) (28), 1s and 8d; 1s mauve (1886) (30), 30s and 25s.

The next set, 1903, is still current. The price per single stamp is not given, as it is the best policy to buy them in sets. They are as follows:

1903, arms in center: ½d black and green, 1d black and scarlet, 2d purple and brown, 2½d black and blue, 3d green and brown, 6d purple and black, 1s blue and purple, 2s green and violet, 2s 6d black and purple.

1903 Kings head in center: 5s green and violet.

1908-9, arms in center, new color scheme: 1d green, 2½d blue.

As it is possible this colony will adopt the color scheme for the remaining values, it is advisable to get the present set as soon as possible. It is not at all a common one in general collections, most collectors looking upon these stamps with a prejudiced eye.

Commemorative Stamps Proposed

The directors of the Ohio Valley Exposition, which is to be held in Cincinnati Aug. 29 to Sept. 24, have decided to ask the Postoffice Department to issue a series of commemorative stamps, illustrating its discovery, exploration and development. The directors have expressed confidence that their request will be granted.

American Philatelic Society Quarterly

One hundred and twenty pages, of which seven and a half are given over to advertising, besides the cover, the official photograph and the key-number page, make up No. 1 of Vol. XXXIII of *The American Philatelist*, otherwise known as the first issue of the American Philatelic Society's Quarterly. It bears in its every page evidence of the care that was taken in getting it out, and when the volume is completed may be bound into a welcome and valuable addition to the library of any stamp collector. The report of the Atlantic City convention takes up 86 pages of the report. This report, now in the hands of every member of the Society, calls for no extended comment. An interesting innovation in the Society's publications is found in the roster of branch and corresponding societies found on pages 89 and 90. Twenty-three branch societies are listed. In most cases their presidents and secretaries are named, and in all cases their meeting nights are given. This list will be of great value to traveling stamp collectors. Six corresponding societies are listed, in Germany, Austria, Sweden, England (2), and British Guiana.

It is regrettable that the library of the Society is no larger than to require no

more than five and two-thirds pages for listing. So great an organization as the American Philatelic Society should have accumulated, in its five lustrums of activity, a much greater library than this, and it should have a catalogue, apart from such a list as this, with which every member should be supplied, with a copy of the rules governing the withdrawal and use of books.

The advertising pages of the Quarterly are evidence of the sincerity of those who at the Columbus convention pledged financial support to the publication, if the Society would only take the step. From its very nature advertising in such a journal must be of the perfunctory kind—dealers cannot advertise their bargains in it—but those who are so fortunate as to secure space in it will come to be considered the elite of the trade, and as such will and should profit immeasurably, in the prestige thus given. They will constitute a veritable aristocracy of the mercantile side of Philately, and to the end that this may be so in the truest sense, those having responsibility for the advertising columns of the Quarterly must guard them jealously, that none gets in who is not a credit to the Society and its own Journal.

World's Postal Service

According to figures just published in the "Archives Postales" there are 271,000 post-offices in the world, spread over 97 states which cover an area of 30,000,000 square miles. The United States possesses the greatest number of postoffices, 63,663; Germany comes second with 49,838 offices, and the United Kingdom third, with 23,738. Russia has 18,000, France 13,000, and Austria and Italy each 9,500 offices. The average daily postal business of the world amounts to 110,000,000 mail pieces of all kinds, representing, on the estimated value of the contents of registered letters, \$68,600,000. The number of the world's postal officials is 1,394,247, of which Germany supplies the strongest contingent, 314,251. There are 767,898 mail boxes in the world.

Postage to The Bahamas

A correspondent of the *New York Times*, writing from Nassau, N. P., Bahamas, says there seems to be a misapprehension in the States that the reduction of the postage rate between Great Britain and the United States to two cents applies also to the Bahamas. Many letters are received in Nassau, the correspondent says, bearing only a two-cent stamp, which necessitates the payment of the additional postage with a penalty added, by the addressee, and results in serious delay in deliveries. The total cost to the addressee, in these cases, is 3d., plus the delay. At this time of the year, when Nassau is filled with tourists, mostly Americans, the burden falls chiefly on them.

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The Mutual Stamp Exchange, conducted by Mr. I. C. Greene, of Leominster, Mass., is meeting with the success which it deserves. A. P. S. members only are eligible to participate, and the fact that nearly 600 books of stamps, aggregating several thousand dollars, are constantly in circulation, speaks well for the way in which the business is conducted.

Here, you condition cranks—we have just received from Mr. W. C. Rothfuchs, that veteran dealer of Roxbury Station, Boston, Mass., and one time of Washington, D. C., a fine list which will please you. You can buy good copies, fair copies or fine copies, and in some cases as many as sixteen different stages or conditions of one single specimen. Take your choice and "quitche-kicken." Mr. Rothfuchs issued a similar list in May, 1897, and received many favorable comments from Philatelists, the press

and from Mekeel's Weekly. Being aware that Mekeel's don't dare say anything favorable about items of interest to collectors, where it is necessary to mention dealers' names, we take this means of calling your attention to something you will want, and although we can't reach all of Mekeel's readers, we know the news of this ideal price list for condition cranks will spread rapidly throughout the land. Most all the good U. S. and Confederates, including some of the provisionals, are priced in fair to fine condition, stamps varying in price from 1c to \$1,000 are listed as well as proofs on India paper and cardboard. It will pay you to secure a copy of this list, which is sold at 15c, and this amount is refunded on first order of \$1.15 or over.

Our appeal to the Irish, which was sent to dealers about the first of this month, brought so many favorable responses, containing advertising copy, that we are inclined to believe the Irish run the stamp business just the same as they run everything else. One enterprising dealer—none other than our friend, H. Wesley Legg, that prince of good fellows, even offers Irish stamps for sale—that is—he will book your order for the new issue—when Ireland is freed—and when this takes place we have no doubt that H. Wesley will have the goods the same as always.

A few copies of numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4 of The Stamp Collector are still on hand and as long as they last we will furnish No. 1 at 25c., 2, 3 or 4 at 10c. each, or we will begin yearly subscriptions at 50c. per year with either number 2, 3 or 4.

On May first the Scott Stamp and Coin Co., of New York City, probably known to more people as dealers in stamps than any other concern in America, are to move into a brand new building at 127 Madison Avenue, between 30th and 31st streets and nearly opposite the fashionable Colony Club. This location is easily reached from the Broadway or Madison Avenue cars, or from the 34th street crosstown. The entire first floor of the building will be used for their local retail and mail order trade and business office, while the entire basement will be used for the wholesale business of albums and other publications, which is a big part of their business, as their printing plant which is situated downtown, is practically kept busy the year round on this work. The company's Fulton street store will continue as heretofore.

Record of New Issues

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Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Argentine Republic

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 1 peso of the San Martin set, the stamp being larger than the contavo values and of somewhat different design.

Adhesive—

1p., rose and slate-blue.

Bermuda.

The International Stamp Company has shown us the 1d. in a new shade of carmine, and Mekeels Weekly Stamp News reports the 2½d. in single color, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesives—

1d., carmine.

2½d., ultramarine.

British Solomon Islands

According to Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, The Colonial Office Journal reports the issue of three new values of the current type, line-engraved, wmkd. Crown C A sideways, perf. 14.

Adhesives—

2s., purple on blue.

2s. 6d., red on blue.

5s., green on yellow.

Cuba

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the new set which we mentioned in No. 3. New plates have been prepared for all values except the 50c. All are on unwatermarked paper, perf. 12.

Adhesives—

1c., dark green and purple (Bartolome Maso).

2c., dark red and grey-green (Maximo Gomez).

3c., purple and blue (Julio Sanguily).

5c., blue and green (Ignacio Agramonte).

8c., olive-green and violet (Calixto Garcia).

10c., brown and dark blue (Mayia).

50c., bright violet and black (Antonio Maceo).

1p., blue-black and black (Carlos Roloff).

Special Delivery Stamp—

10c., orange and blue (Post Boy) (J. B. Zayas).

Dominican Republic

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News reports the 2c official, similar to Scott's 01, on watermarked paper. They state the stamp appears to be lithographed and there are important changes in the design, although the inscriptions and colors are the same.

Official Adhesive—

2c., scarlet and black.

Eritrea

We learn from Gibbons' Stamp Weekly that the special delivery stamp for foreign letters has appeared overprinted "Colonia Eritrea" in black for use in this colony.

Special Delivery Stamp—

30c., black and rose.

Fiji Islands

From Mekeels Weekly Stamp News we learn that specimen copies of the 1s. in new color have been distributed. We presume the stamps will be on multiple chalky paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

1s., black on green.

French Congo

The New England Stamp Company has shown us four values of a new design which we illustrate. The label containing the inscription and the value are in the second color.



Adhesives—

1c., brown and vermillion.

2c., black and violet-brown.

5c., olive and green.

10c., vermillion and rose.

Gambia

The following values, evidently belonging to the set reported in No. 2, have been shown us by The International Stamp Company, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14:

Adhesives—

½d., green.

2½d., ultramarine.

Gibraltar

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly states the ½d., 2d. and 1s. are now being printed in one process, value and design therefore being in one color, instead of varying slightly in shade as when produced by the two-printing method. Wmkd. multiple Crown C. A. perf. 14.

Adhesives—

½d., deep green, ordinary.

2d., grey, ordinary.

1s., black on green, chalky.

Gold Coast

Current type in new color, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14, received from the Frank P. Brown Company.

Adhesive—

2d., grey.

Greece

The following appears in Mekeel's Weekly for February 19: "The London Philatelist gives particulars regarding a new series of stamps. They are to be manufactured by the chromo-lithographic firm of Aspiotti & Co., Corfu. There will be three designs. The 1, 3 and 10 L. will show the Hermes of Tonagra from an ancient coin. The 2, 20 and 35 L. will show the Goddess Iris, standing between two pillars, from an ancient coin. The 5, 30 and 50 L. will show Hermes the Courier. The last design will also appear on the 1d., 2d. and 5d. stamps. The 50 L. and the drachma values will be of oblong form. The new stamps will be put on sale in July."

Hong Kong

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the \$2 stamp of the current type in a new shade.

Adhesive—

\$2, black and carmine.

India

The 3 annas, orange-brown, is reported with overprint "On H. M. S.," by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Official Adhesive—

3a., orange-brown, black overprint.

Italy—Offices in Tripoli

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the following of the current Italian set overprinted

for use in Tripoli. The overprint is "Tripoli di Barberia" in two lines on the values from 1c. to 50c., while the same overprint, but in capitals, appears in the higher values and on the special delivery stamps. Overprint is in black, except on the 15c., which is in violet.

Adhesives—

1c., brown.

2c., orange-brown.

5c., green.

10c., rose.

15c., black.

25c., blue.

40c., pale brown.

50c., mauve.

1L., brown and green.

5L., rose and blue.

Special Delivery Stamps—

25c., rose.

30c., blue and rose.

Japan—Offices in China

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 1 sen, Venetian red, perforated 13 x 13½ by comb-machine.

Malta

The current 1d. is appearing in a new shade of carmine which is much brighter than the old color, a copy having been shown us by The International Stamp Company. Multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

1d., carmine.

Netherlands

From Gibbons' Stamp Weekly we learn that the current 2½ gulden exists with perforation guaging 11½.

New South Wales

The International Stamp Company has shown us the 2s. 6d. on Crown A paper, perf. 12 x 11.

Adhesive—

2s. 6d., blue-green.

North Borneo

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 10c. of the set recently issued in a much duller greyish blue than formerly.

Norway

The current 1 kr. stamp is now being printed from a new die, measuring 21½ x 17 mm., instead of 20 x 15½, according to Gibbons' Stamp Weekly. There are numerous other changes, but the difference in size is marked enough to instantly identify the stamp. The 2 kr. in this new die appeared last year.

Adhesive—

1kr., green.

Papua

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the 2s. 6d. of the current type which has just appeared, although the stamp is listed in the Standard Catalogue.



Adhesive—

2s. 6d., brown and black.

Persia

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly illustrates the new Persian set which is said to be of a provisional nature. The central oval shows the Persian lion. "Postes Persanes" appears in a tablet at the top and an inscription in Persian characters at the bottom. At each upper corner, just below the label, is a heart-shaped tablet with inscription in Persian characters and the value is shown in two circular tablets in the corresponding lower corners. Centers in first color.

Adhesives—

- 1ch., maroon and orange.
- 2ch., maroon and violet.
- 3ch., maroon and yellow-green.
- 6ch., maroon and scarlet.
- 9ch., maroon and slate-grey.
- 10ch., maroon and magenta.
- 13ch., maroon and deep blue.
- 26ch., maroon and blue-green.
- 2kr., sepia, deep green and silver.
- 3kr., sepia, grey and silver.
- 4kr., sepia, blue and silver.
- 5kr., sepia, chocolate and gold.
- 10kr., sepia, orange and gold.
- 20kr., sepia, sage green and gold.

Rhodesia

We learn from Gibbons' Stamp Weekly that the ½d. stamp overprinted Rhodesia exists in a very deep green shade.

Adhesive—

½d., deep green.

Salvador

The 1c black and green, overprinted "1821—15 Septiembre—1907" in three lines in red, exists with overprint inverted, a copy having been shown us by The International Stamp Company. The specimen was on paper watermarked multiple circles.

The same company has shown us the 1

centavo of a new set. The portrait of General Figueroa appears in a peculiarly shaped medallion in the center, "U. P. U." and "Correos de le Salvador" above and "Centavo below the medallion, figures of value at each side, center in second color.



Adhesive—

1c., brown and black.

The following provisionals are listed by Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, the 13c. and 26c. of the 1907 set having been overprinted with new value and date in three lines, thus: "2—Centavos—1909."

Provisional Adhesives—red overprint—

- 2c. on 13c., brown, black and red.
- 3c. on 26c., brown, black and red.

Siam

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly chronicles another variety of the 1906 type overprinted in black with value in the new currency.

Adhesive—

6 sat. on 5 atts, rose and carmine.

South Australia

The 9d. large "POSTAGE" type is appearing in a brighter shade, watermarked Crown A, perf. 12½.

Adhesive—

9d., claret.

Spain

Gibbons Stamp Weekly reports the following value of the new set:

Adhesive—

2c., black-brown.

Turkey

The New England Stamp Company sends us another value of the new set.



Adhesive—

5pi., violet-brown.

According to Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, the following values have been overprinted for use on printed matter:

Adhesives—

5pa., brown-ochre (blue overprint).

2pi., grey-black (carmine overprint).

Transvaal

Current type in new color, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14, reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly:

Adhesive—

2d., grey.

United States

It now appears that 4,000 each of the values of the current set from 3c. to 15c., in-

clusive, were printed on the bluish 35 per cent. rag paper. Instead of being kept separate, the sheets of these stamps were mixed in with the regular stock and so there is no telling where they will turn up. Up to this writing, the 6, 10 and 15 have been found on this paper.

Victoria.

The International Stamp Company has shown us the current 1d. in a new shade, watermarked Crown and double-lined A, perf. 12½.

Adhesive—

1d., rose-carmine.

Philatelic Literature

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone

interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

Many responses to my appeal in the February issue have been received and these, together with previous letters of approval, give a list of twenty-one who stand shoulder to shoulder for the A. P. L. S.

It is a well known fact that there is a Philatelic Literature Society in England, and that collectors from all countries are included as members. The benefits of this society, which consist principally of an excellent quarterly journal, are more than we can hope to give at present, but there are many collectors who do not care to pay an annual fee of \$5.11, especially to a society which, although it is open to Americans, is really not an American society. Much more effective work for Philatelic Literature in America can be done by an American society, and this is the main excuse for its formation, if an excuse is needed.

A letter on this subject from Mr. Bertram T. K. Smith, may be of interest to some of our readers, and the same is reproduced in full:

London, Feb. 11, 1910.

G. W. Linn, Esq., Columbus, O.

Dear Sir: I have just received the January number of The Stamp Collector and read with interest the proposal to form an American Philatelic Literature Society.

Should American collectors decide to form such a society, I have no reason to suppose that the Philatelic Literature Society would not welcome its foundation, but I cannot help thinking that before such a decision is made, it is only right and fair that one fact should be very clearly laid

before them. The term "English" Philatelic Literature Society is in one sense a misnomer. It is true that the Society is established in London and consequently its Council is composed of English members, but it is essentially an international society, its "Journal" is largely contributed to by its foreign members, and nearly 40 per cent. of its members live outside Great Britain.

In case you see fit to publish this letter, I should like to add that I am writing simply in my private capacity and in no sense on behalf of the Philatelic Literature Society.

Yours truly,

BERTRAM T. K. SMITH.

The points brought forth in the above letter are, I believe, clearly understood by American collectors; nevertheless a Society in America will do more for Philatelic Literature in America than could be accomplished in any other manner.

A call for nominations for officers did not bring as many responses as was expected, but the few that did come are given below, and you are requested to send in your vote at once, as polls will close promptly on April 4.

For President—C. A. Nast, Fred Dougherty, Wm. J. Gardner.

Vice President—G. S. Dickinson, Fred Dougherty, F. S. Cook.

Secretary-Treasurer—George W. Linn, G. S. Dickinson, J. N. S. Brewster, Jr.

Council—George W. Linn, H. S. Adair, Geo. K. Smith, Jr.

Vote for a President, Vice President,

Secretary-Treasurer and three members for Council.

One member in writing, suggested this latter office or officers as a governing board of the Society; also a board which would take active charge of proposed publication work, saying: "It is my belief that a board of this sort is the only satisfactory method of quickly handling and pushing to completion any work to be undertaken by the society and believing that the members should be so situated that they can get together and discuss matters. I propose that Messrs. Linn, Adair and Smith, all residents of Columbus, Ohio, be elected as the Council of the Society."

This is really a good plan and as our correspondent says, will probably be the best method of doing work which is proposed to be done.

The Council as above named will immediately get together and draw up a Constitution and By-laws for the Society and the same will be published in pamphlet form and distributed gratis to members. A list of members with addresses will also be included. A quantity of application or membership blanks will be prepared for the Secretary as soon as elected, and the campaign for more members will then begin in earnest.

If your name is not in the following list of members, you should send it in at once.

LIST OF MEMBERS.

1. George Ward Linn, Columbus, O.
2. H. S. Adair, Columbus, O.
3. Geo. K. Smith, Jr., Columbus, O.
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5. Charles Gross, Chicago, Ill.
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7. Fred Doughty, Saginaw, Mich.
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14. Victor Marsh, England.
15. L. G. Quackenbush, Oneida, N. Y.

16. H. B. Clark, Winnipeg, Canada.
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19. H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J.
20. D. B. Crockett, Nutley, N. J.
21. Leon Carter Grosjean, Shreveport, La.

Mail your votes so as to reach this city by April 4, and full results will be published in the April issue.

GEORGE WARD LINN,

Sec'y Pro Tem.,

Clinton Bldg., Columbus, Ohio.

The Annual or Year Book of the Texas and Southern Philatelic Society is announced to appear in April. Besides containing full reports of the annual meeting, the book will contain an extensive article on the Confederate States Stamps, most especially the Postmasters' Provisionals, which are no doubt of more interest to American collectors than any issue or issues of stamps of any country, of which even now uncatalogued specimens are occasionally brought to light. The book will be printed on a good quality of book paper and will be given free to members. Non-members may secure a copy for 25c., cloth bound 50c., by addressing the publishers, Wm. Moore White, care J. R. Wood Printing Co., San Antonio, Texas.

The Journal of The Philatelic Literature Society (England), dated January, 1910, contains an interesting account of the library of Mr. Herbert Clark, written by himself. The entire article is made up of a list of the books and publications contained in the writer's library, and to read it makes an amateur collector wonder how it is possible to get together such a rare and desirable lot of the old publications.

In this number of the Journal, mention is made of the libraries of several of the American local societies, including the Garfield-Perry Club, of Cleveland; the Boston Philatelic Society, the St. Louis Philatelic Society and the Pennsylvania Philatelic Association. The Columbus Collectors' Club probably has as fine a library as any American society, and the writer having recently been appointed librarian, will prepare a list of the books and publications which will be published in The Stamp Collector and then in pamphlet form for the members.

**ELECTIVE OFFICERS**

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APPOINTEE OFFICERS

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Curator of Counterfeit Collection	W. H. FIELD

The 77th regular meeting of the Club was held Feb. 22, with sixteen members and four visitors present. Only routine business was transacted, the rest of the evening being given up to an auction sale.

During April or early in May, the Columbus Collectors' Club will hold an auction sale for the benefit of the Library Fund and its members are invited to donate stamps for this sale. One member has donated stamps cataloguing nearly \$60, and a number of other desirable lots have already been received. Those intending to make donations should send their lots to the Secretary at once so the stamps can be mounted and catalogue printed.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR., Sec'y.

May Blow Up Heligoland

Philatelists, most of whom at one time or another have wrestled with the issues of Heligoland and the multifarious reprints, will be interested in an important proposition made in Germany concerning the island at the mouth of the Elbe. Despite vast expenditures, it continues to crumble away, and it is proposed, unless some scheme is found of preserving it, to blow it up. Apparently the idea is that in event of war the island would need to be very strongly defended, lest it be seized and used as an advance base of operations against Germany. The trouble does not lie so much with the risk of being seized as with the strain of having to defend it. In the view of English naval experts, the destruction of the island would put an end to all doubtful relations between Germany and England. It might make for peace and it might make for war, but there would be no middle course. From the stampic point of view, it would be interesting, as the first time in which a stamp issuing country was literally wiped out of existence.

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Directors—H. C. Crowell, John F. Rust, R. H. Beatty, W. H. Waterbury, Alvin Good, W. A. Langdon, Fred E. Bruce

A regular meeting of the Club was held on Jan. 6th, 1910, at Room 202 The Arcade. In the absence of President Crowell, Vice President Rust called the meeting to order at 8:15, with the following members present: Rhodes, Barnum, Beatty, Weigel, Lehman, Guscott, Good, Rust, Volk, Waterbury, Whittiker, Scharschmidt, Wood, Moses, Moxan, Piggott, Larsen, Langdon, Mack, Bryant, Foote, Kramer, Crofts, Hanford. Visitors present were Stack, Wilson, Sander and Hayden.

The Board of Directors announced that C. W. Lehman had been elected to membership and that the following Committees for the year 1910 had been appointed:

Entertainment—Moses, Scharschmidt and Hanford. Membership—Rhodes, Moxan, Bruce and Weigel. Acquaintance—Barnum, Whittiker, Hanford and Langdon.

Mr. Barnum was appointed Auction Manager. Mr. Rhodes was continued as Librarian and Mr. W. H. Colson as Counterfeit Detector. Minutes of previous meeting were approved as read.

After a general discussion as to the date of the coming Annual Banquet, it was voted that the same should be held on March 19, and that committee on same should arrange accordingly. After the general order of business a "stamp raffle" was held, proceeds amounting to \$4.61 going to the Exchange Department.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p. m.

A regular meeting of the Club was held Jan. 20, 1910, at Room 202, The Arcade. Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock by President Crowell and with the following members present: Langdon, Rust, Good, Crowell, Beatty, Moses, Bartels, Johnson, Crofts, Weigel, Barnum, Whittiker, Scharschmidt, Guscott, Bryant, Kramer, Lehman, Mack, Waterbury, Williams, Larsen, Hanford and Wood. Mr. Nixon was present as a visitor.

After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved as read, the Board of Directors announced that the applications of the following had been received and posted: R. H. Crowell, Cleveland, O., proposed by R. H. Beatty; P. G. Nixon, Cleveland, O., proposed by R. H. Beatty; P. M. Wolsieffer and C. Staub, Chicago, proposed by H. C. Crowell and Iver R. Johnson; Hugh M. Clark, Chicago, proposed by Iver R. Johnson.

It was moved and seconded that the regular meeting of March 17th be postponed to March 24th, in order that the banquet, to be held on March 19th, would not conflict with a regular meeting.

Mr. Johnson, of Chicago, announced that the Chicago Branch, of that city, would ask for the Annual Convention of the A. P. S. in 1911, and advised all collectors to join this society. Mr. Moses spoke on the matter of the Club Circuit and asked that all who had duplicates to put same in the club circuit. After the regular order of business a spelling match was held, first prize going to Mr. Whittiker and second to Mr. Weigel.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p. m.

A regular meeting of the Club was held on Feb. 3, 1910, at Room 202, The Arcade. Meeting called to order at 8:10 by President Crowell, and with the following named members present: Moxan, Good, Wood, Johnson, Weigel, Kendel, Scharschmidt, Whittiker, J. N. Lehr, Rhodes, Hanford, Langdon, Beatty, Lehman, Guscott, Waterbury, Foote, Larsen, Bruce, Crofts, Bryant, Crowell, Mack, French and Moses. Visitors present were Waterhouse, Heyden, Liebner, Wallace and Carr.

After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved as read, Mr. Johnson, of Chicago, spoke on the subject of the blue paper used by the Government for experimental purposes. Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Bruce also spoke on the same subject.

After the general order of business, Mr. Horace Carr gave a very interesting talk on the matter of paper and paper making, and showed and described the many kinds of paper made in this country and abroad. On conclusion, Mr. Carr was voted the thanks of the Club for his kindness.

Mr. L. G. French exhibited his collection of U. S. and colonies, which was greatly enjoyed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p. m.

A regular meeting of the Club was held on Feb. 17, 1910, at Room 202, The Arcade.

In the absence of both the President and Vice President, Mr. Alvin Good officiated as chairman for the evening. The following named members were present: Wood, Weigel, Barnum, Moses, Beatty, Whittiker, Good, Guscott, Bryant, Johnson, Moxan, Liebner, French, Larsen, Waterhouse, Hanford.

The Board of Directors announced that the application of O. F. Liebner, proposed by A. W. Weigel, had been received and posted. It was announced that Mr. W. C. Rhodes had presented to the Club a copy of Mr. Powers' book on U. S.

It was moved and seconded that in printing the new "Constitutions and List of Club Members" that the part referring to the benefits of the Club be omitted and that in its place be inserted a list, in part, of the books in the Club Library.

Mr. Johnson, of Chicago, spoke very entertainingly on the matter of the work being done by the Educational Committee of the A. P. S. It was moved and seconded that the amount of \$5.00 be donated this committee to help this committee in carrying out the good work they are doing in this line.

After the general order of business, an auction sale was held, netting the Club \$2.36. On account of the lateness of the hour and the great number of lots in this sale, it was discontinued at 10 o'clock. Balance of lots to be sold at the next meeting held on March 3.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p. m.

R. H. BEATTY, Sec'y.

Mr. Colson's March Brochure

Warren H. Colson's March brochure deals with the Pleasant Shade, Va., 5c. blue postmaster's provisional, issued in 1861. It is illustrated on the monthly calendar with which he favors his friends, and coming after the Goliad, issued a month ago, makes a valuable addition to the series of these stamps with which Mr. Colson is dealing. He lists a number of rare stamps of this type, and calls especial attention to a Nashville, Tenn., 5c. violet brown, in vertical strip of three, with the bottom stamp tete-beche. This, he concludes, proves that this particular tete-beche actually is in the sheet, and is not the result of printing two settings on the same sheet of paper, reversed. Mr. Colson's offices are at 184 Boylston street, Boston.

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The Editor's Foreword

American Philatelic Congress

There have been held recently, or are to be held soon, in many parts of the world, meetings of representative Philatelic bodies, whose work, as we see it, is of broader scope than that of any mere Philatelic society, however large or important the latter may be. This is as it should be. The annual sessions of Philatelic societies are apt to be crowded with the business affairs—and politics—of the organizations, and what time is not given to these things is regarded—at least on this side of the water—as properly to be devoted to the entertainment or amusement of the members, or if entertainment and amusement are not provided, to be theirs for the seeking of such diversions as they may elect or desire. This also may be as it should be.

But if the day is to be hastened when Philately is to be recognized in America as the Science it is and as it deserves to be known, something more than these annual business and political frolics must be enforced on the public attention. Something more is needed, even, than a series of Philatelic papers and discussions in an annual convention, desirable as these things may be—seemingly unattainable as they are. What this something more is to be, what it should be, therefore, seems worthy of careful and immediate consideration.

In the view of the editor of *The Stamp Collector*, the time seems ripe for the inception of a plan by which an American Philatelic Congress, or an American Academy of Philately—the name is immaterial—should be constituted, to conduct those deeper researches by which our Science,

as all other sciences, must live and move and have its being, and which the various societies, by the very nature of their organization, are unable to conduct.

It should be a deliberative body, organized along broad lines, with a membership restricted, but not so restricted as to make its domination possible by a few; a membership composed of the great students, discoverers and writers of Philately; men who by their researches have lifted it from the level of a mere hobby to the plane of a great and growing Science, or men who by reason of their activities in other lines have contributed greatly to this end. With a body so constituted of such men, guiding the work of students, providing for the publication of the selected products of their wisdom, meeting at stated but not too frequent times, it would not be long before American Philately would achieve a deserved pre-eminence throughout the world.

The writer has not yet worked out, to his own satisfaction, a plan for the selection of those who should set in motion this proposed Congress. The manner of it, however, is unimportant, so long as none out the best be selected. After the skeleton organization is provided, the body could be made self-perpetuating, after the manner of the French Academy, with the result that to the end of time, or so long as Philatelic research exists, there would be a competent authority in the United States to pass on all matters of Philatelic history and to compile a Philatelic literature that should be unexcelled.

Mr. Barnum's Candidacy

The cordial reception and expressions of support which have been accorded the candidacy of Mr. Barnum of Cleveland for director of the American Philatelic Society, to succeed Mr. Adair as secretary, have been all that could be desired, and must be at once a source of gratification to himself, his friends and the true friends of the Society. But more than pre-election promises of support must be forthcoming if Mr. Barnum is to be elected. And his defeat will nullify much of the work that had been accomplished prior to the time, at the Atlantic City convention, when Mr. Severn, speaking for the Official Organ, declared that Mekeel's Weekly had learned its lesson. The election of Mr. Morris, as we see it, will mean the domination of the secretary's office by the management of the Weekly, in the interest of the Society only when it is in the interest of the Weekly, and those who are back of it. The evils that would grow out of this situation would be immeasurably greater than any that could possibly grow out of the continued domination of the paper over the Society's affairs as it was in the past, evils which even in the earlier days of their growth provoked the storm of protest and resentment that resulted, first, in the cutting down of the number of proxies that an individual member might hold, and second, in the forbidding of the solicitation of proxies by representatives of the Official Organ. Mr. Morris has been an earnest and faithful worker for the Society; personally, he is all that could be desired; but he is the hired employe of the one Philatelic interest that has given the Society more trouble than all other causes beside; closer than almost any other one man to the center and sources of the objectionable influence, and if elected, his office, in fact as in effect, would be run from the Kast Building, Boston. The one sure prevention of this possibility lies in the election of Mr. Barnum. It must be seen, therefore, that votes, as well as promises, are given to the Ohio candidate.

Ourselves and Our Friends

The March number of The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain contains the following:

"Nos. 3 and 4 of The Stamp Collector are duly to hand, and contain a good deal of interesting matter. Our latest American exchange is undoubtedly making the pace for many of its monthly rivals and bids fair to outstrip them, as it contains well-considered, readable articles, and less of

that bombastic journalism which in the States seems to be almost inseparable from the pages of the smaller journals."

We have been chary of saying anything concerning ourselves, feeling that if we did well, those whose opinion is worth having would say good things of us. The higher standards (in the main) of Philatelic literature in the Old World therefore make this commendation of so old and conservative an English journal one to be appreciated. It is doubly appreciated because the editor has looked past our mere accomplishments and has discerned that which we are trying, as best we may, to do; to be clean and unafraid; to keep rigidly from our columns all cause for criticism on the score of that bombastic journalism of which he speaks; to purvey succinctly such Philatelic information as we may be able; and to advance, in any honorable way, the highest aims of American Philately.

We might quote at length from The Stamp Journal, from Redfield's, from many other stamp papers, but we have no desire to appear egotistic or to obtrude the personalities of those who are trying to make The Stamp Collector better than the best; but to all those who have said kind words for us, many thanks, and again, many thanks. We shall try to continue to deserve them.

Mr. Toppan Under Fire

Editor Nast, of The Stamp Journal, in the March number of that paper, has done what his friends have wished he would do for so, these many months. The delay, of course, is understandable, because Mr. Nast was sick during and after the convention, and the illness and death of his son, since then, naturally put out of his mind for a time the asperities aroused by the Toppan philippic, and held in abeyance the sense of injustice under which he has labored. The reply is worthy of passing notice, because in effect it is an arraignment of those who have so long dominated the affairs of the A. P. S. to its detriment. It is, of course, well that Mr. Toppan's remarks were expunged from the official convention record, but it is equally well that Mr. Nast should let the Philatelic world that was not at the Atlantic City meeting know to what depths those struggling to maintain their own strangle hold on the Society were willing to descend in order to achieve their purpose. He has done it in a way in which no one else could, and, in the words of the barker, "this one act is well worth the price of admission."

Marginalia

IT'S GETTING SO we're afraid to write anything about "the latest" addition to the Philatelic press of the country, for fear before we can get it in the paper there'll be two or three more.

CINCINNATI IS AFTER a commemorative issue for the coming celebration of the opening of the Northwest Territory and Ohio is contemplating an issue of revenue stamps for stock transfers. The C. C. C. got out some reprints of a Confederate issue, which with these others will make a pretty fair start for a specialist in Buckeyes.

THE GARFIELD-PERRY banquet, if we may judge correctly from what we've heard, must have been pre-eminently an uncorker. But whether any one luffed into the wind after splicing the main brace hasn't been narrated in these waters.

SINCE MR. POWER has informed us, through the columns of G. S. W., that notwithstanding the fact he bought 22,000 of the shield type, 1902 2 cents, there is a great shortage of the stamp in the country, we have planted a block of five, the spring gardening time being at hand, in the hope it will grow into one of those blocks of 25 he is so anxious to buy.

HAS ANY ONE heard the silence from St. Louis? For at least a month there has been neither fulmination nor detonation from the camps of the contending forces.

IF ANY ONE had told us what we was up against when we started this paper in the hope of payin' dividends out of bein' official organ, we wouldn't have went an' done it. Doggone the post-office department, anyway! We'll bet Taft knew we voted the Prohibition ticket.—Arizona Philatel'st.

BROTHER CHICAGO BOWKER, in his "Specialization," seems to have it all cut and dried that the 1911 convention of the A. P. S. is to be held in the Windy City. There's such a thing as counting one's chickens before the eggs are hatched, but if Brother Bowker, like the little boy in the soap advertisement, is going to cry for it 'til he gets it, he probably can have the help that Columbus is able to offer.

ALL IRISH BULLS were calves in Greece, according to a great anthologist, which may indicate an analogy between the caution "Beware the Greeks bearing

gifts" and F'nerty's remark that "Bridget's cat will bate us to it" if we accept a Morris chair.

CONSIDERABLE UMBRAGE IS manifest in an article in the March number of The Philatelic Star over the airy perillage in this column as relating to Clarence V. Webb, whom we remember, through the dim vista of 19 long months, as rather a pleasant boy in knee pants whom his mamma brought to the Columbus convention. The purpose of these Marginalia is not to wound sensibilities, but to provoke risibilities, but as in this case the former seems to have eventuated, we henceforth abjure and dismiss forever from the columns of The Stamp Collector both The Philatelic Star and Master Webb.

QUARTERLY NO. TWO, proofs of which we have seen, advises us that the 5c. 1847 can be plated. If some one will just devise a method of plating \$5 bills of any old issue so that they will stay with us until needed, a long-felt and pressing want will be filled, and the author of the system can be assured of a comprehensive review notice in The Stamp Collector.

Voorhees-Clark Sale

Good news and bad news seldom come together, but a letter from Mr. Hugh M. Clark, 536 Postal Telegraph Bldg., Chicago, contains both. It first advises us that Mr. B. L. Voorhees, one of Chicago's live auction dealers, has disposed of his stamp auction business, including stock and good will, to Mr. Clark. This we are sorry to hear, as Mr. Voorhees has always conducted his business in a very liberal manner as regards his treatment of both buyer and seller, and has been a credit to the auction trade. We feel sure, however, that no better man than Mr. Clark could have secured the Voorhees business, and it stands without question that the "Clark Auction Sales," which have always been conducted in a first-class manner and which have contained many desirable stamps, will be given a boost which should place them among the leading sales of the country.

Mr. Voorhees' customers can deal with Mr. Clark with the full knowledge that their treatment by him will be as liberal as heretofore, and may feel assured that the prompt, reliable and efficient service which has made the "Clark Auctions" so successful will be continued.

Concerning The General Collection

By S. B. WHITEHEAD

Among the first things that the stamp collector begins to appreciate about his hobby is the utter impossibility of ever obtaining a complete collection of the stamps of the world. As his collection grows, this fact is impressed more and more forcibly upon his mind. Most people like to do things with a definite object in view. The fact that there seems to be no end to the general collection serves as a great discouragement to many. The general collector is, as it were, surrounded by an unending vista of stamps, old issues behind him, new issues in front of him, and the great host of contemporary issues on all sides. The outlook upon this view, however, is one of wonderful variety and interest—exceedingly attractive to every true Philatelist.

The collector's album might be likened to a map of his own individual Land of Philately. Each stamp placed therein blocks out some portion of this land, which he has personally explored. But as he extends his explorations it becomes apparent to him that, unless he be a very rich man, indeed, the exploitation of this country in its entirety is not for him.

Naturally, then, the collector begins to curtail his field of operations. He decides that he can not in justice to himself, his pocketbook, or his hobby, bestow his attention upon all issues and all countries impartially. Following such a course would simply result in a wild scramble for stamps—any kind and all kinds, so long as they were new varieties. There is absolutely no benefit to be derived (except by dealers) from collecting stamps in this manner. Such collecting is nothing but child's play and should be left to the children and the tyos. Collectors should endeavor to impart to their hobby the dignity of a careful thought and research. It is rather disappointing for a man to suddenly become aware of the fact that although he has a collection of ten or twelve thousand varieties, they merely form a great hodge-podge, without rhyme or reason, and with the prospects of ever securing a complete collection even more hopeless than when he started. Therefore, as I say, although practically every one starts as a general collector, soon or late, discouraged over the apparent impossibility of ever acquiring a presentable collection of this sort, he begins to devote himself to one country, con-

tinued or group of countries, to the exclusion of all else.

Many collectors are left, however, who are not content to devote themselves to any one country or specialty. They are charmed by the infinite variety of their pastime. All countries appeal to them, more or less, and they are loath to withdraw from any part of their land of Philately. Specialized countries with their rows of stamps differing only in the very slight variations of perforation, shade of the same color, different sizes of identically the same surcharges and watermarks, and the thousand and one other things in which the specialist revels, and which are generally the abomination of both the humble "generalists" and their mutual friends, the dealers—I say these specialized countries are not to be thought of by those who love real variety.

How, then, is the general collector to secure a representative collection of the stamps of the world without incurring an outlay of thousands of dollars? The haphazard acquisition of stamps of every type and description, with no idea beyond that of getting as many varieties as cheaply as possible soon gets the pages of an album looking like the coat of the proverbial spotted dog. Of course everyone has his favorite country or countries. This is all right and as it should be, but should not be over-indulged in by the generalist, as it is a practice of great detriment to the rest of his collection. Rather should he map out the countries of his stamp world into interesting and appropriate groups. These groups should be formed entirely at the discretion of the collector. This gives great opportunity for the development of individuality. The groups should have something in common, either in name, politics, geography or anything which in the collector's mind links them together. I have seen a most interesting collection dedicated to the "Saints," and including all countries whose names commence with "St." Such a collection gives most interesting contrasts, as it contains several British colonies, two French colonies, a Portuguese colony and a South American or rather West Indian republic in San Domingo. These groups are not to be collected in their entirety or we would be specializing again. The idea which the col-

lector must bear in mind when forming his groups is that his ultimate object is to secure a representative collection of the stamps of the world. Therefore the best and most satisfactory way of accomplishing this is to form these groups and then make a skeleton collection of each one. This will be no light undertaking, but at least one always has a definite, fixed plan of procedure to follow, with the prize of ultimate accomplishment as an incentive.

Now let me explain what is meant by a skeleton collection. In forming a collection of this sort, only stamps which show a radical change in design, etc., are to be included so that when a country is completed in this manner, one has an absolutely representative collection of the country while perhaps only one-fifth the stamps issued are shown. Take, for example, Spain and Portugal and their colonies with their long strings of different values in each issue. There is absolutely nothing to be gained by collecting all the values of these stamps. Place, say, three values of each design (you could make it one or five) in your album and you show as much as if you had them all.

This idea applies to long sets of any country and, of course, may be acted upon entirely at the discretion of the collector himself. In regard to watermarks, perforations, etc., I have made the following general rules for myself which I find particularly useful in the case of British colonials. Perforations: Recognize ONLY between perf. and imperf. Watermarks: Recognize unwatermarked from watermarked, and ONLY distinct and absolute changes in watermark, i. e. Star to CA or CC to CA, but NOT large and small star or single and multiple CA. Paper: Shades of paper are not recognized unless authorized by the government. Color: Only the absolute colors are recognized. If a generalist were to collect intermediate shades he would never be through.

I am not going into more details concerning rules to be followed as the chief pleasure in making a collection in this manner lies in the thought and care which must be exercised by the collector in forming his own rules and regulations.

In closing I would strongly advise the collector to buy blank albums in which to place his stamps. Each album should contain one or more of his groups or subdivisions, with spaces faintly marked in pencil for every stamp which he thinks needful in order to secure the proper representation of the countries therein. It will readily be seen that in this way one's individuality, good taste and personal selection

will have full sway. I would also advise the collector to place in the front of each album a want list of stamps needed, with the prices and catalogue numbers. In this way he can readily see just how every department of his collection prospers and just what his needs are. Simply as a guide I will give some of the subdivisions of my collection as follows: United States and colonies, Austria-Hungary and colonies and Balkan states, France and colonies, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and colonies; Germany and colonies; Old European States; British West Indies; British North and South American, etc., etc.

By following this method of skeleton collecting, into the details of which I purposely refrain from going further, one may soon be able to exhibit parts at least of his collection with the feeling that he is not showing a great conglomeration of little paper labels gotten together in a haphazard manner, but an artistic and adequate exhibition of the postal issues of the countries shown, in which any spectator may perceive shining forth the special light of the collector's own individual genius.

Do not for a moment think that I am an advocate of the "simplified" school. Far be it from me to dream of such a thing! Specialism is the life of Philately, but a fine general collection is the thing most to be desired. In a building the foundation and framework are always completed before anything else. The human body is built upon and supported by the skeleton. The whole idea of the term "skeleton collection" being the framework upon which to hang that beautiful and rare finished product—the complete collection.

Ohio Revenue Stamps Next

A bill has been introduced in the Ohio General Assembly to provide for a tax of 2 cents a share of \$100 par value of stock sold in the state. This bill is drawn along the lines of the transfer tax law in New York, and will be enforced in the manner of that state. Stamps will be provided by the secretary of state, and purchased from him by brokers. A large revenue is expected to result. Practically all the tax would be paid by buyers and sellers of stocks in Ohio corporations, as in the New York business done in this state the actual transfer of the securities is made in New York city, and the New York tax is paid. The secretary of state's office will take no steps to evolve a design for the proposed stamps until the bill becomes a law.

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.

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Everybody's Philatelist

Dr. John Milton Holt of Astoria, Ore., has made a decidedly good impression with his initial numbers of "Everybody's Philatelist," now three months old. Dr. Holt is departing somewhat from the beaten track of Philatelic monthlies, as is strongly in evidence in his "A South American Tragedy," contained in the February number, in which is narrated the martyrdom of a physician and brother officer of the writer in the Public Health Service, by his devotion to duty, which resulted in his death by yellow fever in Ecuador. The story touches only casually on Philately, but cannot fail to interest all stamp collectors interested in romance and tragedy as they develop in the pursuit to which we are devoted. Strong ground is taken against the unsolicited approval sheet nuisance, in an article by M. I. Fossett, who points out that the practice is conducive to the making of stamp collecting frauds. Dr. Holt promises a paper soon on the therapeutic value of stamp collecting. It has seemed to the writer that much might be written in favor of stamp collecting from this viewpoint, and that a physician of Dr. Holt's standing joined with his Philatelic attainments, is at work on something of this kind cannot fail to give us an article that is something worth while. The Stamp Collector awaits it with interest, and will be glad to reproduce it as early as possible. The March number of the paper, recently to hand, deals extensively with a measure pending before Congress to prohibit the printing of the return card on the U. S. stamped envelopes by the department, when ordered in quantity; advocates the formation of a Western Philatelic Society, and editorially invites the co-operation of collectors in the way of suggestions, notes and comments of and on anything of interest to stamp men generally or affecting the various societies. All told, Everybody's is one of the most readable of the Philatelic journals that comes to the editor's table.

Redfield's Stamp Weekly

Redfield's March numbers have been filled with good things in a Philatelic way, as well as some things that are not purely Philatelic but nevertheless are worthy of the stamp man's consideration. Notable among articles of this class is an editorial

in a recent issue, which is made the introduction to an exceedingly able article by Frederick Palmer on "Central America and Her Problems." Editor Quackenbush argues in favor of a more careful and general study of these neglected Central American states and their stamp issues, much as these latter have been abused by the countries themselves—or some of them. His argument finds strong support in one of the English journals which, in spite of the fact that Nicaragua has been one of the most persistent offenders in this respect, is devoting a long and exhaustive series to its stamps. Guatemala and Costa Rica are practically clean, as respects unnecessary issues, and it probably is a fact that most of their surcharges have been made because the poverty of the countries did not permit the printing of necessary values in regular issues. There is a rich field for Philatelic research in both these countries, and The Stamp Collector, possibly in some measure because of its editor's personal interest in Guatemala, heartily welcomes the powerful influence which Mr. Quackenbush and Redfield's exert, in forwarding the day when the stamps of this and other Central American countries shall come into their own.

The Stamp Journal

An illuminating article on Canal Zone Stamps, by William Evans, is being featured in The Stamp Journal, the first installment having appeared in the March number. Specialists in these stamps will find its painstaking detail of great value in classifying the intricate early issues especially. Dr. Carroll Chase sets forth extensively the probable method by which "Shifted Transfers" and "Double Impressions" are made in printing line engraved stamps. Editor Nast has an interesting column of revenue notes, as well as an equally interesting editorial in which he replies at length to the Toppan philippic at the Atlantic City convention. As he always does when occasion arises, he hits from the shoulder. He evidently is a thorough believer in the adage that there is no use of taking a tack-hammer when confronted with a sledge-hammer job. Forty-eight pages and cover, well printed and crowded with good reading and well-displayed advertising bespeak the abounding

prosperity which is The Stamp Journal's and emphasize the faith of the collecting as well as the dealing world in the fairness and good faith of both editor and publisher.

Philatelic Journal of America

The March 1 number of the P. J. of A. is more like what we were led to expect from the first number, which set a standard not yet attained in any succeeding issue. It contains much interesting matter, some of which, however, is old. For instance, practically all the stamp journals reviewed the Avery brochure, by Mr. Peckitt, two months ago. Collectors of U. S. envelopes will be interested in sketches of dies of current values furnished by the J. M. Bartels Company. The plates of various kinds, illustrating articles and departments, are of surpassing excellence. It is to be doubted if there is a new issue chronicle in the world so perfectly illustrated, but the chronicle itself is hardly so complete as is to be expected from a journal having the facilities of the P. J. of A. The announcement that arrangements have been made to republish, in sections, Walter Clarke Bellows' "Campeche" is interesting, but it is doubtful if collectors generally will be attracted by the reproduction of a work of such minute specialization in a stamp so little known and so absolutely beyond the ken even of collectors of considerable means. S. Sanders contributes a very interesting and well illustrated article on "The Money of the Ancients," which probably will attract more attention than "Campeche." No. 7 of this journal, the issue of March 15, contains only 16 pages. It goes at length into the status of the U. S. stamps on rag (bluish) paper; gives an excerpt from Melville's book on U. S. stamps, 1847-69; reprints an address by Count Durrien before the Paris Historical Society, and deals otherwise with a number of non-philatelic topics.

From The Foreign Exchanges

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly

Current numbers of Gibbons' contain much that is of interest to the general collector, as well as to the specialist. Joseph P. Leavy continues his exhaustive papers on the stamps of Nicaragua, and Bertram W. H. Poole, in his series on the stamps of the world, presents two papers on the stamps of Hayti, covering the series from 1891 to 1902. Many interesting points of travel, as well as concerning Philately, are contained in the installments of Charles J. Phillips' notes on his trip through South America. Followers of the

simplified school of collecting should be interested in J. Ireland's dissertation on the stamps of Victoria. L. Hanciau, in his series on the postal issues of Denmark, continues his notes on the postal cards of that country. Specialists in Great Britain will welcome the March 12 installment of C. F. Dendy Marshall's paper on British postmarks. This installment is devoted entirely to some of those in Great Britain. Many valuable foreign notes are contained in the various numbers, and Eustace B. Power contributes to the issue of March 19 some interesting American comment, through which runs a pleasant strain of humor. He devotes considerable attention to the "rag paper" stamps, and points out a growing scarcity of the shield issue of 1902, 2 cents. The Grenada section of "Deslichado's" series on tete-beches covering the series from 1883 to 1891 is reproduced elsewhere in this number.

The West End Philatelist

The March number of Field's journal, edited by Bertram W. H. Poole, is the first of Volume VII, and is made noteworthy by the beginning of a series of papers by its brilliant editor on The Postage Stamps of Sierra Leone. Four full pages are given to a resume of the history of the colony, an interesting introduction to the chapters relating to its postal affairs. Under the latter head the writer points out that nothing is known concerning the postal facilities of the colony prior to 1860, when its first stamp was issued. This chapter, the second, summarizes briefly all the issues from this first 6d to the present, as an introduction to future installments dealing with the separate stamps in detail. The development of the parcels post, with something about the issues necessitated by it and a list of countries which have adopted the system is another interesting article, and a series is begun on "Historical Errors," the present installment dealing with the "Transvaal" error of 1877.

The Postage Stamp

Cornelius Wrinkle, in Melville's clever journal, gives much attention to the rules of the Second British Philatelic Congress, to be held in London this month. He makes a strong point against the system under which representation is held, by which a society with only 50 members will have two delegates and one with 199 can have only three. He points out, also, the necessity of a permanent council, to carry on the work of the organization between sessions. An attendance larger than that of the first Congress is assured, as already

36 societies have certified the names of 84 delegates. A considerable boost is given to the merits of Esperanto as an adjunct to Philately, and Miss Fitte, in the numbers to hand, continues her series on the world's stamp errors. There is a complete check list in the March 5 number of the British and colonial stamps printed on colored papers.

Philatelic Journal of Great Britain

The editor of this influential paper in his March leader, in effect advocates that the catalogues should drop the postage due stamps from their lists. The intimation of its attitude is given in the way of a suggestion that by this means the catalogues would be greatly simplified. He amplifies this point by saying without reserve that the cataloguers should eliminate all stamps which have never been issued, or about which there is any doubt on this point, also all stamps whose origin is in the least suspicious. In this latter respect, at least, he probably will have the hearty support of nine-tenths of the stamp collectors of all countries. In connection with the editorial is published an interesting article on the use of Greek adhesives as due stamps. The article is illustrated with a very attractive photo-reproduction of a cover, in which the original Belgian stamp, used for forwarding, and five Greek stamps appear in curious juxtaposition. Considerable space is given to the Second Philatelic Congress, to be held in London the 27th to the 29th of this month. There is an illuminating article on "shades of the Line-Engraved Six-Penny Stamps of Queensland," for the delectation of specialists in that country, and P. L. Pemberton contributes an interesting paper (read originally before The International Philatelic Union) on "Frauds on the British Post Office." The various departments and society notes are of their usual complete and attractive character.

Notes of The Exchanges

"Hawaii, the Manuscript 5c. on the 13c. 1853 Issue," an article by Henry J. Crocker, is a feature of the March Hobbyist. It is well worth reading and of course is of special interest to specialists in Hawaii. A sketch of the Canadian Philatelic Society in 1889 should be of interest to many of the "old boys."

The Empire Philatelist is the latest on the journalistic horizon of stampdom. It is published by I. S. Donner, 1643 Madison avenue, New York City. The initial number was issued in March.

The March number of The Vest Pocket Philatelist, Dr. H. A. Davis' bright little paper, comes almost too late to get under the review editor's wire, but it is well worth reading. The editor continues his article on the stamps of the United States, and devotes a relatively large amount of space to the Metropolitan Philatelic Association, to which the number is dedicated.

Alfred Smith's Monthly Circular (Eng.) contains an interesting letter from C. A. Howes of Boston on the meaning of certain Chinese characters on the 1878, 1894 and 1897 issues of that country. Bertram T. K. Smith, whose previous notes on the same subject had called forth the comment, replies briefly in the same number.

Shreveport, La., is bidding eagerly for Philatelic favor with two papers published in the interest of stamps and stamp men. The Southern Philatelist, by Leon Carter Grosjean, has reached No. 8. and The Dixie Philatelist, by Lloyd Comegys, was four months old in March.

A. C. Roessler's Stamp News, a year old this month, promises to celebrate its first anniversary with a "special," No. 13, in May.

The March number of Le Petit Journal Philatelic (Fr.) prints the complete program for the coming International Philatelic exposition at Berne, Switzerland. More than 6,500 francs already are available for the expenses of the exposition, in which a large number of medals will be awarded.

The Scott March Circular announces the discovery of the 1895 6c. postage on the paper intended for the documentary revenues, and showing a very distinct "R" watermark. It says: "The 8c. of this same series has been known for several years and is listed in our catalogue. This new 6c. is in a dull shade, and although doubtless not printed until 1898 can hardly be called one of the colors usually ascribed to that year.

We have just received the first number of The Philadelphia Stamp News, the new weekly by Percy McGraw Mann, issued under date of April 1. A. F. Henkels contributed a brief article on "Side Lines," devoted to some of the things remotely connected with Philately, which being of interest are worthy of collection, and there is a short article on the 2c. brown of 1882 and 2c. green of 1887. The rest of the paper, except a considerable volume of advertising, is devoted to outlining the editor's purposes and the scope of his journal.

The Siamese Sir-cuss

Speculation and peculation with issues "philatelique" have been quite the rage for some time, and thereby hangs many tales, some of which are well worth telling and some hardly worth while, so bare a swindle are they that even the veriest tyro can detect their unphilatelic flavor.

If it is true that "education follows the flag," the flag in this instance is the banner of philately and the "education" tramps right upon its heels. Maldives and Papuas have held the center of the stage right under the spot-light with quite a degree of prominence, but now there comes within our range of vision a new factor in the race for supremacy for enticing the shekels from the pocket of the unwary and unsuspecting, gullible philatelist—Behold SIAM.

With true oriental suavity and perspicacity SIAM has for some time been giving us a multiplicity of errors of emission and now follows closely with duplicity in the

on 3 atts, green; 6 satangs on 5 atts, rose; and 14 satangs on 14 atts, blue, Scotts No. 70. These three late claimants for philatelic favor were destined for interior postage, but strange to relate were never placed on sale in the Bangkok postoffice, as letters are never sent from the capital into the interior, seemingly; but were all sent far into the interior of Siam, and from information received very few passed over the counter in regular course of business. What then, you say, was their ultimate destination. Listen.

Realizing that it was necessary to pull off some different kind of a stunt, His Nobs evolved a very clever plan. These stamps were sent far off the beaten track, where there was absolutely no danger of philatelic bright eyes, enough sent through the mail to give them a philatelic flavor, then the entire issue remaining was very carefully and privately purchased (?) by His Nobs, together with officials of the



plans of commission. Alas, too true. The specialist in this country has for some time back been struggling with its various surcharges, changes of currency, changes of pace and changes of mind. Not content with atts and ticals, it has been necessary to search the lower regions and bring forth a few satan(g)s to the public gaze. It was a source of surprise in the past of the popularity of this country, but with so many tickles it should not be hard to explain.

Having basked in the popularity with much financial success, the Royal Hobnobber devised a scheme of having certain of the stamps surcharged and issued from certain postoffices only. This of course increased the philatelic revenue to such an extent that after running out of postoffices it soon became necessary to devise other means as his supply of postoffices was limited. Hence this crowning stroke of philatelic diplomacy.

In December of 1909 His Nobs caused to be surcharged the following: 3 satangs

Treasury and Postoffice Departments.

That it was just as easy to get several times face value as to get the original face value before, was soon demonstrated. The 3 atts on green is selling for \$10.00 a sheet, about 8 times their face, while the 14 atts on 14, blue, brings \$20.00 per sheet, more than 20 times face.

Possibly the atts were formerly used to show that Siam had arrived philatelically, but the satan(g)s have a far deeper meaning.

Already the local Siamese collectors are crying out their grievances at not being able to get in on the game, while some are working to get proofs to bring the gentlemen concerned to answer for their satangism, if possible. This is a consummation devoutly to be hoped, but in all probability the final bulletin will read: "The operation was a success—but the patient died."

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In The Auction Rooms

the 30 days following the 15th of the same month. **C** If copies of catalog before the sale and priced catalogs after the sale are sent to both the publisher and Mr. Field, your name will be placed on our exchange list. **C** In case catalogs are not ready by the first, written information should be sent Mr. Field. **C** When priced catalogs are furnished after the sale, the state of the market as reflected in the sale will be carefully analyzed and full credit given.

C All information for this department should be sent to W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St. Columbus, prior to the 1st of each month, for

Coming Sales

April 14-15—J. C. Morgenthau & Co., 87 Nassau street, New York City. Part III of Seybold collection, sale at Collectors' Club, 14 East 23rd street; 895 lots. Evening sessions.

April 15-16—Philadelphia Stamp Co., 1204 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.; 1,110 lots. Sale at the Freeman Art Rooms. First day evening session; second day afternoon session.

April 16—C. E. Hussman Stamp Co., St. Louis, Mo.; 606 lots. Evening session.

April 19—International Stamp Co., 18 West Long street; 507 lots. Sale at the rooms of Columbus Collectors' Club. Evening session.

Nassau Stamp Co., 231 Broadway, New York City; the Thomas F. Doyle collection. Date of sale later.

Auction Prices

The Seybold Sale—Part I

It is exceedingly hard to select a list of interesting items from the Seybold sale, as almost every piece has some feature which would be interesting to the average collector. The list as printed hardly does the sale justice, as many of the smaller and less noted lots brought even higher prices in proportion to catalogue values than the lots selected in the list below. Space forbids a more extended mention and we predict good prices for the coming sales of Parts II and III at later dates.

The Seybold collection, Part I, brought \$16,206.75 in total, a remarkable figure for a two night sale.

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., March 15, 1910.
U. S., Brattleboro, 1846, 5c. buff on cover\$700 00
U. S., New York, 1846, 5c. black horizontal strip of 4 on cover..... 157 00
U. S., St. Louis, 1845, 5c. on greenish paper, vertical pair on letter, one stamp slightly defective.... 197 00
U. S., St. Louis, 1845, 10c. on greenish paper on cover 131 00

U. S., 1847, 5c. red brown, block of 6 and pair on cover, red canc.... 25 50
U. S., 1847, 10c., strip of 4 on cover. 46 00
U. S., 1847, 10c., strip on 6 on cover. 110 00
U. S., 1847, 10c., lower diagonal half, used as 5c. on entire 39 00
U. S., 1851, 10c., blue green, block of 12 on cover 21 00
U. S., 1869, 2c., brown, vertical half used as 1c., with 2c., 1870, to make 3c. rate on cover 52 00
U. S., 1901, 1c. Pan American, with inverted center used on cover.... 29 50
U. S., Franklin carrier 1c., blue on rose on entire cover 61 00
U. S., Eagle carrier, 1c., blue, horizontal strip of 4 on cover, two stamps creased 22 00
U. S., New York carrier, Scott's No. 819, 3c., green glazed, 4 copies on cover 51 00
U. S., Baltimore carrier, 1c., green on cover 50 00
U. S., 1869, 24c., green and violet, block of 4 used; cat. \$20.00..... 32 00
U. S., 1869, 90c., black and carmine, block of 4, used; cat. \$60.00.... 63 00
U. S., 1901, 2c., Pan American, with inverted center*, O. G.; cat. \$185.00 167 00
U. S. Revenue, 1862, \$200, green and red, horizontal pair, lightly cancelled; cat. \$70.00 71 00
U. S. Revenue, 6c., proprietary; cat. \$50.00 40 50
U. S. Revenue, 1871, \$5, green and black on violet paper; cat. \$250.00 181 00
Confederates, Athens, 5c., purple, horizontal pair, both types on cover; cat. \$80.00 61 00
Baton Rouge, 5c., green and carmine, on cover; cat. \$100.00.... 77 50
Lenoir, 5c., blue and orange, on cover; cat. \$100.00..... 83 00
Mobile, 2c., block, 5 copies on one cover, two slightly damaged.... 112 00
Nashville, 10c., green on cover; cat. \$150.00 110 00
New Orleans, 2c., red on cover; cat. \$15.00 29 00
Hawaii, 1853, 13c., red, and 5c., blue, with U. S., 12c., black, on cover.. 86 00
Hawaii, 1853, 5c. on 13c., red, on cover, with U. S., 12c., black.... 87 00

Canada, 1851, 12p., black on cover.	515 00	Great Britain, 1841 1d. red brown and lake red * cat. \$9.92.....	9 00
Canada, 1853, 6p., purple black, and 10p., blue, horizontal pairs of each, used, on one cover; this is one of the unique covers of the sale....	124 00	Great Britain, 1841 2d. blue ivory head * cat. \$6.25	6 50
Canada, 1857, 7½d., green vertical pair on cover, one slightly damaged	46 90	Great Britain, 1854 2d. blue perf. 14 Scotts No. 16 * no gum cat. \$75.00	46 00
Canada, 1857, 6p., violet, on soft paper, horizontal pair on cover....	50 00	Great Britain, 1867 5sh. deep rose plate I * O. G. cat. \$11.25.....	9 00
New Brunswick, 1852, half of 3d., red, with 6d. yellow in each upper corner, making a 15c. double rate to London, on cover.....	65 00	Great Britain, 1867 5sh. rose plate II, O. G. cat. \$15.00.....	11 50
New Brunswick, 1852, half of 6d. yellow, used as 3d., on cover....	27 50	Great Britain, 1867 1 pound brown lilac, minute thin spot * cat. \$150.00	88 00
New Brunswick, 1852, 1 sh., purple, 3 copies, pair and single, with half of 3d. red on one cover two stamps slightly nicked.....	171 50	Great Britain, 1867, 5sh. rose water-marked anchor blued paper * O. G. cat. \$75.00	62 00
New Brunswick, 1852, quarter of 1sh. purple, used as 3d., on cover....	242 00	Great Britain 5-pound orange * cat. \$40.00	30 50
New Foundland, 1857, 4d., scarlet vermilion, on cover	52 50	Great Britain, 1873, 2½d. mauve	
Nova Scotia, 1851, half of 6d. yellow green, and half of 3p. blue to make a 4½d. rate, on cover.....	38 50	Great Britain, 1884, 1-pound brown cover	10 25
Nova Scotia, 1851, 1sh. purple, two copies with 3d. blue and 6d. green on one cover	218 00	Great Britain, 1879 8d. purple brown * O. G. cat. \$20.00.....	14 75
Nova Scotia, 1851, 1sh. purple, three copies on piece of original cover	241 00	Great Britain, 1883 10sh. cobalt * O. G. rare shade	50 00
New Brunswick, 1861, 5c. Connell..	91 00	Great Britain, 188 1-pound brown purple * O. G. cat. \$40.00	35 00
New Foundland, 1857, 1sh., scarlet-vermillion, used, cat. \$100.....	192 00	Great Britain, 1888 1-pound brown lilac * small defect cat. \$90.00....	64 00
New Brunswick, 1951, 6d., yellow strip of three, cat. \$60.....	73 00	Great Britain, 1887 1-pound green partially reconstructed sheet of 50	65 00
Peru, 1858, ½p., rose, on cover, stamp cancelled YCA	63 00	Great Britain, 1840 1d. black V. R. * cat. \$75.00	41 00
Uruguay, 1857, 180c., green, on cover	44 00	Great Britain, I. R. official 10sh. cobalt slight thin spot	50 50
Uruguay, 1857, 240 c., vermillion, on cover, fine	50 00	Great Britain, O. W. official 10d. purple and carmine mint; cat. \$45.00	25 00
Nassau Stamp Co., March 3rd, Sale		Great Britain, Admiralty official 2½-d. blue * O. G.....	72 00
Great Britain, 1840 1d. black * cat. \$6.25	\$6 25	Great Britain, 1906 Beirut issue 1-piastre on 2d. green cat. \$35.00.	25 00
Great Britain, 1840 1d. black, strip of three and eight pairs, cat. \$5.42	10 25	Gambia, 1874 1-sh. green * O. G. cat. \$13.75	11 00
Great Britain, 1840 1d. black, strip of 4 and strip of 8, cat. \$2.94....	14 00	Gambia, 1886 6d. four shades unused cat. \$8.35	7 25
Great Britain, 1840, partially reconstructed plate of 181 stamps.....	25 00	Perak, 1880 1c on 2c rose error Break in pair with normal variety * cat. \$15.25	10 00
Great Britain, 1840 1d. grey-black worn plate * strip of seven.....	52 00	New South Wales, 1850 1d. carmine horizontal pair cat. \$30.00	26 50
Great Britain, 1840 2d. blue * strip of three	63 00	Queensland, 1860 1d. carmine rose No. 1 Scotts cat. \$13.75	7 25
Great Britain, 1840 2d. blue * O. G. cat. \$40.00	31 00	South Australia, 1856 1d. yellow green imperf., Scott's No. 5; cat. \$12.50	7 00
Great Britain, 1841 1d. red brown, seven copies different shades * cat. \$8.98	10 50		
		International Stamp Co., March 15th, Sale	
		U. S., 1847, 5c., orange brown.....	\$ 3 50
		U. S., 1909, 2c., Lincoln, imperf., sheet of 400, face \$8.00.....	10 20

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The Publisher's Page

There are still a few dealers whom we would like to see represented in our columns. We are doing more than our share for Philately, and expect to continue. It's publications of this class which make stamp collectors stay with and study their hobby and this makes business for all real dealers. We don't ask you to use a page of space each month, nor a half page either, but we do feel that it is the duty of many of our leading dealers who are not represented in our columns to contribute each month the price of an inch or two of space. It's true that you may not get sufficient cash returns to cover your outlay, but for the good of Philately you can afford it. It is not only your money we want, but the prestige your announcement in our columns

will lend to a publication of this character. Our circulation has been around the 2,000 mark each issue, and some dealers at least have profited by using our columns. We would prefer that you use an inch or two of space each issue, rather than a page once or twice. Let's hear from you.

A few new advertisers are with us this month, chief among them being Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer, who is too well known to need any introduction from us. Mr. Wolsieffer has contracted for a two-inch space and his auction announcements will appear regularly in our columns.

A. C. Roessler says, under date of March 25th, 1910: "I want to thank you for fine set up on my ad. To its neat display I attribute the wonderful results."

Mr. Fred Slack of East St. Louis, Ill., who is doing quite a business with his 75 per cent discount approval sheets, used a quarter page in our March issue, and writing us on April 4th he says: "My trial ad was very satisfactory, enclosed is contract for one year."

Mr. R. E. Ramsay of Norfolk, Va., an enthusiastic stamp man, whose name used to be found over many interesting articles in the Philatelic press a few years back, has entered the field as a dealer, and his announcement will be found regularly in our columns.

Many other dealers have spoken very favorably regarding their advertising in The Stamp Collector.

If collectors will patronize the dealers who patronize the stamp magazines, better magazines will be produced.

Our wonderful offer of a complete set of 8 of the Second Series of Melville Books and The Stamp Collector six months for one dollar has brought many replies, and the offer is still open to any collector who wishes the books.

Number one of the series is now ready and our supply is due here now, and the first number will be sent to the purchasers within a few days.

Names of friends who would appreciate a sample of this magazine should be sent the publisher and sample will be gladly sent to all you can supply.

Record of New Issues

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Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Canada

The International Stamp Company has shown us a new shade of the current 7c.

Adhesive—

7c., olive-bistre.

Canal Zone

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the new 8c. Panama with the small Canal Zone overprint, reading up.

Adhesive—

8c., purple and black.

Chile

The following is taken from Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News: "The Postage Stamp gives the following particulars of two new series of postage stamps which are to be issued in Chile during the present year. The first, comprising fourteen values, is intended to replace the present permanent issue, whilst the second, of thirteen stamps, will commemorate the Centenary of Chilean Independence."

It is considered improbable that either will be ready for issue before the summer, when the Centenary falls. The following are the designs, colors and values of these impending issues:

General Issue. Centers in black for all above 5c.

- 1c., green (Columbus).
- 2c., red (Valdivia).
- 3c., brown (Toro Zambrano).
- 5c., blue (O'Higgins).
- 10c., gray (Friere).
- 12c., carmine (F. A. Pinto).
- 15c., purple (J. Prieto).
- 20c., light blue (Manuel Montt).
- 30c., senna (J. J. Perez).
- 50c., dark green (F. Errazuriz E.).
- \$1., emerald green (A. Pinto).
- \$2., vermilion (D. Santa Maria).
- \$5., bronze (J. M. Balmaceda).
- \$10., golden (F. Errazuriz E.).

Commemorative Issue. Centers in black.

- 1c., green (Oath of Independence).
- 2c., rose (Battle of Chacabuco).
- 5c., blue (Battle of Maipo).
- 10c., senna (Sea fight between the *Lantaro* and "Esmeralda").
- 12c., carmine (Capture of the "Maria Isabella").

- 20c., orange (Abdication of O'Higgins).
- 25c., light blue (First Congress).
- 30c., lilac (O'Higgins' Monument).
- 50c., bronze green (Carrera's Monument).
- \$1., yellow (San Martin's Monument).
- \$2., vermilion (General Balnes).
- \$5., green (General Zenteno).
- \$10., dark violet (Admiral Cochrane).

China

The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain reports the current 10c. in a new shade which is described as cobalt.

Crete

The New England Stamp Company has sent us three new varieties, which we are informed were issued on February 1st. The overprint, "Ellas," is type-set and the work was done in London. Type of illustrations,



Adhesives—

- 10l., dull carmine (Hermes) B.
- 20l., blue-green (Jupiter) R.
- 25l., ultramarine (Triton) R.

Dominican Republic

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News lists the 4c. postage due on paper watermarked crosses and circles.

Adhesive—Postage Due.

- 4c., brown olive.

Dutch Indies

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports three new values of the current type postage due stamps, all of Scott's Type I, perf. 12.

Adhesives—Postage Due.

- 40c., pale rose and black.
- 50c., pale rose and black.
- 75c., pale rose and black.

Ecuador

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News list the 25c. violet revenue stamp of "1907-1908,"

overprinted similar to Scott's No. 155, Type A44, black overprint reading up.

Adhesive—

"Cinco Centavos" on 25c. violet.

Fernando Po

On page 259 of the Standard Catalogue a note appears to the effect that "A 50c. on 20c. olive-brown, 1900, said to have been issued in 1900, appeared in 1908." The International Stamp Company has shown us a copy of this stamp on cover, properly cancelled and having every indication of regular postal use.

France—Military Stamps

The International Stamp Company has shown us a copy of the 15c., slate-green, Scott's No. 283, with no period after "M."

French Congo

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the rest of the set of which we listed four values last month. The 1c. to 20c. are of the first design, the 25c. to 75c. of the second, and the franc values of the third. To avoid confusion, we list the entire set.

Adhesives—

Head in first color.

- 1c., brown and vermilion.
- 2c., black and violet-brown.
- 4c., violet and dark blue.
- 5c., olive and green.
- 10c., vermilion and rose.
- 20c., brown and dull violet.



Frame in first color.

- 25c., blue and brown.
- 30c., drab and vermilion.



- 35c., purple and green.
- 40c., brown and ultramarine.

- 45c., carmine and purple.
- 50c., blue-green and black.
- 75c., orange and brown.

Center in first color.

- 1f., brown and bistre-brown.
- 2f., brown and carmine.
- 5f., purple-brown and blue.

French Post Offices in China

In Gibbons' Stamp Weekly for March 12 we notice a number of varieties listed which have not been included in the catalogues previous to this time. In addition to those mentioned by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, we have been shown a large number of unlisted varieties by The International Stamp Company of this city. As these are of interest to a very limited number of our readers, we list only a few of the more interesting varieties. French China: Scott's No. 818, 1c. black on azure, inverted overprint; Scott's No. 847, 2c. claret on yellow, overprint inverted; Scott's No. 849, 10c. rose-red with "Chine" inverted, also with Chinese characters omitted; Scott's No. 854, 1 franc, olive green, "Chine" omitted; 1901, Postage Due, No. 867, 15c. green, overprint omitted. Pachtai: No. 1166, 50c. brown on azure, overprint double and inverted. Yunnan: Scott's No. 1352, 2c. brown on buff, "Yunnan" double.

French Post Offices in Morocco

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly list the 1896 postage due, 30 centimos on 30c. rose, with surcharge omitted, this variety having been shown in pairs with normal.

Great Britain—Offices in the Levant

The New England Stamp Company has shown us three new varieties of surcharge for the fractional values of the current set.

Adhesives—

- 1¼ pi., on 3d., purple on yellow.
- 1¾ pi., on 4d., orange.
- 2½ pi., on 6d., dull purple.

Guatemala

The publisher's correspondent in Guatemala reports a new commemorative which he describes as follows: "The stamp is of large size, about 21x26 mm., an upright, oblong, printed in two colors on white paper and perforated 14. The portrait is small and arranged in a small, oval below the center line of the stamp, but the inscriptions are so numerous as to crowd the stamp. The value is printed in small circles in each of the lower corners, small figures surrounded by "Centavos" in slightly larger circles. The inscriptions read: "Centenario de Miguel Garcia Grandos, 22 de

Septiembre," above the portrait and "Republic de Guatemala, America Central," below. All the lines are curved except "America Central," and all inscriptions are in colorless letters. The dates "1809" and "1909" appear in small tablets at either side of the portrait."

The stamp was issued in limited numbers for the interior of the republic.

Adhesive—

6c., yellow brown and dark blue.

Hayti

The 1c. on 20c., 1906, Scott's No. 108, exists imperforate, a pair having been shown us by The International Stamp Company.

Jamaica

Current type in new color, reported by Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News:

Adhesive—

3d., violet on yellow.

Kiautschou

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the appearance of the current 4c. with lozenge watermark.

Adhesive—

4c., carmine.

New Hebrides

The New England Stamp Company sends us the following stamps of New Caledonia (French), overprinted for use in New Hebrides as Scott's Nos. 1 to 5, but with the word "Condominium" added, overprint in black (B) or red (R).

Adhesives—

5c., green B.

10c., carmine B.

25c., blue on greenish R.

50c., carmine on orange B.

1f., blue on yellow-green R.

Northern Nigeria

The International Stamp Company has shown us the 1d. in single color, multiple ordinary, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

1d., carmine.

Paraguay

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the 1904, 1 peso official stamp, overprint "Habilitado" and bar in black for use as ordinary postage stamp.

Adhesive—

1p., black and rose-pink.

The 20c. green, dated "1904" and overprinted "1909" in black, is reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

20c., green.

Persia

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 2 ch. of the 1907 issue with the Teheran overprint in black. They state this probably appeared just before the new set.

Adhesive—

2ch., bluish gray on blue.

From the same source we learn of the issue of two additional values of the new set recently chronicled.

Adhesives—

1r., violet and silver.

30kr., carmine and gold.

Queensland

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 5d. on Crown A paper and the $\frac{1}{2}$ d. in a new shade.

Adhesives—Wmkd. Crown and single-line A.

$\frac{1}{2}$ d., deep blue-green.

5d., dull brown.

Russia

According to Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, the 35k. has been issued on white unwatermarked paper, with varnish lines like the current low values.

Russia—Post Offices in China

From Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News we learn the 50k. violet and green has been overprinted "Ketai" in blue for use in China.

Salvador

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News reports another value of the set of which we chronicled the 1c. last month, the same design being used.

Adhesive—

5c., purple and black.

Siam

Mr. H. S. Adair has shown us the first two of the following provisionals, which he informs were for domestic postage only. The third is listed in authority of Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.



Adhesives—

3 sat. on 3a., green (Scott's No. 76).

14 sat. on 14a., ultramarine (Scott's No. 70).

12 sat. on 12a., pale blue and blue (Scott's No. 80).

Servia

The International Stamp Company has shown us a copy of the 20c., 1881, Scott's type A4, printed in black instead of orange.

Siam

St. Kitts—Nevis

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 6d. on chalky paper.

Adhesive—

1d., gray-black and bright purple.

Sierra Leone

We are indebted to The New England Stamp Company for a sight of the 1½d. and 6d. stamps listed below and to The International Stamp Company for the 1d., all wmkd. multiple Crown C A, perf. 14.

Adhesives—

1d., carmine, ordinary.

1½d., orange, ordinary.

6d., dull and bright purple, chalky.

South Australia

Ewen's Weekly Stamp News reports the 4d. large postage type, wmkd. Crown over A, perf. 12x11½ by comb machine.

Adhesive—

4d., orange-red.

Straits Settlements

New colors, multiple chalky paper, perf. 14, received from The New England Stamp Company.

Adhesives—

\$2, green and red on yellow.

\$5, green and red on green.

Togo

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the issue, probably in last September, of the 5 pf. on paper watermarked lozenges, perf. 14. 14½.

Adhesive—

5 pf., green.

Transvaal

We learn from Gibbons' Stamp Weekly that the £1 has appeared on chalky paper.

Adhesive—

£1, green and violet.

Turkey

Following the example of Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, we relist the varieties of the new set of which we have received information to date.

Adhesives—

5 par., brown-ochre.

10 par., green.

20 par., rose-carmine.

1 pias., ultramarine.

2 pias., black.

2½ pias., black-brown.

5 pias., slate purple.

10 pias., dull red.

25 pias., deep myrtle-green.

50 pias., brown.

Overprinted for use on foreign correspondence, in carmine (C) or blue (B).

10 par., green (C).

20 par., rose-carmine (B).

1 pias., ultramarine (C).

Overprinted for use on printed matter in carmine (C) or blue (B).

5 par., brown-ochre (B).

10 par., green (C).

20 par., rose-carmine (B).

1 pias., ultramarine (C).

2 pias., black (C).

Postage Due Stamp.

1 pias., brownish-black on carmine.

United States

The current 10c. stamp has appeared in a very distinct shade of orange yellow. Watch out for it, as it will likely be a good thing to have.

Uruguay

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports an error of the provisional 8c. on 10c., the first stamp in the fifth row reading "Contesimos."

Zanzibar

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News reports the issue February 16th or earlier of the current issue with rosettes in the watermarked verticle instead of horizontal, and states that all of the current stamps now have the verticle watermark with the exception of the 12c. purple.

Gotham News

Mr. Frank J. Wilford, President of the New York Stamp Society, died recently as the result of an operation for kidney trouble. Mr. Wilford was a bachelor and very popular among his fellow members. He was of Irish descent and was a civil engineer by profession. It is said that Mr. Percy G. Doane will sell his collection at auction.

The Nassau Stamp Company will sell at auction the collection of Mr. Thomas F. Doyle of Jersey City, another Irish-American who had a very good collection.

High prices prevailed at the Seybold sale and many collectors who are not usual auction attendants were present. Old Brown, who has not been in the auction rooms for years, turned up and was very spirited.

Philatelic Literature

interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone

The necessary amount of space which had to be used each month for promoting the formation of the A. P. L. S. has been about all that is allotted for the Philatelic Literature Department of The Stamp Collector. However, since the Society is now organized and its success assured, only sufficient space for regular monthly reports and names of new members will be necessary, and hereafter matter of general interest to literature collectors will be printed under this heading. The assistance of all collectors is desired and special articles, notes or news will be welcome.

American Philatelic Literature Society

President Chas. A. Nast, Box 14, Denver, Colo.
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Secy.-Treas. Geo. W. Linn, Clinton Bldg., Columbus, O.
Council Geo. W. Linn; H. S. Adair; Geo. K. Smith, Jr.

Fellow Members:

It gives me great pleasure to address you this month as Secretary of the A. P. L. S. I have felt for some time that a Society for Literature Collectors could be successfully organized and much good done thereby for Literature collecting in America, and the result of the proposition made through The Stamp Collector has justified my belief.

The call for election and nomination of officers did not bring as many nominations and votes as was hoped for, but the names were sufficient for the purpose of affecting the permanent organization and the result of the election is as follows:

For President—C. A. Nast 5; Fred Doughty 3.

For Vice President—Fred Doughty 5; F. S. Cook 2.

For Secretary-Treasurer—Geo. W. Linn 6; J. N. S. Brewster 2.

For Council—Linn, Adair and Smith 8.

The difference in the number of votes cast for Vice President, as shown above, is caused by the withdrawal of the name of Mr. Dickinson at his request.

Mr. Nast is an enthusiastic collector and thorough student, and has promised to give his views on matters of interest to collec-

tors in an early number of The Stamp Collector.

Mr. Doughty is one of the "old guard" of Literature Collectors, as he was very active in the middle nineties and was a very interesting correspondent. It's a safe guess that his library contains a goodly number of the earlier papers which are seldom seen in these days.

Your Secretary has been interested for about 12 years, and although his library is not large it affords him as much pleasure as his stamps and is of considerable more value than its original cost.

Owing to a misunderstanding, the name of Wm. J. Gardner of San Francisco was included in the list of members last month. Mr. Gardner has written me requesting that his name be withdrawn, giving as his reasons the following:

"There is a very good society, doing very good work, with headquarters in London, and I am of the opinion that more good for the cause and better results will be secured by all GOOD Literaturists supporting that society already established, than by distracting more or less collectors into forming more or less societies, which will necessarily have weak membership each. I am satisfied for the time being to be a member of the London body alone."

There is undoubtedly some sound reasoning in Mr. Gardner's statement, and I am sorry he feels in that manner about it, for it is men of his caliber that could help to make an American society more successful. However, it is our duty to show some of the doubtful that much good can be done in this country and by showing them we can get their support.

The list of members as printed last month is therefore wrong as far as numbering is concerned. Mr. Gardner's number has been given to Mr. W. H. Barnum of Cleveland, whose application was given to me verbally and was forgotten in making up the list. Number 16 has been dropped, and the numbers after 16 have been each moved back on place, leaving last month's total at twenty instead of twenty-one.

New applications received since last month are as follows:

21. W. R. Keller, Hartsville, Pa.
22. Joseph D. Town, 2118 Vine St., Philadelphia, Pa.
23. A. W. Dunning, Newton, Mass.
24. F. Percy Collingwood, Attleboro, Mass.

25. Percy McG. Mann, 1708 N. 18th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
 26. James B. B. Smith, 771 Hancock, St., Wollaston, Mass.
 27. H. A. Davis, 1267 Gaylord St., Denver, Colo.

A total of 27 charter members to start with is indeed good proof of the popularity of literature collecting in America. Mr. Dunning sent his application all the way from Italy, where he has been for the past few months.

Application blanks are now ready and any member or prospective member can have same by addressing the Secretary. A constitution and by-laws or statutes are being prepared by the Council and will be ready soon. This will be issued in pamphlet form and will also contain a list of members. A meeting of the Council will be held soon and plans for publication work will be discussed. Ideas for desirable publications for literature collectors will be welcomed from members and others.

The annual dues are now payable for the fiscal year beginning April, 1910, and ending April, 1911. Annual dues \$1.00 and subscription to the official organ, the Stamp Collector, is charged extra at 50c. per year, and may be sent direct to the publisher or to the secretary of this Society. Members already receiving this paper are not expected to subscribe again.

GEORGE W. LINN, Secy.

Auction Prices

(Continued from Page 103)

Spain, 1870, 50c., Imp., vertically....	2 10
U. S., Confd., Raleigh, 5c. on white..	8 10
Spain, 1852, 6 reales, Imp., pair.....	4 00

Columbus Collectors Club Sale

Announcement is made in the advertising columns of a sale to be held on May 3, by the Columbus Collectors' Club. The sale consists of about 150 lots of stamps and Philatelic Literature, and although not a large sale, several desirable items are listed, mention of some of them is made in the advertisement referred to above.

The lots are all donated to the Club by members and friends and the proceeds of the sale are for the purpose of binding books and magazines for the Club library, out of the best in this country.

Mr. George W. Linn, publisher of the Stamp Collector, is the sales and auction manager of the club and has had prepared a neat printed catalogue of the sale, and will be pleased to send a copy to all who are interested. A postal card request will be sufficient.



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The seventy-eighth regular meeting was held March 8 with fifteen members and two visitors present. Minutes of the seventy-seventh meeting were read and approved. After thoroughly discussing the advisability of obtaining new quarters, it was decided to remain in the present rooms, 505 Columbus Savings and Trust Building. Bills for expressage on A. P. S. circuits were approved and ordered paid. As Branch 21 of the A. P. S., the club endorsed the nominations for Directors made by Cleveland Branch 30. Mr. Henry Maetzel displayed his collection of Spain, and after that had been studied the members had the pleasure of seeing part of his large general collection, which is strong in the stamps of the German States, Portugal and colonies and Uruguay. After the usual prize drawings the meeting adjourned.

March 22 the seventy-ninth regular meeting was held with eight present. Minutes of the seventy-eighth meeting were read and approved. Mr. Adair gave an account of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club's jubilee, and placed in the library a copy of the souvenir, which that club had kindly sent us. Mr. W. H. Field exhibited his collection of U. S. and Confederate stamps, which proved extremely interesting on account of the large number of blocks, covers, scarce cancellations, etc., which were included in the collection.

After careful consideration it was decided that the auction for the benefit of the Library Fund be held May 3 at the club rooms. The sale will consist of about 125 lots of stamps and 25 lots of Philatelic Literature. Some of the items are very desirable and collectors will find it worth their while to write the auction manager for a catalogue, whether they feel any interest in the affairs of the club or not. The Philatelic Literature is especially desirable.

GEO. K. SMITH, Jr. Secretary.



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W. H. Waterbury, Alvin Good, W. A. Langdon, Fred E. Bruce

A regular meeting of the club was held on March 3, 1910, at Room 202 The Arcade. Meeting called to order at 8:15 by President Crowell, and with the following members in attendance: Crowell, Rhodes, Beatty, Bryant, Reymann, Weigel, Larsen, Scharschmidt, Whittaker, Lehman, Schneider, Moxan, R. H. Crowell, Liebner, Good, Guscott, Crofts, Mack, Barnum, Leisy, J. N. Lehr, Moses, Hanford and Waterbury. Visitors present were: Wilson, Grubb and Sander.

After the reading of the previous meeting's minutes, which were approved as read, the Board of Directors announced that the applications of H. F. Bowker of Chicago, proposed by W. Whittaker, and G. D. Waterhouse, proposed by W. H. Guscott, had been received and posted, and that O. F. Liebner had been elected to membership.

Mr. Crowell reported for the Banquet Committee, and told of the plans made for the twentieth anniversary of the club to be celebrated on March 19th.

Mr. Moses responded for the Entertainment Committee and outlined the entertainments for the balance of the season.

After the general order of business, a series of questions on the stamps of the United States were submitted by Mr. Moses, which proved very interesting. Mr. Good was winner of the first prize, Mr. R. H. Crowell the second and Mr. Beatty the third.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p. m.

A regular meeting of the club was held on March 24th, 1910, at Room 202 The Arcade. In the absence of both the President and Vice President, Mr. Good was appointed Chairman for the evening. The following members responded to roll call: Barnum, Foote, Beatty, Moses, Pigott, Good, Weigel, Nixon, Williams, Guscott, Johnson, Lehman, Whittaker, Schneider, Copland, Larsen, Bryant, Long, Hanford and H. C. Crowell. Visitors present were Mr. Cartwright and Mr. Farnham of Chicago.

After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved as read, the Board of Directors announced that G. D. Waterhouse and H. F. Bowker had been admitted to membership and that the following applications had been received and posted: H. S. Adair, Columbus, O., proposed by H. C. Crowell; F. E. Farnham, Chicago, Ill., proposed by H. C. Crowell; C. E. Severn, Chicago, Ill., proposed by R. H. Beatty; A. C. Stewart, Toledo, O., proposed by H. C. Crowell; C. I. Cartwright, Cleveland, O., proposed by R. H. Beatty; E. M. Carpenter, Boston, Mass., proposed by Alvin Good; Jos. S. Rich, New York City, proposed by Alvin Good; A. R. Fernold, Detroit, proposed by W. H. Barnum.

Motion carried to extend the thanks of the club to Mr. Hart, Mr. Pack and Mr. Worthington for their kindness in exhibiting their collections at the exhibition held on March 19th.

Motion carried to send copies of the menu cards to Mr. Mudge of Chicago, Gen. Coolidge of Detroit and to the Boston Philatelic Society.

On account of the resignation of Mr. Scharschmidt from the Entertainment Committee, due to his removal from the city, said committee was enlarged and the following names were selected to act: Moses, Hanford, Weigel, Guscott and Whittaker.

Mr. Farnham of Chicago spoke very interestingly on the work being done by the Chicago Philatelic Society and of his work as manager of the sales department.

Mr. Beatty exhibited his collection of U. S. stamps.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p. m.

R. H. BEATTY, Secy.

New Stamps For Cigars

Washington dispatches announce the issue of a new stamp for use on cigars imported from the Philippine islands. It is not a revenue stamp, but in effect is a guaranty by the government as to the nature and quality of the cigars. Its wording is as follows:

"Philippine Islands cigar export stamp. Manufactured, graded, and packed under supervision Philippine Government. Quality standard for this brand. Made by cleanly operatives, in a sanitary factory under control of Bureau of Health, from sound Philippine tobacco grown in the Cagayan Valley."

Garfield-Perry Club's Anniversary

Cleveland stamp men celebrated in royal style and with royal profusion, March 19, the twentieth anniversary of the founding of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club. It was a great and auspicious occasion, greatly and auspiciously observed. Nor was Cleveland alone in its celebration. Among its guests, assembled to do the Club honor, were many among the best known Philatelists in the country, who attended, saw and were conquered.

It was a pleasant day, a fitting setting for so pleasant an occasion. Visitors from the four points of the compass began to arrive early, and as soon as arrived, travel-stains removed and the inner man refreshed, under escort of local members, the men from Chicago, Detroit, New York and Boston, Columbus and other cities were whirled about the city in automobiles, that they might see what a beautiful and goodly city it is. Sitting beside the lake, at noon an enjoyable luncheon was served at the Cleveland Athletic Club.

Adjournment was taken then to the commodious quarters of the Garfield-Perry Club, where the guests eagerly inspected the wonders of George H. Worthington's United States collection. This pleasant task and an informal social hour filled in the time until the banquet was served.

The menu was elaborate and the appointments were in superb taste. Substituting the ordinary place card, each participant found at his seat a photo-reproduction in sepia of 10 stamps labelled "The World's Greatest Errors," the originals of which are from the Worthington collection. This photo was mounted on an antique folder of rich brown stock, with an insert, all tastefully bound with brown silk cord. The insert contained the menu and music program.

President Henry C. Crowell of the Club presided. At his right was Mr. Worthington and at his left was P. M. Wolsieffer of Chicago. Others who were present were: Charles E. Severn, F. E. Farnham, Henry Ades Fowler, C. Staub, H. M. Clark and Iver R. Johnson, all of Chicago; C. F. Heyerman, Sol E. Heineman, Geo. W. Rice, A'an R. Fernald, Clarence Wilson, all of Detroit; H. S. Adair, Columbus; A. W. Batchelder and E. M. Carpenter, Boston; Jos. S. Rich, New York; W. G. Saxton, Canton, O., and O. S. Hart of Akron, O., and the following from Cleveland: W. H. Barnum, F. C. Bartels, R. H. Beatty, W. J.

Brodie, F. E. Bruce, R. W. Bryant, Jas. P. Copeland, W. H. Foote, LeGrand French, Alvin Good, W. H. Guscott, L. A. Hanford, N. B. Harris, E. A. Hatch, E. L. Howe, C. E. Kendal, W. H. Kinnicutt, W. A. Langdon, H. J. Laisen, Carl W. Lehman, O. B. Liebner, John M. Long, Jas. Mack, Otto F. Moses, David G. Moxan, Percy G. Nixon, Thomas E. Pigott, W. C. Rhodes, Edward W. Roegge, Howard Scharschmidt, W. H. Schaeider, H. L. Taite, T. H. Tubman, W. H. Waterbury, Henry Pears, W. G. Whitaker, H. S. Williams, Roy F. Wood and A. W. Weigel.

The speakers were: George H. Worthington, H. S. Adair, C. E. Severn, A. W. Batchelder, E. M. Carpenter, A. R. Fernald, W. H. Barnum, Henry Ades Fowler, Joseph S. Rich and P. M. Wolsieffer.

Some Tete-Beches of Grenada

Concerning tete-beche stamps in the Grenada issues from 1883 to 1891, a recent number of Gibbons' Stamp Weekly says:

1883, ½d. dull green, 1d. rose 2½d. ultramarine, 4d. greyish-slate, 6d. mauve, 8d. gray-brown, 1s. pale violet; Gibbons' 31 to 37.

These stamps were printed in sheets of 240, four panes of 60 each, in 10 rows of six, of which each alternate row was inverted, thereby causing a series of vertical tete-beche pairs. Why this was done is not known, unless it was to avoid the necessity of seeing whether the paper was properly fed into the printing machine.

1887, 1d. rose: No. 43.

This stamp is similar to that of the corresponding value in the 1883 issue; but "& Revenue" has been added to the upper inscription. The number of stamps in the sheet, with their peculiar method of arrangement, is the same as before. The catalogue does not mention this inversion.

Jan.-Dec., 1891, 1d. on 8d. grey-brown, 2½d. on 8d. gray-brown; Nos. 52 and 53:

These two surcharges were applied to the eight pence, grey-brown, of the issue of 1883. The 1d. surcharge was at first set up without any allowance for the stamps being in rows alternately inverted, but subsequently the setting was made to correspond with that of the stamps; consequently, vertical pairs are to be met with (rarely)

on which the surcharge is the same way on both; as well as similar pairs, each surcharge standing the same way as the stamp on which it is printed.

It is said that the 2½d. surcharge originally was set up in alternately inverted rows, as were the stamps; if so, it would have been impossible to produce an inverted surcharge—which, however, exists—except by feeding the sheet in the press in such a way that an odd number of rows escaped being surcharged; or (which is practically the same) by previously cutting them off.

1892, "1d. surcharge postage" on 8d. grey-brown and on 6d. mauve; "2d. surcharge postage," on 8d. grey-brown and on 6d. mauve; Nos. 104 to 107:

Naturally, vertical tete-beche pairs of the stamps exist, but the surcharge was set up to correspond with the alternately inverted rows.

The Gold Coast

Mr. D. Field, 45 The Royal Arcade, Old Bond street, London, W., England, has favored us with a copy of the latest number of The West End Philatelist Series of Philatelic Handbooks on The Postage Stamps of the Gold Coast, by Bertram W. H. Poole. The book is well written and shows the result of much careful study and research, and will be a valuable addition to anyone interested in this most fascinating British colony. Lack of space forbids our quoting from it at present, but a list of the contents will give a good idea of its completeness:

- I—Introduction—A short history of the colonization and growth of the colony.
- II—Its Philatelic History.
- III—The First Issue.
- IV—The 1876-79 Issue.
- V—The Bisected Provisionals of 1882-84.
- VI—The Surcharged Provisionals of 1883.
- VII—The 1883 Issue.
- VIII—The 1884-91 Issue.
- IX—The 1889 Provisionals.
- X—The 1889-94 Issue.
- XI—The 1898-02 Issue.
- XII—The 1901 Provisionals.
- XIII—The King's Head Stamps
- XIV—The Multiple Watermark.
- XV—The Postal Union Colors.
- XVI—The Issue of 1908.
- XVII—The Crown Agents' Color Scheme.
- XVIII—Postmarks.

As can be seen by the above chapter

headings, the book treats the subject in a thorough manner and will be found of much assistance to the interested ones. Price 15 cents, postpaid.

Mr. Colson's Brochure

Mr. Warren H. Colson's monthly brochure, accompanying his April calendar, is devoted to his recent acquirement—the Lombard collection, concerning which he had previously sent out a handsomely engraved announcement card. The calendar is illustrated with the Argentine Republic 10c. green, 1864, which is one of the gems of the collection, unused and with splendid margins.

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The Editor's Foreword

An American Academy of Philately.

Emphasizing the idea advanced in last month's Stamp Collector that something broader is needed than any existing organization of stamp collectors if the highest interests of American Philately are to be subserved, it appears to us that the best way to achieve this end is by the organization of a body constituted along the lines of the French Academy, rather than by the bringing together of a Philatelic Congress. The organization of a Congress presupposes, in the name itself, a delegate body, and something more stable than a delegate body, howsoever able and disinterested its members might be, will be required. American Philatelic history is to be compiled and brought down to date, and provision made for its recording in the making, in the future. It must be a permanent body, unaffected by the changing views of a fluctuating membership. It must reflect none of the political influences which mar the deliberations and nullify the work of the societies now in existence. It must not reflect the opinions of a society, a section, a clique or an interest or interests. It should not legislate or propound opinions. Its work would be to decide what Philatelic researches should be conducted; to estimate the cost of those researches; to secure the funds to conduct them; to

see that they are conducted and to have the results compiled and published.

These requirements lead to the inevitable conclusion that the membership should be selective, and not elective. The body, therefore, to make its work effective, should be self-perpetuating. As affecting its work, its constitution should be most elastic; its powers in that regard should be unlimited. As affecting its membership, the qualifications to be required of its candidates for selection should be most rigid. All these things presuppose a relatively small membership. Probably a maximum limit of one hundred would exceed the requirements for all time. Possibly fifty would be sufficient.

It should not be hard to bring together twenty or twenty-five such men as Chase, Bellows, Berger, Howes, Luff, Power, Nast and Quackenbush for the organization of such a body. These are mentioned merely as examples of the kind of men of which such a body should be constituted, and to whom such an organization would appeal. Undoubtedly they would be willing to provide the moderate dues which would be required for the routine work of such a body, and to meet in a centrally located city say once in two years to map out the work to be undertaken. And certainly with such men to direct it, there would be no doubt that such funds as they might decide were necessary would be forthcoming. It should even be possible under such circumstances to provide an endowment, that the work of compiling American Philatelic History and an American Philatelic Literature should go on without interruption.

Death of King Edward VII.

From the Philatelic standpoint probably there is no other event which might be conceived or contemplated which would make so great changes as the death of the British sovereign. From the East, even to the East again, the sun, in every hour of his course, shines on British territory, and with few exceptions, where flies the flag of Britan, there the sovereign's portrait is blazoned on postage stamps. Therefore it may be said with approximate truth that the death of Edward VII will revolutionize the postal issues of the world. Not alone in this aspect, however, is the death of the king-emperor important to Philatelists. Himself a stamp collector of no mean powers and discrimination while he was Prince of Wales, his reign was marked by many acts of appreciation or encouragement of the art, the most marked of which was his grant of royal letters patent to the London Philatelic Society, by which it became the Royal Philatelic Society, of which its members are fellows. All these things tend to create a sense of personal loss by his death. No doubt it is largely due to his precept and example that the new king, George V, is so eminent a Philatelist, and it is no small thing to collectors that the sovereign of so great an empire is worthy to be president of a stamp society. Under his patronage, therefore, it may be expected that English Philately will set a new high mark of progress, and that Philately throughout the world, because of emulation abroad, will take a higher plane than ever before.

Mr. Barnum's Candidacy

From all over the country come encouraging reports of a hearty welcome extended to the candidacy of Mr. Barnum of Cleveland to be a director of the American Philatelic Society, to succeed Mr. Adair as secretary. Mr. Barnum's high standing, his personal popularity and his long service in the ranks of the society, seem to be the dominating influences in the many proffers and pledges of support. This is as it should be. These influences center in the one thought that there are no strings to Mr. Barnum or his candidacy, and should be an earnest of his election. Present conditions are an exemplar of the old adage that "the office should seek the man; not the man the office." It required considerable influence to induce Mr. Barnum to consent to stand for the directorate, and his consent having been won, his high character and his entire "absence from entangling alliances" should be all-sufficient to insure his election.

A Slightly Delayed Issue

Ordinarily, when a Philatelic publication appears behind time, the blame is placed with the printer. On this occasion, the editor offers such apologies as are necessary. Columbus has just passed through a very strenuous eight days of street car strike, which developed suddenly just at the time when the rush of copy should have been put out of the way. As the editor of The Stamp Collector also is assistant city editor of The Ohio State Journal, and the strike developments necessitated from 18 to 20 hours a day of strenuous daily newspaper work, preparations for this issue of The Stamp Collector had to be relegated to the rear. Under the circumstances, he feels that this explanation will be sufficient, and absolve both him and the publishers from blame, much as the slight delay is to be regretted. We won't promise that it won't happen again, for there might be an earthquake or a volcanic explosion, but if earnest efforts are effective, it won't happen from preventable causes, as it is a profound belief of both editor and publishers that if a Philatelic paper is to fulfill its mission effectively, it must as prompt as a daily paper, and that, like time and tide, waits for no man.

Marginalia

THAT CANADIAN HOBBY seems to have been ridden to death. It seems to us we had something to say once before about speculative societies.

FORTUNATELY FOR COLLECTORS, Nicaragua has not seized on the presence of Halley's comet as a pretext for getting out a special issue of postage stamps.

THE RECENTLY ANNOUNCED alliance between the Amen Corner and the Penitentiary Annex is as strange as any bed-fellows ever made by politics, and probably will bear quite as much watching.

HOGAN AND FINERTY, whose conversations are reported monthly for Billkiu's, have advised us that they are going to the Detroit convention, if they can get Chris Duffy to run a special train or take them up in his private car.

WE ARE PAINED to announce that a heavy financial frost discouraged our efforts at spring gardening, and the blocks of five of those 1902 2 cents stamps that we planted on the advice of Brother Power were irretrievably ruined.

BROTHER BALTIMORE BURROUGHS advises us confidentially that the reason Zelaya of Nicaragua was captured in Mexico was because some enterprising Mexican collector recognized him from his likeness on a postage stamp. We are unalterably determined never to put our picture on any stamp that Mexicans are likely to collect.

THERE WAS SOME fear among Columbus collectors that the purchase of the Hocking Valley by the Chesapeake & Ohio might have a serious effect on the status of C. B. Duffy, purchasing agent of the former road. Mr. Duffy, however, assured the Club members, the other night, that he hadn't lost his job, but only his voice.

THE C. C. C. LIBRARY benefited just about \$100 by the auction held May 3, and though mail bidders got a few bargains, in the main they were not one, two, three with the local buyers, who went after the stuff as if they wanted it. When the C. C. C. wants anything, it goes after it and generally gets it, and its constituent parts are built along the same lines.

WHEN WE WRIT that idiotical last month about not bein' able to pay dividends out of bein' official organ, we didn't know that some of our more or less able cotemporaries was hit nor we was. We notice McEel's Weakly is goin' to charge members 15 cents more nor it did the A. P. S. We knowed they was both slippery and wily, but we didn't think they'd had the nerve to dast went and done it.—Arizona Philatelist.

THAT SECRETARY ADAIR, of the A. P. S., part owner of this journal, has added a daughter to his collection of little Adairs will be a sore grievance to the genial publisher of Billikin's, who some time ago announced his intention of going one better in anything that any other Columbus collector might do.

He is getting scant sympathy from members of the C. C. C., however, for recently he refused to ante his dollar-eighty and join the Club.

Aerial Post in Java

According to Richard Assmann, in the April number of *The Deutsche Revue*, provision already has been made for an aerial postal service between Batavia and Soerabaya, Java. The regularity and moderation with which the monsoon blows, at a velocity averaging from one to three meters a second, and rarely rising above 10 meters a second, makes this possible. Nothing is said in the article which relates wholly to Java as an ideal place for aeronautics, regarding the details of the proposed aerial post.

The End of British Somaliland

An announcement of great interest to Philatelists is that outlining the intention of the British government to abandon Somaliland on account of its ability to conquer the "Mad Mullah," or to reach an agreement with him to abstain from raiding the friendly tribes within its boundaries, a pastime to which he has been much given the last two or three years, during which time he was under agreement to remain peaceably in Italian Somaliland. It is not often that Great Britain withdraws from a colony, but the announcement is authoritative, having been made on receipt of the report of a commission sent to investigate conditions. It is proposed to withdraw the garrisons, except for a limited time at the ports of Zella and Bulhar, but even these will be given up, and it is intended ultimately to maintain only a small garrison at Berbera, in the way of permanent occupation. With the practically complete withdrawal of the flag from the country, it is hardly likely that the familiar Indian stamps, with their "British Somaliland" surcharge, will remain in use, and the section of the catalogue devoted to "Somaliland Protectorate" will become in effect, like Hawaii and Heligoland, only a reminiscence.

Bluish, Experimental, Part Rag Paper

BY WM. C. RHODES

The intaglio plate printing process, by which our postage stamps are produced, necessitates a preliminary wetting down of the paper, which is the bleached chemical wood stock (intaglio meaning, as you are aware, design depressed below the surface of the material on which the design is made). This wetting, you can readily understand, causes a varying shrinkage, which has resulted in a heavy waste from design. This, of course, refers more especially to the normal paper.

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing the cutting of the perforations in the stamp experimented, in the spring of 1909, with a paper made of about 30 per cent rag stock, in the hope that it would show not only less shrinkage, but that the sheets would not curl. This paper did not overcome the difficulty, as it was found to shrink very unevenly.

As you are aware, the one cent 1909 issue was printed upon this paper to the number of 1,480,000; the two cent to the number of 1,494,000, and the two cent Lincoln to the number of 673,000. All members of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club who attended the 1909 banquet held in March were shown at that time specimens of the one and two cent, with the information that some had been issued and to be on the watch for them. This information caused much interest and activity amongst the local collectors. Subsequently the information as I have given above was given out by the department.

It was not known, however, that any of the other values had been issued upon this paper until the Stanley Gibbons Company of New York advertised the ten cent on experimental paper. This matter was then taken up with the Department which, after much persuasion, and I presume, influence, gave information for the first time that the values from the three to the fifteen cent 1908 issue were all issued on this experimental paper; that stamps were issued of the three, five, eight, ten, thirteen and fifteen to the number of four thousand each; of the fours, forty-four hundred, and of the sixes, fifty-two hundred. The Department also gave the information that one sheet each of these values had been delivered to the Postoffice Department, and stated in a partial report that the denominations, from the three to the fifteen cent, both inclusive, were issued on this experimental

paper to the extent of several sheets of each value, for the express purpose of seeing how the colors would harmonize. Several sheets of each were printed, and the best of these were delivered to the Postoffice Department, where they are still held.

The Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing subsequently issued instructions to destroy the remaining sheets, the remaining sheets here meaning those off center or otherwise not perfect. The Department now states that inadvertently these imperfect sheets were mingled with other stamps in process of production, and thus placed in stock. It is undoubtedly true that the imperfect sheets were placed on sale as several offices, for this reason, that the values found to date have been considerably off center. That the Department did not intentionally issue these odd values on this experimental paper is proven by the fact that, in the annual report of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, no mention whatever was made of these values on the experimental paper.

The probabilities are that the majority of these stamps which did get out to the different postoffices have been used for postage and will thus be lost, to a certain extent, to collectors who prefer unused copies.

Outside of the 10-cent values which were found in the postoffice at New York city, several sheets each of the fifteens and sixes have been found and were placed upon the market. The 13-cent on the experimental paper has been found only to the extent of ten copies. These were found by a Mr. Lord of Chicago. The writer has one copy of the thirteen and also one copy of the five cent, which latter is the only publicly known copy to date. I also know that a supply of the three-cents have been found and are in the hands of a dealer who will shortly place them upon the market. This leaves the fours and eights, none of which have turned up to date.

The department at Washington has been bothered considerably by people who have intimated that these stamps were obtained by the parties who found them by some unfair method, and have besieged the government to print another supply of each, thus to avoid any phase of speculation. This the government has refused to do, and justly, too.

The department had a peculiar way of marking these sheets. That is, upon the corner containing the wide margin, vertical and horizontal, appeared a cross in ink, with a numeral in pencil. The reason for this marking apparently was, in making up bundles of the normal stamps, a correct number of sheets could be taken out to provide for the experimental paper which was put in.

A great many of the inside facts connected with this issue and the manner in which they were obtained by the finders would undoubtedly be of much interest to you, but, by reason of certain circumstances which exist, this information for the present must be withheld.

In conclusion, from the facts as given here, the whole subject can be summarized in no better way than outlined in the *Philatelic Journal of America* of March 15, 1910.

First. The stamps were not printed for use.

Second. They were printed to test an experimental paper.

Third. Several sheets of each were printed so that perfect specimens could be issued.

Fourth. One sheet of each is now retained by the department, and should be taken into consideration when the number issued is mentioned.

Fifth. The director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing was instructed to destroy the remaining sheets.

Sixth. Inadvertently they were mingled with other stamps in process of production and placed in stock.

Seventh. No record is available of their issue.

Eighth. It is even impossible to say if they have all been distributed.

Ninth. Collusion with speculators is improbable.

Tenth. The Postoffice Department will not issue a new supply on bluish paper, primarily for sale to collectors.

In conclusion, how shall these stamps be classified? Probably as errors, for the reason that they were not issued for postal use.

This experimental paper has probably created more interest and excitement among the stamp collectors at large than any other issue for many years past. Whether or not the other values will be found, and in what quantities, remains to be seen. Collectors are eagerly awaiting

their appearance, and will probably be ready to pay a reasonable price for those they desire.

It is with a quite a degree of satisfaction that we publish the above paper by Mr. Rhodes, as read before the Garfield Perry Stamp Club. It is of more than passing interest to local philatelists because Secretary Adair of the A. P. S., in conjunction with Mr. Charles R. Morris of Washington, were the two philatelists to discover the so-called experimental paper. Mr. Adair was in Washington attending the inauguration ceremonies of President Taft, and in company with Mr. Morris paid a visit to the postoffice department in the Washington postoffice. While there the discovery was made, or rather their attention was called to the difference in paper by Mr. Mount of the wholesale department. At this time the twos only had been issued, and Mr. Morris chronicled them at once through Mekeel's, while Secretary Adair brought home a sheet and divided with his brother collectors in Columbus. The experimentals are of decided interest and are eagerly sought for by those who have been wise in the past. The 10-cent is now selling for \$5, while the 15-cent has advanced to \$3. A copy of the 15-cent sold for \$2.80 at the C. C. C. auction sale on May 3, this being the first copy ever sold at auction. A strip of eight from top of sheet with plate number and imprint are offered in Hugh M. Clark's sale of May 21st. Our auction editor will give you the selling price next month—Publisher.

United States Fiscal Stamps

We have received No. 2 of the series of Stamp Lover booklets, from the pen of L. W. Crouch, and edited by Fred J. Melville. It is an interesting and comprehensive paper, and not too voluminous, as befits the service it is intended to render to members of The Junior Society. Much of the data is drawn from "An Historical Reference List of the Revenue Stamps of the United States," to which the reader is referred for more complete details, but as a summary, put into readable and interesting form, it is unexcelled; and its illustrations, covering all types from 1862 to the present, are in keeping with the rest of the brochure. There is a short note or preface by Mr. Melville, in which he urges the perusal of the work as the precursor to more careful study and more general collection of United States revenues, which he describes as the handsomest in the world.

In The Auction Rooms

All information for this department should be sent to W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St., Columbus, prior to the 1st of each month, for the 30 days following the 15th of the same month. If copies of catalog before the sale and priced catalogs after the sale are sent to both the publisher and Mr. Field, your name will be placed on our exchange list. In case catalogs are not ready by the first, written information should be sent Mr. Field. When priced catalogs are furnished after the sale, the state of the market as reflected in the sale will be carefully analyzed and full credit given.

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Coming Sales

- May 21—P. M. Wolseffer, 401 Fort Dearborn Bldg., Chicago, Ill. 896 lots; sale at rooms of Chicago Philatelic Society, Masonic Temple; afternoon session.
- May 17-19—Nassau Stamp Co., 231 Broadway, New York City. 1035 lots; sale at Collectors' Club; evening sessions.
- May 24—International Stamp Co., Columbus Collectors' Club, Room 505, Columbus Savings and Trust Bldg. 507 lots; evening session.
- June 17—International Stamp Co., Columbus, O. Evening sessions; about 500 lots.
- May 21—Hugh M. Clark, 536 Postal Telegraph Bldg., Chicago. Sale at Room 1622 Masonic Temple Bldg.
- June 4—Hugh M. Clark, 536 Postal Telegraph Bldg., Chicago. Sale at Room 1622, Masonic Temple Bldg.

Auction Notes

A departure that will be welcomed by the majority of mail bidders is announced by the progressive firm of P. M. Wolseffer, that all mail bids will hereafter be strictly confidential and no advance information in regard to them will be allowed to any floor bidder; also no lots bid in for mail bidders will be transferred to the floor bidder after the sale at a small advance. This is a welcome announcement and should be followed by all auction dealers, as the mail bidder should have the same equal chance as the party on the floor. Good work, P. M.

The Hunt sale of J. C. Morgenthau of New York City arrived too late for an announcement in last issue. Many notable stamps were sold, a few of which are rarely found in the auction room, such as U. S. 1851 24c. and 30c., imperf. 1857 5c. brick red unused, and 1869 15c. brown and blue with picture inverted, also fine copy of the Pan-American 2c. inverted center unused, State Department dollar values complete, besides many of the rarest U. S. envelopes entire.

The Scott Stamp & Coin Co. sold the library of Mr. Henry L. Calman on May 12. It was quite complete and some good prices must have been realized, as the opportunities to obtain such literature come rarely. Our literary editor will no doubt give us in the next number a complete idea of its scope, also the prices realized.

From our observations in regard to prices brought at the last sale of the Philadelphia Stamp Co. of some of the entire envelopes we concluded that either the 1910 Scott's catalogue was badly in need of revision in regard to prices or else floor bidders certainly made the other fellow pay dear for his purchases. Which was right?

Auction Prices

Seybold Sale—Part II

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., New York City

France, 1819 1fr. vermilion on cover.	\$ 77 00
Baden, 1862, 12kr. yellow (rural stamps), two copies on one cover, official	100 00
Bavaria, 1849, 1kr. black, two vertical strips of three on one cover.	45 50
Mecklenberg Schwerin, 1864, 4-4s (Scott's No. 4) vertical pair on cover	75 00
Oldenburg, 1852, 1-3 green (Scott's No. 4) an irregular block of six on cover	111 00
Oldenburg, 1858, 1-3 green (Scott's No. 5) three copies on one cover, stamp partly overlap the others; fine condition	162 00
Saxony, 1850, 3p., brick red on yellow paper, vertical pair on cover.	91 00
Saxony, 1850, 3p., red brown, two vertical pairs on one cover.	204 25
Schleswig Holstein, 1850, 1s., dark blue, two copies on one cover.	41 00
Schleswig Holstein, 1850, 2s., rose, three copies on one cover.	97 00
Wurtemberg, 1858, 18kr., blue, (Scott's No. 29), block of six on one cover	44 50
Wurtemberg, 1866, 18kr., orange block of five and single with horizontal pair of 1863, 6kr., blue on one cover	51 00

Modena, 1852, 1 lira, black horizontal strip of three with pair of 40c. blue on one cover	61 00	Saxony, 1850, 3p., red horizontal strip of three, cat. \$105.00.....	158 00
Modena, 1859, 40c. rose and 80c. orange used together on cover.....	151 00	Great Britain, 1840, V. R. 1 penny, black	40 00
Tuscany, 1851, 2 soldi, red on blue paper horizontal pair used together with 1 soldi yellow on cover....	81 00	Luxemburg, 1852, 1sq., rose horizontal strip of five, cat \$5.00.....	16 00
Tuscany, 1852, 60 crazi, brown red on cover	84 00	Roumania, 1858, 80 para, red on bluish paper, used on piece of cover, cat. \$25.00.....	18 25
Naples, 1860, ¼ tornese, blue Trinacria (No. 8) on wrapper.....	72 50	Roumania, 1879, 5 bani, rose error of color	20 50
Sicily, 1859, 50 grana, dark brown, single and horizontal pair used together with 1gr. olive brown and 20gr. violet on one cover, stamps cut close and cover damaged by folding	117 00	Spain, 1850, 6r., blue horizontal strip of four and horizontal strip of three used together	65 00
Roumania, 1854, 54 para blue on green paper, on original cover....	80 00	Hugh M. Clark's Sale, April 2, 1910	
Spain, 1850, 2r., orange (No. 8) with horizontal pair of 6r. blue (No. 10) on one cover	84 00	U. S., 1845, St. Louis 5c. on greenish paper on original cover	75 25
Spain, 1853, Madrid 3c. bronze on cover close on one side	61 00	U. S., 1847, 5c., cat. \$1.00.....	2 10
Switzerland, 1845, Basle 2½ rappen, vertical pair on piece of cover....	82 50	U. S., 1847, 5c., horizontal pair	3 60
Switzerland, 1843, Geneva 10c., olive green double Geneva on cover....	139 00	U. S., 1851, 5c., cat. \$10.00.....	7 85
Switzerland, 1845, Geneva envelope stamp, 5c yellow green used as adhesive on original cover.....	42 00	U. S., 1895, 2c., carmine No. 266, block of triangle I * cat \$2.00... .	1 85
Switzerland, Zurich 4 rappen, black Type III used together with 6 rappen Type IV to make a 10 rappen rate, unique cover	315 00	U. S., 1898, Omaha issue set of die proofs in two colors	7 60
Switzerland, 4 rappen, black Type III and right vertical half of 4 rappen black Type IV used together to make a 6 rappen rate on cover, very unique	725 00	U. S., 1898, \$500 revenue No. 3044, uncut, cat. \$60.00	55 10
Switzerland, 1850, 2 and 4c., red and black used on cover at Geneva....	126 00	U. S., 1898, \$1000 revenue No. 3045, block of four, very light canc....	83 00
Switzerland, 1850, 2 and 4c., red and black horizontal pair on cover....	252 00	Philadelphia Stamp Co.	
Switzerland, Winterthur, 1850, 2½ rappen, red and black (Scott's No. 14) horizontal pair used on one cover	75 00	Twenty-fourth sale April 15-16, 1910—Envelopes:	
Switzerland, 2½ rappen (No. 14), horizontal strip of four on cover.	116 00		Amount
Switzerland, 1850, Poste Locale, 2½ rappen, horizontal pair on cover (No. 18)	112 00		Scott. Brought.
Hanover, 1859, 10gr., green horizontal pair on small piece cover.....	52 50	1857, 10c. green	\$60 00 \$41 00
Hanover, 1879, 10gr., green same as before	47 00	1863, 2c. black, Die B.....	75 00 56 00
		1874, 2c. brown, Die B3.....	50 00 41 00
		1874, 2c. brown, Die A.....	105 00
		1875, 2c. red (S. 4) Die C... ..	105 00
		1875, 2c. red (S. 6), Die C... ..	105 00
		1886, 4c. green (S. 5), Die A. . . .	40 15 00
		1886, 4c. green (S.9), Die A. . . .	40 13 00
		1886, 4c. green, Die A.....	30 17 00
		1886, 4c. green, Die A.....	30 15 00
		1886, 30c. black, Size 8.....	1 50 44 00
		1887, 2c. green, Die B.....	08 15 00
		1887, 1c. blue, blue paper... ..	68 00
		1887, 2c. green, Die B.....	08 25 00
		1899, 2c. red, Die B.....	06 15 00
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The Publisher's Page

Seven months old and feeling better than ever. Surely it's time you who are not subscribers to the best monthly in America are waking up to the fact that we are here to stay. Possibly the reason some people had not subscribed upon receipt of our first number is because we didn't make that promise at the time, and feeling that you may have had some doubts as to whether we were here to stay or were only bluffing, we thought best to tell you. Now send in your half dollar at once.

Quite a large number of gentlemen all over the country, whom we have been told and have reason to believe are very much interested in stamps and stamp collecting are not as yet on our subscription list. This fact is not for the reason that they haven't the half dollar; at least we don't believe so. However, if such is the case, just send

your subscription to begin with the next number and pay us in three months' time. You can surely raise the coin by then.

To you gentlemen who have the good of Philately and the advancement of stamp collecting at heart, there isn't anything you could do which would be of as much help to Philately, at so small an expense, as to support a magazine of the quality of this one. Send a half dollar, or dollar, or two dollars, for a subscription for yourself or your friends, and you'll feel good over it.

New features, desirable articles and assistance in an editorial way have been offered the Stamp Collector in such quantities that we know that in the Fall we shall have to run at least 32 pages each month in order to take care of all the good reading matter. We used to believe that it would be a hard task to secure enough good matter from American Philatelists to fill a magazine of this size, but developments in the past couple of months have shown that it's not impossible.

Mr. Wm. C. Stone of Springfield, Mass., has agreed to furnish Revenue Notes each month, and no further mention than the name of Mr. Stone need be made to show you that this department of the Stamp Collector will be the best of its kind.

Mr. W. R. Ricketts of Forty Fort, Pa., has been appointed as Historian of the American Philatelic Literature Society and will chronicle all new magazines and publications, in the English language, as fast as they appear.

Just look who's here. Take a glance through our advertising pages and see what the big and wide-awake dealers of America think about the Stamp Collector. On April 27th, Wednesday, we sent out a bunch of 69 cards, being reproductions of our front cover page, offering the two lower spaces on contract at \$2.00 per month. We got a telegram on Friday, the 29th, requesting both spaces, but as our intention was to give four dealers a show at the front page we allowed this party only one space. Saturday morning brought a letter requesting the other one. In the afternoon we received a letter requesting both of them, and the first of the next week brought more requests. The page could have been sold about three times complete. Most of these dealers whose requests came too late for the front page have signed quarter page contracts for a year, and we believe they will be as well satisfied as others who have been with us regularly for the past few months.

Among our new contract advertisers, every one of which has some tempting offers, you will find Hugh M. Clark of Chicago, who is making things hum in the auction business, as Mr. Clark is holding three sales within about 30 days, which is quite a record; May 7 and 21st, and June 4th.

P. M. Wolsieffer, who was with us last month, has stepped into a front cover position.

W. A. Sisson of St. Louis, who has the late imperfs. and machine perforations at the proper prices, got on the front page.

The Ouilmette Stamp Co. of Wilmette, Ill., offers a few scarce U. S. at quick sale prices.

C. H. Nammack of Brooklyn, N. Y., who sells stamps you want at the right prices.

H. Wesley Legg, Pepperell, Mass. Read his ad. It tells you about his method of doing business better than we could.

H. Cormack of Port Ewen, N. Y., the Central and South American dealer specialist, and by the way, several of those countries are slated for a boom and you would do well to pick up a few bargains at once.

The Toledo Stamp Co. of Toledo, Ohio, is still with us with their page ad. on the

back cover, and although we believe the bulk of their immense business is with the younger collectors, we know by experience that the older collectors can get many bargains from them.

The Marks Stamp Co., Toronto, Canada's largest dealers are with us this month and specialists in B. N. A. should remember that they have a good stock of these stamps, although their advertising is along different lines.

H. S. Powell & Co. of Storm Lake, Iowa, have favored us with a copy of their new Packet List, and the introduction to the same explains how they are able to sell such a wonderful 1,000 variety packet for \$1.75. The stamps in these packets are gathered by and made up in the Catholic missions.

Many of America's foremost dealers are represented in the above list, but we shall not be satisfied until we have more of them with us.

Contract blanks on application.

If you don't think it would pay you, just read what some of our friends say about the Stamp Collector on another page of this number.

Record of New Issues

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Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Argentine Republic

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the current 5c. in a new shade, which they describe as rose-carmine.

Azores

The following set was received from The International Stamp Company and from The New England Stamp Company:



Adhesives—

2½r., violet.

- 5r., black.
- 10r., dark green.
- 15r., pale lilac-brown.
- 20r., carmine.
- 25r., brown.
- 50r., blue.
- 75r., bistre-brown.
- 80r., French gray.
- 100r., bistre-brown on greenish.
- 200r., dark green on salmon.
- 300r., black on azure.
- 500r., olive-bistre and violet brown.
- 1000r., blue and black.

Bolivia

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the following commemorative stamps, all of the type of the 1c., which we illustrate, centers in black.



Adhesives—

- 1c., brown and black (Betanzos).
- 2c., gray-green and black (Warner).
- 5c., red and black (Murillo).
- 10c., blue and black (Monteagudo).

Brazil

A commemorative stamp which it was proposed to issue during the sitting of the Pan-American Medical Congress at Rio de Janeiro was found to be contrary to some of the U. P. U. regulations and the stamp was recalled. Unfortunately, one town did not receive the order in time and the stamp was on sale for one day, so will have to have a place in the catalogue. Gibbons' Stamp Weekly illustrates the stamp in question, which is an upright rectangle in shape. "Pan-Americano" appears in a tablet at the bottom and just above this at the left is the value, 200 reis, in a square tablet. The word "Correio" appears in a small tablet just above the value. Across the top "E. U. do Brazil," and below that are six portraits, each in a small circular medalion, emblematical of the chief countries taking part in the congress.

Jose Bonifacio	.....Brazil
San Martin	.....Argentine
Hidalgo	.....Mexico
O'Higgins	.....Chili
Washington	.....U. S. A.
Bolivar	.....Bolivar

Adhesive—

200r., blue.

China

New values of current type, the 3c., to pay postage on letters to Japan and the 7c. for local registration, reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Adhesives—

- 3c., deep gray-green.
- 7c., crimson-lake.

Columbian Republic—Medellin

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News reports the 50c. stamp listed in No. 2 of this magazine in a new color.

Adhesive—

50c., gray-green.

Crete

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly states the 1 L. postage due stamp has appeared with the

new "Ellas" overprint, described in No. 6 of this magazine.

Adhesive—Postage Due—

1 L., vermilion (black).

Elobey, Annobon et Corisco

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News reports the following provisionals, the 1c. and 2c. stamps of 1907 being surcharged "Habilitado" and new value in red.

Adhesives—

- 5c., on 1c., dark violet.
- 5c., on 2c., black.

Federated Malay States

Current type in single color, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14, listed by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News states the 1c. is also appearing in single color printed in one operation.

Adhesive—

8c., ultramarine.

Gibraltar

The New England Stamp Company sends us the current 2d., with the value, in a much deeper shade of carmine, and the 2s. in new colors.

Adhesives—

- 2d., gray-green and carmine.
- 2s., violet and blue on blue, chalky.

India

In No. 5 we reported the 3a., orange-brown "O. H. M. S.," on the authority of Gibbons' Stamp Weekly. We are now informed same does not exist.

India—Hyderabad

The 1a. overprinted for official use is now appearing in gray-black, according to Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

India—Jaipur

We learn from Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News that the 1 rupee now appears in lemon yellow.

India—Nabha

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly states the 2½a. of India has been issued with the usual overprint, "NABHA STATE," in two lines, in black.

Italy—Offices in Albania

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports a provisional issued in May, 1907, which has not previously been noted, "Albania" and "10 Para 10," surcharged in black on current 5c. Italy.

Adhesive—

10 par. on 5c., green.

Italy—Post Offices in Crete

Current type Italy overprinted "LA CANEA" in black, chronicled by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

40c., pale brown.

Jamaica

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly lists the 3d. in new colors, multiple chalky paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

3d., purple on yellow.

Nyassa

The following provisionals are reported by Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, the 1901 set having been overprinted "Provisorio" and new value.

Adhesives—

5r., on 2½r., black and red-brown.

50r. on 100r., black and brown-bistre.

Papua

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the following on slightly thinner paper, with horizontal watermark. All are perf. 11¼ except the 2d., which is perf. 12½. Centers in black.

Adhesives—

½d., yellow green.

1d., carmine.

2d., purple.

2½d., pale ultramarine.

4d., brown.

6d., dark green.

1s., orange.

Portuguese Colonies

The International Stamp Company learns from a correspondent that from April 1 the stamps of Portugal have superseded those of Funchal and Madeira, and there will be no new issues for these colonies. It will be some time before new issues appear for the other colonies.

Russia—For Use in China

Current Russian set, overprinted, for use in China, received from the New England Stamp Company:

Adhesives—

1k., orange (blue).

2k., green (black).

4k., rose (blue).

7k., blue (black).

10k., deep blue (black).

70k., brown and orange (blue).

Salvador

Additional value of new set, reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly:

Adhesive—

6c., vermilion.

The same authority lists the 10c. of the

previous issue on paper watermarked multiple circles.

Spanish Guinea

The 1c. and 2c. of 1907 have been surcharged "Habilitado" and new value in red, according to Mekeel's Stamp News.

Adhesives—

5c. on 1c., dark green.

5c. on 2c., dark blue.

Spain

Additional value of new set:

Adhesive—

20c., gray-green.

Switzerland

According to Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, the 2, 5, 10 and 25c. of the current set are to be found *tete-beche*, the variety occurring on the sheets of ninety stamps which were prepared to make up into booklets.

Trinidad

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the ½d. of the old type overprinted "OFFICIAL." Both this and the 1d. previously reported have been superseded by the new type.

Turkey

The following are reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly:



Adhesives—

Overprinted for use on foreign correspondence.

5 par., brown-ochre (blue).

2 pias., black (carmine).

Overprinted for use on printed matter.

20 par., carmine (black).

Postage Due Stamp.

2 pias., brownish-black on carmine.

Uruguay

A new printing of Scott's type A-73 has been shown us by The New England Stamp Company.

Adhesive—

5c., slate-blue.

Victory

A new shade of the current 4d. is reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly. Same is on paper watermarked Crown over A and is perforated 11.

Adhesive—

4c., olive-bistre.

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.

The courtesy of two copies is requested, on a reciprocal basis, from

Billikin's For April

It was a broad and cheery smile that Billikin smole upon us in the Month of Tears. Bill says Mrs. Bill has made him secure a tepee of sufficient size to enable him to have a room big enough to change his mind without going out in the hall; Finerty announces his firm intention to "vote for Bar-num," and No. 2 in the series of "Letters From a Self-Made Stamp Dealer to His Son" deals impressively with the old—and apparently time-worn — virtue of honesty. There are a number of enjoyable skits, aside from those mentioned, and Billikin's seems to be living up to its ideals, so aptly expressed in the poem beginning

"Laugh and the world laughs with you,
Snore and you sleep alone."

It has withal, a prosperous appearance, as if the gospel of smile was paying financial dividends, as well as dividends of joy to those who invested moderately for a year's numbers.

Redfield's Stamp Weekly

This stable journal continues to do good service in the dissemination of Philatelic information and literature, its April numbers having been filled with good things. It reproduces, in one issue, Fred J. Melville's 'Sidelights on Postage Stamp Profits,' as printed in *The Postage Stamp*—a very interesting and readable article, on a phase of Philately of which much is suspected and little known. Redfield's is getting a fair share of the advertising of the larger stamp houses of the country, a result due not alone to the Philatelic excellence of the paper, but no doubt in a measure caused by the consistent improvement in typographical appearance. Moreover, the stamp interests of the country are coming to appreciate, in a measure, the value of Philatelic independence, an appreciation which is making itself manifest in more generous support of such journals as Redfield's and *The Stamp Journal*.

Philadelphia Stamp News

Percy McGraw Mann's new paper is swinging right to the front in Philatelic journalism. It is purveying Philatelic information in a concise and interesting way, and has made a welcome innovation in the issue of supplements illustrating and listing new issues, in form convenient to be in-

serted in either catalogue or album. The paper is well put together, and already is receiving a fair amount of advertising patronage.

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly

This standard English publication has been full of meat the last month. The March 26 number contains an installment of L. Hanciau's series on the postal issues of Italy and the Italian colonies, dealing with the 1903, 1906 and 1908 emissions, fully illustrated and described, and with their governmental history set forth fully. Bertram W. H. Poole continued his series on the stamps of Hayti, dealing with the fifteenth or 1904 issue. There is an interesting paper on tete-beches by "Desdichado," in which certain stamps of Now-nugger, Poonch, Natal, New Republic, Transvaal, Uganda and Western Australia are described, and C. F. Dendy Marshall continues his illuminating notes on British postmarks since 1840. In this connection, most collectors will be interested to know that the numbers on these cancellations represent the number of miles of the cancelling post-office from London. There is also an installment of this series in the April 9 number. In the April 2 issue Joseph B. Leavy continues his article on the stamps of Nicaragua, the present installment being devoted to the prolific provisionals of 1907 and 1908. These also are dealt with in the succeeding issue. The Poole series on Hayti is continued, and Norman Thornton contributes an article on the types of the second issue of 1904. W. T. Elliot furnishes some notes on the 2½d. Papua, which is described with great minuteness. Charles J. Phillips, in his story of his South American trip, gives a considerable amount of valuable information about the early Brazilian issues. In the issue of April 9 is the first installment of a series by Roger Mennevee on the William III type of Holland, thoroughly described and illustrated. The complete program for the Second British Philatelic Congress, held April 27-29, printed in this number, shows a vast amount of Philatelic subject matter, then to come before the body, which, as events proved, consisted of about 90 delegates, representing 40 societies. The second installment of the Mennevee series on early Netherlands stamps was contained

in the April 16 number, besides another Phillips letter, dealing with early Chilean issues, and J. R. M. Albrecht contributed a paper on the Guatemala provisional issue of 1886, which will be reproduced in full in the June issue of *The Stamp Collector*.

Philatelic Journal of Great Britain

The leading editorial of this able English paper is devoted to a protest against specialization in new issues, which the editor denominates stamp speculation. The article is an exceedingly able and timely protest against the tendency to neglect the older and stable stamps of the world for the new emissions, regarded purely from the investment standpoint. While the value of a new issue service, properly used, can not be denied, it strikes us that the position of the editor is exceedingly well taken, and there is cause for regret that we have not the space to reproduce, in full, his arguments. One of the most readable articles we have seen lately is P. L. Pemberton's notes on the types of the 1867 issue of Egypt, contained in the April 20 number. Little is written and seemingly less known of the stamps of the Ancient Land, but here is a really illuminating paper, illustrated with cuts from die proofs of the original plates, on an issue the differences in which have puzzled Philatelists since their study began. Some of the points noted are worthy of the careful attention of the leading cataloguers, both here and abroad. The departments in the *Journal* are up to their usual standard of excellence and completeness.

Notes of The Exchanges

The *Stamp Lover* contains, in its April number, an interesting account of the pilgrimage by Junior Society members through the great stamp house of Stanley Gibbons, Limited; part of a paper on the stamps of Sarawak, by A. Grellier, Jr.; an article on the post-cards of Great Britain, by J. C. Dallimore, and a continuation of the series on Cayman Islands stamps, by D. B. Armstrong, in collaboration with C. B. Bostwick and A. J. Watkin. The number is decidedly interesting.

The *West End Philatelist* (Eng.) contains a write-up by Bertram W. H. Poole on the Mauritius "Post Paid" stamps, illustrated with a cut of an unused block of five, showing the error "PENOE," recently purchased by the owner of the paper, Mr. Field. The whole process of the making of the stamps is explained carefully. The third installment of the editor's work on the stamps of Sierra Leone, dealing with the issues of 1860 to 1872, also is included.

This little paper doesn't print much, but what it prints is Philatelic meat.

No. 3 of *The Stamp World* (quarterly), published at Espes, Ala., is to hand, dated March. There is considerable interesting matter in it, but it is thrown together much after the nature of *The Philatelic West*, which militates against the paper as a whole. Nevertheless, it is an earnest of the renaissance of Philately in the South, and is doing a good work. An interesting feature is a section printed in Spanish, edited by Joaquin Segura of Mexico.

No. 9 of Vol. XX of the recently revived (and subsidized) *Philatelic Journal of America* consisted of eight pages and cover.

Dr. J. M. Holt's *Everybody's Philatelist* for April contains some clever notes on Fower's recent "Philatelic Anatomy," in which the Doctor does some dissecting on his own account, and not of stamps either.

The *Southern Philatelist* appeared in April enlarged to 12 pages of readable matter and advertising. The *Southern* is doing yeoman work in the interest of Philately in the South, and the editorial standard of the paper is advancing at a rate fully up to its evidences of material prosperity.

Henry George's little sheet, *The Philatelic Monthly*, published in Milwaukee, is so full of advertising that it is hard to say anything of its contents. Some meat ought to go with the sandwich, and it wouldn't hurt to have a little mustard thrown in for good measure, occasionally.

Dr. H. A. Davis continues to print good things in his *West Pocket Philatelist*. The paper is small only in size, and the series the Doctor is running on United States stamps contains a bunch of valuable information in condensed form.

Souvenir of The C. C. C. Banquet

Commenting on the reprints from the original Confederate plate, 10c. of the type of the 5c. No. 205, contained in the souvenir menu of the Columbus Collectors' Club banquet, the editor of *The Philatelic Journal of America* says:

"We happen to have some proofs from the original plate of the same 10c. Confederate stamp. These came to us years ago. Whether they were made by Confederate authorities or others we can not say. The proofs were taken many years ago, and never fail to interest collectors of proofs and essays. The varieties are as follows: Rose on white wove; dark blue on white thin laid; green on yellow wove."

Philatelic Literature

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone

Interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

To the Officers and Members of the American Philatelic Literature Society:

Gentlemen—I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me in electing me to the presidency of our Literature Society. I feel that a great and good work lies before us. It is one that will give us pleasure and recreation in the doing. Look at the progress that has been made in England and Germany. Some of the best known names in Philately are there prominent in the collection and classification of Philatelic Literature. We had a pioneer in this field, the lamented Tiffany. But not alone is he gone, but his collection of stamp books and papers—his Philatelic library is over the seas. Of late thousands and thousands of American stamp periodicals of every kind have been shipped into England and Germany, few of which will ever be sent back to this country. Therefore let us awaken to the opportunities which still lie all around us. For years a prominent collector in Austria boasted the only copy of a stamp paper published at Binghamton, N. Y., and it is gratifying to know that a collector on this side the water, Mr. Jos. A. Cook, has just picked up a second copy. Some of these old papers can still be had for a nominal sum, and the reading of these, the arranging, collecting and binding into permanent form, provide just as much healthy and profitable amusement as that other pastime, stamp collecting. Try it, those of you who have never interested yourselves in Philatelic literature. You will never regret having done so.

Our society name was not voted upon, but it is such a splendid choice that in the absence of any suggestion of another, it might be considered as adopted unanimously.

Our chief attention should be directed to American publications, especially those of the sixties, seventies and eighties. We should aim at collecting authentic information regarding everything published in the English language in the United States and Canada. To do this effectively we all must help. All should send in the information they have which is not already published in the various lists.

Let our society have for its chief object the compilation of an exhaustive reference list, which can be published in a tentative

form in the columns of the Stamp Collector first.

To do this intelligently we must have a historian or a supervising editor, and I call upon Messrs. Linn, Adair and Smith to counsel and select such a name. Then all having information should send it to the editor so that he can sift it properly, and avoid needless repetition.

I think our society with its monthly organ has a distinct advantage over the English society whose organ is a quarterly magazine.

There should be a Query and Answer Department. The historian should be the one to preside here. He should be a man who has the leisure, the necessary ability, the library back of him, and the love for our hobby. All these qualities in one man will be hard to find, but I think we have several such in our society.

Here is where we have the advantage over our English friends. Think of sending a query across the sea and waiting a month or two before seeing it in print, and then having to wait another full three months before seeing it answered.

We should have a cheap exchange column, where members can offer duplicates and make their wants known. In the *Eng-Journal* an advertising supplement was formerly a regular part of each issue. It now appears only occasionally for lack of patronage. Whether or not the rates were too high I can not say, but an exchange column in our monthly organ is bound to be a success. The plan I propose is not display advertisements, but something like two words for 1 cent.

One of the first tasks demanding attention is a series of papers dealing each with the printed issues of a city or state. In the case of such centers as Philadelphia, New York, Chicago, Boston, etc., a single town would be sufficient. We should encourage Philatelic patriotism. Every collector of means who lives in a big city should make it his object to acquire everything published about stamps in his home town. If he does not care for it specially, let him donate it to the public library of the city. What collector in Chicago or Philadelphia can say, I have everything ever published in my city? It is not easy at this late date

to do this, but it is not impossible if one only knew what was published and when. Therefore it would be a good thing to get an enthusiast in each town started to collect this information, and prepare a well written article on the complete issues.

A year ago I advocated that each state be made an object of special study in this respect. Mr. Heusinger has lately done this for the state of Texas in Mekeel's Wee...y. I will promise to do the same for Colorado. Who will do this job for Ohio or Pennsylvania? I have plenty of early papers of all kinds in my library which I will gladly donate to any well defined movement looking to completeness of any city or state.

And finally we need no librarian in my opinion. Instead of sending duplicates to one center, interchange among members is much more desirable since sooner or later all societies dissolve from view, and the library, too.

Yours fraternally,
CHARLES A. NAST,

President American Philatelic Literature Society.

Denver, Colo., April 24, 1910.

Fellow Members:—

I am not going to attempt to say very much this month for the reason that I am unable to do so. On Tuesday noon, the 10th, I went home and to bed and am there at this time, and the prospects are that I will be for several days to come.

But one new name is added to our membership list this month, and the membership cards are all ready, together with some application blanks, to send to all members. Several have already sent their \$1.00 dues, and those who have not done so should act at once.

The beautiful membership cards were donated to the society by The Stamp Collector.

The Council of the Society selected Mr. W. R. Ricketts of 1577 Wyoming avenue, Elm Lawn, Forty Fort, Pa., as Historian of the Society. This action was taken as soon as Mr. Nast's suggestion was published in the Stamp Journal, and Mr. Ricketts has very willingly consented to act. This feature will be a very beneficial one to members.

Mr. Nast's suggestion as to a cheap advertising medium for members has been supplied in our Wants and Offers column.

NEW MEMBERS.

Robert E. Ramsey, Box 397, Norfolk, Va.

Mr. Ricketts' work, which will consist of a chronicle of all new papers as fast as they are announced or appear, will be begun in the next issue. Send him any information you can supply along these lines.

Fraternally,
GEORGE W. LINN,
Secretary.



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A regular meeting of the Club was held at the usual place, April 7th, 1910, with President Crowell in the chair and the following members present: Good, Guscott, Moxan, Whittaker, Weigel, Beatty, Nixon, Barnum, Schneider, Rhodes, Lehman, Hanford, Larson, Bryant, Langdon, E. G. Hart, Waterhouse, Mack, Roegge, L. G. French. Visitors present were Wilson and Phillips.

The Board of Directors announced that the following were elected to membership: C. E. Severn and F. E. Farnham of Chicago, A. R. Fernald of Detroit, Jos. S. Rich of New York, E. M. Carpenter of Boston, A. C. Stewart of Toledo, H. S. Adair of Columbus and C. I. Cartwright of Cleveland, Ohio.

Minutes of previous meeting approved as read.

Secretary Beatty being obliged to leave on account of illness, W. H. Barnum acted as Secretary pro tem. for the balance of the evening.

Mr. Hanford, in the absence of Mr. Moses, reported for the entertainment committee that if agreeable to the members the next meeting would be a "Ladies' Night." Mr. Barnum and others objected to this program, but on motion the action of the committee was sustained by a vote of 9 to 7. Mr. Hanford further reported that but two essays had been submitted, and that this portion of the program would be held open to the next meeting. Upon request, Messrs. Rhodes and Weigel agreed to submit essays.

Upon motion of Barnum, seconded by Weigel, the Secretary was instructed to empower the Sales Superintendent to remove every member who failed to abide by the rules of his department from further participation therein.

Mr. Good made final report of Anniversary Committee, and after a motion that the small deficit of \$4.10 be paid from the Club treasury had been carried, the committee was discharged with thanks.

The Entertainment Committee presented a puzzle in the form of five stamps, printed in the same shade of carmine, cut into minute parts, the members to place the parts together to form the complete stamps. Mr. French succeeded first in nine minutes, Messrs. Bryant and Crowell being second and third respectively. The other contest was arranged for what fun might be obtained from it, the committee having hidden 20 stamps around the room, the member finding the greatest number being adjudged the winner. Mr. Bryant proved to be the Sherlock Holmes of the occasion, with five to his credit. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p. m.

W. H. BARNUM,
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April 5 the eightieth meeting was held with nine members and one visitor, Mr. A. R. Fernald of Detroit, present. Mr. Fernald was proposed for passive membership, and his name was ordered posted for the required length of time. Only routine business was transacted and the meeting adjourned early.

The eighty-first meeting was held April 19th, thirteen members and one visitor being present. The following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, Mr. Thos. F. Sheckels, Secretary of District of Columbia Branch No. 36, American Philatelic Society, died on the

13th of this month;

Resolved, That the Columbus Collectors' Club offer their sincere sympathy to District of Columbia Branch.

Mr. A. R. Fernald of Detroit was elected to passive membership and Mr. Henry Ades Fowler was proposed for the same.

The eighty-second regular meeting, held May 3, at which fifteen members and one visitor were present, was the occasion of the auction for the benefit of the Club's Library Fund. One hundred and twenty-one lots of stamps and about 27 of Philatelic literature were sold, and nearly \$100 was realized for the Library Fund. Had it not been for the street car men's strike a much larger sum would undoubtedly have been realized, but the prices were very satisfactory as it was. The money thus obtained places the Librarian in position to make some much needed purchases. The members are urged to make more use of the splendid collection of books now available for reference.

Differences in Catalogue Prices

The necessity for a stamp catalogue which shall serve the requirements of collectors, and not merely reflect the state of dealers' stocks, which gave rise, in the Atlantic City convention, to an effort to devise a specialized catalogue of United States stamps, has been emphasized in a series of letters and comments in *The Postage Stamp*, edited by Fred J. Melville. This English publication comments extensively on comparisons of prices and conditions governing them, but speaks discouragingly of the outlook for obtaining relief. We quote from a recent issue:

I am afraid it would serve no useful purpose to open up the old, old question of the collectors' catalogue at this juncture, says the editor. It will doubtless provide occasion for many long screeds from writers and speakers for years and years and years. But it may interest readers to note some comments on the pricing question published some time back by Mr. Ewen in his journal. He says:

"Here is another remarkable instance of varying catalogue prices:

"Porto Rico, baby-head, 1890, 40-cents, orange—	
Senf, 1908, used	20s. (\$5.00)
Kohl, 1908, used	20s. (\$5.00)
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Official Catalogue, 1908, used	12s. (\$3.00)
Scoti, 1908, used	8s. (\$2.00)

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 Whi field King, 1908, used 3s. (\$.75)
 Bright & Son, 1908, used 2s. 6d. (\$.62)

"The collector who buys at half catalogue in Germany will thus be paying two and one-half times the English catalogue price. It is again noticeable how the catalogues of each country follow one another in the matter of pricing.

"The Colonial Stamp Market's buying rate for this stamp is 2s., but, perhaps, it is needless to say no transactions have taken place at this price. The collector or dealer who has any naturally sends them to the continent, where he will do much better, even if he gets only a third or a quarter of the quotations ruling there. On the other hand, if an English dealer attempts to compete with the continent by offering say 3s. or 4s. apiece for the stamp, how is he to make a profit? If he attempts to sell it in this country, he will be told it is too dear for his clients, whose complete ignorance of its international market value does not prevent them from expressing very decided opinions. Their only argument is that it is catalogued so much by so-and-so, and they seem to think that is the beginning and the end of the discussion.

"It will be seen from the foregoing example that a collector may often make a better bargain by paying full catalogue price than by buying at half. In the case of the above stamp the English collector buying at full catalogue is better off than the German collector paying half, yet the latter probably is pleased with his 'bargain,' whilst the former is grumbling at the dearthness of his acquisition!

"It is very often a fact that a collector who buys only at half catalogue makes a worse investment than one who pays full price. It stands to reason that a dealer who sells at a big reduction must stock in a large proportion those stamps which are falling in value or stamps which are quoted above their international market value; stamps which he knows to be rising in value he keeps in his safe, but those which are quoted higher in foreign catalogues he sells abroad. The collector who buys at a big discount off catalogue thus is filling up his collection with stamps which are falling in value, if only he knew it. The collector who asks only a moderate discount from catalogue gets a much wider choice of stamps, if he is wide-awake. But as few collectors are competent enough to know what is going up, they can be sure of not missing the good ones only by insisting on completeness."

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The Editor's Foreword

The Official Organ

As the date for the Detroit convention draws near, members of the American Philatelic Society find themselves confronted with the problem involving an official organ, precipitated in its present form by the ruling of the Post Office Department that members of a society who receive its official journal are not bona fide subscribers thereto within the meaning of the department's rules, and cannot be charged for such a paper and made to accept it unless they signify their desire to receive it. The problem is serious, and merits serious consideration.

As we see it, there is little possibility that the Society will attempt to publish its own official organ during the coming year. It takes preparation of many kinds and along many lines, carefully thought out and carried to unhurried conclusion, to start such a venture successfully. Much as we desire to see the Society publish its own journal, we desire much more to see that journal successful, when once started, and therefore much prefer that one, or if necessary, both of the well-established stamp weeklies, be contracted with to publish the official matter of the Society, while plans are being laid by a competent committee for the great work which the organization must, soon or late, undertake.

Article IX of the By-Laws specifically provides that each member shall receive the Official Journal, and that the Society "shall pay" the publishers such a sum as may be agreed on for this service. Under the new ruling from Washington this cannot be done, as regards the members, unless they signify their desire to receive the paper. Manifestly, as many of the members want Redfield's, they will not be satisfied to pay

for Mekeel's and then not get it; and those who want Mekeel's will not be satisfied to pay in their dues for Redfield's, which cannot be sent to them by the Society, and have to pay for Mekeel's out of their own pockets. The only fair thing to be done, therefore, as we see it, is for the Society to contract with both papers at a price, and send to each member the paper he desires, as expressed by his vote.

This probably will not be wholly satisfactory to any one, and least of all to the present official organ, but it seems to offer the only present solution to a very perplexing problem.

In view of the very explicit wording of Article IX of the By-Laws, we do not see how the Society can get out of sending to any member the paper he desires, or, on the other hand, if it refuses to subscribe in his behalf for the paper he wants, how it can refuse to accept in lieu of \$1.20 a year's dues, an amount as much less than \$1.20 as he will have to pay for the paper, whether it be Redfield's or Mekeel's.

As to Mr. Morris

Having waited long to explicitly deny what it could have denied several weeks ago, the Official Organ at last has told us that Charles R. Morris, candidate for director to succeed Mr. Adair as secretary, is not an employe of that paper. We have no desire to do injustice to Mr. Morris, or even to the Official Organ, and we regret whatsoever injustice may have been done by the publication of a statement given to us as a fact and accepted by us in good faith. But Mr. Morris must remember that his close connection with the Official Organ and his intimate relations with its management are of themselves sufficient to arouse distrust on the part of hundreds of

members of the Society. The "rule or ruin" policy of the Official Organ has been apparent so long, its game of grab has been so persistently played, and it has been so consistently against every effort to make real progress, that confidence in those closely associated with it naturally is subverted in the minds of many. Mr. Morris has done earnest, if in some cases, ineffective work for the Society, but his candidacy was announced under unfavorable auspices, and if he is defeated, he can justly blame his too close association with Mekeel's.

American Academy of Philately

Hearty commendation given to the idea advanced in *The Stamp Collector* that the time is ripe for the formation of an American Academy of Philately is gratifying alike to editor and publisher. That the suggestion struck a responsive chord in the minds of some of the best thinkers among American Philatelists emphasizes that it is time something of this kind should be done. That it is time does not mean that we should go ahead and organize, out of hand, an inchoate and incongruous body, to begin, without proper consideration or financing, the great work of sifting the wheat from the chaff of American Philatelic history. It means, simply, that we must begin, earnestly, and with full appreciation of the difficulties involved, to consider ways and means to bring about such an organization; to analyze the subject from all standpoints and viewpoints, and to consider those aspects which may be expected to develop difficulties so that when the Academy is launched, its organization will be along broad lines, with definite objects in view, with reasonably complete machinery in hand to bring to pass the results sought, and with its powers and responsibilities thoroughly defined and understood. There are great difficulties in the way of the successful organization of such a body, but though great, they are not insuperable, and if approached in the right spirit, with full determination to solve the problems, once for all, and to perfect the proper organization of what might be termed a Philatelic tribunal of last resort, there is no reason why, within the next two years, the Academy could not hold its first session, and set its machinery in operation.

Mr. Barnum's Candidacy

There is no indication now of lukewarmness in the campaign for the election of Mr. Barnum, of Cleveland, to the A. P. S. directorate, to succeed Mr. Adair as secretary. Redfield's has delivered a heavy broadside in his favor, and other Philatelic interests are speaking strongly in his behalf. From now on it may be expected that the campaign will be earnestly conducted and in such a way as to commend itself and his interests to the friendly attention of the thinking members of the Society.

Mr. Barnum's long service and membership, his known ability and his great personal popularity should tend to make the vote in his favor overwhelming, and his friends must not fail to see that a full vote is cast. There must be no "laying down before the draw," or even "standing on a pat hand." Every effort possible must be made to get for him every vote that may be honorably obtained, because only in that way can victory be assured and a fitting rebuke given to those who are seeking to dominate the secretary's office—as they did the Board of Vice Presidents for so long—for their own selfish purposes and ends.

Second British Congress

It was intended to include in this number of *The Stamp Collector* a summary of the proceedings of the Second British Philatelic Congress, held in London in April, but because the proceedings have been so thoroughly covered in Redfield's and Mekeel's and because (and chiefly) the English accounts of the proceedings are marked by a dominant note of doubt of the value of the Congress, no more than passing allusion will be given to it. There seems to have been a plethora of long discussions, which began nowhere, traveled in a circle and ended in nothing. The most important action was the appointment of a committee to secure greater uniformity in the use of Philatelic terms, the result of whose efforts is expected to be the production of a Philatelic dictionary. Another committee was appointed to see what could be done to prevent the manufacture and sale of forged postage stamps. Otherwise, the business sessions of the Congress seem to have been exceedingly mediocre. So reliable and staid a paper as *The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* frankly pokes fun at the gathering, the salient points of which seem to have been long discussions and—at the banquet—dirty collars and abnormal appetites. If correct judgment is possible at this distance, the Congress was rather worse than an American convention, without the redeeming features of the latter incident to permanent membership and organization and a fixed order of business.

Marginalia

WE WAS DOWN to Phoenix last month to visit the Rough Riders' Stamp Club. Bill Bascom showed us a 2-cent 1894 U. S. Watermark on cover, perforated once to nine millimeters through the middle by a Mauser bullet. Bill told us the reason he wasn't perforated at the same time was because the perforator stuck in the leather cover to the flask he wore over his heart. He says the stamp smells of good licker yet, but as we had a bad cold we couldn't substantiate his statement.—Arizona Philatelist.

THE OFFICIAL ORGAN says the Rhode Island Philatelic Society (which is not a branch of the A. P. S.) has indorsed the candidacy of Charles R. Morris of Washington for secretary of the A. P. S. The secretary of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society, in his Society report in the same (May 7) number, says it was voted that the A. P. S. members of the R. I. P. S. indorse the candidacy of Mr. Morris. This is a fair example of Official Organ methods.

THE RECENTLY REVIVED and unsuspectingly subsidized Philatelic Journal of America in a recent number began *The Confessions of an Editor*, which must be exceedingly interesting to those who put up one-fifty to learn, in eight pages and an attractive cover, that the editor finds suburban real estate more to his liking than getting out the paper which he says 5000 Philatelists paid him in advance to publish.

VENEZUELA IS TO celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of its independence next year, by the issue of a commemorative postage stamp, among other things, but we suspect that the cause for the rejoicing really lies in its having got rid of Castro. The thought fills us with forebodings, lest Nicaragua celebrate the elimination of Zeyala in the same way.

AN ENGLISH PAPER recently printed a story about a post card, mailed six years ago, which has just been delivered to the addressee, six miles from where it was mailed. That must be the

post card on which Editor Wylie wrote to Compatriot Howes the intention of the Official Organ not to try to run the American Philatelic Society any longer.

WE ARE RELIABLY advised that the British Government intends to get out its King George coins before it turns its attention to a new issue of postage stamps. Some of the stamp-issuing-for-philatelic-revenue colonies should take advantage of the opportunity to get out a new and altogether useless issue to fill in the interregnum.

THAT SIREN SINGER seems to have charmed The People With the Goods to good advantage, if one may judge from the powerful indorsement recently accorded him in a letter to Mekeel's. But his song must have sounded more like the scream of an eagle.

SCOTT'S MONTHLY CIRCULAR advances the quotation for the 5c U. S. 1847 from \$1 to \$1.25. The enterprising publisher must want to accumulate some. They're bringing from \$1.70 to \$2.20 at auction in this neck of the woods.

WE ARE RELIABLY informed that there were two printings of the 15th September Salvador, and that watermarked as well as unwatermarked paper was used, used copies of both printings and of both papers having reached this country on—and not in—mail matter. We merely throw this out to reassure those benighted collectors who collect Salvadors. We do not.

Guatemala Provisional Issue of 1886

The Republic of Guatemala on March 6, 1886, issued a set of provisionals, made by surcharging the 1 peso railway tax stamps with different values, 25c, 50c, 75c, 100c and 150c, respectively, writes J. R. M. Albrecht in *Gibbons' Stamp Weekly* for April 16. The article, with its illustrations and diagrams, legal and mechanical history of the stamps and classification of the errors, will do much to remove the suspicion with which the majority of uninformed collectors view this issue, and by so doing will raise the Philatelic credit of a country that probably is most deserving of Philatelic attention of any of the Central American states. Mr. Albrecht then quotes the decree authorizing the issue, as follows:

"Whereas, there is evidence of the necessity of putting into circulation postage stamps of higher values than those of the

issue of 1881, in order to supply this need, the Acting President decrees:

"1—That a provisional issue be made, divided into five lots, of the following values:

300,000 of 25 cents
300,000 of 50 cents
250,000 of 75 cents
150,000 of 100 cents
100,000 of 150 cents

"2—These provisionals are legalized for the expressed values, and will circulate until a new and uniform issue is made."

This decree was published under date of Feb. 12, 1886, signed by Minister Herrera and rubricated by the President at the Palace of the Government. It was published in *The Philatelic Record* for April, 1886, the editor of which added:

"The order to the Postmaster General authorized the employment of the remain-

der of the stock of stamps used for the payment of the Northern Railway tax (suspended) for making this issue."

Le Timbre-Poste for September, 1886, contained the following postal notice, giving the actual date of the issue:

"NOTICE—In virtue of the Decree of the Government dated the 11th February last, there are put in circulation, from this day, the postage stamps at 25 to 150 centavos each, which will be available provisionally, pending the new issue.

"General Post Office.

"Guatemala, the 6th March, 1886."

The Railway stamps were originally printed in sheets of 100, 10 horizontal rows of 10, but were broken up before being surcharged. The three lower values were surcharged in half-sheets of 50, the original sheets being divided vertically; the 100c and 150c in quarter-sheets of 25. Complete blocks have margins on two sides only, the margin being always removed from the top in the half-sheets. Several different fonts of type were used in making up the settings; the principal varieties are described under the different printings, but I do not think it is necessary to describe all the very minor varieties of figures and letters. The stamps were in use from March 6 to July 1, 1886, on which date the lithographed set was issued. By an agreement between the Guatemala Government and an engineer named Parker, the latter supplied the lithographed set, taking in payment the remainders of the surcharged Railway stamps and the Bird (quetzal) issue of 1881. The remainders of the provisionals may be found postmarked to order with a circular cancellation inscribed "CORREOS, 1881"; the top portion only is visible on my specimen, so this will not be the complete inscription. Another is cancelled "GUATEMALA" within a circle. Both are struck in black. Specimens postmarked with a five-rayed star most likely have done postal duty, as this is a genuine postal cancellation, but one cannot be sure unless they are on the entire envelope. Two bogus surcharges have been printed on genuine Railway stamps, inscribed "Correos, 3 centavos, Guatemala," and "Correos, 5cts, Guatemala." The first is found inverted.

THE 25, 50 AND 75 CENTAVOS.

These three values were surcharged with the same setting-up, the figures only being altered to make the different values. The value was expressed five times on each stamp, four times in figures with the letter "c," and once in figures with the word "centavos." The errors and varieties of type may be divided into two groups, those that occur on all the printings of each value and those that occur only on certain printings and certain values.

Group 1—Errors and varieties that occur on all sheets of the three printings:

(a) Error "centavos," fifth stamp in the sixth row.

(b) Error "centanos," fifth stamp in the third row.

(c) "s" of "Nacionales" inverted, fourth stamp in the first row and fifth stamp in the sixth row.

(d) Raised stop after "centavos," fourth stamp in the fourth row.

(e) Comma after fourth 50c, third stamp in the sixth row.

(f) Variety of type, antique "a" in "centavos," fourth stamp in third row, third and fourth stamps in fourth row, second stamp in sixth row, third stamp in eighth row, and second and fifth stamps in ninth row.

			c	
			f	z
		f	df	
	f	e		ac
		f		
	f			f

Group 1

Group 2—Errors and varieties of type that occur only in certain printings, or in certain values, taking each value separately:

a			a	a
	a			
a			a	
ac				
b	b	b	b	ab

Group II

25 CENTAVOS.

Printing A, containing the error "255" instead of "25," in the last line of the surcharge. I have not seen a copy of this error, which is given in the American catalogues.

Printing B, the error "255" corrected. The errors with no "t" in "centavo" have been described as occurring in a separate printing, and together with the error "Correccionales" instead of "Correos Nacionales" have been given catalogue rank, but they are only due to the type being insufficiently inked, and not to the absence of the letters. Many other similar instances occur, several being listed by Mr. Anheiser in the Stamp News Annual for 1896, but it seems to me they cannot be used to distinguish different printings.

50 CENTAVOS.

Printing A, error "Co" of "Correos" raised, on the first stamp in the first row.

Printing B, the error in Printing A corrected, stop after "Guatemala" lower than the normal position.

Printing C, low stop after "Guatemala" corrected; "o s" of "Correos" spaced on second stamp in sixth row.

Printing D, the error "o s" corrected, leaving only the errors and varieties of Group I.

75 CENTAVOS.

There are at least two printings of this value. Printing A contains the error "ales" of "Nacionales" inverted. I have only a single specimen, so cannot give its position.

Printing B, the error "ales" inverted corrected; "50c" instead of second "75c" on the first stamp of the seventh row.

Double print. The sheet surcharged a second time, diagonally to the left. The same, with the second surcharge diagonally to the right, 29 stamps receiving the second impression.

The error "Carreos" occurs on all the printings of the 50c and 75c just described, it being on the third stamp in the sixth row. It does not exist on the 25c. There are different types of the figures of value in all the printings, also varieties with stops missing, but the latter in some cases, if not all, are due to insufficient inking. The 25c and 50c exist with the surcharge inverted.

The 100c and 150c were printed from settings different from that of the lower values and from each other. There are minor varieties of the figures, as in the lower values.

100 CENTAVOS.

There appears to be only one printing of this value, containing the following:

Varieties of type. (a) In the ornament between the third and fourth indications of the value the upper and lower leaves are solid on the following: The first, fourth and fifth stamps in the first row; the second stamp in the second row; the first and fourth stamps in the third row; the first stamp in the fourth row, and the fifth stamp in the fifth row.

(b) The word "Guatemala" measures $18\frac{1}{2}$ mm. on the first four rows, but on the bottom row it measures 23 mm., and the letters are shorter and thicker.

(c) Error—The first figure of value "110" and the third "a00," instead of "100," on the first stamp in the fourth row.

Double Print—The sheet surcharged a second time diagonally to the left.

This value also exists with the surcharge inverted, but it is scarce; in fact, it has been stated that only one sheet was so printed. If this is so, only one copy of the error can exist with inverted surcharge. Sheets are found inked all over the back.

150 CENTAVOS.

Printing A, Variety—Italic figures "5" in first four figures of value on the first stamp in the second row.

Errors—"G" of "Guatemala" inverted on the second stamp in the first row.

"Guatemala" spelled "Guatemala" on the first stamp in the second row.

Ornament between third and fourth indications of value inverted on the first stamp in the fifth row.

The same printing inverted.

Printing B, the same as A, but the inverted "G" corrected. In some sheets the surcharge was so misplaced that a row of the surcharge fell on the top or side margin, leaving a row of stamps without surcharge, thus forming five pairs, either vertical or horizontal, of variety "(k) 150c plus 1 peso" in Stanley Gibbons' catalogue.

Printing C, with both errors, inverted "G" and "Guatemala," corrected.

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. **C.** One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.

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Redfield's Stamp Weekly

This able journal for the last month (including the April 30 issue) has been filled with good things. Beginning with its comprehensive resume of the Seybold sale, which it justly described as "the most important stamp auction ever held in America," the paper has been replete with interest and information of Philatelic value. It has continued its interesting history of the American Philatelic Society, has dealt broadly with the questions now holding the attention of the organization and of collectors generally, and has been continuously in the forefront in collecting and disseminating stamp information. By a curious co-incidence it advocated an American Philatelic Congress at the same time The Stamp Collector advanced the idea for an American Academy of Philately, but at once, recognizing the broader and more enduring scope of the Academy idea, gave its hearty support to that project. Incidental to these and many other things, it has been a consistent booster of the Metropolitan association for which it chronicles a total membership at the end of May of 359. More power to the "Met" and its official journal!

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News

The Official Organ has printed a number of interesting things during the last month—in fact, too many of them to bear even mentioning them all in so brief a note as must be given in view of the great number of stamp papers claiming the editor's attention. Collectors of U. S. envelopes will enjoy "Current 2c Envelope Dies," by "Pessimist," in the May 7 number. He isn't half as pessimistic as his name lists, and he purveys plenty of information to delight the specialist. In the same number Henry J. Crocker has an article on the 1889 issue of the 5c and 15c 1853 type of the Hawaiian stamps of which he writes so well. Issues of May 14 and 21 give considerable space to the death of King Edward and the accession of George V., and the former has an interesting article on the puzzling U. S. 24c Continental print. The latter contains a comprehensive report of the Second British Philatelic Congress. The issue of May 28 takes up in extenso the die varieties of the current 2c envelope, has an interesting article on Australians, and reprints an Armstrong article on Hong Kong postmarks. L. Harald Kjellstedt considers at length the points recently raised by Editor Nast of The Stamp Journal in regard to the government's liability for registered

packages. It chronicles the membership of the A. P. S. as being 1931.

Philadelphia Stamp News

This hustling youngster in Philatelic journalism is doing things, and though the rough edges have not been worn off in entirety, the paper is a distinct credit to its editor and to the cause. In one issue is confirmed the reported find of a secret mark on the 2c U. S. 1908. Editor Mann's office boy has taken a hand in the editing of the paper, and some of his sayings are decidedly good. The Washington news department, recently inaugurated, seems to be up-to-date and reliable. Illustrations in red, however, hardly add to the appearance of the paper.

The Stamp Journal

Editor Nast's May number is full of good things in the way of a Philatelic menu. Those interested in revenue stamps can hardly afford to miss any number of The Stamp Journal, for there is none other who writes so understandingly and interestingly of these stamps as Brother Nast, and the May number is right up to the usual standard, with copious "Notes on Revenue Stamps," and nearly half a page on "Provisional Proprietaries." There is an interesting article on "The Postmaster's 5c Scrip," also by the editor; William Evans continues his comprehensive series on Canal Zone stamps; nearly a page is devoted to the idiosyncrasies of the Post-office department, and editorial, exchanges and other departments are full of good reading.

From the Foreign Exchanges

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly

Gibbons', in the last of April and the May numbers, has been filled with much Philatelic meat, of the kind that is both digestible and nourishing. Bertram W. H. Poole continues his series on "Countries of the World," there being three instalments on Heligoland, and the series not completed. C. F. Dendy Marshall furnishes three instalments of his notes on British postmarks since 1840; W. T. Elliot writes interestingly of the 6d. Papua; D. B. Armstrong writes of Twentieth century colonials, and L. Hanciau contributes an article on stamps at the Brussels exhibition. Charles J. Phillips, who evidently has completed his notes of his South American trip, has some interesting "Topical Notes" in two numbers, and "Desdichado" continues

his series on *tete-beches*. One number is devoted chiefly to the complete proceedings of the Second Philatelic Congress, and another devotes much space to the life and death of King Edward, besides having a handsome portrait. Part of the Phillips notes are devoted to United and Confederate States postmasters' locals.

The Stamp Lover

Melville's clever paper for May opens with some notes on the stamps of Holland—a paper read on a display given in London in January. The early issues are copiously illustrated, showing not only what might be called authorized differences but also accidental differences, due chiefly to slipping of graving tools. Much attention is given to perforations of the later issues. There is an interesting letter on foreign postmarks, by J. Arnott Hamilton, and Ralph Wedmore begins a series on the stamps of Prussia which should appeal strongly to collectors of these old stamps. "Single C. A." has the first installment of an article on Savage Island and Its Postage Stamps, relating to New Zealand's first effort in a colonial policy. The paper, as it always is, is thoroughly interesting.

Philatelic Journal of Great Britain

Manifestly, the editor of this paper was not much impressed with the practical value, or the tangible results to be achieved, by the Second British Philatelic Congress. The whole tone of his review of the proceedings is rather deprecatory, and another regular contributor to its columns pokes considerable fun at it. Much of the trouble seems to be incident to the temporary nature of the membership, caused by the delegate system. F. F. Lamb furnishes some interesting notes on early Canadian issues, and there is a superb and superbly illustrated department of new emissions. A memorial page to the late king is made up by printing Punch's memorial Poem framed in stamps of the empire bearing portraits of the dead monarch. It makes a very attractive showing.

Notes of the Exchanges

Dr. H. A. Davis continues his illuminating series on the stamps of the United States in his *Vest Pocket Philatelist*, which contains a maximum of interesting matter in a minimum of space. The Doctor protests that it is purely an amateur publication, but it is filled with matter worthy of place in a much more pretentious journal.

The *Transcript*, published weekly at Commerce, Ga., comes weekly to the editor's desk, a worthy exemplar of the renaissance of Philatelic interest in the South. Though not wholly a stamp paper, it is printing an increasing amount of Philatelic

news, which is put up in attractive and readable form.

Dr. John Milton Holt's *Everybody's Philatelist* reports an increasing activity and interest in stamp matter on the north-west Pacific coast, and bears, in its increased size and liberal advertising, evidence of its share in the current prosperity. The May number contains one of the interesting Crocker articles on the rare Hawaiian missionary stamps. Arrangements are being announced for the inauguration of a new issue chronicle.

The May 15 number of the *Philatelic Journal of America* redeems in a measure the skimpy appearance of the two preceding numbers. It contains, among other interesting things, an illustrated article on Filipino insurgent stamps. Two covers, one with a pair and the other with a single, postally used, are reproduced. This, at least, should prove the worthiness of these stamps to be catalogued, a contention the editor of *The Stamp Collector* always has supported. A section of the Bellows "Campeche" is included.

Those who are interested in precancels should take the *Attleboro Philatelists*, should take the *Attleboro Philatelist*, ing branch of *American Philately*. The May number illustrates a number of Canadian precancels. The organization of a new precancel club is noted, with the editor of the paper, E. Percy Collingwood, Attleboro, Mass., as president.

Alfred Smith & Son's *Monthly Circular*, in its May number, gives rather a non-committal account of the Second British Congress. Like most of the English journals, it praises the entertainment and hospitality features of the Congress, and has little to say of the possibility of tangible results.

A recent number of *The Hobbyist*, Winnipeg, contains a well-directed disquisition on the condition crank. The article is thoroughly to the point. Undoubtedly insistence on perfection has been carried to ridiculous extremes, especially as affecting old issues, which rarely, if ever, are to be found in this condition.

Shreveport's other paper, *The Dixie Philatelist*, recites briefly the growth of Philatelic interest in the South, and takes justifiable pride in the part it is playing in the growth. It contains a number of interesting stamp notes.

Scott's *Monthly Circular* for May chronicles the sale of the Ecuador triangular remainders at a figure said to be about \$9700. It also advances the catalogue price of the 5c. 1847 U. S. used to \$1.25. It is announced that Belgium is about to enter the charity stamp field.

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The Publisher's Page

"War is hell" is an old saying which is admitted to be true, but I have also discovered in the past two months that to be sick is hell, especially if the sick man happens to be the publisher of a Philatelic magazine.

As an excuse for the late appearance of the May number and for the appearance of this number dated June-July, I want to inform my readers that I was sick abed from May 10 to June 8, and that altho at this writing I am up and around, I am not fully able to give all matters the attention which they deserve. Mr. Quackenbush's note in Redfield's of June 18th expresses my feelings about the lateness of The Stamp Collector. He says: "All's well that ends well, and we congratulate Mr. Linn on his recovery, which is a far more important matter than the promptness or lateness of his magazine."

Upwards of two hundred cards and letters were delivered to me while still in bed, each writer wanting to know: "Where is the May number?" I was unable to an-

swer these at the time, and trust the receipt of the number in question will be considered as a satisfactory answer. This large number of inquiries also shows that collectors appreciate The Stamp Collector, and they will serve as a reminder for steady improvement in the magazine.

Mr. H. Wesley Legg has sent us his advertisement, which was clipped from our May issue, and he says: "This shows your paper is well read. I received the enclosed clipping from some anonymous friend in Chicago before I had seen the ad. myself."

Across the bottom margin of the ad. was written: "Have another drink, Harry?" There is no doubt but that Harry will be Johnny on the spot in August.

Rev. L. G. Dorpat, of Wayside, Wis., says in the June Philatelic West: "Mr. George W. Linn, of Columbus, O., has for many years aimed at accomplishing the publication of a first-class stamp paper, and now, in The Stamp Collector, of which he is publisher and editor, he is realizing his ambition. The paper was good from the start, but every succeeding number is a slight improvement over the one before. There is original matter not only in wording but in ideas. * * * Mr. Dorpat then refers to the proposed American Academy of Philately as outlined in The Stamp Collector. I am quoting the above simply to call attention to the fact that Mr. Linn is the publisher of The Stamp Collector, but is not the editor, that is, he manages and lays out the magazine and is responsible for its general appearance and for proposing some of its regular features, but that the editorial matter which generally occupies the first two or three pages is the work of Mr. Paul Mason. Would it not be a good plan for Mr. Dorpat and others, too, who have labored under wrong impressions, to read thoroughly the heading on this page and thus become acquainted with the gentlemen who are doing their full share of the work in making The Stamp Collector a first-class publication?"

Just as we go to press we learn the sad news of the death of Mrs. Henry N. Mudge, of Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Mudge will be remembered as the leader of the social activities of the American Philatelic Society conventions and for her simple grace and charm which endeared her to all. It will be a sad blow indeed to the many who looked forward to meeting her at these annual gatherings.

The Stamp Collector and its readers extend to Mr. Mudge its heartfelt sympathy in the loss of his life's companion.

Resolutions of sympathy were adopted by the Columbus Collectors Club at their meeting Tuesday evening, July 12.

Record of New Issues

GEORGE K. SMITH, JR.
Office at 801 The Outlook Building
COLUMBUS, OHIO, U. S. A.

Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Brunei

Current type in new color, reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

2c., black-brown.

Costa Rica

Mekeel's Weekly reports a new set of small stamps, line-engraved and printed in single colors, inscribed "Costa Rica Correos" and "U. P. U. 1909" at top and value in words and figures at bottom.

Adhesives—

1c., brown (Statue of Juan Santa Maria).

2c., green (Juan Mora).

4c., red (Jose M. Canas).

5c., orange (Mauro Fernandez).

10c., blue (Branlio Carillo).

20c., dark olive (Julian Valio).

25c., purple (Eusebio Figuerroa).

Cyprus

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the 30 par. of the current set in a modified shade which they describe as violet and green.

Ecuador

The 5c fiscal of "1907-1908" has been overprinted "Un Centavo" exactly the same as Scott's No. 155, according to Mekeel's Weekly.

Eritrea

Mekeel's Weekly chronicles the 25c Italian stamp overprinted "Colonia Eritrea" in black.

Gold Coast

There are two varieties of the recently issued ½d and 1d stamps, the difference being in the thickness of the letters of "Gold Coast," according to Mekeel's Weekly.

Great Britain

We chronicle the new value, issued, we learn, on May 4, a copy having been sent us by the New England Stamp Co.

Adhesive—

7d., grey-black.

Italy

From Gibbons' Stamp Weekly we learn that one sheet of 300 stamps of the 1c brown, 1901, was issued imperforate and that the greater part of the sheet was sold to the public and used for postal purposes.

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the new set issued to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Sicily. The stamps are of large size, in-

scribed "Francobollo-Postale Italiano" at top in two lines, "1860" and "1910" at bottom. Values appear in circles at lower corners and arms (or should we say legs) of Sicily in circle in center of lower label, portrait of Garibaldi in oblong frame in the center. The 5c stamp was sold for 10c and the 1c for 20c, the additional amount thus raised to be turned into the fund for the Fetes at Palermo, according to Mekeel's Weekly.

Mauritius

The following have been shown us by Mr. W. H. Field, of this city, except the last value, which is reported by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly. The stamps are of the new arms type and of the De La Rue King's Head type:

Adhesives—

Arms type:

1c., black, ordinary.

2c., brown, ordinary.

3c., green, ordinary.

4c., pale yellow-green and rose, chalky.

6c., carmine, ordinary.

8c., orange, ordinary.

15c., ultramarine, ordinary.

King's Head type:

5c., grayish-slate and rose, chalky.

12c., Grayish-slate, ordinary.

25c., black on yellow, chalky.

50c., dull purple and black, chalky.

10r., green and red on green, chalky.

Mexico

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports a new type of overprint on the official stamps, same being typeset instead of handstamped and is applied horizontally.

Official Adhesives—

2c., green.

3c., brown.

4c., rose-red.

10c., orange and blue.

15c., purple and lavender.

20c., deep blue and vermillion.

New Zealand

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the current 2d Postage Due stamp printed in green and rose, instead of green and red.

Northern Nigeria

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the ½d in single color, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

½d., green.

Salvador

Additional value of new set, reported by Mekeel's Weekly.



Adhesive—

6c., dark green and black.

Spain

Ewen's Weekly Stamp News is authority for the statement that a new perforating machine, guaging 13x12½ has been used for all values of the new set.

Sweden

The New England Stamp Company sends us the first value of the new set to appear.

Adhesive—

4 ore, deep violet.

United States

Stanley Gibbons, Inc., of New York, report the discovery in their stock of the 6c 1895 on paper watermarked U. S. I. R.

Notes of The Exchanges

(Continued from Page 145)

A. C. Roessler's Stamp News anniversary number (May) makes up in quality for the delay in getting it out, and the offense can easily be forgiven, because the June number comes with it. There is an interesting article on "The Hero of Five Republics," Simon Bolivar, contributed by L. W. Charlat; a better-than-average stamp story, and a plain talk to Uncle Sam about the poor perforating seen on his postage stamps. The June number contains some valuable information about the recently discovered Thomasville locals.

The Southern Philatelist bears evidence of the increased interest in stamp matters in the South by a larger May number, with better appearance, better matter and more ads. If it were not for an uncalled-for "knock" on the A. P. S., by an irresponsible writer, the May number of this enterprising paper, published by Leon Carter Grosjean at Shreveport, La., would be beyond criticism.

No. 7 of the New York Philatelist contains a readable article on some inflated stamp values, based chiefly on some recent remarks by Dr. H. A. Davis on the \$5 value, 1902. The writer declares they are

being hoarded much as were the \$1 Columbians, and points out that they are likely to take the same course.

The West End Philatelist (Eng.), a memorial number for King Edward, contains an interesting article on the Postmasters' stamps of St. Louis, copiously illustrated. There is also an article on errors of color, and the editor continues his instructive series on the issues of Sierra Leone. The publisher announces that King George V. purchased, just before his accession, the block of five "post-paid" Mauritius illustrated in the April Number.

The Educational Committee

The Educational Committee of the A. P. S. is now sending out its second circular, being about Australia. To those who are not familiar with the manner in which the committee is working a few words of explanation might be given. The Committee places advertising in such magazines as are apt to be read by young Americans and offers for 3c in stamps to prepay postage, etc., a set of stamps from Australia, together with a folder giving a brief history of the country and a description of the stamps. The folder consists of 8 pages and is very neatly printed, a stamp from each of the five divisions of Australia being mounted in a printed square at the top of five different pages, a description of the stamp and some facts about the colony are printed below each stamp, the other three pages containing a map of Australia and a brief history of the country. The whole folder is gotten up and arranged in such an attractive manner that it can't fail to induce many people to become stamp collectors. With this folder the Committee also encloses a four-page folder entitled "A Little Talk With the Boys and Girls," by H. N. Mudge, President of the American Philatelic Society, which is an earnest appeal for them to take up the study of stamps, and it is written in such language that it can not fail to have the desired effect in many cases. Previous to this Australian set, a Philippine set was sent out and preparations are now being made to send to all who want them a set from China.

The Committee is on the right path for doing good work and is deserving of the support and encouragement of every collector and dealer.

It takes time for this work to be put in running order and time for results, but if the American Philatelic Society will leave the Committee stand as it is for three or four years and give it the support which its efforts deserve, much good is bound to result therefrom.

In The Auction Rooms

All information for this department should be sent to W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St. Columbus, prior to the 1st of each month, for the 30 days following the 15th of the same month. If copies of catalog before the sale and priced catalogs after the sale are sent to both the publisher and Mr. Field, your name will be placed on our exchange list. In case catalogs are not ready by the first, written information should be sent Mr. Field. When priced catalogs are furnished after the sale, the state of the market as reflected in the sale will be carefully analyzed and full credit given.

Auction Notes

The summer season will soon be here and the sound of the hammer will be heard for a short time, but that period seems to grow less each succeeding year, for dealers find that fine stamps bring good prices whenever offered.

In looking over a priced catalogue of a sale in 1898 we noticed a pair of 12 pence Canada 1851 with original gum sold at \$1310. What would a pair bring today in that condition?

Auction Prices

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., May 9, 1910

U. S., 1851, 5c Red brown ★ cat. \$50.	\$45.00
U. S., 1851, 24c, Lilac imperf., cat. \$150	153.00
U. S., 1851, 30c orange, imperf., cat. \$200	180.00
U. S., 1861, 3c August type ★ cat. \$60.	31.00
U. S., 1861, 10c green August type ★ cat. \$75	50.50
U. S., 1861, 24c Red lilac ★ \$20	16.10
U. S., 1862, 3c Scarlet ★ \$80	51.50
U. S., 1867, 3c Rose ★ grilled all over, cat. \$40	31.00
U. S., 1875 (Reissue of 1861):	
3c brown red ★ \$20	17.25
30c brown orange ★ \$40	35.50
90c blue ★ \$40	34.50
U. S., 1869, 15c brown and blue, with inverted center, \$200	201.00
U. S., 1873, 15c orange Continental print ★ \$17.50	19.00
U. S., 1901, 2c carmine and black with inverted center ★ \$185	141.00
U. S., State Dept., \$5 green and black perforation a little close on one side, but do not touch ★ \$150	114.00
U. S., State Dept. \$10, green and black ★ \$70	56.00
U. S. envelopes 1861, 3c pink on orange paper entire, \$100	62.00
U. S., 1887, 1c, blue paper No. 1566A.	48.00
U. S., 1899, 4c, brown Die B, No. 1600 cut square	80.00
U. S. Postoffice official 3c, black on white paper (entire)	43.00
U. S. Postoffice official 6c, black on white paper, entire	41.00
Cape of Good Hope, 1861, 1d red; (wood block), pair used trifle close, \$56	70.00

Cape of Good Hope, 1879, 3d on 3d, lilac rose, both types in vertical pair together	15.00
Gt. Britain, 1876, 8d, brown lilac ★	23.00
Gautemala, 1882, 5c green and red center, inverted	23.00
Mecklenberg Schwerin, 1864, 4-4s, red used on piece of original, \$35	25.50

United Stamp Co., May 28, 1910

Argentine Republic, 1882, 2c on 5c, vermilion inverted surcharge, cat. \$12.50	9.10
Argentine Republic, 1882, 1/2c on 5c, vermilion, error B for R	14.60
Argentine Republic, 1899, 16c, orange, cat. \$1.50	1.30
Eritrea, 1902, 1c, brown, inverted surcharge, block of four	2.10
Gt. Britain, 1840, 1d, black horizontal, strip of four	4.10
Gt. Britain, 1840, 2d, blue two horizontal pairs	4.90
Roumania, 1876, 5 bani, blue, cliché of 5 Bani in plate of 10 Bani	22.60
Roumania, 1879, 5 Bani Rose, error cliché of 5 Bani in plate of 10 Bani	18.60
Russia Levant, 2kr, No. 4 scarlet and blue, vertical pair	4.10

Hugh M. Clark, May 7, 1910

U. S., 1890, 4c, dark brown, unperf ★ block of four	3.20
U. S., 1902, 5c, blue, unperf. ★ block of four	16.10
U. S., 1902 2c, scarlet vermilion ★ imperf., block of four showing intersecting guide lines	4.00
Gt. Britain, 1840, 2d, blue ★ o. g., imp. pair	44.00

Hugh M. Clark, May 21, 1910

U. S., 1861, 21c, steel blue No. 79C, horizontal pair	4.30
U. S., 1908, 15c, blue on experimental paper, o. g., strip of eight from top of sheet, with plate number attached; perforations cut in on the south	11.00
Bavaria, 1849, 1kr, black, cat \$4.50	3.60

Hugh M. Clark, June 4, 1910

U. S., 1847, 5c, red brown on cover, cat. \$1.00	2.60
U. S., 1847, 5c, red brown on cover, another	2.30
U. S., McKinley Postcard, rejected die	3.60
Denmark, 1857, 2rs, blue, \$3.50	2.85

Philatelic Literature

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

The Philatelic Literature of Your State

You probably read Mr. Nast's article in the May issue of this magazine, and noticed his reference to articles on the Philatelic Publications of a particular city or state. This plan in reference to Ohio, was discussed by myself and other local members long before the organization of this Society, and we are preparing to make up for publication a complete list of the Philatelic Publications of Ohio, on the following plan:

First, an article of about 1000 words, covering everything from the first publication up to the present date. We will then give an alphabetically arranged list of all Philatelic Magazines, Handbooks, etc., giving the name of the paper or book, town in which published, name of publisher, price, size of page, number of pages, etc., and then a list of the numbers issued, giving date of first number, date of numbers at beginning and ending of each volume, enclosing double numbers in parenthesis, etc., together with any other facts of interest. Note should also be made of mistakes in numbering.

Where possible we will mention papers which were announced but which did not appear.

The above is simply given as an outline of what should be done with every state in the Union. Some states will run into a pretty large list, while some others can be combined with one or more other states and published together.

It is no small task to prepare a list of this sort, but much pleasure will be had by those who undertake the work, and I want to ask the members in the different states to constitute themselves as a committee for the work to be done in their state.

For example, in Massachusetts we have Messrs. Dodge, Dickinson, Dunning, Cook, Greene, Smith and Collingwood, and if these men will arrange through correspondence among themselves a list of the publications of their state, on the plan outlined above, it will be of much value to Literature collectors. Members in other states to do likewise, and of course, for the present, the states in which we have no members will have to be overlooked.

You will find in doing this work, that a copy of Jones' Check List and Supplement will be of much assistance, but no list of handbooks has ever been issued, to my knowledge.

After you have your list as complete as you can make it, there are several well-known literature collectors to whom it could be submitted for correction and additions, and as Mr. Ricketts, the Historian of the A. P. L. S., is known to have one of the best libraries in America, it will be unnecessary to look outside of the Society for this assistance.

Before beginning work of this sort, I should like to hear from each person who will have charge of the work of their state, as I believe these various lists should all be uniform in arrangement and wording, and I should like to submit to each person who is doing the work an outline of the arrangement and wording of a magazine to be listed, in order that all lists may be uniform.

I should be pleased to hear from all members regarding the proposition as contained in this article and will be glad to correspond with anyone who will undertake the work.

To those who are not members of the A. P. L. S. I want to call your attention to the fact that this society was organized with the intention of doing some much-needed work on the Philatelic Literature in the English language and in America, and hope that you can join with us and give the assistance which all Literature collectors should give.

Early American Catalogues

A recent find, by Mr. H. H. Field, one of the leading members of the Columbus Collectors' Club, of a copy of a "Catalogue of Postage Stamps, American and Foreign, and U. S. Revenue Stamps, Published by Sever & Francis, at Cambridge, Mass., 1863," has led me to look up some information on this book.

I find a brief description of some early American catalogues in "The Philatelist," Vol. I, published by Stafford Smith & Co., Brighton, England, 1867. The article is written by "L. H. B. of Mass., U. S." (Who was L. H. B.?)

I note that the Sever & Francis catalogue was printed by The University Press, Cambridge, Mass. This firm, I believe, is still in business and is noted as a producer of some of the finest printed matter turned out by any plant in the world.

Regarding early American Catalogues, L. H. B. says:

"There have been but two American catalogues, both of which were mostly made up from the English works, with the exception of numerous valuable details in regard to American stamps.

"The Stamp Collector's Manual, 'compiled by A. C. Kline,' was published by that gentleman at Philadelphia, Penn., towards the close of 1862, and sold at twenty-five cents per copy. A year later the second edition was put forth, selling at the same price as before, there being numerous additions and improvements, and illustrations of five U. S. essays. The third edition was issued about the month of May, 1865, 'the two previous editions being entirely exhausted,' and is the one now current, the price being fifty cents per copy, the number of pages ninety. The publisher has declined to furnish us further particulars than these, which we glean from the works themselves.

"The other catalogue is that of Sever and Francis, Cambridge, Mass., of which an edition of one thousand copies was printed in June, 1863, and which is now nearly out of print. It consists of seventy-eight pages, three illustrations, 'was compiled by a member of the firm,' is very neatly printed, bound in stiff covers, and sells at fifty cents per copy; a list of U. S. revenue stamps is also added.

"To the best of my knowledge, there have been published but three covered octavo descriptive price catalogues, which are as follows: G. W. Winterburn and Co.'s, at Cincinnati, Ohio, in June, 1865, thirty-two pages; A. D. Robertson's, at St. John, New Brunswick, in June, 1866, sixteen pages and as many illustrations. Excelsior Stamp Association's, at St. John, New Brunswick, in June, 1866, sixteen pages. In addition to these, some thirty or more dealers have issued printed price-lists or catalogues; most of which are sent 'gratuitously, on receipt of stamp,' while the former are sold at the uniform price of ten cents per copy."

Heavy Charge for Postage

Foreign correspondence was a costly luxury less than a century ago, says the London Chronicle, commenting on the fact that a letter is carried 11,000 miles for a penny. In 1815 William Wilberforce records in his diary the receipt of a note "from Hatchard telling me that a letter from Hayti, weighing 85 ounces, had come for me, and was charged at £37 10s, and that he had refused to take it in. The General Post Office very handsomely under the peculiar circumstances of the case let me off with a peppercorn of 7s, which I shall gladly pay." The peculiar circumstances alluded to were that the letter related to the movement for the abolition of slavery.

American Philatelic Literature Society

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Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Fellow Members:

Our Literature Society is now entering upon its third month, and with twenty-nine members. I believe that we can secure 100 members by the end of this year, but to do so we have got to show those who are not members that it is our intention to give them something of value for their money. Mr. Ricketts, our Historian, and myself have been hard at work upon our first Hand Book, which is to be given free to all members. The first part of the copy for the book is nearly ready for publication in these columns, and the other parts will follow. The book will contain a complete list of every Philatelic Publication in the English language, issued during the year 1909. A book of this sort can be published each year and the same will always be a complete guide for future reference. It is hoped to publish the first part in our next issue, and all members are urged to go over the list carefully and notify Mr. Ricketts of any errors or additions to the list, in order that the same may be corrected before published in book form.

As stated above, we now have twenty-nine members, ten of whom have already remitted their annual dues of \$1.00, leaving nineteen in arrears. If you have not yet sent in your dues, please do so at once and save the society the expense of sending a personal request for the same.

According to the rules of the Society, the Treasurer is to make a quarterly report of the receipts and expenses of the society, and as this is the last month in the first quarter, I should like to have as good a showing as possible and trust to hear from all who have not yet paid their dues.

Your membership card will be sent you promptly upon receipt of \$1.00.

New Members

I. C. Greene, Box 142, Leominster, Mass.
Rasmus Bartleson, Sunbeam, Minn.

Fraternally yours,
GEO. W. LINN, Secy.-Treas.

NEW YORK NOTES

The 32nd sale of J. C. Morgenthau, held May 9th, was attended by about thirty-two enthusiasts. U. S., as usual, caused spirited bidding. Out of town visitors were Messrs. Washburn, Legg, Bartels and Stone. These gentlemen, assisted by Messrs. Thomas and Eagle, of New York City, divided the rare envelopes between themselves.

The Scott Stamp & Coin Co.'s 169th sale on May 12th, at which Mr. Calman's Library was sold, brought out only a small crowd of bidders. The sale was attended by Messrs. Deats, Power and Luff, who picked up many of the publications at very reasonable prices.

Lot No. 392, "The Postal Issues of Hawaii," by Kenyon, brought \$11.50.

Lot No. 40, Switzerland "No. 123," \$34.00.

Lot No. 489, Philatelic Journal of India, Volume 1, brought \$21.00.

Mr. Sam Singer showed New Yorkers a typewritten apology signed by E. B. Power, clerk for Stanley Gibbons, Inc. Their troubles have been settled outside of the law courts to the satisfaction of Mr. Singer.

Can it be possible that Mr. Phillips, who has been doing South America for the Gibbons people, is bringing home a lot of rare old South Americans that need Mr. Singer's skill to "make 'em good as new?"

Mr. Singer is of Polish birth, a country that has produced many celebrated singers. He is an expert in his occupation of stamp repairing.

Mr. Sam Singer will visit his old business quarters in Paris this summer.

Captain Charles King, our New York correspondent, has moved into new quarters at 351 W. 22nd St.

Mr. Dieschbourg, a well-known Nassau St. dealer, is now residing on his Florida farm.

Mr. George Tuttle has bought a very expensive valise, which now accompanies him every day across the bridge.

A noted New York collector recently sold his collection for \$63,000, \$3,000 being paid for commission between two dealers.

The son of Mr. L. Frieri, now residing in Austria, was recently visiting in New York, having disposed of the balance of Mr. Frieri's stock. He returned on May 9th, much wiser for his visit.

The Ararat Stamp Co. is disposing of its local trade and will do a mail order business from Rutherford, N. J.

From a New York standpoint, Boston offers an extraordinary opportunity for a good energetic stamp dealer, who can cater to the many prosperous towns within so easy reach of the New England city. There is plenty of trade there, but it needs drumming up.

The eldest daughter of the late R. R. Bogert was married by Quaker rites on May 18. George R. Tuttle was the best man.

A Rich action by Mr. Rich on rich Mr. Nelton. A Tragedy in one act. Everyone knows Nelton owns some wonderful stereopticon slides of stamps. While Mr. Rich was inspecting one, a very rare slide, the look Mr. Rich gave it caused it to crack. It is now catalogued as a cracked plate.

Look for the New York notes next month. An important attempt at suicide by a New York collector will be fully reported in next issue.

Mr. Stanley Gibbons, founder of the celebrated firm which bears his name, was in New York City a few days ago and visited his old friend, J. W. Scott. No bags of Triangular Capes in view.

The weather is now warm, but where is Nelton and that old reliable straw hat he has clung to for several summers?

Mr. Chas. Gregory has sold his old auto and is buying a new model.

H. B.—Not H. M. Claak

Chicago, Ill., June 25, 1910.

The Stamp Collector, Columbus, O.:

Gentlemen—You are undoubtedly aware of the state of affairs existing between O. Kendall of Winnipeg and one H. B. Clark, now at Chetopah, Kansas, formerly in his employ as manager of the Hobby Club. I have lately been in receipt of numerous letters and communications addressed to me under the impression that I am the said H. B. Clark.

I would greatly appreciate your making notice of the fact that I am not, and never have been connected with any other stamp concern; have never been in Winnipeg and have nothing to do with the Hobby Club about which this dispute has centered. A notice of this fact would clear up considerable misapprehension in the minds of the Hobby Club members and would save me from the annoyance of answering communications intended for H. B. Clark.

Thanking you for this courtesy, I am,

Yours truly,

HUGH M. CLARK.

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The eighty-third regular meeting was held May 17, ten members being present. Mr. C. D. Schaffner, Passive No. 9, tendered his resignation and same was accepted. Messrs. Adair, Feuchtinger and Savage gave a most interesting display of original covers, a number of very attractive specimens being shown.

May 31 the eighty-fourth meeting was held, with nine members in attendance. There was no display set for this evening and only routine business was transacted at the meeting.

The Secretary desires to take this opportunity of calling attention to the fact that a number of members are in arrears in their dues.

Now that the Library Fund auction is out of the way and the Librarian supplied with sufficient funds for present needs, would it not be well to give some attention to the Club's collection of counterfeits and reprints? Mr. W. H. Field, the Curator, will be glad to receive donations of reprints and counterfeits for this collection, and his work will be made much easier if those intending to make such donations will do so at once.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR.,
Secretary.

Automatic Stamping Machine

Consul General John P. Bray, of Sydney, has reported to the State Department that an automatic stamping and franking machine for postal purposes has been adopted by the government of New Zealand, and that a bill to authorize its use in Australia has been introduced in the Federal House of Representatives. The machine is used for making impressions on postal articles and telegrams, indicating the full value of the postage or rate chargeable in respect of their transmission by the postoffice, and recording the amounts of values so indicated.

Block of Four \$1,000 Revenues

The Market Exchange Bank of Columbus, of which Oscar A. Schenck, treasurer of the Columbus Collectors' Club, is cashier, has recently acquired a probably unique block of four \$1000 1898 documentary stamps, used and lightly cancelled. The block, on exhibition in the corridor of the bank, excites much interest among clients and visitors.

This is the highest value documentary stamp ever issued by the United States Government, and as the tax for payment of which these stamps were used was at the rate of one-half cent on the \$100, the block represents a transaction involving \$80,000.00, or just four times the original purchase price of the Philippine Islands. Much curiosity therefore has been aroused as to what transaction of Spanish war days caused the use of so much revenue paper at one time. Amalgamated Copper and United States Steel were two deals engineered at that time which were sufficiently large to fill the bill.

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Number 5 of the West End Philatelist Series of Philatelic Handbooks has arrived from the publisher, Mr. D. Field, 4 and 5 The Royal Arcade, Old Bond St., London.

This book, in our opinion, is by far the best one of the series, in that it contains more matter of interest to the specialist (for whose use handbooks are generally issued) than has appeared in the previous books of the series. Mr. Bertram W. H. Poole, the author, has gone to much trouble in studying this country, and a careful reading of the book and a study of its contents will give Bulgarian specialists a wide field for work in their favorite country.

This book is of the same size as the previous books of the series, 5½ x 8½ inches, and contains 66 pages of valuable information and many illustrations and diagrams of sheets, in which minor varieties are correctly placed.

Stamp Collector's Annual

A Stamp Collectors' Annual has just arrived from Mr. Chas. Mendel, 118 Rue d'Assas, Paris, France, price 80c post free. The directory or annual was compiled by Mr. Georges Brunel of "Le Timbre Poste." It is a book of 300 large pages, printed in French, but containing much information

which any English speaking stamp collector can readily understand.

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In listing American collectors, the publisher has overlooked the fact that this country is divided into states, and he has listed the names under cities only, therefore making practically all the addresses in the smaller cities of no value at all.

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Chicago has received a stamp vending machine from the post office department at Washington, the first of the kind to be sent West. Postmaster D. A. Campbell was instructed to install it at once for experimental purposes, and set it up in the lobby of the Hotel LaSalle, where it at once proved its popularity by doing a rushing business. The device consists of a letter and newspaper box, on top of which is a compartment containing 1, 2 and 5-cent stamps in rolls, with slots at hand for the necessary coins.

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The Editor's Foreword

A Fraud on The Philatelic Public

The United States Stamp Company, according to recent advices, publications and advertisements in the Philatelic press, has recently taken over the long established business of the old Bogert & Durbin Company. The announcement came as a great surprise to the Philatelic world, as there had been no intimation that any deal of such magnitude was pending. Taken in connection with the buying out of Rothfuchs by the New England Company, and other recent changes of importance, there were those who thought it possible the American Collectors Company had a finger in the pie. The question at once arose, "Who is the United States Stamp Company?"

The answer is even briefer than the question. It is Arthur E. Tuttle, and neither it nor he is incorporated. The Bogert & Durbin Company was a corporation.

The motive for the sudden change is not far to seek. There is evidence in hand, consisting of priced catalogues, sale slips, affidavits, correspondence of the Bogert & Durbin Company, etc., ready to be produced at five minutes notice, that when the company sold the W. H. Bainbridge collection, January 30, 1909, it not only reported the sale to Mr. Bainbridge as at 7 to 10 per cent. of catalogue, whereas in fact it had sold some of the collection for more, but that the auction in case of much desirable stuff was in fact no auction, because that mail bids were ignored and the stamps bought in by Tuttle for the firm, at his own figure, and an accounting made to Bainbridge on this fraudulent basis.

The Stamp Collector is not fighting Mr. Bainbridge's fight; he is thoroughly cap-

able of doing that for himself; but such a transaction as that hereinbefore outlined is a fraud on the Philatelic public, and should be exposed without hesitancy and suppressed with an iron hand. This brief summary of present conditions and past performances is printed with full understanding of the responsibility which attaches thereto. It is printed now, in this form, to bring it publicly before the A. P. S. convention, as it has been officially before the A. P. S. Directorate. It is not printed more extensively now because of the lack of time to bring the great mass of evidence in hand into proper and properly related form before this present issue; but the evidence is in hand, and if necessary will be printed in full, in succeeding issues of this paper.

Mail Registration and Indemnities

Stamp men everywhere, and dealers everywhere in particular, are much exercised over the attitude of the Federal government toward registered mail, and questions growing out of this attitude undoubtedly will be up for earnest discussion before the Detroit convention of the American Philatelic Society. Instances multiply of the worthlessness of the registered mail service, except as a guaranty that the mail is delivered. Mekeel's Weekly cites the case of a consignment of stamps which were dumped in a river while the mail was in transit, and having been soaked until they stuck together and the colors had run, the government decided that as the stamps "had not been destroyed there was no loss." Editor Nast, of The Stamp Journal, cited the case of a lost gold dollar, valued at \$35, for which 100 cents indemnity was offered. These are instances involving ship-

ments lost in transit. The International Stamp Company recently suffered practical loss of a full sheet of imperforate Lincoln 2c stamps because a strong mailing tube had been bent double in the sack, and reports also the tender to a customer of a carefully wrapped registered package in such bad condition that the consignee refused to receive it. These incidents emphasize the questions, "If the indemnity doesn't indemnify, of what value is it?" and "Why pay 10 cents for protection that does not protect?"

The prevalence of these protests is due, in large measure, to the recent action of the Postoffice department in advancing the rate of registration from 8 to 10 cents. The department declares the advance was necessary to diminish the postal deficit. The paying public declares that something else should be done, rather than to increase this fee, and the incompleteness and unsatisfactory nature of the service rendered gives justice to the protest. Besides the criticisms already voiced, the slowness of the registered mail is notorious. The writer has addressed two letters to the same person, at the same address, in Indianapolis; has taken them to the Columbus postoffice and mailed them at the same time, one being registered and the other not, and the registered letter was delivered 24 hours later than the other. Since then, to use an Irish bull, when he wanted to register a letter he sent it by special delivery.

Newspapers, without exception, protested against a proposed increase of the second class mailing rate accorded to them, as a means or reducing the deficit. There is no doubt, however, that this privilege is abused, and contributes to the deficit sought to be eliminated. There are other things, however, which enter largely into it, and though they have no direct bearing on the stamp business, they must be considered, and therefore are outlined here, especially as both stamp dealers and stamp collectors are known to offend, in common with other interests and individuals.

One of the most potent of these is the defectively or deficiently addressed letter. In every large city in the country there are postoffice clerks whose sole duty is to correct defective addresses and supply deficiencies. A letter comes addressed, say, to The Columbus Collectors' Club, Columbus, O. From his record the clerk learns that George K. Smith, Jr., is secretary of the club, and from the directory he learns Mr. Smith's address. Then the letter is delivered with only slight delay. Another letter comes, addressed, say, William Wilkins, Summit Street, Columbus. But there is no William Wilkins there. From his street directory of American cities the clerk learns that there is a Summit street in Toledo, and from the Toledo directory that a William Wilkins lives there. So the letter

is sent to Toledo and delivered. But these things take time, and time is money. Postmaster Davis, of Pittsburg, recently told the Pittsburg Association of Credit Men that this item alone cost the Pittsburg post-office \$18,000 annually. In Columbus, Postmaster Krumm says it amounts to \$10,000 annually.

Not content with raising the registration fee, however, the government is planning a step to eradicate the evil. It will not be long, according to information lately to hand, that a postal order will be issued, under which defectively or deficiently addressed mail will not be forwarded or delivered. Thus, a letter addressed to John Smith, Columbus, Ohio, will be returned to the sender or to the dead letter office. To assure forwarding, it must bear either his street address, the address of the building in which he is employed, or P. O. box, or the words "General Delivery."

Still another thing that is to be cut off is the indiscriminate forwarding of letters. John Smith goes from New York to Buffalo, and at Buffalo, having to go to Chicago, he leaves orders at the general delivery for the forwarding of his mail to Chicago. From Chicago, he goes to Omaha, leaving a new forwarding order, and so on, until perhaps, there are a dozen of them strung across the country. Recently the New York Sun printed a story of a young professional man who went as far west as Denver and as far south as New Orleans, leaving a string of forwarding orders behind him, beginning at New York. After his return from three months' absence, he discovered his mail was not delivered to him until it had made the entire round. So he had to write to all the post-offices to cancel the orders. Under an order soon to be issued, a letter will be forwarded only once. After that, if it is to be re-forwarded, it will be only on payment of additional postage.

The credit men of the country and various other business organizations, are formulating an effort to secure two forms of registration, at reduced rates. One, on the payment of say three cents, is proposed merely to guarantee delivery by securing return of a personal receipt from the addressee to the sender. The other, on the basis of a 6 or 8-cents payment, is intended to contain an indemnity clause so framed that it shall actually indemnify up to a reasonable amount. How well they will succeed is problematical; it is safe to assume that the department will oppose the plan with all its might, but it will be proposed is certain, and the stamp interests of the country should give it earnest consideration and do what they can to solve this and related problems.

The A. P. S. Sales Superintendency

Among the questions that it will be well for all members of the A. P. S. to consider

in connection with the coming year will be the sales superintendency. There are other questions to be considered—questions of policy, questions of detail in business management, questions of personnel, and all must be settled broadly, if they are to be settled well—but there is none that comes more closely to the membership than that involving the sales superintendency. There is no criticism of Percival Parrish personally in the statement that many of the members want a change. It is only the truth when it is said that the department, the last three years has not given the satisfaction that it gave under the management of P. M. Wolsieffer. When an added percentage of sales receipts was given to the superintendent to put the department on a self-sustaining basis, it was hoped that the last drawback to a really successful administration of the affairs of the department had been removed. In practice, however, this has been seen to have little or no effect, and while sellers complain of slowness with which circuits make the rounds, buyers complain of the low quality of stamps offered. Of course, circuits are often unduly delayed at points to which they are sent, and probably Columbus offends quite as much as any other place in this respect, but on the other hand, very often a great number of circuits are piled into one center at the same time, which results in a congestion, which takes some time to remove. Most stamp collectors are of relatively limited means, and if members have only limited amounts to spend, it is only natural for circuit managers of clubs to hold consignments in order that members may have opportunity to buy stamps they desire. That such congestions should occur is to be taken as evidence of careless management, which is in line with other criticisms that have been expressed. Under these circumstances it is germane to suggest that if the situation is ripe for a change, Mr. Wolsieffer is still doing business in Chicago, and might be induced to take it again.

Concerning Secretary Adair

So much of the recent criticism of Secretary Adair and his methods of transacting the business of his important office has borne the evidence of personal animus and antagonism that *The Stamp Collector* has been loath to give attention to it, even though neither publisher nor editor has been satisfied, from the standpoint of membership in the American Society, with the way things were going. During the first year of his incumbency, Mr. Adair conducted his office in a manner beyond criticism. Since his re-election, however, things have not been as they should. Apparently he has been unable to divorce his personal troubles from the management of the office, with the result that things have fallen into confusion. *The Stamp Collector* has

no desire to add to Mr. Adair's burdens. It, in common with all other Columbus stamp interests, is as friendly to him as ever, and deeply sympathetic with him in the burdens that have been upon him during the last year, some of them needlessly. But Columbus is as deeply interested as any other Philatelic center in the success and well-being of the American Society, and because of this, and the fact that he is and has been one of its most active workers as well as one of the best of its fellows, his lack of management of the Society's affairs, falls with double burden on the men who have supported him earnestly, sincerely and with whole hearts from the beginning of his first candidacy to the present. Fair and temperate criticism he must expect, even though it may be bitter, and to that Columbus will not say nay; but beyond that, Columbus will exact a square deal to and for him. Criticism must not be tempered with animosity or distorted with personal bias; for Columbus will be on the floor of the convention to resent it.

American Academy of Philately

Space and time forbid, in the limits of this issue of *The Stamp Collector*, and with many important questions pressing for consideration, an extended discussion of the proposed American Academy of Philately, as suggested by us and earnestly and effectively indorsed by Editor Quackenbush of *Redfield's*. Editor Mann, of *The Philadelphia Stamp Weekly*, also warmly commends the plan, and more than hints that Philadelphia collectors will give the proposed organization more than perfunctory support. It is to be hoped that so many of those who have been suggested as possible initial members who may be at the Detroit convention will arrange to confer in the convention city, to devise, if possible, a working basis.

Philatelic Literature Society

With this number *The Stamp Collector* begins publication of a check list of Philatelic literature, compiled by the recently organized Philatelic Literature Society. It is designed to cover and include everything issued during 1909, and will give credit for earlier issues by indicating the volume and number of such journals as had previous issue. As soon as publication is completed in *The Stamp Collector*, the list will be issued in pamphlet form, and it is expected the 1909 volume will be succeeded by similar volumes for succeeding years. There has been only one check list of American Philatelic literature deserving the name, and this present venture of the Literature Society is designed to amplify and supplement that list and bring it down to date. It is an ambitious undertaking, and so new a society deserves great credit for undertaking it.

Egotistical Presumption.

Presumption, Thy name is Wylie.
And Egotism, also.

A recent number of the Official Organ, after an editorial boost for Mr. Morris for secretary, which is justifiable, as being within its rights, added to the same article a few sentences urging those members of the A. P. S., for whose admission the managing editor of the Weekly had stood sponsor, to vote for Mr. Morris for secretary, because of that fact. This is both presumption and egotism run riot. Mr. Wylie presumed on his former position as chairman of the A. P. S. Recruiting Committee when he ventured the suggestion, and it was egotism of the rankest kind for him to presume that the men who profited by his accident of place to enter the Society under the aegis of his name would follow his dictate concerning so important a question. With the certainty that all the votes will have been cast before this is seen by our readers, no charge that we are dealing with Mr. Wylie's action for political effect will lie; therefore we handle it freely and deal with it frankly, as emphasizing strongly the political methods of the Official Organ and its management, against which the great body of the Society has protested so long—and so ineffectively. It is a pity that a paper in a position to be of such great usefulness should stoop to such small methods to strengthen, for a little time, its hold on the body it has strangled so long.

Marginalia

SEPTEMBER 15 PROVISIONAL Salvador seems to have been a stamp for revenue only, which inspires the thought that Great Scott ought to list it among the revenues, or at least, among the tax paid.

NOW THAT THE CRUEL war is over, here's to Secretary ———, whoever he may be. We've pinned our faith to Barnum, and it's still there, with the pins clinched on the other side, but if Morris gets there, we've had sufficient experience with his working qualities to believe that he won't be found wanting.

THE PAINLESS EXTRACTION of coin from hobbyists was so widely bruited that we almost thought it was actually accomplished, but there has been so much outcry recently that we are afraid the wrong kind of gas was used.

HAVING REFUSED TO BITE on Salvador Sept. 15 Provisionals, we feel that we can look a block of American Collectors Company's stock in the face with perfect impunity.

EDITORIAL BAD TEMPER and editorial self-laudation are about equally divided in the final number of Vol. XX of the revived P. J. of A., which reached subscribers 20 days late. Editor Mekeel's compliments to Managing Editor Wylie seem to have been distributed on a left-handed shovel.

EDITOR NAST'S DEMAND for the recall as a further reform in conducting the affairs of the A. P. S. is all right, and in line with sound policy, but a lot of members who attended the Atlantic City convention may need to be reminded that probably the recall doesn't mean to expunge from the minutes.

IT'S TO BE HOPED the Detroit weather man will furnish plenty of cool weather for the A. P. S. convention, for indications point to a very heated session, to say nothing of an abnormal amount of hot air.

AND NOW COMES Candidate Morris with a constitutional amendment providing that the secretary shall be paid \$10 and \$5 a page for editing the Society's own official journal, according to the amount of work he puts on the page! Verily, Managing Editor Wylie must feel that the hand of the ingrate, like that described by a famous Portuguese novelist, is "cold and clammy, like that of a serpent."

WHAT WE NEED, with regard to the official organ, is not so much a new deal as a new deck. It is doubtful if any one of the weekly journals would refuse to print the Society's official announcements, but even that need not be asked. With the Quarterly put in running order, all that will be necessary until a comprehensive publication plan can be worked out will be a monthly bulletin of two to four pages, mailed promptly to members.

WE'RE PERFECTLY WILLING to go to Chicago next year, but it's about time that the progress of live Philately in the South is recognized by holding a convention in Richmond, Charleston, Savannah or Mobile, all delightful cities, and all uniformly cooler than northern cities in the summer.

OUR IDIOTORIAL WRITER has went to the Detroit convention. He says if the walkin' is good he'll get there or bust, but since the P. O. department knocked him out of bein' official organ the dividends ain't been enough to pay railroad fare.—Arizona Philatelist.

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. **One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.**

The courtesy of two copies is requested, on a reciprocal basis, from

No. 3 of the Quarterly

No. 3 of *The American Philatelist*, the Quarterly of the American Philatelic Society, has just come from the press, and we are promised No. 4 right after the convention. It is regrettable that three numbers has to be bunched so close together, but "better late than never", and that they have appeared at all is strong corroboration of the correctness of the stand taken by the Progressives at the Columbus convention, when the change from the annual form was defeated by a technicality enforced by the editor and manager of the Official Organ. The current number shows a fair amount of advertising, and undoubtedly as the publication gets running with smoothly geared machinery, it will have more, and go speedily on a paying basis. Of reading matter there is an editorial on "The Convention Habit", by William G. Stone, than whom none is better qualified to write; an article by Alvin Good, of Cleveland, on "The World's Great Stamp Errors", illustrated with a reproduction of the famous page from the Worthington collection; the conclusion of Fred J. Melville's "American Expansion and Philately", in that English writer's inimitable style, and "The Bluing of the Penny Reds of Great Britain, by Sol E. Heineman, an exceedingly interesting paper read before the Detroit Philatelic Society. The number is, in entirety, a credit to its editor, the contributors and the Society.

Philadelphia Stamp News

This stalwart youngster, now more than four months old, has achieved the first step toward the goal of permanency—admission to the mails as second-class matter. The importance of this fact can be judged only by those who have met the omnipresent strain of paying postage on a non-productive publication at single-paper rates. With this phase of the situation thus palpably improved, Editor Mann no doubt will still further improve the already high standard set, which he has so ably maintained. The paper has abounded in interesting things; its news, in the main, has been reliable, and the editor has taken a sound and advanced position on questions of policy affecting things not only in A. P. S., but Philately at large. Among the interesting things in the last few numbers, has been a series of papers by William C. Webb, on the current series of U. S. postage stamps. It has contained much valuable information concerning shades, papers and perforations. Since reading Mr.

Webb's statement that the 5c value has been of substantially one shade of dark blue, the editor of *The Stamp Collector*, however, has obtained a used pair that is almost as light as the 15c of the same issue.

The Stamp Journal

Much of interest is contained in the July number of *The Stamp Journal*. As is customary with him, Editor Nast strikes right from the shoulder concerning a number of things. His leading editorial is a defense of his position with relation to certain things affecting the A. P. S. Brother Nast may have been misunderstood as the caption of the editorial in question says, but with those who have the welfare of the Society at heart, his position in relation to it needs no defense. It defends itself thoroughly, to the benefit of those who would exploit it to their own benefit or make a travesty of their conduct of its affairs. The *Stamp Journal* declares strongly for Chas. R. Morris for secretary of the A. P. S. to succeed Mr. Adair, which undoubtedly assures many additional votes in his favor. The news and literary sections of the paper are replete with good things, notably William Evans' installment of his series on the stamps of Panama, an article on stamps on original covers, by Charles Grattan, some Washington notes by Mr. Morris, Charles F. Jenny's interesting stamp notes and the usual complete revenue department. The number is well worth while.

British Guiana Philatelic Journal.

No. 8 of the journal of the British Guiana Society, (June) comes to hand with a large amount of interesting matter. Minutes of the Society show a deep energetic interest in Philatelic research, and that the organization should publish so well edited and interesting a journal, even twice a year, speaks volumes for the activity of the Guiana collectors. There are a number of readable articles on stamps and stamp collectors and collections, the notes and comments are concise, well edited and interesting, and the reviews are exceedingly capable. Most American collectors, at least, will be surprised at the magnitude of the British Guiana postal service, as exemplified in the tables of statistics published in this number, covering postal progress from 1860 to 1909, inclusive.

Gibbon's Stamp Weekly

There has been a delightful menage of interesting reading in *Gibbon's Stamp Week-*

ly since our last issue, merely to mention which would take more space than *The Stamp Collector* can give. Bertram W. H. Poole, in his deeply interesting "Countries of the World," has continued his notes on the Stamps of Heligoland, previously mentioned; J. Dunbar Heath's paper on the manufacture of postage stamps, read before the British Philatelic congress, is reproduced; Desdichado continues his series on tete-beches; Mr. Poole contributes some official data on the new stamps of Bermuda; C. F. Dendy Marshall's notes on British postmarks since 1840 makes the American collector wish there were some way of classifying American postmarks similarly; Charles J. Phillips contributes a mass of valuable information concerning the Buenos Ayres "Steamships" and an equally valuable article on the proofs, reprints and forgeries in the Stanley Gibbons reference collection: there is a new simplified compilation of the stamps of Antigua, by J. C. Dallimore; much interest attaches to an illustrated article on postage stamp portraits of late and present English sovereigns; A. H. Davis contributes a South American letter FOUR—Geo Linn No. 3049

on the stamps of Uruguay; L. Hancianu not only deals with the stamps at the Brussels exhibition, but also contributes a section of his work on the postal issues of Italy; there is a monograph by Dr. Erich Stenger on the 3 kr. postage due stamp of Bavaria, with a plate illustrated; and there is a similarly illustrated plate of the Cape wood blocks, by A. B. Creeke, Jr., who deals very exhaustively with his subject. The new issue and other departments, as usual, are complete and full of interest.

Many Journals Received

Pressure of time and space, this month, prevent individual mention of a large number of Philatelic publications, to which space would gladly be given, if possible. Redfield's, always in the forefront of Philatelic journalism; Dr. H. A. Davis' ever welcome good goods in small packages, *The Vest Pocket Philatelist*; *The Dixie*, *The Southern*, *The Transcript*, exemplars of the Philatelic awakening in the South, all these are welcome visitors to the exchange table, and are deserving, with many others, of more extended mention than this so brief a note.

Bartels Moves to New York

The J. M. Bartels Co., for the past nine years located in Boston, Mass., desire to announce their removal on July 1, 1910, to Rooms 217 and 218 in the Bennett Bldg., 99 Nassau St., New York, where they will be glad to welcome their numerous friends and business acquaintances.

15th. September Salvador Purely Speculative

A Technically Legal but Actually Illegitimate Issue.

There has been lately so much speculation about—as well as speculation in—the so-called "15th September" Salvador provisionals that *The Stamp Collector* is glad to be able to settle a few of the moot points.

In the first place, differences in the form and color of the surcharge have led to the belief, openly expressed in many quarters, that an original and legitimate issue has been counterfeited. Those who secured copies on watermarked paper have held that the surcharge on the unwatermarked paper were counterfeit, and vice versa.

The editor of *The Stamp Collector* has been able to examine recently two original covers direct from Salvador—in fact from San Salvador, the capital—on which these stamps, of both printings on both watermarked and unwatermarked paper, were used. The legality of these stamps, of both papers, therefore, is clearly established.

So much, however, can not be said of their legitimacy, as the issue was purely speculative.

The corroborative evidence of this fact, like the stamps themselves comes direct from San Salvador. "Let me tell you," writes our informant, "that they (the 15th September stamps) are neither counterfeits nor bogus. They are, in fact, made to order for speculative purposes. An influential party in the government obtained the authorization to surcharge them for speculation, and when a lot is exhausted, he prints more, and therefore it is natural that some difference must exist between those printed first and those printed afterward.

"The postoffices are full of 2 and 3 cents stamps, and still they surcharge the 13c and the 26c for pure speculation.

"This influential party sold to one of the largest dealers in New York City all the remainders he had at very low prices. As the new issue is being put in circulation, I am told that the remainder are going to be given to this same influential party, and it is very probable that we will have a fine lot of errors—as unperforated, center inverted, and so on."

Thus it appears that a certain American dealer—the fountain head, as it were, of American Philately, is in cahoots with a thieving official in Salvador, to foist a speculative stamp on American collectors.

How long will American collectors stand for it?

In The Auction Rooms

the 30 days following the 15th of the same month. **C**opies of catalog before the sale and priced catalogs after the sale are sent to both the publisher and Mr. Field, your name will be placed on our exchange list. **C**ase catalogs are not ready by the first, written information should be sent Mr. Field. **C**When priced catalogs are furnished after the sale, the state of the market as reflected in the sale will be carefully analyzed and full credit given.

CAll information for this department should be sent to W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St. Columbus, prior to the 1st of each month, for

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Bavaria, 1849, 1kr, black, pair ★, cat. 7.50	6.50	Bremen, 10gr. black No. 7 on cover, cat. 18.00	14.75
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Cape of Good Hope, 1863, 6d, violet, pair ★, cat. 15.00.....	11.25	Nova Scotia, 1851, 1d, red-brown, pair, 20.00	16.25
Elobey, 1903, ¼c to 10p No. 1-18 ★ 19.72	15.25	Virgin Islands, 1883, ½d, yellow block of 4 and single on cover.....	46.00

Guatemala 5c 1871, Tete-beche

"Desdichado", the well known writer on tete-beches in Gibbons' Stamp Weekly, having announced his inability to give the position in the sheet of the 5c.1871 (first arms type) tete-beche, Mr. J. R. M. Albrecht, whose article on the railroad stamps of 1886, Guatemala, was reproduced in The Stamp Collector last month, writes concerning these stamps, and Gibbons' summarizes his letter as follows:

"Mr. Albrecht informs us that he possesses a block of four and a horizontal strip of three of these stamps, each including a tete-beche pair. The block of four tells its own tale, as it is the right-hand upper corner of the sheet and the inverted stamp is the corner stamp; that is, the right-hand stamp of the top row. In the other case it is the middle stamp of the three that is up-side down, so that it must come from another part of the sheet, showing that there were two inverted stamps in the sheet.

"Mr. Albrecht tells us that these stamps, which were produced by M. Hulot, printer of the French stamps, were in sheets of 300, two panes of 150 each, like the stamps of France, and with the same blue control mark in the margin, and he suggests that as one of the inverted stamps was in the same position as one of those on the sheets of the 20c. of France, the other may also have occupied a position similar

to that on the latter, in which case it would be the third stamp in the fourth horizontal row."

But, according to Mr. Marconnet, comments the editor of Gibbons', this was the arrangement of the last printing of the 20c. stamps of 1853, and the first of those of 1862, which were obsolete for some time before 1871, and the theory assumes that M. Hulot inserted cliches upside down purposely (which is considered doubtful by some) and that, in making up the plates for the Guatemala stamps of 1871, he returned to the arrangement of an old plate which M. Marconnet tells us—underwent divers modifications after the introduction of perforation in France, in 1862.

M. Hulot's method, or absence of method, in the matter of inverted cliches in his plates, is still a mystery to Philatelists, and one that is likely, we fear, to remain unsolved; but it is some satisfaction to have learned the position of one of the inverted stamps in the sheets of Guatemala. It is curious that, at the time these stamps were issued, no one seems to have noted the fact that there were inverted impressions in the sheets. The stamps were chronicled and fully described in Le Timbre-Post, but we can find no mention at all in that journal of the 5c. tete-beche. It is not listed in Moens' catalogue of 1877, but appears in the edition of 1884.



WELL, here we are again. There is an old saying that a good man can't be kept down, and Bill bobs up serenely once more. There is many a slip twixt the cup and the lip, and Bill, instead of being able to go ahead with his little Mag in his own manner, was either forced to quit cold or accept the kind offer of The Stamp Collector and continue to burden his readers with his nonsense and philatelic phun, interspersed with a hot shot now and then. It is only fair to say that the little Mag was a success editorially if we judge by the comments of its readers, for many of them have gladdened Bill's heart by their words of praise. But financially—the crux of the Mag—it was not what Bill hoped that it would be. Had Bill been able to float it a few months longer it would have taken care of itself, and—but what's the use—man proposes and woman disposes, and that's all there is to it. Bill is glad that the present opportunity was presented to him to be able to take care of those that sent their annual stipend, and he feels that they will feel more than repaid in getting beside Bill's ravings the best Philatelic Monthly Magazine in America today.

Your Philatelic Pastor, as one subscriber addressed Bill, will be with you every month, and trusts that you will accord him in his new position the hearty support and good will as of the past. Let it be said in all sincerity that Bill will work just as hard in the future to please as in the past and cheerfully asks your co-operation in ladeling out doses of smiles and humor for the weary and downtrodden brother.

It is only fair to tell you that the leading features of the Mag as it was will be continued in this department. Hogan and Finerty will continue to discuss subjects of philatelic interest, while the Letters from a Self-Made Stamp Dealer to His Son continue to grow in interest. Bill hopes to interest all readers with some pure phood for philatelic home consumption and trusts that his slang—if such it may be called—will not prove distasteful. It is only his way of attempting to ease up the hard spots and causing you to forget that there are in philately such annoying things as watermarks, shades, perforations, etc. Bill knows. More Power to Him.

Detroit



The evening sun was setting fast
When thro' a pleasant village passed
A youth whose auto lamps shone bright
And on the name-plate cast a light—
DETROIT.

His brow was high, his face was pale,
And eagerly to hear his tale
The village people crowded round,
But from his lips came but one sound—
DETROIT.

Stay, gentle youth, and rest a while,
And let us now your time beguile;
Pray tell us why you hurry so
And even now prepare to go
to DETROIT.

The way is long, the road is rough,
In balmy weather it's almost tough;
And even now a storm's o'erhead,
Why spurn our proffered food and bed
for DETROIT?

The youth, whose somnoletic eyes,
Gave evidence of mild surprise,
To the village spokesman turned his head
And to their great surprise he said—
DETROIT.

It's a city where the A. P. S.
Convention now is in progress,
And I must one of that throng be—
I've always wanted just to see
DETROIT.

Without another word he sped
Straight down the narrow path that led
Into the darkness and his goal;
The wheels kept up their ceaseless roll
To DETROIT.

Next day the early morning sun
Looked down upon the route he'd run
And found him not at all dismayed—
Temperature 40 in the shade
In DETROIT.

The A. P. S.'s gathered there
Did welcome him beyond compare
And showed him such a grand good time
That now there's wife and children nine
In DETROIT.

Percy McGraw McGee McMann

In Phila, P. A., a youth there was
 By name, P. McG. Mann,
 Stung by Philately's buzzing bug,
 And forthwith joined the clan
 Of omniv-rous extreme faddists
 Whose very highest aim
 Was gathering little colored bits
 Of paper doomed to fame.

As years flew by, his knowledge grew
 As doth the green-bay tree.
 Quoth he, "There's many a paper out,
 But none looks good to me.
 So I'll start one my very own,
 And run it all myself.
 I'll show those dubs a thing or two,
 And lay them on the shelf."

No sooner said, no sooner done,
 His ideas came quite fast.
 For right away came Number One—
 No—that was not the last,
 For in a week came Number Two,
 And quickly Number Three.
 I'd go right on, but he has not
 Sent any more to me.

But I can say, from what I've seen,
 That I am satisfied
 That Percy McG. Mann can do
 What other ones have tried.
 Vive Philadelphia Stamp News!
 Long live! Keep on and win!
 Huzza! Banzai! And all the rest,
 Is the wish of Billikin.

**The Stamp fiend**

This dizzy old planet goes spinning around,
 Heigh-ho! merrily,
 And all sorts of faddists upon it are found,
 Heigh-ho! cheerily.
 The baseball fan thinks it elegant fun
 To sit on the bleachers and roast in the sun,
 Damning the umpire, applauding each run—
 Sing heigh-ho! merrily.

Ex-presidents scoot to far Africa's shore,
 Heigh-ho! merrily,
 Where fierce pollywogs everlastingly roar,
 Heigh-ho! cherrily.
 A forty-pound gun on his shoulders, all day
 He hikes through the underbrush, keen for
 the fray,
 The wild hipponoceros seeking to slay,
 Sing heigh-ho! merrily.

But give me the pleasure that has no alarms,
 Heigh-ho! merrily.
 To woo at my leisure philately's charms,
 Heigh-ho! cherrily.
 To Hades with football or heavy-weight
 "champs,"
 From golfing and polo to jungelized tramps
 Contented I turn to my album of stamps.
 Evermore merrily, cheerily!

C. S. S.

**Letter From a Japanese School Boy
to Bill**

To

Hon Billy Kins

Who ar Brody's Thorn in side:

Banzai! Oh! Joy—Little Jap Boy reed
 Billy Kins Philatelic Joke-Book and enjoy
 intense interest so Little Jap Boy who ar
 becoming more interesting in stamp col-
 lections who ar collected quite considerable
 by Hon Editor and other Hon Genius re-
 quires to know by return cable following
 stampy questions:

How does Hon Editor know why Hon
 Dealers sell Japanese stamps so cheaply
 when Little Jap Boy have several boxes
 to sell for to make him rich like Hon
 Brody, but no can do?

What are relations of "O G" to a
 "Mint"?

Do Black & Blue Official signify it have
 been in some fight?

And Little Jap Boy requires to know
 who started Hon Stamp Collecting in
 Business.

Little Jap Boy enjoys intense excite-
 ment last Tuesday. By Hon Waste Paper
 Can find 1, 2, 5, 10 red postum stamps
 which ar unused except for black streaks
 over face which cause Little Jap Boy to
 doubt all he have heard bout Hon Wash-
 ington when he find him behind bars in
 Hon Waste Paper Can. Banzai!—Oh, Joy!
 —Banzai! If Hon Billy kin make ans to
 stampy questions it will give Little Jap
 Boy intense joy for some time. Hoping
 you are dangerously well, Hon Billy Kins,
 I am
 Matsumuro Musho.

**Bills Creed**

C. When we arise in the morning permit
 us to face the day with a desire to know
 more about Philately.

C. Assist us during the day to help by
 some word or deed to encourage and
 uplift those in Philatelic distress.

C. Help us to bring a smile to the care-
 worn countenance of our Philatelic Bro-
 ther and lighten and brighten the dull
 and tedious side of our hobby.

C. Indulge us with a desire to make our
 Philatelic World a World of Pleasure.

C. Help us to know our stamps as our-
 selves, and when the day is done permit
 us to go to our rest secure with the
 knowledge that we have done Something
 Good—for Philately.

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The Publisher's Page

Owing to the fact that a publication is a year old at the end of twelve months, and as it is the usual custom to celebrate the occasion, we think a word to you now will not be out of place.

Our issue for October will be our twelfth month and we are preparing a real treat for our readers. It is not our intention to tell you just what we are going to give you, other than to say that our birthday number will be one of the finest and most beautiful numbers of any philatelic publication ever issued.

We will print extra copies and circulate all that the law allows us and owing to the quality of the number for October it will pay all dealers to be represented.

A special meeting of the Editors and Publishers will be held to arrange special features for this number and owing to our facilities for printing the magazine, we can safely promise you a surprise. Yearly contracts are still being made at the same rate as heretofore, and you should take advantage of our low rate now.

NEW YORK NOTES

The J. W. Scott Co., has suffered a loss by two fires, one at their storage warehouse and one at the printery. Over \$2,-500.00 damage was done.

Mr. Walter Scott, the well known auctioneer, will spend three months vacation at Schoon Lake, telling the summer boarders what high prices he secured for stamps and books. Perhaps Walter will hold a few farm stock sales to keep him in trim.

It seems, collectors of all shades have gone doty, looking for Papua stamps, of course, it is ridiculous when so many other desirable countries are overlooked, especially our own. P. T. Barnum said, there were more fools living than wise men.

For a whole afternoon the office of Percy G. Doane was closed. He went to Elizabeth, N. J., to see Mr. Thomas. This never happened before.

Mr. George R. Tuttle, known locally as "Napoleon" because he holds more sales than any other dealer, held his last sale of this season on June 28th. About forty-five collectors were present and every one was a bidder. It was a scorching hot night and the only thing in sight was the faucet—Croton water, and it was a good sale.

The New York dealers close at 2 p. m. Saturdays, going to the resorts.

If all the shades of the 2c red U. S. issue from 1905 to date were listed and illustrated, it would take all the color printers of Germany and Austria, "three weeks" to do the work.

It kept the Panama people busy a long time making shades and errors which fetched fat prices here in the states.

Panama errors are certainly "shades" today and the collectors that brought them are "shadows."

Mr. Gammons is issuing a price list of New York State Revenues. Mr. Gammons is neither a shade nor a shadow, if he keeps on developing, it will not be long before he will tip the scales at 350 pounds.

Mr. Aronstein, known as the "Baron," visited Coney Island May 14th—on the "loop the loop" prospecting for stamps, not finding any of the kind we place in collections, he came back to Percy. Now Percy expects to sell the "Baron's" collection some day and every stamp added means 20% more commission. Percy, who is a

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Record of New Issues

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Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Argentine Republic

Mr. C. W. Sachs has shown us the 4 and 20c. of the new set commemorating the centenary of this country's independence. From Gibbons' Stamp Weekly we learn of the issue of the other values listed.

Adhesives—

- ½c., bright and dull blue.
- 1c., black and blue-green.
- 2c., black and olive.
- 3c., bright green.
- 4c., blue-green and blue.
- 5c., carmine.
- 10c., black and brown.
- 12c., blue.
- 20c., black and sepia.
- 24c., steel blue and brown.
- 30c., black and lilac.
- 50c., black and rose.
- 1p., deep blue.
- 5p., purple and orange.
- 10p., black and orange.
- 20p., black and dull blue.

Austria

The postage due stamps of this country are now being printed in rose on unsurfaced paper, according to Gibbons Stamp Weekly; while from Mekeel's Weekly we learn that a 25h. value has been added to the set.

From the same source, we learn that a commemorative series will be issued on the occasion of the Emperor's 80th birthday, August 18, 1910. The present designs and values will be used with the dates "1830-1910" added.

Belgium

The New England Stamp Company has sent us copies of the new charity stamps.



Adhesives—

- 1c., gray.
- 2c., maroon.
- 5c., pale blue-green.
- 10c., carmine.

Bermuda

We are indebted to the New England Stamp Company for a sight of the first value of a new set for this colony. The design, which is very striking, shows a galleon with all sails set, sailing to the West.

Adhesive—

- ½d., green.

Bolivia

Mekeel's Weekly reports two more values of the commemorative set.

Adhesives—

- 1b., dark brown and black (Bolivar).
- 2b., violet brown and black (Belgrano).

Cape of Good Hope

The International Stamp Company has shown us the 4d. in a new shade, bright olive green.

Costa Rica

Additional value of new set, received from the New England Stamp Company:

Adhesive—

- 1 colon, gray.

Crete

Additional values with new London overprint, some of which have been shown us by The New England Stamp Company, the balance being listed by Gibbons Stamp Weekly:

Adhesives—red overprint—

- 50L., brown.
- 1dr., sepia and carmine.
- 3dr., black and orange.
- 5dr., black and olive green.

Adhesives—Postage Due—black overprint
5, 10, 20, 40 and 50 L., and 1 and 2 dr., vermilion.

Adhesives—Official Stamps—

- 10L., dull claret.
- 30L., slate-blue.

Dominican Republic

Gibbons Stamp Weekly reports the 5c. Official on watermarked paper.

Elobey, Annobon et Corisco

Provisional on fiscal stamp, overprinted "CORREOS—10 cen de peseta" in two lines and at left "1909" reading up.

Adhesive—

- 10c., on 50c., green.

Great Britain

Gibbons Stamp Weekly lists the 4d., orange, Great Britain, overprinted "MORROCO AGENCIES—40 CENTIMOS" in three lines.

Adhesive—

40c. on 4d., deep orange.

Hayti

Four values of a new set are reported by Gibbons Stamp Weekly, the design being that of Scott's A-20, but the portrait is of President A. T. Simon.

Adhesives—

1c. de p., lake.
2c. de p., red.
5c. de p., greenish-blue.
20c. de p., yellow-green.

Netherlands

The 17½c. now appears in ultramarine and black, a copy having been shown us by The New England Stamp Company.

Northern Nigeria

Mekeel's Weekly reports the following values in the new colors:

Adhesives—

2d., gray.
2½d., ultramarine.
5d., lilac and olive.
6d., violet.
1s., black on green.
2s6d., carmine and black on blue.
10s., carmine and green on green.

Norway

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the 1.50 kr., dull blue, in the re-engraved type, the 1 kr. of which was described in No. 5 of this Journal.

Paraguay

Mekeel's Weekly lists 5 values of a new set, the design of which is much like that of the 1889 issue. Stamps are lithographed and are perforated 11½.

Adhesives—

1c., gray-black. 10c., green.
20c., red. 50c., carmine.
75c., deep blue.

Rio de Oro

Provisionals noted by Gibbons Stamp Weekly, surcharged in black on the 1905 issue with "1910—value—Centimos":

Adhesives—

10c., on 5p., blue.
10c., on 10p., orange.
15c., on 3p., violet.
15c., on 4p., green.

Russia

Gibbons Stamp Weekly lists the current type 1 rouble stamp with intersecting lines of varnish.

Salvador

Additional values of the new set, shown us by The New England Stamp Company.

Adhesives—

2c., green and black.
3c., orange and black.
17c., olive green and black.

Siam

The New England Stamp Company sends us several values of the new set. The design consists of the King's portrait in a small circle upheld by a figure which we presume to be some kind of a Siamese devil. At any rate, it looks like the devil.



Adhesives—

2 satang, orange and green.
3 satang, green.
6 satang, carmine.
14 satang, deep blue.
28 satang, brownish lake.

Straits Settlements

Current type in new color, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14, shown us by The International Stamp Company.

Adhesive—

50c., black on green.

Transvaal

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the current 2d. in single color violet, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Uruguay

Two new stamps, issued to commemorate the Centenary of Independence, have been received from The New England Stamp Company.



Adhesives—

2c., carmine. 5c., dark blue.

Philatelic Literature

Interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone

A Check List of Philatelic Publications in the English Language

FOR THE YEAR 1909

Compiled by W. R. Ricketts, Historian of the American Philatelic Literature Society

American Boy, The

Detroit, Mich. The Sprague Publishing Co. Monthly, \$1.00 per year; 15 $\frac{3}{4}$ x11 in.; 32 pp. Stamp page edited by W. O. Wylie, Boston, Mass.

Vol. X, 3 (Jan.), 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Oct.).

Vol. XI, 1 (Nov.), 2 (Dec.), 1909.

American Coin, Stamp & Post-Card Collector

Beaver Springs, Pa. A. M. Aurand, Jr. Quarterly, 10c per year; 8 $\frac{7}{8}$ x5 $\frac{7}{8}$ in.; 8 pp and cover.

Vol. I, 1 (July), 1909.

American Philatelist

Columbus, O. Box 691. American Philatelic Society. Quarterly, 60c per year (single copies 25c); 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ x7 in.; 120 pp and cover. Edited by H. S. Adair, P. O. Box 691, Columbus, Ohio.

Vol. XXIII, 1 (Nov.), 1909.

American Youth

Chicago, Ill. 55 River St. Published by Frank E. Deacons. Monthly, sub. 50c per year; foreign \$1.00; 16 pp, 15 $\frac{7}{8}$ x11 in. Contains a stamp page.

Vol. XXII, 1 (Jan.), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Dec.), 1909.

Attleboro Philatelist

Attleboro, Mass. F. Percy Collingwood, Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year; abroad 40c; 9x6 in., 8 to 16 pp; cover with No. 3.

Vol. I, 1 (Sept.), 2, 3, 4 (Dec.), 1909.

Continuation of "Attleboro Stamp Co. Monthly Bargain List," see next paper.

Attleboro Stamp Co. Monthly Bargain List

Attleboro, Mass. Attleboro Stamp Co., Publisher. Monthly, 12c per year; 9x6-in.; 4 pp.

Vol. I, 1 (June), 2, 3 (Aug.), 1909.

Continued as the "Attleboro Philatelist."

Boy, The

Columbus, Ohio. The Boy Publishing Co., Publishers. Monthly, 25c per year; 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x8; 16 pp. Part Philatelic.

Vol. I, 1 (June), 2, 3, 4, 5 (Oct.), 1909.

Continued as "The Stamp Collector," Columbus, Ohio.

Carter's Messenger

Brooklyn, N. Y. 265 Halsey St. G. J. Carter, Publisher. Occasionally. Free to purchasers of \$1.00 or over; 9x6 in.; 16 to 20 pp. Not dated.

Vol. I, 4, 5, 6, 7, 1909.

Charlat's Advertiser

New York, N. Y. 81 Nassau St. L. W. Charlat, Publisher. Occasionally, 5c per copy; 9x5 $\frac{7}{8}$ in.; 16 pp.

No Vol. or No.; one number Fall, 1909.

Notes.—Printed on colored papers.

Chicago Collectors' Monthly

Chicago, Ill. 1457 South Hamlin Ave. A. F. Boehm, Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year, abroad 37c; 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ x5 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 16 pp to 24 pp, with covers.

Vol. III, No. 1 (Jan.), 2 (Feb.), 1909.

Notes.—Sold to "Stamp Journal" (Denver) and consolidated with Vol. III, 3 (March), 1909.

C. M. A. Emblem

Alma, Kansas. Emblem Publishing Co., Publishers. Monthly, 50c per year, abroad 75c; 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ x8 in.; 20 to 28 pp with cover. Stamp page edited by Julian T. Baber, Pocahontas, Va.

Vol. I, 9 (Jan.), 10, 11, 12 (April), 1909.

Vol. II, 1 (May), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Dec.), 1909.

C. M. A. Herald

Anna, Ohio. Burt Foote, Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year; 9x6 in.; 8 pages.

Vol. III, 10 (Jan.), 11 (Feb.).

Vol. IV, *1 (April), *2, *3, *4, 5 (Aug.), 1909.

Note.—Numbers marked * contain stamp notes. Vol. III ended with No. 11. No. 6 of Vol. IV is dated Jan., 1910. Vol. I to Vol. III, 4, was called "Whirlwind."

Collector's Own Magazine

Lead, S. Dakota. C. Davis, Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year, 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ x6 in.; 12 to 20 pp with cover.

Vol. I, Nos. 5 (Jan.), 6 (Mar.), 7 (July), 8, 9, 10, 11 (Sept., Oct., Nov.), 1909.

Collectors' Journal

Chicago, Ill. 3812 Langley Ave. Lindquist & Lauritzen, Publishers. Monthly, 50c per year; $8\frac{3}{4}(9) \times 6(5\frac{3}{4})$ in.; 36 pp with cover.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Jan.), 2, 3, 4, 5, (6-7), (Jun-Jul); 8-9 (Aug.-Sept.), 1909.

Daily Philatelic World

Plano, Ill. E. S. Martin, Publisher. Daily (except Sunday), \$1.00 per year, foreign 35c per month; 4 to 8 pp; 9×6 in.

Vol. I, Nos. 75 through 93 (Jan., 1909), Nos. 94 through 115 (Feb., 1909), No. 116 (March), 1909.

Dauntless Monthly

Brooklyn, N. Y. 215 Norman St., Station J. Otter Bros., Publishers. Monthly, 25c per year; 16 pp; size 12×9 in. Contains Stamp Department.

Vol. IV, 40 (Jan.), 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48 (Sept.), 1909.

Vol. V, 49 (Oct.), 50, 51 (Dec.), 1909.

Dixie Philatelist

Shreveport, La. 1305 Fairfield Ave. L. Comegys. Monthly, subscription 15c per year; 4 pp; $4\frac{1}{4} \times 3$ in.

Vol. I, No. 1 (Dec.), 1909.

Note.—Printed on colored papers.

Favorite Companion

Chicago, Ill. Published by "Post Card Club."

Vol. I, Nos. 8 (Jan.), 9, 10, 11, 12 (May), 1909.

Vol. II, Nos. 1 (Jun.), 2 (Jul.), 1909.

Published by H. Grimsland, 1403 N. 43rd Ave., Chicago, Ill. Monthly, 15c per year; 9×6 in.; 10 to 14 pp. with cover.

Vol. II, Nos. 3 (Aug.), 4, 5, 6, 7 (Dec.), 1909. Stamp page edited by Leslie Cardwell, Carthage, Tenn.

Gibraltar Philatelist

Brooklyn, N. Y. 11 Hamburg Ave. Herman Claus, Publisher. Quarterly.

Vol. I, Nos. 3 (Jan.-Mar.), 4 (not dated), 1909.

Globe Trotter

Milwaukee, Wis. Cosmopolitan Correspondence Club, Publishers. Quarterly. Free to members; 9×6 inches; 100 pages or more. Stamp department edited by L. G. Dorpat, Wayside, Wis.

Vol. (?), Nos. 28 (Jan.), 29 (Apr.), 30 (July), 31 (Oct.), 1909.

Happy Moments

Brooklyn, N. Y. 404 S. 4th St. Published by Augustine Hewson. Monthly, sub. 15c per year; 4 pp; 9×6 in.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Jan.), 2 (Feb.), 1909. Partly Philatelic.

Hartford Courier

Hartford, Conn. 715 Asylum Ave. Diamond Stamp Co., Publisher. Monthly, 15c per year; 9×6 in.; 4 pp.

Vol. I, Nos. 2 (Jan.), 3-4 (Feb.-Mar.), 1909.

Note.—Sold to "Philatelic Flashes," Geneva, Iowa.

Hartford Philatelist

Hartford, Conn. 75 Pratt St. H. L. Perkins, Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year; $9(8\frac{3}{4}) \times 6$ in.; 4 to 8 pp, with No. 7 covers. Vol. I, Nos. 4 (Jan.), 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 (Aug.), 1909.

Hussman (C. E.) Stamp Co.,**Monthly Bargain List of Stamps**

St. Louis, Mo. Published by C. E. Hussman Stamp Company. Monthly, free; 8 pp; size 13×10 in.

Oct., Nov., (Dec.-Jan.), 1909-1910.

International Youth

Chicago, Ill. 1745 Harrison St. Published by The Alpha Pub. Co. Monthly, sub. 25c per year; 4 pp, $16\frac{1}{4} \times 11$ in.

Vol. II, Nos. 2 (Jan.), 3 (Feb.), 1909.

Vol. I, Nos. 11, 12; II, 1, 2, 3, do not contain any stamp matter (only few advertisements), but I, Nos. 1-8 did have a stamp column, therefore it must be listed.

Junior Philatelist

Dansville, N. Y. Van Ness Clark, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 15c per year; 4 to 8 pp; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 3$ in.

Vol. I, No. 1 (Dec.), 1909.

Lodge Record

Benson, Minn. E. R. Aldrich, Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year, $11 \times 5\frac{3}{4}$ in.; 8 to 10 pp. Partly Philatelic.

Vol. VII, Nos. 1 (Jan.), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Dec.), 1909.

MacSpueal's Weekly Stamp News

Detroit, Mich. Published in the interests of the Detroit Philatelic Society by the Cliff Dwellers' Pub. Co.; 4 pp; $11 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Vol. I, No. 1 (May 28th), 1909.

Fine satire.

Mekeel's News & Trade Circular

St. Louis, Mo. C. H. Mekeel, R. F. D. 29. Occasionally, sent to customers; $11\frac{3}{4}(12) \times 8\frac{3}{4}(9)$; 2 to 16 pp.

Nos. 18 (Jan. 23rd), 19 (Feb. 25th), 20 (Mar. 1st), (rest not dated) 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 1909.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News

Boston, Mass. 508 Kast Bldg., Cor. Washington and Hanover Sts. Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co., Publishers. Weekly, U. S. and Mexico 50c per year, Canada and Foreign \$1.00; 8 to 12 pp; $13\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$ in. Special Nos. have a cover.

Nos. 910 to 991 (52 Nos. in all issued) in 1909.

Note.—Official organ of "A. P. S."

Metropolitan Philatelist

New York, N. Y. 36 John St. Published by The J. W. Scott Co., Ltd. Bi-weekly, sub. \$1.00 per year; 8 pp, $10\frac{1}{2} \times 7$ in.

Vol. XXVII, Nos. 560, 561, 562 (Jan.), 563, 566 (error for 564) (Feb.), 565, 566 (Mar.), 567, 568 (Apr.), 569, 570 (May), 571, 572 (June), 573, 574, 575 (Jul.), 576, 577 (Aug.), 578, 579 (Sept.), 580, 581 (Oct.), 582, 583 (Nov.), 584, 585 (Dec.), 1909.

Michigan Philatelist

Kalamazoo, Mich. 607 S. Rose St. C. M. Jickling, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 15c per year; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 3$ in.; 8 pp.
Vol. I, No. 1 (Dec.), 1909.

Morris' Price List

Washington, D. C. 4914 Ashby St. Published by Charles R. Morris. Occasionally, free; 2 to 4 pp; size (1) $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$, (2) $5 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$, printed on a blue card; (3) 4 pp, $7\frac{7}{8} \times 5\frac{7}{8}$ in.
Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Oct.), 2 (Dec.), 1909.
Vol. I, No. 3 (March), 1910.
As No. 3 contains stamp notes, all should be listed.

Monthly Bargain List

Belleville, N. J. 26 Union St. Leslie Davenport. Monthly, 12c per year; 4 pp; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 3$ in.
Vol. I, No. 1 (not dated but pub. in Nov.), 1909.

Note.—Printed on colored paper with a supplement of 2 pages.

Monthly Bulletin

Chicago, Ill. Universal Stamp Co., Publishers. Monthly, 15c per year; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$ in.; 4 to 12 pp.
Vol. I, 1 (July), 2, 3 (Sept.).
Vol. II, 1 (Oct.), 2 (Nov.).
Vol. III, 1 (Dec.), 1909.
Note.—Vol. III, 1, enlarged to $7 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ in., printed on colored papers.

New Haven Collector

New Haven, N. Y. T. O. Young, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 15c per year; 6×9 ; 4 pp.
Vol. III, No. 1 (Nov.), 1909, 2 (Dec.-Jan.-Feb.), 1909-10.

Note.—This is continuation of "The New Haven Advertiser," which commenced in May, 1907. Information wanted about Vol. II, with date of numbers published in 1909.

New York Philatelist

Brooklyn, N. Y. 593 Quincy St. E. J. Dempsey, Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year, 35c foreign; 4 to 8 pp; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 3$ to 9×6 inches.
Vol. I, No. 1 (not dated), 2 (Sept.), 3, 4, 5 (Dec.), 1909.

Pacific Stamp News

Gardena, California. Published by D. F. Osborne. Monthly, sub. 15c per year; 8 pp, $4\frac{1}{8} \times 3$ in.
Vol. I, 1 (Jan.), 2 (March), 1909.

Perry Collector

Perry, Ohio. C. V. Webb, Publisher. Announced during Fall of 1909; not issued.

Philatelic Advertiser

Gaffney, S. C. R. F. Alexander, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 15c per year; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 3$ to 9×6 inches.
Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Nov.), 1909, 2 (Dec.-Jan.), 1909-10.

Philatelic Flashes

Geneva, Iowa. L. L. Dolson, Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year, Canadian and Foreign 50c; 8 to 24 pp; 9×6 to 12×9 in.
Vol. I, Nos. 10 (Jan.), 11, 12 (Mar.), 1909.
Vol. II, Nos. 1 (May), 2, 3, 4 (Oct.), 5, 6 (Dec.), 1909.

Note.—Vol. II, No. 6, is wrongly dated Jan. for Dec., 1909. Reed's Stamp Circular consolidated with II, 1.

Philatelic Journal of America

Wellston Station, St. Louis, Mo. Stamp Security Co., Publishers. Semi-Monthly, sub. \$1.50 per year, foreign \$2.00; 56 pp to 16 pp; $10 \times 6\frac{3}{4}$ in.
Vol. XX, Nos. 1 (Dec. 15th), 1909.

Note.—Continuation of old journal of this name and "Mekeel's Stamp Collector."

Philatelic Monthly

Milwaukee, Wis. 985 7th St. Henry George, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 25c per year, foreign 40c; 4 pp to 8 pp; $4\frac{5}{8} \times 3$ to 9×6 in.
Vol. I, Nos. 1 (May), 2, 3, 4, 5 (Sept.), 6 (Nov.), 1909.

Note.—Printed on colored papers.

Philatelic News

Belleville, N. J. 26 Union Ave. Leslie Davenport, Publisher. Announced for October, 1909; not issued. (See "Monthly Bargain List.")

Philatelic Star

Madison, N. Y. J. N. Burton, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 25c per year; 8 pp and cover; $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$ to $8 \times 5\frac{3}{4}$ in.
Vol. VIII, No. 59 (Jan.), 1909. Sold to Messrs. Wahrer & Malmberg, 6349 So. Halstead St., Chicago, Ill.
Vol. III, No. 60 (Feb.), 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70 (Dec.), 1909.

Philatelic Tribune

Florida, N. Y. Clarence P. Dekay, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 15c per year; $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{8}$ in.; 12 pp.
Vol. 1, No. 3 (Jan.), 1909.
Consolidated with "Stamp Journal," Denver, Colo. (Florida, N. Y.) Vol. II, 2, Feb., 1909.

Philatelic Tribune

Norwich, N. Y. F. J. Stanton, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 25c for six months, foreign 35c; 8 to 12 pp and cover; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$ in.
New Series, Vol. I, Nos. 143 (July), 144, 145, 146, 147, 148 (Dec.), 1909.
Note.—This is a continuation of 1st Series begun Sept., 1885, and last number was issued Feb., 1899, XXIV, No. 142.

Philatelic West and Collectors' World

Superior, Neb. L. T. Brodstone & E. H. Wilkinson, Publishers. Monthly, sub. 50c per year, \$1.00 for 3 years, life \$5.00, Canada 80c, foreign \$1.00, life \$8.00; 48 pp, 48 pp (Adv.) and cover, with 4 plates; 9×6 in.
Vol. XLIII, 1 (Jan.), 2, 3 (March), 1909.
Vol. XLIV, 1 (Apr.), 2, 3 (June), 1909.

Vol. XLV, 1 (July), 2, 3 (Sept.), 1909.
Vol. XLVI, 1 (Oct.), 2, 3 (Dec.), 1909.

Postage Stamps For Advanced Collectors

Boston, Mass. 184 Boylston St. W. H. Colson, Publisher, free; 4 pp (inside only printed on); size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

Vol. III, 4 (Jan.), 5, 6, 7, 8 (May), 1909.
Vol. IV, 1 (Oct.), 2, 3 (Dec.), 1909.

Redfield's Stamp Weekly

Smethport, Pa. Redfield Pub. Co., Publishers. Weekly, sub. 50c per year, foreign \$1.00; 8 pp; 14×11 in. Edited by L. G. Quackenbush, Oneida, N. Y.

1909, Vol. IV, Nos. 81 (Jan.) to 104 (June) 1909, Vol. V, Nos. 105 (July) to 130 (Nov.) 1909, Vol. VI, Nos. 131 (Dec.) to 132 (Dec.)

Reed's Stamp Circular

Cambridge, Mass. 39 Ridge Ave. J. R. Reed, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 25c per year; 4 pp; $8\frac{3}{8} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$ in.

Vol. 1, 8 (), 10, 11 (April), 1909.

Note.—Sold to "Philatelic Flashes," Geneva, Iowa, and consolidated with II, 1, May, 1909.

Scott Stamp & Coin Co., Circular

New York, N. Y. 127 Madison Ave. Scott Stamp & Coin Co., Publishers. Monthly, sub. 12c per year; 8 pp; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$ inches.

Nos. 25 (Jan.), 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 (Dec.), 1909.

Schuster's News Circular & Bargain List

St. Louis, Mo. E. J. Schuster Co., Publishers. Monthly or occasionally, free; $11\frac{1}{8} \times 9$ to $11\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Feb. 8th), 2 (Mar. 10th), 3 (May 27th), 1909.

Southern Philatelist

Shreveport, La. 1227 Oakland St. L. C. Grosjean, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 15c per year, foreign 25c; 4 pp to 8 pp; $6\frac{3}{4} (6\frac{7}{8}) \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Aug.), 2, 3, 4, 5 (Dec.), 1909.

Stamp Circular

Belleville, N. J. Published by Leslie Daventport. 4 pp; 5×8 in. Typewritten. Printed on colored paper.

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Stamp Collector

Pittsburg, Kansas. 612 W. 2nd St. Jones Stamp Co., Publishers. Monthly, 25c per year; 9×6 in.

Vol. I, Nos. 3 (Jan.), 4 (Feb.), 1909.

Stamp Collector

Columbus, Ohio. Clinton Bldg. George W. Linn, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 50c per year, foreign 60c; 24 pp; $10\frac{1}{4} \times 7$ in.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Nov.), 2 (Dec.), 1909.

Continuation of "The Boy." (See same.)

Stamp Journal

Denver, Colo. (formerly 1627 Humboldt St.) Dr. Holland A. Davis, Publisher.

Monthly, sub. 50c per year, foreign 75c; $9\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$ in.

Vol. II, No. 13 (Jan.), 1909.

Clarence P. DeKay, 1328 Curtis St., Denver.

Vol. I, 14 (Feb., regular No.), 2 (Special No., Prospectus, 20 pp, Feb.), 15, 16, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Dec.), 1909.

Notes.—With II, 9 (Sept.), published from Box 283, Florida, N. Y.; 12 pp to 56 pp (410 pp to Vol.). With No. 3 (Mar.) size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$. Chas. A. Nast, Box 14, Denver, Editor.—"Philatelic Tribune" of Florida, N. Y., consolidated with II, 2 (14 March, 1909.—With May No. Whole No. discontinued and Vol. No. only given

Stamp News

Columbus, Ohio. George W. Linn Co., Publishers. Quarterly; 9×6 in.; 4pp.; 10c per year.

Vol. III, 1, (Jan., Feb., March), 1909.

Stamp News

New York, N. Y. 1958 Washington Ave. A. C. Roessler, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 25c per year; 4 pp to 12 pp; 9×6 in.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (May), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Dec.), 1909.

Note.—Printed on colored papers.

Stamp World

Epes, Alabama. J. Tippen, Publisher. Monthly (Quarterly), No. 2, $7\frac{3}{8} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 30 pp and cover. Sub. 50c per year.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Aug.), 2 (Sept.), 1909.

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Dallas, Ga. J. K. Howard, Publisher. Weekly, sub. 25c per year; 4 to 8 pp; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 4$ to $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Vol. VI, Nos. 1 (May 13th), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 (Aug. 26), 15 (Oct. 7th), 1909.

Published at Commerce, Ga., by J. A. & J. K. Howard.

Vol. VIII, No. 1 (Nov.), 1909.

Vest Pocket Philatelist

Denver, Colo. 1267 Gaylord St. Dr. H. A. Davis, Publisher. Monthly, sub. 25c per year; 16 pp; $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$ in.

Vol. I, Nos. 2 (Jan.), 3, 4 (Mar.), 5 (Sept.), 6 (Dec.), 1909.

World's Chronicle

Chicago, Ill. (Continuation of Little Chronicle.) Little Chronicle Publishing Co., Pontiac Bldg., Publishers. Bi-weekly, sub. \$1.50 per year; 24 pp; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Vol. XIX.

Vol. XX, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 ().

Has a Stamp Department.

To Members:

The above list of Philatelic Papers and Part Philatelic Papers published in the United States during the year 1909 is com-

plete (with the exception of those noted below), to the knowledge of Mr. Nast, Mr. Linn and myself. Please notify me of any corrections or additions. Address W. R. Ricketts (Elm Lawn), Forty Fort, Pa.

Wanted Information

Volumes, Numbers with date of month, Subscription price, Pages per number and Size in inches, also names of Editors of Stamp departments:

- (1) American Banner. American Banner Publishing Co., 335 East 173rd St., New York. Were any numbers issued after Vol. I, 1, Feb., 1909?
- (2) Boys' Friend. Friend Pub. Co., Everett Ingram, Editor, Mystic, Conn. Vol. III, 3, Feb.-Mar., 1909. Dates of other numbers, etc.
- (3) Mayflower. R. W. Holmes, Plymouth, Mass. All numbers.
- (4) Opportunities. L. A. Mueller, 424 Laffin St., Chicago.
- (5) Ozark Monthly. Paul Hilt, Box 126, Fayetteville, Ark. II, 3, Mar., 1910. Dates, etc., of all other numbers.
- (6) Star Monthly. (Advertised from Seattle, Wash.) Did this issue any numbers in 1909? Dates of all other numbers.
- (7) Boys' Banner, Chicago. Address and dates of all numbers.

Do the following contain "Stamp Notes"? If so, numbers, dates and addresses:

- (8) Boydom. Guy Hamilton, Monmouth, Illinois.
- (9) Banner.
- (10) Buckeye.
- (11) Assinue.
- (12) Chattler. Elmore Pub. Co., Mt. Vernon, Ohio.
- (13) Daxicite. Elmore Pub. Co.
- (14) Hummer. Box 27b, Campbellstown, Ohio.
- (15) Modern Amateur. W. L. Bradbury, Greenfield, Tenn., and C. H. Mullen, Mt. View, Mo.
- (16) Owl. R. M. Norcross, Monmouth, Ill.
- (17) Quaker. Address and numbers.
- (18) Swift's Weekly.
- (19) San Francisco Sun.
- (20) U. S. L. A. Young, Pavonia, Colo.
- (21) News Boy. G. L. Robbins, 151 Cedar St., Springfield.
- (22) Boys' Companion, Hollahan & Low-erre, Brooklyn, N. Y. Did this contain stamp notes? Vols. and Nos., 1908.
- (23) Home Monthly. Same information wanted as for above paper.
- (24) Young Folks' Companion (consolidation of above two). Announced for Jan., 1909.
- (25) Youths' Delight. R. C. Kelley, 1908-9.

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Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Fellow Members:

We are now entering upon our fifth month and with a total of 31 active members, a very good record for a new society. One member has resigned from the society, no reason for the action being given. Of the 32 original members, 18 have paid their annual dues of \$1.00, leaving 14 in arrears. To these 14 I have sent a statement, and hope by the time this appears in print that all will have remitted their dues.

You will notice that this number contains the beginning of the Society's first work on Philatelic Literature. Mr. Ricketts, our Historian, has spent much time in arranging this list, and I want to request each member of the Society to look it over carefully and if any errors or omissions of any sort are noted, please advise Mr. Ricketts at once. This list, when completed, will be issued in the form of a very neat handbook and a copy will be given free to each member of the Society. One hundred numbered copies will be issued for the Society, and the first 100 members will receive a copy gratis.

As this is the first copy for publication which I have prepared since the close of the first quarter of the Society's fiscal year, I attach hereto my report as Treasurer of the Society. We are in good condition financially, but it will require 100 or more members for the Society to go ahead in the right way, in publishing handbooks on Philatelic Literature.

Have you started that list of the Philatelic Literature of your state?

New Members

Julian D. Park, 510 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

Resignation Received

Edwin B. Hill, Granite Reef, Mesa, Ariz.

Financial Report

(August 1, 1910.)

Cash received from dues.....	\$18 00
Cash paid out—	
Postage	\$ 62
Printing application blanks..	2 25

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Balance on hand.....	\$15 13
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Fraternally yours,
 GEORGE W. LINN,
 Secretary-Treasurer.

Sounds from Siam

[BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

I dare say you little imagine that there are at least 100 Stamp Collectors in this little country, numbering among them some Royal Princes, to wit: H. R. H. The Crown Prince, and Prince Nares, a brother of the King and Minister of Public Works. Both of these scions of Royalty are intelligent and enthusiastic collectors and are possessors of very fine collections.

There has been quite a little scandal about the recently issued (?) 14 satang on 12 atts-blue (Scott's No. 80). I have been able to secure only 50 on an inland money order by paying full face value. These stamps are not available at any Bangkok Post Office, of which there are four. I understand they are all in the hands of a few mercenary speculators. It may interest you to know that the postage stamps of this country are kept in the Royal Treasury and are issued to the General Post Office for use in the Bangkok Post Offices by requisition from the General Post Office. But for those sent to the interior of Siam the General Post Office has nothing at all to do. The Post Master of the Interior offices applies to the Treasury Officer of his district, who then applies to the Royal Treasury, whence the stamps are dispatched directly to the interior. You will then wonder how came it that a European official of the General Post Office can possess a certain quantity of the unused 14 satangs on 12 atts mentioned above, but it is a fact.

Another value, also 14 on 12 atts (Scott's No. 13), has been issued, also for the Interior Post Office. Of this I have not yet been able to obtain a single copy. The prevailing prices of these two specimens are as follows: 14 on 12 (Scott's No. 80) Tes. 30/35 per sheet of 100, and on the 12 (Scott's No. 13) Tes. 35/40 per sheet of 120. Very lucrative indeed for the mercenary speculators, and they will go still higher, in view of the new issue just out. The provisional surcharges will become scarcer, not on account of the quantity printed, which I understand is rather large, about one-fourth to one-half million of each, but because they are all in the hands of a few who will try to reap as much as they are able.

The new issue is now with us, the 3 and 6 were issued May 15, and the remainder of the set, the 2, 14 and 28, came on the 19th. The new set does not contain the 12 satangs value, a rate for inland postage, consequently if one has to send a letter up country, he has to "lick" two six-satangs

stamps instead of one as heretofore. The set consists of:

- 2 satangs, yellow and green.
- 3 satangs, green.
- 6 satangs, red.
- 14 satangs, blue.
- 20 satangs, brown.

These stamps were designed by Sig. M. Tomagno, a native of Italy who is Superintendent of Architecture of the Department of Public Works, and were printed in Leipzig, Germany. The allegorical monster supporting the sphere containing the King's likeness is known in Siam as the "Kroot" and is supposed to be a powerful monster with a giant's features, but with the body of a large eagle. This "Kroot" was supposed to be the most powerful monster in the mythological records of Siam, and you will note that it has between its claws two great writhing serpents. This symbol therefore means that the King of Siam is the most powerful of Monarchs.

The postal emissions of this country are being closely watched by the local collectors, as it is hard to even surmise just when something will be pulled off for the benefit of a few interested personages. Time alone can tell, and we await with interest that period when these far-seeing (?) speculators will get a dose of their own medicine. Hasten the day.

New York Notes

(Continued from Page 166)

Brooklynite, encouraged the "Baron" to try the Steeplechase, accordingly strolling around without success, the "Baron" wishing to live up to his characteristics to get something "very rare" at "little cost," he spied the Soup Bowl, when suddenly he dived right in and brought to the surface a 2c current rosy vermilion-scarlet-red-pink. Percy says its the only copy of this shade known, but Mr. Strauss is sure he has a plate number strip of it in his magnificent collection. Mr. Bartels—please inspect this wonderful shade, it may be the mate to the only shade you ever say—so very rare—that's in your collection.

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The Editor's Foreword

The Business Outlook

Though recent years have seen less and less slackening of Philatelic activity during the summer, the advent of September nevertheless may be taken as marking the opening of the Stamp Collector's season of activity. On all sides there are indications that the season is opening auspiciously. The stamp papers are filled with advertising; there seems to be a steady stiffening in prices of desirable stamps; announcements of the auction houses presage great activity in this line, and the demand for old issues increases, which reasonably may be given to hair-splitting deviations from perfection. All these are favorable signs.

In detail, it may be noted that Central and South American stamps are receiving more of the recognition which is their due. This is caused in part by the well directed efforts of certain dealers, but whatever the source of the present recrudescence of interest it is true that these countries, many of which offer rare fields for Philatelic research, have been studiously neglected by the great mass of collectors, owing chiefly to the disrepute into which a few of them have fallen. The revival of interest in them, therefore, is welcome, because everything which broadens the knowledge of our science is, or should be, welcome to those who are its devotees.

Chances are that the present season will see the crest of the market, at least for some time, for "King's heads," that is, the King Edward issues. Prices for the "single C. A." stamps have not since been so high as just after the multiple watermarks came out, and it is quite likely that the King Edward stamps will follow the same course. The present market for these issues, therefore, may be considered a rising

market, which means that it is a good time both to buy and to sell.

Taken all in all, the outlook for the season is bright, and live dealers, awake to the signs of the times, will grasp the opportunity by the liberal use of printers' ink, which will give the stamp journals a share of the current prosperity.

Philately In The South

The annual convention of the Southern Philatelic Association will be held in Kansas City, October 3. The Southern Association may not make so much noise in the Philatelic world as the American Society, or even as the Metropolitan, but it is worthy of note that Philately in the South is making real progress, and is doing it with very little help or encouragement. It is practically only within the last year that the South has had a Philatelic press, at least since the days when Gus Luhn was a tower of strength not only in the South, but to Philately in the whole country. Conditions, however, are changing for the better, and not alone at one point, but at several, more or less creditable Philatelic papers are centers of Philatelic energy and encouragement which are surely, if slowly, making themselves felt. At Shreveport, La., are The Southern Philatelist and the Dixie Philatelist, the former, especially, being a credit to the cause and working steadily into a broader field. At Commerce, Ga., is The Transcript, a weekly, originally a general collectors' paper, now devoted almost wholly to Philately, and doing effective work. The Stamp World, of Epes, Ala., has been combined with another publication and removed to Chicago, but to take its place there appears The Palmetto Philatelist, published at Gaffney,

S. C., and Temple, Tex., comes to the fore with The Philatelic Telegram, so there is likely to be gain rather than loss. These things mean that there is a real Philatelic awakening in the South, and wise dealers and wise publishers will foster it and reckon with it as a factor of power and influence which is bound to increase day by day and year by year.

The Detroit Convention

The net result of the A. P. S. Convention at Detroit, apart from an exceedingly good time, seems to be capable of summarizing as follows: The discovery that an antiquated system, or lack of system, makes impossible the proper administration of the secretary's office; the equally important discovery that the Society has been living beyond its means; a public admission that the stock fund is a liability and not an asset, and (infrequently) that it must be conserved against the day of the only legitimate demand which may be made against it; decisions to expand the work of the Educational Committee and to leave largely in the hands of the Chicago members plans for the celebration of the Society's silver jubilee, next year; the voting of the official organship to Mekeel's Weekly and, by a viva voce vote, the withholding of the legitimate advantages of that organship by extending its privileges to any and all other weekly stamp papers in this country.

At present we will comment briefly only on the last of these accomplishments. We were, frankly and above board, not in favor of Mekeel's for official organ, but in view of the confusion into which affairs had been plunged by the ruling of the P. O. department, urged an equitable agreement whereby, until the Society can publish its own journal, both Mekeel's and Redfield's would publish the official records of the organization, and reap such advantage as they might therefrom. This could have been arranged without being unfair to either—or to the Society. But we submit that to elect Mekeel's as official organ, and then, and not until then and thereafter, to throw down the bars to Redfield's and The Philadelphia Stamp News, was to rob the Weekly of a legitimate advantage already voted, and to a man up a tree looks much like adding insult to injury.

Philately For Shut-ins

We have just finished reading Dr. John Milton Holt's "Stamp Collecting a Boon to Invalids and Shut-ins." Perhaps because the editor of The Stamp Collector is himself a "shut-in" at present the article strikes with a forceful appeal. It is well worth reading, and doubly so because it contains a fundamental truth—the fundamental truth underlying all hobbies; and that is, that to be of real value, a hobby must contain within itself that which,

without wearying or exciting, will entertain, comfort and even instruct, in illness as in health, in time of sorrow as in time of joy; that will relieve the mind when great burdens press, and by the lightness and pleasantness of its touch, prepare it either for complete rest or to take up its burdens anew, after a refreshing intermission. In other words, it is a fact in psychotherapy that Dr. Holt is so simply, yet scholarly telling in the August Everybody's Philatelist, and as such it is well worth the getting and the reading, by non-collectors as well as by collectors.

Out of the wealth of his own experience Dr. Holt declares that "stamp collecting is one of the greatest boons with which the life of an invalid can be blessed"; to which the editor of The Stamp Collector, after divers hours propped up with pillows, putting in shape the "ragged edges" of various countries, adds his hearty Amen. Dr. Holt also demonstrates his faith in his own remedy by offering to send "Everybody's" free to any "shut-in" who cannot afford to pay for it, and if any "shut-ins" of this class should chance to read these halting lines, take a "shut-in's" word for it, the offer is worth taking up.

Marginalia

WILLIAM S. BENNET, Philatelist and Congressman from one of the New York City districts, is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor of the Empire State. Congressman Bennet is a Progressive, as he becomes a good Stamp Collector; therefore all Ohio Philatelists may be expected to boost for him, and it is to be hoped the New York brethren will not only boost but work.

WE'RE QUITE WILLING to bet that one vote by which Mr. Cleveland Barnum won the secretaryship was the one which our friend Finerty promised Hogan, last Spring, to cast for him.

IT IS NOT TRUE that Columbus contemplates petitioning the Postoffice department to issue a special series of stamps commemorative of its latest street car strike but if it could be stamped out in that way doubtless Columbus would be another Barkis.

OUR IDIOTORIAL WRITER has went from the Detroit convention to Columbus to visit the C. C. C., and writes us from there that the street car strike is almost as bad as the vote by which the convention didn't reconsider the vote on being official organ.—Arizona Philatelist.

WE SUPPOSE CHICAGO already is preparing to celebrate the silver jubilee of the American Philatelic Society by taking away from us ultimate consumers, next year, our unwieldy silver surplus.

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.

The courtesy of two copies is requested, on a reciprocal basis, from

American Philatelist No. 4

The August number of The American Philatelist, more familiarly known as No. 4 of The Quarterly, comes from the press coincidentally with the close of the fiscal year of the Society and of Secretary Adair's tenure of office. Like No. 3, it is a literary number, and though not very large—16 pages and cover—is a credit to the editor and to the organization. The leading editorial from the facile pen of Louis George Quackenbush, treats of "Society Loyalty," a timely subject just now, when the Society is struggling to throw off time worn and inadequate methods and emerge with youth renewed and strengthened, to enter on a broader field of usefulness for the coming years. "Neville" contributes some thoughts for the tyro collector, and President Mudge's famous song is reproduced. E. B. Evans contributes a scholarly article on the classification of U. S. stamped envelopes, and frankly acknowledges as an incentive thereto Mr. Bartel's paper, which the Society, in its Columbus Convention, would not let the author read but "gave leave to print." Verily, time works its revenges. C. L. Annan has a very interesting article, illustrated, on "The Garter Watermarks of the Stamps of Great Britain" which is capable of smoothing many a rough road for the young collector. L. G. Dorpat closes the number with a well considered article on "The International Character of Philately." Practically seven pages of advertisements, from a baker's dozen of representative dealers and Redfield's Stamp Weekly, though not as strong a showing as could be desired, nevertheless are an earnest of better things to come and are proof of Society Loyalty on the part of those who were progressive and foresighted, two years ago, in their support of The Quarterly. Taken by and large, No. 4 is all worth while.

The Three American Weeklies

Mekeel's, Redfield's and the Philadelphia News have been well worth while, the last month, and all have shown commendable enterprise in getting before their readers full accounts of the Detroit convention. Redfield went one better and printed the proceedings of the M. P. A. at Binghamton, thus making a double convention. Editor Mann, of the Philadelphia paper, got out his promised convention daily on the field, a stroke of enterprise which was much appreciated, though it is hard to say what permanent effect it will have. All three of these publications have kept up

their work of disseminating stamp news, notwithstanding the pressure on their columns for other matter, and readable articles on special phases of our hobby have not been lacking. There is little reason to believe that changed conditions as regards society organizations will have any effect on these papers. Both Mekeel's and Redfield's are too firmly established to be seriously injured, or even incommoded, and The Philadelphia Stamp News gives every indication of having found a solid foundation for a long career of Philatelic honor and usefulness.

The Southern Philatelist

With the August number The Southern Philatelist steps from Vol. I, complete, a whole year's successful work, into Vol. II, and celebrates that auspicious occasion by issuing 24 pages and cover, filled with interesting reading matter and sufficient advertising to betoken substantial prosperity. Editor Nast, of The Stamp Journal, contributes an article on "The Evolution of the Block," on which, after carefully considering the causes conducive to modern collection of blocks, the writer takes the ground that the block of eight, with plate number attached, is the ne plus ultra of form for collecting. Charles R. Morris furnishes some interesting notes from Washington and besides other articles a department for boys is started, which cannot fail to be of value. With the new volume the subscription price is advanced to 25 cents per annum, which is none too much. The Southern Philatelist, Shreveport, La., Leon Carter Grosjean, editor and publisher.

Philatelic Journal of Great Britain

The leading article of the August number of this standard English monthly is a paper on The Samoan Express Stamps, by R. E. R. Dalwigk. It is a comprehensive resume of the history of these stamps, which, owing to the fact that they were issued by and for a private postal service, have been the subject of considerable controversy. There is also cleared up the question of the size of sheets, showing that there were two printings, the first of 10 stamps to the sheet and the second of 20, instead of 12 and 24, as has been erroneously stated. Editorially, the P. J. comments favorably on the demand for used stamps with dated postmarks. The editor just takes the position that a dated postmark often is all that is needed to settle many moot points, and he therefore urges that more attention be given to cancella-

tions of this kind. The new issues and other departments of the paper are fully up to their usual standard of excellence.

Gibbons Stamp Weekly

July and August numbers of Gibbons have furnished rich Philatelic feasts for the discerning reader. Fred J. Melville's "Postage Stamps in the Making" has been an interesting feature for those who care to know of the mechanics which make their hobby possible. There are several instalments of Jose Marco del Pont's article on the Riyadavia stamps of the Argentine Republic, which cannot fail to strengthen the interest already felt in the issues of this progressive South American state. Bertram W. H. Poole deals exhaustively with the postal emissions of Holkar, in his series on countries of the world. Twentieth Century colonials form the topic of a scholarly article, in several instalments, by D. B. Armstrong, and C. F. Bendy Marshall continues his study of British postmarks since 1840. There is a vast amount of miscellaneous reading, and the various departments are fully up to the Gibbons standard, which means, in brief, a whole library of Philatelic information in small space.

The West End Philatelist

Field's clever little magazine, *The West End Philatelist*, edited by Bertram W. H. Poole, printed in its July number an interesting historical sketch of the early postal arrangements of Bermuda. It is curious to read therein of the sloop packet lines between Bermuda and New York, and Bermuda and the West Indies, and compare them with the 48-hours steamers out of the American metropolis in these days. The editor continues his exhaustive paper on errors in color in both the July and August numbers, listing a considerable number of which the average collector knows nothing save the scant notes found in the catalogues. The article on the postage stamps of Sierra Leone also is continued in both numbers, the instalments dealing with the provisional and regular issues of 1897 and the King's head issues through the 1909 crown agents' color scheme in 1908.

Notes of The Exchanges

Dr. H. A. Davis' clever little paper, *The Vest Pocket Philatelist*, published at Denver, continues to shed joy and stamp knowledge concurrently and steadily, month by month. The leading article of the July and August numbers deals with the U. S. 5-cents issues.

The August *Hobbyist* devotes a page to denouncing H. B. Clark, Former exchange manager of the Hobby Club, as a fraud; gives 11 lines to the resignation of President A. W. Dunning, of the Club, and

seven lines to the announcement that hereafter O. Kendall, "Director," will run the Club himself.

The *Kittaning Collector*, though somewhat belated, contains a fair amount of interesting reading, mostly in notes. Much attention is given to post cards and other hobbies, as well as to stamps.

The *Canadian Philatelist*, published at Rouleau, Saskatchewan, is printing a history of early Canadian stamps. The July number chronicles a perfect used specimen of the rare Connell stamp. It also prints a Philatelic story which is far above the inane qualities of most stamp stories.

Roessler's *Stamp News*, New York, continues to print a number of things which some of the more pretentious stamp papers miss. The September number records a large find of the Bahamas 4d, rose, 1875, Scott's No. 18, which, however, have been sold en bloc to an English dealer. The August number contains a laudatory and well-deserved write-up of *Redfield's Weekly*, wherein Brother Roessler shows both discriminating judgment and business acumen.

The leading feature of Alfred Smith & Son's *Monthly Circular* is an interesting article by Bertram T. K. Smith, on the Cape "wood block" stamps. The chronicle of new issues is very full, and well illustrated, as is always the case with this London publication.

With the August number the *Attleboro (Mass.) Philatelist* completes its first year, a year of steady growth and of increased excellence. The publishing of a Philatelic directory at an early date is promised. The paper continues to give much attention to pre-cancels.

State Revenues

We have just received a copy of a "Check List of U. S. State Revenue Stamps" by J. Delano Bartlett, and published by the United States Revenue Society.

The list shows that fifteen of the different states have at one time, or are now issuing State Revenues. California heads the list with the greatest number of varieties. The book consists of 32 pages and cover 6 x 8½ inches in size. Twenty-five illustrations are scattered through the work and they add much to its value. No price is printed on the copy sent us but we believe it is distributed gratis to members of the society and must say that this handbook alone is worth the full cost of a years membership.

The Twenty-Fifth A. P. S. Convention

The 25th Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Society convened at Detroit on August 16-20, is now a matter of Philatelic History. From every point of view the convention was a huge success and it should be a matter of congratulation to the hosts of 1910.

The entertainment of the visiting delegates was all that could be desired and surpasses all previous attempts in this regard. Each year the hosts set a mark eclipsing all previous efforts and it is only just to say that succeeding hosts will have to scratch some to surpass the bonnie lads who live "Where Life is Worth Living." From the cry of "Starters Ready" clear up to the "breaking of the tape" there was enough to satisfy the most exacting and even the hypochondriac, that convention parasite, was more than satisfied with these "Gifts from the gods."

The delegate, upon his arrival did not stand long upon ceremony, and in tow of some local member began to become acquainted with the scenery, and the typography of the adjoining thoroughfares. A few of the delegates arrived as early as Saturday evening and by noon Sunday, nearly a score were on hand. Sunday afternoon was pleasantly passed in seeing the Detroit ball team play a game with Washington. After the fans arrived back at the Wayne hotel, where they were joined by some new arrivals, the crowd was then escorted to beautiful Belle Isle Park and were served with an elegant supper on the balcony of the casino. On Monday night a reception was given in honor of President Mudge at the parlors of the Cadillac hotel, which was attended by all local and visiting delegates. At this soiree, General Coolidge was commander-in-chief, ably assisted by the local corps, and many fair ladies. It would be time wasted to tell you of the happy reunion and reminiscence enjoyed by many of the Old and New Guard upon this occasion. Shortly after the curfew rang upon this joyous scene, many groups were found steering a straight course for the opening in the bar, and thenceforth and thereafter may sacrifices were made to the god Bacchus in libation form. On Tuesday evening the entertainment consisted of a smoker and auction sale at Alt Heidelberg, one of the many "German Colleges" with which Detroit is endowed. The auction came first and charmed by the dulcet tones of the auctioneer, Mr. Howard Beck, the boy orator of the City of the Straits, many hitherto untouched pocketbooks were lightened by his stirring appeal for an endowment fund for a home for aged and indigent Philatelists. Just at the close of the auction a big com-

motion was heard on the other side of the room and upon turning in that direction it was found to be coming from three large tables fairly groaning under the weight of delicious and tempting viands. Under the able leadership of Commander-in-Chief Coolidge, skirmishers were thrown forward, and in a few minutes a general attack was ordered and the firing increased in heavy volume and continued until the tables and their contents retired in confusion and greatly depleted in bulk.

Wednesday afternoon we embarked on the "Sapho" or the "Salome" for a delightful ride to the St. Clair flats, and back to the Casino of Belle Isle park where a delightful repast was served. Dancing, ginger ale, music, song, and many other accomplishments served to make this outing the Stellar attraction of the week to all landsmen attending the convention and was greatly enjoyed by all. Thursday afternoon was given over to "seeing Detroit" from the decks of three large heavy draft "rubberneck" barges, painted red. The course laid east by north on Jefferson avenue and gave the visiting delegates an idea of Detroit as a manufacturing center, and of its parks. On the return a trip was made to Belle Isle where a round of the beautiful park was made. Rounding one of the numerous curves in shoal water barge No. 3 slipped her tow line and stubbed a tree that rather inconsiderately refused to get out of the way. After picking one's self out of the grass most of the party were able to go on their way rejoicing that only four of their number were laid up and taken back to the wet dock for repairs. Messrs. Crowell, of Cleveland, Elliott, of Winchenden, Mass., Blackwell, of Woodside, N. Y., and Adair, of Columbus, were the unfortunate ones. After getting patched and sewed up by Dr. Singer they would never be suspected as a damaged copy, save for some rather decided limps as they walked.

From a standpoint of legislation, this convention is the most successful on record. It is worthy of note that there was no occasion for a proxy vote, so unanimous were the opinions of all in attendance. A brief resume follows of the important features: The vote—

Henry N. Mudge, Illinois.....	730
F. R. Cornwall, Missouri.....	713
Chester Myers, Missouri.....	702
Adalbert Strauss, Missouri.....	699
W. H. Barnum, Ohio.....	387
W. P. Wherry, Nebraska.....	701
L. H. Kjellstedt, Pennsylvania.....	716
Chas. A. Coolidge, Michigan.....	708
Henry J. Crocker, California.....	713
Chas. R. Morris, Dist. of Columbia.....	386
Scattering.....	11

The vote for secretary was so close that the credential committee canvassed this vote three times, before definitely coming to a decision. It is remarkable in the annals of the society, and will probably never again be duplicated. Both candidates were warmly commended for their gentlemanly conduct and bearing during the campaign. Brother Nast of The Stamp Journal attributes the defeat of Morris solely to the open support of Mekeel's Weekly, but rather wisely refrains from mentioning his own part and taking his own share of the blame. Defeat is a bitter pill to swallow, but the gentleman from Colorado should be used to it by this time and it goes down now without choking.

The Educational Committee gave ample evidence of the thoroughness of their labors and their exhibits were highly interesting to all members. That this committee has done manifold good in this work was evidenced to all and there is every assurance that their appeal for further funds will be ample and sufficient to meet their needs.

The Specialized Catalogue Committee was continued with power to act.

A 25th Anniversary Committee was authorized and \$250.00 made immediately available for their use, with such other amounts as may be deemed proper by the Board of Directors.

A uniform method of accounting in the offices of the secretary and treasurer, together with a uniform system of blanks. This is a happy idea and is of first importance to the society. In both the offices the old primitive methods in use by Noah, are still in effect. The growth of the society has been such that these methods have been outgrown long ago and should have been discarded. This has been the cause of much confusion in both offices.

\$100.00 appropriated for the use of the Recruiting Committee.

International secretary authorized to advertise in foreign publications.

Board of Vice President authorized to use society funds in prosecuting the detection of substitutors on sales circuits.

Board of Vice Presidents authorized to secure suggestions and designs for a distinctive society badge.

One hundred dollars was appropriated for the use of the Librarian. Of this sum fifty dollars was to be used for binding and the remainder for purchasing new books and magazines for the library.

Membership authorized in the American Philatelic Literature Society.

Committee to be appointed to confer with the officials of the American Numismatic Association relative to having the conventions of the A. P. S. and the A. N. A. on consecutive days.

Secretary to keep in his possession for postage and other expenses the sum of \$100.00, and that he shall be under bond.

Dues reduced to 90 cents yearly, subscription to the American Philatelist placed at 30 cents, making \$1.20 as before.

Official matter of the society to be furnished to any weekly paper upon applying to and with the consent and approval of the Board of Vice Presidents, such matter to be published as furnished and without charge to the society. This was passed unanimously and later motion was made to reconsider, but was hopelessly lost. This is the culmination of the fight against the domination of Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News over the society. This fight was begun immediately after the Columbus convention when the proprietors of the Weekly defeated the quarterly red-handed and without compunction. Thus have their wings been clipped in spite of the grand total of 261 out of 730 ballots cast. What a vindication that vote of sympathy must be.

Chicago elected unanimously for the 1911 convention.

For the 20th time in the history of the A. P. S. Willie Stone "sine died" the society and it was ALL OFF.

We can not pass by without mention of the enterprise of Percy McG Mann who published a daily edition of the Philadelphia Stamp News and distributed it gratis among the members. Besides philatelic articles it contained the latest convention news and items of special interest regarding the daily program. It is highly gratifying to know that there is such enterprise in philatelic journalism today.

We also point with pride to the convention souvenir given away by The Stamp Collector, a handbook on the Stamps and Envelopes of Poland, but our modesty forbids us to say more than that it was eagerly sought after.

For a review of The Philatelic Error see Billikins Department.

Bavaria's Stamps in Strips

In Bavaria the postal authorities have adopted an ingenious method of printing stamps in vertical strips. They are then placed on little rollers after the manner of shaving paper rolls. The object is to save time, and no doubt in stamping a large number of letters it is a success. The same may be said with regard to the retailing of stamps. The roll is attached to a nail or hook, and the stamp has only to be detached from one side, instead of three or four, as is the case where they are printed in sheets.

Seen and Heard at the Convention

Oh, You Hughie.

It is rumored that the Pretzel Club is in financial difficulties. This report probably arises from the fact that the four surviving members had only one badge to divide between them and wore it on two hour shifts during the boat ride to The Flats.

Consternation reigned when it was discovered that the bottled refreshments intended for the boat ride had not been delivered. Public feeling ran high and considerable anxiety was felt for the safety of the entertainment committee. After the boat was well under way the cases were found stacked aft and willing volunteers moved them to a place of safety (and consumption).

Louis Hanford, of Cleveland, refused to be overlooked. It was reported that he had been kidnapped, but this was without foundation and Louis loomed up at the morning session with the famous Handfordesque smile decorating his countenance, driving gloom and dull care before him.

We understand that a member of the Chicago delegation suffered severely from ptomaine poisoning. We would not be unkind enough to suggest that this was caused by stubbing his toe. The patient was attended by Dr. Wherry, who, when asked as to his fee, replied \$1.20 from force of habit.

H. Wesley Legg, deputy sheriff of Pepper Ill, Mass., is an indefatigable user of metal polish and his badge illuminated the country for miles around.

We wish to deny the report that a miscreant hitched a horse to the Timber Twins in front of the Cadillac hotel.

Owing to the fact that the Affiliated Church Goers Clubs held their meetings simultaneous with the A. P. S. Fred Bruce, of Cleveland, was unable to devote much time to our meetings.

Alvin Good denies that he tried to register as Benson, of Aldrich, Minn.

Howard Beck, the silent statesman, was coaxed into conversation only by the untiring efforts of his appreciative friends.

Of course every one claims the honor of "that one vote" that located the secretaryship on the shores of Lake Erie.

("*%&") says that when a man can't get over 65 cents on four aces that there is evidently some limit to the game.

Frank Bescher presented Dr. Wherry with a bird's eye view of Omaha, in which the meeting place of the Omaha Philatelic Society was prominently indicated.

Having consulted the official record we are surprised to find that General Goulash only made seventeen speeches throughout the convention. This is an exceptionally small record for a man of the General's retiring modest disposition and ability.

It is reported that Chas. Esterly Severn was lulled to inactivity during the Thursday morning session. At this time he was composing a touching little ballad entitled "Asleep at the Switch. When rendered at the afternoon session it was voted a huge success by all who heard it.

Hereafter all candidates for the office of the secretaryship must undergo the third or mint julip degree. The success of the retiring secretary in this regard makes it highly desirable.

The Art Lovers were seen daily at Chas. Churchill's gallery.

The success of President Mudge as skipper of the ship of state is all the more remarkable when it is understood that the Ginger Ale was spiked.

Too bad that tree was rooted to the spot in Belle Isle Park. At any rate the Limping Trio and the Timber Twins make a full house.

The sonorous voice of Willard O was missing like "The Harp that Once Thro' Tara's Hall's," etc. Its dollars to doughnuts that had he been on the job that little sleeper would never have passed Chas. Esterly so easy. Even though the large majority of members present were in favor of it, it would have been an easy matter for Willard O to have held them spellbound until their ticket limitation was up. Foxy Willard O.

Entertaining is such an arduous task that several of the Detroit boys had to go up to the Flats afterward to sob.—rest up.

Bro. Chas. A. Nast was unable to be present. Had he been there he would have found the best of feeling in evidence and that there was no place for an echo of Toppan's Famous Philippic. No, Chas., there was nothing expunged from the records this trip.

The habits of Percy McGraw McGee McMann were so regular that every morning at four o'clock the hotel clerk would glance at the hotel time piece to see if it was on time.

Howard Churchwarden Beck was kind enough to warn the non resident members of the terrors and dangers of Belle Isle after dark. It is needless to say that his kind advice was universally followed.

A. R. Funnel, of Detroit certainly lived up to his handle. We wonder why he wanted to Tel-fer.

At the auction sale at Alt Heidelberg the high prices realized for original covers so frightened Edgar Nelson that he grabbed his hat and took refuge in flight. We won't tell who had his eye on that hat. It is rumored, however, that it was a prominent Chicago dealer.

This is the first convention in years in which there has been no occasion for the use of proxies. It is probably due to the absence of wiley individuals. So mote it be.

It is reported that Harry Ladder Perkins stood in the street and saw claret lemonade dispensed on the Tuller Roof Garden. As this young man has been trying to break into the Majors for some time, no doubt the Cleveland baseball club can place him, having just lost their human slat, Addie Joss.

Percy McGraw spent most of his time standing on the steps of the Art Museum, waiting for the printer's devil.

It is with a feeling of deep regret that we announce the resignation of Mr. Henry Crowell and Mr. H. Debonair Barnum from the "Society of Midnight Sons."

"Restquietcats in peace."

The Discordia Society butchered President Mudge's song with all the Pomme de terre of a Canadian government execution.

Hugh Clark is surely insured of a comfortable suite of rooms in the Home for Indigent and Infirm Philatelists if his bid on the 5c 1847 at the Alt Heidelberg Sale, may be taken as a criterion.

We discredit the report that Iver Johnson tried to arrange a meeting with a plaster cast of Helen of Troy in the Art Museum gallery. We might believe this of Henry Ades Fowler, but not of Iver.

P. M. Wolsieffer, the Dean of Philately, refused to attend a Sunday baseball game because the tailor failed to return his trousers.

Chas. E. Severn and Parnassus Penflip were inseparable and visited many of the ice cream emporiums in search of new delicacies.

General Coolidge was quite overcome at Howard Beck's presentation speech and claims that there are grounds for court martial.

Harry Taite, of Cleveland, together with Gene Telfer, the coffee king of Detroit, pulled off an acrobatic turn that would have driven the Cherry Sisters to do a moving picture circuit. If you don't believe it ask H. Wesley Legg or John Rust who managed the light effects.

In The Auction Rooms

the 30 days following the 15th of the same month. **C**If copies of catalog before the sale and priced catalogs after the sale are sent to both the publisher and Mr. Field, your name will be placed on our exchange list. **C**In case catalogs are not ready by the first, written information should be sent Mr. Field. **C**When priced catalogs are furnished after the sale, the state of the market as reflected in the sale will be carefully analyzed and full credit given.

All information for this department should be sent to W. H. Field, 1081 Newton St., Columbus, Ohio, prior to the 1st of each month, for

Coming Sales

Sept. 24, Philadelphia Stamp Co., Philadelphia, Pa. 648 Lots.

Oct. 1, Hugh M. Clark, 536 Postal Telegraph Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

Oct. 10, J. C. Morøenthau & Co., New York.

Auction Prices

The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co., Sale—Aug. 13

★ U. S. 30c (No. 53) mint....	\$10.00	\$4.00
★ U. S. 90c (No. 54).....	20.00	8.20
○ U. S. 90c (No. 54) very good	25.00	9.75
○ U. S. 10c (No. 58) August..	7.50	3.50
★ U. S. \$3.00 (No. 243) Columbian	4.25	3.50
★ U. S. \$5.00 (No. 245) Columbian	7.00	5.75
★ U. S. \$5.00 (No. 278) no gum	9.00	6.00
★ U. S. 1898, \$2.00 (No. 293) Omaha	4.50	2.50
○ U. S. 1902, \$5.00 (No. 313)..	4.00	2.10
○ U. S. \$200.00 imperforate revenue (No. 2901) fine...	35.00	18.10

○ U. S. 90c (No. 132) reissue, fine	27.50	9.05
★ U. S. 90c (No. 1528) Cut square envelope	4.50	2.00
○ U. S. 2c (No. 212a) strip of three on portion of cover, very scarce	30.00	21.60
★ Brazil, 10,000r (No. 513)....	6.50	5.55
★ Danish West Indies, 14c (No. 12) mint	15.00	6.10
○ Great Britain, £5 (No. 93) telegraph cancel.....	8.00	5.50
○ Hayti, 8c, (No. 44b).....	10.00	7.00
★ Philippine, \$1.00 (No. 237) mint	5.00	3.00
★ Philippine, \$2.00 (No. 238) mint	10.00	6.00
★ Philippine, \$5.00 (No. 239) mint	16.50	12.50
○ St. Lucia, 1p, (No. 21) error "Penn"	?	21.00
★ St. Vincent, 4p (No. 47) scarce	40.00	15.80
★ Southern Nigeria, 10s, (No. 9) mint, scarce	7.50	3.50
★ Western Australia, 10s, (No. 87) pair, very fine.....	7.20	5.10



DETROIT—Yes, Bill was there and it would have warmed the cockles of your heart to have seen the gambol on the green indulged in by Parnassus, Pernicious and Bill. It was a happy reunion and the long time since the Garfield-Perry stunt was eagerly bridged over and the indicator brought down to the present. Eevery stunt offered was readily absorbed and in such measure enjoyed that Pernicious labeled Parnassus a hypochondriac, which to Bill's way of thinking must be a new name for some kind of a liquid libation.

At first glance Bill thought the convention graced by Royalty as he had a glimpse of what seemed to be Emperor Franz Joseph, of Austria, but it turned out to be General Goulash, who had refrained from trimming his moustaches a la militaire, and the boomerang effect lent aid to the royal deception.

The chief joy promoter, Mr. A. R. Funnel, was very much in nocturnal evidence and is authority for the statement that Chas. E. Severn's pajamas are pink in color. He had no chance to size up Bill for Bill did not have time to don his silken raiment.

The Philatelic Chautauqua

For the first time in Philatelic history the world's greatest Philatelic Chautauqua was held on the banks of the Detroit river. Never before in the history of our great and glorious country has there been gathered together such a stupendous, fascinating, awe inspiring, colossal, and renowned array of talent and galaxy of stellar attractions. The program consisted of twelve wonderful performers, all living and in action. Prof. C. G. Ferris, the indefatigable, death defying, unconquered, fearless and unchallenged discoverer of TAYLORSVILLE, ILLINOIS, gave a vivid description of his seven hour combat with a gigantic "Ging Ging" which he carries with him in captivity. This ferocious monster is a half brother to the celebrated "Dig Dig" captured by ex-President Roosevelt in his late excursion to Africa. The professor is an entertaining talker and at times made the shivers play leap frog up and down the backs of his audience. His remarks were closely followed.

Mr. Chas. A. Nast, that inimitable lecturer, addressed the assemblage on The India Chief, told in narrative form and illustrated by magnificent lantern effects skillfully managed by his talented assistant, Mr. Jos. Rich. Mr. O. S. Hart, of Akron, Ohio, gave a highly entertaining lecture containing 257 sterling arguments, entitled "Are New Yorks and five cents synonymous. Mr. Geo. K. Smith, that merry minstrel, gave a rendition of his black face art, in a short skit entitled "King Koal." This entertaining little lump of humor was written expressly for Mr. Smith by C. B. Duffy, at the request of the late Cassie Chadwick, and was indeed a triumph, both as to scenario and interpretation.

Feineman's Concert Band, under the personal direction of Mr. Sol. E. Feineman, rendered a complicated program of classical music. Attention must be drawn to the delicate tone shades in the following numbers: The Blue Danube, Asleep in the Deep, Life on the Ocean Wave, The Sailor's Prayer, The Song of the Sea, Down Went McGinty, Annie Roomie, She Has Seaweed in Her Hair, and by special request Mother's Teeth are Filled with Zinc. So complete was the success of this aggregation of musical artists that they have been engaged for next year. This is the highest praise that can be given them.

Parnassus Penflif, the only juggler and extortionist extraordinary gave a highly instructive exhibition of what may be done to the English language in America. He turned, twisted, balanced and tied it into a double love knot and gave evidence of magnificent control throughout. His feats have no parallel and he acknowledges no master.

Wm. C. Stone, the singer with the silver voice, rendered original compositions of the highest class, among them being that peerless ballad "Sine Die." Strong men wept and the supply of handkerchiefs was soon exhausted.

C. W. Kissinger and Erwin L. Fischer, the two desperadoes, in their hair raising skit, "The Conspirators," gave a fitting sequel to their famous production "Who Threw the Bomb?"

Frederick Bruce, the Harry Lauder, of America, in Scotch songs and dances, kept the audience in a perpetual roar and was voted the drawing feautre of the engage-

ment. His best interpretations were "Set 'Em Up Again, Bartender" and the original poem "Jock McRae."

Howard Seebeck, the returned missionary, told in pathetic language the story of his love for the natives of Obock. This charming bit of tearful romance must be heard in order to be appreciated.

That great magician, Harry Limb, of Pepperill, Mass., astonished the audience with his two feets of magic. The professor was hampered by the presence of a sore throat and his wife. Otherwise, his turn would have been more spectacular.

Last, but not least, were two intensely interesting lectures of economic value, by that millianaire philanthropist, John F. Corrode, of Cleveland. His first theme was "The Value of a Day's Work" which proved so successful, that for an encore, by special request he trotted out his masterpiece entitled "Only Three Grains of Corn". This proved to be the most stirring plea for honest labor ever delivered in Chau-tauqua circles. The entire proceeds of this entertainment were given to George H. Worth-a-ton, to purchase paint for his yacht. It was indeed a Worthy cause.

About the neatest thing, and one which was not down on the printed program was the issuance of the Philatelic Error, a psuedo philatelic sheet full of filatelic fun and filately. As their edition was so limited, Bill has made arrangements with the chief malefactor and reproduces a few of the many good things it contained so that his readers may be benefited thereby.

Open Air Stamp Bourse

The first Open Air Bourse under the auspices of the A. P. S. was held yesterday in our beautiful West Grand Circus Park. It was a large success, and although the flag was not due to drop and the "they are off" sign to be given until 1 p. m., the stamp fiends commenced to gather early. At 8:30 Mr. Edgar Nelton might have been observed taking his morning splash in the fountain, and was much "peeved" because the policeman would not allow him to use his cake of perfumed soap, it being against a city ordinance to use soap in a city fountain. His figure was all that could be desired.

Mr. Batchelder, of Boston, strolling by, picked up a pebble and tossed it at him. Quickly seeing the business opportunity, he gathered all the pebbles about and sold them 3 for 5c. Every time you hit the male Annette Kellerman, you receive a genuing postage stamp cataloging 2c. and guaranteed by John N. Luff. Mr. Mudge and Mr. Severn, being so successful that Mr. Navin offered them positions on the Detroit ball club's pitching staff, and business was brisk until too large a crowd collected and officers drove Mr. Annette Kellerman to

the bushes to don his apparel and diamonds.

Our reporter noticed behind a dense bed of lemon verbenas C. F. Heyerman, Henry Fowler, C. Staub, Percival Parish and Eugene Klein, all on bended knees. Asking if they had joined the Salvation army, Mr. Heyerman replied solemnly, shook his head and said, "We pray for a gale of wind during the stamp trading, so stamps may flutter in our direction." A warm discussion in which A. F. Van Order maintained that hot dogs are more nutritious than peanuts, Ben Green holding up the peanut end, was interrupted by the Bourse being opened by the Convention Scream, led by William C. Stone. The echo of the scream was still vibrating in the treetops when Mr. Carpenter drew a 2c Hawaiian Missionary from his sock and offered to exchange it for a West Australia swan, a North Borneo monkey, a Congo Alligator and a Nyassa giraffe."

Mr. Morgan Thaw said while he was willing to help Mr. Carpenter start a rival show to Barnum & Bailey, he asked too much menagerie. If he cut out the giraffe, he would accept. Mr. C. Snapped up the offer.

After this opening exchange it went fast and then some. The only incident that promised to be unpleasant, but which turned out happily was when Mr. Hugh Clark and B. L. Drew mounted opposite ends of the same bench and started rival auction sales, but as everybody was too busy trading to buy, each bought the other's lots.

Among the exchanges reported were: Mr. P. M. Wolseiffer traded his "Hints to Auction Buyers" for a U. S. Inverted Center 30c, 1869, with Mr. Worthington.

Dr. W. L. Babcock exchanged a block of four 8c Canadian Registers with a small boy for a yellow dog, because he said the dog had an original cover.

Bogert & Durbin exchanged "our price list, which no collector can afford to be without" with Mr. Iver Johnson for the pick of three stamps from his collection.

Mr. H. F. Colman sat on a bench by himself looking as if he was sorry he came, tearing up a treatise by Stanley Gibbons Co. explaining how they became the "People with the Goods," for which he had traded his best copy of the 10c blue Proprietary. It sounded as if he said "stung."

The exchanging was now stopped by the gale of wind, successfully prayed for by the amateur salvationists. The most amusing incident during the excitement was Paul Mason swimming in the fountain, collecting stamps from the ruffled water with his mouth, like a hungry bass after June-bugs. He made quite an addition to his collection in this manner.

The bended-knee scouts proved themselves A-1 stamp collectors.

This Bourse proved to be a success. We understand it will be a permanent feature of future conventions.

The Cry of The Pessimist

Oh, you 14 perforations!
 Oh, you watermark C. C.!
 Oh, you stickers of all nations!
 You have sure been DEAR to me!

At the landlord's step I'm quaking,
 And his visits cause me dread;
 MY collection's in the making,
 HIS collections are quite dead.

See my feet from old shoes sticking,
 See the patches to the rear;
 Down the street my watch is ticking,
 Last year's straw is bent and sore.

Still I read the bargain papers,
 Scan the circuits and the books,
 And my balance slowly tapers,
 And my goose most surely cooks.

How I yearn for ancient "covers,"
 And the blocks and pairs and strips;
 Stamps are most exacting lovers,
 And we pay for all our tips.

When I scan the empty spaces
 And the barren waste of page,
 I wonder when I'll see the traces
 Of my labors and my wage.

Meanwhile every heathen nation
 Grinds them out like miller's grist,
 And I dare take no vacation
 When I see the growing list.

Scrimping saving, buying, mounting,
 Thro' the years in chain of charm,
 Judgment Day will find me counting
 Each new issue with alarm!

wearing his best crown and a pleased expression.

C. R. M., Washington, D. C.—No, the term "hireling" is not one of rebuke or condemnation, but rather of approbation and approval. Its derivation is from the word "hire," showing that work has been done, and "ling," from the Chinese, meaning to launder, and signifying cleanliness.

George Z.—We would not advise your showing your collection to your new friend if he wears cuffs on his trousers.

Great Mystery Solved

Some months ago a letter arrived at the Washington post office addressed to "Mr. Hedgecock, Wash." The employees of the post office being unable to locate "Mr. Hedgecock," the letter was turned over to the Dead Letter Office. After being subjected to the searching scrutiny of several of the office detectives, it was, as a last resort, submitted to the famous blind clerk, who, recognizing at once the peculiar chirography of the writer, promptly determined that the letter was for Hon. James H. Hitchcock, Postmaster General.

That our readers may appreciate the puzzles which the Dead Letter Office sometimes has to solve, and as some of you may have seen letters similar to the one in question, we append a copy of the letter to the Postmaster-General:

"Office of the Philatelic Pest, L. T. Flatrock, Inflictor, Inferior, Neb.

"Mr. Hedgcock:—C u r aft pprs wht elm big circ. Think Pest got most n e l. Gld 2 hv u chk up & think wl hlp sum.

"Plsd 2 hr.

Only

"FLAT!"

Answers to Correspondents

Harry Limb.—No, the fact that the Boston pre-canceled has three bars and the New York two bars does not indicate that Boston has more saloons than New York.

Young Collector.—We cannot verify your information that United States stamps are to be printed on red, white and blue paper and water-marked stars.

Briton.—Yes, we have it on the best authority, the porter of the Windsor Post Office, that King George will appear on the new stamps in low-neck and short-sleeves,

Conbention Anthem

By Henry Smudge.

Sweet Philatelia, Queen of our hearts,
 We are all captives brought low by your darts;

Sing we your praises from day to day,
 At our collections we're pegging away.
 Send us your message and frank it with care,

Use a St. Louis, a treasure so rare;
 See that your kisses are strictly O. G.,
 Sweetheart, our albums are yearning for thee.

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The Publisher's Page

Our New Dress

One would judge that a new dress or suit would have little to do with philately. However, the new dress we refer to is a new dress for The Stamp Collector. If you will notice the volume and number of this month's issue you will see that the next number will be our twelfth month, or the closing number of our present volume.

We have been studying for some time numerous ways of improving this magazine and have come to the following conclusion: That the best and most desirable kind of matter to print is stamp news and articles, the kind we have been printing each month, only more of it. We don't intend to burden our reading space with any other class of matter. What you want is facts about stamps and men who are making stamp collecting the best hobby of them all. We have always aimed to issue a neat well printed magazine and to further improve it, we will, beginning with our issue for November, the first in volume two, print our magazine on a fine quality of enameled book paper, besides putting on a more attractive cover. We shall also endeavor to improve the typographical appearance of each page individually and of the magazine as a whole.

For this first number we are preparing several special features, and it is our intention to issue one of the finest and most attractive numbers that has ever been published by any philatelic magazine in America. We do not expect to print 52 pages, but we will give you more good solid matter of interest to serious stamp collectors than has appeared in any American philatelic journal for a number of years.

We shall print and circulate 500 extra copies of this number, making 2,500 in all, and we know that it will benefit every dealer who uses space in it. If you are not a regular advertiser in The Stamp Collector we shall be pleased to quote you a special price for any sized space in this one issue, as a trial. It will also pay our regular patrons to use extra space in this number, and if interested we shall be pleased to quote a special reduction for this one issue.

Broadstone is Beaten

It is hardly necessary to warn any of the experienced philatelic advertisers, but we can't help but inquire how our Florida, New York, contemporary can circulate 10,000 free sample copies of one issue, when the postal laws of these United States plainly states that a publisher may mail as free or sample copies, 10 per cent. as many copies of any one issue of his publication as he has paid subscribers. This 10 per cent., however, is allowed to accumulate, and during the course of a year would reach 120 per cent. for 12 months. Now we have reason to believe that the S. J. has been sending quite a few samples each month, thus using up part or all of the 10 per cent privilege. Supposing the latter to be the case, it will be allowed, for example, that these 10,000 copies which are to be sent as samples of the October issue, represent 10 per cent. of the paid subscription list, it therefore means that the S. J. has a paid list of 100,000? (There's a nigger in the woodpile.)

These figures are correct according to Uncle Samuel's way of figuring, therefore Brody's claim of 20,000 to 40,000 may be all right after all.

Supposing no samples were sent out at all during the year and the accumulated 10 per cent. privilege for each month were all bunched and used on this one issue, we then have 120 per cent. equals 10,000. And this would also indicate that the paid subscription list or 100 per cent. amounted to about 8,333. Therefore, on this basis the October number could be sent to 18,333 collectors. There are few mailing lists in the hands of stamp dealers or publishers which contain this many names.

We are not printing this matter to provoke argument, but simply because we don't believe in doing business in this manner, and believe that all collectors and dealers will agree that the best way to state your circulation is to put it down in plain

figures that anyone can understand. A few years ago a publisher was allowed to send a sample copy for each paid subscriber on his books. This privilege was the means of giving many magazines their big circulation. At present one can not send so many free copies unless perhaps the postmaster may overlook them.

Portfolio of Convention Snap Shots

Members of the A. P. S. who were so unfortunate as to be able to attend the Detroit Convention are to be given an opportunity of securing a very desirable souvenir of the meet. While going up to the Flats, on board the Sappho, the publisher of the Stamp Collector conceived the idea of getting up a portfolio of Convention Snap Shot Pictures. A paper pledging the signers to pay one dollar toward the expense of making half-tone cuts and printing a portfolio of pictures, was quickly circulated and thirty-nine signatures secured in a very short time, eleven of the signers paying their dollar at this time. Cards have been sent to the remainder and it is hoped to have all money in hand by the time this appears in print.

All parties having a kodak or camera were requested (and many promised) to send pictures which they secured. It is intended to select about 20 or 24 of these, and after having good cuts made from them, to print each picture on a piece of first quality enameled paper, and arrange

the 20 or 24 pictures in a neat cover with appropriate wording. A list of the subscribers will also be included, together with a statement of receipts and expense on getting up the souvenir.

It is intended to issue from 300 to 500 copies of the portfolio, four copies to go to each subscriber and the remainder to be offered at 25 cents each. Any money received over and above the cost of issuing and sending out this souvenir is to be used to purchase some desirable philatelic works, which will be donated to the A. P. S. Library. Thus you who were not in Detroit will be able to secure a handsome souvenir of the 25th convention, besides assisting in giving the Library of the A. P. S. some valuable books. Send remittances direct to the publisher of this magazine.

Photos Wanted

Members of the A. P. S. who were at the Detroit convention with their camera or kodak are requested to read the above item and then help make the souvenir a success. Some pictures have already arrived, but a great many were taken by the camera lovers and if all will send specimens it will give a wider range to select from and assure a much more desirable and typical booklet. Pictures will be returned or paid for if requested. Promises of plenty of pictures were cheerfully given, but the pictures are the only things that can be used. Back up your promises.

Record of New Issues

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Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Belgium

From several of our exchanges we learn that there are two complete sets of four values of each type of charity stamps.



the addition of the dates "1830-1910" according to Mekeel's Weekly.

British Honduras

Ewen's Weekly Stamp News chronicles the current 1c on multiple ordinary paper, instead of multiple chalky.

Bulgaria

The 3s. orange and black of 1901 has been surcharged with a large "1" at the bottom and "1910" and medium sized figures at the top in black, while the 15s of the same set has been similarly surcharged "5" and "1910," according to Gibbon's Weekly.

Bosnia

In celebration of the Emperor's birthday, the current pictorial set is to be issued with

Adhesives—

1s. on 3s., black and orange.

5s. on 15s., greenish black and lake.

Cayman Islands

Gibbon's Stamp Weekly is authority for the statement that the current $\frac{1}{2}$ d, is now appearing on bluish green.

Columbian Republic

The International Stamp Company has shown us the new commemoratives for this country which we illustrate. The stamps were engraved and printed by the American Bank Note Company and each stamp bears their imprint. The frame designs are the same for the 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20c. We are informed that the 10c registration stamp has already been withdrawn.



10c on 15p., gray.

10c. on 25p., red-brown.

Fiji Islands

Current type in new colors, multiple chalky paper, perf. 14, reported by Mekeel's Weekly.

Adhesives—

5s., green and red on yellow.

£1., brown (?) and black on red.

France

Mekeel's Weekly reports the 2f. current type Postage Due in a new color.

Adhesive—Postage Due—

2f., orange.

France—Post Offices in Morocco

The following new value of the current type for Morocco, surcharged in Spanish currency "35 CENTIMOS" is reported by Gibbon's Stamp Weekly:

Adhesive—

35c., lilac.

Great Britain

A new 2d. stamp, bearing the head of King Edward, has been prepared but the issue of the stamp, for obvious reasons, has not fully been decided on. Mekeel's Weekly describes the design on the authority of the London Philatelist. The head of King Edward VII. to the left is contained in a small, white circle, surmounted by a small crown. "Postage" "& Revenue" appear to left and right of the head, respectively, and beneath the central design "2d." appears in white in an upright oval of solid color. The upper and lower portions of the design are filled in with ornamental scroll, color bright mauve, perf. 14, wmkd. crown.

Jamaica

The 6d. on surfaced paper and printed in doubly fugitive ink is reported by Gibbon's Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

6d., dull purple.

Netherlands

From Mekeel's Weekly we learn a new provisional postage due stamp was issued July 20 and was in use only one day. The 1 gulden light blue and red was surcharged "3 Cent" diagonally in black. On the same day the regular postage due stamp of same value was issued.

From the same source we learn that the 1 gulden is to be issued in dark ultramarine like the other values, the remainder of the light blue having been used up for the provisionals.

Adhesive—Provisional Postage Due—

3c. on 1g., light blue and red.

Regular issue Postage Due—

3c., ultramarine and black.

Orange River Colony

New shades of current stamps, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14, reported by Gib-

Adhesives—

$\frac{1}{2}$ c., black and dark violet (Camilo Torres).

1c., dark green [Policarpa Salavarietta (La Pola)]

2c., scarlet, (Narieno)

5c., dark blue (Bolivar).

10c., violet (Caldas).

20c., gray (Santander).

Registration stamp—10c., black and vermilion (Execution in Cartagena on February 24, 1816, by order of the Spanish Governor.

Acknowledgement of receipt stamp—5c., black and orange (Asevedo Gomez).

From Mekeel's Weekly we learn the current 1c. is now appearing without the imprint of the printer at the foot.

Elobey, Annobon & Corisco

Mekeel's Weekly notes the following provisionals, fiscal stamps having been surcharged as described in our last number. The surcharge is in black unless otherwise noted.

Adhesives—

10c. on 25c., red.

10c. on 50c., green.

10c. on 50c., green (violet).

10c. on 7p 25c., lilac.

10c. on 2p., violet.

10c. on 2p 50c., blue.

10c. on 10p., brown.

bon's Stamp Weekly.

Adhesives—

½d., green.

1d., carmine.

Roumania

It appears from Gibbon's Stamp Weekly that the 5, 10 and 30 b. postage due stamps of Roumania are to be found tete-beche.

A new series of postage due stamps is in preparation, according to Mekeel's Weekly. The values will be 2, 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 50 and 60 bani and 2 leu.

Siam

Additional value of new set.

Adhesive—

12 sat., black and olive yellow.

South Australia

Current large type, watermarked Crown and A, perf. 12½ by single-line machine, reported by Gibbon's Stamp Weekly.

Adhesives—

3d., olive green.

4d., orange.

6d., blue-green.

1s., brown.

5s., pink.

Spain

Additional values of the new set, perf. 13x12½, are reported by Mekeel's Weekly.

Adhesives—

40c., pink.

50c., slate-blue.

Spanish Guinea

Provisionals, formed by surcharging the fiscal stamps with "Habilitado para Correos—10 cen de peseta" in black, are reported by Gibbon's Stamp Weekly.

Provisional Adhesives—

10c. on 50c., green.

10c. on 2p., violet.

10c. on 25p., red-brown.

Switzerland

Gibbon's Stamp Weekly reports the current low values withdrawn, the cord of the crossbow having been placed behind, instead of in front of the stock.

2c., yellow.

3c., brown.

5c., green.

Transvaal

We learn from Gibbon's Stamp Weekly that the 2d gray reported in our No. 5 on the authority of that journal, does not exist. The new 2d. is in violet as reported last month.

Turkey

According to Gibbon's Stamp Weekly, the current 5 paras has been surcharged, reducing the value to 2 paras.

Provisional Adhesive—

2 par. on 5 par., brown-ochre.

United States

Mr. Geo. W. Linn, has shown us the new McKinley postal card with double impression.

Western Australia

Current type, watermarked Crown and A sideways, perf. 12½, reported by Gibbon's Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

½d., green.

Venezuela

Commemorative stamp issued June 15, described by Mekeel's Weekly: The stamp is a horizontal oblong, the central portion of the design showing a standing figure of liberty, with Peace and Labor seated at her feet, foreground filled with stalks of corn and branches of oak. In the upper corners are portraits of Bolivar and Francisca de Miranda.

Adhesive—

25c., dark blue.

Notes on New Issues

From Austria comes the news that the Emperor's birthday, August 16, is to be fittingly celebrated, and, as usual, stamp collectors will pay the freight. In No. 10 we printed a note to the effect that the present designs were to be used, with the addition of the dates "1830-1910". Now comes the report that the present values will not be used and but two designs prepared, one for the 1 heller to 1 krone and another for the 2, 5 and 10 kronen. We should know the truth very shortly now for the birthday has passed. The Austrian government seems to have the commemorative habit in an aggravated form and we may confidently look for something out of the ordinary from this source.

A story appears in the daily press to the effect that Bosnia is to be erected into a Kingdom after the plan, we presume, of the Hungarian Monarchy. We have noted elsewhere that Bosnia will follow the example of Austria regarding the Emperor's birthday.

Quite the most astonishing story yet appearing is to the effect that separate sets may be issued for the various departments of Austria. Bohemia, Galicia, Carinthia, Istria and Dalmatia are mentioned as among the future possibilities. After a careful estimate of the probable cost of these sets, if containing all the values of the present Austrian set, and having carefully counted our money, we hardly feel inclined to endorse the plan.

We may be wrong, but all of these plans, if correctly reported, seem to be more than

a raid on the pocketbooks of stamp collectors. If we are not badly mistaken, these plans are intended to please the inhabitants of the various portions of the Austrian Empire. Few states contain within their borders so many different peoples as does this one and there has been much speculation as to what might happen when Franz Josef dies. Perhaps all these schemes are intended to placate the different factions and make the Emperor's successor more secure on his throne.

We learn from Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News that the stamps of Finland are no longer available for international postage or for use to other portions of the Russian Empire. Evidently Finnish postal history is nearing an end and we may look for the suppression of its stamps, even for local use at an early date.

We find we treated the mythological figure on the new Siamese stamps with rather scant courtesy in our chronicle last month. Our correspondent in Siam states the figure is that of the "Kroot," a most powerful demon. We make due apologies

to his Krootship and sincerely trust that the light refreshments which form the pleasing finale of Collectors' Club meetings will not cause his appearance in our dreams.

United South Africa now being an accomplished fact, rumors are already busy with a new series of stamps. In a letter to Gibbon's Stamp Weekly, Mr. Emil Tamsen, of Nylstroom, Transvaal, states the designs for a set had been prepared and approved, but the matter has been kept very quiet and no details allowed to leak out. It is highly probable that the design, providing it bore the portrait of the late king, will now be changed.

New sets are promised shortly from Bulgaria and Nyassa and, with the possibility of new issues soon from Great Britain and colonies and a new set for "Afrique Equatoriale Francaise," the coming season promises to be a memorable one. After all, new issues make collectors, so let them come. The more stamps to collect, the greater opportunity for the expression of individual taste.

Philatelic Literature

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone

interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

A Check List of Philatelic Publications in the English Language

FOR THE YEAR 1909

Compiled by W. R. Ricketts, Historian of the American Philatelic Literature Society

Advertising Supplement of the Philatelic Literature Society

189 Barry Road, Dulwich, S. E. Published by the Philatelic Literature Society, London (F. J. Peplow, Hon. Sec.). Sub. (Issued free to members with the Journal), non-members, 25c per year; 4 pp, 11 $\frac{5}{8}$ x9 in.; printed on blue paper. Vol. and Nos. same as Journal. Vol. III, 1 (Jan.), $\frac{3}{4}$ (Oct.), 1909.

Appleton's Weekly

Ben-Rhydding. Published by T. C. Appleton. Weekly, 50c per year; 16 pp and cover, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; contains "Appleton's Monthly Price Catalog." New Series, Nos. 144 through 195, January through December, 1909.

Bargains

52 Windsor Road, Tuebrook, Liverpool. Published by B. Holloway. Monthly, Sub.

25c per year; 12 to 14 pp; 4 $\frac{7}{8}$ x3 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Vol. I, 4 (Jan.), 5 (Feb.). Nos. 4 and 5 are not dated. No. 3 is Dec., 1908.

British Philatelist

7 Southampton Row, London, W. C. Published by Chas. Nissen & Co. (Edited by A. B. Creeke, Jr.); 8 pp; 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ x4 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. Sub. 36c per year. Vol. I, 11 (Jan.), 12 (Feb.), 1909. Vol. II, 13 (Mar.), 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 (Dec.), 1909.

Bulletin of the Fiscal Philatelic Society

London. Published by the Fiscal Philatelic Society, for members only; dues \$1.25 per year; — pp. Vol. I, 2 (—), 3 (Mar.), 4 (June), 5 (—), 1909.

Carter's Monthly Record

85 Raven Meels Lane, Formby, Liverpool. Published by H. Carter. Monthly, Sub. 36c per year.

Charlick's Monthly Circular

20 Cricklade Ave., Streatham Hill, London, S. W. Published by L. S. Charlick. Monthly, Sub. 25c per year (with premium an unused stamp); 8 pp; $9\frac{1}{8} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ in. Vol. I, 1 (Dec.), 1909.

Ewen's Current Stamp Quotations

32 Palace Square, Norwood, London, S. E. Published by H. L'Estrange Ewen. Weekly; Supplement to "Ewen's Weekly Stamp News"; 4 pp; 15×10 in. Nos. 168 through 219, Jan. to Dec., 1909. No Vol. given.

Ewen's Weekly Stamp News**Ewen's Colonial Stamp Market**

32 Palace Square, Norwood, London, S. E. Published by H. L'Estrange Ewen. Weekly, Sub. \$1.08 or 4s 4d per year; 4 pp and 4 pp Supplement "Ewen's Current Stamp Quotations" 4 pp each issue; 15×10 in. Nos. 570 through 62 Jan. to Dec., 1909. No Vol.

Gibbon's Stamp Weekly

391 Strand, London, W. C. (American Branch, 198 Broadway, N. Y.) Published by "Stanley Gibbons, Ltd. Weekly, Sub. \$1.60 per year; 16 pp and cover and 4 pp Adv.; $9\frac{7}{8} \times 6\frac{5}{8}$ in. Vol. IX, Nos. 209 through 234, Dec. through June, 1909. Title and Index.

Grieberts Philatelic Notes & Offers

170 Strand, London, W. C. Published by Hugo Griebert & Co., occasionally; trade journal containing articles and notes; sent for postage; 16 pp; $11 \times 8\frac{3}{4}$ in. Nos. 2 (Jan.), 3 (Apr.), 4 (July), 5 (Nov.), 1909.

Journal of the Philatelic Literature Society

185 Barry Road, Dulwich, London, S. E. Published by the Philatelic Literature Society; Quarterly, Sub. \$1.11 per year (including dues); issued to members only; limited to 100 copies each number; 16 pp; $12\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$ in; each No. has two plates illustrating rare literature.

Vol. II, 1 (Jan.), 2 (April), 3 (July), 4 (Oct.). Title and Index; 12 pp, 1909. Each No. has a grey paper cover. "Advertising Supplement" issued with Nos. 1 (Jan.), and 4 (Oct.); 4 pp; printed on blue paper; $11\frac{5}{8} \times 9$ in.

King (Whitfield), & Co.'s List of Philatelic Novelties

Ipswich. Published by Whitfield King & Co.; ten times per year; Sub. 12c; 12 to 16 pp; $6\frac{3}{8} \times 4$ in. Nos. 156 (Jan.), 157, 158, 159, 160, 161 (June-July), 162, 163 (Sept.-Oct.), 164, 165 (Dec.), 1909.

London Philatelist

4 Southampton Row, Holborn, London, W. C. Published by The Royal Philatelic Society (Edited by M. P. Castle). Monthly. Sub. to non-members \$1.50 per year (yearly dues one guinea, \$5.25); 28 pp; $11 \times 7\frac{3}{4}$ in. $\frac{1}{4}$

Vol. XVIII, Nos. 205 (Jan.), 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216 (Dec.), 1909. Title and Index. Each No. has a grey cover and 6 pp advertisements.

Mack's Stamp Review

20 Villiers St., Strand, London, W. C. Published by Herbert Mack & Co. Monthly, Sub. 25c per year; 10 to 12 pp, cover; $9\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$ in. Vol. II, 13 (Feb.), 14 (March), 1909.

Monthly Report of the Herts Philatelic Society

29 Holland Villas Road, Kensington, London, W. Published by the Herts Philatelic Society (Edited by Franz Reichenheim). Monthly, Oct. to May. Sub. to non-members 36c per year; 12 pp; $10\frac{1}{4} \times 8$ in. Vol. II, 12 (Jan.), 13, 14, 15, 16 (May), 1909.

Vol. III, 17 (Oct.), 18, 19 (Dec.), 1909.

Vol. II, Title and Index. (Membership dues, entrance fee \$1.25, Dues \$1.25).

Philatelic Adviser & Stamp Market Journal

164 Strand, London, W. C. Published by Bright & Son (Edited by F. H. Oliver), Sub. —c per year; $9\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{8}$ in. Each No. has cover and — pp Adv. Vol. II (New Series), 1 (Jan.), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Dec.), 1909. Title and index.

Philatelic Chronicle & Advertiser

Handsworth, Birmingham. Philatelic Publishing Co., Publishers. Monthly, 25c per year; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 20 pp and cover. With the first No. of Vol. XVII dates omitted.

Last No. in my col., XVII, 208 (Dec., 1908).

Adv. as issued, XIX Vol. for 1909; but 1908, XVII, what about XVIII.

Philatelic Exchange & Mart

Gurnsey Channel Islands. Published by the Philatelic Printing Co. Monthly, Sub. 25c per year; 16 — 8×10 in.

Vol. VI, 64 (Jan.), 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72 (Sept.), 1909.

Vol. VII, 73 (Oct.), 74, 75 (Dec.), 1909.

Philatelic Journal of Great Britain

68 High Holborn, London. Published by P. L. Pemberton & Co. Monthly, Sub. 62c per year; 20 pp, cover and 6 pp of Adv.; $9\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Vol. XIX, Nos. 217 (Jan.), 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228 (Dec.), 1909. Title and index.

Brown cloth covers furnished for each Vol. for 31c.

Philatelic Record

124 Brownhill Road, Catford, London, S. E. Published by (P. J. Evans, Business Dir.; L. W. Fulcher, Editor), Printed by W. Lewis & Son, 174 Fleet St., London, E. C. (American Agent: W. H. Closon, 184 Boylston St., Boston). Monthly, Sub. \$1.25 per year; 24 pp, cover and 6 pp Adv.;

10 $\frac{3}{8}$ x6 $\frac{7}{8}$ in.

Vol. XXXI, Nos. 361 (Jan.), 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372 (Dec.), 1909. Title and index.

Philatelic Trader & Fraud Reporter

Egremont, Cumberland. Published by William Lewthwaite. Monthly, Sub. 18c per year; 8 to 12 pp; 7 $\frac{3}{8}$ x5 in.

Vol. XI, 121 (Jan.), 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132 (Dec.), 1909.

Each No. has a cover.

Philatelic World

8 Sheriff Road, West End Lane, London, N. W. Published by J. Sefi. Monthly, Sub. 62c per year; — pp, cover and — pp Adv.; 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ x7 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Vol. I, Nos. 3 (Feb.), 4, 5, 6 (May), 1909. Title and index. Binding Case for Vol. I, blue cloth, price 36c.

With Vol. II, changed to a Quarterly; Sub. 62c per year; 22 pp; 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ x7 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; cover and 2 pp Adv.

Vol. II (New Series), 1 (Sept.), 2 (Dec.), 1909.

Picture Post Card Gazette & Miscellaneous Advertiser

25 Kingsgate Road, Kilburn, London, N. W. Monthly, 25c per year; 16 pp; 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x4 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Postage Stamp

1 Amen Corner, London, E. C. Published by Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Ltd. Vols. III, 66-78 and IV, 79, 80 edited by E. J. Nankivell. (Edited by F. J. Melville), 14 Sudbourne Road, Brixton, London, S. W. Sub. \$1.62 per year. Weekly; 12 p and cover; 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x7 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Vol. III, Nos. 66 through 78, Jan. through —, 1909.

Vol. IV, 79 through 104, — through —, 1909.

Vol. V, Nos. 105 through 117,—through Dec., 1909. Title and index to Vol. III and IV.

Smith (Alfred) & Son's Monthly Circular

4 Southampton Row, London, W. C. Published by A. Smith & Sons. Monthly, 25c per year; 8 pp; 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ x8 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.

Vol. (XXXV), Nos. 409 (Jan.), (410-411) (Feb.-March), (412-413) April-May), 414, 415, (416-17) (Aug.-Sept.), 418, 419, 420 (Dec.), 1909.

Stamp Collector

Birmingham. Published by Margoschis Bros. (Edited by J. A. Margoschis and W. Kuhn). Monthly, Sub. 50c per year; — pp and cover and 12 pp Adv. Official organ of the Birmingham Philatelic Society. Vol. XIII, Nos. 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 1909. (Jan. to Dec.) Title and index.

Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly and International Stamp Advertiser

63-4 Chancery Lane, London, W. C. Published by Messrs. Plumridge & Co. (Edit-

ed by P. C. Bishop.) Fortnightly, Sub. 81c per year; 8 pp and cover and 4 pp Adv. Vol. XIV, Nos. — through —.

Vol. XV, Nos. 365 (March) through 382 (Dec.), 1909.

Stamp Dealer

27 Sackville Street, Southsea. Published by C. S. Quinton. Monthly, Sub. 25c per year; — pp; 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ x5 $\frac{1}{8}$ in.

Vol. I, Nos. 4 (Jan.), 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, (10) (July-Aug.-Sept.), 11 (Oct.), 1909.

Stamp Lover

44 Fleet St., London, E. C. Published by the "Junior Philatelic Society" (H. F. Johnson, Bus. Mgr.); — pp; 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ x6 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.; Monthly, Sub. 62c per year (including dues).

Vol. I, Nos. 8 (Jan.), 9, 10, 11, 12 (May), 1909. Title and index.

Vol. II, Nos. 1 (June), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (Dec.), 1909.

Stamp Talk

Whitstable, Kent. Published by Henry Abel & Co. Monthly, Sub. 36c per year; 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ x4 $\frac{3}{8}$ in.; — pp.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Oct.), 2, 3 (Dec.), 1909.

Stamps

2 Holles St., Oxford St., London, W. Published by W. S. Lincoln. Occasionally. Sub. 2d for four numbers. Price List, numbered but not dated, printed in different colored inks; — pp; 5 $\frac{7}{8}$ x3 $\frac{1}{8}$ in.

1909, Nos. 4, 5.

West End Philatelist

Royal Arcade, Old Bond St., London, W. Published by D. Field (Edited by B. W. H. Poole). Monthly; 16 pp; 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; cover.

Vol. V, Nos. 59 (Jan.), 60 (Feb.), 1909. Title and index.

Vol. VI, Nos. 61 (Mar.), 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70 (Dec.), 1909.

Wilson's (W. T.) Monthly Special Offers & Bargains

18 Livingstone Road, Handsworth, Birmingham. Published by W. T. Wilson. Monthly. Free to customers; 4 pp; 11x8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Nos. 50 (Jan.-Feb.), 51 (April-May), 52 (June-July), 53 (August-Sept.), 54 (Nov.-Dec.), 1909.

British Guiana Philatelic Journal

Georgetown, British Guiana. British Guiana Philatelic Society, Publishers. Semi-annual; 12c (6d) per copy; 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ x7 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 16 pp and cover; no volume given.

Nos. 6 (June), 7 (Dec.), 1909.

Dominion Philatelist

Ottawa St., Toronto, Canada. Thomas Stamp Co., Publishers. Monthly, 25c per year; 9x6 in.; 16 pp and cover.

Vol. VI, Nos. 1 (Jan.), 2, 3, 4-5-6 (April-May-June), 7-12 (July-Dec.), 1909.

Hobbyist

Winnipeg, Canada. O. Kendall, Publisher. Monthly, 50c per year; $7\frac{1}{8} \times 4\frac{7}{8}$ in.; 16 to 28 pp and cover.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Jan.), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Dec.), 1909.

The "Xtra" (Sup. to Sept. No.). Vol. I, No. 1.

Most Nos. have supplements, Adv. or "Hobby Club" announcements.

North American Collector

Crossfield, Alberta, Canada. James Mewhort, Editor and Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year; 9×6 in.; 12 pp. and cover. Bs. Mgr., R. J. Mundell, Box 773, Montreal, Quebec.

Vol. I, No. 7 (Jan.), 1909.

Sold to "Hobbyist."

Royal Magazine

164 Main St., Dovecourt Road, Ont. (Later 204 Geary Ave., Toronto), Canada. (Echo Pub. Co.), R. A. Austin, Publisher. Quarterly, 25c per year (50c inc. membership in "Echo Exchange Club"): No. 3 (Jan., 1910), 9×6 , 4 pp.

Vol. 1, Nos. 1 (), 2 (), 1909.

Note:—Name changed to "Post Card Echo" with No. 3, Jan., 1910.

Universal Collector

Toronto, Canada. Universal Correspondence Club, Publisher. Sent to members only; 9×6 in.; 8 pp.

Nos. 1 (), 2 (), 1909.

Victor Stamps News

951 Dovecourt Road, Toronto, Canada. Pub. by Victor A. Trowles. Monthly, 24c per year (No. 1, $4\frac{5}{8} \times 3$ in.) (No. 2, $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ in.), 4 pp.

Vol. I, Nos. 1 (Nov.), 2 (Dec.), 1909.

No. 1 has been reprinted.

Xtra (The)

O. K. Press, Winnipeg, Canada. O. Kendall, Publisher. $5\frac{3}{8} \times 4\frac{1}{8}$ in., 4 pp. Pink paper. Supplement to "Hobbyist" I, No. 9, Sept., 1909.

Vol. I, No. 1 (Sept. 1, 1909.)

Contains "A. P. S. Convention Report" at Atlantic City.

Indian Philocartist

Cama House, Poona, India. T. R. N. Cama, Publisher. Quarterly.

Vol. I (Jan.-Feb.), 2 (Apr.-May)?

Wanted—Information.

Philatelic Journal of India

Mount Road, Madras, India. Philatelic Society of India, Publishers. (Pub. for the Society by Higginbotham & Co., Mount Road Madras, and W. T. Wilson, 292 Birchfield Road, Birmingham, England). Monthly, \$1.50 per year. $10\frac{3}{4} \times 8$ in.; 26 to 34 pp., 8 pp., Adv. and cover.

Vol. XIII, Nos. 1 (Jan.), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Dec.), 1909.

T. and Index with the Dec. No. Hon. Sec., M. W. Corfield, 25, Mangoe Lane, Calcutta.

Australian Philatelist

182 Pitt Street, Sydney, N. S. W. Fred Hagen, Ltd., Publishers. Monthly, 75c per year; ($9\frac{1}{4}$) $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6$ in.; 12 pp. and cover. Edited by J. H. Smyth.

Vol. XV, Nos. 5 (Jan.), 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Aug.), 1909.

Vol. XVI, Nos. 1 (Sept.), 2, 3, 4 (Dec.), 1909. T. and I. to Vol. XV with August No.

New Zealand (N. Z.) Collectors' Exchange

Tokomaru, Wellington, N. Z. John E. Griffiths, Publisher. Monthly, 25c per year; $7\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$ in.; 16 pp. and cover.

Vol. I, Nos. (11-12) (Dec.-Jan., 1908-9).

Vol. II, 13 (Feb.), 14, 15 (16-17) (May-June), 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 (Dec.), 1909.

Edited by Robert Brown, 228 Jervois Road, Auckland, N. Z.

Kob's Post Card Exchange Register

90, Bras Basah Road, Singapore Straits Settlements.

Koh & Co., Publishers. Monthly, 87c per year.

Wanted—Information.

Nos. 17 (Feb.), (Mar.), (Apr.), (May), (June), (July).

To Members:

The above list of English, Canadian and Colonial Magazines is complete to the best of my knowledge. All collectors of Philatelic Literature are requested to go over the list carefully, also the list in the August issue of this paper and advise me of any errors or additions. This list is to be published in book form and it is hoped to have it as near perfect as possible.

W. R. RICKETTS, Historian.

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Letter From The President**To the Members:**

The list of the publications for the year 1909 printed in last month's Stamp Collector was a revelation to many. Few stamp collectors in the United States, except students of philatelic literature, ever realize how many magazines are given over wholly or in part to stamp collecting. It was the best piece of work ever done by any of our monthlies and is equalled or surpassed only by the list prepared by Mr. E. D. Bacon in the Journal of the Philatelic Literature Society of England. Now let all

second the efforts of the official journal by paying up dues promptly by subscribing to this paper, and thirdly, by sending in all the information concerning the list of queries to our historian, Mr. W. R. Ricketts. Do not send items respecting these to the Stamp Collector. This is suggested so as to avoid needless repetition and to save time in correcting list. Look up your files and if you find you have a paper not mentioned or a copy of an issue not enumerated, send word to the historian giving full details. Later on all members in good standing will be supplied with the check list in booklet form, gratis.

Again let me urge members to collect all printed matter concerning stamps. Sometimes a very insignificant paper appears. It seems worthless, but it very often happens that after two or three issues, the leaflet or price list with the big sounding name, takes on respectable shape as to size and contents, and then for the sake of continuity or completeness, the first useless numbers have a value. To instance a notable example let me cite the current New York Philatelist, by E. J. Dempsey. The first few numbers were trifles, but with No. 4, it blossomed into a 6x9. One never can tell what is going to be worth while later on, so I advise saving all. Who could have guessed that the little "Evergreen Philatelist" when its first numbers appeared would ever grow into the handsome and useful magazine it afterward developed into. The first twelve numbers of Vol. I are very scarce a complete volume having sold recently for \$3.75. Only about 200 each of the first half dozen numbers were run off. Few collectors can boast a complete file. And I could mention plenty of other cases similar to this.

Now to give these remarks a practical turn. In the last quarterly of The Journal of the Philatelic Literature Society, a number of queries are propounded by Mr. B. T. K. Smith. He wants to know if the following journals have appeared as promised, viz:

- "Beginner's Monthly," Reno, Nevada.
 - "Rochester Philatelic Monthly," Rochester, N. Y.
 - "Stamp Stuff," Gaffney, S. C.
 - "Philatelic Herald," Decatur, Ill.
- Then he desires to know how many numbers of each, and particularly "what is the last number" of the following:
- "Monthly Bulletin," Chicago.
 - "Standard Philatelist," Chicago.
 - "Michigan Philatelist," Kalamazoo.
 - "Empire Philatelist," New York City.
 - "Stamp Collector," Pittsburg, Kan.
 - "Stamp World," Eppes, Ala.
 - "Junior Philatelist," Dansville, N. Y.

Now let all who know anything respecting these items, drop a card to the historian at Forty Fort, Pa., and he being a member of the foreign society will answer all these queries in the next number of the English Journal.

C. A. NAST, President.

Secretary's Report

Fellow Members:

Another month has passed by and with it the big annual Philatelic event of America, the A. P. S. Convention. I don't intend to speak here of the convention other than to say that three new applications were handed to me by attendants and when I returned home I was agreeably surprised to find a letter containing the application of Mr. E. D. Bacon of London, England, president of the Philatelic Literature Society.

I know all of our members will join with me in extending a hearty welcome to Mr. Bacon and we hope he is only the advance guard of the large body of English collectors whom we expect to enroll as members of our society. Inquiries regarding our society have also been received from German collectors and I believe that within six months or less we shall have one hundred members.

Its work, like our list of publications which appeared in last month's issue and in this issue of the Stamp Collector, and which is to be continued in the next issue, that will bring collectors into our society. It is the hope of the Council of your society that a work of this nature can be issued each year.

I want to call your attention to Mr. Nast's letter. I had intended to give you the very advice that he is offering but will only ask you to read his letter carefully and to do all you can in assisting to make this handbook as complete and correct as possible.

If you know a literature collector, get his application and help enlarge our society. With a hundred members which means \$100.00 a year, we can do much good work for our hobby.

New Members

New Members.

Wm. C. Stone, 21 Princeton St., Springfield, Mass.

E. D. Bacon, The Gables, Croham Park Ave., South Croydon, London, W. C., England.

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Fraternally yours,
GEORGE W. LINN, Secy.

The Quarterly Not Second Class Matter

Secretary Adair of the American Philatelic Society is in receipt of a communication from the Postoffice Department to the effect that the American Philatelist has been refused admission at second class rates to the mails of the United States on the ground that it is not a newspaper or other periodical publication within the meaning of the law.

The decision was based upon No. 2 of the American Philatelist which the authorities took as their means of refusal. In view of the fact that while the copy of that issue contained about four pages of textual matter on subjects that might be of interest to philatelists, the remaining 78 or 79 pages are devoted exclusively to the interests of the American Philatelic Society (membership lists) by which it is published—about nine-tenths of the entire space being used for advertisements and lists of names and addresses of the members of the society. Such a publication does not meet the Supreme Court's definition of a periodical admissible to the second class of mail matter.

The definition of the Supreme Court is as follows: "A periodical, as ordinarily understood, is a publication appearing at stated intervals, each number of which contains a variety of original articles by different authors, devoted either to general literatures of some special branch of learning or to a special class of subjects. Ordinarily each number is incomplete in itself, and indicates a relation with prior or subsequent numbers of the same series. It implies a continuity of literary character, a connection between the different numbers of the series in the nature of the articles appearing in them, whether they be successive chapters of the same story or novel, or essays pertaining to subjects of general literature. If, for instance, one number was devoted to law, another to medicine, another to religion, another to music, another to painting, etc., the publication could not be considered as a periodical, as there is no connection between the subjects and no literary continuity. It could scarcely be supposed that ordinary readers would subscribe to a publication devoted to such an extensive range of subjects.

While this ruling may or may not seem to fit the case of the American Philatelist, it has so been construed by the Postoffice Department.

The logical outcome or solution of this matter must be that in order to obtain second-class rates, and save a large amount of money in postage, to put the American Philatelist within the pale of the law, and do so at once.

The by-laws and membership lists should

be divorced from the American Philatelist, and should be printed separately in pamphlet form and given to every member of the Society, for if they still continue to be published only in the Quarterly, and the member does not subscribe for the same, he will not receive that to which a member is his just due. It is something to which all members are entitled and by continuing to publish them in the quarterly will result in a further refusal of postal privileges.

The Board of Directors of the Society should act upon this at once.

New Newfoundland Set

From the London Daily Mail we learn of the receipt of the new series of stamps, comprising eleven denominations, as follows:

One Cent—The portrait of King James of England, who granted a charter to one John Guy, an alderman of Bristol city, to found a settlement in New Foundland.

Two Cents—The arms—two crowned lions rampant and the two chained unicorns of the London and Bristol company, which developed the settlement.

Three Cents—The head of Alderman John Guy, the first to form a permanent settlement in the year 1610.

Four Cents—The good ship Endeavor, upon which Guy sailed to Conception Bay.

Five Cents—The town of Cupids, one of the chief centres of Newfoundland's great fishing industries.

Six Cents—The head of Lord Bacon—the guiding spirit of the first colonization of New Foundland.

Eight Cents—A view of Mosquito, a New Foundland towns close to Harbor Grace, the second town in the country.

Nine Cents—A logging camp upon Red Indian Lake, with the hewn spruce logs used for paper making lying in the foreground, and at the back the rough shanties of the men.

Ten Cents—The great paper mills at Grand Falls. An excellent picture of the mills belonging to the Anglo-Newfoundland Development Company, where paper for the Daily Mail and Allied Publications is manufactured. This stamp commemorates Newfoundland's newest industry.

Twelve Cents—Profile of King Edward VII.

Fifteen Cents—The full face portrait of King George. The first stamp issued with a picture of the new king.

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Club reports have been neglected for the months of June and July, but little need be said except that the regular meetings were duly held and attended—by a few. June 14, Mr. E. S. Marin gave a display which was responsible for a good attendance at that meeting. On July 26, a contest, prepared by Mr. Martin, was held and the same contest repeated on August 9. Both occasions afforded those present an opportunity to display a lamentable lack of knowledge of stamps in general and surcharges in particular. At the meeting of August 9, a paper on the stamps of Poland was read (since published as a handbook) and provoked considerable discussion.

The secretary has been having considerable trouble with mail addressed to him by club members and others. Time will be saved and much annoyance avoided for all concerned by using the secretary's full name and putting on his office address. It seems strange that the business men of the club are the worst offenders in this respect.

The Program Committee will begin work on next season's program very shortly. Those willing to prepare papers and make displays should communicate with the secretary at once. This will facilitate the work of the committee. The dates of meetings for the next four months are as follows: September 6, 20, October 4, 18, November 1, 15, 29, December 13, 27, January 10, 24.

Layman H. Bagg

The following letter was received too late for our August issue. You probably remember our mention of Early American Catalogs in the June-July number, and will be interested in reading about one of the early American Philatelists.

August 2, 1910.

Dear Mr. Linn:

In the last issue of the Stamp Collector I note you ask "Who was L. H. B.?" He was Layman H. Bagg, formerly of West Springfield, Mass., now of New York. His

stamp collection and library was sold by Morgenthau some few years since. Most of the literature mentioned by him in his "Philatelist" article, however, he sold to me before that date and I still possess them. The Sever and Francis catalogue I have in duplicate as well as the Kline. There was also nearly a complete file of the Stamp Collector's Record, published by S. Allan Taylor, the forest American paper. Mr. Bagg was the man who unearthed the Brattleboro stamps and we had the pleasure of entertaining him a couple of years ago at our club and heard the tale first hand. He is no longer interested in stamps.

Very truly

WILLIAM C. STONE.

Springfield, Mass.

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Poland

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The Editor's Foreword

The Bogert & Durbin Co., Auction Fraud

The Stamp Collector, in accordance with a promise made editorially two months ago, which has been delayed in fulfillment owing to the illness of the editor, elsewhere in this issue summarizes at considerable length the alleged sale by the Bogert & Durbin Company of Philadelphia, early in 1909, of the W. H. Bainbridge general collection of postage stamps. The Bogert & Durbin Company, of which Arthur Tuttle ostensibly was manager, has been succeeded by the United States Stamp Company, which is Arthur Tuttle, masquerading under a corporate name, but, according to reports of the recognized commercial agencies, without the formality of incorporating.

The summary is by no means complete; it does not set forth, in all its blackness, the fraud perpetrated on American Philately when this imitation auction was held—a fraud on the selling Philatelic public, as represented by Mr. Bainbridge, because his stamps not only were not sold to the highest bidder, but also because a full accounting was sought to be evaded as regards the fraudulently low amount ultimately admitted to have been received; and a fraud on the buying public, because high bids, in many instances, were ignored, and the stamps knocked down to Tuttle at his own figure, the average gross amount being about 8 per cent. of catalogue. The summary is incomplete because to set forth all the details of the fraud contained in the documents in the hands of The Stamp Collector would require many more pages than are contained in this number. It would necessitate a repetition, ad nauseum, of instances identical with or similar to those contained in the summary; and The Stamp Collector has no desire to nauseate its

readers. Nevertheless, if occasion arises, it will from time to time hereafter print enough of the original documents to emphasize its contention that this transaction undoubtedly was the greatest steal ever perpetrated by an American stamp auction house; and that being the case, that Arthur Tuttle, as the perpetrator thereof, has no right to belong to the American Philatelic Society or any other organization of stamp collectors, and he and his firm, or any other firm with which he is connected or under whose name he hides his identity, should be viewed with suspicion, if not shunned as a plague.

Concerning The M. P. A.

The convention of the Metropolitan Philatelic Association, recently held at Binghamton, N. Y., emphasizes, as nothing else could do, the fact that there is room for a second great society of American stamp collectors. It not only was the most successful convention in the history of the Association, but it marked the close of the organization's most successful year. This emphasizes the fact that the Association made wise choice of officers a year ago, and there is no doubt that their success will prove an incentive to still greater success this year. Long may it continue along this sensible and straightforward course. The Association, without his knowledge, honored the editor of The Stamp Collector by electing him to office. He sincerely regrets his inability to accept or to serve. His resignation therefrom already has gone forward to the Secretary, but he takes this opportunity to express his appreciation of the honor conferred and of the confidence expressed by the vote of his fellow-members. In any other way, however, that he

can serve the Association or its members, he assures them that it will be done, heartily and gladly.

Marginalia

DR. DENVER DAVIS continues, with monthly regularity, to fill our vest pocket with good things, but we are still waiting patiently for that book on Holland.

WE ARE AT A LOSS for fitting terms with which to commend the enterprise of our publisher and his two able collaborators in the preparation of the Philatelic handbook on Poland, recently

given to a waiting world. We do not collect Polish or speak Poland, so we cannot tell, of our own knowledge, if the inscriptions shown in the plates are enlarged correctly; but we feel perfectly safe in saying, at this distance, that the work is polished until it fairly scintillates.

WE WERE MUCH SURPRISED at the Detroit convention not to find Billy Kin, and, having gone to come home via Columbus, we were still more surprised to learn he had been absorbed by Georgie Linn. It was the first time we ever suspected that George was a cannibal.—Arizona Philatelist.

The Bogert and Durbin Company's Sale of the W. H. Bainbridge Collection

Two months ago The Stamp Collector made an editorial allusion to the sale at auction of the W. H. Bainbridge collection of postage stamps by the Bogert & Durbin Company of Philadelphia, otherwise known as that company's 262d sale, held at Philadelphia, January 30, 1909. The Bogert & Durbin Company, as such, has passed out of existence, but its manager, Arthur Tuttle, seems to have taken over the business and, without being incorporated, to be continuing it as The United States Stamp Company, of Philadelphia. The Bainbridge sale, conducted by Tuttle, seems to have been one of the greatest frauds ever perpetrated in a Philatelic auction room, and as the serpent seems merely to have shed its old skin, the time seems opportune for a fuller analysis of the transaction, with the view not only to centralize the efforts of past victims of Tuttle's misdealings to a thorough expose, but also to induce a close scrutiny of Tuttle's dealings in his new guise as The United States Stamp Company.

Some time prior to the date of the sale mentioned, Mr. Bainbridge placed in the hands of Tuttle, as manager of the Bogert & Durbin Company, his general collection, cataloguing something over \$5,000. Tuttle thought so well of it that he paid Bainbridge \$300 on account in the way of advance before the sale. When settlement was made, under date of February 17, 1909, it was on the basis of a complete sale, except for ten lots not then taken up and nine Spanish stamps returned as counterfeit. The statement follows:

The stamps brought.....	\$423.50
Less commission and expenses	\$84.70
Less Bainbridge purchases. 33.50	
Less total	\$118.20
Balance due	\$305.30
Less advance	300.00
Net balance due.....	\$ 5.30

For which check was inclosed, with the nine Spanish counterfeits!

Then Bainbridge kicked. He thought 8 per cent., gross, and 6 per cent., net, on a collection cataloguing more than \$5,000, was rubbing it in pretty hard. Most stamp collectors would, under the same circumstances.

The protest was to some purpose, though the result was slow developing. March 8, another lot having been taken up, and an error of 20 cents (in whose favor not stated) having been discovered, supplementary settlement of \$6.20, less 20 per cent., or \$4.96, net, was made, and nine lots were returned—the other nine which had not been taken up by the purchasers.

On its face, and according to Tuttle's own letter, as manager of the company, this was a full accounting of and for every stamp in the Bainbridge collection—or \$310.26 for more than \$5,000 worth of stamps!

The next day, March 9, Tuttle discovered that Bainbridge had been overpaid (?) \$2.80, and wrote for the amount. He also said that he had not believed at any time

that the collection was worth more than \$250; that "the total amount realized for your stamps was somewhat more than we expected, and we feel that if we COULD SELL OUR OWN STAMPS AT THESE SAME PRICES, we could do so with a profit to ourselves."

To digress for a moment, has any one heard of The Bogert & Durbin Company or its successor, selling stamps at 8 per cent. of catalogue or less? In Mekeel's Weekly of September 3, The United States Stamp Company advertised, as a bargain U. S. War Department, 15c mint, catalogued at 35c, at 20c, or 55 per cent. of catalogue; War 24c mint, catalogued 35c, at 20c, or 55 per cent.; and War, 90c mint, catalogued \$1.00, at 40c, or 40 per cent. of catalogue. All three, cataloguing \$1.70, at 80c, or an average of 47 per cent. Yet in the sale mentioned a complete set of War, unused, catalogued at \$6.49, brought only \$1.00, or a shade over 15 per cent. of catalogue.

This particular lot was No. 82, and settlement for it at 80c, net, was included in the original settlement and its supplement, aggregating, as before stated, \$310.26, which aroused the Bainbridge ire.

The protest brought out a further settlement, on the ground that the firm had bought in certain lots, 69 in number, BECAUSE THEY WERE GOING TOO CHEAP, and had since resold them for a total of \$151.65; that it had bought in 70 other lots, at a cost of \$69.25, which it returned to Bainbridge, and had bought in 20 other lots, at a cost of \$44.15, which it held subject to his order. The remaining lots, according to the firm's statement, were "bought by others," to the amount of \$231.05.

This brought the firm's statement of account to the following figures:

Lots resold	\$151.65
Returned to W. H. B.	69.25
On hand	44.15
Bought by others.....	231.05
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	\$496.10
Paid to Bainbridge:	
Cash	\$310.26
Lots returned	69.25
Purchased by W. H. B.	33.50
Charges	94.66
	<hr/>
	\$507.67
Less above credit.....	496.10
	<hr/>
Bal. due B. & D. Co.....	\$ 11.57

And still Tuttle wondered that Bainbridge kicked!

Later he discovered that Bainbridge owed \$1.24 more, but magnanimously agreed to waive that!

Early in May, 1909, The Bogert & Durbin Company returned two more lots, cataloguing \$29.50, to Bainbridge. These were Barbados No. 19, catalogued at \$17.50, for

which settlement had been made on the basis of 50c, less 20 per cent.; and Great Britain No. 306, catalogued at \$12.00, settled for on basis of 80c, less 20 per cent. These were lots 201 and 447 in the auction catalogue.

One of the buyers at this sale was Judge W. G. Cady, of the Municipal Court at Syracuse, N. Y., among whose purchases were lots Nos. 276 at \$1.00, and 468 at \$2.25. Settlement was made with Bainbridge on the basis of 80c and \$1.60, respectively, less 20 per cent.—a clear steal of 20c in the first instance and 65c in the second. Judge Cady kept No. 276, yet after Tuttle had been prodded a little, this lot is listed as having been "resold" for \$1.00. The Judge returned No. 468, but no mention is made of its having been resold. Lot 573, bought and returned by Judge Cady, does not figure in any of the settlements between Tuttle and Bainbridge. The purchase price was \$1.95.

Proof is not lacking that bids were ignored and lots bought in by Tuttle at his own price. Lot 362 was bid in by the firm, according to the supplemental settlement, which could well be called a confession, at \$1.80; yet Judge Cady bid \$3.00 on it. The catalogue value was \$9.34. Lot 467, catalogued at \$15.00, originally credited as sold at \$1.60, was among those "resold," when it brought \$2.80. Strange to say, there was a bid of exactly \$2.80, from Ross O'Shaughnessy, of San Francisco, who, however, seems not to have secured the lot.

Lot 518 also was one of those "resold," after being bought in because the bids were not high enough. It was purchased by Tuttle at \$1.60, less 20 per cent., though there was a bid of \$1.90 for the lot, which catalogued \$7.01. Curiously enough, on the "resale" it brought \$1.90.

These instances might be multiplied, but there is no necessity. These are sufficient evidence of the utter crookedness of Arthur Tuttle, trading as The Bogert & Durbin Company, and a sufficient indication of what may be expected of Arthur Tuttle, trading as The United States Stamp Company.

Nevertheless, if these instances, hereinbefore cited, are not sufficient to satisfy Mr. Tuttle, The Stamp Collector is ready and willing to print the rest, multiplying the instances hereinbefore cited by dozens and by scores, with statements, affidavits, letters and Mr. Tuttle's own correspondence, in substantiation of every one.

New York Note

It is reported that a love feast was recently spread by Mr. Sam Slinger and Mrs. E. B. Scour. A cablegram of regrets from Stanley Glibone was read. Covers were laid for ten, Mr. Slinger occupying five chairs and Mr. Scour five.—Philatelic Error.

From The Exchange Table

our contemporaries. One should be sent to the publisher and the other should be sent to the editor, for purposes of review.

The courtesy of two copies is requested, on a reciprocal basis, from

Philatelic Journal of America

The September numbers of the P. J. of A. give strong indications that this rejuvenated publication may measure up to what has been promised for it. This improvement over the numbers of Vol. XX has been generally noticeable in the numbers to date of Vol. XXI, and even those who criticised the editor during the past must concede a generally greater excellence and a more harmonious balancing of subject matter in the later volume. The issue of September 1 is especially good, with the most comprehensive review we have seen of the "Study of the Stamps of Uruguay," recently issued by Stanley Gibbons, with numerous illustrations, of the excellence usual to Mr. Mekeel's publications; with some additional information regarding the Katipunan stamps of the Filipino Insurgent Government, and with a number of other articles of more than passing interest. There is also an article by the editor on latest forms of mailing machine perforations, bringing this interesting subject up to date, and the Detroit Convention is reviewed by William C. Stone, former President of the A. P. S. Though there is not as much original matter as might be desired, the Journal is becoming a distinct credit to the editor and to American Philately.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News

Mekeel's must, unfortunately, be dismissed this month with hardly more than a note, because the editor, having been ill, is writing this more than 600 miles from his office, and in the haste of preparation to travel, included only one number of the Official Organ in the bundle of stamp papers taken along for review. It is the issue of September 3, containing, chiefly, the Convention summary, together with a considerable number of reports. As such it is an interesting number, but doesn't lend itself readily to a literary resume. It contains the usual new issue chronicle and some interesting notes from the English Philatelic press.

Philadelphia Stamp News

Editor Mann's lively Weekly seems to have gained a strong impetus at the Detroit Convention, as the numbers issued since that momentous gathering have been especially good, both editorially and from the news standpoint. The issue of September 2 was especially designed for circula-

tion at the Boonton exhibition, and as such appeared in sixteen well-filled pages, with a prosperous proportion of advertising. Under the title, "Cousins of Stamps," there is an exhaustive article on the "trade mark" labels which succeeded the private proprietaries when the old internal revenue laws were repealed. This is by Editor Mann. W. Dwight Burroughs, of Baltimore, writes interestingly of the work of the A. P. S. Educational Committee, and there is a well-illustrated chronicle of new issues. Note is made of a thick, hard paper used experimentally in the issue of current 2-cent stamps, with a surface which, when held obliquely toward the light, looks as if it had been watered, giving a moire appearance. Attention of members who went to Detroit is called to the fact that the "City of Alpena," which was seen by them, is the lake steamer pictured on the 1-cent Pan-American stamp.

Redfield's Stamp Weekly

This sterling publication has devoted much of its space in recent issues to A. P. S. affairs, to the exclusion of many other subjects, but has not been lacking either in Philatelic news or matter for the uplift of American Philately. Its already strong hold on American collectors will be strengthened by its publication of the A. P. S. reports. Among the interesting articles of minor note is one calling attention to the dereliction of American dealers in failure to supply promptly and adequately many Philatelic accessories which are available to foreign collectors, and which should be equally available here. Official reports of the M. P. A. show a steady growth, with membership near 400, and a generally prosperous condition.

Alfred Smith & Son's Monthly Circular

This interesting English house organ for September contains, as its leading feature, an article by Bertram T. K. Smith on the "Reprints of the Romagna Stamps." It is pointed out that in the reprints the letters "RA" and sometimes the letters "RAN" of the word "FRANCO" are joined at the bottom, whereas they are not in the originals, so that here is a distinguishing mark at once simple and certain. The new issue chronicle of this number is especially comprehensive, and is very well illustrated.



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Letters From A Stamp Dealer To His Son

LETTER NUMBER III

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Dear George:

Received your last effusion some weeks ago, but as I am getting on in years, and after reading the same, I decided it would be best for me to take a vacation of three weeks in order to think it over and get up enough strength to tackle the matter. Your mother and I went up in the mountains and it is a safe bet that "postage stamps were the least of our thoughts."

If you need money, why don't you say so. Your plaint is so vague that I do not just understand it. I have a little money to spare just now that I can say "Au Reservoir" to now as well as later. How much do you need?

Your mother anxiously noted what you said about Miss A—. Now, boy, I half suspect that you are finding it a hard matter to run a stamp business and a girl at the same time, so I don't wonder at your trying to hire an inexpensive assistant. The real trouble is that there are too many philatelists and not enough stamp collectors. As an illustration I will tell you about Horace Dinwiddie Boggs, who applied once for a position with me. I looked him over from head to foot (there was more foot than head), and said to him, "What experience have you had with stamps?" Mr. H. D. Boggs replied: "I have had no experience in a business way, but I have read Prof. Luff's treatise, 'What Philately Teaches'." Well, said I, what do you know about stamps? "I'm not quite sure," replied Mr. H. D. Boggs, "but I have attended a series of lectures under Prof. Scott on 'Stamp Art in the Days of Homer' which cost me seventeen dollars and fifty cents." Very well, said I, but what do you really know about stamps that would entitle you to a position here in this business? "I am somewhat unacquainted with the business, but I have taken a correspondence course on 'Is the High Cost of Living the Result of Too Much Stamp Collecting'." replied Mr. Horace Dinwiddie Boggs. O K, said I—very much O K, but you don't want to be in the stamp business; what you want to do is be a librarian. Peter, show the gentleman out. If you have to have an assist-

ant, be sure that you get a stamp collector and not a philatelist, for a stamp collector can tell the difference between a perforation and a watermark nine chances out of ten.

DAD.

P. S.—Don't forget that you are running a stamp business in the daytime. The night will do for the girls.

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To Detroit went a young man named Fowler;
Now Henry was never a growler,
But he turned a back-flip
O'er a dollar-ten tip,
'Till our Charlie called Henry a scowler.

The whole gang here wants imperfs, consarn 'em,
Softly muttered our own Freddy Farnham,
So to settle this strife,
I'll buy this block for my wife,
So he bought twenty-five, just to larn 'em.

To Detroit came the boys from Chica-go,
For you know they all did with pa-go.
Had such a good time
With the ladies and wine
You may bet that they didn't let ma-go.

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Philatelic Financial Report

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Dear Bill:—

What is the matter with the Stamp Business. Four years ago I commenced business with a thousand dollars and a bad cold in the head. I still have the cold.

N. O. GOOD.

Bill:—

One year ago I decided to commit suicide, when a friend persuaded me to start in the stamp business. I did so and now I have not enough money left to buy the gun. Can I borrow yours?

NERVE E. GONE.

Dear Mr. Kin:—

I am a rich man who has taken up dealing in stamps as a hobby. I have been at it eight months and I am going to swear off on hobbies.

G. VON HAD ROCKS.

The Market seems to be Bad.—Bill.

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Publisher's Page

November Special

Our plans for November are all ready to be put through and we believe we have prepared for an attractive number of The Stamp Collector. We shall hereafter print our magazine on a good grade of enameled book paper, use better illustrations, and improve it in other ways known to the artistic printer. We also plan to do much to improve the contents of the magazine. Several valuable articles are under preparation by different parties, and we hope to have something pleasing to every reader. Our November issue will be a little bit better than the usual monthly Philatelic magazine and should be the means of producing many new subscribers. See our subscription offers on the advertising pages.

Special Advertising Rates

We quote the following special advertising rate for November: One inch, 50 cents; two inches, 90 cents; quarter page, \$1.60; half page \$3.00; one page, \$5.00. These rates apply only to dealers who are not now using space in the Stamp Collector. To dealers who are now using space, and who use double size space in our November issue, we will bill their November ad-

vertising at these rates. All copy must arrive by October 20th.

Opinion of A Prominent Collector

Cleveland, O., 9-24-10.
Mr. Geo. W. Linn, Pub. "Stamp Collector,"
Clinton Bldg., Columbus:

My Dear Linn—I want to congratulate you on the September issue of "The Stamp Collector." It is the best ever and is one of the best stamp magazines I have ever seen. You just keep up this record that you are now making and you will set a pace that none of them will be able to hold to.

With best wishes for your success, and my hearty congratulations, I am,

Fraternally yours,

H. C. CROWELL.

A Year Old

This number closes our current volume, which is, in our opinion, the best whole volume of any American monthly since the A. J. of P. discontinued. Two hundred and sixty-four pages. Quite a record indeed, and the best part about it, nearly all good solid reading. We have held a small quantity of each number and offer the entire volume, beautifully bound in half leather and stamped in gold, at \$2.25 per volume, postpaid. Unbound volumes at \$1.25, postpaid. We also have a few old numbers of most issues which can be had at 10 cents per copy. An index and title will be sent with the November issue.

Poland

Much favorable comment has appeared in the American and English press regarding the souvenir booklet on Poland, which the Stamp Collector gave to attendants at the Detroit Convention. It was really the finest thing ever attempted as a convention souvenir and made quite a hit. We have a few of the little books left and you can have one if you wish it. See our announcement in the advertising pages.

Detroit, August 29, 1910.
Mr. George W. Linn, Publisher of The Stamp Collector, Columbus, Ohio:

My Dear Linn—I have just had an opportunity to look over your little brochure on Poland. I cannot help commenting both on its general interest and typographical appearance. You are certainly to be congratulated and I take this opportunity to thank you and your associates for the pleasure its perusal has given me. With kindest personal regards, I am, Very truly yours,

A. R. FERNALD.

Subscription Contest

We wish to call your attention to our subscription contest, particulars of which you will find in our advertising pages. This is a bona-fide offer and may be easy money for you. If you are a hustler, you can get one of these prizes.

Record of New Issues

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Under this heading, we desire to furnish full information regarding new issues and discoveries. Our readers are invited to send news of this kind which will be acknowledged in this column. Any stamps furnished will be returned promptly; or, in the case of foreign correspondents, their subscriptions will be lengthened by the face value of the stamps sent, or advertising space to the face value of the stamps sent will be allowed.

Australian Commonwealth

From Mekeel's Weekly we learn of the issue of the current 5d, perforated $11\frac{1}{2} \times 11$. The Australian Philatelist expresses the opinion that the stamp was printed several years ago, but only recently perforated. The stamp is on paper watermarked Crown N. S. W.

Austria

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the new set, issued in commemoration of the Emperor's birthday, August 18. The designs are the same as those of the 1908 set, except the stamps have been lengthened above and below by a band about 4 mm. broad; in the center of the upper band is added the date 1830, in the center of the lower band the date 1910, the space to right and left of the dates being filled in with various ornaments.

Adhesives—Surface Printed.

- 1 h., black.
- 2 h., lilac.
- 3 h., purple.
- 5 h., yellow-green.
- 6 h., buff.
- 10 h., rose carmine.
- 12 h., vermilion.
- 20 h., brown.
- 25 h., blue.
- 30 h., olive-green.
- 35 h., slate.

Line-Engraved.

- 50 h., olive-green.
- 60 h., deep carmine.
- 1 k., dull violet.
- 2 k., olive-green and claret.
- 5 k., olive brown and violet.
- 10 k., deep brown, blue and ochre.

Belgian Congo

On the authority of the Postage Stamp, Mekeel's Weekly states the entire set of Belgian Congo has been overprinted "Taxen" for use as postage-due stamps.

Brazil

The sale of the Pan-American stamp has again been stopped, this time because of a protest from Portugal that the stamp is a violation of Universal Postal Union rules. It is stated that Portugal treats letters bearing these stamps as though no postage had been paid.

Ceylon

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the following new values and colors:

Adhesives—

- 10c., olive and brown.
- 25c., gray.
- 50c., brown.
- 1r., brown on yellow.
- 2r., red on yellow.
- 5r., black on green.
- 10r., black on red.

Columbian Republic

Gibbons Stamp Weekly adds two values of the set recently reported:

Adhesives:

- 1 p., purple.
- 10 p., lake.

Crete

For political reasons the stamps overprinted "Ellas" are to be withdrawn and the stamps without overprint again placed in use, according to Mekeel's Weekly.

Fiji Islands

Gibbons Stamp Weekly reports the $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. in single color, multiple ordinary paper, perforated 14:

Adhesive—

- $2\frac{1}{2}$ d., ultramarine.

Great Britain

The Postage Stamp is authority for the statement that the 2d. stamp described in No. 11 is to be issued.

Hungary

From Mekeel's Weekly we learn that the 5f. and 20f. have been issued on paper with the new watermark.

India—Travancore

New value of the current type, reported by Gibbons Stamp Weekly:

Adhesive—

- 6 cash, red-brown.

Kiautschou

According to Mekeel's Weekly, the 10c. has been issued with the lozenge watermark:

Adhesive—

- 10c., ultramarine.

Mexico

The International Stamp Company has shown us the new commemorative stamps of this country:

- 1c violet; Josefa Oritz de Dominquez.
- 2c green; Leona Vicario.
- 3c brown; Lopez Rayon.
- 4c carmine; Juan Aldama.

5c yellow; Miguel Hidalgo.
 10c blue and orange; Ignacio Allende.
 15c lavender and claret; Epigmenio Gonzalez.
 20c rose and blue; Mariano Abasolo.
 50c rose and black; Cri de Dolores.
 1p. blue and black; Mass on the Mount de Las Cruces.
 5p. carmine and black; Assault of Grandito.



Envelopes, letter cards and postal cards are also to be issued.

New Foundland

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the new set described in No. 11. The stamps are surface-printed and make a decidedly poor appearance. As the designs have already been described, we simply list the values and colors:

Adhesives—

- 1c., green.
- 2c., carmine.
- 3c., olive.
- 4c., violet.
- 5c., ultramarine.
- 6c., reddish purple.
- 8c., brown.
- 9c., pale olive green.
- 10c., gray-brown.
- 12c., pale red-brown.
- 15c., black.

New South Wales

The New England Stamp Company sends us the 6d. printed in orange and perforated 12x11.

Nicaragua

Mekeel's Weekly reports a new provisional, the 15c. slate, 1909, American print, having been overprinted "Vale 10c." in red.

St. Vincent

The 2½d. has appeared in the redrawn type with the dot under d, according to Gibbons Stamp Weekly.

Salvador

The New England Stamp Company has sent us three of the values listed below and the 12c. is reported by Mekeel's Weekly:



Adhesives—

- 4c., bright carmine and black.
- 12c., dark blue and black.
- 19c., brown, red and black.
- 29c., lilac and black.

Switzerland

From the New England Stamp Company we have received tete-beche pairs of the 2, 5, 10 and 25c. and of the 5c., redrawn type, which varieties occur only in the stamp booklets.



The same company has also sent us the following values of a new design for postage-due stamps. The design and colors are the same for each of the values, which are 1, 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50 centimes in green and red.

Turks and Caicos Islands

A new value of the current set has just been received from The New England Stamp Company. The frame is similar to the design of the King's Head stamps and the central oval contains a picture of the meiocactus communis or "Turk's Head." Multiple ordinary paper, perforated 14:

Adhesive—

- ¼d., pink.

Notes on New Issues

Gibbons Stamp Weekly prints the text of the decree announcing the new Austrian commemorative set, from which we learn the numbers of each value issued are as follows:

1 to 35 heller.....	100,000 each
5 heller	7,000,000
10 heller	7,800,900
25 heller	780,000
50, 60 heller, 1 krone	70,000 each
2 and 5 kronen.....	17,000 each
10 kronen	11,000

From the above, it will be seen that some of the values are likely to become scarce. In fact, we are advised that fully ten thousand people were in line before the Main Post Office in Vienna the morning the stamps were placed on sale and that the supply was exhausted in two hours.

A special set is to be issued for internal use in Finland, the designs to be the same as the current Russian set, but the values will be expressed in Finnish currency.

Uruguay has issued in booklets, each containing 30 stamps. The values so issued are 5 milésimos, 1, 2, 5, 8 and 20 centésimos. Uruguay is the first South American country to adopt automatic stamp-vending machines, several having been installed.

The New Issue Editor of "The Stamp Collector" is awarded a biscuit by "The Stamp Lover" for the following: * * * as representative of the independence won by Argentina 100 years ago, when Paraguay remained a province of that state till 1825." We immediately searched our files and are happy to say that we are not entitled to the aforesaid biscuit. "The Stamp Collector" of Birmingham, England, must be the guilty party.

Montenegro, about to be changed from a principality, has in preparation a commemorative issue of 12 values. Portraits of Prince Nicolas will, of course, be very much in evidence and in addition a number of unpronounceable battles will be pictured to teach the young Montenegrin patriotism and, at the same time, pry the gay and festive shekel from the unwary stamp collector.

In advance of the regular set referred to last month, we now learn that United South Africa will issue a commemorative stamp on the occasion of the opening of the Union Parliament. The value will be 2½d. and the design will include a portrait of the King and the arms of the four provinces forming the Union.

CHICAGO NOTES

PILGRIM

Our beloved own Iver R. J.
To him, hard work is nothing but play.
His chief relaxation's
To get applications,
And to get the delinquents to pay.

Have you any conventions you wish attended? If so, write us—we've got the habit.

(Signed) WOLSIEFFER & FOWLER.

The lid is off again. October to June is the open season for auctions. There are rumors of a tall, dark stranger who will soon eclipse all the regulars in the race. Here's hoping—Harry.

Iver certainly is the real little hypnotist. When he takes you by the lapel of the coat and says, "Now, what about the Educational Committee fund?" it's all over and you hear yourself saying, "Will ten dollars be all right?"

There seems to be an intense interest here in the stamps of Chile. There are no fewer than six men who are specializing and all agree that they are mighty hard things to find in first-class condition.

At the last Branch meeting there was an exhibition of the work of the Educational Committee. It was suggested that the exhibit be sent to various stamp clubs throughout the country in order that the members may see for themselves the tremendous scope of the work. Another feature of the same meeting was an exhibition by "Charming Charlie."

According to recent reports, the 5c 1847 is giving an imitation of a skyrocket. We hear that a certain young hopeful paid \$3.10 for one, and we are curious to know what he intends to do with it. Perhaps frame it as a reminder.

It is now a certainty that the American Numismatic Association will hold its convention in Chicago at about the same time as the A. P. S. This should attract a great many who are interested in both hobbies.

Farbeitfromus to brag—but can't you hear that busy hum of well-oiled machinery? That Philatelic Chicago.

Of course, we don't want to boast, but the BIGGEST NOISE—LARGEST TIME—GREATEST EVER—will be

CHICAGO 1911

Our Siamese Letter

I have just read in the New Issue column of Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News of May 28th, a paragraph copied from "Der Philatelist" giving the quantities of Siam stamps surcharged with new values in satangs, from which I noticed two values quite unknown to me; i. e., 3s on 2a dark green (1908) and 12s on 12a blue (1906).

I showed this to Mr. Flores, Vice Consul for Portugal, an active stamp collector, who immediately communicated with the Acting Director General of Posts and Telegraphs for verification.

I have Mr. Flores' permission to forward you for publication the enclosed copy of the reply received from the Postoffice Department, from which you will see that the stamps in question have not been printed for the Government, but probably for some dishonest speculators in stamps. I desire to thank you for according me this opportunity of warning all stamp collectors against these bogus stamps.

This is the letter received by Mr. Flores: Post & Telegraph Department.

Bangkok, 29th. July 1910.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 29th. instant I have the honour to return enclosed herewith your list of the stamps surcharged in satang currency and on which I have corrected the number of stamps quoted by you. The two values, 3 satangs on 2 atts green, and 12 satangs on 12 atts blue, have not been printed.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,
(sd) G. WOLF.

For Ag. Director General of Posts & Telegraphs.

Monsieur Luiz Carlos Manoel de Mello Flores, Vice-Consul of Portugal, Bangkok.

It is with much pleasure that I am able to give the exact quantities issued by the Government, as the article from "Der Philatelist" is erroneous in many places.

SIAM.—"Der Philatelist" gives the following as the quantities recently surcharged with new values in satangs:

On 1887 issue—14s on		
12a lilac and carmine.	95,000	70,000
On 1904 issue—6s on 6a		
carmine	150,000	156,000
14s on 14a blue.....	20,000	27,000
On 1906-08 issue—2s on		
1a yellow and green...	1,500,000	1,114,200
2s on 2a dark green...	1,000,000	200,000
3s on 2a dark green...	8,000	
3s on 3a violet gray...	700,000	735,300
3s on 3a yellow green.	Unknown	8,000
6s on 4a rose.....	550,000	560,000
6s on 5a carmine & rose	16,500	16,500
12s on 8a black and yellow		
low	750,000	756,000
12s on 12a blue.....	Unknown	

14s on 9a blue..... 950,000 900,000
14s on 12a blue..... 23,000 46,200

N. B.—The figures at the right are those corrected by the Post & Telegraph Dept. and the two values which do not exist are left blank.



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The fall season is opening in a most promising manner, and that there is no diminution in the interest of our members is evidenced by the good attendance at the meetings held since the previous report. The coming season bids fair to be one of unusual value and interest to our members, and the Secretary cannot urge too strongly the desirability of each and every member making it a point to have a good attendance record.

The 90th regular meeting was held August 23 and was well attended. For entertainment, a contest had been provided. The portraits were cut from ten stamps and the contestants were required to name the country and the person whose portrait was used. Routine business was transacted and the usual raffles were held.

September 6 Mr. Linn provided a contest for the evening's entertainment, not the least enjoyable feature of which was the discussion which the contest provoked.

September 20 was the occasion of a very spirited discussion of philatelic topics and a number of points were brought out in an entertaining and instructive manner. The amount of interest displayed would seem to warrant the inclusion of "Philatelic Discussion" in the order of business, and the Secretary, for one, sincerely hopes this feature of the meetings will be continued. Mr. Chas. F. Dosch, Jr., was elected to active membership. Mr. Adair provided a contest for this meeting, asking ten questions in regard to United States stamps, and, while the perpetrator of the contest was careful to state that the questions were simple and easy, the prize-winners felt that their rewards were earned. Two raffles were held at this meeting and a number of desirable stamps distributed as prizes.



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A regular meeting of the Club was held at the Club Room on September 1, 1910, with President Crowell in the chair and the following members present: Barnum, Rust, Good, Beatty, Moses, Larsen, Schneider, Crofts, Whittaker, Weigel, Hanford, Long, Langdon, Kendel and Crowell.

After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved as read, the Board of Directors announced that the applications of the following named had been received:

H. S. Stark, Cleveland, Ohio, proposed by R. H. Beatty; J. F. Ranney, Columbus, Ohio, proposed by H. C. Crowell; Sol. E. Heineman, Detroit, Mich., proposed by W. G. Whittaker; Eugene Telfer, Detroit, Mich., proposed by W. G. Whittaker; C. W. Wilson, Detroit, Mich., proposed by W. G. Whittaker; H. N. Mudge, Chicago, Ill., proposed by W. G. Whittaker; H. L. Lindquist, Chicago, Ill., proposed by W. G. Whittaker; Harry E. Perkins, Chicago, Ill., proposed by W. G. Whittaker; H. A. Diamant, St. Louis, Mo., proposed by W. G. Whittaker; H. A. Blackwell, Woodside, N. Y., proposed by W. G. Whittaker; Percy McG. Mann, Philadelphia, Pa., proposed by W. G. Whittaker; A. F. Van Order, Wilmette, Ill., proposed by W. G. Whittaker.

The Secretary announced that the resignation of R. G. A. Phillip had been received and accepted; also that since our last meeting one of the old members, Mr. J. H. Neiding, had passed away. Mr. Moses spoke for the Entertainment Committee and suggested that an auction sale for the benefit of that committee be held at the first meeting in October. After discussion on the subject of the Club's Library the Secretary was authorized to write the Librarian to complete list of books or to formulate some system whereby all books withdrawn could be checked up when returned.

Motion carried that the local Secretary write to the Secretary of the Detroit Society, thanking them for the courtesies extended the local branch at the recent A. P. S. Convention. The Secretary was authorized to make list of members who are delinquent in their dues, to be read at the next meeting. Mr. Barnum, the newly

elected Secretary of the A. P. S., spoke on A. P. S. matters and also of the good time extended to the local members at Detroit. Mr. Moses made several suggestions that would help the Exchange Department and spoke of the good condition of the local circuit.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p. m.

R. H. BEATTY, Secretary.

A regular meeting of the Club was held September 15, 1910, at the Clubroom, with President Crowell in the chair and with the following members present: Weigel, Nixon, Crowell, Barnum, Beatty, Good, Guscott, Hanford, Moses, Whittaker, Larsen, Schneider, Taite, Long, Roegge, L. G. French and Williams.

Meeting called to order at 8:15 p. m. After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved as read, the Board of Directors announced that the following applications, having been favorably passed on, the applicants had been duly elected members of the Club:

H. S. Stark, Cleveland, Ohio; J. F. Ranney, Columbus, Ohio; H. N. Mudge, Chicago, Ill.; H. L. Lindquist, Chicago, Ill.; H. A. Diamant, St. Louis, Mo.; Eugene Telfer, Detroit, Mich.; Sol. E. Heineman, Detroit, Mich.; Percy McG. Mann, Philadelphia, Pa.; A. F. Van Order, Wilmette, Ill.; H. A. Blackwell, Woodside, N. Y.

The Board also announced that the following named had been dropped from the Club membership for non-payment of dues: W. P. Dun Lany, John G. Erck, Chas. Kress, L. A. Schweizer, Harry E. Stone and Geo. F. Wilson.

Mr. Moses spoke for the Exchange Department and outlined a plan whereby the old accounts of the department could be cleaned up. It was moved and seconded that the amount now in the insurance fund be used for this purpose and that the stamps in the Exchange Department belonging to W. P. Dun Lany be sold at auction, proceeds to go to the insurance fund. Motion carried that the present application blanks be so changed as to provide space for all future applicants for membership to the Club, so that they might signify their wishes regarding receiving books from the Exchange Department.

The Entertainment Committee provided two very interesting contests. The last one proved very interesting. Members were allowed seven minutes in which to write as many names of stamp issuing countries as possible. Mr. Good won first prize, with fifty-one countries to his credit. Mr. Good also won the first contest.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p. m.

R. H. BEATTY, Secretary.

Philatelic Literature

Interested in Philatelic Literature is requested to furnish their name and address and address of others who are interested.

Any matter for this department should be sent to George Ward Linn, Clinton Building, Columbus. All matter of interest to Literature Collectors will be welcome. Everyone

A Check List of Philatelic Publications in the English Language

FOR THE YEAR 1909

Compiled by W. R. Ricketts, Historian of the American Philatelic Literature Society

Handbooks and Pamphlets AMERICAN

Campeche

By Walter Clark Bellows, New York. Some Notes on the most remarkable postage stamp ever issued. 1909. 103 no 8 pp (Int.), about 130 illustrations, 11x9½ in., gotten up in scrap-book style, the letter-press, maps, photographs of landscapes, stamps, natives, etc., are pasted on large size opal colored art paper, bound in dark blue paper boards, title in black and a photograph of a Mexican native on front cover. Price \$5.25. An edition of 100 copies. By Henry J. Crocker, F. R. P. S. L., San Francisco, Cal., U. S. A. Published by the author.

Hawaiian Numerals

A Compilation of Unofficial Data Relating to the Type-Set Stamps of the Kingdom of Hawaii. With a Short History of the Lithographed and Engraved Stamps Ordered From the United States During the Years from 1851 to 1866, Showing their Relation to Orders for the Local Printings, and in Addition an Article With Evidence that the So-Called Reprints or Reissues of the 5c and 13c 1853 Type Were Regularly Ordered by Postmaster General David Kalakaua, Afterward King of Hawaii. 108 pp, 22 autotype plates in a pocket on 2nd cover page, numerous illustrations throughout the work, 11x7¼ in., bound in half red morocco and red cloth sides, title on back and illustration of 2c. numeral on front cover page in gold, gilt edges; price \$5.00 net; 1909.

Illustrations of Covers of the Seybold Collection

Pub. by J. C. Morgenthau & Co., 87 Nassau Street, New York City. 23 Plates, 11x7½ in., buff paper cover, title in black; price 25c. 1909.

Reprints of Special Articles

Pub. by Mekeel-Severn-Wylie Co., Room 508 Kast Bldg., Cor. Washington and Hanover Sts., Boston, Mass. (Reprinted from "Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News"), size 11½x10⅞.

(As these were begun late in 1908, I list the complete series to Dec. 31st, 1909):

UNITED STATES STAMPED PAPER. by A. F. Henkels, 2 pp. (Reprinted "M. W. S. N.") XXII, 1908, p 315.

U. S. REVENUES LISTED AND PRICED. Do They Exist: A Pertinent Query by a Recognized Authority. By C. H. Eagle. ("M.W.S.N.") XXII (08) 323.

STAMPS OF ANTIGUA PRINTED BY PERKINS, BACON & CO. By E. D. Bacon. M.W.S.N. XXII (08) 331.

STAMPS OF BRITISH NEW GUINEA. By R. Anthrobus and E. B. Evans. M. W.S.N. XXII (08) 347.

STAMPS OF SICILY. By Edward J. Nankivell. M.W.S.N. XXII (08) 355.

REVENUE STAMPS OF SWITZERLAND. By Frederick E. Heydon. M. W.S.N. XXII (08) 385.

MATCH WRAPPERS OF BYAM, CARLTON & CO. By C. H. Eagle. M.W.S. N. XXII (08) 393.

(A) COMPARATIVE LIST OF THE STAMPED PAPER OF THE UNITED STATES. By A. F. Henkels. M.W.S.N. XXII (08) 409. 2 pp.

Do, 2nd paper. M.W.S.N. XXII (08) 417. 2 pp.

(A) STUDY IN CAMPECHE. W. C. Bellows. M.W.S.N. XXII (08) 425.

DR. K. & CO. I. R. "SURCHARGES." By Franklin S. Smith. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 9. 1 pp.

RAILROAD CANCELLATIONS ON THE U. S. 1851 ISSUE. By Carroll Chase, M.D. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 17. 1 pp.

LINCOLN ON OUR POSTAGE STAMPS. By C. A. Howes. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 35. 2 pp.

SUDAN. By C. A. Howes, F.R.P.S. M. W.S.N. XXIII (09) 73. 2 pp.

UNITED STATES STAMPS USED IN CHINA DURING BOXER UPRISING OF 1900. By Brig. Gen. C. A. Coolidge. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 91. 1 pp.

UNITED STATES ENCASED POSTAGE STAMPS. One of the Most Interesting Series of "Necessity Money Ever Issued." By Edgar H. Adams. M.W.S. N. XXIII (09) 99. 2 pp.

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FISCAL ISSUES OF STATE OF NEW YORK. By E. R. Vanderhoof. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 163. 2 pp.

SIERRA LEONE—ITS POSTAL ISSUES. By P. L. Pemberton. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 259. 2 pp.

BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA. By P. L. Pemberton. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 275. 2 pp.

POSTAGE STAMPS OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA. By L. W. Crouch. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 315. 2 pp.

STAMPS OF TOBAGO. By F. F. Lamb. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 243. 2 pp.

POSTAL EMISSIONS OF CRETE. By Wm. Ward. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 331-337. — pp.

HAMBURG. By Bertram W. H. Poole. M.W.S.N. XXIII (09) 387.

Check List of the State of New York Transfer Tax Stamps 1905—1909

By B. D. Forster and E. R. Vanderhoof. pp., size x , price c. Priced

United States

Catalogue and Complete Reference List of the Retouched Dies of the 2-Cent Envelopes 1903 Issue. Pub. by Bryant Pollard, Proctorville, Vt. FIRST EDITION, Aug. 16th, 1909. 12 pp., 5¼x3½ in., white paper cover, title in black; price 12c.

United States

Special Perforations on United States Postage Stamps Issued for Use in Patented Stamp-Vending and Mailing Machines, 1907-1909. By C. H. Mekeel. (Reprinted from the "Philatelic Journal of America," Vol. XX (1909-10), pp 17-32. Pub. by Stamp Security Co., Wellston Station, St. Louis, Mo. 16 pp., 9¼x6½ in., gray paper cover, title in black.

United States Stamps

By Eustace B. Power, 198 Broadway, New York; 391 Strand, London.

Their Shades and Varieties, to which is affixed A History of the Private Perforating Machines and Their Products, by C. H. Mekeel, reprinted from Philatelic Journal of America (Vol. XX, pages 17 to 27).

118 pp., 3 pp Adv., 9x6 in. Linenized paper cover. Price 75c.

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Same, Edition de Luxe, 35 copies on art paper, bound in half red morocco, 9¾x6½ in.; price \$5.00.

United States—The 3c Stamp of the 1851 Issue

No 1, American Philatelic Society Hand-Book Series.

On Plating the 3c. 1851 United States Post-

age Stamp, with a detailed description of the three right vertical rows of the left pane of plate three, containing the principal minor varieties. By Carroll Chase, M.D. Pub. by the Hand-Book Committee American Philatelic Society, Boston, 1909. 72 pp (45-72 Adv), 6¼x4½ in., brown-green paper cover.

GREAT BRITAIN

British Central Africa and Nyassaland

No. 2, (The) Melville Stamp Books. By Fred J. Melville, 47, Strand, London, W.C., England. Pub. by W. H. Peckitt. 76 pp., 16 pp Adv., 6½x4½ in., white paper cover, title in green; price 15c. 1909.

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British Isles, History of the Postmarks of the

From 1840 to 1876. Compiled Chiefly from Official Records, by the late John G. Hendy. Pub. by Stanley Gibbons, Ltd. (Inc.), 391 Strand, London, W.C.; 198 Broadway, New York.

First issued as a supplement to "Gibbons' Stamp Weekly," Vol. IX, (1909), in parts (16), March 6th to June 26th; Vol. X (1909), July 3rd to Aug. 14th. 184 pp., iv pp (title), 10x6¾ in.

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Falkland Islands

No. 2, (The) "W. E. P." Series of Philatelic Handbooks. By Bertram W. H. Poole, 4 and 5, the Royal Arcade, Old Bond St.,

London, W., England. Pub. by D. Field. 44 pp, 8½x5½ in., red paper cover, title in black; price 12c. 1909. (Reprinted from "The West End Philatelist." Vol. V (1908-9), pp 153-177, with Important Revisions.)

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"S. C. F." Philatelic Handbooks

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Stamp Collectors' Annual and Year Book of Philately

7 Southampton Row, London, E. C., England. Pub. by Chas. Nissen & Co. Edited by Percy C. Bishop and Chas. Nissen.

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latelic Society, Philadelphia Philatelic So-
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and of the Philadelphia branch of the A.
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comes the story of the consolidation of
the above four societies and the formation
of the present Philadelphia Stamp Club.

The statutes of the club occupy nine
pages, then we have the annual reports of
officers, list of standing committees, a
catalogue of the library and the member-
ship list, besides several pages of adver-
tising. The book is a credit to the club
and should be a source of pride to every
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ter than to issue once each year a year
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Secretary's Report

Fellow Members: No new members are
added this month, but this is probably be-
cause of the fact that the September issue
of The Stamp Collector was late and this
copy is written within a few days after it
was mailed. We have a good future before
us and our list of publications is going to
do much in the way of bringing in new
members. President C. A. Nast is work-
ing on a check list of the Philatelic Liter-
ature of Colorado. What are you doing
with your State? Compare the list in this
number and the two previous numbers with
your library and notify Mr. Ricketts of any
errors or omissions.

September is the last month of our sec-
ond quarter and I give below our financial
standing. Nearly all, or the greater part,
of this amount will be wiped out in issuing
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remain unpaid and all have been notified.
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HISTORICAL AND PHILATELIC

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HISTORICAL

As constituted at the present time, Russian Poland comprises ten provinces, or governments as they are called, named after their capitals, namely: Kalisz, Kielce, Lomza, Lublin, Piotikow, Plock, Radom, Siedlce, Suwalki and Warsaw.



MAP OF POLAND

On the Northeast and East, the country is bounded by Lithuania and Volhynia, on the South by Austrian Galicia and on the West and Northwest by Silesia, Posen and Prussia, all of which territory and much more once formed a part of the Kingdom of Poland.

The area of Poland is approximately 50,000 square miles and the population upwards of ten millions. The Bulk of the population consists of Poles, belonging to the northwestern branch of the Slavic race, while Jews, Ruthenians, Russians and Germans make up about a third of the total.

Commerce and the trades are largely in the hands of the Jews and manufactures in those of the Germans. Agriculture and stockraising are carried on extensively and mining is also an important industry. The country is fertile and well wooded and the climate, though severe, is healthful.

Legend crystalizes into History with Ziemowit, the first historical ruler of Poland, A. D. 860. During the reign of Miecislus I. from 962 to 992, the Poles were converted to Christianity. For two or three hundred years following, the various rulers of Poland extended its territories, but about 1226 Conrad, known as Duke of Masovia, finding himself unable to cope with some of his pagan neighbors, called to his assistance the Teutonic Knights or Knights of the Hospital of St. Mary of Jerusalem, a powerful religious and military order. These knights were successful in warring against the pagans, but in the end proved terrible enemies of Poland and from that time until the Sixteenth Century, when they were finally subdued and their Grand Master became a vassal of the King of Poland, were the cause of almost incessant warfare.

Under Casimir the Great (1333-70) Poland enjoyed one of the most flourishing periods in its history. Casimir was a patron of art and letters, founded the University of Cracow and built cities and for-

tresses. With him ended the first dynasty.

Casimir the Great was succeeded by Louis the Great of Hungary, whose daughter, Hedvig, was acknowledged after his death and married the Grand Duke of Lithuania, a pagan prince who was converted and baptised as Ladislas. Under this ruler Lithuania was united with Poland but the union was not finally consummated until in 1569. At this latter date, Poland was a republic with an elective king, Warsaw being the seat of government.

In 1572 on the death of Sigismund II., Henry of Valois was elected king, but reigned only a few months, returning to France to become Henry III. From 1575 until the beginning of the Eighteenth Century, Poland suffered large losses of territory and the government became extremely corrupt.

In 1733, a Russian army helped a faction of the nobility place Augustus III. on the throne and in 1763, on his death, Stanislas Augustus Poniatowski, a favorite of Catharine II. of Russia, was illegally placed on the throne. He allowed himself to become a mere tool of this designing empress and her ambassador to his court was the real ruler.

As stated before, up to this time, Poland had been a republic in which the nobility had exercised the power of choosing the ruler. It now became the scheme of one faction of the nobility to transform the government into a constitutional kingdom. Russian interference was constant and in 1768 the patriots took up arms against Russia and the nobles favoring the constitutional kingdom. Meanwhile, Catharine II. of Russia, Frederick the Great of Prussia and Maria Theresa of Austria entered into a coalition with a view to the dismemberment of Poland and, in 1772, the Russians and Austrians entered Poland and those opposing them dispersed. Each of the three powers took liberal slices of territory.

In 1793, a second partition was made between Russia and Prussia which provoked the revolt of 1794. A supreme council was formed by the Polish patriots and the king ignored. But the Russians, being joined by the Prussians and Austrians, proved too strong for the patriots and the insurrection was put down. The king resigned his crown in 1795 and the final division of Polish territory was made. With this, Polish independence was ended.

By the treaty of Tilsit, Napoleon transformed the greater part of the Prussian share of Poland into the Duchy of Warsaw under Frederick of Saxony. This was ended by the Russian campaign of 1816.

The Congress of Vienna awarded the lion's share of Poland to Alexander of Russia who created a kingdom with a constitution and an army of 50,000, he being, of course, the ruler. Mutual distrust existed between the people and the government

from the first. Violations of the constitution and conspiracies against the Russians became frequent and culminated in the revolution of 1830. This being quelled, the Russians abrogated the constitution and the laws of the country and a rigorous system of repression was inaugurated. Other outbreaks occurred in 1846 and 1848, but met with no success.

By this time Poland had become such a hotbed of insurrection that the Russians determined upon wholesale conscription, the mass of the patriotic youth being the intended victims, as a means of preventing further disorders. This precipitated an insurrection and thousands of young men fled to the forests. A secret central committee at Warsaw on January 22, 1863, called the nation to arms and democratic reforms were proclaimed. A furious guerilla warfare was carried on but the revolutionists had but scanty means and were able to occupy no town of importance. Early in 1864 the insurrection was crushed. Offenders against the Russian government were punished with greatest severity and tens of thousands, in addition to those who perished in the struggle, suffered confiscation of their property, transportation to Siberia or were executed. The separate features of administration were abolished and the provinces were thoroughly Russianized.

An outline of Polish history would be incomplete without mention of Thaddeus Kosciuszko who was born in 1746 and died October 15, 1817.

Educated in the military academies of Warsaw and Versailles, he became a captain in the Polish army, but in 1776 came to America and offered his services to General Washington. He was commissioned an officer of engineers and served with great distinction, finally being made a brigadier general and receiving the thanks of Congress.

At the close of the war he returned to Poland and in 1789 was made a major general. He fought in defense of the constitution in 1791, was elected dictator and general-in-chief in 1793 and for a time was successful in operations against the Russians, but was finally defeated in 1794 and imprisoned in St. Petersburg.

After his release from prison, he visited the United States in 1797, afterwards going to France where he resided until 1816. He then went to Switzerland where he died.

Poland's future is problematical. That it can ever attain the importance and power it once enjoyed is, of course, out of the question. Part of the ancient territories are held by Austria, part by Prussia and the rest by Russia and the rulers of these three countries are not noted for their democratic ideas. Russian Poland is one of the most thoroughly disaffected portions of the empire, but the Bear's claws are long and it seems unlikely that this unhappy country will ever regain its lost independence.

PHILATELIC

A wise philosopher once said: "Sing me the songs of a nation and I will tell you of its people."

This can be no more true than "Show me the stamps of a country and I will tell you of its people and its history." The Philatelic history of Poland, while brief is closely interwoven with its political destiny.



(PLATE I)

Following the natural course of events the postal system was adopted by Russia in 1857. The vast extent of the Russian territories rendered it impossible to carry out in them the system of centralization which was then in vogue in France, and consequently the different provinces had each a semi-independent administration of their own, extending to postage stamps as well as other matters. It is worthy of note that not only in Poland, but in Finland and Russia proper the issue of envelopes preceded that of adhesives. In Poland, however, the first issue was merely for local use in the city of Warsaw and the envelopes bore only a rough hand stamped device.

There were two varieties differing slightly in size and also in the position of the inscription, which in the one was in two lines above a double headed spread-eagle, (Plate II) and in the other in two lines above and two below, (Plate III).

Both of these were of the same value $\frac{1}{2}$ kopec and were used for the same purpose namely, to frank visiting cards sent through the posts in Warsaw and are now extremely rare. One and one-half kopecs were charged for these stamped envelopes; the extra kopec covering the cost of the envelope itself. M. Moens in his illustrations mentions that each of the envelopes bore the signatures of the two clerks whose duty it was to attend to their distribution, the stamp and paper not being deemed sufficient guarantee of their authenticity.

These handstamps consisted of: (a) Large Russian arms in center with small post horns below, on plain circular disc, two long lines of inscription above, the upper Russian, the lower Polish. Impression

to right of envelope. Value $\frac{1}{2}$ kopec. Red. Wove paper. (b) Circular disc inscribed with two lines, Russian above and Polish below. In the center the Russian arms with post horn below. Impression to right of envelope. Value $\frac{1}{2}$ kopec. Red. Wove paper.



(PLATE II)

Reprints of these envelopes were made in 1869 in St. Petersburg on the same paper as the original issue. The imprint of these reprints is on the left and they are without the signatures of the distributing clerks.

On the first day of January, 1860, the Russian adhesives which had hitherto been used in Poland were superseded by a special issue of adhesive stamps and envelopes for that province, but the hand stamped envelopes remained in use for nearly a year and a half after the issue of the new series and were suppressed together with the minor post office through which they passed, on September 16, 1861.

Compilers of catalogs have seen fit to list a 3 k red envelope, value not indicated, of the same design as the above, and while there is no specific data regarding this it is only fair to presume that when the new issue came the envelope rate was raised from $1\frac{1}{2}$ kopecs to the standard of the new envelope, the 3 kopecs blue, and thus these holdovers carry with them a new place in the Check List of this country.



(PLATE III)

This special issue for the province of Poland consisted of one adhesive and two envelope stamps, (Plate IV). The adhesive was the 10 kopecs, blue and rose on white wove paper (Plate I), consisting of the Arms of Russia on solid disk in oval band, inscribed with value in Polish on mantle surmounted by a crown. ZA LOT KOP 10 in line below. Reticulated background

with numerals of value in corner angles.

Compilers of catalogs have seen fit to add to the single variety, rose and blue on wove paper, and this stamp is found listed in varying degree of shades and on paper both wove and vertical laid with lines close and far apart. While the different shades may be listed properly, it is no indication that they are due to as many different printings but rather to a heavy or light flow of ink over the plates, which could only be corrected by most careful attention.



(PLATE IV)

There seems also to be some difference of opinion among the compilers of the catalogs as to the perforations. Scott lists it as 12, while Gibbons $11\frac{1}{2}$ to 12. As these stamps were printed at the State Printing Works in St. Petersburg where all of the Russian stamps are made, it seems queer that they should be perforated either $11\frac{1}{2}$ or 12 as all Russian stamps, from the first issue (1857-58) up to the issue of 1902-4, were perforated on machines guaging $12\frac{1}{2}$, $13\frac{1}{2}$, $14\frac{1}{2}$ and 15. The $11\frac{1}{2}$ perforation does not appear on the Russian stamps until the issue of the 1 ruble orange and brown in 1902, and the machine guaging 12 does not appear to have been used until 1905. Therefore an entirely separate machine must have been used in perforating the stamps for Poland.

The envelopes of this issue were the 3 kopecs blue, and 10 kopecs black. Of these the 3 kopec value was used for the city of Warsaw alone, while the 10 kopec was for general use. They were both printed upon paper watermarked by a very peculiar check work pattern a double cross bar forming a lattice work. These were printed in the left upper corner, the design consisting of Russian arms and post horns on disc of interlaced lines in circular frame, inscribed with Polish inscription in colored letters above and Russian in white letters below. Value 3 kopecs, blue, watermarked paper.

10 kopecs, black, watermarked paper. Different inscription from the 3 kopec.

The 3 kopecs envelope was reprinted in 1869 presumably at the same time as the two varieties of the $\frac{1}{2}$ kopec. Concerning this envelope Dr. Magnus writes in the Stamp Collectors Magazine, April 1, 1869, as follows:

"It appears that there are two varieties of the common 3 kopec, blue envelope. One with the impression at the left upper angle, the other with it on the flap. The latter is stated to be a reprint, having been made after the closing of the Warsaw postoffice, and, as we suppose that in Russia no tampering with dies would be permitted, these impressions must have been taken by authority—though why it is hard to say. We must not omit to mention that the reprint is on paper watermarked with the same check pattern as the originals."

NOTE.—This reprint, as described above, seems to have been lost track of at this late date, as we find no mention of it in recent publications, or articles on the stamps of Poland.

The conciliatory attitude of the Tsar Alexander and the lenient policy of his brother—the Grand Duke Constantine—who was appointed governor in 1862, were ill received by the Poles, whose opposition culminated in a general insurrection in 1863. In the following year the last embers were trampled out and further measures for denationalizing Poland adopted, resulting in the suppression of the stamps of Poland, February 13, 1865.

Concerning this the following is quoted from the Stamp Collectors Magazine, April 1, 1865:

Editor Stamp Collectors' Magazine,

DEAR SIR:—

I hereby beg to inform you that from the 1st of March (13th of the new style) that the use of Polish postage stamps is prohibited throughout the whole kingdom and the Russian ones introduced to fulfill their place. From the DZIENNIR WARSZAKSKI stamps collectors are earnestly requested to acquire them ere it is too late. I remain, dear sir,

Yours very truly,

MAX JOSEPH."

Vierzbolow, Poland.

From this date the stamps of Russia alone were receivable for postal duty in Poland, although many attempts were made to frank letters with the Polish stamps. The Russian government strictly suppressed their use and even confiscated all letters not addressed in the Russian language so fierce was their determination to denationalize the Poles. When finding a letter so stamped or even addressed in Polish, though bearing the Russian stamp, the person to whom it was addressed was fined in proportion to his ability to pay. Thus passed from active use and into philatelic history the stamps of a nation in the breast of whom there is still a spark of hope that again will come the day when will be seen—The Stamps of Poland.

VARIOUS CATALOG PRICES

The prices assigned to the stamps of Poland by the compilers of the different catalogs, are, like those of most other stamps, somewhat at variance and may or may not reflect the market value or the condition of their individual stocks. It seems advisable to quote several of the leading catalogs, and in so doing we have used those that were available, using in all cases, the latest edition which we have at hand.

As far as practical we have prepared a comparative table of the catalog prices,

but owing to the different renditions and appellations of shades of color we find it is advisable to compare only the ordinary varieties, 10 kopecs blue and rose on wove paper, and 10 kopecs blue and rose on vertical laid paper.

On account of lack of quotation or prices on envelopes we are unable to compile a comparative table of these interesting varieties.

As a matter of comparison, and to show how these stamps have increased in value, we quote here, the prices placed on these stamps in the catalog published by Stafford Smith & Smith, 1865.

STAFFORD SMITH & SMITH, 1865.

	Unused	Used
10 kopecs blue and rose adhesive	.18	.12
3 kopecs blue envelope	.12	
10 kopecs black envelope	.18	

These prices are not included in the table of average prices.

SCOTT'S CATALOG

	Unused	Used
Perforated 12		
Wove paper		
10k blue and rose	\$3.50	\$2.00
10k blue and carmine
10k dark blue and rose

Vertically Laid Paper

10k blue and rose
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STANLEY GIBBONS CATALOG

	Unused	Used
Perforated 11½ to 12		
Wove Paper		
10k deep blue and carmine	\$3.75
10k blue and rose	....	2.50
10k pale blue and pale rose	\$3.75	3.15

Vertically Laid Paper

10k blue and rose	\$5.00	\$5.00
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FRENCH OFFICIAL CATALOG

	Unused	Used
Wove Paper		
10k blue and rose	\$4.00	\$2.50
10k pale blue and pale rose	4.00	2.50
10k deep blue and carmine	30.00	3.50

Vertically Laid Paper

10k blue and rose	\$7.00	\$4.00
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YVERT & TELLIER CATALOG

	Unused	Used
Wove Paper		
10k blue and rose	\$3.50	\$2.00

Vertically Laid Paper

10k blue and rose	5.00	5.00
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KOHL'S CATALOG

	Unused	Used
Wove Paper		
10k blue and rose	\$4.38	\$2.50
10k dark blue and rose	3.75

Vertically Laid Paper
Lines close together

10k blue and rose	7.50
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Vertically Laid Paper
Lines far apart

10k blue and rose	7.50	7.50
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SENF'S CATALOG

Paper not mentioned
(Supposed to be wove)

	Unused	Used
10k blue and rose	\$ 4.38	\$2.50
10k dark blue and carmine	37.50	3.75

ENVELOPES

YVERT & TELLIER CATALOG

	Unused	Used
1858—No value (Red)	\$ 3.00	....
1860—No value (Red)	10.00	....
1860—3k blue	1.50	....
1860—10k black	3.00	....

Above prices are presumed to be for entire envelopes.

SENF'S CATALOG

ENTIRE ENVELOPES
Stamp at right

	Unused	Used
3k red (no value)	\$50.00	....
1½k red (no value)	50.00	....
1½k red, inscription above	3.00	....
3k blue, stamp at left	2.50	\$25.00
3k blue, stamp on flap	10.00	31.25
10k black, stamp at left	12.50	25.00
10k black, stamp on flap	15.00	37.50

REPRINTED IN 1869

	Unused	Used
1½k red, stamp to left	\$6.25	....

CUT SQUARE COPIES

	Unused	Used
3k red (no value)	\$5.00	....
1½k red (no value)	5.00	....
1½k red, inscription above	2.00	....
3k blue, stamp on front	1.88	....
3k blue, stamp on flap	6.25	....
10k black, stamp on front	5.00	....
10k black, stamp on flap	7.50	....

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF PRICES

10k blue and rose

	Unused	Used
Wove Paper		
Catalog.		
Scots	\$3.50	\$2.00
Gibbons	—	2.50
French Official	4.00	2.50
Yvert & Tellier	—	—
Kohl	4.38	2.50
Senf	4.38	2.50

Average price for unused copy	\$4.065
Average price for used copy	2.40

10k blue and rose

	Unused	Used
Vertically Laid Paper		
Catalog.		
Scots	—	—
Gibbons	\$5.00	\$5.00
French Official	7.00	4.00
Yvert & Tellier	5.00	5.00
Kohl	7.50	7.50

NOTE.—Kohl lists this variety both with lines close together and with lines far apart, as both varieties are priced the same, the above table may be taken to mean either variety.

Average price for unused copy	\$6.125
Average price for used copy	5.375

CHECK LIST

Currency 100 kopecs=1 Ruble=55 Cents in U. S. Currency.

ADHESIVE STAMP

January 1, 1860

Size 17 x 22½ mm.

Perforated 11½ to 12

Typographed on white wove paper

10 k blue and rose

10 k blue and carmine

10 k dark blue and rose

10 k deep blue and carmine

10 k pale blue and pale rose

Typographed on vertically laid paper, lines close together and lines far apart.

10 k blue and rose

NOTE.—The different colors as given above are those as applied by the various catalogues.

ENVELOPES

January 1, 1860

Typographed on white wove paper, in upper right hand corner; two signatures under the flap. The value, which is 3 kopecs, is not indicated on the stamp.

Size 143 x 90 mm.

3 k red

March 1, 1860

Typographed on white quadrille paper, in upper left hand corner.

Size 143 x 90 mm.

3 k blue

Variety: Printed on apparently wove paper.

3 k blue

Size 145 x 81 mm.

3 k pale blue

3 k deep blue

Size 136 x 107 mm.

10 k black

Variety: Wove paper

10 k black

1865

Typographed on quadrille paper. Same type as preceding issue, but printed on the flap.

Size 145 x 81 mm.

3 k blue

Size 136 x 107 mm.

10 k black

LOCAL ENVELOPES

FOR USE IN THE CITY OF WARSAW

January 21, 1858

Typographed in upper right hand corner on white wove paper. Inscription above arms. Two signatures under the flap. This envelope was sold for 1½ kopecs.

Size 100 x 58 mm.

½ k red

Typographed in upper right hand corner on white wove paper. Inscription above and below arms. Two signatures under the flap. This envelope was sold for 1½ kopecs.

Size 100 x 58 mm.

½ k red

NOTE.—The above two envelopes and the reprint listed below are described by some writers as "handstamped" and are mentioned as such in this work. However, the "Catalogue for Advanced Collectors," by Messrs. Henry Collin and Henry L. Calman describes them only as typographed. Either one is correct, for they are typographed and were either stamped by hand in the same manner as one would use a rubber stamp, or are a poor job of printing. (Typographed—Surface printing.)

REPRINTS

1869.

Issue of 1858, Typographed in upper left hand corner on white wove paper.

Inscription above arms.

Size 100 x 58 mm.

½ k red

NOTE.—Some writers claim, that both of the Warsaw Local envelopes were reprinted, but there is no definite information at hand.

COUNTERFEITS

We do not know of any counterfeits of the stamps or envelopes which are worthy of mention.

THE SCOTT CATALOG FOR 1911

The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., 127 Madison Ave., New York, have sent us a copy of their 1911 Catalog, which reached us just as we go to press with this issue, but by crowding out other matter we are able to give it space in this number, although not as much as it deserves. Every collector in the United States should purchase Scott's catalog. It is the only one listing Revenues and Envelopes of the United States, and for this reason is almost a necessity. It is easier understood than the other catalogues and a young collector will have but little trouble in classifying his stamps. The catalogue lists all of the standard varieties and gives below each a list of any minor varieties of the stamp in question, this system being the simplest one used by any cataloguers. The Scott catalog

is fully illustrated and the reference under each illustration, referring to the description of the stamps are so simple that any school boy can understand them.

Many changes in price are noticeable, especially an upward tendency in the better class of U. S., and a raise is also noted in U. S. which have been priced at 10 to 50 cents each, and stamps which most collectors have felt were not priced high enough. The catalog is right up to the minute, as such late stamps as the Newfoundland Guy Set, the New Columbian Republics, and other stamps which are just being chronicled, are included.

The 1911 catalog contains nearly 850 pages. Price, in paper covers, 50c.; cloth, 65c.; by mail, 10c. extra for postage.

CANADA

ANOTHER VARIETY OF THE FIVE CENT BEAVER

BY GEORGE W LINN

Considerable space was given in the last number of *The Philatelic World*, England, also in the *P. J. of A.*, to the description of a double line variety of the 5c. Canada Beaver. The variety consists of the colored line which encircles the inscription, being double, opposite the letters CAN of CANADA. This variety is said to be extremely rare.

As has been my custom, when reading of varieties of comparatively common stamps, I always take my glass and examine all of my specimens of the stamp in question. In this instance, I was not fortunate enough to find a double line variety, but I did find a variety which I have never before seen mentioned.

An illustration of a vertical pair is shown here and the variety which I will describe is the top stamp.

At the left of the ball of the 5 in the upper right hand corner, both of the colored lines surrounding the inscription are broken for about a millimetre, directly over the O of POSTAGE.

There should be more of these stamps discovered as the defect is undoubtedly in the plate, and students of Canadian stamps would do well to examine, carefully, all copies of either the 3c. or 5c. Beaver stamps as it is not unlikely that many other defects in the original plate can be dis-



covered. The variety I have described above is in a beautiful pair on cover and I shall be pleased to loan it for examination to any reliable collector interested in Canadian stamps.

S. P. A. CONVENTION

The Fourteenth Annual Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association, which was held at Kansas City, Mo., October 3, 4 and 5th, was one of the most successful meets of the association. The Southern is the second oldest national Philatelic association in this country and the second in size. The future prospects for the association are very bright and with the hustling bunch of officers who were elected for the coming year much progress should be made. The 1911 Convention will be held in Galveston, Texas, and it is hoped that many of the old Texas collectors who were

active in the society in its earlier days will embrace the opportunity for making the 1911 Convention a reunion which will never be forgotten.

THE NEW 7d GREAT BRITAIN

An English correspondent tells us that the new current 7d Great Britain is a good stamp to hold to. He states that although the stamp has been in use for over seven months, he has seen but about four used copies and that the English dealers are offering four cents each for used copies.

THE AUCTION MARKET

Dealers are requested to send catalogues or announcements before sales and priced catalogs or list of prices after the sale, together with any other information to the editor of this department at 1081 Newton St., Columbus, Ohio

WM. H. FIELD, EDITOR

Coming Sales

- Nov. 11, 15, 16—J. C. Morgenthau & Co., 87 Nassau St., New York. At Collectors Club, New York City, 1481 lots.
- Nov. 12—Percy G. Doane, 160 Nassau St., New York. 692 lots. Afternoon session.
- Nov. 28, 29—Philadelphia Stamp Co., 1204 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. Sale at Collectors Club, New York City. Evening session.
- Dec. 3—Hugh M. Clark, 536 Postal Telegraph Building, Chicago, Ill.

Notes and Prices

The sale of the Philadelphia Stamp Co., on November 4 and 5, is the first of a series of three, selling a notable collection with a value of \$50,000. This sale will be followed by two others containing the remainder of the collection. Part 1 contains U. S. and colonies and among the many noticeable features we find the following: A Brattleboro, two 5c and two 10c St. Louis, 24c imperf. 1851, 24c 1869 with inverted center, Pan American 2c with inverted center, \$5 black and green 1871 Proprietary, besides many rare U. S. envelopes and Confederates, the most notable of which is a pair of 5c and 10c Tellico Plains setenant, O. G.

The collection of W. E. Hawkins, to be sold by J. C. Morgenthau & Co. on November 11, 15 and 16th, is particularly noticeable by reason of the many pairs and blocks of stamps mostly in mint condition; many items to be sold are of rare occurrence and only to be found at the breaking up of such a collection. Most of these interesting items were purchased by the owner at recent sales such as the Thorne, Seybold, Wolseley and Bellows, which is evidence of their rarity and excellence of condition.

Two Brattleboros sold within fifteen days will make the average collector feel that he is not so much after all and he will be having pleasant dreams of that beautiful specimen in his own collection—pipe dreams.

In a recent sale was sold a copy of Gibraltar 1889, 10 c carmine error, value omitted, a rarity seldom offered. The last record sale price of a copy was \$87.50 at a London auction.

A copy of the revenue stamp which was partly responsible for the Revolutionary War, the Boston Tea Party Stamp, was

sold at a New York sale bringing \$33.00 which was very cheap considering the rarity of this historical stamp.

The 5c 1847 is still bringing top prices. From a recent sale of Hugh M. Clark's in Chicago on October 1, two copies brought \$3.00 and \$3.20 respectively. The makers of Scott's catalog had better take notice.

Among other items of the Clark sale we notice a pair of \$50.00 U. S. Revenues No. 2900, catalogue at \$15.00, brought \$13.60; also a copy of the \$5.00 Proprietary in average condition brought \$72.35.

CLEVELAND LETTER

W. C. Rhodes has recently added a pair of \$200 first issue imperf. revenues to his collection.

R. H. Beatty has embarked in the auto business, accepting the agency for a well known Moline, Ills., car.

O. F. Moses has taken up his duties as a traveling salesman this month, but expects to continue his activities in the G. P. S. C.

One of the most interesting departments of the "Collector," to our local boys, is the market reports of the selling prices of stamps at auction.

How those New England boys like to use English spelling—note Legg's "Nett" and Colson's "Cheque," etc.

I understand we are to have a real live dealer here soon from the west. He ought to prosper well if he will carry the stuff the local boys want.

Revenues seem to have the call at present, there being considerable demand for imperf. blocks and pairs.

The G.-P. S. C. is glad to welcome collectors at any of their meetings. Come and show some stamps, or at any rate come.

At our last meeting we had a visitor from beyond Sandusky and from all reports he had a good time.

I am told the 2c. Bank Check in pairs is scarcer than catalogue price would indicate.

Through the enterprise of Linn, Smith and Adair, Fernald's specialized collection of Poland becomes a reality. It evidently takes more than \$1.50 to complete the country.

CHICAGO NOTES

BY PILGRIM

At the last A. P. S. Branch meeting a series of illustrated talks on minor varieties was suggested and met with hearty approval. The first talk will be by Mr. Wolsieffer on the U. S. issues of 1851 to 1860.

We feared the worst and it has happened. Secretary Fowler seems to have the wanderlust. He is now spending alternate weeks here and in Detroit. We understand the latter place is improving rapidly under his loving care.

That record of \$3.10 for a 5c 1847 has been broken—not only once but twice—both times in the same sale. Perhaps—just perhaps—that person who paid \$3.10 at Detroit—but then—there's a special providence—eh?

Our new Branch president, Eddie Rosenthal, took the chair at the last meeting. His first move was to propose five new applicants for membership. He also presented the members with a box of cigars. It was decided that he be installed anew each meeting.

The plans for the 1911 Convention are well under way—the committees having been appointed. The names and sentences of the doomed men and women have not been made public.

MY NOTION

Of nothing to write,
Minutes of the C. P. S. meetings. —H. A. F.

Of nothing to wear,
A necktie with less than seven colors. —C. E. S.

Of nothing to interfere with,
A skidding automobile. —P. M. W.

Of nothing to manage,
A monthly stamp paper. —H. L. L.

Of nothing to do,
Write a history of China. —I. R. J.

Of nothing to bet on,
The world's series of baseball games.

Signed: Michael,
Rosenthal,
Severn,
Dodd,
Clark.

At a meeting, one time, Eddie Dodd
Sang a song about the "Auld Sod."
The song was so cheerful
It made the boys skeerful
He'd stop—so they all did applaud.

The question most often heard at the C. P. S. meetings is, "Has anybody here seen Toppan?" We understand that he has left the Philatelic field as a dealer and has

gone back into his former business—railway supplies. His headquarters are to be in Chicago.

PHILADELPHIA STAMP CLUB
BULLETIN

The Philadelphia Stamp Club is surely at the top of the list of wide awake, hustling Stamp Societies. It recently issues a year book which would have been a credit to some of the smaller national associations of collectors and immediately follows this up by issuing Volume I, Number 1, of a monthly magazine to be known as The Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin. It is announced that the Bulletin is "intended solely for the upbuilding of the Club." This program, if adhered to, will of course make the paper a welcome visitor to every Club member and should do more than anything else could do to bring the members close together.

The Bulletin is a very creditable publication and contains much matter of interest to those who are not members of the Club, and although subscriptions are not solicited from non-members, we have no doubt but what they would be accepted from parties who wish to receive the Bulletin regularly. Mr. Edgar Lee Green, 1415 Vine street, is acting as editor and publisher.

MONTHLY STAMP PUZZLE

Suitable prizes will be offered each month, and hope to be able to publish questions that will test the skill and knowledge of even the most knowing collectors. A few minutes study of these puzzles will go a long way toward showing you what you do or do not know. We shall be pleased to have our readers send in puzzles for this department. All answers should be marked Contest, and addressed to the publisher.

Various of our readers have suggested from time to time, that we have a monthly contest, or puzzle, dealing with stamps or stamp subjects. We will be glad to conduct a department of this sort each month provided enough interest is shown. Our first puzzle is as follows:

Form the names of five European countries that are issuing stamps at the present time, from the 32 letters given below. Each letter can be used as many times as it appears but all the letters must be used up in the problem:

A A A A A A C C D E E E E I I L
L M M N N N O O R R R S S
T T Z.

To the first person sending a correct answer to the above, we will give you an order for 50 cents toward the purchase of anything advertised for sale in this issue of The Stamp Collector, by any of our advertisers.

THE EDITOR'S FOREWORD

BY PAUL MASON

The Wonderland of Stamps

We have been reading W. Dwight Burroughs' "The Wonderland of Stamps," just issued by the Frederick A. Stokes Company, New York. Because it opens broadly a new vista of Philatelic possibilities, we deem it worthy of editorial consideration, rather than a mere perfunctory review. The book is what might be expected by those who have followed the Burroughs articles, written for the secular press under the auspices of the Educational Committee of the American Philatelic Society, but while its chapters follow the general lines of the original articles, they have been revised thoroughly to meet the needs of the connected story the author tells. It is a pleasant little story, beginning with the return of a kindly uncle and his numerous nephews and nieces from a circus. "Uncle Phil" tells the boys and girls that as they have been to the "greatest show on earth," if they are willing, he will take them to the "smallest show on earth," and on their delighted acceptance of the offer, he gets out his stamp albums and shows them all the animals pictured on the stamps of the world. The children are so pleased that they ask for another night among the stamps, so he takes them through the birds of stampland, then to a diminutive athletic carnival, and so on, through all the varied phases of history, geography, world politics, mechanics and other things which stamps, if approached reverently and with an inquiring mind, reveal to those who seek knowledge. The book, attractively printed and bound, is copiously illustrated with plates of stamps, so that the youngster in whose hand it is placed must perforce be attracted to the stamps themselves, as well as to and by their story. It is a most desirable gift for either a boy or a girl, and should be in every library in the land which seeks the patronage of children. Mr. Burroughs' book constitutes the first real attempt to create a Philatelic literature for children, and American Philately is to be congratulated that this first attempt has been so successful. Those who are familiar with Mr. Burroughs' work in this line know what to expect, but in view of the newness of this endeavor, it is a matter for congratulation that the work should be brought out by a so well known and popular publishing house, which of itself is almost a guaranty of the book's success. With all these favorable factors united, there can be no doubt of its success, either financially or as an educator in American Philately.

The Personal Note in American Journals

The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, in its September issue, says some kindly things of *The Stamp Collector*, and then, lest we emulate the frog in the fable, carefully throws a little cold water on us. "The August Stamp Collector is a good publication," says our English contemporary—"in fact, in less than a year it has climbed to nearly, if not quite, the top of the tree of American Philatelic journalism. Unfortunately this kind of tree doesn't attain very great height in the U. S. A. Like most Yankee publications the personal note is, however, too pronounced." For all of which, many thanks—even for the dash of cold water. Some of us prefer the "personal note" to scissors and paste pot, and our English cousin has as little liking for pirated articles as we have. But, to be serious, while it is true that the tree of Philatelic journalism does not grow very high in America, there are reasons why the "personal note" should obtrude, even as there are reasons for looking to the Old World for most of the Philatelic research of the present day, though it is devoutly to be hoped that reasons for both may disappear. American Philately is dominated largely by dealers. The fact is regrettable, but it is a fact. Some dealers are unscrupulous. That fact also is regrettable, but it is a fact. Some dealers, and other persons with selfish interests to subserve, sometimes seek to dominate the various organizations of American collectors, for their own profit and to the detriment of the societies. That fact also is regrettable, but it also is a fact. If these abuses are to be eliminated from American Philately, it is necessary that some one take up the cudgels against them. This cannot be done without emphasizing the "personal note" of which our English contemporary complains. So far as *The Stamp Collector* is concerned, it is merely trying to do its part to bring higher ideals to dominate in American stamp collecting, and if it succeeds by ever so little, it will not regret its part, even to the extent of making a few enemies. So far as original Philatelic research is concerned, America has no relatively idle class. Most of its stamp collectors are busy men, concerned in the daily activities of bustling American cities. To most of us, the day is all too short for our daily occupations. We must, perforce, depend on others for those deeper researches which so long have adorned European Philately. Yet we are not without our own roll of honor in this respect. Bellows, Chase, Luff, Bartels,

Tiffany—these and others like them are not names to be ashamed of, for these men have added immeasurably to the world's Philatelic knowledge; but the great bulk of American collectors must be content to collect, to gain what pleasure they can and what knowledge they may, and to continue, for the present at least, to rely on the researches of those abroad who, having nothing else to do, seek relief from ennui by delving in the deepest depths of Philatelic knowledge, much of which is too abstruse for the ordinary collector, even when served up to him in a pirated article in his favorite stamp paper.

What a Year Has Wrought

With this number *The Stamp Collector* inaugurates its second year. If it has not accomplished any great things, it at least has tried to be clean, to be honest, to be unafraid. It has labored consistently for the uplift of American Philately, and to remove from it those things which are a reproach. It has sought to minimize political activities in the American Society even though it has itself been forced at times to participate in political movements. It has exposed one of the greatest, if not the greatest fraud ever perpetrated on the American Philatelic public, not for any advantage that might accrue to itself, not in personal antagonism to the perpetrator, but in utter hatred of the fraud itself. With the limited facilities at its hand, and in full appreciation of the natural limitations of a monthly publication, it has disseminated a fair amount of Philatelic knowledge and considerable Philatelic news. It takes considerable pride in the check list of Philatelic publications now running in its pages, as a work of real Philatelic value. An early publication in book form is promised. For its shortcomings it craves indulgence. Its publisher and editor have been busy men, with many other tasks and interests. Therefore many things they would have done have been left undone, and many things have been done which might have been done better if time had not been so precious and other interests so pressing. That so generous support has been accorded by both the reading and the advertising public is appreciated, and continued endeavor to deserve it is earnestly pledged.

Valedictory

With this number the present editor of *The Stamp Collector* retires from all connection with the paper. The work of the last year has been pleasant, in many respects, even if onerous and exacting. The burden thereby entailed is too great, in connection with the editor's other work and interests, especially in view of his none too vigorous physique. With the paper firmly established, and the second year opening bright with promise, he therefore

takes this opportunity to yield the editorial direction to other hands. The publisher has a number of changes under consideration, some of which, notably in make-up, are apparent in this issue. These, which will be under his personal direction, it is hoped will add greatly to the attractiveness and popularity of the paper. In this, his final word, the editor wishes to express his warm appreciation of the kindly words so many editors of stamp publications have said of him, and to assure even those who may have felt aggrieved by any of his utterances that no personal animosity exists, or has existed, and that he goes from the field with kindly and pleasant recollections of all of them.

Marginalia

WE RISE TO REMARK that having heard that Brother McMann, of the Philadelphia Stamp News, has a new daughter, and Brother New Issues Smith, of Columbus, has a new son. We're going to quit the stamp paper publishing business.—Arizona Philatelist.

EDITOR F. F. LAMB, of the Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, shows a vast amount of perspicuity when he remarks: "Mr. Charles Haviland Mekeel seems to consider that his editorial duties consist of the generous application of scissors and paste, with a few haphazard, blatant and bombastic editorial remarks."

THOUGH A FIVE-CENT 1847 sold recently in Clark's auction at Chicago for more than \$3, the great American cataloguer continues to list it at \$1.25.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS who receive invitations to attend the centenary celebration of the Columbus Collectors' Club, we wish to call attention to the fact that all except one of the members are still alive, and that visitors will find them the liveliest bunch of centenarians that ever came down the pike. In fact, they're all fit to be centenarians.

EVERY ONE WILL CONCEDE that as Brother Nast is a sort of father of American Philatelic journalism, there is peculiar appropriateness in his going to Everybody's.

THE PROVIDENCE THAT tempers the wind to the shorn lamb evidently has moved the British post office authorities to issue that order forbidding the filling of standing orders for new issues. For this relief, much thanks.

WE STILL BELIEVE that stamp collecting is a pastime of educational merit, with incidental investment features, and not a political occupation.

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THE PUBLISHER'S PAGE

Mr. Mason Retires

We are sorry to announce to our subscribers and the Philatelic public in general, that our editor, Mr. Paul Mason, who has been associated with The Stamp Collector from its beginning up to the present time, has found it necessary to sever his connection with the magazine. Mr. Mason's reasons are given in his editorials which appear for the last time, in this number of the Stamp Collector. It is regretted by both the publisher and his other able assistants, but the reasons are self apparent to anyone who is acquainted with the editor and who knows what a vast amount of other work he has to do.

Our thanks are due Mr. Mason for his able assistance during the first year of our publication and we feel that in a measure, much of its success was due to his efforts. Mr. Mason has prepared a great amount of the copy for each number and has always worked for the paper as though it were his own.

Our best wishes and friendly feelings go with him in any other Philatelic work he may take up and we wish him an unlimited measure of success.

Mr. H. S. Adair, for the past two years Secretary of the A. P. S., will, beginning with the December issue, write the editorials for The Stamp Collector. No further introduction is necessary and we shall leave it to him to tell you what he will as to his plans and intentions in this work.

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Many collectors have already signified their intention of working for part of the big \$300.00 prize we are offering for securing new subscribers. See our full page announcement in the advertising section of this number. We furnish free circulars and subscription blanks to work with and will assist you in any way possible. The little circulars we furnish you are four pagers and at glance look like a miniature copy of The Stamp Collector. The first page being a miniature reproduction of the title page of the magazine and attractive enough to get the attention of any stamp collector.

Our Future Policy

It is unnecessary to tell you about the changes in the arrangement and makeup of the magazine for the current volume as a glance through this number will show you in less time than we could tell it. We suppose there will be some who will doubt if it is the same magazine. Yes—we are going to print all of the succeeding issues on paper like this, with a cover the same as the one inclosing this number, and this alone is quite an improvement and we will admit, an expensive one. The new arrangement and makeup of the contents is, in our opinion, an improvement over our former numbers, and we also believe that the literary matter in this issue is a little better than has been printed in any of the former numbers. This number is going to be used by us as a guide for better work in the following issues and we feel that we can give you something better. Many good articles are on hand and being prepared and we expect to establish a record for publishing original matter. An excellent article on Argentine Republic by Mr. Julian Park, F. R. P. S., will appear in an early number and no further mention need be made to convince you that it will be good, for Mr. Park is known as a brilliant writer.

If You Can't Boost, Knock

During the past several months we have received many boosts and some knocks, thanks for both. The knocks are what interest us most because they tell us of our weakness and point out the way to improvement and we can assure our readers that we shall heed them. It shall be our aim in all departments of the magazine to keep away from little personalities and when such are handed in as copy by any of the different editors on our staff, they shall go into the waste basket. A little clean fun poked at anyone will not hurt and will be printed as usual, and on the other hand gigantic crooked deals carried on by anyone whether collector or dealer will be exposed to the best of our ability.

RECORD OF NEW ISSUES

Any information about new issues or discoveries will be thankfully received, and stamps sent for examination will be promptly returned. Address all letters to the department editor at 801 Outlook Building, Columbus, Ohio

GEORGE K. SMITH, JR., EDITOR

Barbados

Two values are reported in new colors:

Adhesives—

2d., gray.

1s., black on green.

2d., gray (B).

2½d., ultramarine (B).

5d., violet and olive (B).

6d., purple (B).

1s., black on green (R).

Bechuanaland Protectorate

The current 6d. black and orange on chalky of Transvaal is reported overprinted with Gibbons Type 9 for use in Bechuanaland.

Bermuda

Mekeel's Weekly reports the 1d. carmine in the new design of which we chronicled the ½d. in No. 10.

Bosnia

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the new jubilee set. The designs have been enlarged by the addition of a label at the bottom containing the dates "1830-1910." The framework of the central design has been added to at the bottom in the same manner as with the Austrian set. Colors, designs and values, being the same as in the 1901 set, will not be repeated here.

British South Africa

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly has been shown the ½ and 1d. of the 1898-1908 issue in imperforate blocks.

Chili—Juan Fernandez Islands

The current stamps of Chili have been overprinted "Islas de Juan Fernandez" in two lines for use in these islands which are used as a penal colony. The stamps will also be on sale throughout the Republic.

Adhesives—

5c. on 12c., black and lake (blue).

10c. on 1p., gray, green and gold (red).

20c. on 1p., gray, green and gold (red).

1p., gray, green and gold (red).

Columbian Republic

In addition to the 1c. reported in No. 11, we are now informed the current 2c. is appearing without the imprint of the maker.

Gilbert and Ellice Protectorate

Two groups of islands in the Pacific Ocean, almost due north of the Fiji Islands, have been given a place in the list of stamp issuing countries by the issue of seven values of the current Fiji set overprinted in black (B) and red (R) "Gilbert and Ellice Protectorate."

Adhesives—

½d., green (B).

1d., carmine (B).

Hong Kong

The 8c. is reported in single color.

Adhesive—

8c., violet.

Mauritius

Mekeel's weekly reports the following values which we presume to be in the King's Head design of which we chronicled a number of values in No. 8:

Adhesives—

1r., black on green.

2½r., black and red on blue.

5r., green and red on yellow.

Mexico

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the current 50c. with the new "OFICIAL" overprint in black.

Adhesive—

50c., black and maroon.

Russia

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the 25k. of the current set on white unwatermarked paper with varnish lines.

Adhesive—

25k., mauve and pale green.

Russia—Post Offices in China

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the following overprinted for use in China in black and blue, respectively:

Adhesives—

14k., rose and blue.

25k., mauve and pale green.

St. Vincent

The ½d. in the redrawn type, with dot added below "d" of value, has appeared.

Adhesive—

½d., yellow-green.

Salvador

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the following values of the "Figueroa" set:

10c., bright mauve and black.

50c., yellow and black.

100c., turquoise blue and black.

Spain

Gibbons' Stamp Weekly reports the current 20c. stamp of Spain overprinted "Tetuan" for use at that port.

Switzerland

In addition to the values reported last month, there are also 2c. and 15c. stamps in the new issue of Unpaid stamps.

Transvaal

The current 6d., black and orange, is now appearing on multiple ordinary paper.

Uruguay

A new official overprint has been applied to the following stamps consisting of "OFFICIAL" in a curved line with "1910" below in a straight line in black or red.

Adhesives—

- 2c., vermillion (B).
- 5c., blue-green (R).
- 10c., dull lilac (R).
- 20c., blue-green (B).
- 25c., pale brown (B).
- 50c., rose (B).

NOTES ON NEW ISSUES

From Gibbons' Stamp Weekly we learn that our brother Philatelists in Chili are having the time of their young lives.

In the first place it appears that a certain Dr. Hahn, of Valparaiso, owned the plate of the 20c., green, first issue. This he offered to the Government on condition that the stamp should be re-issued and surcharged with new values, \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20, and the doctor was to have the privilege of purchasing \$20,000 worth of the stamps and in addition he was to have the right to buy two sheets of each value. It is stated it was his intention to make himself the sole possessor of the \$20 stamp.

The Government accepted the offer and the following were ordered printed:

400 sheets, yellow, surcharged \$1, in black.

200 sheets, red, surcharged \$5, in dark blue.

47 sheets, blue, surcharged \$10, in carmine.

4 sheets, green, surcharged \$20, in violet.

The public press having learned of this plan and having exposed it, the decree providing for the issue was cancelled. So we are spared that much.

The Juan Fernandez scandal, however, seems to have been worked with at least partial success. On June 25th, the Ministry of the Interior authorized a special issue stamps for the Juan Fernandez Islands, on which islands Robinson Crusoe and his man Friday are supposed to have done considerable scouting around in days gone by. The values of this set, which we have listed elsewhere, were surcharged on the 12c. and \$1 stamps of the present issue, which values have not yet been placed on sale at the various post offices.

It appears that practically all the 12c. and \$1 stamps of this issue were held by a syndicate of Government officials with the exception of the stamps used for the Juan Fernandez set and 1,000,000 of the \$1 stamps which had already been overprinted "impuesto" so the "skindicate's" holdings would be greatly enhanced in value.

This matter was also brought to the attention of the Government through the press and the sale of the surcharged stamps was postponed, but the aforesaid syndicate managed to get the stamps on sale. Finally the Government, deciding there was no necessity for the issue of so many stamps for the Juan Fernandez Islands (there being 10,000 each of the 5c. and 10c., 5,000 of the 20c. and 1,000 of the \$1), put the issue on sale in all the Fiscal Treasuries and post offices of the Republic and declared them good for both interior and exterior postage.

In conclusion, our opinion of the whole transaction cannot be expressed in a publication which it is intended to mail, as Boss Tweed was wont to remark, however, "What are you going to do about it?"

CONVENTION SNAP SHOTS

The Portfolio of Convention Snap Shots, which was announced by the publisher, will be ready and mailed to all contributors not later than the last of this month. Much trouble has been had in getting sufficient pictures to include in order to make a fair sized booklet. I succeeded in getting about 16 photos and hoped to get more than 20. Some of those I did get are too poor to make good half-tones from, only about a dozen being suitable. Most of the amateur photographers who were to supply the photos had bad luck, which probably means they had too much of Vernors, or were too excited and forgot to press the button, or possibly didn't know much about taking pictures after all.

Several parties who pledged themselves to help bear the expense of issuing the portfolio have failed to remit and their remittance will be needed to cover the expense of issuing the booklet. Collectors wishing a neat and desirable souvenir of the Detroit Convention can get no better one than a copy of this portfolio. The price is 25c. per copy and any surplus money on hand after the expenses of publishing are paid, will be used to purchase books for the A. P. S. library.

The portfolio will contain a photograph showing the business Charlie Severn was engaged in when the delegates "slipped one over on him," also a picture of the "Human Slat," besides "Hughie Clark and his affinity" and several others of interest. Copies can be had from the publisher of The Stamp Collector.

THE WENDEN STAMP OF 1901

February 1, 1901, there was issued a stamp of 2 kopecs, printed in two colors—dark green for the frame and the central portion in brown. The fact that it bore a Russian inscription instead of a German legend, like all its predecessors, was significant of the continuous progress of the russification of the Czar's dominions: This inscription—"Wendenskaya ouyezdnyaya po-tshta"—may be translated "Wenden District (or Circle) Post."

Weden is a city of 6300 inhabitants, writes Bertram T. K. Smith in Alfred Smith & Son's Monthly Circular (London) for July, and was the chief town of what was called, under the Polish dominion, the Palatinate of Wenden, a title afterward changed under the Swedes to the "Circle of Wenden" (German Wendensche-Kreis). Near the town, in the middle of a park belonging to Count Sievers, are the ruins of a castle, shown on the stamp in question. This castle was the second principal seat of the Order of Sword-bearers, or Brethren of the Sword (Schwertbruder), and later the residence of the Livonian Masters of the Teutonic Order (Deutscher Ritterorden) with which the old Order was consolidated about 1237. The building was enlarged under Walter von Plettenberg (1494-1535), the most renowned of those Masters who lived at Wenden. In 1577 it was besieged by Czar Ivan IV, surnamed the Terrible, and was destroyed by its defenders to prevent it from falling into his hands. It passed into possession of the Germans the same year, and afterward became the seat of the Catholic Bishop, Patricius Nidecki, whom King Stephen Bathory had sent into those regions. Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden then gave it to the Chancellor Axel of Oxenstiern, and later (1747) it was given by Elizabeth, Empress of Russia, to her minister, Count Bestouchev. Finally it passed to the Sievers family. Since the great fire of Aug. 3, 1748, the greater part of the castle has been a mere ruin. In the west tower is still seen the hall of the Masters, with a roof of net-vaulting, with 69 key-stones.

The great Teutonic Order, or to give it its full title, The Teutonic Order of the Hospital of St. Mary of Jerusalem, reached the zenith of its power at the beginning of the Fifteenth century, when, as we read, "its sovereignty extended from the Oder to the Gulf of Finland, without reckoning its vast possessions in Germany, Italy and other countries. In Prussia alone it owned 55 fortified towns, 48 fortresses, 640 villages with parish churches and 2000 free farms." Livonia was one of its strongholds, but the Reformation movement spread

among the inhabitants, and it was one of the conditions of the compact with the King of Poland that he should maintain the Livonians in the Confession of Augsburg. This compact was made in 1561, when Goddhart Kettler, the "Master of Livonia"—that is to say, of the Livonian branch of the Order—recognized the sovereignty of the Polish monarch, and March 5 of the following year he handed to the Polish envoy in the town hall of Riga the cross and great seal of the Order, the title-deeds and privileges of the Teutonic Knights and the keys of the city, and divested himself of the white mantle. In return for this and his oath of fidelity to the King, he was created Duke of Courland and Semigallia, while the renunciation of his Order gave him the opportunity of marrying a German princess.

The Marian Teutonic Order thus came to an end in Livonia. Since 1809, when Napoleon suppressed it in Germany and alienated its possessions there, it has survived only in Austria and at Utrecht. In both these cases it exists as "a severely aristocratic" body, that of Utrecht being Protestant and that of Austria Catholic; the latter is under suzerainty of the Emperor, and carries on a work similar in nature to that of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem in our country. In Austria are preserved the remains of its rich treasury and many of its archives.

To return to the stamps themselves: there are two varieties occurring with approximately equal frequency on each sheet. In one the sixth pearl at the lower left side is plain; in the other it has a dot. There are three printings; the first with center in brown; the second with center in red, and the third with center in violet-red.

May 23, 1906, the remaining stock of all the Wenden stamps, old and modern, in the possession of the Livonian authorities, was burned in the great fireplace of the Ritterhaus in Riga, a modern building where the Landtag sits. The auto de fe took place in the presence of the legal representative of the Chamber of Nobles and of two delegates of the Riga Philatelic Society. One of these writes: "It was a woefully hot fire. Especially noticeable where the 'ruin stamps' of 1901 in entire sheets of 150 stamps, which curled up sorrowfully, and like grey clouds strove heavenward through the chimney. Such a sight can never be forgotten." It was not, however, the stamps themselves that he mourned over; to him they were more than mere postal labels, for he looked on them as symbols of the old order of things in Livonia.

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Meeting of October 6th.

A regular meeting was held on October 6th, 1910, at the Club Room, 202 The Arcade, with President Crowell in the chair and the following members present: Good, Rust, Crowell, Beatty, Taite, Whittaker, Foote, Rhodes, Liebner, Weigel, E. G. Hart, Moses, Wood, Larsen, Langdon, Weber, French, Mack, Geo. M. Stader was present as visitor.

After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved as read, the Board of Directors announced that the applications of Geo. M. Stader, Bay Ridge, Ohio, proposed by W. H. Barnum, and Chas. Kress, Cleveland, O., proposed by W. G. Whittaker, had been received and posted.

A communication from Geo. Ward Linn was read, but owing to the length of the program of the evening, it was ordered to be carried over to the next meeting.

The feature of the evening was a Stamp Auction, for the benefit of the Club. All lots were donated by members and it was one of the most successful sales held by the Club. Proceeds amounting to \$27.94 were turned over to the treasurer.

Owing to the lateness of the hour, when the sale was over, the contest between Messrs. Good and Moses was eliminated.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p. m.

R. H. BEATTY, Sec'y.

Meeting of October 20th

A regular meeting of the Club was held October 20th, 1910, at the Club Room, the following members being present: Langdon, Weber, Whittaker, Crofts, Weigel, O. S. Hart, Kendall, Barnum, Beatty, Good, Larsen, Kramer, Crowell, Roegge. Visitors present were Messrs. Truby, of Pittsburgh, and B. W. Bradshaw, of Cleveland.

After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved as read, the Board of Directors announced that the applications of Chas. Kress, Geo. M. Stader and Harry L. Perkins, of Chicago, had been favorably passed on and that said applicants had been duly elected members of the Club.

Mr. Moses, of the Entertainment Committee, tendered his resignation as chair-

man of said committee. Mr. Hanford was then appointed to succeed Mr. Moses as chairman. Mr. L. G. French was appointed as the fifth member of the committee.

After general discussion, a committee was appointed by the president to report on the feasibility of the Club taking action on a communication from Mr. Geo. W. Linn, of Columbus, Ohio.

Owing to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Schneider the entertainment arranged for the evening was dispensed with.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p. m.

R. H. BEATTY, Sec'y.

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Secretary's Report

Fellow Members:—

Another month has passed without adding new members to our Society. This, however, should not discourage anyone as I feel confident many enthusiastic collectors are waiting for the Society to show itself worthy of their support before enrolling as members. No doubt some people are under the impression that it will be possible to secure copies of the Society's publications without becoming members, but this will not be possible. No copies will be offered for sale or distributed gratis to any one who is not a member of the Society.

A De Luxe Edition of the work on the publications for the year 1909 will be issued and subscriptions will be accepted in advance from members only. These copies may be purchased in any quantity and distributed by the purchasers at their discretion. However, the price of the De Luxe Edition, which will be made about as neat and fine as the printers' and binders' art can make it, will be such that the price will forbid extensive distribution. One member has already applied for 10 copies. The price has not yet been determined, but I hope to be able to give it in my next report. Another long list of publications is given in this number and it is hoped to complete the list in December. This list will be the most complete list of the Philatelic publications of any period that has ever been issued.

Show the above to a friend; that alone ought to induce him to join if he is really interested. Fraternally,

GEORGE W. LINN, Sec'y.

A CHECK LIST OF PHILATELIC PUBLICATIONS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

FOR THE YEAR 1909

Compiled by W. R. Ricketts, Historian of the American Philatelic Literature Society

Catalogues

AMERICAN

The Collector's Own Catalogue

of the Adhesive Postage Stamps of All Nations, Pricing, as they should be, the Various Issues, also Illustrating and Describing the Same. Pub. by A. Bullard & Co., 446 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.

20th Century Section, 1909 Edition. 16 pp (inc. cover), 9x6 in., white paper cover, with 26 illustrations; price 12c.

Gibbons, (Stanley) Priced Catalogue

Pub. by Stanley Gibbons (Inc.), 198 Broadway, N. Y.
American editions priced in dollars and cents.

Twentieth Edition, 1909; Part I, "Stamps of the British Empire," 326 pp plus xvi pp and 1 pp (title, introduction, etc.) plus 42 pp ("Catalogue of Publications, etc., for Stamp Collectors," in back), 7½x5 in., bound in red cloth, title in black; price 66c.

Same, unbound in 13 parts, 7¾x5. in.

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Part II, "Stamps of Foreign Countries," 672 pp plus vii pp (title, etc.), 7½x5 in., bound in green cloth, title in black; price 70c.

Same, Edition de Luxe, bound in flexible full green morocco, printed on fine paper, 370 pp plus viii pp (title, etc.), 7½x5 in., title in gold, gilt edges; price \$1.25.

Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue

Pub. by the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., Ltd., 18 East 23rd St., New York.

Sixty-eighth Edition, 1909. 791 pp (xxxviii-10 pp int.), 70 pp (Sets and publications, printed on green paper), 6½x4½ in., bound in brown cloth, title in black; price 65c.

Scott's Catalogue of the Local Stamps of the United States and China

Pub. by the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., 18 East 23rd St., New York.

— pp; price 10 cents.

GREAT BRITAIN

Bright & Son's "A B C"

Descriptive Priced Catalogue of the World's Postage Stamps, Postcards, Envelopes, Wrappers, Etc., Etc. Pub. by

Messrs. Bright & Sons, 164 Strand, London, W. C., England.

Eighth Edition, 1909-10: Part I, Adhesives Only. 812 pp plus viii pp (title) plus 2 pp plus 39 pp (green paper "List of Novelties for 1909-10"), 6½x4½ in., bound blue cloth cover boards, title in black; price 70c.

Part II, Postcards, Envelopes, Etc. 292 pp—iii pp (title)—2 pp, 6½x4½ in., blue cloth cover boards, title in black; price 43c.

Same, both parts bound together; price 97c.

Healey (Edwin) & Co's. Illustrated Catalogue of British & British Colonial Stamps 1908-9

Pub. by Edwin Healey & Co., 14 Wormwood St., Old Broad St., London, E. C., England. 203 pp—viii pp (title, pref., index)—4 pp (adv.) 6¼x4 in., blue paper cover, title in red, rounded corners; price 12c.

Illustrated Catalogue of the Postage Stamps of Great Britain & Colonies 1909-10

Pub. by Wm. Ward, Booth St., Piccadilly, Manchester, England. 203 pp, 6¼x4½ in., blue paper cover, rounded corners; price 12c.

(This is "Messrs. Edwin Healey & Co's. Illustrated Catalogue of British and British Colonial Stamps, 1908-9, with the heading as above printed on yellow paper pasted on front cover page, with the title page, preface and index pasted together and advertisements in rear, also pasted together.)

Lincoln (The)

Illustrated, Priced and Descriptive Catalogue of British, Colonial and Foreign Postage Stamps, Illustrated with 4620 Pictures of Stamps. Enumerating the date of issues and names of color of every stamp, varieties of Perforation, Watermarks and Prices of Stamps—unused and used; also Historical and Geographical Notes of interest to Philatelists, with Atlas of Sixteen Colored Maps, especially engraved for this catalogue.

Pub. by William S. Lincoln, 2 Holles St., Oxford St., London, W.

(Maps I—, shrdl emfwy shrdlu uata 14th Edition, 1909. pp—16 pp (Maps)

— pp (Price List of Packets and Sets), 8¾x6½ in., bound in blue cloth, title in gold; price 83c.

(The) Universal Standard Catalogue

of the Postage Stamps of the World, With 3600 illustrations drawn exactly one-fourth

the size of the original stamps.

Pub. by Whitfield King & Co., Stamp Importers and Publishers, Ipswich, Eng.

Ninth Edition, 1909. 488 pp—7 pp (title)—2 pp. 6½x4 in., black flexible cloth cover, title in gold; price 36c.

Same. Edition de Luxe, interleaved, bound in red-brown cloth boards, 6½x4¼ in.; price 87c.

Supplement to Whitfield King & Co.'s 1909 Catalogue. 4 pp. 6½x4¼ in.

Auction Catalogues

AMERICAN

Anderson Art Galleries

12 East 46th St., New York.
Sale Dec. 3rd, 1909, Japanese Prints and Stamps.

Bartels, J. M., Co.

813-814 Old South Bldg., Boston, Mass.
42nd sale, March 18th, 1909.

Bogert & Durbin Co.

722 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

261st sale, Jan. 9th, 1909.
262nd sale, Jan. 30th, 1909.
263rd sale, Feb. 27th, 1909.
264th sale, March 13th, 1909.
265th sale, April 10th, 1909.
266th sale, May 1st, 1909.
267th sale, June 5th, 1909.
268th sale, Sept. 25th, 1909.
269th sale, Oct. 16th, 1909.
270th sale, Nov. 6th, 1909.
271st sale, Dec. 4th, 1909.
272nd sale, Dec. 18th, 1909.

Boston Stamp Exchange

Room 2, 351 Washington St., Boston.

37th sale, Jan. 25th, 1909.
38th sale, March 15th, 1909.

Bowker, H. F.

7515 Jeffery Ave., Chicago.

3rd sale,
4th sale, March 25th, 1909.
5th sale,

Brown (F. P.) Co.

339 Washington St., Boston, Mass.

21st sale, March 9th, 1909.
22nd sale, May 11th, 1909.

(Note—21st and 22nd sales held at "Collectors' Club," 14 East 23rd St., N. Y.)
23rd sale, Tiffany Collection, Nov. 17th, 1909 (Collectors' Club, New York).

Chicago Philatelic Society

145 La Salle St., Chicago.
Sale April 15th, 1909, 6 pp folder.

Clark, H. M.

536 Postal Telegraph Bldg., Chicago, Ill.
1st sale, Oct. 16th, 1909.
2nd sale, Dec. 15th, 1909.

Co-operative Exchange

1464 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
14th sale, Jan. 16th, 1909.
15th sale, March 17th, 1909.

16th sale, May 22nd, 1909.

17th sale, July 17th, 1909.

18th sale, Sept. 4th, 1909.

19th sale, Nov. 20th, 1909.

Doane, Percy G.

154 Nassau St., New York.

23rd sale, Feb. 13th, 1909.

24th sale, April 24th, 1909.

25th sale, July 3rd, 1909.

26th sale, Oct. 2nd, 1909.

27th sale, Oct. 23rd, 1909.

28th sale, Nov. 20th, 1909.

Drew, B. L., & Co.

7 Water St., Boston.

197th sale, Jan. 14th, 1909.

198th sale, Jan. 29th, 1909.

199th sale, Feb. 17th and 18th, 1909.

200th sale, March 12th, 1909.

201st sale, March 31st, 1909.

202nd sale, April 22nd and 23rd, 1909.

203rd sale, April 30th.

204th sale, June 2nd, 1909.

205th sale, Sept. 24th, 1909.

206th sale, Oct. 22nd, 1909.

207th sale,

208th sale, Dec. 2nd, 1909.

209th sale, Dec. 15th, 1909.

Henkels, A. F. & S. V.

417 N. Bouvier St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Sale April 17th, 1909.

Komorous, B. O. & Co.

1901 Loomis St., Chicago, Ill.

1st sale,

2nd sale,

3rd sale, Dec. 19th, 1909.

Martin, Eben S. Co., Inc.

200 W. Washington St., Chicago, Ill.

Sale March 27th, 1909.

Sale Feb. 27th, 1909.

87 Nassau St., New York.

Morgenthau, J. C., & Co.

17th sale, W. E. Hawkins Collection, Part II, Jan. 12, 13, 15, 21, 22, 1909. pp 83-171.

18th sale, same, Part III, Feb. 9-10, 1909, pp 173-209.

19th sale, J. W. Ehrich Collection, March 16 and 17, 1909.

20th sale, April 13 and 14, 1909.

21st sale, May 6th and 7th, 1909.

22nd sale, May 20th, 1909.

23rd sale, W. C. Bellows Collection of Mexico, May 27th, 1909.

24th sale, Collection and J. M. Andreini Philatelic Library, Oct. 12th, 1909. (Literature: "Part II," pp 19-23, lots 401-476).

25th sale, D. Kay Collection, Nov. 4th and 5th, 1909.

26th sale,

27th sale, H. W. Wolseley Collection, Dec.

Nassau Stamp Co.

9, 10, 14 and 15, 1909.

231 Broadway, New York.

12th sale, March 2, 3, and 5, 1909.

13th sale,

14th sale, H. E. Wilson Collection, Part II.

June 29, 1909.

New England Stamp Co.

387 Washington St., Boston, Mass.
Sale Feb. 24th and 25th ("Collectors' Club,
New York.")

Philadelphia Stamp Co.

1204 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.
16th sale, Jan. 16th, 1909.
17th sale, H. Gerdan Collection.
18th sale, late C. A. Meyers' West Indian
Collection, May 14th and 15th, 1909.
19th sale, June 26th, 1909.
20th sale, F. E. P. Lynde Collection,
Nov. 19th and 20th, 1909.
21st sale, E. H. Burton Collection and oth-
ers, Dec. 10th, 1909.

Phillips, W. C. & Co.

Glastonbury, Conn.
2nd sale, Feb. 5th, 1909.

Schachne, S.

Chillicothe, Ohio.
Sale Jan. 9th, 1909.

Scott, J. W. Co., Ltd.

36 John St., New York.
Sale Feb. 19th, 1909, pp 227-240.
Sale April 19th, 1909, pp 241-260.
Sale June 24-25, 1909.
Sale Oct. 28th, 1909.

Scott Stamp & Coin Co.

18 East 23rd St. (now 127 Madison Ave.),
New York.
165th sale, Nov. 11th, 1909.

Toledo Stamp Co.

Toledo, Ohio.
25th sale,
26th sale, May 24th, 1909.
27th sale, June 14th, 1909.
28th sale, Oct. 25th, 1909.

Tuttle, G. R.

116 Nassau St., New York.
144th sale, Jan. 16th, 23rd, 1909.
144th sale, Jan. 16th, 23rd, 1909. Levick
Collection.
145th sale, J. N. T. Levick Collection, Feb.
20th, 1909.
146th sale, same, March 27th, 1909.
147th sale, same, April 17th, 1909.
148th sale, same, May 29th, 1909.
149th sale, same, June 26th, 1909.
150th sale, Oct. 9th, 1909.
151st sale, Oct. 30th, 1909.
152nd sale, Nov. 27th, 1909.
153rd sale, Dec. 11th, 1909.

United Stamp Co.

1149-1151 Marquette Bldg., Chicago.
124th sale, C. T. Rogers Collection, Jan.
21st, 1909.
125th sale, Feb. 13th, 1909.
126th sale, March 13th, 1909.
127th sale, March 26th, 1909.
128th sale, April 17th, 1909.
129th sale, May 15th, 1909.
130th sale, May 29th, 1909.
131st sale, June 12th, 1909.
132nd sale, June 29th, 1909.

133rd sale, July 20th, 1909.
134th sale, Aug. 17th, 1909.
135th sale, Sept. 9th, 1909.
136th sale, Sept. 21st, 1909.
137th sale, Oct. 9th, 1909.
138th sale, Oct. 23rd, 1909.
139th sale, Nov. 13th, 1909.
140th sale, Nov. 27th, 1909.
141st sale, Dec. 11th, 1909.
142nd sale, Dec. 21st, 1909.

Voorhees, B. L.

1319 Lawrence Ave., Chicago, Ill.
28th sale, Jan. 16th, 1909.
29th sale, Feb. 20th, 1909.
30th sale, March 20th, 1909.
31st sale, April , 1909.
32nd sale, May 8th, 1909.
33rd sale, 34th sale, 35th sale,
36th sale, Oct. 30th, 1909.
37th sale,

Western Stamp Co.

702 New York Life Bldg., Omaha, Neb.
27th sale, 28th sale, 29th sale, 30th sale,
31st sale, 32nd sale, 33rd sale,
34th sale, Oct. 20th, 1909.
35th sale, Nov. 25th, 1909.
36th sale,

Wolsieffer, P. M.

401 Fort Dearborn Bldg., Chicago.
93rd sale, Jan. 9th, 1909.
94th sale, Feb. 6th, 1909.
95th sale, March 6th, 1909.
96th sale, April 2nd, 3rd, 1909. (Lots 1020
to 1069 Philatelic Literature.)
97th sale, May 1st, 1909.
98th sale, 99th sale, 100th sale,
101st sale, Dec. 18th, 1909.

GREAT BRITAIN**Birmingham Philatelic Society**

Imperial Hotel, Temple St., Birmingham,
England.
19th sale, Dec. 2nd, 1909. (Lots Nos. 241-
250 Philatelic Literature.)

Burrow & Co.

41 Moorfields, Liverpool, England.
Sale April 2nd, 1909.

Glendining & Co., Lt'd.

7 Argyll St., Oxford Circus, London, W.,
England.
Sale Jan 12th, 13th, 1909.
Sale Jan. 26th, 27th, 1909.
Sale Feb. 9th, 10th, 1909.
Sale Feb. 23rd, 24th, 1909.
Sale March 9th, 10th, 1909.
Sale March 23rd, 24th, 1909.
Sale April 6th, 7th, 1909. (Lots 566-573;
Philatelic Literature.)
Sale April 20th, 21st, 1909.
Sale May 4th, 5th, 1909.
Sale May 18th, 19th, 1909. (Nankivell Col-
lection.)
Sale June 15th, 16th, 1909. (Nankivell Col-
lection, continued.)
Sale June 29th, 30th, 1909. (Nankivell Col-
lection, continued.) Lots 546-617 "Nan-
kivell Philatelic Library.

Sale July 13th, 14th, 1909. (W. Burrell Collection.) Lots 456-473 Philatelic Literature.

Sale Sept. 28th, 29th, 1909.

Sale Oct. 12th, 13th, 1909.

Sale Nov. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 1909. (Lots No. 1-210B. Philatelic Literature, comprising one of the finest lots of literature ever offered at auction.)

Sale Nov. 16th, 17th, 1909.

Sale Nov. 30th, Dec. 1st, 1909.

Sale Dec. 14th, 15th, 1909.

Guthrie, Frederick

19 Waterloo St., Glasgow, Scotland.

Sale Nov. 27th, 1909.

Hadlow, W.

12 Adam St., Adelphia, W., London, England.

323rd sale, Jan. 4th, 1909.

324th-5th sale, Jan. 18th, 19th, 1909.

326th sale, Feb. 1st, 1909.

327th-8th sale, Feb. 15th, 16th, 1909.

329th sale, March 1st, 1909.

330th sale, March 15th, 1909.

331st sale, March 29th, 1909.

332nd sale, April 19th, 1909.

333rd sale, April 20th, 1909.

334th sale, May 3rd, 1909.

335th sale, May 17th, 1909.

336th-7th sale, June 7th, 8th, 1909.

338th sale, June 21st, 1909.

339th sale, July 5th, 1909.

Harmer, Rooke & Co.

69 Fleet St., London, E. C., England.

270th-271st sale, Jan. 23rd, 25th, 1909.

272nd sale, Feb.

273rd sale, Feb. 8th, 1909.

274th sale, Feb. 13th, 1909.

275th-276th sale, Feb. 20th, 22nd, 1909.

277th sale, Feb. 28th, 1909.

278th-279th sale, March 6th, 8th, 1909.

— sale, March 22nd, 1909.

—th sale, March 27th, 1909.

—th-—th sales, April 3rd, 5th, 1909.

288th sale, May 4th, 1909.

289th sale,

290th sale, May 18th, 1909.

291st sale, 292nd sale,

293rd sale, June 3rd, 1909.

294th sale,

295th sale, June 14th, 1909.

296th sale, 297th sale, 298th sale, 299th sale,

300th sale, July 2nd, 1909.

301st-302nd sales, July 12th, 13th, 1909.

303rd-304th sales, July 19th, 20th, 1909.

305th sale, 306th sale, 307th sale, 308th sale,

309th sale, 310th sale.

311th-312th-313th sale, Oct. 4, 5, 6, 1909.

314th-315th sales, Oct. 16th, 18th, 1909.

316th sale, Oct. 21st, 1909.

317th sale, Oct. 26th,

318th sale, Oct. 30th, 1909.

319th sale, Nov. 1st, 1909.

320th sale, Nov. 6th, 1909.

321st sale, Nov. 9th, 1909.

321st-322nd sale, Nov. 15th, 16th, 1909.

— sale, Nov. 27th, 29th, 1909.

—th sale, Dec. 7th, 1909.

—nd-—rd sale, Dec. 31st, Jan. 3rd.

Mead, W. & Markwick

109 Church Road, Hove, England.

13th sale, Jan. 25th, 1909.

14th sale, Feb. 22nd, 1909.

15th sale, May 17th, 1909.

Ostara, D.

24 Corporation St., Manchester, England.

39th sale, Feb. 24th, 1909. 16 pp.

40th sale, April 28th, 1909. 16 pp.

Plumridge & Co.

63-64 Chancery Lane, London, W. C., England.

296th sale, Jan. 14th, 1909.

297th sale, Jan. 28th, 29th, 1909.

298th (299th) sale, Feb. 11th, 12th, 1909.

300th sale, Feb. 25th, 26th, 1909.

301st sale, March 11th, 12th, 1909.

302nd sale, March 25th, 26th, 1909.

303rd sale, April 22nd, 23rd, 1909.

304th sale, May 6th, 7th, 1909.

305th sale, May 20th, 21st, 1909.

306th sale, June 10th, 11th, 1909.

307th sale, June 24th, 25th, 1909.

308th sale, July 8th, 9th, 1909.

309th sale, Sept. 27th, 1909.

310th sale, Sept. 30th, Oct. 1st, 1909.

311th sale, Oct. 12th, 13th, 1909.

312th sale, Oct. 26th, 27th, 1909.

313th sale, Nov. 9th, 10th, 1909.

314th sale, Nov. 23rd, 24th, 1909.

315th sale, Dec. 7th, 8th, 1909.

Puttick & Simpson

47 Leicester Square, London, England.

Sale Jan. 5th, 6th, 1909.

Sale Jan. 19th, 20th, 1909.

Sale Feb. 2nd, 3rd, 1909.

Sale Feb. 16th, 17th, 1909.

Sale March 2nd, 3rd, 1909.

Sale March 16th, 17th, 1909.

Sale March 30th, 31st, 1909.

Sale April 27th, 28th, 1909.

Sale May 11th, 12th, 1909.

Sale May 25th, 26th, 1909.

Sale June 8th, 9th, 1909.

Sale Sept. 28th, 29th, 1909.

Sale Oct. 12th, 13th, 1909.

Sale Oct. 26th, 27th, 1909.

Sale Nov. 9th, 10th, 1909.

Sale Nov. 23rd, 24th, 1909.

Sale Dec. 7th, 8th, 1909.

Ventom, Bull & Cooper

35 Old Jewry, London, E. C., England.

296th sale, Jan. 7th, 8th, 1909. 1 plate.

297th sale, Jan. 21st, 22nd, 1909.

298th sale, Feb. 4th, 5th, 1909.

299th sale, Feb. 18th, 19th, 1909. Part I, R. Reid Collection. 1 plate.

300th sale, March 4th, 5th, 1909. Part II, R. Reid Collection. 1 plate.

301st sale, March 18th, 19th, 1909. Part III, R. Reid Collection. 1 plate.

302nd sale, April 1st, 2nd, 1909. Part IV, R. Reid Collection. 2 plates.

303rd sale, April 15th, 16th, 1909.

- 304th sale, April 29th, 30th, 1909 Part V,
R. Reid Collection.
305th sale, May 13th, 14th, 1909.
306th sale, May 27th, 28th, 1909.
307th sale, June 17th, 18th, 1909.
308th sale, Sept. 23rd, 24th, 1909.
309th sale, Oct. 7th, 8th, 1909.
310th sale, Oct. 20th, 21st, 1909.
311th sale, Nov. 4th, 5th, 1909.
312th sale, Nov. 18th, 19th, 1909.
313th sale, Dec. 2nd, 3rd, 1909.
314th sale, Dec. 16th, 17th, 1909.

Price Lists of Some Worth

AMERICAN

Rothfuchs, C. F.

- 379a Warren St. (Roxbury), Boston,
Mass.
Retail Price List of Postage Stamps. Part
I, United States.

Bogert & Durbin Co.

- 722 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. (Now
"The United States Stamp Co.")
1909 Price List of the Stamps of Great
Britain and Colonies. 56 pp, $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ in.;
price 10 cents.
Price List of France and French Colonies.
16 pp, $8\frac{7}{8} \times 6$ in.

Bullard, A., & Co.

- 446 Tremont St., Boston.
Our Latest List of Special Offers in Post-
age Stamps for Advanced Collectors and
Beginners, Premiums and Publications,
also a Philatelic Dictionary. 8 pp, $14\frac{1}{4} \times$
 $10\frac{1}{2}$ in., printed on yellow paper. 1909.

Colman, H. F.

- 723 Eleventh St., Washington, D. C.
1909 Price List of the Stamps of the United
States and Its Colonies. Cardboard and
India Paper Proofs; Envelopes; Pack-
ets and Philatelic Supplies. 47 pp, $5\frac{1}{4} \times$
 $3\frac{1}{2}$ in., gray paper cover, title in black;
free.

Economist Stamp Co.

- 79 Nassau St., New York City.
Price List, 1909. 37 pp, $6 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ in., blue pa-
per cover, title in black with one ill.

Excelsior Stamp Co.

- Hoosick Falls, New York.
Special Bargain List of New Stock in Sets
to which are added a few especially at-
tractive offerings in single stamps. Sup-
plement to our 36-page Price List (1908).
1909. 11 pp (inc. cover), $6\frac{1}{8} \times 4\frac{5}{8}$ in.,
white paper cover.

Gibbons, Stanley, Inc.

- 198 Broadway, New York.
Catalogue of Publications for Stamp Col-
lectors, also a List of Packets and Vari-
ous Philatelic Accessories. 64 pp (inc.
cover), $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{8}$ in., bluish paper cover.
March, 1909.

Gregory, W. F.

- 116 Nassau St., New York.
January, 1909, Liquidation, Retiring from
Stamp Business. 4 pp, $10 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ in.

New England Stamp Co.

- 12 Bromfield St., Boston, Mass.
Price List of Packets, Sets, Albums and
Philatelic Supplies, 1909. 32 pp, $8\frac{7}{8} \times 5\frac{7}{8}$
in.

Perrin & Co.

- 106 East 23rd St., New York.
Price List of Over 7500 Varieties of Me-
dium Priced Stamps of the United States
and Foreign Countries, for sale by Per-
rin & Co. 66 pp, $6 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ in., brown paper
cover, title in black.

Phillips, W. C. & Co.

- Price List, 1909. 48 pp, $6\frac{7}{8} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ in., gray
paper cover, title in red.
Approval Prospectus, 1909. 8 pp, $5\frac{3}{8} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$
in., printed in red and black on white
paper.
Approval Application Blank. 1 pp, $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$
in., bluish paper.

Powell H. S. & Co.

- Storm Lake, Iowa.
Price List Postage Stamps. No. 6, 1909-10.
8 pp, $6 \times 4\frac{3}{8}$ in. Supplement, 2 pp, 9×3 in.

Schuster, E. J., Co.

- 211 N. Garrison St., St. Louis, Mo.
Retail Price List, Season of 1909. 112 pp,
 $6 \times 4\frac{1}{8}$ in., buff paper cover, title in black,
4 illustrations.
Wholesale Price List of Stamps, Season
1909, 24 pp (inc. cover), $6 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$ in., white
paper cover, title in black. Supplement
"Wholesale Price List of Cuban Stamps,"
8 pp, $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$ in.

Toledo Stamp Co.

- St. Clair Bldg., Toledo, O.
Net Price List of United States Stamps.
8 pp, $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{5}{8}$ in.
Philatelic Literature. Popular Handbooks
on Stamp Collecting Revenues, Cata-
logues, Etc. For sale by. 4 pp, $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ in.

GREAT BRITAIN

Abel, Henry, & Co.

- Whitstable, England.
Wholesale Bargain List of Foreign and
Colonial Postage Stamps, Stamp Albums,
and Philatelic Accessories. Oct., 1909.
16 pp, $7\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$ in.

Appleton, T. C.

- Ben-Rhydding, England.
Price List of Envelopes, Wrappers, Posi-
cards and Embossed Telegraph Forms of
the United Kingdom. 4 pp, $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{5}{8}$ in.;
price 7c.
Price List of Railway Letter Fee Stamps
of the United Kingdom. 4 pp, $8\frac{7}{8} \times 5\frac{5}{8}$
in.; price 7c.

Bridger & Kay

- 71 Fleet St., London, E. C., England.
Price List of British Colonial Postage

- Stamps, including Sets, Packets, Albums, Etc. 64 pp, 7¼x4⅞ in., plum colored paper cover, title in black. 1908-9.
- Wholesale Price List of Postage Stamps. 1908-9. 10 pp, 7¼x5 in., white paper cover.
- Bright & Son's**
164 Strand, London, W. C., England.
List of Novelties for 1909-10. 39 pp, printed on green paper.
- Field, D.**
4 and 5 The Royal Arcade, Old Bond St., and Albemarle St., London, W.
Price List of Sets, Packets, etc., of British, Colonial and Foreign Postage Stamps, Albums, and other Philatelic Requisites for 1908 Season. pp, 6½x4⅞ in.
- Gibbons, Stanley, Limited**
391 Strand, London, W. C.
Wholesale Price List of Used and Unused Stamps and Philatelic Publications, for Dealers Only. January, 1909. 20 pp, 11x8½ in.
- King, Whitfield, & Co.**
Ipswich, England.
Wholesale Price List of Postage Stamps for the Trade Only.
No. 211, Jan. 1st, 1909, 24 pp, 11x7¾ in.
No. 212, April 1st, 1909, 24 pp, 11x7¾ in.
No. 213, Oct. 1st, 1909, 24 pp, 11x7¾ in.
Lacey St., Ipswich, England.
Annual Price List of Postage Stamps in Packets and Sets, 40th Edition, 66 pp, 6¾x4¼ in., purplish paper cover, title in black and green.
Descriptive Price List of Postage Stamp Albums, Philatelic Publications, and other Requisites for Stamp Collectors. 1909. pp.
- Jones, B. Gordon**
76 Loraine Mansions, Holloway, London, N., England.
Special Price List of Indian and "Convention" States Stamps. 4 pp, 8¾x5½ in. June, 1909.
- Margoschis Brothers**
Constitution Hill, Birmingham, England.
Wholesale Price List of a few special lines in Foreign and Colonial Postage Stamps. Special Summer Edition, 1909. 8 pp, 7½x5 in.
- Myerscough, Arthur & Co.**
158 Fleet St., London, E. C., England.
Wholesale Price List. Issued every alternate month.
January, 1909, 4 pp, 10½x8⅞ in., yel. paper.
April, 1909, 4 pp, same.
June, same.
August, same.
October, same.
December, same.
- Nissen, Chas. H., & Co.**
7 Southampton Row, London, W. C. (Now 52 Chancery Lane, W. C.)
Wholesale Price List of Foreign Postal and Fiscal Stamps, Sets of Stamps, etc., Season 1908-9, 32 pp, 7½x4⅞ in., pink paper cover.
- Peckitt, W. H.**
47 Strand, London, W. C., England.
Price List of Foreign and Colonial Postage Stamps, Albums, Sets, Packets, etc. XVIII Edition, 1909. pp, 8¾x5½ in.
- Simpson, W.**
46 Copthall Ave., London, E. C., England.
Wholesale Price List, 7⅞x4¾ in. Oct., Nov., Dec., 1909, 16 pp, salmon paper cover.
- Wilson, W. T.**
292 Birchfield Road (now 18 Livingston Road, Handsworth), Birmingham.
Price List of The Postage Stamps of Europe in cheap sets, 1909. 20 pp, 7⅞x4½ in., green paper cover, title in black.

Other Publications

AMERICAN

Bijou Coin and Stamp Premium Guide.

Contains reliable schedules of cash prices that will be paid. Publisher's name not given. 16 pp (inc. cover), 6⅞x4¾ in., printed on greenish paper; price 10 cents.

Educational Card Series

48 cards.

Each card contains center picture of mail delivery, in each corner a fac-simile, in colors, approximately correct, of one of the stamps of the country; each card is a different country. Complete set 10c. Published by

The Postage Stamps of the United States

A History of Domestic Letter Postage. Published by Charles M. Abbott, Watertown, Mass. Card 16x9 in., printed in India on sepia paper, both sides. Contains in condensed form the most important facts about the postal service; 18 original stamps representing all the designs used from 1851 to 1909, with the story of each and an illustration of Franklin portrait by J. B. Loring is used to design the 5c. 1847 stamp, on one side of card; opposite side has a space for issues to come and some facts about stamp collecting; price \$1.00.

United States

Special Issue of Postage Stamps. Hudson-Fulton Issue, Sept. 20th, 1909. Circular to Postmasters, dated Washington, D. C., Aug. 19th, 1909. Published by United States Government, 1 pp, 7⅞x5¼ in.

GREAT BRITAIN

Butler Brothers, Clevedon, England

Guide to Stamp Collecting. (Copyright.) Being the 1909 edition of their Annual

Price List. 72 pp. (inc. cover), $5\frac{1}{4} \times 4$ in., green paper cover, with three illustrations; title in black.

Circular Letter

Typewritten, dated Oct. 4th, 1909. Announcing the Ninth Edition (1910 of the "Universal Standard Catalogue."

Whitfield King & Co., Ipsich, Eng. 1pp. $10\frac{1}{8} \times 8$ in., heading printed in green and black.

Plumridge & Co.

63 and 64 Chancery Lane, London, W. C., England.

Letter concerning their auctions. Dated 1909-10, 4 pp, $10\frac{1}{4} \times 8$ in., mailed with No. 385, Vol. XV, "Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly," Dec. 11th, 1909.

Society Reports, etc

AMERICAN

Southern Philatelic Association

Prospectus, 1909: The Southern Philatelic Association, Its Benefits and Its Mission. Published under the auspices of the Recruiting Committee, 1909. 8 pp, $3\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{8}$ in., gray paper cover, title in red and black.

Annual Year Book: The Southern Philatelic Association. Published annually under the auspices of the Southern Philatelic Association. Compiled by R. L. Doak, Secretary, New Bedford, Ohio. Free to all members of this Association, to non-members 10c per copy. Vol. I, No. 7, 30 pp, $6\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ in., dark gray paper cover, title in blue and brown. 1909.

GREAT BRITAIN

Birmingham Philatelic Society

308 Birchfield Road, Birmingham, England. 17th Annual Report for year ending September 30th, 1909. 24 pp, 8×5 in., gray paper cover, title in black.

Supplement. Application Form, 1 pp, $7\frac{7}{8} \times 4\frac{7}{8}$ in.

Junior Philatelic Society

44 Fleet St., London, E. C., England. The Story of the J. P. S. A Record of Ten Years of Progress. By Ralph Wedmore. 4 pp, $11\frac{1}{4} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ in., 4 illustrations in text, printed in red and black.

(Reprinted from "The Stamp Lover," II, No. 5, Oct., 1909, page 89.)

Prospectus, 1909-10. 32 pp, $5 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ in., blue paper cover, title in black.

Propaganda Committee (1). Notice from the President, Mr. Fred J. Melville. 1 pp, $10\frac{3}{8} \times 8\frac{1}{8}$ in. Oct., 1909.

(Notice) Annual General Meeting to be held in Prince Henry's Council Chamber, 17 Fleet St., London, E. C., on Saturday, 11th September, at 7 p. m. 2 pp, $10\frac{3}{8} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Letter about the Society, with application blank attached, by Ralph Wedmore. Christmas, 1909, dated Dec., 1909. 4 pp

(3 printed on), printed in red and black, $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Leeds Philatelic Society

Library Catalogue of the Leeds Philatelic Society. Jan., 1909, Addenda, 1 pp.

(Catalogue compiled by W. Ewart Owen, Assistant Librarian, Leeds Institute, Jan., 1908. 12 pp, $10\frac{3}{8} \times 8$ in., typewritten sheets.)

Exhibition Catalogues, etc

GREAT BRITAIN

Golden West Stamp Exhibition

To be held at Earl's Court, May to September, 1909, by the Junior Philatelic Society.

Prospectus, 4 pp, $11 \times 8\frac{3}{4}$ in., front page has title in red, white and blue on the American flag as a back-ground.

Supplement, 1 pp, $8\frac{1}{8} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$ in., Exhibitor's form.

Manchester Postage Stamp Exhibition and Philatelic Congress

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the 18th, 19th and 20th February, 1909. Held under the auspices of the Manchester Junior Philatelic Society.

Prospectus, 8 pp, $10\frac{1}{4} \times 8\frac{1}{8}$ in., printed in red and black on art paper, ills. "Hulme Town Hall," "Street Plan of Manchester," "Plan of the Exhibition." Supplement, Subscription Blank, 1 pp, $8\frac{1}{8} \times 10\frac{3}{8}$ in., printed on thin tough paper.

Official Catalogue and Programme, 96 pp, $7\frac{1}{8} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$ in., gray mottled paper cover, title in purple; price 6 cents.

Directories

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Nunn's Directory

The Stamp Dealers of Great Britain. Compiled and published by Chas. J. Endle & Co., Boscombe, Bournemouth, England. Twenty-first Edition, 1909-10. Pub. Nov., 1909. 4 pp, $7\frac{1}{4} \times 5$ in., green paper cover, title in black; price 12c.

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	12c	.75
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	3c	.01
	10c	.10
	12c	.35
1862	2c	.05
1869	3c	.02
1870	1c, 2c, 3c	.12
	6c	.08
	10c	.10
	12c	.35
	15c	.50
	24c	1.00
1873	1c, 2c, 3c	.05
	6c	.05
	10c	.03
	12c	.35
	15c	.50
1875	2c & 5c	.07
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	5c & 6c	.06
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"	233a*	1.20
"	250*	.20
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"	211*	.05
"	212*	.10
"	213*	.12
"	214*	.15
"	215*	.03
"	216*	.05

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Scott's No.	223*	.06
"	224*	.10

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SOME THOUGHTS ON SPECIALISM

BY JULIAN PARK F R P S

Of course the present age is one of highly developed specialization, in philately as well as out. Everyone who wishes to make his mark must specialize, until nowadays general knowledge has become merely another term for "general ignorance." Naturally the specialist is entitled to all the privileges he can get, for to get them he has to forego a great deal that it were a pity he cannot make a part of his mental range. His distinction lies in the fact that he has a knowledge which is his alone, or that of very few others. He has worked, he has built, he has succeeded where others had failed. He was not only at the track when the train of opportunity was passing, but he was at the station when it stopped. In the world of our day—and even more so will it be in the next generation—the specialist has concentrated the energy of his life upon a single task. But what now presents itself, and what I am now concerned deeply with, is this: Concentration is essential to specialization, and this implies neglect of other things. The specialist is too apt to be rather a hermit, realizing only his own work. Your eremite scientist who bends over his laboratory table all day does not know that there is a world of nature, of society, of friends.

Certainly it is hardly just that society should repay his neglect of society by a reciprocal aloofness—hardly just, but not, of course, unnatural. Society fails to realize the altruism and the unselfishness which the specialist so largely shows. It thinks, as it stares at him curiously and scoffs at him for his eccentricity, that he is working for his own fame and not for the good of mankind. And so the relations between those who specialize and those who are content to be merely average are far from cordial—relations which are simply due to lack of sympathy.

In spite of these unfavorable conditions,

our age continues to be filled with great specialization. The question in my mind is, whether the benefits derived are worth their cost in the cheapening of our mental and moral elements. At the bottom of character stand the homely virtues, nowadays—alas!—considered almost too ordinary for us to concern ourselves with, (though by no means too ordinary for our ex-President to shout himself hoarse over). There are specialists who are broad-minded, sympathetic with other outlooks, charitable to those of less knowledge and humble to those of more; and we know that such a man has not forgotten, despite his success, the old-fashioned virtues. But it happens more often, I fear, the other way. The specialist is too apt to be wrapped up in himself, egotistic, intolerant. When I was at college if a Latin instructor were anxious for promotion he published an erudite work on Virgil's use of "et" as contrasted with Horace's custom with "que." He might attain his particular object, to be sure, but what does it profit a man to gain promotion if thereby he must lose that personal touch which makes the all-around teacher? And I thought then that I had rather be under an obscure instructor who is free from pedantry and who knows how to deal with and understand men, who is himself a man among men, then under a widely-learned "fossilized" professor, who thinks that all required of him in the class-room is to drone away over his desk while his students slumber.

Of course I do not mean that individual initiative should be discouraged; but we should remember that, as society grows more complex, we continually find that things which once it was best to leave to individual initiative can, under changed conditions, be performed with better results by common effort. (That is a para-

phrase of one of Mr. Roosevelt's tiresome platitudes, by the way, and I cheerfully give him what credit I conscientiously may.) But can we, without destroying the benefits of specialization, do away with the evils of over-specialization?

All this is rather a long introduction for a paper which has been requested for a philatelic publication, and how it glitters with generalities! But may we not read between the lines, and apply what is true therein, in a modified sense, to the world of stamps? We are, all of us, general collectors as well as specialists, liable to regard stamps as if they were issued principally, if not solely, for us to collect; and if only a stamp can be shown to have represented postage paid on a letter, that fact is held to justify not only its inclusion in a catalogue, but its existence and manufacture, however unnecessary the latter may be. How many letters have we seen in the philatelic press, drawing to our attention certain questionable varieties, pleading that these varieties "represent an interesting phase of philately." I plead guilty to this practice myself, having always felt an absorbing interest in the bona fide stamps of the Philippine Republic and in also the Carlist stamps. But the point is, that we are philatelists; we do not want to collect "phases of philately," however interesting they may be. If you must specialize, form your general collection first, then delve into your "fascinating" side-line. Few persons have the leisure time, fewer still have the spare cash necessary, for making a really fine general collection—though a general collection, small or large, can give, naturally, more constant pleasure to the **average** man and to his collecting friends, than any complete Chilean or Canadian collection. It is natural that every philatelist is the better for having been at one time a general collector, and for having studied, however superficially, the stamps of all countries before deciding on a favorite subject.

Is there anyone or anything to blame for what I term over-specialization? Largely it is the fault of the catalogues of the present day, just as the big lay publishers are to blame largely for the present decadence in our reading tastes; for do not the catalogues encourage this hyper-microscopical philately by including varieties of all kinds and giving all of them equal prominence? Still, the fault goes further than the catalogue-compilers. Collectors demand a catalogue of this kind, and if it does not contain every variety they possess or want to possess, they are not satisfied—it is incomplete; and then they use the catalogue not as a more or less incomplete list of the varieties that exist, but as a list of the varieties that they are bound, if humanly possible, to obtain. Too many of us want to be specialists without the trouble of specializing; we must have others do for us work that we

should find pleasure in doing for ourselves; we like an album with spaces for every known variety, so that we have nothing to do but the manual labor of sticking the stamps down in the boxes where they ought to go; we must have a catalogue from which we have only to order number so-and-so.

What can I suggest as a remedy? I plead simply for individual independence. Few general rules can be laid down; collectors must work out their own salvation according to their own preferences, and one man's tastes are as good as the next. A writer in "Gibbons' Monthly Journal" suggested what he calls the three essential points: Remembering that stamps are, as a rule, issued for government purposes, and not merely for sale, let us first regard them from the point of view of the general public and the post-office clerk, thus considering primarily their general design and color; secondly, precautions for the prevention of fraud (i. e., special papers and watermarks); thirdly, methods of separation for the convenience of users and sellers. Each of these three heads may bristle with sub-heads; every case will require separate consideration and study, which, rightly directed, is one of the great charms of our hobby. If we want all the student work done for us, why call philately a science?

Then there are larger considerations: Stamps in connection with history—what significance there is attached to a great part of the provisional surcharges, V. R. I., C. E. F., and all the other initials that should mean so much; stamps in connection with literature and art—the art of the French nation is revealed in miniature on bits of paper that carry their mission of sweetness and light to the uttermost parts of the earth. Volumes can be written on all the associations which stamps should bear to every one with an imagination not absolutely prosaic; the possibilities are endless of enjoyment not at first realized.

It all comes back to the fundamental proposition: get the most out of your stamps that you can. But in philately as in life, what you put into it you will get out of it!

NEW U S WATERMARK

The announcement of a change of watermark in U. S. stamps is in line with the comment in a recent issue of The Philadelphia Stamp News. It was pointed out that the Department at Washington had determined that the size of the lines in the watermark were so thick and varied in such manner that the shrinkage of the paper was effected, thus causing the trouble in perforating evenly. It is hoped that this new style of thin single line watermark will help to overcome this difficulty.

LOUISIANA EXPOSITION PART PERFORATE

THE STORY OF THEIR DISCOVERY

A PAPER READ BEFORE THE GARFIELD-PERRY STAMP CLUB

BY A W WEIGEL

While a great amount of history and interest attaches to various issues of United States stamps I shall confine myself to only one issue which is of more or less interest and note to Garfield-Perry stamp collectors, inasmuch as the only error originating in the issue, and which was destined to become a rarity, is in the collection of one of our members, Mr. George H. Worthington. I refer to the issue of 1904. The Louisiana Purchase issue, more commonly known and spoken of as the St. Louis set. These commemorative stamps were issued during the international exposition held at St. Louis in 1904 commemorating the one hundredth anniversary of the acquisition from France by the United States of a tract of land known as the Louisiana territory lying between the Mississippi river and the Rocky mountains and extending from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico. This issue of stamps consisted of five denominations, 1, 2, 3, 5, and 10c. The one cent shows the picture of Robert R. Livingston, who was then United States Minister to France, and who conducted the negotiations resulting in the purchase of the land. The two cent value depicts Thomas Jefferson, then President. The three cent is that of James Monroe, Ambassador to France, and who acted in conjunction with Minister Livingston in negotiating the purchase. The five cent value is of ex-President Wm. McKinley, who when President at the time of the exposition, approved the acts of Congress, officially connecting the United States government with the exposition. The ten cent is a United States map showing the territory acquired by the purchase. While the issue itself was both historical and interesting and no unusual value attaches to any stamp proper of the set, yet it has become more or less widely known and famous. From the total amount of stamps printed of this issue, which was 287,992,100, just one sheet of this vast amount, that of the two cent denomination escaped being perforated horizontally, and was placed on sale unnoticed by the government in this condition, thus creating among philatelists, probably one of the rarest of U. S. part perforated stamps.

Nothing unusual attaches to the finding of this sheet of part perforates. These stamps were issued in sheets of 100 and furnished to post-offices in this way. On account of the size of a whole sheet they were usually separated in halves for convenience in handling by the clerks. This sheet of part perforated stamps had with

others been likewise separated into two blocks of 50, before their presence in this condition was known. One of these blocks of 50 had been cut into single stamps by the clerk and thus sold piece meal as any ordinary stamp.

Happening on the spot as the other block of 50 were about to be cut up I purchased them at face value, \$1.00. While I made a quiet and unassuming search for several weeks of the stocks of stamps on hand, no more part perforated ones could be found. Of the sheet of 50 cut up and sold to the public none were ever found. Although I immediately made an effort to trace them not a single specimen could be located. After holding the sheet of 50 for some time, and refusing a number of tempting offers, they were finally disposed of to the present owner, with a vague idea that perhaps more would possibly come my way and thus prove having made a good investment. Of this sheet of part perforated stamps special mention is made in Scott's Stamp Catalogue, which says: "But one sheet of No. 316 A is known." Speaking thus as they do of this sheet while only a casual mention is made of other imperforates, is undoubtedly further evidence of an unusual value attaching to them. While it is spoken of as being the only part perforated sheet of St. Louis stamps found—thus possibly creating an impression among some that part perforated stamps were rather common—it is not only the only sheet of that issue, but the only part perforates found among United States stamps in at least 15 years, with possibly one exception, that of the 8c. Omaha issue, said to have been found part perforated in a single stamp. That these or other errors should escape discovery seem almost impossible as in their process of manufacture they pass through nearly 50 different hands, each individual being cautioned to watch for all errors. When you consider the fact that the United States now issues annually nearly eight billion stamps and that during at least 15 years has only one or two sheets reached the public in an unfinished condition, the fact is very remarkable, and that this sheet in question is preserved intact in mint condition, original gum, margins and plate number is undoubtedly without a parallel in this line. Of their real value it is difficult to say, as none, of course, are on the market and never will be, but from what may be judged it is safe to say at least \$1,500 would be near the right figures.

THE AUCTION MARKET

Dealers are requested to send catalogues or announcements before sales and priced catalogs or list of prices after the sale, together with any other information to the editor of this department at 1081 Newton St., Columbus, Ohio

WM. H. FIELD, EDITOR

AUCTION NOTES

George R. Tuttle had to turn 'em away at the sale held in his offices Nov. 19th. It was one of the largest attended sales of this season. Prices were good although nothing of great rarity was offered. It looks as though George had beter hunt new and larger quarters.

There are many good collections and fine and desirable lots of stamps already booked for sale by New York dealers, after the first of the year. It looks as though this season will make some records.

The Nassau Stamp Co., 179 Broadway, New York, will soon sell the collection of Mr. John R. Stanton, of New York.

The Frank P. Brown Co. of Boston, Mass., have introduced a new feature into the auction business, which will be welcomed by every one of their patrons and it is hoped other dealers will follow their example. The bid sheet of this company is arranged in such manner that a column is allowed in which to mark the selling price of the lots one bids on and does not get. This is an excellent idea and will be the means of learning collectors what to bid on similar stamps in future sales.

AUCTION PRICES

We were unable to get any prices direct from the various auction houses this month, and have therefore taken the following prices from the Philatelic Gazette. The prices given are catalogue price in first column and selling price in second column.

J. C. Morgenthau & Co.,—Sale Oct. 20-21

1861 U. S. 90c. premier gravure, mperf.	—	\$127.00
1862 U. S. 6c. Revenue, proprietary	\$50.00	46.00
1871 U. S. 50c. black and violet, proprietary	20.00	16.00
1871 U. S. \$1.00 black and green, proprietary	100.00	70.00
1840 Great Britain 1p. V. R.	75.00	46.00
1859 Hanover, 10g. green, used	15.00	15.00
1848 Mauritius, 2p. blue.	90.00	65.00
1852 Nova Scotia, 1s. used.	100.00	65.00

1854 W. Australia, 6p. orange, used	17.50	14.00
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Frank P. Brown Co.,—Sale Oct. 25

1851 U. S. 30c. imp., good margins	\$200.00	\$133.00
1851 U. S. 5c. hor. pair, used.	20.00	15.75
U. S. \$2.00 State, unused.	22.50	14.16

Nassau Stamp Co.,—Sale Oct. 27-29

1887 Br. Guiana \$2.00 mint.	\$15.00	\$12.00
1887 Br. Buiana \$5.00 mint.	8.50	8.50
1882 British Honduras 50c. on 1s. mint	17.50	13.75
1857 Canada 7½p., unused.	70.00	67.00
1861 Ceylon 5p., used.	9.00	10.00
1883 Ceylon 24c. purple br.	—	65.00
1889 Gibraltar, 10c. carmine, error	—	90.00
(Sold for \$87.50, London, Apr. 12.)		
1889 Gold Coast 20s., unused.	60.00	51.00
1840 Great Britain 1p., V. R.	75.00	50.00
1885 Lagos, 10s., unused.	75.00	75.00
1848 Mauritius, 1p., used.	125.00	150.00
1848 Mauritius, 2p., used.	90.00	106.00
1848 Mauritius, 2 "penoc"	50.00	56.00
1851 N. S. W. 1p. red.	10.00	11.25

Philadelphia Stamp Co.,—Sale Nov. 4-5

1845 New York, 5c. on bluish unsigned, double lined, unused	—	\$61.00
1869 24c. inverted center, used.	\$225.00	151.00
1875 3c. brown red, o. g.	20.00	20.00
1875 12c. black, o. g.	20.00	22.50
1883 2c. pale red br.	20.00	15.00
1893 4c. Columbian, error, creased	—	27.50
Agriculture 1c., soft p., soiled	20.00	14.00
Interior 24c., vermil., soiled.	30.00	19.00
1890 2c. cap at right, used.	—	8.00
1902 Sp. Del'y, pale ult.	8.00	7.50
1901 2c. Pan-American, inverted	185.00	165.00
1901 4c. Pan-American, inverted, "specimen" removed	—	51.00
1851 Franklin carrier, used.	50.00	61.00
1874 90c., cream env. entire.	15.00	27.00
\$1.30 Foreign Exchange, Rev., imperf.	50.00	51.00
\$1.90 Foreign Exchange, Rev., imperf.	65.00	62.00
\$3.50 Inland Exchange, Rev., imperf.	50.00	53.00
\$20.00 Probate of Will.	50.00	51.00
\$200.00 U. S. I. R., pair.	70.00	70.00

REVENUE NOTES

BY WM C STONE

Tax paid collectors will find considerable news in the last report of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. It had been hoped by philatelists that with the long interval between the passage of the Payne tariff bill and the going into effect of the new internal revenue taxes that surcharges would be unnecessary. But from the report, which closes July 1, 1910, we learn that 20,000 four ounce, 30,000 eight-ounce, and 15,000 sixteen ounce tobacco strips were overprinted, "Act of August 5, 1909," as well as the following cigaret stamps:

Series of 1901, tax \$1.08, imprinted "Tax \$1.25 Act of August 5, 1909."

10 cigarets, 200,000.
20 cigarets, 1,840,000.
100 cigarets, 40,000.

Series of 1902, tax \$3.00, imprinted "Tax \$3.60 Act of August 5, 1909."

10 cigarets, 10,500.

Of the "Series of 1910" stamps the following denominations had been printed up to the date of the report when the law went into effect:

Snuff, small, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, 1, $1\frac{1}{4}$, $1\frac{1}{2}$, $1\frac{3}{4}$, 2, $2\frac{1}{4}$, $2\frac{1}{2}$, $2\frac{3}{4}$, 3 ounces; strips, $\frac{3}{4}$, $1\frac{1}{2}$, $3\frac{3}{4}$, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 ounces; squares, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 20 pounds.

Tobacco, strips, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, 1, $1\frac{1}{4}$, $1\frac{1}{2}$, $1\frac{3}{4}$, 2, $2\frac{1}{4}$, $2\frac{1}{2}$, $2\frac{3}{4}$, 3, $3\frac{1}{4}$, $3\frac{1}{2}$, $3\frac{3}{4}$, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 ounces; squares $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60.

Cigars, 50. (The 25 and 100 have been seen but were probably printed since July 1st.)

Cigars, tax \$3.00 5, 10.

Small cigars, tax 75c. 5, 8, 10, 15, 20, 50, 100.

Cigarets, tax \$1.25. 5, 8, 10, 15, 20, 50, 100.

Cigarets, tax \$3.60. 5, 8, 10, 15, 20, 50, 100.

Of the "Series of 1909" tobacco stamps there were printed the 5, 10, 20 and 30 pounds only. Of the Beer stamps of that series all values were printed except the $\frac{1}{3}$ barrel, which may appear later.

New issues of spirit stamps were also printed but as few are interested in these I will not give details. The report can be had for the asking.

Lock seals to the number of 573,048, and 3,000 hydrometer labels were also supplied.

Another interesting bit of information is that 38 engraved dies were supplied J. J. Crook & Co. and 48 the Conley Foil Co. for use in printing tin foil wrappers.

CHANGING THE NORWEGIAN
MONETARY UNIT

From Consul P EMERSON TAYLOR Stavanger

The following news from the Daily Consular and Trade Reports will be of interest to philatelists. It may mean a new issue for Norway. The clipping was supplied by Mr. Paul Mason.

"A number of articles have recently been published in both the Christiania and Stavanger newspapers concerning a proposal to change the monetary unit in Norway from the krone (26.8 cents) to the franc (19.3 cents).

Some persons favor limiting the change to the postal service and others to the postal and telegraph services, merely basing postal and telegraph rates on the basis of the value of the centime instead of the ore, as at present. Under the present system 20 ore, one-fifth of a krone, is the foreign letter postal rate, and this is equivalent to 5.36 cents. The international rate being 25 centimes, one-fourth of a franc (4.825 cents), the Norwegian postal establishment makes on each letter sent out of Norway slightly more than a half cent. As the people under the present system have to pay this extra postage on each letter mailed to a foreign country, the desire for some modification of the foreign postage rate is quite general. This has started the plan for the proposed change in the monetary unit of the country.

As the postal establishment is regarded as the chief beneficiary of the present, a Christiania paper has interviewed a leading official of that service as to the proposed change, and in response to the inquiry as to how the postal authorities would regard the change he is quoted as saying:

"Finland has already changed to the franc. They have given the monetary unit a new name, but that makes no material difference. There is no question but that the change will take place sooner or later. All tendency is now toward international unity, especially in regard to monetary units and values. As to coins, I have never believed there was much difference of opinion as to the franc's superior advantages as a monetary unit.

The system of using the franc as the unit would be of great importance to the postal establishment, but perhaps of still greater importance to the telegraph system. On the one hand, international intercourse and commerce would be very greatly facilitated by the change, while on the other hand it can not be denied that the postal establishment would lose about 200,000 kroner (\$53,600) each year thereby."

CHICAGO NOTES

BY PILGRIM

The Educational Committee is doing things in the advertising line. They have induced the auctioneers, Wolsieffer, Staub, and Clark, to include notices in their catalogues. This is a good scheme and should bring good results.

Mr. F. E. Farnham (of imperforate fame) has entered into a new field—that of selling apples. He says the apples are the best, biggest, etc., etc., but we are from Missouri. Why not let him show what he has by sending up a case for the next C. P. S. meeting? Are you on, F. E.?

We are told that a certain collector in Chicago now owns two copies of the Post Office Mauritius. It is a fact that the two copies in the collection of King George of England came from this city and it is said that there are more where those came from.

Mr. Sweet of Battle Creek was in town for a few days last week. We are sorry that we didn't see him.

Someone mentioned something about the removal of the O-willie-mette Stamp Co. moving to another city. How about it, Van?

Vice President Gilbert is back in the collecting game after a respite of several months. He seems to have the fever worse than ever.

The monthly stamp puzzle of the S. C. is the cause of several cases of nervous prostration in the C. P. S. At the last meeting Eddie Dodd sprung this on us: Aaaaaacddeeeeillmmnnoorrsssttg with instructions to make five countries out of it. Charlie Severn thought it was a technical term for a disease and carefully copied it for use in some future editorial. Personally we believe these puzzles are merely infringements on Brody's patented correspondence. After fifteen minutes of mental gymnastics, the net result showed but two correct solutions.

SAYINGS OF GREAT MEN

"Fifteen minutes without taking breath."
—H. A. Fowler.

"My old friend Wylie says."—I. R. Johnson.

"Three of a kind beats two pair."—E. C. Dodd.

"What'll you have?"—C. E. Severn.

In all probability Mr. E. C. Scheffler will be the next secretary of the C. P. S. There is a rumor to the effect and we earnestly hope it is founded on fact.

We are told that Mr. Batchelder paid a flying visit to Chicago a few days ago.

Little Hughie certainly had his nerve right with him when he bought John

Lord's experimental thirteens. As this was the only lot ever found we wonder what the price will be.

That seven-foot friend from the East, Mr. Harry L. Perkins, has withdrawn his protection and patronage from Chicago and has returned to his happy home in Connecticut.

ST LOUIS SOCIETY LECTURE

On Tuesday evening, November 22nd, the St. Louis Stamp Collectors' Society gave a very successful entertainment in this city, the occasion being a public stereopticon lecture on the Postage Stamps of the World, kindly loaned by the Chicago Philatelic Society. The event had been widely exploited, not only by the individual "boosting" of the society's members, but by the daily press, by cardboard posters displayed in public places, and by means of very artistic, printed invitations, which had been freely distributed.

The lecture was admirably delivered by Mr. H. A. Diamant, the well-known Canal Zone Specialist, and a member of the St. Louis Society. That his efforts were appreciated and enjoyed, was evidenced by the complimentary remarks from both philatelists and lay visitors. Mr. Walter Bain, as President of the Society, made a brief prefatory address and then introduced the speaker of the evening, who entertained his audience for an hour and a half with his breezy talk on stamps, accompanied by almost one hundred colored pictures on the screen.

At the conclusion of the lecture, President Bain, in a few closing remarks, announced that souvenirs would be distributed to all in attendance before leaving the auditorium. The souvenirs were packets of stamps, which had been kindly donated by one of St. Louis' enterprising dealers, and which are hoped to form the nucleus of many a new collection in the city, though every visitor was impartially provided.

The attendance for the evening was extremely flattering. The auditorium of the Cabanne Library, with a seating capacity of several hundred, was the scene of the entertainment, and "standing room only" served as the ushers' welcome to late arrivals. As one of the daily papers expressed it, "nearly all the stamp collectors of St. Louis were present," but there were also collectors from Kansas City, Detroit, and other places, and a goodly number who were not collectors at all, but who probably will be henceforth. Several new applications for membership in the Society were promptly tendered.

Without doubt, the affair was a complete success from every angle of vision, and cannot but lead to a creditable advancement of philately in this city, as well as of philately at large. St. Louis is still on the map!

EDITORIALS

BY H S ADAIR

It is with much fear and trepidation that the writer undertakes this task of filling the shoes of his predecessor. Mr. Mason and his ability are too widely known that anyone might silently supercede him without the fact becoming discernable at once and the difference be apparent. Much of the success of this publication undoubtedly belonged to this "doughty wielder of the quill," whose heady writings were enjoyed by many, and whose deep thought brought many things to the surface. The present editorial writer can write scads of STUFF—but withal, he feels that and fears that his ability is far inferior to that studied calmness and steadfast purpose that have characterized the editorial page in the preceding volume. Needless to say, we will do our best to tickle the philatelic palate, and refrain in so far as possible from rubbing salt on the sore spots of the science. Do not take it that we will dodge the issues as they may appear—Nay, Nay, Pauline, far be it from us to dodge, but a little liniment applied to the bumps and bruises will oft go a long way towards soothing the philatelic patient whose feelings have been ruffled.

The evolution of revolution is now with us. Portugal, Brazil and our dear neighbor, Mexico. Portugal has eminently been successful, Brazil incipient, with a probability of its taking, and Mexico in the making. While they may be short and sweet, no doubt their memory will linger long with us in the shape

of many provisional issues, genuine and un-genuine. In the words of the great Icelandic poet Skarsjen—Evolute, Revolute, Volute, Salute.

How many of the local stamp societies doing business in the United States can boast of their own club rooms, individually theirs? Not many. Why is it that it is always hard to get a representative gathering of the membership to attend any one meeting? Indifference, mostly. Why is it that many members when asked to do something say, "Let George do it?" Carelessness and more indifference. How many local societies bump up against these conditions? ALL.

On the 29th day of December the Columbus Collectors' Club moved from their old quarters in the Savings and Trust Building, where they had a room in conjunction with another society, into their own club quarters in Red Lion Hall in South High street. Realizing all these difficulties before mentioned the club decided to overcome as many as possible and are now possessed of a large airy room, with ample space for a pool and billiard table, card, chess, checkers, exhibit tables, etc. The library is open at all times and the current periodicals may be found on the reading tables whenever desired. Surely this is one way of overcoming the seeming lassitude and obfuscation which attacks the very vitals of local philatelic organizations. More power to 'em.

MONTHLY STAMP PUZZLE

Suitable prizes will be offered each month, and hope to be able to publish questions that will test the skill and knowledge of even the most knowing collectors. A few minutes study of these puzzles will go a long way toward showing you what you do or do not know. We shall be pleased to have our readers send in puzzles for this department. All answers should be marked Contest, and addressed to the publisher.

Our puzzle which was printed last month brought far more replies than we had expected. Most of them were correct, too, so we are warned to find something more difficult for this issue. Look over the puzzle and send your answer. The result of last month's contest is announced below.

Our puzzle for last month appeared to have been too easy as nearly all answers sent in were correct.

The prize, however, is awarded to Mr. Donald F. Lybarger, 208 Harris St., Har-

risburg, Pa. The five countries are—Crete, Malta, San Marino, Iceland and Azores.

The following lines numbered from one to five are each jumbled letters made from inscriptions found on postage stamps. What are the correct inscriptions. The answers can be found on stamps illustrated in most any catalog.

1. opentensoanypeg.
2. accdeeeeiijlmmooooorrrs.
3. aaaabceddeiiiiiiilloopssst.
4. aaacehilnnnooprsssttuu.
5. aaceddeeeeeeefnnnoorsstttt.

To the first person sending a correct answer to the above, we will give you an order for 50 cents toward the purchase of anything advertised for sale in this issue of The Stamp Collector, by any of our advertisers.

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PUBLISHER'S COLUMN

Many letters of congratulation have been received since our fine November issue was mailed and these from all classes of collectors, but when the biggest philatelist in this country compliments us we have reason to feel proud. Mr. John N. Luff, America's authority on most anything pertaining to philately, says:

"I have been letting my subscriptions to stamp magazines lapse because I found that most of them never have anything in them worth while, but it seems to me the sort of magazine you are turning out in the 'Stamp Collector' is worth reading and ought to be encouraged. I am enclosing you one dollar for which I should like to have you enter my name as a subscriber, and if possible send me the numbers of Vol. I. * * * *

"Very truly yours,
"JOHN N. LUFF."

Now why don't you send \$1.00 and let us enter your subscription for 3 years.

A NEW PHILATELIST

The publisher takes pleasure in announcing to his many friends and acquaintances the arrival of a twelve pound boy, Ward Roy Linn, Born Saturday, November 26, 1910.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mr. Freeman Putney, Jr., has resigned as manager of The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., New York, to accept a position with a financial publishing house. Mr. Putney is not new to the publishing business as several very clever stories written by him have appeared in recent magazines. Mr. Putney was as popular a man as could be found in the New York Stamp trade and New Yorkers will undoubtedly miss him.

The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co.'s Monthly Bargain List for October-December has appeared and as usual is full of bargains. Many recent issues are listed and the twelve pages are filled with good things. How long will it be before this Company begins to give collectors a few pages of good reading each issue. This would increase the value of the publication and assure a more careful examination.

Mr. Thomas L. Hosmer of Des Moines, Iowa, is to edit a stamp department in The Young Knight, the official publication of a club of young men, known as The Knights of the Holy Grail. Mr. Hosmer's work should bring the best of results for philately.

Nammack's Philatelic News-Letter is the title of another house organ appearing from New York. Mr. C. H. Nammack of Brooklyn is the publisher and the 4-page 6x9 paper which he sends out is very neatly gotten up. As usual with papers of this sort, practically all of the contents is prices on stamps for sale. Several New York dealers are issuing similar publications.

Mr. A. C. Roessler advises us that Mr. Gilbert E. Jones, ex-owner and editor of the New York Times, who committed suicide early in November, was the first collector of imperforate pairs. We notice mention of Mr. Jones in Lewis Robie's Stamp Hunting, published in 1898, twelve years ago. Mr. Robie says: "Mr. Gilbert E. Jones has also a collection of stamps unique and matchless. Setting aside his fine general collection of fifteen thousand varieties, recently he has made a specialty of collecting nothing but imperforated pairs, that many fail to get any of, but of which he is the proud possessor of over twelve hundred varieties."

Of the stamps printed on the Bluish Experimental paper, the 6, 10 and 15 cent values have been known for some time. Stanley Gibbons of New York are now offering the 3c value, and we understand the 5 cent ones have turned up in Chicago. We also understand that Hugh M. Clark, the Chicago dealer, has secured a quantity of the 13 cent value from a Mr. John Lord. This still leaves the 4 and 8 cent values to be discovered.

RECORD OF NEW ISSUES

Any information about new issues or discoveries will be thankfully received, and stamps sent for examination will be promptly returned. Address all letters to the department editor at 801 Outlook Building, Columbus, Ohio

GEORGE K. SMITH, JR., EDITOR

Australian Commonwealth

From various sources we learn that commencing January 1, next, all postage stamps of the Australian Colonies and Tasmania will have "Australia" printed across them and will be current all over Australia and Tasmania.

Belgian Congo

The New England Stamp Company has sent us four new values of the new bilingual set, centers in black, perf. $12\frac{1}{2}$ to 15.

**Adhesives—**

- 40c., pale blue, green and black.
- 50c., olive bistre and black.
- 1f., claret and black.
- 5f., deep rose and black.

Bermuda

Redfield's Stamp Weekly reports two more values of the new set showing the XVIII Century galleon. This set is printed from steel plates by Messrs De La Rue & Co.

Adhesives—

- 6d., purple.
- 1s., black on green.

Chili

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the Juan Fernandez set described in our last number and which we illustrate



The same company has also sent us the new commemorative set. We have already listed this set (Vol. I, No. 6) so will not repeat the list of subjects of the designs. Some of the colors are slightly different from those given at that time so we re-list the set.

**Adhesives—Centers in black—**

- 1c., dark green.
- 2c., rose-lake.
- 3c., red-brown.
- 5c., dull blue.
- 10c., brown.
- 12c., red.
- 20c., orange.
- 25c., blue.
- 30c., violet.
- 50c., light sage-green.
- 1p., yellow.
- 2p., red.
- 5p., green.
- 10p., purple.

Crete

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the 1dr. overprinted "Ellas" in black.

Dominica

The 1 shilling in new colors is reported by Gibbons Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

- 1s., black on green, chalky.

German East Africa

The current 20 heller stamp has appeared on paper with lozenge watermark, according to Redfield's Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

- 20 h., black and orange on buff.

Gibraltar

We have the current type of the 4 s. in a new color from the New England Stamp Company.

Adhesive—Value in second color—

- 4s., gray-black and carmine.

Gold Coast

The Postage Stamp reports the current 2s. in new colors, multiple chalky, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

2s., purple and blue on blue.

Hong Kong

The New England Stamp Company has shown us the 1 cent of the current type in single color, multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

1c., brown.

Jamaica

The New England Stamp Co. have sent the following values of the current set in new colors, multiple watermarks, perf. 14:

Adhesive—

2½, ultramarine, ordinary.
4d., black on yellow, chalky.
1s., black on green, chalky.
2s., purple on blue, chalky.

Leeward Islands

Current types in new colors, reported by Mekeel's Weekly.

Adhesives—

3d., violet on yellow.
5s., carmine and green on yellow.

Malta

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the current 5d. in a new shade which we learn is the official color for engraved stamps of that value. Multiple ordinary paper, perf. 14.

Adhesive—

5d., pale sage-green.

Montenegro

Our contemporaries are reporting the new jubilee set for this country which appears to have been modeled after the Australian set. The high values are now expressed in "perpera."

Adhesives—

1pa., black.
2pa., chocolate.
5pa., blue-green.
10pa., carmine.
15pa., slate blue.
20pa., olive.
25pa., blue.
35pa., chestnut.
50pa., violet.
1 perper, lake.
2 perpera, yellow-green.
5 perpera, sky-blue.

New Hebrides

According to Mekeel's Weekly the following of the current Fiji stamps have been overprinted: "New Hebrides-Condominium." According to Mekeel's Weekly, the name Fiji is no longer obliterated.

Adhesives—

½d., green.
1d., carmine.
2d., gray.

2½d., ultramarine.

5d., purple and olive.

6d., lilac.

1s., black on green.

New South Wales

From Gibbons Stamp Weekly we learn that the 2d. is appearing in deep royal blue. The stamp is watermarked Crown over single-lined A and perforated 12 x 11½, chalk surfaced paper. It is stated this stamp is printed from new electrotypes and is a poor production, showing rougher and less distinct lines.

New Zealand

A correspondent in New Zealand informs us that the 6d. King's Head has appeared with "OFFICIAL" overprint and adds that specialists will find minor varieties of this overprint, particularly in the length. From the same source we learn of the issue of the 4d. in a deeper shade of orange and of the appearance of the 6d. perforated 14 x 14½.

Gibbons Stamp Weekly reports the 3d. chestnut, and the 1s., vermilion, with "OFFICIAL" overprint.

Nicaragua

We have received two new provisionals from the New England Stamp Company, the word "Vale" and value in one line being surcharged on two values of the 1909 set, bearing the imprint of the American Bank Note Co.

Provisional Adhesives—

2c. on 3c., orange-red (black).
10c. on 15c., slate (red).

North Borneo

The New England Stamp Company has sent us two more values of the set overprinted "British Protectorate" in two lines of capitals. These which were so overprinted are Scott's No's 72 and 73.

Adhesives—red overprint—

\$5, red-violet.
\$10, brown.

Papua

Gibbons Stamp Weekly reports the 2d. with large "Papua," upright watermark, perf. 12½.

Peru

From Mekeel's Weekly we learn that the current 10c. dark blue has been overprinted "Expresso" diagonally in violet.

Special Delivery Stamp—

10c., dark blue.

Portugal

The New England Stamp Company has sent us the new provisional issue of the Republic. All values of the current set have been overprinted "REPUBLICA" diagonally upwards. The overprint is in

green on the 20 reis and in red on all the other values.



Russia—Offices in the Levant

The current 5 kop. on vertically laid paper, surcharged "20 PARA" is noted by Gibbons Stamp Weekly.

Adhesive—

20pa., on 5k., purple.

St. Lucia

Mekeel's Weekly reports the 6d. in new color.

Adhesive—

6d., lilac.

Transvaal

Mekeel's Weekly reports the current ½d. in a new shade of green. Gibbons Stamp Weekly reports the 6d. on multiple ordinary paper.

Turkey

The 5 and 10 paras of the current set for use on printed matter are reported with inverted overprint by Gibbons Stamp Weekly.

United South Africa

Through the courtesy of the New England Stamp Company we are able to illustrate the new stamp for this colony. We believe this is the first regularly issued British Colonial stamp to bear an inscription in Dutch



Adhesive—

2½d., dark blue.

United States

The Philatelic Gazette states that stamps have already appeared with a new watermark. The letters are U S P S as formerly, but the letters are single-lined Gothics instead of the double-lined letters as formerly. It is stated that all values of the postage and postage due sets and also the special delivery stamp will be issued on this paper.

Uruguay

The New England Stamp Company sends us a new provisional from this state, the 50c. of 1901 set having been surcharged with a large "5," above which the word "Provisorio" appears in a curved line and below "Centesimos" and "1910" in two straight lines.

Provisional adhesive—

5c. on 50c., carmine.

Western Australia

The ½d. watermarked Crown and double-lined A is reported by Gibbons Stamp Weekly with perforation gauging 11.

NOTES ON NEW ISSUES

New issues are in prospect from a number of countries. We have mentioned the new "Australia" overprint elsewhere. In addition to this, the stamps of Portugal's colonies will likely be overprinted "Republica"; a series of stamps bearing the portrait of the new king is in preparation for Belgium; Bolivia has a few battles to celebrate; Italy has on foot plans for the celebration of the 50th anniversary of Italian Unity, and Argentine has entrusted the South American Bank Note Company with the preparation of a set to take the place of the commemoratives now in use. Thinking it strange that Paraguay did not figure in the above, we have again gone over our files of current literature and are gratified to report that not one but four sets are in preparation, postage, official and postage due and a set in honor of the centenary of independence.

The Postage Stamp states it is proposed to substitute Arabic overprints for those in Spanish currency now appearing on the stamps issued by the French post offices in Morocco.

NEW OFFICIAL STAMP

An official stamp for the use of the U. S. Postal Savings Bank correspondence has been prepared. Over two million of the stamps have been printed and are ready for use. The old style watermarked paper was used. The stamps are in black and inscribed official mail in the center, U. S. Postal Savings at top and Two Cents with figure 2 in corners at the bottom. This makes the first Department Stamp to be used by the Government in many years, and reminds one that it might be a good plan to again issue stamps for all of the Government Departments, as this would be an easy means of determining the expense these various departments are heaping up on the P. O. Dept., and would also help to stop the distribution of campaign literature, at an enormous expense to the P. O. Dept., and eventually the people.

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Secretary's Report

Fellow Members:—

Another month has passed and more new members are added to our list. By a little individual effort on the part of each one of our present members, it should easily be possible to double our present list. You should do your part at once.

Attention is called to the fact that the list of papers, etc., printed in this issue practically completes the 1909 list. It will take practically all and maybe more money than the Society has on hand to put this out in book form, but the book when ready will be a credit to the Society and one which every member should feel proud of. I might mention here, that the booklet will run pretty close to 100 pages and will be about the size of the Melville Stamp books, but thicker. No copies will be sold to non-members and you can not get a copy in any other way, so join at once.

40. O. Kendall, 344 William St., Winnipeg, Canada.

41. Columbus Collectors Club, Columbus, Ohio.

42. Thomas L. Hosmer, 3446 Fifth St., Des Moines, Iowa.

43. Otto F. Moses, 711 Hough Ave., N. E., Cleveland, Ohio.

44. Herbert C. Clark, Angmering, Worthing-England.

Fraternally yours,
 GEORGE W. LINN, Secy.

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CLEVELAND, OHIO

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Report of Meeting Held Nov. 3, 1910

A regular meeting of the Club was held on November 3, 1910, at Room No. 202, The Arcade, with President Crowell presiding and the following members present: Crowell, L. G. French, Whittaker, Beatty, Weber, Rhodes, J. N. Lehr, Weigel, Good,

Langdon, Crofts, Bruce, Rust, Barnum, Lehman, Kramer, Guscott and Mack. Visitors present were Messrs. Meyers and Koslowski.

After the reading of the minutes of the previous meetings, which were accepted as read, the Board of Directors announced that B. W. Bradshaw, whose application was posted at the last meeting, had been elected to membership in the Club.

Mr. Good made a report for the Special Committee and announced that said committee had had a meeting and that plans had been adopted which were being worked out and results would be announced later.

Mr. Barnum, who with two other members visited Mr. Hart at Akron during the past week, spoke of the fine collection owned by Mr. Hart and of the study he is making of the New York Postmaster's Stamps and of the article on this stamp and written by him, which is now appearing in the Philadelphia Stamp News.

During the past week Mr. Crowell had visited Mr. Saxton at Canton and he told of the enjoyable evening spent with Mr. Saxton who promised to be in Cleveland when the Club had its next "Revenue Night."

After the general order of business a contest was held consisting of 15 questions on the State Department Issue. Mr. Barnum won first prize, correctly naming the gentlemen whose likeness appears on each value. Mr. Kramer was second with 13 to his credit.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p. m.

Report of Meeting Held Nov. 17, 1910

A regular meeting of the Club was held on November 17, 1910, at Room No. 202, The Arcade. In the absence of President Crowell and Vice President Rust, Mr. Barnum was appointed chairman of the evening. The following members were present when the meeting was called to order at 8:15: Moses, French, Nixon, Tubman, Rhodes, Schneider, Whittaker, Long, Weigel, Lehman, Wood, Larsen, Weber, Good, Barnum and Beatty.

After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved as read, ex-Manager Moses was called upon and spoke of the good conditions of the Circuit.

Mr. Good spoke for the Special Committee, stating that said committee was hard at work and would have something to report at the next meeting.

After the general order of business a guessing contest was held arranged by Mr. Weigel as follows: The names of 5 countries showing locomotives on their stamps, 10 showing boats, 5 showing birds, 5 showing water-falls and 5 showing maps. Mr. Lehman secured first prize with 27 out of the 30. Mr. Moses second with 26.

After the contest Mr. Good exhibited Mr. Geo. H. Worthington's magnificent

specialized collection of Canada, which includes all the provinces. After the exhibition, which was one of the finest the Club has ever held a unanimous vote of thanks was tendered both Mr. Worthington and Mr. Good for the entertainment given.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p. m.

R. H. BEATTY, Secretary.



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Regular meetings are being held fortnightly at which contests have been the prominent features for the past few months. The regular prize drawings have also been held. Among the contests submitted was one for home study, prepared by Mr. Duffy. Mr. Duffy presented five valuable prizes, but only five of the mem-

bers had the energy to answer the questions.

Considerable important business has been before the club. In the first place, plans are being prepared for the proper celebration of the club's fourth birthday and the 100th meeting on January 10th. The club has found it necessary to secure quarters for its exclusive use. The expense of this room will be borne by a few of the members who have pledged themselves to pay monthly toward the furnishing of the room, rent, light and other expenses. Other members of the Club are invited to contribute toward the fund, on the understanding that all contributions are purely voluntary and the use of the rooms is in no way restricted to contributing members. Keys will be available for distribution at the meeting of November 29th or on December 13th, which latter date will mark the first meeting in the new room which is on the fourth floor of Red Lion Hall, 337½ South High Street.

The Club has adopted an appropriate design for a seal and cuts are now being prepared for use on the Club's stationery. Lapel buttons will also be prepared.

The new committee which will have charge of the new club room will be glad to have suggestions from the members regarding furniture, etc., and will be glad to have offers of furniture and pictures.

The coming meetings of the Club will be very important and the members are urged to be present.

GEO. K. SMITH, JR.,
Secretary.

A CHECK LIST OF PHILATELIC PUBLICATIONS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

FOR THE YEAR 1909

Compiled by W. R. Ricketts, Historian of the American Philatelic Literature Society

Additions to Previous Lists

American Periodicals

American Banner

335 East 173rd St., New York. American Banner Publishing Co., Publishers. Monthly; Sub. — per year; 6x9 in.; 8 pp. Vol. I, No. 1 (Feb.), 1909. Contains a Stamp Department.

Ararat's Monthly Special

41 Beaver St., New York. Ararat Stamp Co., Publishers. Monthly; free; 1 p.; size, different for each number. Nos. 1 (Apr.), 2, 3, 4 (July), 5 (—), 6 (—), 7 (—), 1909. Note:—A Monthly Price List.

Bargain Bulletin

Glastonbury, Conn. Phillips (W. C.), & Co., Publishers. Free; 2 to 12 pp.; 11x5½ in. Nos. 15 (Jan.), 16 (Mar.), 17 (Apr.), 18 (July), 19 (Sept.) 20 (Nov.), 21 (Dec.), 1909.

Boys' Banner

Chicago, Ill. Monthly; Sub. — per year; — pp. Vol. —, Nos. —

Boys' Friend

Mystic, Conn. Friend Publishing Co., Publishers. Edited by Everett Ingram.

Monthly; Sub. — per year; 12 pp.; 6x9 in.
Vol. III, (—), 3 (Feb.-Mar.), 1909.
Contains a Stamp Department.

(The) Circle

44-60 E. 23rd St., New York. Funk & Wagnalls Co., Publishers.
Contains a Stamp Department.

Excelsior Monthly

1305 Fairfield Ave., Shreveport, La. Loyd Comegys, Publisher. Sub. 25c per year; 4 pp.; 8 $\frac{5}{8}$ x5 $\frac{7}{8}$ in. Contains Stamp Column.
Vol. I, No. 1 (May), 1909.

Hilt's Advertiser

(Box 126) 313 Lafayette Ave., Fayetteville, Arkansas. Paul Hilt, Publisher. Monthly; Sub. 15c. (later 25c.) per year; 6 to 10 pp.; (No. 1, 6x3 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.), (No. 3, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.).
Vol. I, No. 1 (Apr.). Continued as "Ozark Monthly." Vol. I, Nos. —, 3 (June), 4-5 (Aug.-Sept.), 1909.

Jolly Hoot Owls

Birmingham, Ala. Jolly Hoot Owls Publishing Co., Publishers. Monthly; Sub. — per year, — pp. Kyle Lawson, Editor & Manager; H. S. Powell, Storm Lake, Iowa, Editor of Stamp Department.
Vol. I, Nos. —(—), —, —, 10 (Apr.), 1909.
Note:—Sold to "Philatelic Flashes" and consolidated with II, 4, Oct., 1909.

Mayflower

87 Sandwich St., Plymouth, Mass. R. W. Holmes, Publisher. Monthly; Sub. 10c. per year; 8 to 16 pp.; 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.
Vol. II, Nos. *9 (Jan.), *10, *11 (Mar.-Apr.), *12 (May), 1909.
Vol. III, Nos. 1 (June), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (Nov.), 1909.

Note:—Nos. marked * contain stamp notes.

Ozark Monthly

Fayetteville, Arkansas. See "Hilt's Advertiser."

Opportunities

424 Laflin St., Chicago, Ill. L. A. Mueller, Publisher.
Note:—This is exactly the same as "Favorite Companion," published by H. Grimsland. It is a Syndicate paper.

Philatelic Post

Holbrook, Mass. Publisher's name not given. Monthly.
Announced for March, 1909, not known.

Postal Service Magazine

Indianapolis, Ind. James Farrish, Publisher. Sub. — per year; — pp.; —x—. Vol. —, Nos. —.
Notes:—Published in the interests of Postal Employees.

St. Nicholas

Union Square, New York. Century Co., Publishers. Monthly; \$3.00 per year (Single Nos., 25c.); 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ x7 $\frac{3}{8}$ in.; 110 pp., inc. adv. & cover.

Vol. XXXVI, 3 (Jan.), 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 (Oct.), 1909.
Vol. XXXVII, 1, (Nov.), 2 (Dec.), 1909.
Has 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 pp. of Stamp News and Adv.

Handbooks & Pamphlets

Check List of Plate Numbers, "Columbian Issue"
Published by the New England Stamp Co. — pp.; size —

Fortunes in Old Coins and Used Stamps

Published by Money & Stamp Brokerage Co., 150 Nassau St., New York, N. Y. Second Edition, Copyright 1909; 8 pp.; 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; pink paper.

Money and Stamp Manual

Published by Money & Stamp Brokerage Company, 150 Nassau St., New York, N. Y. 123 pp. (5 pp. adv.); 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ x4 $\frac{5}{8}$ in.
Two editions:—

- (1) Bound in paper, price —.
- (2) Bound in bluish-gray cloth, title in gold, price \$1.00.

Auction Sale Catalogs

Bogert & Durbin Co.

722 Chestnut St., Philadelphia. Mail Auction Sale, Nov. 27th, 1909. 1 pp. sheet; 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ x7 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Price Lists

Charlat, L. W.

81 Nassau St., New York. "Special Bargain Offers," 4 pp. (inside two printed on); 11x5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; pink paper.

Cormack, H.

Box 50, Port Ewen, Ulster Co., N. Y. Price List, 2 pp., 15 $\frac{3}{8}$ x8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., printed on blue.

Gammans, E. H.

181 Joralemon St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Price List of New York State Revenues, 1 p., 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x3 $\frac{1}{4}$ in., pasted on a postal card.

I-X-L Stamp & Coin Co.

63 Nassau St., New York City.
Price List, 1 p., 5 $\frac{3}{8}$ x3 $\frac{1}{4}$ in., pasted on postal card, printed in red.
Price List, 1 p., 5 $\frac{3}{8}$ x3 $\frac{1}{4}$ in., pasted on postal card, printed in black.

GREAT BRITAIN

Periodicals

(The) Amateur

30 Bradford St., Walsall. Published by Eric Day. Monthly; Sub. — per year; 16 pp., size —.
Vol. I, Nos. 1 (—), 2 (—), 1909.
Has a Stamp Department. Wanted information.

B. & K. Items

71 Fleet St., London, E. C., England. Published by Bridger & Kay, occasionally; sent free; 4 to 6 pp.; 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ (10 $\frac{3}{8}$)x7(7 $\frac{3}{8}$) in.

Nos. 2 (—), 3 (Apr.), 4 (June), 5 (Nov.), 1909.

Boys' Budget

(Wanted, addresses, etc.)? Announced during March, 1909. Was it issued? Any stamp matter? Dates of Nos.?

Bulletin

4 Duke St., London, W. C., England. Published by T. Reed & Co. Monthly.

Vol. IV.

Vol. V, 1 (June?), 2 (—), 3 (—), 4, 5, 6, 7 (Dec.?), 1909.

Wanted—Information.

(The) Captain

3-12 Southampton Street, Strand, London, W. C., England. Published by George Newnes, Ltd. Monthly; Sub. \$2.12 per year; 94 pp. (xxx pp. Adv.) with cover; 9 $\frac{5}{8}$ x7 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Stamp department of 4 pp. each issue. Edited by

Vol. XX, Nos. 118 (Jan.), 119, 120 (Mar.), 1909, title and index.

Vol. XXI, Nos. 121 (Apr.), 122, 123, 124, 125, 126 (Sept.), 1909, title and index.

Vol. XXII, Nos. 127 (Oct.), 128, 129 (Dec.), 1909.

The Cat

88 Princess Street, Bishop Ackland, England. E. & R. Herdman, Publishers. Monthly; Sub. 25c. per year; 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ x4 $\frac{1}{2}$ (No. 9, 12 pp. and cover).

Vol. I, (—), (—), 9 (Mar.), 1909.

Has a Stamp Department.

Collector

12 Malvern Road, Kilburn, London, N. W. Published by the Cheap Stamp Co. Weekly; Sub. \$1.08 per year.

Announced for Jan. 1st, 1909. Did it appear?

Collector's Gazette

32 Goldney Road, London, W., England. Publisher's name not given. Monthly; Sub. 25c. per year.

No. 1, announced for February, 1909. Was it issued? Dates of all Nos.?

Collectors' Journal

Rotherham, England. Published by The Philatelic & Cartophilic Printing Co. Monthly; 50c. per year; 56 pp. and cover; 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x7 in.

Vol. 8, Nos. 85 (Apr.), 86 (May-June), 1909.

Collectors' Weekly

Rotherham, England. Published by The Philatelic & Cartophilic Printing Co. Weekly; Sub. \$1.08 per year; 12 pp.; 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ x10 $\frac{1}{8}$ in.

Vol. I, Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13 (Jan.), 1909.

Printed on greenish paper.

Colonial Office Journal

London Wall, London, England. Published by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd. Quarterly; Sub. \$1.44 per year (36c. per No.); 92 pp. (20 pp. adv.) and cover; 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ x6 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Vol. II, Nos. 3 (Jan.), 4 (Apr.), 1909.

Vol. III, Nos. 1 (July), 2 (Oct.), 1909.

With II, 4 (April, 1909), Index to Vols I & II.

Has a page or two devoted to British Colonial stamps.

Empire Picture Postcard and Stamp Exchange Gazette

28 Donoughmore Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth, England. Published by Chas. J. Endle & Co. Quarterly; 8 pp.; 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x5 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.;

Endle's Philatelic Circular

59 Grange Road, West Bromwich, England. Publisher's name not given. Edited by B. L. Cottam & H. Lisburne Powell. Monthly.

Advertised in March, 1909, that No. 1 is ready. Wanted—Dates of all Nos.?

Sub. 24c. per year (including an unused stamp), 12c. (without stamp).

Vol. XVI, Nos. 86 (Jan.), 87 (Apr.), 88 (July), 89 (Oct.), 1909.

This is a continuation of "Smith's Philatelic Circular," name changed with No. 86.

Hobbies

Paternoster Square, London, E. C., England. Published by "Hobbies, Ltd.," Weekly; Sub. \$2.16 per year; 32 pp. and cover; 9 $\frac{5}{8}$ x6 $\frac{1}{4}$ in. Contains a Stamp Department. Vol. XXVII, Nos. 690 through 702 (Jan. through March), 1909.

Vol. XXVIII, Nos. 703 through 729 (Apr. through Sept.), 1909.

Vol. XXIX, Nos. 730 through 742 (Oct. through Dec.), 1909.

Junior

(Addresses, etc., wanted.) A paper of this name issued 4 Nos. Wanted—dates of Nos., Editor, etc.

King (Whitfield) & Co's Weekly Trade Circular

Ipswich, England. Published by Whitfield, King & Co. Weekly; Pub. every Monday; Sub. 62c. per year; 1 p.; 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x8 in. (Heading printed, contents typewritten.)

Nos. 305 (Jan.) through 356 (Dec.), 1909.

No Vol. given.

Marsh's (Oswald) Weekly Circular

Belvedere Road, Norwood, London, S. E., England. Published by Oswald Marsh. Weekly; Sub. \$1.62 per year; 4 pp.; 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ x8 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.

Nos. 36 through 86 (?), Jan. through Dec., 1909.

Note:—No. 53 (Apr. 17th, 1909) has a Supplement, "A Few Special Offers in Colonials"; 2 pp.; 9 $\frac{7}{8}$ x4 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.; pink paper.

Peckitt's (W. H.) Bargain List

47 Strand, London, W. C., England. Published by W. H. Peckitt, occasionally. Free; 4 pp.; 11x8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

No. 22.

No date. No. 22 has 1 p. Supplement, 11x8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Philatelic Gazette

Blackpool. Announced during 1909.
Wanted—Information.

Universal Gazette

339B Harrow Road, London, W., England.
Published by J. Goodwin. Monthly; Sub.
25c. per year.
No. 1 was published Oct., 1908. Were any
numbers published during 1909?

Young Author

(Wanted—Addresses, etc.) Announced
during March, 1909. Was it issued and
does it contain any stamp matter? Dates
of Nos.?

Handbooks and Pamphlets**Philatelic Souvenir**

Published by Henry Abel & Co., Whit
stable, Kent. 56 pp.; 7x5 in.; bound; sent
for 2c.

Catalogues**Gibbons, (Stanley), Priced Catalogue**

Published by Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., 391
Strand, London. English editions priced
in pounds, shillings and pence.

Twentieth Edition, 1909:—

Part I, "Stamps of the British Empire."

Part II, "Stamps of Foreign Countries."

For details see "American Editions."

Published by S. Gibbons, 391 Strand, Lon-
don. Supplement to Catalogue. Part I
(British Empire), Part II (Stamps of For-
eign Countries). 23 pp.; 7x4½ in.; July,
1909. Priced in shillings and pence.

Exhibitions**Junior Philatelic Society**

London. "Ticket to Exhibition of Paper-
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Society Publications**Royal Philatelic Society**

London. "List of Officers & Council,"
Meetings and List of Papers and Displays;
Season 1908-1909. Card; 2 pp.; 5½x3½ in.

Price Lists**Allen-Bolton, J. T.**

5 Elmwood Road, Croydon. (Also New
York City.)

Special Offers, List No. 9 (Oct., 1909). 8
pp.; 10x8¼ in.; headings in red.

Errington & Martin

South Hackney, London, N. E., England.
Price List, 1909; 100 pp.

Universal Stamp Co.

70 Fenchurch St., London, E. C., England.
Retail price List.

Wholesale price list, 20 pp.

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Persia No. 280, (12) 281, (12)	.70	.24
* Johore 1897 "Kemahkotaan" 1 to 6c.	.90	.30
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* " 16 (5), 26 (4), 34 (10), 36 (5)	.85	.24
* Brunei 1907, 1, 2, 3c, 1908, 1c.	.22	.11
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Wanted—Philatelic Magazines—State what you have, giving prices. Benj. Weisner, 441 E. Houston St. New York City. (4)

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NO. 1

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COLUMBUS, OHIO, DECEMBER 1909

NO. 2

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" " " " 40b	.09
" " " " 1fr.	.23
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84 *Switzerland, Gibbons No. 51 very small
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85 Switzerland, No. 74, error, yellow thread
unpriced, cut into at right (?)
86 Uruguay, 38-42-3-4-56-7-9-63 4-70. 2.56
87 Uruguay, officials, 246-7-8-54-5-6-7-8 2.67
88 Uruguay, officials, 259-73, fine. 2.00

89 Uruguay, officials, 269-70-1-4 8-9-80-1 2.42
90 Uruguay officials No. 272 and 272 with
inverted surcharge, rare, unpriced (?)
91 Uruguay official, No. 275, fine, Gibbons 1.85
92 *Venezuela-Nos. 283-4-5-6-7-8 scarce,
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21 *Cundinamarca, Nos. 23-8-9-31-2 mint	1.92
22 *Tolima, Nos. 80-2, mint	1.20
23 *Tolima, Nos. 79 and 90, beautiful copies	(?)
24 *Dominica 1886-90, No. 1-3-18, fine	1.75
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28 *Egypt, official 1907, vertical pair No. 208 fine	1.50
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34 *Hanover, 3 p. No. 17 no gum, a beauty with nice margins, but tear at left, repd.	10.00
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" " 1894; 2 & 5 Kran	.22	.10
" " 1894; 8 & 10ch	.14	.05
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1904, Postage Due, 50r carmine No. 236) scarce.....	.08	.03
*1910, 2½, 5, 10, 15r, 4 var., mint.....	?	.07
*1910, 20r carmine, mint.....	?	.03½
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" " 1892, 50r blue.....	.10	.03½
" " 1892, 100r brown.....	.18	.06
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11	5kr red.....	01
12	10kr brown.....	02
13	15kr blue.....	02
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16	5kr red.....	01
17	10kr brown.....	01
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50 20th Century, used	.30
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1902, Official, 10a ultramarine	.18	.07½
1902, 1g on 3a yellow, Official	.12	.04½
1902, 1g on 4a green, Official	.25	.10
1902, 1g on 5a brown, Official	.10	.04
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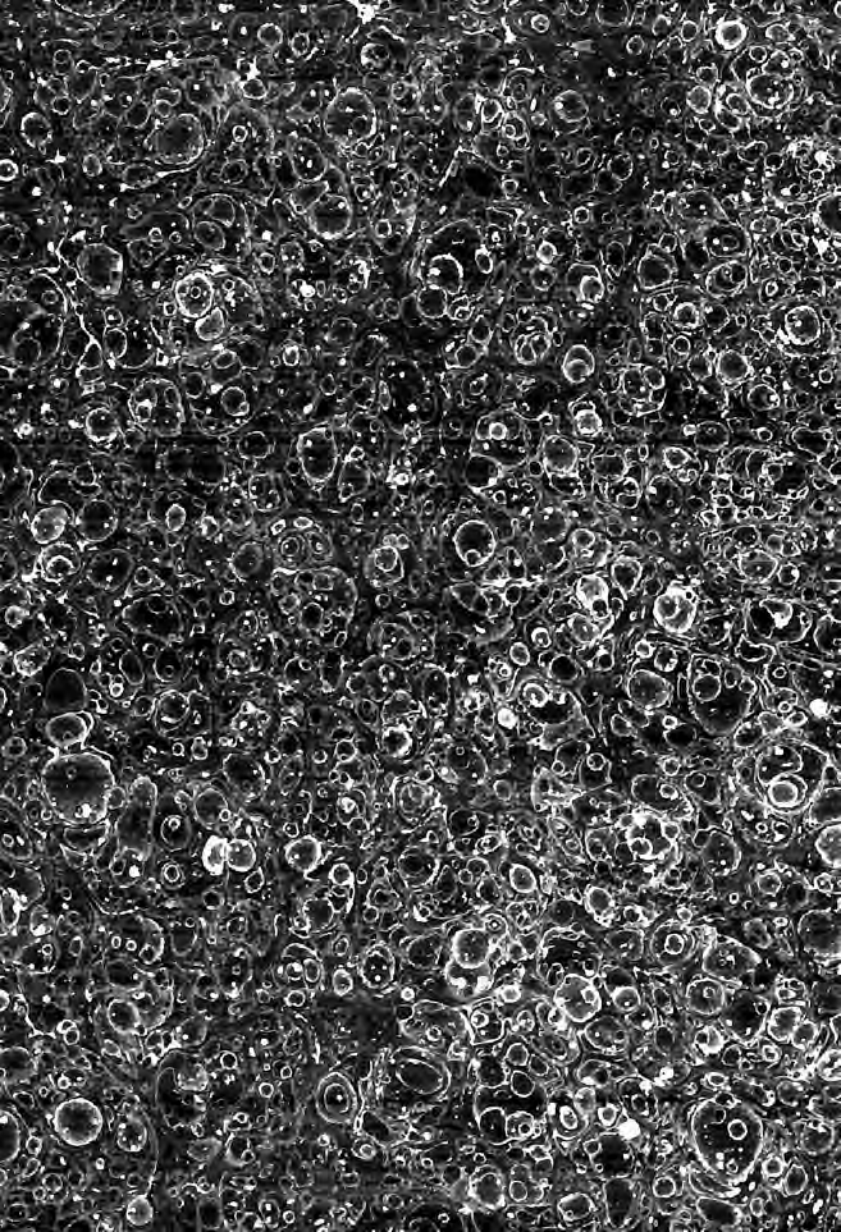
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Columbus Collectors' Club Celebration

TUESDAY evening, January 10, was a big night for Columbus stamp collectors, being the occasion of the one hundredth meeting of the Columbus Collectors' Club, the fourth anniversary of the Club's organization, and the annual election of officers. Besides all of this, the occasion was considered as a house-warming for the new Club Rooms which the Club moved into on December 1st.

The meeting was celebrated with a luncheon and plenty of liquid refreshments of various sorts, together with cigars and cigarettes for those who wished them. The members and guests for the evening began to arrive as early as 7:30 o'clock and the room was soon filled. The company then seated themselves at the tables and partook of the good things, enjoying themselves by swapping good stories and otherwise.

After the inner man had been satisfied, Mr. Paul Mason, the retiring president, announced the regular meeting of the Club and after disposing with the reading of the minutes of the former meeting, a motion was made that the rules be suspended and that the secretary cast the ballot of the Club, for the election of officers for 1911, this being possible as there were no contests on for any of the offices. This action, however, brought forth remarks from some of our Cleveland guests regarding "steam rollers."

The election resulted as follows: H. S. Adair, President; Wm. H. Field, First Vice-President; W. H. Savage, Second Vice-President; George K. Smith, Jr., Secretary; Oscar Schenck, Treasurer, and Paul Mason and George W. Linn, together with the above officers, were elected to the Board of Directors.

After this announcement was made, Mr. Mason made

a speech in which he thanked the members for their support during the past year and asked the same loyal support for his successor. He then turned matters over to Mr. Adair who acted as toastmaster for the evening. Many gems of oratory were then poured upon the assemblage and we regret that we did not have them taken in shorthand for they would have been valuable contributions to the Philatelic literature of the world. We shall, however, try and give an idea of what was said and done and trust you are familiar enough with the subjects to be able to form an idea of their value to our literature, had they been copied.

Mr. Hamilton Debonair Barnum, the boy orator from the Lake Erie metropolis, told of the past, present and future of the A. P. S., explaining what you do and what you don't get for your money. Owing to the fact that the early speakers spoke as the members and guests were just beginning to "toast" they will have to be excused for any lack of enthusiasm.

Mr. W. H. Krumm, our able and efficient postmaster, told us that one of the members had shown him a booklet full of stamps of the current issue, such as the 3, 6, 10, and 15 cent values, for which he had paid as much as \$5.00 per stamp. Mr. Krumm made his audience happy by telling them that his office had any quantity of these stamps and would be glad to sell them to the members at face value. At least they looked to him just like what was in stock at the post office.

Dr. Henry C. Crowell, of Cleveland, made a thrilling speech and said he believed it would be possible to cure the stamp fever, even in the most advanced stages by the Viavi Treatment.

Dr. J. M. Henderson, President of the American Numismatic Association gave us a short talk on coins and coin collecting. After some discussion it was decided by the stamp fiends present, that the only thing coins were good for was to buy stamps with.

The event of the evening, however, was Mr. Geo. K. Smith's speech, after which he presented Mr. Mason with a sterling silver cigarette case as a token of remembrance from the members of the Club. Paul has been through many battles, seen much to touch his heart and was even surprised by a gift from the Club members at the convention held in Columbus three years ago, but we believe this little gift and the manner in which it was presented to him went

deeper into his heart and affections than anything ever did before.

Many more things were said and done but we cannot give so much space to them. However, Mr. Wright, of Marion, told about his early collections and his future desire for a shotgun.

Jesse Ranney asked to be excused when called upon by the toastmaster, on account of a peculiar ailment, which he had explained to the toastmaster. It also developed during the evening that our local postmaster was afflicted in the same way.

As yet, we have been unable to get Opha Moore to explain what the Constitution and the Flag have to do with stamp collecting. Perhaps if Opha had been called upon earlier in the evening he would have stuck to the subject.

Chris Duffy hasn't found his voice yet but nevertheless he entertained the members by drawing on a blackboard, diagrams of sheets of penny reds and explaining in sign language which ones he still needed.

George W. Linn told them how to run a stamp magazine.

Carl Sach's story was evidently new to many of those present. Eben S. Martin spoke on the subject, "A Stamp Dealer," after which Mr. Savage, the treasurer, explained the financial side of the International Stamp Co. Billy said he had the money, 'cause he had it in his pocket.

Roy Beatty, of Cleveland, recited an original poem, entitled "The Swimmers." Mr. Schaffner, of Marion, asked him to repeat it and was assisted by Messrs. Windhurst and Fogleson. This poem was probably new to the Marion contingent because having nothing up there to swim in, there was no occasion for the poem to reach the town.

We believe enough has been told to make you wish you had been there, and shall, however, have to leave out the other valuable gems of literature and oratory and give below a list of those present.

The following guests honored us with their presence: Postmaster W. H. Krumm, of Columbus; Messrs. W. H. Barnum, H. C. Crowell and Roy H. Beatty, of Cleveland; Dr. J. M. Henderson, President of the American Numismatic Assn., Columbus, Ohio; Mr. Lowry Langley, Mr. Nagle, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Broadbeck.

The following members were in attendance: H. S. Adair, Geo. K. Smith, Jr., Jesse F. Ranney, Carl W. Sachs,

Eben S. Martin, Wm. F. Savage, Geo. W. Linn, Paul Mason, Mr. Dosch, Mr. Sandrock, Ed. Parker, T. Broucher, Opha Moore, E. A. Bauer, C. B. Duffy and Oscar Schenck.

Among our out of town members we were pleased to greet the following: R. R. Wright, W. G. Windhurst, W. H. Schaffner and Fred Fogleson, of Marion, Ohio; Henry Fleek, of Newark, Ohio, and H. H. Johnstin, of London, Ohio.

The meeting was enjoyed by all present and broke up at a late hour; many of the boys didn't "go home 'til morning."



News of The Month

CHICAGO LETTER

Chicago has had several attacks of insanity, first the imperforates; then the 1847 issue; and now the bluish experimental paper. It seems as though the latter is the most expensive of the three—but wait until the other cities follow suit. Where will the prices go?

The older collectors will be grieved to hear of the death of Rev. Francis Sixt. The father was perhaps the best known and beloved local collector of ten to twenty years ago and it was with genuine sorrow that the news of his death was received.

A local dealer is responsible for the rumor that the 8c. value has been discovered on bluish paper. We have not seen or heard of them from any other source. We're from Missouri.

Friend Carter's tirade on the auction business in little old N'York was read with interest by our local offenders—Staub-Clark & P. M. The sub-committee reported a verdict of "brain storm following some slight attack of sorchead."

Eddie Rosenthal is in the game again—with both feet. Besides being President of the Branch and Vice-President of the C. P. S.—he is beginning a collection of Holland and Colonies which bids fair to win some attention at the convention. Of course, every man to his liking—but ye gods—those perforations.

An Apology—In our December notes we said something about hoping E. C. Scheffler would be the next C. P. S. Secretary. At the time this was written Mr. Fowler (then Secretary) had emphatically declined re-election and Mr. Scheffler had consented to be nominated for the position. Later Mr. Fowler announced his desire to serve another term. We meant no harm to anyone and beg Mr. Scheffler's pardon for using his name.

There is hardly a day goes by but what some committee or other meets to make plans for the Convention next August. Exhibition Com., Entertainment Com., Hotel Com., Badge Com., etc., etc., follow each other at such short intervals that we wonder how much is being planned.

The annual banquet of the Chicago Philatelic Society will be held Saturday, January 28th. The usual royal good time is promised.

The question of Pilgrim's identity has at last been settled—positively and beyond question. Suspicion focused on Dr. Rogers, Hughey Clark, Harry Lindquist and John Lord. We questioned each of the gentlemen separately and secured confessions from all. Each confessed that he alone was responsible. We predict a quadruple hanging.

A few suggestions for any stamp paper:

Why not predict a record breaking year?

Why not print some articles on Hawaii?

Several C. P. S. members are planning to attend the Boston Philatelic Society's banquet in February.

SAYINGS OF GREAT MEN—CONTINUED

"The Collectors Journal will be out next week."

—Harry Lindquist.

"Who said Nicaragua?"—John E. Lord.

"When I lived in Seattle."—Doc Rogers.

"Can you explain these minor varieties."—F. E. Gilbert.

The January meeting of Chicago Branch No. 1 had the largest attendance of any in years. The contest was a "sockdologer" and floored nearly everyone but Charlie Severn who walked off with first prize. His prize will be put up at the next meeting a la Vanderbilt Cup idea.

About the plans for the convention—everything is running smoothly and arrangements are being made to accom-

odate the largest number of attendants ever seen at a stamp convention. About the entertainment—but as that part is a secret we fear the results if we divulge them. All we can say is—don't fail to come. PILGRIM.

NEW YORK LETTER

House organs are in fashion. New York City boasts of no less than seven. The last to join the ranks promises plenty of ginger. Spicy subjects are better than peppery paragraphs, but should be salted down or Uncle Sam may not admit his folks to deliver the circular.

The announcement that the new watermark had been issued brought many orders for the old watermarked imperfs. The latter have been dead stock for several months. The two high values will not be printed on the new paper for several months.

Henry J. Duveen, the millionaire art dealer of Fifth avenue, whom the government charges with under-valuing manifests sent through the custom house, has the sympathy of the city dealers. Mr. Duveen has always been a liberal patron and a keen philatelist. His collection ranks second. This case recalls the early trials of stamp dealers with the custom officials. It was through the efforts of J. W. Scott and Henry Calman that stamps are duty free. Mr. Scott informed the custom people that the collection in dispute was of no value, but plus brains was worth many dollars. Mr. Duveen's trouble is, no doubt, of the same nature. He can not be expected to pay duty on salesmanship, the factor that doubles the value.

Scott's prices on blued papers are a trifle low. They reflect the value of months ago, having been compiled in July. Two dollars added to the prices of the 6c., 10c. and 15c. would be nearly right.

A gentleman from the Cayman's honored Nassau street dealers with a visit. He carried \$10,000 worth of "Ki-mans." As far as could be learned none of the New York dealers bought, but it is said a Boston dealer bit off quite a bit. The 4d. on yellow paper evidently were not all used for provisionals or revenues.

During the absence of Frank Coombs, of the Metropolitan Stamp Co., the office is in the able hands of Mr. Marshall Hamilton Hancock. Mr. Coombs visits Europe semi-annually.

Dr. Carroll B. Chase, whose researches on the first two issues of United States are well-known, attended George Tuttle's sale primarily to bid on a block of 4 1c. 1851. It was listed as type II, catalog value \$1.60. The doctor bid it in at \$2.00, and has refused \$175 for it. The block showed four distinct and undisputable type I scrolls. Since then certain near-sighted persons are carrying telescopes.

Percy G. Doane's popular Saturday afternoon sales are well attended and although Mr. Doane is holding more sales this season than before, the attendance keeps up very well.

A dealer on Nassau street displayed in his window a sheet of last year's Red Cross Xmas stamps, offering 100 for 25c. It seems tragic that one can economize even in charity.

Advertising is powerful. The 1847 5c. has been boosted as a \$3.50 stamp and actually brings that amount in auctions. The catalogue makers are not fooled by cliques or corners. It may still be had at \$1.25. Auction prices are not true values.

Notice how the 4d. blue Cape triangles are gradually reaching the dollar mark? Gammons has fitted up two extra packing cases to contain his "corner" on this stamp. Stanley Gibbon's wheat-bag full of triangles fades into insignificance.

AUSTRALIAN LETTER The New Zealand King heads are coming in a mixture of perforations. The $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1d. are perforated 14x15 only, the 4d. 14x14 $\frac{1}{2}$ only, the 8d. 14x14 only, the 2, 3, 5 and 6d. and 1sh. are issued in both 14x14 and 14x14 $\frac{1}{2}$. The 2, 4 and 8d. and 1sh. pictorial are still in concurrent use with the King's heads.

So far, the $\frac{1}{2}$, 1 and 6d. are the only King's heads overprinted for official use.

It is interesting to note that throughout all the changes in the New Zealand stamps since 1903, the overprinted stamps for use in Aitutaki, Niue and Penrhyn Islands have not altered.

In a letter recently received from New Hebrides, the Condominium postmaster informs me that the 2d. is completely exhausted and that he is very short of most other

values. He also states he has received word of a new supply coming from London. This would indicate the much talked of joint issue, previous supplies having been sent direct from Fiji.

I have the recently issued 1d. Cook Islands, with the watermark normal, sideways and inverted, all others values as before.

On November 19th I received a supply of stamps from Papua, and note the following (to me) varieties:

1d., 2½d., and 4d., wmk. upright, Papua in large letters.

2d., 6d., and 1sh., wmk. inverted, Papua in large letters.

The 2½d. and 1sh. are absolutely new and distinct shades, the former being a bluish mauve and the latter a very deep orange.



The Auction Market

We are making arrangements whereby we will be enabled to give in future numbers some quotations of selling prices of stamps at auction. This feature has always been popular with our readers and we will continue it to the best of our ability. We can only give you a few notes this month, on what is happening in the auction field.

February will be a banner month for the auction business in Columbus. The International Stamp Co. has a sale on the 14th and another on the 28th. The big event, however, is the sale by the Columbus Collectors Club on the 21st. The publishers can supply you with a catalog.

The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. are going to hold an auction sale for dealers on Feb. 25th. The sale will consist of between five and six hundred lots, made up in lots of from one hundred to one thousand stamps of a kind, also mixtures and sets. This will be an elegant chance for the small dealers to buy stock at their own figures and collectors can get a grand lot of duplicates for trading purposes. The catalog will be ready to mail about Feb. 4th and lest you forget you should write for a copy at once.

The Nassau Stamp Co., of New York, are preparing for sale at auction, the collection of Mr. Stanton. The sale will be in four parts. Part I, U. S. and Colonies. Part II, Great Britain and Colonies. Part III, Europe. Part IV, rest of the world.

Garfield-Perry Stamp Club

REPORT OF MEETING HELD JANUARY 5, 1911

The first regular meeting of the new year was held on Jan. 5, 1911, at Room 202 The Arcade. In the absence of President Crowell, Vice-President Beatty presided in the chair. The following members were present: Messrs. Langdon, Larsen, Lehman, Crowell, Beatty, L. G. French, Barnum, Williams, Good, Weigel, Bradshaw, Whittaker, Moses, Liebner Mack, Guscott, Weber, Fenn, Rust, and Otto C. Reymann, of Pittsburg.

After reading the minutes of the last meeting, which were approved as read, the Board of Directors announced that P. G. Fenn had been elected to membership in the club. The Secretary was authorized to have 500 membership cards printed, also to notify by letter all members whose dues were two years in arrears that they would be dropped for non-payment of dues if same were not paid within 30 days after date of letter.

It was announced that in the future there would be two prizes given for any contest arranged by the Entertainment Committee. These prizes not to exceed 80 cents, and credit slips to be given to winners; holders of which could select stamps in payment of same from the Exchange Manager's books. The Exchange Manager in turn to draw on the Treasurer for the amounts the slips call for.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary extend a vote of thanks of the club to the Columbus Collectors Club for their very kind invitation to their 100th Meeting, Fourth Annual Luncheon, and House Warming.

Mr. French for the Entertainment Committee announced an auction sale for the first meeting in February. Mr. Beatty spoke on the Annual Banquet to be held in March, and appointed Messrs. Langdon, Good and Rust as members on the Banquet Committee.

The entertainment for the evening consisted of two contests, one on the portraits on U. S. stamps; the other geographical. Mr. Beatty won the first; Mr. Reymann the second.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p. m.—J. F. Rust, Secretary.

A Philatelic Bibliography

The Catalogue of the Philatelic Library of the Earl of Crawford, K. T., is now in the press and will shortly be published. This portion of the famous Bibliotheca Lindesiana is by far the most extensive collection extant of the literature relating to postage stamps, stamp collecting and kindred subjects, and for all practical purposes may be considered as complete. Its formation has occupied its owner for a number of years, and its arrangement, collating and cataloguing have been the assiduous care of Mr. E. D. Bacon, President of the Philatelic Literature Society, and the leading authority in the world on philatelic literature.

It is by special permission dedicated to His Majesty The King, Patron of the Royal Philatelic Society.

The Catalogue has been compiled in great detail, and from its extensive scope it can fairly claim to be a complete bibliography of philately. The original edition is intended for private distribution only, but Lord Crawford has most generously allowed a further edition to be printed off, and published by the Philatelic Literature Society, so as to make the work available to all students and collectors of philatelic literature, and the Society has undertaken to issue a limited number of copies, the object being to circulate a work of supreme importance, which would otherwise be unobtainable. The initial cost of a work of this kind is so great that its publication would be almost impossible through the ordinary channels, but Lord Crawford's munificent gift enables the Society to place before collectors an invaluable work of reference, at a price quite incommensurate either with its intrinsic value or its actual cost of production.

The scope of this great catalogue is immense. Every handbook, pamphlet, periodical, catalogue and price-list, whether important or not, relating to stamps and stamp collecting, posts and postal service, and all cognate subjects, comes within its purview, and the Catalogue, besides listing the works contained in the Library also indicates the known omissions. The fullest possible bibliographical details are given as to edition, collating, illustrations, etc., the particulars being often furnished in extensive notes to each entry, and the addition of subject entries for all monographs renders the work especially useful. As a whole the volume

will rank as one of the finest contributions to bibliography ever issued.

It will be published about the end of February, 1911, in one volume of 470 pages, 14 by 10½ inches, printed in double columns on specially made paper. 300 copies only will be printed, of which 200 are offered for sale, and the type will be distributed. The price will be Two Guineas net, and since a considerable proportion of the issue will be absorbed by Societies and Public Institutions, application should be made immediately, as in no case can the above number of copies be exceeded, and the work can never be reprinted.

All communications should be addressed to Mr. F. J. Peplow, Hon. Secretary, Philatelic Literature Society, 185 Barry Road, Dulwich, London, S. E.



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Another month has passed and one more member is added to our list. Since our "Check List of 1909 Publications" is now completed, many corrections and changes are to be made and then the matter will be printed in book form, as fast as practical. This work will necessarily take some time as arrangements with the printers have been made whereby there will be some saving in the cost if the job can be handled on their own time. However, the book is to be ready by April 1st, the date on which dues will be payable for another year, and it is proposed to distribute the books as the dues are paid. We expect also to start the 1910 list very soon and believe we will have little trouble with it as the data has been gathered each month as the magazines and publications appeared.

Our annual election will fall due in March and it is suggested that nominations be made at once, for the following offices: President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Council (3 to be elected.) The office of Historian is filled by appointment. Nominations should reach the Secretary by February 15th.

NEW MEMBERS

45. Rev. L. G. Dorpat, Wayside, Wis.
Fraternally yours,
GEORGE W. LINN, Secy.-Treas.



The Publishers Page

OUR CHANGE OF SHAPE

Many of our readers will be surprised on receipt of this issue of The Stamp Collector in its new form. We trust, however, that they will recover sufficiently to read it carefully and bear in mind that future numbers will show an improvement over this one, which is hastily prepared. We have made this change simply as a matter of business, as it is our aim to put the magazine on a self supporting basis. It may be a matter of news to some of our readers, who undoubtedly hold the opinion that running a stamp magazine is a get rich quick game, to know that up to the present time, not a single issue of this magazine has produced enough money to pay its cost. In fact, the loss on each number has been from \$50.00 down to about \$25.00 per month. This is only figuring the actual cost of putting the magazine in the mails for delivery to you. If you will stop to consider the enormous amount of work in the way of correspondence and other matters that must be attended to you could easily figure the loss at double the above figures. This new shape we have adopted will permit us to continue as before, and give you a magazine whose contents are unlike any other and at the same time, enable us to make a great saving in the cost of production.

OUR BEST FRIENDS

Our thanks are due the advertisers who are using space in this number and particularly to those who have been constantly with us for the past several months. It is only through their loyal support that we have been able to do as well as we have. Most all of them have renewed their contracts and are still with us in our new form. We feel proud of every one of them and can assure our readers of their reliability. We carry a higher class of advertising patronage than any other monthly magazine in America.

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The Stamp Publications of the State of Colorado Up to the Thirty-first of December, 1910

By CHAS A NAST

IN PREPARING this short sketch of the history of philatelic literature in Colorado, I have tried to make the list complete and I am quite sure of all the facts and figures here given. With the single exception of the "Cyclone," which is credited with three issues in this state, I have seen and read every paper listed herein. I begin with those published in Denver, and keep that city's papers separate from those in other parts of the state because that city has always been the scene of great philatelic endeavor. In the past Denver has entertained every one of the great philatelic societies in annual convention, and for its size has done much for philately. Never once without its local organization, it has in addition generally been represented by a stamp paper of some kind. At one time in its past history no less than three papers were published contemporaneously in Denver. That was in 1887, and they were all good; a great record truly. In fact Denver was a greater stamp center in 1888 than it is today, though its population is four times as large. At this writing we can boast of a fine local society, and in point of enthusiasm few can beat it.

CHECK LIST

The Stamp—Denver, Colo., 1886—Vol. I, 12 nos.; II, 12 nos.; III, 12 nos.; IV, 1, 2.*

Collectors Review—Denver, Colo., 1887—Vol. I, 12 nos.; II, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.*

Stamp Record—Denver, Colo., 1887—Vol. I, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.*

- Collectors Comment**—Denver, Colo., 1888—Vol. I, 1, 2, 3.*
- Collectors Review**—Denver, Colo., 1893—Vol. I, 1, 2, 3, 4.*
- The Philatelist**—Denver, Colo., 1893—Vol. I, 12 nos.; II, 12 nos.; III, 12 nos.; IV, 1, 2.*
- Rocky Mountain Stamp**—Denver, Colo., 1895—Vol. I, 12 nos.; II, 12 nos.; III, 12 nos.; IV, 1, 2.*
- The Curio**—Denver, Colo., 1895—Vol. I, 1.*
- Juvenile Philatelist**—Denver, Colo., 1906—Vol. I, 1, 2, 3, 4.*
- Western Stamp Collector**—Denver, Colo., 1906—Vol. I, 1, 2, 3.*
- Stamp Journal**—Denver, Colo., and Florida, N. Y., 1908—Vol. I, 11 nos.; II, 12 nos.; III 12 nos. current.
- Vest Pocket Philatelist**—Denver, Colo., 1908—Vol. I, 6 nos.; II, 6 nos.; III, 6 nos.; current.
- Rocky Mountain Philatelist**—Boulder, Colo., 1893—Vol. I, 1, 2.*
- The Stampman**—Pueblo and South Fork, Colo., 1896—Vol. I, 6 nos.; II, 6 nos.; III, 4 nos.; IV, 6 nos.; V, 6 nos.; VI, 1, 2, 3, 4.*
- Philatelist's Beacon**—Golden, Colo., 1902—Vol. I, 1.* (Jan., 1902.)
- The Cyclone**—Hika, Wis. and Golden, Colo., 1902—Vol. I, 12 nos.; II, 11 nos.; III, 1, 2.*
- Little Gem**—Loveland, Colo., 1906—14 nos. variously dated. Stamp department only.
- Western Collector**—Boulder, Colo., 1910—Vol. I, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Current.

*Last number.

MAGAZINES PUBLISHED IN DENVER

The Stamp

This was the first paper published within the domain of the state. Its first number appeared in March, 1886, size 6x9. Edited and published by D. W. Osgood and John E. Feldwisch. The first of these is living in Seattle, Wash., and the last died in August, 1910. Both these gentlemen were able and experienced newspaper men, and the paper soon ranked as one of the most popular stamp journals of its day. A series of portraits (wood engravings) of philatelists prominent in those days graced its pages, one of these being A. W. Dunning, who is still actively interested.

Collectors Review

First appeared in October, 1886, about the same size as the foregoing, 6x8½. Published by Henry A. Babb and Frank E. Carstarphen. It was an able and honorable competitor, and appeared regularly for seventeen months. Both proprietors gave it up to go into professions, Carstarphen moving to New York City where he soon became a prominent theatrical attorney. Its most notable contributor was Major (then Lieut.) J. M. Partello, whose series of articles entitled "A Philatelist's Observations Abroad" were very interesting and make good reading even today.

Stamp Record

During the year 1887 a new monthly journal was launched by Messrs. Tedford and Richards. It was very well edited and printed. Only four numbers appeared, viz.: February, March, April and May. Evidently Denver was not the best field for a third stamp paper. This was also a 6x9, of four and eight pages. It is very scarce as the edition was undoubtedly small.

Collector's Comment

Also a monthly, size 6x8½, consisting of four pages. First number appeared in October, 1888. After the second number it was sold to the Colorado Philatelic Co. by its owner and publisher, Harry Babb. Only three numbers were ever issued. Of all Colorado's publications it was the least important, and yet among the advertisers I note, Batchelder Stamp Co., of St. Louis; W. H. Greany, San Francisco; Townsend, of Akron, Ohio; H. C. Beardsley, F. N. Massoth and other well known names.

Collector's Review

On April 1st, 1893, E. W. Plummer resurrected this old name. Eddie was only 16 years old then, but he certainly produced a fine readable journal for those days. The size was 6x9 for the first three numbers, while the fourth and last number, issued from Berkeley, a suburb and part of Denver, was 8x10½ inches. Four pages to each number. How much better if all had been of like dimensions? However, Plummer was not to be without competition, and while Denver had been without any stamp paper for five years it was now to have two almost simultaneously.

The Philatelist

On April 10th, 1893, Lewis Bishop issued the first number of what all regarded at the time, as the best monthly in the United States. Like its twin brother, the "Collector's Review," it ceased after its fourth number, the last issue being a double number for July-August. This magazine contained 22 to 26 pages besides cover. It is not rare, a big edition having been printed each month. Such men as Louis G. Quackenbush, Chas. E. Severn, J. P. Glass, Charles E. Jenny, and that young giant intellect W. A. Withrow, H. C. Beardsley and others were regular contributors. No one has so completely dropped out of existence as its publisher and editor, Lewis Bishop. A great many people thought at the time of the of the South American swindle that "Williams & Co." must be this same Bishop. He left Denver under a cloud and his competitor, Plummer, had the satisfaction of giving in his last number of the "Review" a full description of the thrilling escape of this defaulter, while under arrest on the charge of fraud through the mails. He had been taken into custody by a post office inspector, and while the officer's attention was distracted for a moment, he jumped out of a second story window and alighted on a skylight through which he crashed unhurt, and before the astonished clerks could recover from their surprise, had rushed out of the store, into the street, and was never seen again. No doubt the panic of 1893 laid low both of these publications.

Rocky Mountain Stamp

In 1895 things began to look up in Denver and in January of this year the first number of this well known and deservedly popular paper appeared. The editor was Jos. S. Davis and the business manager C. C. Harrington. After a few issues the editorial management was taken up by John E. Zahn, who continued to look after all except the last two numbers, which were edited and published by J. F. Dodge, of New Oxford, Pa. By a strange coincidence exactly 38 numbers were published (though not consecutively), the identical number of issues of the "Stamp," Denver's first journal devoted to philately. Its last issue bears date of November, 1898.

The Curio

In February, 1895, a magazine bearing this name appeared, size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ inches, 8 pp. and cover, published by

Edward Plummer and edited by himself and Oney Carstarphen. It was devoted to natural science, but had a good stamp department, several well written articles on stamps being the best part of the journal. Only one number was ever issued.

Juvenile Philatelist

After an interval of eight years following the demise of the "Rocky Mountain Stamp," the silence was broken by the appearance of two small papers, projected by young collector-dealers. In February, 1906, Mr. Arnold L. Neil issued the first number of the "Juvenile Philatelist," size 6x9, consisting of six pages, which were increased to eight with No. 2. Only four numbers were issued, viz.: February, March, April and May. It was good for a juvenile paper.

Western Stamp Collector

They always do things in pairs in Denver apparently. In April, 1906, Mr. C. M. Snyder issued the first number of his publication. Like all the others this too was a monthly. Only three numbers were issued. The last contained an article written for boys on the easiest way to obtain match and medicine stamps.

Stamp Journal

This was first issued in January, 1908, with Dr. H. A. Davis as business manager and Charles A. Nast editor, these gentlemen being elected to their respective offices by the directors of the publishing company, composed of eight members of the Denver Stamp Club. Owing to change of employment of the business manager which necessitated his traveling all over the state, the paper was sold in February, 1909, to Clarence P. DeKay, who became sole proprietor. After issuing the paper regularly each month thereafter Mr. DeKay moved the paper to Florida, N. Y., from whence in September, 1909, the first edition was printed. It is still current. In October, 1910, Mr. Nast relinquished the editorial chair to Mr. DeKay who now assumes full authority. From a small beginning this journal has grown to a very large and influential one. It is Colorado's best offering to stamp literature. Much of its success is due to the extraordinary business ability of its proprietor. The reason for giving only 11 numbers to Vol. I of this paper is due to a double number (9-10) in October, 1908. The size is 6x9 and latterly has consisted of 36 to 52 pages.

Vest Pocket Philatelist

This diminutive stamp paper first made its appearance in December, 1908. It is still current, and though small in size, $2\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ inches, it is well filled with first-class stamp literature, contains from 12 to 16 pp., and is edited and published by Dr. H. A. Davis, 2124 East 12th Ave., Denver, Colo. The first four numbers of Vol. I appeared in December, 1908, January, February and March, 1909, then there was a break, No. 5 appearing in the following September and No. 6 in December, 1909. Since then it has been regularly issued each month. It is the little "Puck" of stampdom.

MAGAZINES PUBLISHED OUTSIDE OF DENVER

Rocky Mountain Philatelist

Published at Boulder, Colo., by H. E. Roth and E. D. Torrey. Only two numbers dated February and June 10 1893. Size $6 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$. No. 1 had 12 pp. and cover, and was very promising. No. 2 dropped down to 8 pp. and cover and from the contents it was easy to see that the end had been reached. They, however, make a very interesting addition to any stamp library. The initial number contains a well written article by Roy F. Green on "Women's Part in Philately," and the speech delivered by Senator E. O. Walcott in the U. S. Senate denouncing the Post Office Department for foisting the Columbian emission of stamps on collectors, comparing our government to South American republics which printed stamps just to sell to stamp collectors. He referred to them as "porous plasters."

(Concluded in March Number)



News of The Month

CHICAGO LETTER

Well, it's over, the big doings of the year, the annual C. P. S. Banquet. The time was January 28th, and the place was Boston

Oyster House.

Unanimous vote—NEVER BETTER.

We were under the impression that rebates were illegal. Of course, it may be all right, but will someone kindly ex-

plain the status of the Columbian half dollar which was presented to each guest. Some called them souvenirs, we call it genius.

The annual NICARAGUAN reunion was celebrated last week. Five members were present, Roterberg, Lord, Johnson, Speakman, and Rogers. We might extract a wheeze from that about "Old Nicks" but we won't—(we don't dare.)

Like ourself—this column is going to be short this month, the banquet is the reason in both cases.

Our cousin, Parnassus Penflip, has informed us that he may ask us to officiate as best man at some not far distant date. Congratulations, old man, but we'll have to ask our editor about it.

PILGRIM.

NEW YORK LETTER

Corner on the 6c. Guy of the Newfoundland set is impregnable. The new supply of the high values (6c. to 15c.) was received at St. Johns, January 31. All the stamps are different, either in shade or perforations. The 6c. is printed in a dark brown purple, perforated 14. This gives three varieties, as follows:

1. Perf. 12 (Z in colonization reversed).
2. Perf. 12 (Z normal).
3. Perf. 14 (Z normal, deeper shade).

On the lower values the perf. has been altered from 12 to 12x14, to date the 1c., 2c., 4c. and 5c. having been noted.

The holdup is complete. Type 1 will be good property.

Fire destroyed the building in which the Monopol Stamp Co. was housed. The firm consists of two brothers, young Germans. Their grit and determination in opening an office on Broadway was generally admired, especially so in view of the fact that neither thoroughly understands our methods. Dealing in Germany and America are two separate and distinct propositions. For our part we'd rather open a chop-suey parlor in China.

Stanley Gibbons and Bartels made an exchange of clerks last month. Mr. Hugo Meyer, a husky German youth, formerly with Kosack, and with Bartels as foreign correspondent, will occupy a similar position with Mr. Powers' firm. A very pleasing personality, a thorough knowledge of the

European market and a good working idea of stamps are Mr. Meyer's chief characteristics. Perhaps he may rattle off a few paragraphs for Gibbons' Circular, giving it an added dash of ginger.

Has anybody seen Capt. Chas. King? The auction rooms miss the N. Y. ex-correspondent of the Stamp Collector.

Editor's Note.—The Captain is in London and says he will be back soon.

Quite a scramble for Honduras stamps lately. Some philatelists follow the newspapers closely. The announcement of Ecuador selling a few islands to the U. S. causes a rush for Ecuadors. A week later the sale is called off and the philatelist's ardor deadens. He follows the navy. Nicaragua will always be a prime favorite. Its many surcharges seem to be an inducement rather than a discouragement. A big flock of over-prints has just been let loose. A promise of a new set in April makes early acquisition of the provisions advisable.

How can a stamp dealer buy a \$5,000 collection, install a three-ton safe, wear a \$300 fur coat and sport a \$200 diamond all in one month? We always thought stamp dealers were broke. Mr. Charlat please write.

The general impression in New York is that Charley Mekeel must be selling lots of real estate. (Don't let that pun go over your head.) The last number of the journal was dated Dec. 1.

We know several dozen dealers who use up boxes of Trophies dreaming how they would spend the proceeds of a find of blued papers. Not hopeless dreams, either. The 13c. at \$150 a block, the 4c. and 8c. at \$45 each listen purty good. They are turning up every month.

Fred Melville, the handsome boy editor of England, is expected in New York the middle of this month.

A big batch of 1902 5c. imperfs was recently turned on the New York market, but was snapped up quickly at a dollar under catalog. PHIL. KNICKERBOCKER.

MARION, O. LETTER A number of prominent men in the city, who are interested in the collection of postage stamps of the various countries of the world, met in the room under the Marion County bank, Wed-

nesday evening, January 25, and organized a stamp collectors' society. The following officers were elected:

W. G. Windhurst, president; R. R. Wright, vice-president, and W. H. Schaffner, secretary and treasurer.

Another meeting will be held in two weeks to perfect the organization, and to confer a name on the society.

Most of the members belong to the Columbus Collectors' Club and for some time they have been discussing the organization of a local society. A number of the collectors have fine collections, their albums being filled with rare stamps, many of them carrying with them their own peculiar history, which makes the task of collecting them both fascinating and educational.

The above is taken from the Marion Star and we want to congratulate the Marion boys on their organization and wish them many years of success. We know that a couple of very fine collections are located in Marion and also several good fellows. You would know this as well as we do if you had been with some of us collectors from Columbus when we spent a day and a night in Marion, several months ago. Cheer up now, for they have promised to ask us up again this summer and let me tell you that next to attending an A. P. S. convention I don't know where you could have a better time.

CANAL ZONE LETTER The following news from the Canal Zone will be of interest to all collectors and we take pleasure in quoting our correspondent's letter in full.

Pedro Miguel, Canal Zone, Jan. 20, 1911.

"I hand you herewith specimen of new Canal Zone 10c. on Panama 13c. slate green (map type) just issued Jan. 16th, and it is reasonable to assume that the stamp will not now be issued as a 13c. inasmuch as the necessity has largely disappeared with the changed registry fee. The Canal Zone surcharge was applied in the States by the American Bank Note Co. of New York, but the "10 cts." was added at the Government Printing Plant on the Isthmus.

GERALD D. BLISS, Postmaster."

Another letter of a later date is even more interesting than the above. We quote it in full also.

Pedro Miguel, Canal Zone, Feb. 1, 1911.

"I inclose herewith copy of the new $\frac{1}{2}$ c. orange Panama which, with the new stamp books was placed on sale in Panama City this morning, the books of which previous mention has been made, also contain the new Panama 1c., which has not been chronicled but the ones are not yet available excepting in book form and inasmuch as they are identical, excepting for surcharge, with the current Zone ones, I do not inclose copy.

The new stamps come in sheets of seventy, 7 verticle rows, and it seems reasonable to assume that the remaining three rows are detached and bound in the books, the leaves of which consist of two horizontal rows of three, this is not official, however, and is only the result of a little "Sherlock Holmes" deduction on the part of the writer; it is further supported by the fact that the stamps are bound in the books by the left margins.

The stamps are ungummed and I infer that Panama "O. G." is now a thing of the past, if indeed such a thing ever occurred.

One of the books before me shows that they contain: 6 tens, 6 fives, 12 two and one-halves, 18 ones and 18 one-halves, a face value of \$1.47, and they are sold by the post office for \$1.50 and are something of a novelty in the philatelic line.

Very respectfully yours,

GERALD D. BLISS, Postmaster."



The Auction Market

The auction business for the past few months has been booming, and many fine collections have been sold and several more are to be sold in the sales already announced.

We notice in The Postage Stamp of London, England, an item which will be of interest and we quote it in full: "The strike in the printing trade in London has already affected several stamp printing firms, and a number of others, comprising nearly all the firms known to have stamp contracts in the metropolis are likly to be affected if the dispute be not settled shortly. Meanwhile, even the auctioneers are experiencing some trouble, for a note accompanying an auction catalog to hand this week states that 'Messrs. Ven-

tom, Bull & Cooper regret that, in consequence of a strike in the printing trade, the issue of their catalogue has been delayed.'"

In case your favorite English magazine does not appear in time you can probably blame it on the printer; that's customary.

Hugh M. Clark, the popular young Chicago dealer, will hold his 15th sale on March 25th. The sale will contain some of the finest lots of United States stamps offered this season, in fact the sale is to be made up entirely of U. S. Postage, Revenues, Envelopes, M. & M., etc., etc., and will in this respect be quite a novelty. Many good things are included, such as the 1869 Reissue complete, a 6c orange proprietary and an excellent collection of envelopes, besides numerous other very fine and desirable stamps.

The Philadelphia Stamp Co. sale of March 10-11 contains several lots of great interest to collectors of U. S.. We note lots of the 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 13 and 15c U. S. on the bluish paper, there being a single of each and a pair of each, each piece being in a lot by itself. We hope we can give you the selling prices on these stamps in our next number. Many other good U. S. and foreign are included in the sale.

J. C. Morgenthau & Co.'s forty-second sale to be held on March 13, 14, 16, contains an exceptionally fine lot of stamps, the property of Mr. F. Spiegelberg, the catalog contains 70 pages and the three days' sale is made up entirely of the countries of Europe and their colonies

The C. E. Husseman Stamp Co. will hold their thirteenth sale on Saturday, March 18th.

Columbus Collectors' Club, Feb. 21st Sale

A success in most ways, was the sale held by the C. C. C. on the above date. The club went to considerable expense in preparing a nice catalog for the convenience of mail bidders, but the number of mail bids received was very small, only two lot of stamps being purchased by other than local members. A sale of this nature always creates much pleasure, not the least of which was the competitive bidding between different members. The sale was started with Mr. Adair as auctioneer and the first lot, a nice copy of the 10c 1847 on cover was purchased by Mr. Linn at \$2.90. Mr. Adair then proceeded until about 60 lots were disposed of when

his voice gave out and Mr. Linn sold the remainder of the lots. One has to be pretty wide awake and have a thorough acquaintance with the sign language to become a good auctioneer, the lift of an eyelid by Mr. Savage (who by the way is an optician) means "I raise it five cents." Contracting the brow by Mr. Mason, or the movement of his lead pencil by Mr. Martin also has the same meaning. The auctioneer also added his own bids in without announcing them, thus causing many of the boys to wonder who had raised them. A nice copy of Switzerland 1849, No. 13, sold at \$4.70 to Mr. Schenck; this was the record price for the evening. The total of the sale was between \$65 and \$70. This money is to be used to place a pool and billiard table in the new club rooms.

Hugh M. Clark, Chicago, Jan. 28th Sale

Several lots of proofs and essays went at prices which should cause much bidding by persons interested in these items, all were bargains.

	Cat.	Sold.
○U. S. 1847, 10c shifted die, fine margins except at left, design intact, red cancellation	?	\$24.85
○U. S. 1857-60, 90c blue, perfectly centered, light blue cancellation, bright color, the finest copy imaginable.....	\$25.00	13.50
○U. S. 1902-3, 4c brown, No. 303B, with Schermack perforation. Guaranteed by Mr. Karl Koslowski, the discoverer of this variety	?	52.25
*U. S. 1908-09, 15c on bluish, No. 332A, block of 4, o. g. perfs touch at bottom and right, margin attached	?	20.10
*Newfoundland, 1 sh lake, No. 23, o. g. perfection, complete sheet of 20.....	30.00	20.35
○Porto Rico, 1877, 10c brown, No. 14C, well centered, lightly cancelled, has minute thin spot, error of color.....	30.00	15.10

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., New York., Feb. 2, 3, Sale

★Bavaria, 1849, 1kr. gray black, double print splendid margins, fine.....	?	22.50
★———, 1876, 1m. violet, No. 44, o. g. fine..	75.00	46.00
★Hanover, 1850, 1gg. gray blue, o. g. fine.....	75.00	51.00

★ Prussia, 1856, 2 sgr. deep blue, No. 79, o. g., bright color, fine, Gibbons' cat.....	100.00	71.00
★ Saxony, 3p. brown red, fine margins except at top, almost full o. g., fine color.....	100.00	60.00
It is curious to note that another copy of this stamp with small margins, but showing outer line all around, full o. g., sold for only		
		4.30
★ Denmark, 1902, 2c. on 3c. blue and carmine, the rare variety, "2" with straight tail, No. 23A o. g., very fine.....		27.50
★ Iceland, 1897, 3A on 5A green, No. 23, both surcharges inverted, not catalogued by Scot, o. g. fine.....		42.00
★ Sweden, 1872, 30 ore vermilion, Perf 13, "Tretio" error, nicely entered but has lost upper left corner perf. Gibbons' cat.....	110.00	63.00
★ Hawaii, 1859, 1c blue on bluish white paper, No. 10, Luff, No. 2 in Plate II, Crocker No. 8 in Plate I, margin clear of design all around, part gum, slight stain at lower right	?	90.00
○ Cover bearing, U. S. 1869, 10c yellow with Peru 1D red and Great Britain 6P, violet from Callao via Panama to New York. The Gr. Britain and Peru cancelled C38...		5.10
○ Ten envelopes used in Southern cities stamped "Paid 5" or "Paid 10" with cancellation in addition, sold for.....		16.00
○ Switzerland, Geneva, 1843, 10c yellow green, No. 2, fine copy of this rare Double Geneva, on cover, red cancellation, fine... ..	140.00	127.00
○ —, Zurich, 1843, 4R black No. 8, type IV, very fine copy, lightly cancelled in black, or small cover, cancelled "Winterthur, May 12"	60.00	59.00

The total amount realized at this sale was \$5,570.95. Many other rarities were sold at good prices and the priced catalog is an interesting study.

The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co., St. Louis, Jan. 21st Sale

*Br. Colombia 2c No. 8 mint.....	\$ 1.75	\$ 1.00
*Br. Colombia 50c No. 12 mint.....	7.50	3.55
*Br. Colombia 25c No. 16 mint.....	12.00	5.10

*Br. Colombia \$1.00 No. 13 mint.....	35.00	17.10
*Hayti 2c No. 83 Inverted.....	?	8.10
*Hayti 5c No. 84 Inverted.....	?	8.10
*Hayti 10c No. 86 Inverted.....	?	8.10
*Hayti 50c No. 88 Inverted.....	?	8.10
*Spanish Marianne Kohl 1-2c.....	?	9.50
*Spanish Marianne Kohl 2-3c.....	?	9.50
*Spanish Marianne Kohl 3-6c.....	?	9.50
*Spanish Marianne Kohl 4-8c.....	?	9.50
*Spanish Marianne Kohl 6-15c.....	?	9.50
*Fredericksburg, Va., 10c No. 41.....	50.00	24.20
○Lenoir, N. C., 5c No. 69.....	100.00	33.00
*Tellico Plains 5c No. 136.....	150.00	66.00

International Stamp Co., Columbus, O., Feb. 14th Sale

★U. S., 1851, 1c., no gum, fine margins all sides, type shows very plainly, very fine..	\$150.00	\$48.75
○U. S., 1857, 5c., No. 48, very fine copy.....	4.00	2.55
★U. S., 1869, 6c., dark blue shade, o. g. fine...	4.00	4.05



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In response to our request for nominations for officers for the year beginning April 1, 1911, the following were received:

For President, Chas. A. Nast.

Vice President, Fred Doughty and L. G. Dorpat.

For Secretary and Treasurer, Geo. W. Linn and Julian Park.

For Council, Messrs. Linn, Adair and Smith.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance on hand, October report.....	\$26.36
Received for dues since last report.....	6.00
	32.36
Total.....	32.36
Less Postage.....	.47
	31.89
Balance on hand.....	31.89

Very few changes are apt to be made in the official board as it now stands. Members are requested to mail their votes on the above list, so as to reach the secretary not later than March 31st.

Fraternal yours,

than March 31st.

Fraternally yours,



Canada

Its Stamps and Postal Stationery

The above is the title of the book on Canadian stamps just issued by The New England Stamp Co., of Boston, Mass., and the work of compiling and writing this masterpiece was done by Mr. C. A. Howes, B. Sc., F. R. P. L. S.

We seldom have the pleasure of reviewing a contribution to the Literature of Philately, which is so fine as this. A glance at the book is sufficient to convince one that much time and money have been expended in its production, besides an endless amount of study and research. The name of the author is alone sufficient proof of quality and one's expectations are amply fulfilled as we page through the 287 pages. The book measures $8\frac{1}{4} \times 10\frac{3}{4}$ inches and is $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches thick. It is printed on a very fine quality of antique wove, white rag paper, ample margin being allowed on the pages, and from a typographical standpoint it is far above the average.

This work is the first of any importance on this subject since the publication issued by the London Philatelic Society about 1890. Mr. Howes has been working on the subject for nearly two years and has made special trips to Ottawa, where he had full access to the only complete set of reports of Postmasters General of Canada. Other trips were made to various points in Canada where first hand information was to be obtained, besides trips to Lakewood, N. J.; Cleveland, Ohio, and Syracuse, N. Y., were made, that he might study the stamps themselves, in the collections of Messrs. Pack and Worthington and the late John F. Seybold.

The book is a thorough record of Canadian Postal History from the first establishment of the Canadian postal system in 1763, when Benjamin Franklin, then Postmaster General of the American Colonies, had his territory extended to take in Canada, thus we learn that Benjamin Franklin, the first Postmaster General of the United States, was also the

first Postmaster General of Canada. History is brought down rapidly by many references to the progress and development of the postal systems to the date of the first issue of adhesive stamps and from there on through the balance of the book we find every evidence of the most careful study and research. Fifteen full page photogravure plates, illustrating practically all the issues and including many of the rarities in the way of blocks, pairs and covers are included with the work. The Postal Cards and Stamped Envelopes are also treated in a thorough manner, and the whole goes to make up a very desirable and valuable contribution to Philately. As the publishers say: "Its publication has entailed a heavy expense which cannot bring an adequate return, but which has been charged up to the advancement of Philately." Surely a pleasant way of stating a fact, but we trust collectors will show their appreciation of their efforts and add this book to their library. The price is \$3.00 in paper covers, \$4.00 in cloth, gilt, with pocket for the plates and a special De Luxe edition of 50 copies on Japanese vellum, bound in leather, numbered and signed by the author, is offered at \$10.00 per copy.

Mr. W. H. Peckitt, of London, is the European agent.



The Publishers Page

GENERAL COOLIDGE

Says "Am very much pleased with the size, shape and style of your handy issue for January, 1911, of The Stamp Collector. Keep it up—so much handier than the—poster." Thanks, General, and we are pleased to tell you many others have told us the same, we even think so ourselves.

LETTERS WANTED

We have received so much favorable comment regarding our Chicago and New York letters that we want to get regular correspondents in the other Philatelic centers. Anyone who is prepared to furnish us a monthly letter, should drop us a line at once and we shall try and arrange terms to suit you. Every large city, such as Detroit, Cleveland, St. Louis, Philadelphia, Boston, etc., and other cities with local clubs should be represented in our columns, and we shall be pleased to hear from collectors in all of these places.

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Colonial Stamps

An Article From the Colonial Office Journal, Regarding
Changes in British Colonial Stamps

Reprinted from The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain

IN VIEW of the necessity for an early decision, as to any changes which the various Colonies may wish to make in their issues of stamps in consequence of the accession of H. M. King George V., it may be of interest if we recapitulate shortly the courses which are open and explain their several advantages.

The majority of the Colonies, which have stamps carrying the King's head as the central portion of the design, make use of one or more of the general keyplates for which no charge is made, having already purchased border or duty plates to fit the keyplate.

The four keyplates may be for clearness divided into two divisions:—

(A) The keyplate used by Sierra Leone, Seychelles, etc. This carries not only the King's head, but also either the word—(1) "Postage" on each side, (2) "Revenue" on each side, or (3) "Postage" on one side and "& Revenue" on the other. These are three distinct keyplates, each of which is fitted by the plate bearing only the name of the Colony and the value. The advantage of using this keyplate is that either of the three kinds of keyplates can be used at will with one set of duty plates, producing postage stamps, revenue stamps, or stamps for both purposes. Thus Sierra Leone uses the double purpose stamps, whereas Seychelles has two distinct series. The latter plan naturally facilitates the discrimination between revenue from postal and fiscal sources, but is not so convenient to the users.

(B) The keyplate, which has been comparatively recently introduced, carrying the King's head alone in an oval, the name of the Colony, the value and the use to which the stamp can be put being supplied from the border plate, e.g., the Nyasaland Protectorate stamps. The appearance of stamps printed from this keyplate is very much the finer, but, as the purpose for which the stamps may be used is indicated in the border plate, unless so-called "unified" or double purpose stamps are required or stamps for one purpose only, it is necessary to have two sets of border plates — one for postage and the other for revenue stamps.

There are, however, certain Colonies, such as Ceylon, which purchase their own keyplate as well as border plates. On the present occasion such Colonies will have to decide between buying a fresh keyplate or a set of border plates for use with one or other of the general keyplates. Where the number of values required is comparatively small, the latter course would be the less expensive, as, in buying a new keyplate, it is necessary also to contribute to the cost of the original King's Head die from which the special keyplate is made.

The remaining Colonies which use stamps carrying the King's Head are the Falkland Islands and the Turks Islands. In both cases the head, unfortunately, appears without a crown. They are printed by the copper plate process, which is decidedly more expensive than the surface process, and at one operation, so that a complete set of new plates will be required.

Colonies which have adopted their own badge or arms as the design of their stamps, can, at a very small cost, show the King's Head on a certain number of values, as Mauritius does, by ordering duty plates for some values to fit one of the universal key plates.

The disadvantage of a Colony using its own keyplate of the King's Head design is apparent at the present moment from the necessity of having a new one made instead of using one which is supplied gratuitously. Colonies which use the universal keyplate will be put to no expense by the present change.



The Blued Scandal

Collectors all over the country have been wearing themselves out and develing postmasters ever since the blue paper varieties were discovered, but recent developments seem to prove that it was all useless, for we learn of the discharge and arrest of A. M. Travers, acting third assistant postmaster general at Washington. Travers was dismissed from the service on March 6th and then arrested, charged with violating the postal laws which prohibit any officer of the P. O. department from selling stamps for more than their face value.

Travers is charged with having sold several thousand dollars worth of stamps to various dealers. Just which stamps figures in the deal is not known at this writing, but it is believed the blue paper varieties made up the bulk of the transaction. It is believed that he purchased these stamps out of the stock at Washington and disposed of them to dealers. It is also rumored that certain specimen and sample stamps were sold by him. If it was the blue paper varieties that figure principally in the charges against him, the prospects are that prices on all of these stamps will be apt to alter themselves somewhat. It is well known that a bunch of 6c values were sold at the Chicago post office and the 15c ones at the Cleveland, Ohio, office. It is probable that the entire shipment of these two values went to those offices. If the purchasers did not get all of them, the prospects are that many were sold to the public, used as ordinary mail and destroyed. This being the case, we will suppose that the entire lot of each of the other values were picked out in Washington, it but stands to reason that the 3, 4, 5, 8, 10 and 13c values will be about equally scarce and that the 6c and 15c values may turn out to be the best of the lot. So far as we know the other values were never located in any quantity in any post office, although some of the 10c values were secured in New York shortly after they were issued. This makes an interesting case and the trial will bring out much interesting Philatelic news.

Before closing, we wish to remark that we wondered how the Philadelphia Stamp News got its information on U. S. issues so far ahead of other publishers, and always reliable at that. We now learn that "Post Officious," their correspondent, was none other than A. M. Travers himself. Sorry, Percy, but you'll have to hunt another reporter.

The Stamp Publications of the State of Colorado Up to the Thirty-first of December, 1910

By CHAS A NAST

(Continued from February Number)

The Stampman

Published first at Pueblo, Colo., in a 6x9 size by D. W. Osgood, a well known dealer, in 1896. Its first number appeared in December, and the other numbers of Vol. I are credited to January, 1897, February, March, May and July-August. Each consists of four pages of well written articles. With Vol. II there was a change in size to $3\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$ inches, of 8 pp. Vol. III had four numbers of 10 pp. each. With Vol. IV came another departure in size. It now had four pages of a size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$ inches, oblong shape, and in Vol. VI another change to $5\frac{1}{2} \times 10$ inches. The last four numbers of this Journal are dated as follows: No. 1, Pueblo, June, 1901; No. 2, South Fork, Colo., February, 1902; No. 3, South Fork, June, 1902; No. 4, South Fork, October, 1902. It should be noted that Mr. Osgood issued these as house organs and trade sheets and therefore he gave little heed to the needs of philatelic literature collectors, but this is all the more to be deplored, because he was an able editor and his work was in a humorous vein, and a style all his own. I consider a file of the "Stampman" as one of the best things in my library. I still lack three numbers of completeness.

Philatelist's Beacon

Only one number was ever issued and only one copy is known to date. It appeared at Golden, Colo., in January, 1902, and was published by Chester Ehle. It consisted of 12 pp., size 5x6 inches, and cover, the last being lavender colored and printed in red and green ink. I received a copy from Mr. Ehle himself after collectors on both sides of the water had advertised in vain for a copy. About this time I was induced to part with it to a collector who wanted it very much and who has done much for philately the world over. I therefore was very pleased to send it to England, where it now graces the library of the Earl of Crawford.

The Cyclone

Up in Wisconsin in a little town called Hika this paper first saw the light of day. I do not know much about this

one, and I am indebted to Messrs. Ricketts and Cook for my information. Vol. II, Nos. 9-10 for (September-October, 1902,) was printed in Golden, Colo., by Chester Ehle, editor, while Fred Billings of Marshalltown, Iowa, was the business manager. Nobody knows about Nos. 11 and 12, but there are several copies extant of Vol. III, No. 1, March, 1903, which was also printed at Golden, so it is fair to assume that these were also published there. The last number of this Journal was Vol. III, No. 2, published at Ozark, Mo., dated April, 1903. As a stamp paper it was very fair and well worth preserving.

Little Gem

A college paper published at Loveland, Colo. Originally it had no stamp department, this being furnished by A. H. Hoffman of Denver. Mr. Hoffman contributed his notes occasionally, and they appeared in 14 different numbers of the paper during 1906. The paper has discontinued.

The Western Collector

And now we close with the last venture. This is a publication which looks well and bids fair to live a long and useful life. It is printed and published by Claude G. Beals of Boulder, Colo. He is an expert printer, hence the typographic appearance is neat and tasty. Originally printed under the name of "Union Souvenir Card Exchange" and containing only lists of card collectors with No. 4 (August-September, 1910,) the change of name was made and from an 8 pp. list it blossomed into a readable stamp journal of 12 pp. and cover. All numbers are size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$. The initial number bears date, May, 1910, and No. 7 is dated December, 1910.

PAMPHLETS, ETC.

In addition to the above we may add two interesting items. No hand books were ever issued so far as we know, but we note the following:

Colorado State Address Book

Size $4\frac{1}{8} \times 5\frac{3}{8}$, 20 pp. and cover, edited by Oney K. Carstarphen, published by Beardsley of St. Joseph, Mo., and O. K. Carstarphen of Denver. It contains a philatelic history of Colorado to date of issue, 1897. Besides many portraits of collectors it includes a list of all collectors living in Colorado.

Souvenir Program

Size 8x11 inches, 8 pages. Issued by Colorado Branch, No. 22, on the occasion of the 22nd annual convention of the Am. Phil. Association at Denver, Colo., 1907. It contains a splendid lot of cuts of collectors and groups, besides interesting reading matter.



A New Issue For India

By EZRA NIGH

The following reprint of a circular sent to our editor by The Jewel Stamp & Co., in India, is a copy of a letter addressed by them to the Secretary of the Indian Postal Conference, and will probably be of some interest to collectors:

"From,

THE JEWEL STAMP & CO.,

Morvi Kathiawar (India)

To,

The Secretary-Indian Postal Conference

Calcutta,

Respected Sir,

You will do an immense good to the Indian Public if you will kindly place the following suggestions, before the Postal Conference for their kind consideration.

(1) The Grand Coronation Darbar to be held at Delhi in December 1911, will be an event, worth recording in letters of gold in the pages of Indian History. After India became a British dependency this will be the first occasion for a British sovereign to be actually crowned in the magnificent capital of the once mighty Mogul emperors, with all their oriental pomp and grandure befitting the splendid occasion to commemorate which various will be the ways and methods adopted by different departments; our suggestion therefore to the conference is to issue special commemorative stamps as done on such grand and unique occasions by countries like Canada, New Zeland, Mauritous, British South Africa, Trinidad, Newfoundland, Transval, Portugal, Austria, Romania, and many others, reference of

which we feel sure will be a useful guide to the conference in the issue of similar special stamps in this country.

(2) There was a time when the telegraph department used its own stamps halves of which were always returned to the senders being affixed to the official receipts. But of recent years their place is taken by Postal stamps which are affixed to telegraph forms and not to receipts as before. After a fixed period these forms are destroyed along with the stamps on them. The postal report for 1909-10 will inform you that stamps worth 32 lacs of Rupees were used in that year by the Post offices alone. From a Philatelic point of view the destruction of stamps of the enormous value, causes every year not a small and negligible loss to a poor country like India. There is a market for these old used stamps in the Philatelic world, which pays handsomely for rare and high value stamps. We earnestly pray you, therefore, to carefully consider at the conference our suggestion that stamps in payment of telegraph charges be affixed to the official receipts passed to the senders and not to the telegraph forms as is the present practice; so that the senders of the messages may keep to themselves the used up stamps which fetch not infrequently a good price in the Philatelic market. The destruction of them far from serving any useful purpose to the telegraph department involves it in spending much labour and energy and a considerable loss to the public to whom by right they should belong.

Hoping to be excused for the trouble.

Yours faithfully,

DURLABHJI T. ZAVERI,
Managing Director."

NATHURAM D. SHETH,
Secretary."

By all means let's have this new issue which our friends ask for. When countries like "New Zeland" and "Mauritous" get out special stamps for "grand and unique occasions," why shouldn't India follow suit, or, rather, "trump it"? I don't know where New Zeland or Mauritous is, but believe they are rather obscure countries, as I find on consulting my International that I have no stamp from either place. I would suggest a special issue of four values as follows:

- 1 Anna and 2 Irenes, printed on paper in black and red, the Anna to be black, typifying an Indian maid on bended knee, the two Irenes to be in red, standing at either or both sides of the Anna, typifying British supremacy over India. This

- would make an attractive stamp and would sell well on 50 per cent. approvals. We will take 400 copies.
- 6 Pies and 1 Fruit Cake, printed in yellow custard and brown with burnt sienna border. Central design to have picture of Della at the DarBar, drinking your health.
 - 1 Rupee and 6 Hoorays, printed on white paper with border of elephant tusks in ivory ink. Billiard balls grouped in the four corners and the central design to represent the left hind foot of the sacred white elephant, printed in white.
 - 5 Whoopees, printed on Mogul cigarette paper (cork tips) in silver and gold and inlaid with the mother of Pearl of Anna, the central design to be a spiral or corkscrew view of the Coronation parade, the wording on the animal cages to be "recorded in letters of gold," and we would suggest that the signs which are usually hung on the elephants be taken by stamp dealers. This would be a good ad. for the dealers who conduct a new issue service.

I would be pleased to hear if my suggestions are adopted and might add for the guidance of my Indian cousins that I have suggested designs for many special issues of stamps (none were ever used, however).

From a "Philatelic" standpoint I hope section (2) of the letter to "Respected Sir" is adopted, as bank and telegraph cancellations on high values are great things to trade to collectors who don't know the difference.

"Philatelic"—well, well; I'll bet there's an Irishman masquerading in India.



News of The Month

NEW YORK LETTER

Several New York dealers sent money orders to the Gilbert and Ellice Islands last September for the new surcharged Fiji stamps. Last week the remittances were returned with a note saying the supply was exhausted. A second issue, a pictorial design, has been prepared and will soon be on sale. It is said no dealer in America was permitted to buy the first set. At Port Vila, New Hebrides, the postmaster received presents, it is said, from dealers. "Bribes" might be better. Other dealers, not so liberal, had their money returned. Only three English dealers were supplied with the

G. & E. set and the price will probably be four or five times face.

We note in the Vest Pocket Philatelist that Doc Davis takes umbrage at our statement that the blued papers, as listed in Scotts, should be advanced \$2. This would make the new prices: 6c, \$4, 10c, \$7.50; 15c, \$5.50. We think the kindly doctor will have difficulty in buying at above prices. We object to the insinuation that we have "a big stock." Never owned one. We merely attempted to give the proper valuation. Mr. Putney asked for our opinion regarding prices last July and we gave the prices as they now stand in the catalog. By the same right, we now state \$2 added to each quotation is none too high.

The Gazette is flourishing. It was granted second-class rates a few days ago.

Edgar Nelson, the traveling dealer, hibernated in New York for the winter, making his headquarters with Mr. Gammons. He never misses an auction sale.

Mr. Jacques Krebs, one of the early New York dealers, is back in harness again after a year's rest. Seems impossible to get away from the game. Mr. Krebs will go to Europe this summer.

A dealer with an official correspondent in Nicaragua informs me that the flood of surcharges will soon cease, as a new issue is being prepared by the American Bank Note Company. Should be on sale April 1.

All the big fellows attended the dinner to Fred Melville at Kahills. Some dealers certainly look funny in open-face suits.

As announced, the 6c guy has appeared engraved. It was reported that the stamp had been cornered and that a new color or different perforation would be adopted to "cover" the corner, all of which has come to pass as per program.

A Nassau street merchant is charging \$7.50 for the 5c Guy, unused, perf. 12x14. It is claimed less than 10 sheets were so issued.

Several reasons have been given for the issuance of the recent canal zone 10c on 13c Panama. None were right. The 10c value has not been on sale for two months in the

zone and as some value was needed for the surcharge, the 13c, for which there was no use, was selected.

PHIL KNICKERBOCKER.

CHICAGO LETTER

Our regular Chicago letter failed to arrive up to an hour or two before going to press, although we were eagerly awaiting it. We finally dispatched a wireless to headquarters and the reply is given verbatim:

"Tell 'em not yet recovered from 'full' effects C. P. S. banquet. Doc. still has hopes. If I hadn't went out and spent that Columbian half after I left the crowd, I'd a been all right."
PILGRIM.

HOBOKEN, N. J., LETTER

The Hudson Observer, of Hudson, N. J., contains a column article devoted to Mr. Sam Singer, better known as an expert repairer of damaged stamps and the author of that little blue book entitled "The People With the Calumny." The story in the newspaper relates, at some length, Mr. Singer's early days in France and his final determination to come to America, it being understood that his wife would eventually follow him. Mr. Singer has finally established himself in this country and having written for his wife, Ernestine, who is still in Paris, is surprised when she refuses to come, and therefore he has applied for a divorce. It appears that the business of repairing stamps is not a very lucrative one, as according to Mr. Singer's affidavit, his earnings amount to only \$15 per week and owing to this he was unable to pay a lawyer until he finally struck a bargain with one Max Lesser, who appears to be an enthusiastic philatelist and has agreed to accept his fee in stamps. A Persian stamp with silk threads and silver imprints was given as a retainer and thus we have a new record for philately.



The Auction Market

Hugh M. Clark of Chicago, will hold his fifteenth sale on March 25th. The catalogue shows 853 lots, all U. S. and Confederate. The sale is quite a novelty in this respect. Mr. Clark exhibited stamps in this sale in Detroit, Pontchar-

train Hotel, on March 15th, and at the Colonial Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio, March 17th. The day following and of course the night was spent with the Garfield-Perry boys celebrating their annual meeting.

Our New York correspondent said a few months ago that he would like to see Hughie hold a sale in New York. Well, he has ventured as far east as Cleveland with an exhibit. Possibly he is feeling his way.

The International Stamp Co., Columbus, Ohio, will hold a sale on March 28, consisting of 505 lots of stamps, mostly from the collection of Mr. H. A. Diamant of St. Louis, which was recently purchased by them.

The Philadelphia Stamp Company's 31st sale, to be held March 24, 25, in Philadelphia, contains 1079 lots, mostly of the better class of foreign stamps.

This same company will hold their 32nd sale in New York City on April 14th and 15th. The stamps in this sale are the British and British Colonial portions of the collection of Mr. George T. Loomis of Attica, N. Y. The Loomis collection contained about 18,000 varieties in fifteen volumes, and is to be sold in a series of sales covering seven days. Most all of the stamps offered in the sale are in the very best of condition and many choice varieties will be scattered among a host of new owners.

The forty-fourth sale of the J. M. Bartels Co., of New York, is to be held on Wednesday evening, April 5th, at the Collectors' Club. Many good stamps are offered, especially quite a few lots of very good U. S. in blacks, strips and pairs.

The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. report that their auction sale of wholesale lots was a success in every respect. Every lot in the sale was covered and many of them from ten to fifteen times.

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We are always pleased to mention any sale held by any reputable dealer and will do so provided your catalog reaches us in time so that we may print the information before the sale is held. You are welcome to send advance information by letter and same will be thankfully received.

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., New York, Feb. 27-28, Sale

	Cat.	Sold.
○ U. S. 1847, 5 & 10c, fine used copies.....	\$ 6.25	\$ 5.50
★ U. S. 1861, 3c, scarlet, No. 74, fine o. g. copy	90.00	68.00
○ U. S. 1869, 90c, lightly cancelled, fine.....	15.00	10.25

★ U. S. 1870, 24c, purple, No. 153, o. g. fine..	12.50	8.10
★ U. S. Executive, 1c, carmine, o. g. fine....	12.50	5.25
★ U. S. Executive, 2c, carmine, o. g. rich color, close at bottom.....	8.00	3.25
★ U. S. Executive, 3c, carmine, o. g. fine, No. 511a	15.00	6.10
★ U. S. Executive, 6c, carmine, o. g. fine....	15.00	8.00
★ U. S. Executive, 10c, carmine, o. g. very fine	10.00	7.00
★ U. S. Navy, 2c, green error, finely centered, o. g.....	65.00	36.00
★ U. S. State, \$2.00, o. g. very fine.....	22.50	13.20
○ Cape of Good Hope, wood black, 1d, carmine, 1861, fine used copy.....	30.00	21.50
○ _____, wood black, 4d, pale blue, 1861, No. 9, fine.....	15.00	13.60
○ Canada, 1852, 6d, purple black, wove, fine.	6.00	5.80
★ Dominican Repub., 1866, 1r, pale green, No. 8, very fine.....	40.00	28.60
○ Gr. Britain, 1882, 5£ orange, fine postally used copy	12.50	11.00
○ New Brunswick, 1851, 6d, yellow, No. 2, fine copy	20.00	14.00
★ Newfoundland, 1857, 2d, orange, o. g. fine.	10.00	7.90
○ Newfoundland, 1857, 6d, orange, fine copy	16.00	9.10
○ Saxony, 1855, 10 ng. blue, used, fine.....	4.50	4.60
★ Two Sicilies, 1859, ½ g. to 20 g., Nos. 10 to 17, fine	16.00	16.00
○ Wurtemberg, 1869, 70 kr., violet, very fine	16.00	16.75

Nassau Stamp Co., New York, Feb. 23-24-25, Sale

The Stanton collection, which we believe is the largest and most valuable accumulation of stamps offered this season, promises to run into a considerable sum of money ere the four sales are over. The sale covers a period of twelve days. Part I consisted entirely of U. S. and Colonies, and was a three days' sale, the amount realized being \$15,855.60. Part II, Great Britain and Colonies, was sold on March 9, 10, 11; Part III, Europe and Colonies, will be sold on March 23, 24, 25, and Part IV, balance of the world, on April 6, 7, 8.

Many stamps seldom seen in the auction room were sold in this first three days' sale and we are glad to be able to give our readers an extensive list of selling prices:

New Haven, 5c red, signed reprint.....\$? \$ 17.00

○ New York, 5c, white paper, No. 17b, fine..	10.00	15.00
○ New York, 5c, from top of sheet with margin used and on cover, fine...		25.00
○ New York, 5c horizontal pair on cover, fine.	20.00	17.50
★ Providence, entire sheet, consisting of 11 5c and 1 10c, o. g. and fine.....	85.00	55.00
○ St. Louis, 1845, 5c greenish paper, No. 20, fine.	150.00	101.00
★ St. Louis, 1846, 5c grayish paper, No. 23, fine.		360.00
★ 1847, 5c red brown No. 28, o. g. fine.....	8.50	8.00
★ 1847, 5c dark brown, No. 28a, o. g. superb	8.50	10.50
★ 1847, 5c orange, No. 28b, part o. g. very fine.	—	35.00
○ 1847, 10c issue on cover sold from \$2.70 to \$5.30.		
○ 1847, 10c pair, red cancellation, superb.....	10.00	15.00
○ 1847, 10c strip of three from top of sheet with margin on original cover	—	46.50
★ 1851-56, 24c lilac, very fine.....	165.00	142.00
○ 1851-56, 30c orange, close at top and bottom, large margins at sides, correct color and paper.....	—	105.00
★ 1851-56, 90c blue o. g. fine margins on three sides, this stamp was purchased in Scott Stamp & Coin Co.'s 161st sale for \$266.10.....	—	186.00
○ 1857, 5c Brick red, Type I, fine.....	7.50	4.00
○ 1861, 3c pink, fine, lightly cancelled.....	7.50	4.25
★ 1861, 3c lake, o. g. perfs. touch at top....	15.00	8.50
★ 1862-66- 2c on brown chemical paper, full o. g.	10.00	5.25
○ 1869, 15c picture inverted, lightly cancelled, very fine	225.00	235.00
○ 1869, 24c picture inverted, very fine for this stamp.	225.00	180.00
★ 1869, 90c black and carmine, o. g. well centered.	40.00	33.00
★ 1869, 90c black and carmine, reissue o. g. fine.	35.00	21.00
★ 1875, 2c dark brown, special print, very fine.	40.00	31.00
★ 1893, 4c Columbian error, o. g. fine.....	—	38.00

★ 1894, 2c carmine, Chicago issue, horz. pair pair o. g. fine.....	—	17.00
○ 1895, 6c brown, Wamk U. S. I. R. issue, fine.....	—	60.00
○ 1895, 8c puce Wamk U. S. I. R. issue, straight edge at right.....	—	7.50

A block of 4 of the 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 15, 50c, \$1, 2, 5, and two blocks of 4 of the 1 and 4c and pair of 10c of the 1895 issue, all o. g. and imperforate, sold at \$200 for the lot.

The auction catalogue makes the following statement regarding these stamps, and this should establish their standing:

"These stamps were issued by the Post Office Department for face value. The stamps have been submitted to the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, who after careful examination declared them to be 'genuine stamps, printed on the regular watermarked paper.' Only one sheet of 100 stamps of each value 1c to \$5.00 was issued."

★ 2c Pan-American, inverted center, o. g....	\$185.00	\$200.00
★ 4c Pan-American, inverted center, specimen	—	55.00
★ 1908, 6c on bluish paper, block of 4, o. g..	—	13.00
★ 1908, 10c on bluish paper, block of 4, o. g..	—	33.00
★ 1908, 15c on bluish paper, block of 4, o. g..	—	16.00
★ State Dept. \$2.00 o. g. very fine.....	22.50	17.50
★ State Dept. \$5.00 o. g. very fine.....	165.00	120.00
★ State Dept. \$10.00 o. g. very fine.....	75.00	41.00
★ State Dept. \$20.00 o. g. very fine.....	50.00	27.00
★ State Dept. \$20.00 horz. strip of 5, comprising entire upper half of sheet with imprint and plate No. superb, o. g.....	250.00	205.00
○ 3c, Playing Cards, vertical pair, imperf., fine.....	100.00	90.00
○ \$200, 1st issue, perf vertical strip of 4, fine	—	45.00
○ \$500, 2d issue, superb copy	300.00	212.00
○ 25c, 3d issue, inverted medallion, fine copy	—	126.00
○ \$1.00, 3d issue, inverted medallion, not centered.....	150.00	368.00
Proof of the accepted design for the \$5,000 Revenue, with endorsement of the Commissioner, June 24, 1872.....	—	195.00

C. E. Hussman Stamp Co., St. Louis, Feb. 25th Sale

U. S. No. 316 (500).....	\$ 5.00	\$ 1.50
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U. S. No. 2816 (2).....	12.00	2.75
U. S. No. 2827 (6).....	4.50	1.00
U. S. No. 2891 (8).....	6.80	2.00
Cuba, No. 238 (10).....	4.00	1.00
Guatemala, No. 139 (200).....	6.00	1.25
Columbian Repub. Ins. letter stamps (31 var.)	?	1.60
Guatemala, No. 25 (100).....	10.00	3.00
Guatemala, No. 120 (100).....	6.00	1.20
Guatemala, No. 122 (25).....	4.50	1.00
Newfoundland, No. 34 (25).....	6.25	1.80

Ouilmette Stamp Co., Wilmette, Ill., March 4, Sale

Altho this was the first sale by this Company, many good prices were realized and as usual the priced catalog shows us many lots that sold at prices we would have been glad to raise.

○ U. S. 1847, 5c, red brown, fine.....	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.90
○ U. S. 1851, 1c, blue from corner of sheet with margin, showing position dots.....	1.40	2.10
○ U. S. 1c, blue, two horz. strips of three..	2.40	2.85
○ U. S. 1882, 6c, rose, No. 208, o. g., fine....	2.00	1.10
★ U. S. 1908, 6c, on blue paper, fine, o. g....	2.00	4.85
★ U. S. 1908, 10c, on blue paper, fine, o. g....	5.50	8.25
★ U. S. 1908, 15c, on blue paper, fine, o. g....	3.50	4.50
○ Gr. Britain, 1841, 1d, red brown, No. 4c, rouletted, fine copy on cover.....	?	15.25



Detroit Convention Snap Shots

The booklet of pictures made from snap shots taken at the Detroit Convention of the A. P. S. in August, 1910, has appeared at last. It is surely an attractive affair with its bright red cover and silk cord bow. The pictures will interest every member of the A. P. S. and bring back recollections of the happy days spent in Detroit. Owing to the fact that most of the photographs were poor, due to wrong exposure, the cuts are not as clear as they should have been, it is, however, a very neat booklet and will please all who secure a copy. Only a limited number were issued and they can be had of the publisher, George Ward Linn, Clinton Bldg., Columbus, Ohio, at 25c per copy. Any surplus over the cost of production is to be spent for books to be donated to the A. P. S. library.

The Publishers Page

BROADY IS BEATEN

We used these same words over an item a few months ago and referred to the Stamp Journal's claims of such enormous circulation. Broadstone always carried off the prize for circulation claims, but DeKay has him skinned to a finish, now. If you don't believe it, read the results of his great \$200 subscription contest. Over 20,000 subscriptions have been received within a year. We don't know where he got them, but would surely like to find out. Won't you be real kind to us other struggling publishers and tell us how you did it, so we can go and do likewise? Or is it another attempt to beat Broadstone's line of talk?

HOBBYIST KENDALL

Original says our advertising rates in our new form are too low. We agree with him as far as that goes; the facts of the matter are that all printing prices are too low. The printers are just beginning to realize this and prices are bound to advance. However, there's one consolation for us—we are breaking nearly even now, and that's an almost unheard-of feat for a publisher of a monthly philatelic magazine. Bet Kendall loses more than we do. Another thing—we get the rates we print in this magazine, and not whatever is offered us. Kendall don't get \$15.00 per page for his ads. Original is welcome to whoop 'er up and kick about the poor support given philatelic publications in this country—we'll agree with most anything he says, but we don't believe it pays to use valuable space in one's magazine for this purpose. Subscribers would rather read something about stamps. Start your revolution, we will revolute with you, and to start the ball a-rolling and weed out the crooked ones we will spring the greatest fraud of the past season in our next issue. Order your copy early.



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The Stamp Journal Fraud

BELIEVING now, and as we always have believed, that clean, honest methods in all things, and in philately, on the part of collectors, dealers and publishers is the best means of promoting the cause of our hobby and believing at the same time that the other extreme of such methods or actions will do more than any other one thing to injure philately, the Stamp Collector has at all times kept a watchful eye on the philatelic world and has been ever ready to uphold all that is good and to expose all that is wrong, believing that by so doing, the best interests of our hobby will be served.

Our exposure of one of the greatest frauds ever perpetrated on American philatelists was a surprise to all collectors except a select few who knew even more than we did. Our exposure put the guilty parties out of business in very short order and we have often wondered why the American Philatelic Society, through its attorney at that time, did not prosecute the case in which one collector member was badly swindled by a dealer member. But nothing of this sort was done. The dealer was not even thrown out of the society, but the collector became so disgusted with it and its inaction that he resigned.

The above matter, however, is a thing of the past and is only cited to show that The Stamp Collector is a friend of every collector, the publisher himself, being an enthusiastic collector of anything pertaining to postal or revenue payments, issued by the United States.

Now to the point of this article and may it be a lesson to any others who may attempt to force American collectors or dealers to believe such fictitious statements.

It appears that it is now time to organize a new stamp club and its name should be the "Philatelic Ananias Club," many publishers of stamp magazines past and present have shown that they are fully qualified for membership in a body of this sort and we propose that the membership list be headed with the name of Clarence P. De Kay, publisher of The Stamp Journal of Florida, N. Y.

We believe all collectors will agree with us that the name of Mr. De Kay should head this list, after reading our reasons, and likewise our proof. The claim of The Stamp Journal (Florida, N. Y.), published by Clarence P. De Kay, is that over 24,048 new subscriptions were secured from February, 1910, to December 31, 1910. The Stamp Journal started a subscription contest, offering \$200 in cash prizes to collectors securing subscriptions to their magazine; the contest seemed to be creating a great amount of enthusiasm and interest among many friends of The Stamp Journal, to all appearances as indicated each month in the columns of The Stamp Journal, these same friends worked very hard for their favorite magazine and undoubtedly spent much valuable time and money, believing they were helping a hustling magazine; and that they would stand a fair and honest chance to win one of the prizes, varying from a few dollars up to one hundred dollars.

With our own experience in the printing and publishing field, covering a period of twelve years in which we have been associated with several different monthly magazines, we began to believe for a time that De Kay was having greater success with his contest than we had thought possible, we naturally kept a close watch on matters and were further surprised by the enormous number of subscriptions credited to the leaders in the contest, in the December, 1910, Stamp Journal. The great gain over their November totals looked like a "nigger in a wood pile" to us and we waited anxiously for a sight of the aforesaid "nigger." Sure enough—he appeared in the January issue and a big one at that (that is the "nigger"). The moment we saw the figures given out in The Stamp Journal for January, we were satisfied that we had just witnessed one of the greatest frauds ever perpetrated on American philately, unlike the Bogert & Durbin deal, which really only swindled one man, the Stamp Journal has tricked and cheated every collector who entered the contest with an honest intention of helping The Stamp Journal and trying for a prize. The Stamp

Journal has also tricked every dealer now using advertising space in its columns, by leading them to believe it has a circulation of many times what it actually has. We said, "tricked every dealer"; of course you understand there are many dealers who knew as well as we do that the figures given in the January Stamp Journal were incorrect.

Our experience in the philatelic publishing field has convinced us that 5,000 subscribers is about as large a list as the ordinary strictly philatelic monthly may hope to secure.

The actual paid circulation of The Stamp Journal may be somewhere near this but we believe 1,500 is nearer correct.

We have now made our statements, and will show you our proof. Figures are necessary in doing this and although the old adage, "Figures can't lie" may still be all right when an honest man handles them, The Stamp Journal has proven to our satisfaction that liars can figure.

It is only necessary to deal with the issues of The Stamp Journal for November and December, 1910, and January, 1911, also with the result of the contest as regards the three parties who headed the list of winners.

The January Stamp Journal gives them the following credits in the order named: J. N. S. Brewster, Jr., 6,564 subscriptions; P. D. Dusinberre, 6,504 subscriptions; August Mack, 4,608 subscriptions; (Exhibit B).

The actual number secured by these parties, however, was Dusinberre 462, Mack 376 (Exhibit A), and Brewster 313 (Exhibit C), a difference of 16,525 in the totals. Also notice that Brewster's actual number of bona-fide subscriptions places him in third place. The Stamp Journal also corrects the standing of the first three contestants in the February issue and gives Brewster third place. (Exhibit D.)

Presumably, De Kay was so tired of figuring that he didn't trouble to add up the totals he placed to the credit of the various contestants, so we will give you our figures which necessarily are smaller than his would be because there are about 20 days we cannot account for. Taking the total of the amounts as published in the January issue which sum is 22,299 and then taking the December list and striking out all names and totals as given in the January issue and adding up the balance and we have 1,749 to be added to above figures, mind you; this leaves about 20 days' work to be added to the 1,749 list, but as it stands, De Kay claims

to have secured over 24,048 subscriptions for one year's time.

Now let us say a word about the winners in this contest. We don't blame any of them for anything they might have done in the way of buying up advance subscriptions, because De Kay forced them to do so and they had no other way to do. A large number, probably one-third to one-half of the 1,151 subscriptions actually paid for by the three leaders, were bought up by them as advance subscriptions, they paying 35 cents each for subscriptions, it being understood that these could be used or sent in at any old time. One party bought or was rather forced into buying 205 subscriptions, or two-thirds as many as he had actually secured. These 205 added to what he actually secured would have given him first prize as published in the January Stamp Journal, but he objected to De Kay handling the contest in such a crooked manner and refused to allow the 205 subscriptions to be added to his bona-fide list of 313.

Now let's look at it in this light. That De Kay's figures as given for the fourth and fifth place in the contest are correct, that is 1,940 and 1,032 to Mr. H. C. Jaycox and E. H. Rath respectively. If these figures are correct, and no one knows any better, than these two gentlemen, then they are actually winners of the first and second prizes respectively.

We could figure it out for you in many other ways, but we are getting tired of figuring and believe we have told you enough to prove that we are right; however, we want to say that we believe The Stamp Journal is one of only two monthly magazines in America that are self supporting, we believe this because being in the printing and publishing business for many years, we are able to make a pretty good guess as to the actual circulation of The Stamp Journal; we also can tell you pretty near to what it will cost for any one issue, to print, address and mail it. Knowing this we also can figure pretty close to how much cash is received for the advertising in any given issue and thus know it is self supporting. The Stamp Journal could not put out an edition of 10,000 copies, each month (to say nothing of 24,048), without going broke in about 30 days. A circulation of 10,000 copies per issue to bona-fide stamp collectors would make its advertising space worth \$3.00 per inch and \$25.00 per page, and dealers would willingly pay it.

As a conclusion to this article, let us direct your attention to the supplement or insert along with this issue and you can see by De Kay's own admission that his figures in *The Stamp Journal* are false from start to finish.

(Exhibit A.) A letter from De Kay to Mr. Brewster which shows the actual number of subscribers credited to the two leaders in the contest.

(Exhibit B.) The results as published in the *January Stamp Journal*, photographed direct from the magazine.

(Exhibit C.) The actual figures for the first three contestants.

(Exhibit D.) De Kay's correction of the standing of the first three contestants, placing Dusingberre first, Mack second and Brewster third.

(Exhibit E.) A letter we received from Mr. DeKay on April 6, the letter is dated March 31, a guilty conscience, etc.

If Mr. De Kay wants these letters brought up before a court, we will produce the originals.

We hardly believe it necessary to say more as our case is proven by De Kay's own letters. However, we might add that although \$200 was promised as prizes, much less than one-quarter of this amount was paid out in cash, the remainder being given out as subscription coupons valued at 35c. each to the contestants and a goodly amount credited on advertising bills due the publisher.

Let this be a warning to you who don't know stamps or the philatelic publishing game, a few years' experience with both would have easily convinced De Kay that his claims were beyond belief.

If the above is not enough, we have more and will give it to you but we have some very desirable philatelic matter to publish and would prefer to use our space in future issues for this purpose.



News of The Month

NEW YORK LETTER

A letter has been shown to us which permits us to give upon official authority the following interesting information concerning the new 10c. Canal Zone on 13c. Panama map. The actual number printed was 499,000. One sheet was printed with "10c." inverted. As is known, there are two surcharges, "Canal Zone," printed in New Yorkk, and "10c.," applied at Mt. Hope, Canal Zone.

A dealer, fresh from the other side, understands the value of advertising, even if he doesn't quite grasp the English language. Adorning his street show case are the following signs:

"Cape Good Hope cut from the catalog."

"Go upstairs and look for more."

"We buy all stamps alike."

"We sell our stamps from today cheap."

New York is promised a big surprise in the philatelic publishing line. The plans cannot be made public at this time but we can promise it will be the biggest thing ever pulled off in Manhattan. Further announcements will be made, no doubt, in a few months.

San Francisco, now that the fair is assured in 1915, should be a good place for a live dealer. A New York man says he plans to open a store there, and thinks he can make a fortune on just the visitors from Europe. A large number from England, France, Germany and Russia are expected; the steamships will give a special rate, going direct from London, or Bremen through the canal, to Frisco, and when one thinks how much alive Europe is philatelically, the plan does not seem without its possibilities. Then, too, the A. P. S. will probably convene there and good philatelists the world over will meet. This tip is so good that we will ask a commission from any dealer adopting it. Subscribers to *The Stamp Collector* may use it free.

Friend Nammack, although he lives in Brooklyn, the bedroom of New York, is a good fellow, nevertheless. As editor of *The News-Letter* he wields an eloquent pen. A review of the catalog caused much admiration at 127 Madison avenue and they have framed the paragraph for exhibition.

The New York Collectors Club, which has been comatose, is booming. Fine headquarters have been engaged down-town, a few steps from the post-office, and near the stamp district. At a recent meeting Mr. Pack's albums on Spain and N. S. W. were shown. The latter were principally Sydney views. Singles and pairs, used and unused, were shown, but it is worth noting that no blocks are known. In Spain all the rare issues of 1851, 1852 and 1853 were complete. An especially fine thing was the 12c., 1865, with inverted head. The estimated value of the two books is \$60,000.

Mr. Percy McG. Mann, of Philadelphia, spent several days in New York, the week of April 3rd. Percy visited about every dealer in the city, evidently looking for bargains in exposition labels or side lines of Philately.

One of the best posted men in the business tells me that Newfoundland will have another series in a short while, presumably in June. The Guy set, which has brought splendid revenue to the coffers of P. M. G. Woods, will be sold concurrently with the proposed new issue. In view of this colony's previously expressed preference, we may be sure King George's features will not be missing from the next set. The American Bank Note Co. will not, under any circumstances, receive the contract, for which action we have cause to fear for the level-headedness of Mr. Woods.

New York's oldest dealer, Mr. Wm. P. Brown, is still in the game. He recently sold one of his farms for \$20,000. Mr. Brown is the dealer all collectors have read about. He had a stand on the street, on Broadway, during 1861-5. His stock was nailed to a board and was obtained principally from sailors. Later, when prosperity came, he hired a basement, the steps of which were lined with many boards filled with Ceylon pences, Cape triangles, New Yorks, first issues U. S., etc.

PHIL KNICKERBOCKER.

CHICAGO LETTER

We regret to announce the death of Mr. E. L. Warner, of Evanston, Ill. Well known as the "Golden Geneii." Mr. Warner leaves a host of friends amongst the older collectors.

At last,—the Chicago Philatelic Society is to have a club room of its own. The committee has—we understand—taken a long term lease in one of the big office buildings.

Speaking of collections—have you subscribed to the Educational Funds, Exhibition Fund, Convention Fund, etc., etc. Oh you haven't? Name, please? Iver! put him down for \$10.00 on each.

Our beloved P. M. has again strayed from the fold. This time to New York where he will give two lessons in rapid selling. 500 lots per hour is his normal speed.

Popular Song of the Day—"Has Anybody Here Seen Balla?" The chosen few will recognize the name as that of a gentleman from Washington who is deeply—oh VERY deeply—interested in bluish paper stamps. Philadelphia papers please copy.

Have you bought your 4c. and 8c. on bluish paper? Strange—neither have we. PILGRIM.

LOUISVILLE LETTER They say Louisville got a raw deal from the Federal census takers, for the "Colonels" think they ought to have a population about 50,000 greater than the figures showed. From advance sheets I take the following statistics under the heading of "Organizations":

"Louisville Philatelic Club—A collection of harmless lunatics engaged in the pursuit of a hobby, collecting bits of perforated paper smeared with ink. Membership—2 mortar mixers, 1 real estate shark, 1 hot-air artist, 1 vender of "Police Gazettes," 1 seller of automatic mice, 1 printer's devil, 1 Turk, 1 press agent, 1 soap-boiler, 1 hen man, 2 sky pilots."

"Philatelic side lines" seem to be attracting a good deal of attention here at present. Lock seals are always plentiful, but have not been in as much demand for some time as they are at present. L. C. Hassler has recently bought a lot of these comprising what is probably the finest lot of strips, blocks and sheets in existence. L. C. says the purchase price made a large hole in three figures.

The new single line watermark is beginning to show up at the post-office. The 2c. is on sale here. The 13c. and \$5.00 of 1902 are also in stock, and can be had at face. Make a search in your post-office; perhaps you may find some "blued papers."

It is reported that Louisville is soon to have an up-to-date stamp shop, conducted by one of our collectors who has such an accumulation of 18 kreuzer Wurtemburgs that he doesn't know what to do with them. Rumor says that he will present his first 100 customers with one each as a souvenir.

Why are so few collectors interested in U. S. beer stamps? Is it because it is technically illegal to have them in one's possession? They are among the handsomest stamps ever issued by the government, and the greater part of them are comparatively inexpensive, though they are difficult to get in good condition.

It's about time The Stamp Collector published the story of the great Louisville finds—the St. Louis postmaster and the Baltimore carrier. This story bobs up about once in so often and is due for another appearance soon.

None of the "blued papers" said to be responsible for the downfall of A. M. Travers got thus far away from Washington (or Philadelphia). There are copies of the 1-2-6-10-15c. and 2c. Lincoln in collections here, and one brother claims he has a copy of the 5c., but your correspondent has never been able to see it that way.

The boys here have taken to corresponding with the Dons in South America lately. We have had all the latest things from Chile, Columbia, Uruguay, Cuba, Panama and the Canal Zone. This beats a 10% new issue service.

GALLIA.

CANADIAN LETTER

To say that the last few months have been full of activity for philatelists, is putting it mildly. Our local club at Winnipeg has been having some very enthusiastic meetings and their auction sales have also been very interesting and profitable to both buyer and seller. There is a great future in store for philatelists in Canada, the new "King George" stamps will be issued soon after the coronation, and I can inform your readers that Lord Strathcona, our high commissioner in London, England, is at present arranging for these to be of a design similar to the stamps issued in Great Britain.

CANAL ZONE LETTER Mr. Gerald D. Bliss, now located at Culebra, Canal Zone, sends us specimens of the new stamped envelopes and wrappers placed on sale in Panama post-offices on March 4th. The values for the envelopes are as follows: 1 centesimo green on buff, 2½ centesimos red on amber, 5 centesimos dark blue on blue. The wrappers are of the same types as the one and two-cent envelopes and printed on manilla paper in the same colors of ink. The wrappers are unglummed. Mr. Bliss believes that these envelopes and wrappers may eventually be surcharged for use in the Canal Zone.

NEW ZEALAND LETTER Our New Zealand correspondent writes the following: "An official communication regarding the withdrawn 1½d. chestnut reads, 'On 21st October, 1909, the 1½d. denomination will be withdrawn from circulation, all remaining unsold to be destroyed.' In a recent number of the Australian Philatelist, this stamp has been reported reprinted."

BLUE RAG PAPERS Good morning, have you been interviewed yet? Judging by the number of Sherlock Holmeses on the trail of the "blueds" we ought to know all about the deal ere long. We've seen and heard so much and been interviewed so often that it's got so that when a stranger with a soft hat and whiskers on his face, walks into our office, we actually shiver. We took all our "blueds" out and buried 'em.

STEINMETZ INDICTED We learn from the Washington papers that Mr. J. A. Steinmetz, of Philadelphia, Pa., has been indicted along with Mr. Travers in connection with the Blued paper deal.

MAINTAINING HIGH PRICES A large weekly stamp paper in Boston recently cut out an item in a dealer's advertisement, offering a set of imperforate Hayti for 29c. The set is catalogued at \$2.00 by Scott. The censor also printed a knock on the stamps or the possibility of selling genuine goods at that price. This same weekly paper soon after this, printed an advertisement of

another firm, offering the same stamps at \$1.25. These stamps undoubtedly all came from the same place. If they are no good, the readers of the weekly would lose less by paying 29c. than by paying \$1.25. Or do prices have to be maintained?

The Auction Market

A new firm enters the auction field in Philadelphia, and this month we are able to announce a sale to be held on April 28th by Eugene Klein, Inc., of that city. The sale contains a very fine lot of unused entire envelopes and postage stamps, besides a fine collection of cut square envelopes, the property of Mr. Francis Engle. A fine lot of foreign stamps are also offered. The catalog of this sale is the neatest we have seen for some time, the cover paper being "Repousse Onyx," a very high grade paper and the entire catalog is very attractive.

The sale to be held by Mr. Geo. R. Tuttle, of 116 Nassau St., New York, on April 22nd, contains a very fine lot of stamps on original covers and quite a few lots of early U. S. in quantities. Just what a collector likes to dig into, in search of minor varieties. It was at one of Tuttle's sales that Dr. Chase bought a block of four 1c. 1851 type I for \$2.00.

The Nassau Stamp Co., New York, will hold their twenty-sixth sale on May 4th, although this sale is much smaller than the ones held during the past few weeks by this company, many very desirable stamps from all over the world are included, the sale being made up from what appears to have been a general collection far above the average.

The Philadelphia Stamp Co. hold their thirty-third sale on April 28-29, this being the second part of the Loomis collection which is being sold by this company. The stamps in this sale are all Europe and Asia and Colonies, not including Great Britain and Colonies.

The balance of the Loomis Collection, made up entirely of U. S. and Colonies, will be sold on May 12 and 13.

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., of New York, will sell the collection of Mr. J. F. Spiegelberg, April 24, 25 and 27th. The stamps in this sale are Great Britain and Colonies, Mexico,

Central and South America. The catalog is quite a large one, consisting of 72 pages and the greater part of the stamps offered are unused and in mint condition.

It is seldom we are able to say much about European auction sales because the sales are usually over before we are able to get the information in print, however we have just received a catalog of a sale to be held in May by Jules Bernichon, 4 rue Rochambeau, Paris, France. This sale contains one of the finest lots of United States postage, revenue and department stamps that has been offered for some time. We can't mention all of them but the following are an example of what you may see listed: 1847, 10c. o. g.; 1851, 1c. type I; 1851, 5c. red brown unused; 1857-60, set of Reprints; 1861; 3c. August unused, 10c. August unused; 1862-63, 3c. scarlet, 3c. rose grilled all over; 1869, 90c. unused, 15c. and 24c. used with center inverted, 1c.-2c.-4c. Pan Americans with center inverted, 5c. and 10c. St. Louis, 5c. and 10c. Providence in a pair and with margin attached, all the dollar State Departments unused, the large 50c., \$1.00 and \$5.00 proprietaries, the \$200 and \$500 second issue and many other rare revenues, including inverted medallions, etc. In addition to the above there is a fine lot of early Cuba, Porto Rica and Philippines, including many of the real rarities. This catalog contains two full page plates, beautifully illustrating most of the United States stamps described above.

The Ouilmette Stamp Co., of Evanston, Ill., announce a fine lot of envelopes will be included in their next sale, catalogues are now being prepared.

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., March 13, 14 and 16, Sale

This sale was the European Countries and Colonies, of the J. F. Spiegelberg collection.

	Cat.	Sold.
★ Austria, 1850, 2 kr. black, thin rough paper o. g.	\$ 4.00	\$ 3.40
★ ———, 1858, 2 kr. yellow o. g. fine.....	10.00	5.20
★ ———, ———, 15 kr. blue type II o. g. fine	17.50	9.10
★ Congo, 1895, 10c. pale blue, center inverted, o. g.	—	15.25
★ Crete, 1898, 20 pa. violet, No. 1, o. g. fine	12.00	7.25
★ Denmark, 1851, 2 rs. blue, No. 1, o. g. fine	20.00	12.00
★ D. W. Indies, 1872, 4c. dull blue, imperf. horz., pair from corner of sheet...	25.00	20.00

○ France, 1849, 20c. black, horz., tete-beche pair, good margins, lightly cancelled, fine.	25.00	15.00
★ Baden, 1851, 3 kr. yellow, No. 2, o. g. fine	8.50	7.50
★ ———, 1864, 6 kr. blue, o. g. fine.	22.50	10.50
★ Brunswick, 1853, 3 sgr., o. g. small thin spot.	50.00	32.00
★ Saxony, 1850, 3 pf. red, o. g. fine.	100.00	75.00
★ ———, 1855, 10 ng. blue, o. g. fine.	20.00	12.25
○ Two Sicilies, 1860, ½ t. blue "Trinacria," lightly cancelled, large margins.	80.00	74.00
○ ———, ———, ½ t. blue Savoy Cross, fine	25.00	22.50
○ Roumania, 1854, 27 para., black on rose, on small piece of cover, fine copy from Ayer collection.	300.00	210.00
○ ———, ———, 54 para., blue on green, fine	90.00	57.50

The following few prices from a sale held in London late in February will be of interest as a comparison of prices in this country and abroad. We have figured a flat 24c. to the shilling in giving these prices.

Glendining & Co., Ltd., London, England, Feb. 21, 22, Sale

○ Great Britain, £5 orange, blue paper, Gibbons, No. 133, slightly rubbed.	\$ 9.12
○ Saxony, 1850, 3 pf. red, very fine.	33.60
★ Ceylon, 1872-80, 2 R 50c., perf. 12½x14, Gibbons, No. 101, mint and fine.	16.80
★ Lagos, 1904, 2sh. 6d., green and carmine, mint.	9.84
★ ———, ———, 5sh., green and blue, mint.	5.04
★ ———, ———, 10sh., green and brown, mint.	25.80



International Competitive Philatelic Exhibition

The American Philatelic Society will hold in the Art Museum in Chicago this coming August an International Competitive Philatelic Exhibition. This will be the first international exhibition ever held in this country and will contain displays from the finest American and foreign collections existing.

The expense of holding this exhibition will be about \$1,200.

This amount of money will be necessary, as the cost of insurance of exhibits, medals, exhibition cases, etc., will have to be met. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be given for each class of exhibits and the cost of these medals, including the dies, will be quite heavy.

The money to be used in defraying the expense of this exhibition is to be raised by a committee on finance and contributions are solicited from every stamp collector, whether a member of the American Philatelic Society or not.

The publisher of The Stamp Collector has been appointed as a committeeman of the finance committee and as such solicits subscriptions from all collectors. You need not worry about the amount you can give. Any help at all, no matter how small the amount will assist in defraying the expense of this great work and you as a stamp collector should feel proud to contribute toward so good a cause.

Your contribution may be sent direct to the publisher and you may remit in stamps, currency, check or money order, the amount you feel able to give.



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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Our call for election of officers brought but small response in the matter of votes and we are sorry so few have taken the trouble to respond.

The result of the election makes no change in the list of officers as they now stand.

Members will please bear in mind that the annual dues are now due and payable for the year April, 1911, to April, 1912. Dues should be paid at once and members not paying their dues within 60 days will be dropped from the list.

Work is progressing slowly but surely on our handbook of 1909 publications and a copy will be given to each member when completed.

Fraternally,

GEORGE W. LINN, Secretary.

Mr. Melville Stewart

At its regular meeting on April fourth, The Columbus Collectors Club had the pleasure of entertaining one of the prominent actor Philatelists of the U. S. and England. Mr. Melville Stewart, the English baritone with Montgomery and Stone, in "The Old Town" company, was a guest at this meeting and to say that it was an enjoyable occasion is putting it mildly. Mr. Stewart was entertained by several of the members the following day. Philatelists who are fortunate enough to reside in those cities reached by Mr. Stewart should not miss the opportunity to make the acquaintance of this jolly Philatelic Thespian. Incidentally he carries a few "nice" collections with him on the road.



Prize Puzzle

The following brain teasers submitted by our friend, Mr. E. H. Smith, of San Francisco, Calif., are so good that we have decided to publish them and offer the following prizes for correct answers: First correct answer received, a copy of Scott's 1911 Catalog. To each of the next three, a year's subscription. Address answers to the publisher. A postal card will do.

Cross Word Enigma.

First in "colonials" for these some are keen;
Second in "Philatelia" of hobbies the queen;
Third in "perforations" which we measure with care;
Fourth in "well-centered" or they're not worth a hair;
Fifth in "collectors" who gems seek and hold;
Sixth in "stamp dealer" who turns stamps into gold;
The whole though found among the departed and gone,
In philatelic circles is much commented on.

Charade

THIRD, for an ENTIRE in my collection!
For, FOURTH a one have SECOND;
Although wife tried to buy one in traffic,
Each time a FIRST was against her reckoned.

The Publishers Page

POST

OFFICIOUS

Our good friend Poicy McGee McGraw McMann, publisher of our esteemed contemporary The Philadelphia Stamp News, has flared all up about our statement, that Travers was Post Officious or vice versa. Brother Severn, the Chicago end of the Mekeels Weekly Stamp News trio, also says it's almost humorous that we should make such a statement. We didn't want to speak right out in meeting and won't do so now but will say this much, Mr. Post Officious came pretty near getting his dope direct from Travers and P. O. lives in Philadelphia, in fact he's one of the best (also richest) collectors in the Quaker City. With Travers out of the way Mr. P. O. will be unable to furnish any more exclusive news for publication.



CHECK LIST

OF U. S. STAMPS

Beginning in our issue for May, we shall start the publication of a check list of United States stamps. This list which is being compiled by a committee of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, Ohio, will be the most up-to-date and complete list of U. S. stamps ever issued. The list will contain many varieties not listed in the catalogs and as a reference list will be invaluable to every student of United States stamps.

The wonderful Worthington collection of Cleveland, Ohio, is the real basis from which the list is compiled, and we feel safe in saying, no better base to build upon could be found in the possession of one man.

If you are not a subscriber to The Stamp Collector, you should act at once and also advise your brother collectors of this feature. It is proposed also to issue this list in book form when completed in the magazine.



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A Reference List of United States Stamps

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of Cleveland Ohio

IN THE early part of 1911, it was suggested that a Check List of the Adhesive Postage Stamps of the United States in pamphlet form would be of interest. It was proposed also that the list should be published in one of the philatelic papers. A committee was appointed by Mr. Henry C. Crowell, President of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, to prepare such a list with as complete data concerning the various stamps as the facilities and time at the disposal of the committee members would allow. In compliance with the wishes of the Club, the Committee offers the list below, and deems it incumbent upon it to state the sources from which the Committee obtained the information necessary for its preparation. These sources include Mr. Luff's exhaustive work, Mr. Power's shorter book, the catalogues of Scott and Gibbons, and Mr. Geo. H. Worthington's wonderful collection; and the Committee has taken the liberty of using the books mentioned without permission first asked and obtained, in the belief that the writers and publishers will be glad to have any knowledge relating to the fascinating pursuit of stamp-collecting diffused as widely as possible. The members of the Committee desire to express their appreciation of the help obtained from the sources mentioned and to thank those who are responsible for the sources.

It is not claimed that the following list is absolutely complete, but if it will serve as a guide for those who are

interested in the collection and study of the stamps of our country, and add even in a very small degree to their pleasure and interest, the effort expended is more than paid for.

The numbers and types used and referred to are according to Scott's 1911 catalog, for the list as appearing in this issue.

PROVISIONAL ISSUES BY POSTMASTERS.

Alexandria, Va.

1845

Scott No.

1 5c Black, Buff Paper,
Type I.

1A 5c Black, Buff Paper,
Type II.

1B 5c Black, Blue Paper,
Type II.

Note—Type I has 39 rosettes in circle. Type II has 40 rosettes in circle.

Annapolis, Md.

Envelope.

1846

2 2c Blue.

2A 5c Red.

Note—The authenticity of this envelope has not yet been fully established. Believed by some to be a carrier.

Baltimore, Md.

1845

3 5c Black.

4 10c Black.

5 5c Bluish.

6 10c Bluish.

Envelopes.

7 5c Black and Blue, White P.

7A 5c Black and Blue, Bluish P.

8 5c Black and Blue, Buff P.

8A 5c Blue, Salmon P.

9 5c Blue, Manilla P.

9A 5c Blue, Orange Buff P.

9B 5c Red, Buff P.

9C 5c+5c Blue and Red,
Buff P.

10 10c Red, White P.

11 10c Red, Buff P.

Boscawen, N. H.

1846

11A 5c Dull Blue.

Note—Only one copy known.

Brattleboro, Vt.

1846

12 5c Buff. Ten varieties.

Lockport, N. Y.

1846

13 5c Red and Black, Buff.

Milbury, Mass.

1847

14 5c Bluish

New Haven, Conn.

Envelope.

1845

15 5c Red, White P.

16 5c Blue, Buff P.

Note—Originals are printed in dull red and dull blue. Reprints in carmine, red, and chalky blue. Reprints exist both signed and unsigned.

New York, N. Y.

1845

17 5c Black.

a. White Paper.

b. Blue Paper.

c. Double line at bottom.

d. Signed "R. H. M."

e. Signed "A. C. M." in small letters.

f. Unsigned.

g. "Five Cents" double (transfer variety).

h. Used in Boston.

Note—Originals measure $20\frac{3}{4} \times 27\frac{3}{4}$ mm. Reprints measure $20\frac{1}{2} \times 28\frac{3}{4}$ mm.

Providence, E. I.

1846

- 18 5c Black.
19 10c Black.

An entire sheet contains 11 varieties of the 5c and one of the 10c.

Reprints.

1893

- Thick Hard White Paper.
5c Gray-Black. 11 varieties.
10c Gray-Black.
Thick Hard Yellowish White Paper.
5c Gray-Black. 11 varieties.
10c Gray-Black.
Thin Soft White Paper with Colored Fibres.
5c Gray-Black. 11 varieties.
10c Gray-Black.

1898

- Thin Hard White Paper.
5c Gray-Black. 11 varieties.
10c Gray-Black.
5c Green. 11 varieties.
10c Green.

Of the reprints made in 1898, each stamp bears one of the following letters on the back: O, G, B, R, T, E, I, U, N or D.

St. Louis, Mo.

1845

Three varieties of the 5c, three of the 10c, and two of the 20c.

- 20 5c Black, greenish, P.
21 10c Black, greenish, P.
22 20c Black, greenish, P.

1846

One variety of the 5c, three of the 10c, and two of the 20c.

- 23 5c Black, gray lilac, P.
24 10c Black, gray lilac, P.
25 20c Black, gray lilac, P.

1847

Three varieties of the 5c, of

which the first and second are re-engraved, and three varieties of the 10c.

Pelure Paper.

- 26 5c Black, bluish P.
27 10c Black, bluish P.

Note—Plate I, consists of three 5c and three 10c, or the plate in its original state of engraving.

Plate II, consists of one 5c, three 10c, and two 20c, the first two fives on the plate having been changed to 20c values.

Plate III, the plate has been changed back to the original state.

FOR DELIVERY BY CARRIERS.**OFFICIAL ISSUES.**

1851

- 801 1c Blue, rose P. (Franklin.)
802 1c Blue. (Eagle.)

Note—Reprints of the Franklin Carrier are printed in dark blue, instead of the dull blue of the originals. The Reprints of the Eagle Carrier are on hard white paper, un gummed and sometimes perforated. The Originals are on yellowish paper with brown gum.

SEMI-OFFICIAL ISSUES.**Baltimore, Md.**

1851

- 803 1c Black, ten varieties. (Type C.)
a. "sent" instead of "cent."
b. Short Rays.
c. P instead of R in GOVERNMENT.
804 1c Red.
a. 1c Carmine red.
b. 1c Dull red.
c. 1c Brown red.
d. "sent" instead of "cent."
e. Short rays.

1852.

Type C2, ten varieties.

- 805 1c Red, bluish.
 806 1c Dark Blue, bluish.
 a. Laid Paper.
 807 1c Blue, white paper.
 a. Laid Paper.
 808 1c Dark Green.
 a. 1c Sage Green.
 b. 1c Pale Yellow
 Green.
 809 1c Red, white paper.
 (Type C3.)
 810 1c Dark Blue.
 811 1c Red.
 a. 1c. Dark red.
 b. 1c Pale red.

Boston, Mass.**1849**

Type C4. Several varieties.

- 812 2c Black.

1849-50

Type C6.

- 813 1c Blue, pelure paper.

Type C7.

- 814 1c Blue, pelure paper.
 815 1c Blue, bluish pelure paper.

Type C8.

- 816 1c Red, blue paper.

Charleston, S. C.**1849-54**

Type C9.

- 817 2c Black.

Type C9a.

- 818 2c Black, pink paper.
 818A 2c Black, yellow paper.

Type C10.

- 819 2c Black, pink paper.

"Honour's Penny Post."

Type C11.

- 820 2c Black.
 821 2c Black, yellow paper.

Type C12.

- 822 2c Black.
 823 2c Black, bluish paper.

1851-58

Type C13.

- 824 2c Black.

- 825 2c Black, bluish paper.
 826 2c Black, pink pelure paper.

Type C14.

- 827 2c Black.
 828 2c Black, bluish paper.

"Kingman's Post."**1851-58**

Type C16.

- 830 2c Black.
 831 2c Black, green paper.
 832 2c Black, bluish paper.

Type C17.

- 833 2c Black, bluish paper.

"Martin's Post."**1858**

Type C18.

- 834 2c Black, bluish paper.
 835 2c Black, white paper.

"Beckman's City Post."

- 836 2c Black, bluish paper.

"Steinmeyer's City Post."**1858-59**

Type C19.

- 837 2c Black, bluish paper.
 838 2c Black, pink paper.
 839 2c Black, yellow paper.

Type C20.

- 840 2c Black, blue paper.

"Hopdale, Mass."

Type C20a. Several types.

- 840A Black, pink paper.

Type C20b.

- 840B Black, yellow paper.

Louisville, Ky.**1857-58**

Type C21.

- 841 (2c) Bluish Green.

Type C22.

- 842 (2c) Blue.
 843 (2c) Black.

New York, N. Y.**1842-46**

Type C23.

- 844 3c Black.

Note—This is a Carrier Stamp only when canceled

with the regular government cancellation.

Type C24.

- 845 3c, rosy buff.
 846 3c, blue green, wove.
 847 3c, green, wove.
 848 3c blue, glazed.
 a. ribbed paper.
 b. double impression.
 849 3c, green glazed.
 a. One third used as
 1c Carrier.
 850 2c on 3c, green glazed.

Note—On the 3rd of March, 1845, Congress by act changed the rate for drop letters from 3c to 2c, and carriers were allowed to charge the same amount. The stamps of the United States City Dispatch Post were for a time used with a large figure 2 over-printed and the word "Three" in the lower label barred out.

1846-49

Type C26.

- 851 2c Brick Red.

Type C27.

- 852 1c Black, rose paper.
 853 1c Black, yellow paper.
 854 1c Black, buff paper.
 a. Pair, tete beche.

Philadelphia, Pa.

1849-50.

Type C28.

- 855 1c Black, rose paper (with letters L P).
 856 1c Black, rose paper (with letter S).
 857 1c Black, rose paper (with letter H).
 858 1c Black, rose paper (with letters L S).
 858A 1c Black, rose paper (with letters J J).

Type C29.

- 859 1c, Black, rose paper.
 860 1c Black, blue glazed paper.
 861 1c Black, vermilion glazed paper.
 862 1c Black, yellow glazed paper.

1851-52

Type C30.

- 863 1c Gold, black glazed paper.
 864 1c Blue.
 865 1c Black.

Type C31.

- 866 1c Blue, buff paper.
 867 1c Blue, blue paper.

Type C32.

- 868 1c Black.

Note—This stamp was printed on the margins of sheets of the stamps of the 1851 U. S. issue.

Envelopes.

Type C31.

- 869 1c Blue, reddish buff paper.
 870 1c Red, reddish buff paper.
 870A 1c Red, white paper.
 870B 1c Red, blue paper.

Type C32.

- 871 1c Blue, reddish buff.
 872 1c Black, white paper.
 873 1c Black, buff paper.
 873A 1c Black, reddish buff paper.
 874 1c Black, blue paper.
 875 1c Red, white paper.
 876 1c Red, reddish buff paper.
 877 1c Red, blue paper.

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Multiplication and Circulation

Mr. DeKay has apparently added another burden to his overloaded shoulders; not being satisfied with being "Proprietor of a Corporation" which in itself must be a stupendous task he has evidently started a school of lightning calculation. On a Saturday evening he now hands his stenographer a dollar bill and says, "here's twelve dollars for you."

The Stamp Journal in its April issue is forced to come out and make a statement which we were prepared to tell you ourselves, but we much preferred to allow The Stamp Journal to tell you that the figures as given in the January, 1911, issue should be divided by 12 to get somewhere near the exact figure. A 6 months subscription was 6 points; a year's subscription, 12 points. Even at that the figures given in Exhibit A (DeKay's own letter), and Exhibit B (from The Stamp Journal), do not agree. Mr. De Kay tries to put the matter aside by becoming personal, thus showing the stuff he is made of. He refers to a matter which was really a joke perpetrated on myself by several of the other employees of our office. He further says I am a notoriety seeker. You don't know me at all, De Kay. Better come to Chi. in August and get acquainted. If I were seeking notoriety I should go about it in the same manner you have done. Ananias, Baron Munchausen and the "fisherman" are all notorious and your actions show you are trying to get in the same class. You have made circulation claims in which you stated you were going to send out 8,000 samples of one issue. We called you for this and you have been careful since then. There is nothing wrong about running a contest and allowing each subscription to count as one or one hundred points, except that this fact should **always** be clearly stated and fully impressed upon the minds of every contestant and the public alike. I know quite well that the first rule of any honest newspaper contest should be to take the public into your confidence and tell them the whole working of your system. I played with the type in a newspaper "hell box" before I had pants on.

By not taking the public into your confidence you hurt your own case, for even at the start you frightened many would-be contestants by using figures in some instances 12 times as great as they should be. We said, in some instances. How do you account for the figure 2 which appears after

some names in your list of contestants' standing? Are these figures for 2 months' subscription, or did the parties send two postal cards for two sample copies?

We believe they were for two yearly subscriptions, and why were they not multiplied by 12?

Just where did you introduce the idea of multiplying by 12? We can see evidence of some multiplication at various places throughout the contest, but it looks very much as though you multiplied by some good sized figure between the end of the contest and your January, 1911, issue.

Here is another instance of the general crookedness of your entire contest:

One \$2.50 prize winner who's name we will not mention, but who's letter we will produce if you want to go into court, writes the following (and he shows your letters to prove it):

Up to near the close of the contest he had secured but one subscription and this was his own, but you multiplied it by more than 12 and raised it a couple of times afterward, for you had to have some prize winners. You finally wrote him offering to sell him 10 subscriptions for \$3.50 or 35 cents each and said if he bought these you would **guarantee him a prize**. This the party refused to do, but finally by a little work managed to get a few more subscriptions, not enough to make 7 though. He was quite surprised on seeing your January issue to learn that he was a prize winner, but felt rather queer about it, for he had not received his prize of \$2.50. After thinking the matter over this party finally came to the conclusion that if the honor of being a prize winner was to be forced upon him, he would have to have the pay that went with the position. He felt that "the laborer is worthy of his hire," so demanded his money. After considerable correspondence, a settlement was secured. He didn't get cash, but he got more than \$2.50 in subscriptions and advertising. Your figures show that you multiplied the subscriptions he sent you by over 30. Who knows but what you did the same with many of the others.

Lest you try to deny the above statement and try to tell the public that this party was one of those who had a number of subscriptions sent in by friends, with instructions to credit to him, we will tell you that we have your own letter stating over your own signature the following words:

"Contestants to win the \$2.50 prize were forced to get at least 7 subs. personally. This you failed to do."

We tell you this in order to save space for if you wish to deny it we can and will produce the proof, and this is but one of many cases we can cite.

The rules of the United States Postoffice Department governing second-class mail matter won't stand for much of this kind of business, so be careful. Such fraudulent business also hurts every other stamp magazine published. It's hard enough to get out a stamp magazine and make even a half way success of it and your system only makes matters worse.

For your sake we will admit that you never said the figures you used meant subscriptions, but at the same time **you never said they were points** and that a point equaled a one-month subscription.



News of The Month

NEW YORK LETTER

Travers. Travers. Travers. Nothing else does one hear now-a-days. The dealers talk of stamps occasionally, but of blued paper, \$10,000 hauls and indictments continually. The general belief is that there will be a lot of expensive lawyer's talk at Washington, and then the usual thing, the case will be forgotten. Editors of stamp papers have been overwhelmed with wild rumors. One report had it that the Government would reissue the blued papers to nullify the value. Many dealers have orders on file for the reissues. Another foolish story relates to the fact that Travers had been working on old Government reports, decrees, etc., and had found, while delving through ancient archives, many rare proofs, samples for contractors, etc. A report of this nature was to be expected. Before the case is finished, Travers will be accused of everything on the calendar.

Mr. Wolsieffer will offer the collection of Dr. H. A. Davis at auction. Dr. Davis was former Secretary of the A. P. S. and is now holding a similar position for the Metropolitan Philatelic Association. It is impossible to believe the doctor is forsaking philately entirely.

Charles J. Phillips, head of Stanley Gibbons, visited New York. He was accompanied by Mrs. Phillips. All the principal dealers were visited and many were made happy with substantial checks, one purchase of the Czar amounting to \$1,500.

Rumors have been flying thick and fast in reference to the visit of Chas. J. Phillips to this country. Your correspondent is informed upon the best authority that there has been no change in the stamp company and Mr. E. B. Power will continue to act as manager of the New York branch.

The stamp business is getting down to a fine point. One of our most progressive New York dealers has engaged a letterer to mount specialized collections and artistically letter the notations, etc. A special clerk for hinging, a second assistant to hold the stamp while the third clerk hammers it in place, is next in order.

Bartels & Co. have increased their force and have rented an extra office. The first six months' business in New York showed an increase of over 40 per cent.

One of the old-time dealers, Mr. Gregory, has opened a restaurant not far from the stamp district.

"I never knew so much happened in stamp circles in New York until I read *The Stamp Collector*," said E. H. Gammons, Jr. That's what we're here for, Egbert.

Another paper is to be launched, *The National News*. It will be of special interest to new issue collectors. Mr. Gabriel, editor, has been successful in turning up many confederates.

J. W. Scott had a few sets of the New Hebrides Condominium on Fiji and sold them at \$1.50 per set. Now he's angry at himself when he sees the sets selling at \$10.00.

The 6-cent Guy Newfoundland, the so-called error, has now been found part perforated. Why the cornered stamp? Is there something wrong? A dealer has also shown this stamp imperforated. Lord Crewes kindly note.

Mr. M. E. Marchena, well-known for his South and Central American connections (also his love for baseball), has turned dealer. Formerly Mr. Marchena sold to dealers only.

The 1845 New York stamp, being typical of the Big Burg, has always been a favorite with New York stampmen. One dealer had it printed on labels in red, but was called to account by the postoffice department. No decision has been given, but the Postmaster-General has the matter under advisement.

One more month and the season is over. Dealers are preparing for vacations and the usual trips to Europe.

The Nassau Stamp Co. has fine large, well-lighted offices at 179 Broadway. It was compelled to remove from its old location owing to the erection of the largest building in the world. This scraper will be opposite the postoffice and several dealers have planned to take offices therein. It is convenient to all car lines, Hudson tunnel, ferries, subway, etc., and is only a stone's throw from Nassau street.

Franklin Coombs of the Metropolitan Stamp Co. is overhauling his steamer trunk preparatory for his annual trip across the pond.

PHIL KNICKERBOCKER.

CHICAGO LETTER

The headliner at the Chicago Philatelic Opera House for this week is our old friend and esteemed contemporary, Bill Whitaker, of Cleveland. He seems as happy and stampish as ever—which is saying something.

Chicago Auctioneers are aroused by the article in a recent publication stating that New York had the most wonderful auctioneer in the world. Of course, Mr. Scott is a wonder, we admit; but as for speed, you'll have to hand it over to Chi. Barlow never turns a hair over a one session sale of 1,000 lots and can run it off in two hours flat. How about it, Nelton?

Moving day May 1—The C. P. S.—assisted by numerous loyal and hardworking friends did, on this date, move into new and permanent headquarters in the Republic Building. The exchange will be a welcome one, as we can now have room to move around without crowding.

The Owlmet Stamp Company has issued quite a novelty in the Auction Catalogue line. Van has listed about 500 lots of envelopes entire and as he says: "Bart 4-11-44; Nesbitt 67876 G; Scott 827 1-16." Evidently the Greek language is becoming popular.

The stamp business of the late E. L. Warner has, we understand, been purchased by the United Stamp Company of this city. This is only one of many important purchases made by this concern. We await the announcement.

By the way, the Republic Building is the one in which the States Restaurant is located. Congratulations to Doc Rogers and Harry Lindquist. Quite a time saver for some people.

The past month has witnessed a revival of interest in plate numbers. No less than four C. P. S. members have started again on this form of collecting.

Hereafter the Chicago Branch will hold its meeting on the second Thursday of each month in the new C. P. S. rooms.

PILGRIM.

LOUISVILLE LETTER Frank Bescher, the genial produce dealer of Kansas City, was in Louisville the first of the month. Bescher used to travel freighted down with \$2,000 worth of stuff in his suitcase. Unfortunately, last year he left this suitcase in the Union Station parcel room in St. Louis. The parcel man gave the suitcase to somebody else, and consequently Bescher is out that much. The considerate Terminal Company offered him \$10.00 in settlement of his claim but 'twas indignantly spurned.

Philatelic jewelry is the latest. I recently saw a neat watch charm composed of a small gold frame displaying an unused 10-cent 1847 on one side and an unused 5-cent 1847 on the other. It attracts a good deal of attention, advertises the owner's hobby and enables him to carry that much of his collection around with him.

Wanted—A catalogue of United States Revenues and Tax Paid. Such a catalogue would be a great help to many collectors. Scott's Catalogue does not list all the various papers upon which the regular revenues come, and, of course, pays no attention to tax paid. What is wanted is a priced catalogue covering general issues of revenues, M. & M., beer, tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, spirits, special tax, etc. Much of the information necessary for the publication of such a book is in existence: for instance, the "Philatelic Side Lines," published by the Springfield (Mass.) Stamp Club. Such a catalogue might also be extended to cover state rev-

enues, and such "side lines" as lock seals. Here is a chance for the U. S. R. S.

Your correspondent had a very pleasant visit with A. U. Estes of Frankfort, Ky., recently. Estes says he is always glad to see a collector, but as he's in the "bush league" he doesn't have a chance to forgather with one very often. Just now he is on the point of buying a new album. Your correspondent hereby serves notice that he expects Messrs. Krassa, Carter, et al. to "come down" with a commission if they get the order!

Lock seals seem to be getting more and more popular. They have always been plentiful here, as Louisville is in the center of the "whiskey belt," but most of the boys have treated them as trash. Now, however, they are beginning to find that they have a definite exchange value, and can be easily disposed of. They are not stamps in any sense of the word, but are attractive to look at, and the early issues are hard enough to get to make their collection interesting.

Postal savings officials are destined to be scarce. There is one office in Kentucky and another is about to be established, I am told. Correspondence addressed to the postmaster at this office in regard to the stamps has so far not been replied to. I expect somebody has already cornered the supply from there.

The sixty-ninth meeting of the Louisville Philatelic Club was held at 7:30 p. m., April 13, in the office of F. E. Wagner. Owing to the absence of a quorum, no business was transacted. Mr. Wm. E. Ault showed his collection of the current United States envelopes and wrappers, and explained the difference in die varieties, etc. The members present greatly enjoyed Mr. Ault's talk, which led to much informal discussion on the subject of envelope collecting.

John H. Wilms is planning to leave soon for a trip to Europe. He is going to take his collection with him, and says that if he meets a "nobility" there who wants it worse than he does, he'll sell.

GALLIA.

CANADIAN LETTER

It is not surprising that among the thousands of immigrants pouring into Western Canada today there are quite a number of active Philatelists, who hail from America, the British Isles and other European countries. One of the recent arrivals in Winnipeg is Mr. Arthur Janos, of London, England, a

well known Philatelist. He attended a recent club meeting at which he displayed a nice collection of stamps on original covers and also a few of his better class duplicates. Mr. Janos has promised to show at some future meeting his private collection which is practically complete in 19th century issues.

ON THE WATER WAGON FOR MUH T'other day we swore off for keeps, you would too if you got a copy of the paper from St. Louis and couldn't find out for some time whether you were reading the real thing or an imitation. Imitation is the sincerest flattery.

KILL THE UMPIRE The baseball season is now on in earnest and we have just finished reading the account of the first game of the season between the St. Louis Terrors and the Bean Eaters. Thus we say "Kill the Umpire." What's needed in this case is an umpire who will give a decision and stop this periodical contest.



The Auction Market

Eugene Klein, Inc., of Philadelphia, the latest firm to enter the auction field, has recently made arrangements for selling the fine collection of Mr. James Vick. The collection is said to be very rich in desirable U. S. stamps.

The International Stamp Co. will hold its next sale on June 6th. The sale will consist of some eight hundred lots comprising principally medium priced lots cataloguing from \$1.50 to \$5.00 with some fifty rarities added. To meet the requirements of local patronage the sale will commence at 6:30 p. m. As usual Mr. H. S. Adair will act as auctioneer.

The thirty-fifth sale of the Philadelphia Stamp Co. will be held at the Collectors Club in New York, on June 1st and 2nd. The sale contains a number of extraordinary items among which we note a strip of 3, 1c. 1851, on cover but described as poor examples of this type in that the ornaments at the east are cut off while those at the west are plain and distinct.

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., April 10, 11, Sale.

The collection of Mr. Wm. R. Loeb, of Providence, R. I.
Total amount realized at the sale \$5,664.25.

	Cat.	Sold
★ Brattleboro, 1846, 5c. buff, o. g. fine, from Scholle Collection	\$ —	\$435.00
○ —, 5c. red brown, horz. strip of 4 on cover with "steamship" cancellation, from Seybold Collection.....	—	16.00
○ —, 10c. black, light blue cancellation, fine	5.00	4.10
○ —, 10c. black on cover, fine, red cancellation, from Seybold Collection.....	5.00	5.25
○ —, 10c. black, used with 2 copies of 5c. on original, with red cancellation, fine, from Seybold Collection.....	7.50	8.25
○ 1851, 5c. red brown, very fine used copy...	10.00	8.00
★ 1857, 5c. brick red, o. g. very fine copy....	100.00	76.00
○ —, 5c. brown, type II, fine copy.....	4.00	3.40
★ —, 30c. orange, o. g. perfectly centered..	10.00	11.25
★ 1861, 3c. red brown, rare shade of No. 65..	—	3.10
★ 1869, 10c. yellow, o. g. finely centered.....	6.00	4.25
★ 1879, 90c. carmine, Am. Print, imperf. horz. pair, o. g. very fine and rare.....	—	31.50
★ 1882, 1c. gray blue, die cut with small holes, No. 206b, horz. pair, o. g. fine.....	20.00	13.25
★ —, 3c. green, die cut, No. 207b, vert. pair, o. g. fine.....	20.00	15.50
★ 1883, 2c. claret, not issued in this color, o. g. fine.	—	8.25
★ —, 4c. blue green, imperf. fine margins except bottom	—	1.85
★ 1888, 5c. blue, imperf., No. 216b, horz. pair, o. g. fine.....	—	19.00
★ —, 30c. orange brown, imperf., No. 217a, horz. pair, o. g. very fine.....	—	29.50
★ 1894, 3c. purple, horz. pair, imperf., o. g. fine	—	5.70
★ —, 10c. green, horz. pair, imperf., o. g. fine	—	7.00
○ Precancelled, 1895 to 1902, 84 stamps, mostly 1 and 2c., but a few higher.....	—	1.60
★ Pan American, 1c. inverted center, fine....	25.00	24.10
★ Pan American, 4c. inverted center, specimen, fine	—	61.00
★ 1908, 6c. on bluish paper, very fine.....	—	3.90

★ 1908, 6c. on bluish paper, block of 6 with imprint and plate number.....	—	25.00
★ State, \$10 green and black, well centered..	75.00	50.00
○ —, \$20 green and black, well centered, lightly cancelled, from Seybold Collection.	—	34.00
○ Baltimore Carrier, 1852, 1c. red on bluish, fine, lightly pen cancelled, on cover....	20.00	15.50
○ Charleston Carrier, 2c. black, pen cancelled on neat cover, from Seybold Collection	7.50	6.50
○ \$20.00 Probate of Will, perf. very fine.....	35.00	22.00
○ \$5.00 lake and black, 1898 Rev., cut cancel..	40.00	22.50
★ Congo, 1895, 10c. blue and black, inverted center, o. g. very fine.....	—	21.25
○ Gt. Britain, 1p. black, No. 2, partly reconstructed sheet of 232 of the 240 stamps necessary to make full sheet, nearly all fine copies	—	37.00
○ Spain, 1851, 2r. orange, No. 8, splendid copy	—	64.00
○ Switzerland, Geneva, 1843, 10c. yellow, No. 23, on cover close at top, two tears, nothing gone, lightly cancelled in red, from Seybold Collection.....	140.00	96.00
○ W. Australia, 6p. gray bronze, No. 4 G 17a, fine.	17.50	65.00



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Fellow Members:—

I am sorry to have to report this month, the resignation of two of our valued members—No. 23, Mr. Joseph D. Town, of Philadelphia, Pa.; No. 25, Mr. F. Percy Collingwood, of Attleboro, Miss.

Members will please note that dues for the current fiscal year to April 1st, 1912, are now due and payable and payments should be made at once. It has been suggested by some that the dues be reduced to 50c. per year and after consultation with the other members of the Council of the

Society, it was agreed to do this and hereafter members joining at any time during the fiscal year will have to pay the dues for the entire year.

All wishing to receive their new membership cards will please remit 50c. at once.

Work is progressing slowly but surely on the booklet of 1910 publications and the same will be ready to mail within another month.

Fraternally yours,
 GEORGE W. LINN, Secy.-Treas.



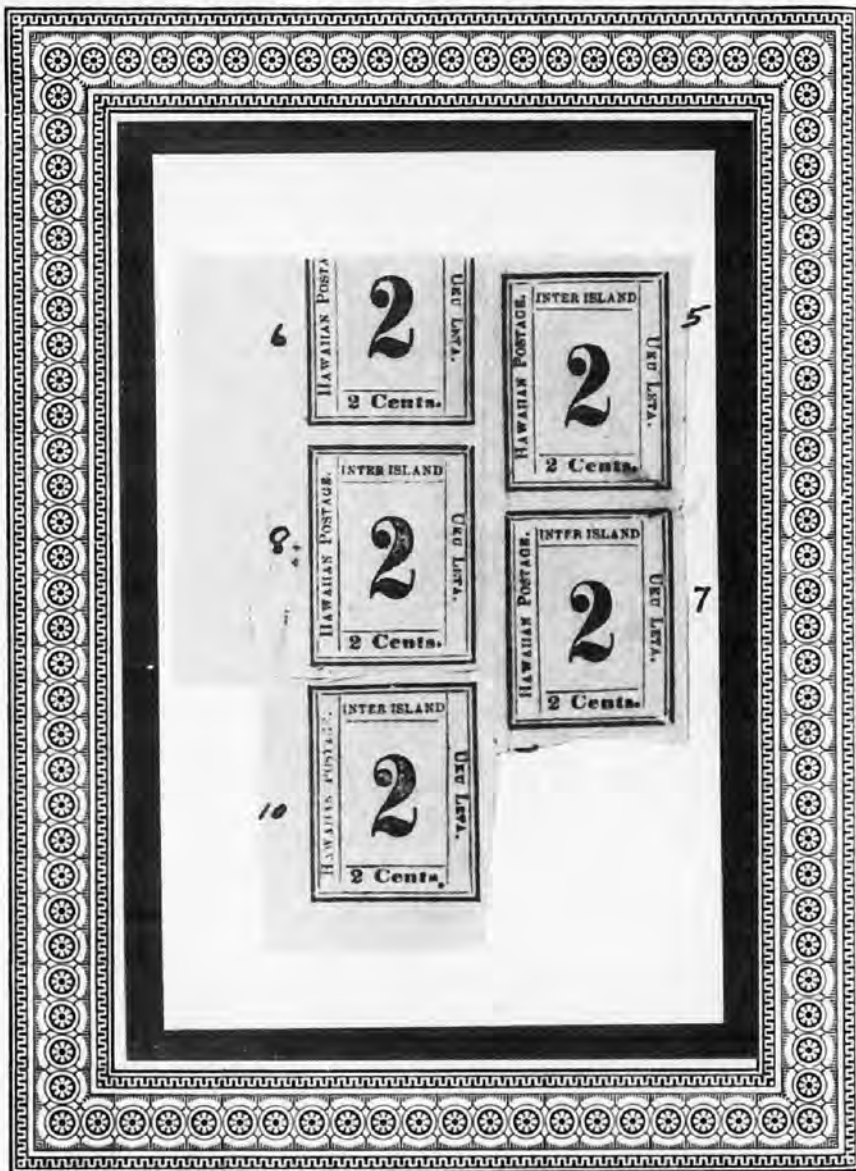
The Publishers Page

UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT

Editor Kendall of the *Hobbyist* seems bound to be noticed. The last issue of his publication does much to give the average philatelist a poor opinion of Mr. Kendall and this on top of his recent trouble makes it even worse. Mr. Kendall puts one in mind of a person who would say: "There's something wrong with the stamp business—I know there is—but I don't know what it is or who it is—if you know of anything wrong tell me and I'll try and start a fuss." Quit it, Kendall, there are undoubtedly some crooked people in the stamp business, also many crooked collectors who would gladly skin the most honest dealer. It's the same in every line of business. Just because a few are no good, is no excuse for knocking everyone on general principles. You will do more harm than good by such talk. We have no use for crooks, but at the same time we believe in standing by anyone until he's caught with the goods on him.

OFFICIOUS POST

No, Percy, we didn't admit that we wronged you. We only trifled with you. We know your man and will print his name if you want it. Why don't you print a story and sign it P. O. It'll look like we were mistaken about the affair after all. But if you do do this, it won't come from the original "P. O." The man that on September 9 or thereabouts told about the new watermark, putting the story in the form of a suggestion to the department, so that later he could say, "We told you so." Your "P. O." got that from Travers, didn't he?



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Some Notes on the Early Hawaiian Postal Administration

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By Warren H Colson

IT IS difficult for one living in these days of a marvelously perfected postal system, handling millions of pieces of mail daily, to have any adequate idea of the primitive conditions that obtained in the earliest times in this country, and even more difficult to imagine the conditions as they were in Hawaii in say—1851.

Other than for a few traders and whalers there were almost no whites in the Hawaiian group until 1820, when the first band of missionaries sent out from Boston, arrived.

The correspondence of these missionaries to their families and friends in New England represented by far the closest tie between the States and the Island Kingdom and with the advent of postage stamps in various countries these well educated men were not slow to avail themselves of the great convenience offered by the use of stamps in writing home.

For the first, or Missionary issue we are indebted to the son of one of these Missionaries, the Rev. Samuel Whitney, who had settled at Waimea, Kauai, for his pastoral field. His son, H. M. Whitney, in later years embarked in a general merchandizing business in Honolulu and made a specialty of stationery, books, publications and so forth.

The first post-office was established in December, 1850 with H. M. Whitney as postmaster and the only charges collected were those on letters going abroad. To make possible the prepayment of postage on this mail the missionary stamps were printed by order of Mr. Whitney and placed in use October 1, 1851.

Until 1859 all inter-island mail was carried free, which led to a considerable abuse of the privilege, inasmuch as very large parcels were frequently offered for delivery. This led to the establishment of a rule that no piece would be accepted unless it would pass through the wicket or post-office window. But early in 1859 by Act of the Legislature, postage was charged on inter-island letters at the rate of two cents for letters and one cent for papers.

The half tone accompanying this article represents the first of the stamps or "numeral" issues, as we have come to know them, issued for the purpose of prepaying this postage and was authoratively placed in use August 1, 1859, though specimens are known used at earlier dates.

These stamps were type-set in forms containing ten examples of the design or clichés as they are called—from the French.

Each of the ten positions varies in minor details from its neighbors and by these differences it is possible to re-construct the sheet as originally printed.

Of this 2 c. blue stamp, not even a pair was known until the discovery of the block of six now in the collection of Henry J. Crocker, Esq., of San Francisco.

This is a striking evidence of the great rarity of some of the numeral issues—in unsevered blocks. The block illustrated herewith—from the collection of Geo. H. Worthington, Esq.—is of particular interest as the two vertical rows are reversed as compared to the other block and represent position 6, 8 and 10 in the left hand strip and 5 and 7 in the right hand pair. But there is still another interesting feature of this block—position 10 shows the period after "cents" dropped and in other copies known, this error has been rectified. Of course, this error is the result of putting the period in up side down. Both the blocks mentioned are shown by the printing to be very early impressions.

Very few of the numeral issues were used, inasmuch as at that period correspondence through the islands was limited largely to intercourse between the few missionary stations.

The supplies sent to some of the principal offices at that period would be limited to 500 two cent stamps and an equal number of ones. With such a limited use it is not surprising that these stamps take high rank among the classics of Philately, and the block illustrated is of very great value.

It is interesting to note that the postmasters at the various offices received a salary of \$100 per year except the one

at Honolulu, who received \$1,000 a year. Of course, the office of postmaster usually fell to the Missionaries in charge at the various stations and their duties were not very onerous.

The writer has in mind the office at Waimea, Kauai (northernmost island of the group). The Rev. Samuel Whitney (father of the first Postmaster at Honolulu) was established in charge of the station at this village. On his death in 1843 he was succeeded by the Rev. G. B. Rowell who also acted as postmaster. The Rowell homestead is still standing and in the front room one may see the little cup-board which answered for the distributing box for the mails. There are the six little pigeon holes, each bearing a label for one of the other offices. The whole contrivance would not measure more than two feet in height and fifteen inches in width.

Truly—as was suggested at the beginning of these notes—it is difficult to think that the beginning of such a tremendous system could ever have been so infinitesimal.

The writer takes this opportunity to suggest that he would be glad to examine any of the numeral issues that his readers may have, whether as to their genuineness or for the assistance that they may give in the matter of plating—particularly any of the one and two cents blue.



Tin Foil Tobacco Wrappers

By William C Stone

There are two methods of collecting these interesting revenues. One is to follow the exhaustive check list issued by Messrs. Prevost and Bartlett and collect all the different brands indicated on the wrappers. This will run a collection up into the hundreds, many of which are of extreme rarity. For those who wish to specialize this is the only way, but it is beyond the pocket books of many. For myself I collect one foil of each kind, ignoring the brands. This reduces the list to some seventy varieties, of which a goodly part can be secured without a large expenditure of money. Thinking that some of the readers of the **Stamp Collector** might like to follow on these lines I have prepared this list. If you wish to go into details by all means get the list I have referred to above.

Class 32 Cents.

No date. (1868)

1. ½ oz. blue on bright.
2. 1 oz. gold on bright.

Act of June 6, 1872.

3. 1 oz. blue on bright.
4. 1 oz. gold on bright.

1875 Provisionals.

Same as last issue without date.

5. 1 oz. blue on bright.
 6. 1 oz. gold on bright.
- Series of 1875.**
7. 1 oz. blue on bright.
 8. 1 oz. blue on silver.
 9. 1 oz. gold on bright.

1879 Provisionals.

Same as last issue without date.

10. 1 oz. blue on bright.
11. 1 oz. blue on silver.
12. 1 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
13. 1 oz. gold on bright.
14. 1 oz. red on ribbed silver.

Series of 1879.

15. 2 oz. blue on bright.
16. 2 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
17. 2 oz. gold on bright.
18. 2 oz. brown on ribbed silver.
19. 4 oz. gold on bright.
20. 8 oz. gold on bright.

Series of 1880.

21. 1 oz. red on ribbed silver.
22. 1 oz. blue on bright.
23. 1 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
24. 1 oz. gold on bright.
25. 2 oz. blue on bright.
26. 2 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
27. 2 oz. gold on bright.

Series of 1883.

28. 1 oz. blue on bright.
29. 1 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
30. 1 oz. blue on bronze.
31. 1 oz. purple on ribbed silver.
32. 1 oz. gold on bright.
33. 1 oz. red on bronze.
34. 1 oz. red on bright.
35. 1 oz. black on bright.
36. 2 oz. blue on bright.
37. 2 oz. blue on ribbed silver.

38. 2 oz. gold on bright.
39. 4 oz. gold on bright.
40. 8 oz. gold on bright.

1890 Provisionals.

Same as last issue without date.

41. 1 oz. gold on bright.
42. 1 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
43. 1 oz. blue on bright.

Act of October 1, 1890.

44. 1 oz. blue on bright.
45. 1 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
46. 1 oz. gold on bright.
47. 2 oz. black on ribbed silver.
48. 2 oz. blue on bright.
49. 2 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
50. 2 oz. gold on bright.

1893 Provisionals.

Same as last issue without date.

51. 1 oz. blue on bright.
52. 1 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
53. 1 oz. gold on bright.
54. 1½ oz. black on ribbed silver.
55. 1½ oz. blue on bright.

Act of June 13, 1898.

56. 1 oz. blue on bright.
57. 1 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
58. 1 oz. gold on bright.
59. 1 oz. blue on gold.
60. 1 oz. red on bright.
61. 1½ oz. blue on bright.

Act of April 12, 1902.

62. 1 oz. blue on bright.
63. 1 oz. blue on ribbed silver.
64. 1 oz. gold on bright.
65. 1 oz. red on bright.
66. 1½ oz. blue on bright.

Series of 1910.

Several varieties of this series have been seen, but the time since the act went into effect is so short that I do not attempt to list them, as the numbering would have to be changed later by the issue of new varieties. There are at the least four denominations known.

A Reference List of United States Stamps

Arranged and Compiled by Messrs
 Alvin Good R H Beatty R H Crowell
 John F Rust and W H Schneider
 A Committee of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club
 of Cleveland Ohio

Continued from May Number

UNITED STATES GENERAL ISSUES.

ISSUE OF 1847.

Printed by Rawdon, Wright, Hatch & Edson.

Gum: Yellowish or white.

Papers: Bluish, Greyish and White Wove.

- 28 5c Brown.
 Portrait of Franklin to left in oval.
 "U. S. Postage" above.
 Numerals and "Five Cents" below.

Colors:

- a. brown.
- b. dark brown.
- c. red brown.
- d. black brown.
- e. orange brown.
- f. pale brown.
- g. purple brown.
- h. olive brown.
- i. bronze.

Varieties:

- j. diagonal half and another copy used as $7\frac{1}{2}$ c.
- k. shifted transfer.

- 29 10c Black.
 Portrait of Washington to right in oval.
 "U. S. Postage" above.
 Roman Numerals and "Ten Cents" below.

Colors:

- a. black.
- b. grey black.
- c. greenish black.

Varieties:

- d. Diagonal half used as 5c.
- e. Vertical half used as 5c.
- f. Shifted Transfer.

Note.—The oldest authentic used specimen of the 1847 issue was used July 17, 1847, in New York City.

The Watermarked stamp of this issue as well as of the 1851 series must not be taken too seriously, as the watermark is of an accidental and not an intentional nature, and simply consists of a series of small dashes.

Reprints.—The letters R. W. H. & E. at the bottom of each stamp are less distinct on the reprints than on the originals.

5c. On the originals the left side of the white shirt frill touches the oval on a level with the top of the F of Five.

On the Reprints it touches the oval about on a level with the top of the figure 5.

10c. On the reprints the eyes have a sleepy look, the line of the mouth is straighter, and in the curl of the hair near the left cheek is a strong black dot, while the originals have only a faint one.

ISSUE OF 1851-55.

Printed by Toppan, Carpenter,
Caslear & Co.

Paper: Hard white wove.
Gum: Yellowish or white.

30 1c Indigo Blue.
to Bust of Franklin in
32 oval to right.
"U. S. Postage" above
in curved label.
"One Cent" below in
curved label.

Type I—Full ornaments. The
rolled ends or scrolls are
complete and show plainly
below N of ONE and N of
CENT. This is the full and
original form of the stamp.

Type II—Line at top removed,
but the roll ends at bottom
are intact.

Type III—Ornaments partially
removed. The rolled ends or
scrolls below are removed.

Type IV—Lines at top and
bottom, together with the
rolled ends or scrolls at bot-
tom are removed.

Type V—The lines at top and
bottom have been recut or
restored.

Colors:

- a. Indigo blue.
- b. Black blue.
- c. Dull blue.
- d. Bright blue.
- e. Slate blue.
- f. Pale blue.

Varieties:

- g. Sewing machine perf.
(unofficial).
- h. Used in connection
with 3c as Carrier
Stamp.
- i. Shifted Transfer.

33 3c Red.
Bust of Washington in
oval to left.
"U. S. Postage" above,
in straight label.
"Two Cents" below, in
straight label.

Type I—One vertical line at
each side.

Type II—Two vertical lines at
right.

Type III—Two vertical lines
at left.

Type IV—Two vertical lines
at each side.

Colors:

- a. Red.
- b. Pale orange red.
- c. Dark orange red.
- d. Brown orange red.
- e. Rose red.
- f. Indian red.
- g. Lake.

Varieties:

- h. Line through value
(transfer var.)
- i. Diagonal half used
as 1c.
- j. Vertical half used as
1c.
- k. Unofficial perf.

34 5c Brown.
Portrait of Jefferson in
oval, to right.
"U. S. Postage" at top.
"Five Cents" at bottom.

Colors:

- a. Brown.
- b. Red brown.
- c. Dark red brown.

35 10c Green.
Portrait of Washington
in oval, to left.
"X U. S. Postage X"
at top.
"Ten Cents" below.

Type I—Upper and lower lines
intact.

Type II—One or both lines
broken or worn away.

Type III—One or both lines
have been recut.

Type IV—Same as Type I, but
side ornaments have been
partly removed.

Type V—Same as Type II, but
with the side ornaments re-
moved.

Type VI—Same as Type III,
but with side ornaments re-
moved.

- Colors:
 a. Dark green.
 b. Blue green.
 c. Yellow green.
- 36 12c Black.
 Portrait of Washington
 in oval, to left.
 "U. S. Postage" above.
 "Twelve Cents" below.
- Colors:
 a. Full black.
 b. Gray black.
- Varieties:
 c. Printed on both
 sides.
 d. Diagonal half used
 as 6c.
 e. One and diagonal half
 unsevered used as
 18c.
- 37 24c Dark lilac.
 Portrait of Washington
- in oval, to right.
 "U. S. Postage" above
 and "Twenty Four
 Cents" below, in label
 surrounding the oval.
- Colors:
 a. Dark lilac.
 b. Gray lilac.
- 38 30c Brownish orange.
 Bust of Franklin in
 oval to right.
 "U. S. Postage" above.
 "30" below.
 "Thirty at left, and
 "Cents" at right.
- 39 90c Deep Indigo Blue.
 Portrait of Washington
 in uniform.
 "U. S. Postage" in
 curved label above.
 "Ninety Cents" in
 straight label below.

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The Realization of a Stupendous Undertaking *

By Julian Park FRPS

"The earliest philatelic work was only published in December, 1861, but probably no other pursuit of a collecting nature can show such a mass of literature for the first fifty years of its existence. The number of publications has of late years grown to such large proportions that collectors of this branch of literature now more than ever feel the want of a new bibliographical list that includes the productions of the philatelic press of every country. The present work is designed to fill this gap."

Thus succinctly we learn, from the preface of the work before us, of the purpose of the undertaking that has taken fruit in this colossal volume. It is curious, but wholly natural, that the first three pages of such a book should be the only ones that are meant to be read; but such is the usual fate of a research work. A most interesting preface it is,

* Catalogue of the Philatelic Library of the Earl of Crawford. By E. D. Bacon. Paper, uncut, large 4to. London: The Philatelic Literature Society. Price to non-members \$10.22, carriage and duty extra.

briefly telling the history of the present undertaking, the manner in which Lord Crawford has accumulated his collection, describing the arrangement and contents of the catalogue, and concluding, of course, with a statement of the compiler's indebtedness to various colleagues, among whom we are glad to note the names of five of our own philatelic literature enthusiasts.

Our first thought, perhaps, at running through the pages is not so much envy and admiration at the wonderful collection described, but rather a certain amazed awe at the amount of work which its compiler has taken upon himself. And this is as it should be, for, though we take it that Mr. Bacon has been in Lord Crawford's employment during the task involved, still it is evident that he has contributed to it the enthusiasm, as well as the energy, which is associated with his reputation. Nor has the owner of the library been any less liberal, for it is only his due to say that he originally commissioned the work to be compiled and printed for private distribution only, offering the society the right to publish a catalogue of their own, using the original private volume as their guide. The circulation of the present work will be little more general than that of the first edition, for only 300 copies are printed, and of these 100 are reserved for members.

The first part of the catalogue is headed "Separate Works," while the second part is confined to "Periodicals." An appendix gives a list of the journals arranged under the countries in which they were published, in chronological sequence. That the number of papers which stand to a country's credit (or discredit) is not to be taken as a measure of its philatelic importance, is proved, for instance, by the United States and France, which have, respectively about 880 and 130 journals listed. England is sponsor for 310. Practically every country which issues stamps also has published one or more stamp journals which are represented in this library, from Curacao to San Marino.

In mechanical details the volume is in correct and good taste, paper and type alike being admirable. We wonder why each column is numbered instead of each page; of columns there are 924, making a huge tome of 462 pages, contained in a board carton.

When the American Philatelic Literature Society can produce such a work, or anything at all approaching it, it may indeed call itself a literature society. Speed that day!

A P S 25th Anniversary Stamp Exhibition

Arrangements for the Competitive Stamp Exhibition to be held under the auspices of the American Philatelic Society in the Art Institute, Chicago, Illinois, August 22 to 26, 1911, inclusive, which dates include those of the Society's Annual Convention, have assumed such shape that the full plans are now laid and the different divisions or classes have been selected, together with a list of the awards or medals to be given.

We have not the space necessary to give a full list of the various classes of exhibits with the list of awards and the rules governing the entry of exhibits, but we note that the exhibit has been divided into fifteen different sections, which in turn are subdivided into thirty-four parts, for most of these parts both a gold, silver and bronze medal is to be given, a total of thirteen gold medals, thirty silver medals and thirty-three bronze medals, in all seventy-six medals are to be awarded.

Competition for the various medals will be limited strictly to collectors, exhibits by dealers may be entered but will not be counted in competition with the exhibits of collectors.

Philatelists should bear in mind that this exhibition is supported by the American Philatelic Society as a body, and that the expenses are to be borne by the society. It is estimated that the total cost of holding this exhibition, supplying the medals, etc., will be in the neighborhood of \$1200. This amount the society can ill afford to take from its treasury, and therefore a special committee, known as a financial committee was appointed to solicit contributions from stamp collectors, with which to help bear the expense of the exhibition.

The publisher of *The Stamp Collector* was appointed as a committeeman on this financial committee and as such solicits the contribution of all readers of *The Stamp Collector*. No amount is too small to receive and, of course, none too large. Most of our readers have been in the habit of renewing their yearly subscription when it expires and I would suggest that since the same has been reduced from 50 cents to 25 cents per year that you send the quarter which you will now save, with instructions to turn it into the exhibition fund.

Four or five hundred subscribers doing this would thus give much assistance, and you can have the pride of knowing that you have helped to success the greatest event of a philatelic nature that has ever been attempted in America.



The Auction Market

Mr. A. F. Van Order, manager and owner of the Ouilwette Stamp Co., of Evanston, Ill., formerly Wilmette, Ill., has been quite successful with his auctions. Mr. Van Order is about to remove to California. He will take his stamp business along with him and shall in the future conduct his business under his own name. Mail address is Newport Beach. Mr. Van Order will hold his next auction at Los Angeles, probably before the Los Angeles branch of the A. P. S. This will be the first large bona-fide mail auction ever held west of Omaha.

Hugh Clark, of Chicago, will hold his nineteenth sale late this month. This will probably be the last sale of the season. Many fine stamps are included in this sale and as the season is about over it should be well patronized. A very fine copy of the 8c. 1895 U. S. Postage with U. S. I. R. watermark is one of the desirable pieces offered.

J. C. Morgenthau & Co., New York, April 24, 25 27 Sale.

	Cat.	Sold.
★ Gt. Britain, 1840, 1d. black, "V. R." No. 1, very large margins, o. g. perfect copy..	\$ 75.00	\$ 56.00
★ —, 2d. pale blue, No. 3a, large margins top and left, o. g. fine, from Werzog Collection,	40.00	32.00
★ —, 1878, Maltese Cross 10sh. slate, No. 72, o. g. well centered, rare.....	100.00	70.00
★ —, 1878, £1 brown lilac, No. 73, o. g. very fine.	150.00	106.00
★ Br. C. Africa, 1891, 2£ rose red, No. 12, o. g. fine.....	30.00	25.00
★ —, 1891, £5 yellow green, No. 13, o. g. fine.	33.50	28.00
★ —, 1895, £1 orange and black, No. 29, o. g. fine.....	25.00	21.00
★ Br. E. Africa, 1898, 50r. lilac, No. 109, o. g. fine.	25.00	26.00

★ Lagos, 1885, 10sh. brown violet, No. 25, o. g. fine color, from Reynolds Collec- tion.	70.00	65.50
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The above are only a few prices on some of the gems of the sale; the stamps were the property of Mr. F. Spiegelberg. It is pleasing to note that as a rule, prices were very good and it should be so when we consider the high quality of the stamps included in the sale. Practically all were unused and in the best of condition. We are also pleased to note that the South American stamps in this sale brought very good auction prices, in many cases close to catalog price and in a few over catalog price was realized.

The total amount realized at this sale was \$8,302.85.

Messrs. Glendining & Co., London, sold in their sale held on June 13 and 14, what is probably one of the finest lots of Great Britain stamps offered at auction for some time. The catalog of the sale was accompanied by eight full page plates illustrating a large number of single stamps, pairs, strips and blocks of rare British stamps. Collectors in this country would do well to get in touch with this firm as their catalogs are mailed so as to reach America in plenty of time to allow of returning a bid on such lots as you may be interested in and many very desirable stamps are offered.



“H. R. 8877”

Collectors of match and medicine stamps may be interested to know that there is a movement on foot to replace the tax on patent and proprietary medicines, perfumery, cosmetics, etc., which was abolished some years ago. Representative Swager Shirley, of Kentucky, introduced a bill to this effect (H. R. 8877) in the House on May 6th, and it was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The proposed rates of tax are as follows:

Retail Price.	Tax.
Not over 5c.....	1/8c
5c to 10c.....	1/4c

10c to 15c.....	3/8c
15c to 25c.....	5/8c
For each additional 25c.....	5/8c

On goods to be exported a drawback equal to the tax is to be allowed.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue is to have suitable stamps prepared, contracting with private parties for them, if the Bureau of Engraving and Printing is not prepared to furnish them promptly. The contract is to go to the Bureau on July 1, 1912, however. Stamps will be sold by the collectors of the various districts, and by the Assistant Treasurer and Postmasters if necessary. The required cancellation consists of the initials of the user, written, printed or stamped, and the date. On purchases of \$100 or over, one per cent. discount will be allowed.

Manufacturers who will purchase not less than \$2,000 worth at a time may have private dies, subject to the approval of the Commissioner. Private stamps must be so affixed to the package as to be destroyed in opening it.

It will be noticed that this bill is practically a duplicate of the act of 1898, which gave us our last crop of private proprietaries. There is much opposition to it on the part of the manufacturers and retailers, and it is extremely doubtful if it will get out of committee, to say nothing of passing the House. If passed it will become effective July 1, 1911.

BRITISH GUIANA

The British Guiana Philatelic Society will hold a philatelic exhibition in Georgetown, B. G., the opening date being Saturday, October 7, 1911. We note that our generous friend, Andrew Carnegie, has even penetrated this far-away country with his free libraries and that the exhibition will be held in the Carnegie Free Library Hall. The program of the exhibition is a very neat and tasty little booklet.



Uncatalogued Varieties

Under this heading we propose to print from time to time, descriptions of various stamps, which are not mentioned in the leading catalogues. This of course will refer principally to minor varieties of the standard issues, but we believe will be of interest to many collectors. Certain classes of stamps are studied very thoroughly and even the smallest varieties are considered collectable. Other countries are neglected in this manner and specialists have no way of learning of many varieties they would be glad to secure. We believe this department will be of interest to many collectors and we also invite your assistance in making it a success.

Send descriptions of anything of this sort you may possess or send stamps for inspection and we shall be pleased to write the description.

United States, 30c. Interior Dept.

The Economist Stamp Co. of New York advise us of the discovery of the 30c. Interior printed on the soft porous paper as used by the American Bank Note Co. The copy they have is unused; a used copy was discovered recently by the New England Stamp Co. of Boston. Collectors might do well to examine their 30c. Interiors and at the same time the 90c. value as it may also be in existence on the soft paper.

United States, 1867, 10c. Green, 9x13 Grill.

I have just received in a mixed lot purchased in a London auction, a copy of this stamp which is not perforated, the margins are a good $1\frac{1}{2}$ mm. on all sides, but of course this may be a clipped copy although the margins are very good. Another peculiarity of this stamp and the most important, is the paper on which it is printed, this being a very thin hard paper, almost a pelure.

United States, 1857, 3c. Rose.

This issue is full of varieties in the way of extra frame lines, etc., but I have just found a copy which has been printed from a damaged or cracked plate, beginning at the bottom of the stamp, under the R of THREE, a line of color can be seen running up through the back of the R of THREE, the R being mashed in such a manner as to make it look like THEEE, the colored line continues up through the rosette at the left of the stamp.

News of The Month

NEW YORK LETTER. If one judged the number of dealers in Manhattan by those who advertise the verdict would be that the big city has very few. We could give a list of more than 100 who never use the trade papers. We often wonder what would happen if they all realized that advertising pays.

New issue dealers have their troubles. A number of Gotham dealers sent to the St. Johns, Newfoundland, post-office for the Guy set. Orders were held up for two months. One dealer applied to a steamship company which runs a line to the island and secured the stamps through the captain of one of the vessels. His stamps were received weeks in advance of those handled by the postmaster.

A funny side of Mr. Charles J. Phillips trip is revealed by the fact that nearly every dealer imagines he was the only one honored by a visit. We always knew C. J. P. was a good business man.

If speed makes the best auctioneer then New York hands up the palm. But if courtesy and consideration for both buyer and seller count then Walter Scott has 'em all lashed to the mast.

Wm. P. Brown recently bought a sheet of 80 U. S. 1851 1c.

The office devil at the government printing office at Managua, Nicaragua, should clean out the V box. In a recent surcharge they had a Y instead of V in Vale, giving the classy error of "Yale." Bet Harvard will be mad when this is known.

At Tuttle's last sale a number of interesting items brought fair prices. The room was crowded. Better get larger quarters, George. I append a few of the head-liners:

1857-60, 5c., brick red, type 1, unused (cat. \$100).....	\$37.00
1857-60, 5c., red brown, type 1, unused (cat. \$50).....	20.25
1857-60, re-issue, 1c. to 90c., sold as one lot.....	40.00
1869, 24c., inverted center.....	167.00
1901, 1c., Pan-American, inverted center.....	22.25
1901, 4c., inverted center.....	52.00
Revenue, proprietary, 1871-75, \$1.00 (cat. \$100).....	61.00
1893, Columbian, 4c. blue.....	39.25

The blued paper scandal was instigated, it is said, by a dealer in the Middle West. Who, oh who, can it be?

As an evidence of the growing hold new issues have taken, we learn that a New York concern will start a \$25,000 service in September.

The Father of Philately, J. W. Scott, thinks the little jigger sitting on the bean pot on the New Hebrides stamp, takes the prize as a humorous conceit.

Mr. L. W. Charlat has added \$4.00 worth of gold lettering to his office door, reading "Head Office, Paris, France." Louis will engage the Mauretania for a trip to Patee, stopping probably in England to see them fit a new lid on Rex George.

Eddie Stern, of the Economist Stamp Co., was fortunate in securing a beautiful stock of early Mexicans.

A. C. Roessler, with an inevitable cigar, is seen frequently in Nassau street.

Quite a few of our best little dealers lunch daily at White's. Some of these gatherings of philatelic luminaries make an A. P. S. convention seem trivial. Lunches every day at two bucks may be easy for Wall street rulers but we never expected it from Nassau street stampmen. But since the blued papers we are ready to believe anything.

PHIL. KNICKERBOCKER.

PHILADELPHIA LETTER I hear that a few Quakers are preparing to visit the Chicago convention of the A. P. S. in August. Among them I hear the names of William S. F. Pierce, Percival Parrish, Eugene Klein, Percy McG. Mann and Joseph A. Steinmetz.

"Back to the land of my birth," says Louis Theophile Renaut, of Philadelphia, as he sails to France. Mr. Renaut who has made a specialty of selling Bethlehem Mission stamps, sailed on May 26th, to be located permanently in Gagny, France.

A couple of side liners were seen the other day going the rounds of two exhibitions which are being held in Philadelphia looking for "stickers." The Milk Show and The First Municipal Planning Exhibition in America are getting vast crowds, among which were noted the faces of Poicy McMann and Freddie Fenner. But no advertising labels were in evidence, except it were the top of a milk bottle.

The new president of the Local Club has started out well in his administration, and in his "message" at the first meeting at which he presided a few pertinent remarks were made which opened the eyes of many. Special stress was laid on the subject, "Do not antagonize the dealers." Mr. Keller said in part that the dealer was the backbone of stamp collecting, they advance stamp collecting, they support stamp papers, which could not exist without advertisements, and where, oh, where would the collector be if he did not have the stamp papers to let him know what was what in stamps?

According to newspaper reports several postal inspectors are charged with being connected financially with a detective agency and conspired with it against members of another agency. Among the Philadelphia inspectors named in the charges are F. J. Cortelyou, John F. Oldfield, Albert E. Furness and William S. Ryan. It is a strange thing how men in the government service whose business it is to inspect others should also be implicated in matters not in conformity with the law. These inspectors who are now charged with conspiracy, according to the reports, are the very same inspectors who inspected the "Blued Scandal" in this city, and brought charges of conspiracy against one of our very respected citizens.

A local dealer has turned up an interesting stamp of the United States early issues which is very unique, being printed on both sides. It is not an off-set, but an actual printing on the reverse. The normal stamp is Scott's number 78b, 24c. gray, but of the variety mentioned there are only three copies known, and it is unlisted.

Professor Julius L. Neufeld, treasurer of our local club, soon departs for his summer vacation. In his absence the members will be relieved from the question, "Are your dues paid?"

Additional numbers of that little folder, The Philatelic Side-Line Bulletin, have not been seen for several months. Wake up, Percy—don't let your career as an exponent of the Exposition Label collecting hobby lag behind the times.

The Commodore Eaton collection has been purchased by the Philadelphia Stamp Co. Containing, as it does, some 20,000 varieties I am of the opinion that it will be a very profitable investment for this concern. Without doubt it

will prove a healthier selling quality than stamps printed on paper with a little bluing thrown in for toning.

Our "Grand Old Man," John W. Hazeltine, continues to enjoy a prosperous local clientele, and actually does a larger local business than any other local dealer, and continues to head the list of branch exchange manager of the A. P. S.

- An amusing incident occurred in this city during Henry Allun Blackwell's recent sojourn. With a friend from New York he was stopping at the Hotel Walton, and became acquainted with a "sport" who was also making himself at home in the well-known hostelry. The "sport" was arrested for shop-lifting, and during the balance of Blackwell's visit in Philadelphia he, also his friend, was "spotted" by our city detectives. Harry was no doubt glad to get away from the town.

The announcement that Eugene Klein, Inc., would present four very large collections at auction during the next season seems to revive an interest in auction sales in this city. Many of our stamp collectors are collecting priced catalogues and it is a very true fact that such a collection of priced catalogues makes a very interesting reference list of the stamps they list.

CHERRY HILL.

CHICAGO LETTER

Through the generosity of Mr. Roterberg, the Chicago Philatelic Society can now give exhibitions in its own club rooms. Mr. Roterberg has donated an electric stereopticon to the Society.

The C. P. S. meeting of May 18th was honored by A. P. S. presidents in three tenses—past, present and future. Can you name them?

We have seen a number of Cuban stamps bearing counterfeit surcharges which were secured at English auction sales. They are being widely offered across the water and we would suggest that some publicity be given to them by our esteemed contemporary, Knickerbocker.

We understand that the Chicago Collectors' Journal will soon put in its appearance. Heretofore we have only understood it, but now we will bet our old razor blades on it.

We have always known that Hughie Clark is ambitious, but we thought there was a limit. Now, however, we hear he has gone to Milwaukee for three days. Here's hoping.

Mr. A. F. Van Order, formerly of Evanston and the Ouilmette Stamp Company, has moved to Newport Beach, Cal., to assume the duties of postmaster. See what an interest in stamps will do for some people.

One of the most progressive and prominent advertisers here, Tom Murray, has recognized that stamps are interesting to the general public and is using them in the window display. On each show card he uses one stamp, stating the name of the country whence it came. We stood in front of the window for some time listening to the remarks, and really it was astonishing to see the number of people who commented on the display.

Convention arrangements are progressing beautifully—although this secret seems to have been carefully preserved. We are now, however, about ready to announce it to the general public. Watch the scare-heads.

Remember, Chihcago is the largest, coolest and best vacation city in the country. Plan your vacation for August 22nd and come here for the A. P. S. Convention. Remember the date, August 22nd.

PILGRIM.

LOUISVILLE LETTER. This hot weather has about dispelled all thoughts of stamps in this section of the country. The boys are too busy trying to keep cool to pay much attention to matters philatelic, and the L. P. C. has suspended its meetings until September 14.

Catlettsburg is the latest office in this state to have the postal savings system established. It is announced on good authority that two more Kentucky towns will shortly receive this addition to their local offices.

It would seem that soon the officials for use by this branch of the Postoffice Department would begin to be a little more common, but they are surely scarce at present. The 1c., 2c., 10c., 50c. and \$1.00 values have been reported.

We understand that there is shortly to appear from the pen of one of the local members of the A. P. S., an article treating on some die varieties of early U. S. As we have seen parts of the paper, we can say that the subject is an entirely new one, which will appeal strongly to all minor-variety cranks.

Tax-paid collectors may be interested to learn that the 100-cigarettes strip, series of 1901, tax \$1.08 per M, surcharged for use under the act of 1909, tax \$1.25 per M, has

turned up here. They are coming on a brand of Philippine cigarettes and there seems to be quite a stock on hand.

While we are on the subject of tax-pays, can anyone give me the names of the brands carrying the following stamps?

Cigarettes, Tax \$3.60 per M, Series of 1909—5 cigarettes, 8 cigarettes, 15 cigarettes. Cigars, Tax 75c. per M, Series of 1909—5 cigars, 8 cigars, 15 cigars. Cigars, Tax \$3.00 per M, Series of 1909—8 cigars, 15 cigars, 20 cigars.

I have a list of brands covering the balance of this series, but have not been able to locate those above.

There is a court house in a small town on the Bluegrass whose files are jammed with nice things in the line of revenues. Many a collector has "come, seen and been conquered," but so far, nobody has gotten away with any of the stuff. The county clerk, who has charge of these files, has held office for forty years and refuses to let go of a single thing, though he has been sorely tempted at times.

Collectors should combine, contribute to a campaign fund, and work for this chap's defeat at the next election, for he surely is a thorn in the flesh of anyone who has once looked on his treasures.

Pawing through files has its fascinations. The archives of the Federal court in a city up-state are going through this process now, and so far have yielded up enough to fully repay the searcher for his trouble, though nothing remarkable has been found. The files begin with 1837 and comprise about forty cases of letters and documents. As your correspondent has been promised a "souvenir" in the event of a "find," he is doing a lot of silent praying in behalf of the searcher these days.

"GALLIA."

CANADIAN LETTER

Canada who have been informed from Philatelists in the United States and numerous sources that the new set of "King George" stamps for Canada would be issued about the time of the coronation will doubtless regret to read that we are officially informed that there will be no special issue of Canadian stamps for the coronation.

The new "King George" stamps for Canada will not be issued in all probability for several months.

Perhaps the Postmaster General, in conjunction with Lord Strathcora and the British postoffice officials, is considering the adoption of a better design for future issues.

The present issue of Canada is undoubtedly the poorest designed stamp in the British Empire today. There are only seven different values, with the exception of the 10-cent special delivery and the three due stamps.

This is the smallest issue of any British Colony, and entirely inadequate to meet the needs of large merchants doing a mail order business, and the many banks throughout the country. Whether these will be rectified in our next issue remains to be seen.



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Fellow Members:

I am pleased to report this month the addition of two new members:

46. Harold Woodlands, Kapunda, South Australia.
47. Charles Gross, 1849 N. Sawyer Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Members will please note that dues for the current fiscal year to April 1 1912, are now due and payable. Fifty cents is the amount. I shall send personal statements to all who do not remit soon and then failure to remit will cause your name to be stricken from the membership list.

I will not make any further promises regarding the appearance of the 1909 Cheek list further than to say the work is under way and moving along slowly. If members knew just how this work is being done, so as to save as much expense as possible, they would excuse any delay.

Can't you secure a new member now, since our dues have been placed so low?

Fraternally yours,

GEORGE W. LINN, Secretary.

The Publishers Page

THANKS TO OUR FRIENDS

We have spent much time in the past eleven years in trying to turn out a stamp magazine that would be a credit to ourselves and to philately. We willingly admit that we lack many essentials of a good editor, but we have always believed that we could overcome most of these by our large amount of willingness to do hard work for glory alone and by freely using what information we were able to acquire about stamps and stamp collectors to the best of our ability. We have always given freely of our time and some little money in this work and have received in return the support of a very few true philatelists. Our present venture, *The Stamp Collector*, has added several names to this list and to these we are thankful. Many collectors are apt to wonder at the poor quality of the literary or philatelic contents of the various stamp magazines, but if they would but stop to consider, they might find that they were in a way the cause of this lack of quality. It is only fair to suppose that each individual publisher is doing his level best, but how about you, you men who have the knowledge and the ability to write authoritatively and entertainingly about stamps, are you doing your part. Can't you find the time at least once or twice a year to prepare a good article and contribute it to some one of the many monthly or weekly stamp magazines, whose publishers are trying and working so hard to turn out a magazine worth while. They are all giving liberally of their time and losing money on each monthly issue, and your assistance would help them wonderfully.

Our thanks are especially due to those men who as a committee appointed by the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club, of Cleveland, Ohio, are writing the Reference List of United States Stamps which is now appearing in the pages of this magazine each month. We consider this the greatest help which has ever been extended to us and our sincerest thanks is given to Messrs. Alvin Good, R. H. Beatty, R. H. Crowell, John F. Rust and W. H. Schneider who compose this committee.

Mr. Good, as his name implies, has also been VERY GOOD to us in many other respects and this month by his generosity we are able to give out some information about a new find in Hawaiian numerals, also to illustrate this find.

Mr. W. R. Ricketts, of Forty Fort, Pa., is another of our friends who has done much hard work and has taken his payment in our thanks and appreciation of his assistance. Mr. Ricketts at the present time holds the finest collection of Philatelic literature in America and possibly second only to the collection of the Earl of Crawford.

Last but not least, in fact our oldest friend is Julian Park, of Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Park has rendered valuable assistance to our philatelic publishing aspirations nearly ever since we have been active in this field. We had only to call upon him and tell him what was wanted and if the same was within his power to provide we were sure to receive it. You will note in this number a brief review of the catalog of the philatelic library of the Earl of Crawford. Mr. Park is a member of the Philatelic Literature Society, London, and is fully well enough informed to review a work of this sort very thoroughly, but our small space at his disposal has made it necessary that he give but an outline of the contents of this magnificent volume and this no American collector could do better than he has done.

We could speak words of praise and appreciation for many other true collectors who have done much to help us do as well as we have done, but we believe the above will give you an idea as to what you as a stamp collector can and should do to help those who are doing their best to produce a creditable philatelic magazine.

SAINT NICHOLAS. We have often wondered what the N in the name of John N. Luff stood for. Thanks to a careful examination of the catalog of the library of the Earl of Crawford we learn that the full name of Mr. Luff is JOHN NICHOLAS LUFF. Thus he should be classed as the Saint Nicholas of American Philatelists.

A REAL JOKE P. M.—“Why is a baseball player like a stamp collector?”

Severn—“Because he is short of pants?”

P. M.—“No, because when he is through with the Major—s (varieties) he goes back to the minors.”



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Uncatalogued Varieties

THIS feature of The Stamp Collector which we inaugurated last month, seems to have struck a responsive chord in the minds of many collectors, for we have received quite a few letters regarding hitherto unlisted varieties of stamps and we believe there are many more scattered about the country in various collections that are worthy of considerable mention.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Alvin Good, of Cleveland, Ohio, we are able to give a description this month, of an interesting variety of the 1 cent blue, 1857 United States Stamp.

As we all know, there are several distinct types of this stamp which have been listed in the leading catalogues for some years, and from the nature of the variety it seems that more should be discovered.

United States, 1857 1 c. blue.

Above the words "U. S. Postage" where there should be but one curved line, there are two very distinct lines. It appears that in recutting these lines on the plates, the engraver first cut the one line and noting that it was out of place, proceeded to cut another line in the proper place.

This double line variety is quite interesting and now that you know of it, you would do well to be on the watch for a copy for yourself. There is much to learn about early U. S. stamps and an occasional hour with your magnifying glass will usually result in adding to your store of information about them.

United States, 1867 12 c. Black.

Last month we described a copy of the 10 c. green of this issue, the stamp being imperforate with good margins

and on a very thin paper. We have also picked up a copy of the 12 c. black on this same thin paper. A subscriber in Michigan also sent us a 12 c. stamp on thin paper. This paper is entirely different from any other I have ever noted in United States stamps. It is very thin, almost a pelure and undoubtedly deserves mention in the catalogues. This now makes three copies we have noted on thin paper and all are the grilled varieties. We shall be pleased to hear further from our readers on this subject.

Uniter States, Lincoln Postal Card, 1911.

An Alabama friend sends us two of the new red Lincoln cards on which the printing is out of place, or rather the card is out of place, because the government has been in the habit of supplying the postal cards in sheets for printing on and in this way collectors can get hold of large sheets and cut them to suit themselves. One of the cards sent us has the "head" and the "This side of card for address only" transposed. The other card has the printing dropped clear to the bottom of the card. Of course these cards may have come through the post office in this manner, but our correspondent does not so state.

United States, Officially Sealed, 1888-89.

The same correspondent sends us a tete beche pair of Scott's number 757a. We don't know enough about these stamps to state whether this is a common occurrence or whether the pair is out of the ordinary, but consider it worthy of mention as nothing is said in the catalog about these stamps coming in tete beche pairs.

Porto Rico.

Scott's Number 173 is listed with double surcharge. I have a copy on which only the "2 ctvs" is double, the balance of the surcharge showing no traces of being double. Can it be that the words "Impuesto De Guerra" were first surcharged onto the stamps and the value added in another operation?

Belgium Postal Packet, 1895-98 Issue.

I have a copy of the 60c. of this issue with the figure 60 printed as clearly on the back of the stamp as on the front, although reversed in this manner "06" this is of course caused by offsetting on the tympan of the press.

I also have a 60c. and an 80c. of this issue with the cipher inverted. This is easily explained as the figures on these stamps are evidently printed on from type set forms and most all types have a shoulder on the bottom or below the character. For the sake of making our meaning clearer we herewith illustrate or give an example of the result of

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Cipher right side up

turning a cipher upside down and printing alongside of another figure.

You will do well to look over other values of this issue for similar errors.

South Australia "O. S." Surcharge, 1891-96.

I have a copy of the 2d. orange with the O. S. surcharge, with period omitted after the S., thus:

O. S



A Reference List of United States Stamps

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ISSUE OF 1857-60.

Perf. 15.

The stamps of this issue differ from those of the 1851-55 issue only in that they are perforated.

- 40 1c Blue.
 41 Types: Same as previous issue.
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 42 Colors:
 a. pale blue.
 b. dark blue
 c. bright blue.
 d. dull blue
 e. slate blue
 f. dark ultramarine

Varieties:

- g. "One Cent" double (transfer var.)
 h. two lines redrawn over word "Postage."
 43 3c Red,
 Types I, II, III and IV same as previous issue.
 44 Type V: The horizontal lines at top and bottom have been removed.

Colors:

- a. red.
 b. orange red.
 c. lake red.
 d. Indian red.

- e. dull red.
- f. rose red.
- g. brown red.

Varieties:

- h. imperf. vertically.
- i. imperf. horizontally.
- j. line through value (transfer var.)

- 45 to 49 5c Brown.
- Type I: The complete or original design.
- Type II: The projections at top and bottom are partly cut away.
- Type III: The projections at top and bottom are entirely cut away.
- Colors:
- a. brick red, Type I.
 - b. red brown, Type I.
 - c. brown, Types I, II and III.
 - d. orange brown, Types II and III.
 - e. dark brown, Types II and III.

- 50 10c Green.
- Types, same as previous issue.

Colors:

- a. dark green.
- b. blue green.
- c. yellow green.

Varieties:

- d. "Ten Cents" double, (transfer var.)

- 51 12c Black.

Colors:

- a. full black.
- b. gray black.

- 52 24c Lilac.

Colors:

- a. lilac.
- b. gray lilac.
- c. gray.
- d. red lilac.
- e. violet.

- 53 30c Orange.

- 54 90c Deep indigo blue.

colors are brighter, and the perforation gauges 12 instead of 15.

ISSUE OF 1861—AUGUST.

Premieres Gravures.
New Designs.

Numerals in upper corners, U. S. in lower. Perf. 12. Paper: thin, hard and brittle, also quite transparent. Gum; dark brown.

- 55 1c Indigo (Franklin).

- 56 3c Brown red (Washington).

- a. rose.
- b. vermilion.
- c. imperforate.

- 57 5c Orange brown (Jefferson).

- 58 10c Dark green (Washington).

- 59 12c Black (Washington).

- 60 24c Violet (Washington),
a. red violet.

- 61 30c Red orange (Franklin).

- 62 90c Dull blue (Washington).

- a. imperforate.

SEPTEMBER, 1861.

Paper: Little thicker than the foregoing issue.

Gum: Yellowish to dark brown.

This issue is practically the same as the August issue, with slight changes, as follows:

1c. A dash has been added under the tip of the ornament at right of the numeral in upper left corner.

3c. Ornaments at corners have been enlarged and end in a small ball.

5c. A leaflet has been added to the foliated ornaments at each corner.

10c. A heavy curved line has been cut below the stars and an outer line added to the ornaments above them.

The above set was reprinted in 1875. They are easily distinguished from the originals as the paper is very white, the

12c. Ovals and scrolls have been added at the corners.

90c. Parallel lines form an angle above the ribbon with "U. S. Postage"; a row of dots has been added between these lines and a point of color at the apex of the lower pair.

63 1c Blue.

Colors:

- a. deep blue.
- b. bright blue.
- c. ultramarine.
- d. dull blue.
- e. gray blue.
- f. slate blue.

Varieties:

- g. imperforate horizontally.
- h. horizontally laid paper.
- i. vertically laid paper.

64 3c Pink.

65 3c Rose.

Colors:

- a. dull red.
- b. brownish red.
- c. brown.
- d. carmine lake.
- e. bright rose.

Varieties:

- f. vertically laid paper.
- g. imperforate.
- h. double impression.
- i. printed on both sides.
- j. brown chemical paper.
- k. toned paper.

66 3c Lake.

67 5c Buff.

- a. pale buff.
- b. brown yellow.
- c. olive yellow.
- d. mustard.

68 10c Green.

Colors:

- a. light green.
- b. dark green.
- c. blue green.

Varieties:

- d. imperforate horizontally.

69 12c Black.

- a. gray black.
- b. gray.

70 24c Red Lilac.

- a. brown lilac.

71 30c Orange.

72 90c Blue.

- a. pale blue.
- b. marine blue.
- c. deep blue.

ISSUE OF 1862-66.

73 2c Black.

Full face photo of Jackson occupying most of the stamp.

- a. gray black.

Varieties:

- b. laid paper.
- c. brown chemical paper.
- d. printed on both sides.
- e. diagonal half used as one cent.
- f. vertical half used as one cent.
- g. horizontal half used as one cent.

74 3c Scarlet.

- a. cancelled by pen strokes.
- b. imperforate.

75 5c Red Brown.

- a. chestnut.

76 5c Brown.

- a. dark brown.
- b. black brown.

Variety:

- c. laid paper.

77 15c Black (photo of Lincoln).

- a. gray black.

78 24c Lilac.

Colors:

- a. gray lilac.
- b. gray.
- c. steel blue.

Variety:

- d. printed on both sides.

News of The Month

NEW YORK LETTER Vacation. July and August will see many vacancies in our favorite stamp shops. Dealers are hard worked people who enjoy a rest with all the satisfaction that goes with close application to duty. A number will grace the well-traveled spots of Europe (which bespeaks the general welfare of the craft), while others will content themselves with resorts nearer home. Oh, dear, (stretch of arms at this point) the stamp business is SO trying!

E. B. (it is hardly necessary to state that this can mean only Powers) will startle the natives of the Strand this month. The genial Dorsey Wheless, just returned from a trip to Bermuda, will hold things down at 198 B'way.

W. W. Randall, known all over the U. S. as a newspaper man, not to mention his connection with the theatrical world, will summer in the lakes and woods region of Maine.

John Klemann, John N. Luff and Otto Lehmann tell me they expect to visit Chicago in August.

We note with elation Mr. Pilgrim's reference to your humble correspondent. The Cuban fake surcharges were a conspicuous part of the report of the fraud detector of the A. P. S. a year or so ago, so that it may be safely assumed the present instance is a part of the same lot. A puzzling factor is that one value of the set has been offered in hundreds at less than the face value of the U. S. stamps on which the surcharge is printed.

Speaking of fakes reminds one that nothing hurts the hobby quite as much as unfounded reports. A weekly paper sometime ago printed a "warning," based no doubt, on the fact that the stamps in question were selling below face value. This in the eyes of an editor who knows little of stamps may appear fishy, but to dealers it is known that there are several causes why stamps are sold for less than actual value. A handy little rule for these editors would be to submit the case to someone who knows.

A big delegation will attend the convention. Arrangements will be made to go on one train, so that Chicago will have a proper idea of New York's strength.

The new issue craze has struck 'em hard. Mr. Ohlman, our up-town dealer, has lately entered the field, while announcements are expected from several others before the season opens.

The Scott Company seems unordinarily busy. Twelve clerks at the main office and three at the branch.

Phil Knockerbicker, no, Knickerbocker, does hereby solemnly affirm, declare and proclaim, that unless certain persons desirous of "boosts" come through with better cigars, there will be nothing doing. Mind ye, Cremos are barred.

Mr. George Wiggers has been promoted to head clerk at Colonel Coombs' emporium.

A well-known philatelist, famed for precision and exactness, asked one of our big dealers for the correct designation of the experimental papers. The dealer showed, by official orders, that the terms blue and bluish are tabooed. Mr. Travers preferred to use in his letters the word as given in the government circular, blued. Therefore, when mounting the 3c and 13c in your blank album have the inscription lettered "Blued Paper."

Mr. J. Murray Bartels will visit the Vienna exhibition as special representative of America. He is taking the Pack collection of Cape of Good Hope, Uruguay (first and second issues only) and Brazil. Senator Ackerman's Canal Zone and Norway; C. A. Howes Corea; E. F. Sawyer's Gambia; Henry Crocker's Hawaiian Missionaries and rarities. Mr. Bartels kindly favored your correspondent with a private view of this last collection which has won medals several times.

In the missionary stamps the best was the 2c 1852, die I, on piece of cover worth \$5,600, only five being known, and of these five Mr. Crocker's is the finest. Mexico, 10 pesos, unused, Scott's No. 231, catalogs at \$50, still I know of several dealers who will pay \$75 and say thank you. The 5c green Uniontown Confederate (No. 141) not priced in catalog may be noted as being worth \$800. We pause a moment to say this is being written from the dealer's standpoint, which means the dollar sign looms big. The black Reunion, No. 1, is worth \$500. A beauty unused Saxony, 1/2n. blue, (instead of gray) though priced at \$400 would cost considerably more. Newfoundland, 6 1/2p., orange, No. 14, cost \$750.

It is the rarest of this country. The 1sh. scarlet vermilion cost \$350. I noted the cold violet Nova Scotia, worth \$750, the same in mauve, \$350. The collection contains less than 1000 stamps and is valued at \$36,000.

—PHIL. KNICKERBOCKER.

CHICAGO LETTER It has now been publicly announced that the official hotel and headquarters of the coming A. P. S. convention will be the Hotel La Salle. This is one of the finest hostelries in the city and the management will take particular care of A. P. S. attendants.

The exhibition will be held at the Art Institute and we have good reasons for saying that it will be without question the finest and largest exhibition of stamps ever held in this country. This alone is worth the trip to Chicago.

Speaking of conventions, the Chicago bunch were rather mystified at the announcement of a stamp convention held at the Hotel La Salle last week but prompt and careful investigation showed that it was a convention of rubber stamp dealers. We wondered if the M. P. A., S. P. A., Hobby Club, etc., were putting one over on us.

After the terrible expose of the corner in U. S. 1847's as reported exclusively in a certain weekly paper, we are watching carefully to detect the guilty man. So far no one has been investigated. According to a report there must be some gigantic trust in operation. Of course, it must be so because a well informed correspondent says so. We presume now that school is over the aforementioned juvenile will favor us with some more of his amusing deductions.

The weather has not been conducive to stamp business, however, P. M. and Staub are planning for summer sales. They must have the habit and be unable to stop.

Don't fail to plan for the Chicago convention the week of August 22nd. Any A. P. S. member will be given a royal reception; one which will not be forgotten. Remember in addition to the exhibition there is the finest program of entertainment which could be imagined or wished for.

—PILGRIM.

PHILADELPHIA LETTER United States stamped envelopes, cut-square, are coming in for their own in Philadelphia. Among the members of the local club, Green, Pierce, Ingraham, Leidy and Neufeld are giving particular study and support to this branch of stamp collecting.

Maurice Barnett is one of the most enthusiastic stamp collectors in the Quaker City. Gibbons Imperial Albums are receiving the accumulations which he is gathering together. The manner in which he is buying lots by countries at auction sales will leave him with many duplicates, even after making his selection according to the album above mentioned.

The Second Auction Sale held by Eugene Klein, Inc., came off according to schedule on June 9th and 10th, and both sessions were fairly well attended and there was considerable buying on the floor. The very cream of the sale was, without question, a strip of 3 1847 10-cent on cover, which brought \$49.00 on a mail bid. Many other good things were sold at this sale, a fine copy of the 1845 Baltimore 5-cent black selling for \$301.00.

Among the frequent visitors to this city is Julius Levy of New York City, who since his interests lay in the Eugene Klein, Inc., has come to town very often. His jovial face gains many friends for him, and he always has a number of interesting stamps to show the initiated.

Dr. Homburger, of New York, was a visitor to the Philadelphia Stamp Club meeting on June 20th. As usual the Doctor was well informed that foreign revenues were bound for a raise in the estimation of collectors.

The June meeting was well attended, there being about thirty-five members present. The entertainment was furnished by Mr. Klein who exhibited British African stamps, and at the same time imparting his vast store of information to the delectation of his audience.

Previous to the regular club meeting Branch 18, A. P. S., held a meeting which passed a resolution endorsing the re-appointment of Mr. Percival Parrish as sales superintendent.

If I may be permitted, I would like to tell Mr. Phil. Knickerbocker, my contemporary, it is said, that the "Blued Scandal" was instigated by a party in Philadelphia.

Speaking of blue paper stamps, Eugene Klein, Inc., purchased a sheet of the 3 cent on this much sought after paper, and the very next day sold the sheet of 100 entire, to a collector. This sheet, I understand, came from New York, but not of the lot which Power had, the latter having been all broken into small lots, less than entire sheets. Are there more of them? Even if the whole 4,000 of them came on the market it would not materially interfere with the retail price.

There is, and has been for many years, a collection of stamps on exhibition in the Memorial Hall, Fairmont Park, Philadelphia, which, although the premier interest was good, fails to rouse any interest in the breasts of philatelists. The collection is antiquated in conception, uncomplete, and in very poor condition, containing no rarities of any importance, although, perhaps, containing some very good stamps, which, if in better condition, would bring fair prices on the market. The collection is an old time collection and needs renovating, never having had much care from the authorities in charge, and having been gotten together in an ordinary manner, is, indeed, not a representative collection of postage stamps. In faith, it gives the wrong impression to the uninitiated. Philadelphia stamp collectors, and why not the members of the local club, should give this matter their attention and careful thought, as to how the collection can be enhanced in both looks and numerical strength. It would be to their credit to try and improve this collection, or rather gathering. It was donated to the hall by a private party, whose name I fail to recall at this writing, and which would not throw much credit his way for the condition of the stamps at the present time, although the gift was without question a noble one at the time presented. —CHERRY HILL.

CANADIAN LETTER

Now the Coronation of "King George the Fifth" is over, philatelists in every British Colony are anxiously waiting for the new issue of stamps.

A dispatch from London, England, dated June 28th, says: "The public do not like the special coronation stamps issued, and parliament will be asked to withdraw the series for one of a better kind." This would give us to understand that the issue would become a speculative one, similar to the recent issue of "Newfoundland."

What will become of the latest 7c stamp? Will the supply on hand be destroyed?

A correspondent in "South Africa" informs me that the government there, some time ago burnt £250,000 worth of stamps, a number of sheets were the 5 sh. Zululands.

After the fire the chimney was swept to see if any stamps had escaped the flames. Truly this must have been a wicked sight to witness.



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Fellow Members:—

There is little to report this month, the main item being that I can now give some definite information regarding our book on the Publications of the Year 1909. This booklet will be about the size of the Stamp Collector and will contain about 80 pages. It will be printed on a good quality of antique wove paper and be bound with a substantial stiff paper cover. One hundred or so copies will be issued for society members and a few copies for publishers may be distributed.

A De Luxe edition of a small number of copies will be issued and sold at \$2.50 each. The regular edition for society members will be sold to non-members at \$1.00 per copy. The price of the De Luxe edition at \$2.50 will only allow about enough for the cost of the binding and extra work which will go into them. Members desiring copies of this edition should order same at once, and send check or money order to cover their order. Only enough will be prepared to fill the orders for them, and no more can be had afterwards. I expect to have the books mailed before the August issue of The Stamp Collector reaches you.

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Can't you induce a few people to join now. The book is free to members and costs \$1.00 for non-members.

Fraternaly yours,

GEO. W. LINN, Secy.

The Publishers Page

KING Now that the coronation of King George V
GEORGE is over, the new British stamps are making their appearance. Our first copy reached us on July 4th, on a circular from the Junior Philatelic Society of London.

These circulars were mailed on Coronation Day and thus make interesting souvenirs of the occasion.

Mr. W. S. Lincoln, 2 Holes St., Oxford St., London, the oldest established stamp dealer in the world, kindly sent us copies of both the $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 d. and states that he will be pleased to send copies to any collector at face, plus 2 c for return postage.

We can't exactly say we like these new British stamps, although they are attractive in many ways. On account of the method of printing and the style of the design, they remind one of certain early European stamps. The $\frac{1}{2}$ d. strongly reminds one of the first issue of Holland.

The British style of cutting off the head at the neck don't look good to us. We would much rather see a little of the shoulder too. However, custom is a hard thing to overcome and as they used to get rid of their enemies by using an ax when they caught them, we suppose they will continue in the good old way.



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Some Notes on the Stamps of the Jamestown Exposition

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THE 1907 series of United States stamps is commemorative of the three-hundredth anniversary of the settlement of Jamestown by the English, and was issued contemporaneously with the opening of the Exposition at Norfolk, Virginia on April 26th, 1907.

When the Post Office Department after having refused the Lewis and Clark Exposition people's request, who, in accordance with previous customs, asked for a special series of stamps for the Portland Fair, yielded to strong pressure and finally agreed that the Jamestown Exposition should have special stamps, it was regarded as a foregone conclusion that either Pocahontas or Captain John Smith, or probably both, would be pictured on the stamps.

Some months before the opening of the Exposition the Post Office Department officials charged with the issuing of the stamps indicated to the public that sketches and ideas would be considered with a view to securing a suitable design for the Jamestown issue. As a result of this announcement the Department was inundated with designs and suggestions, and, of course, the great majority favored depicting Captain John Smith and Pocahontas on the stamps. This idea was in harmony with previous ideas of the officials of the Post Office Department and confirmed them in their determination to picture the famous couple on these special stamps, and they at once set about endeavoring to secure suitable photographs for that purpose. After searching the entire country for true likenesses of Pocahontas, the officials were compelled to abandon (but for the time only, as will

be seen later) the idea of portraying the Indian maiden upon a postage stamp that should circulate extensively among civilized people. Fairly good pictures of Captain John Smith were found, but it was not deemed advisable to honor the gallant captain without showing equal courtesy to the Indian maiden who saved his life, and so all designs depicting Pocahontas and Captain Smith were rejected.

This left the committee on designs for the new stamps totally at sea as to what to do. Then it was proposed that the picture of the first church erected in America, at Jamestown, should adorn one of the stamps. This church was in fact simply four long poles placed in the ground, over which was spread a ship's sail to protect its congregation from the sun and rain, but this suggestion also received little consideration.

Then, after much deliberation on the part of the Design Committee, it was decided that the two-cent stamp should depict a water scene: a group of people standing by the sea, welcoming a fleet of vessels near the shore. But this decision did not prove final, as the scene was changed afterwards to show a number of men with boats, pulling up on the beach, their ships forming a background, as being more appropriate for the inscription, "The Founding of Jamestown," decided on for the stamp.

Then, after another long delay, the committee had to turn its thoughts again to Captain John Smith and Pocahontas for suitable designs for the one and five-cent stamps. It was finally agreed that the one-cent denomination should bear a vignette of Captain John Smith, and the dates of his birth and death, 1580 and 1631. In the upper left hand corner appears a profile of Pocahontas and in the upper right hand corner is depicted a profile of Powhatan.

There now remained to be chosen a design for the five-cent stamp. The committee had decided already that a picture of Pocahontas would be the only one suitable for the stamp, so the only obstacle now was their former difficulty in finding a faithful likeness of the Indian princess. Finally, from the pictures and paintings available, one was selected which is regarded as agreeing most truly with all authentic accounts of Pocahontas' features. In it she appears in the dress of her adopted land, which she assumed shortly before her marriage with Captain Rolfe.

The stamps in question are about the size of the Pan American, longer horizontally than vertically, and were

printed in one color only, green for the one cent, carmine for the two-cent and blue for the five-cent. The stamps were on sale during the life of the Exposition only, but of course are good for postage for all time, as are all commemorative stamps. They were supplied to all postmasters making requisition for them but were not furnished unless requested.

The Post Office Department was strongly opposed to giving the Jamestown Exposition more than a single stamp of the two-cent denomination, but so much pressure was brought to bear on the subject that it decided to include the one-cent denomination.

If the Post Office Department had adhered to its resolution not to issue but the one and two-cent values three stamps would have been required to post a letter to a foreign country, and a parcel requiring sixteen cents postage would have needed eight stamps. When these and other similar facts were brought to the attention of the Department and it was seen what inconvenience and hardship would be worked by having only the two values, it reluctantly agreed to also include the five-cent value.



The A P S Convention

The twenty-fifth annual convention of the American Philatelic Society, to be held at Chicago, August 22 to 25, promises to eclipse all former records, both in attendance and in entertainment features, and will prove a fitting silver anniversary celebration for our premier stamp society.

The central location of Chicago and the many attractions it offers to the vacation seeker, added to the convention itself, have proven a powerful drawing card, and philatelists big and little, are planning to pour in from all parts of the country. Every member of the association is cordially invited to attend and is assured a royal good time.

The entertainment features are still in tentative form, but as nearly as possible the following schedule will be followed:

Monday, August 21, at 8 p. m., an informal reception will be tendered the delegates either at the convention headquarters or the Art Institute. This will afford an excellent opportunity for everyone to become acquainted.

Tuesday, August 22. The principle attraction will be the Moonlight Boat Trip on Lake Michigan. One of the large lake steamers will be chartered for the occasion. Music, singing and dancing will enliven the trip.

Wednesday, August 23. Chicago is well named the garden city, with its miles of boulevards and parks. An automobile ride occupying from two to three hours will take the delegates through all of our principal parks, winding up at the German Building in Jackson Park in time for lunch at 6 p. m.

Thursday, August 24, will probably be spent at River-view Park. This is the largest amusement park in Chicago and one of the largest in the world, and all of the attractions usually found in amusement parks as well as scores of others will be found.

The above is merely a bare outline of a few principle attractions. There will be many little surprises and several other enjoyable affairs which, taken all together, will make the Chicago convention an epoch to date your philatelic experiences from. Don't miss it.

As convention headquarters, the magnificent new Hotel LaSalle has been secured and here the executive sessions of the convention will be held in the Red Room. This room is away up on the nineteenth floor, opposite the Roof Garden, and the cool breezes from the lake make it comfortable in any weather.

One of the special features, and one sure to interest all philatelists, is the exhibition to be held at the Art Institute at the same time as the convention. This, by the way, is the first exhibition of any pretense ever held in the United States, and the promoters approached the task in fear and trembling. All their worries, however, were groundless, for the space allotted has already been more than filled up, every class and every section is well represented, and the success already attained has far exceeded the expectations of even the most optimistic. All, or nearly all, of the "big" collectors in this country and a few from Europe, will be represented, among whom are such well known names as Messrs. Worthington and Pack. If all the exhibits so far entered can be placed, the stamps on exhibition will represent an actual cash value of over \$300,000. One frame showing the 100 rarest stamps will alone total \$100,000, an average of \$1,000 per stamp—real money.

Better attend, even if you have to walk.

A Reference List of United States Stamps

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A Committee of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club
 of Cleveland Ohio

Continued from July Number

ISSUE OF 1867.

Same as 1861-66 issues with embossing covering the entire stamp.

- 79 3c Rose.
 a. imperforate.
 80 5c Brown.
 81 30c Orange.

Embossing Measuring
 18x15 mm.

- 82 3c Rose.
Embossing Measuring
 13x16 mm.

- 82a 1c Blue.
 83 3c Rose.
 a. imperforate.

Embossing Measuring
 12x14 mm.

- 84 2c Black.
 85 3c Rose.
 a. dull red.

Embossing Measuring
 11x13 mm.

- 86 1c Blue.
 a. dull blue.
 87 2c Black.
 a. diagonal half used as
 1 cent.
 88 3c Rose.
 a. lake red, dull red.
 b. double grill.

- 89 10c Green.
 90 12c Black.
 a. double grill.

- 91 15c Black.
Embossing Measuring
 9x13 mm.

- 92 1c Blue.
 a. pale blue.
 93 2c Black.
 a. diagonal half used as
 1 cent.
 b. horizontal half used
 as 1 cent.

- c. vertical half used as
 1 cent.
 d. double grill.
 94 3c Red.

- a. rose.
 b. imperforate.
 c. imperforate horizon-
 tally.
 d. double grill.

- 95 5c Brown.
 a. black brown.
 96 10c Green.
 a. dark green, blue
 green.

- 97 12c Black.
 a. gray black.

- 98 15c Black.
 99 24c Gray lilac.
 100 30c Orange.
 101 90c Blue.

REISSUE OF 1875.

Without embossing. Disting-
 uished by shades and very
 white paper.

- 102 1c Blue.
 103 2c Black.
 104 3c Brown red.
 105 5c Light brown.
 106 10c Green.
 107 12c Black.
 108 15c Black.
 109 24c Brown violet.
 110 30c Brownish orange.
 111 90c Indigo.

ISSUE OF 1869.

Stamps square; Designs most-
 ly pictorial. Grill measures
 9½x9½ mm. White wove pa-
 per.

- 112 1c Buff (Franklin).
 a. brown orange.
 b. pale brown orange.
 c. without grill.

- 113 2c Brown (Horseman)
 a. pale brown.
 b. dark brown.
 c. diagonal half used as 1c.
 d. vertical half used as 1c.
 e. without grill.
- 114 3c Ultramarine (Locomotive).
 a. dark ultramarine.
 b. dull blue.
 c. gray blue.
 d. vertical 2/3 used as 2c.
 e. without grill.
- 115 6c Ultramarine (Washington)
 a. deep ultramarine.
 b. pale ultramarine.
 c. dull blue.
- 116 10c Orange (Coat of Arms)
 a. deep orange.
- 117 12c Green (Steamship).
 a. blue green.
 b. deep green.
- 118 15c Brown & Blue (Landing of Columbus), Type I.
 a. pale red brown and dark blue.
 b. without grill.
- 119 15c Brown & Blue, Type II.
 (The picture is surrounded by a frame of three parallel lines. Across the top of the picture the middle line is thicker than the other two and at the middle of the top the lines form a diamond-shaped ornament.)
 a. dark brown and dark blue.
 b. red brown and dark blue.
 c. picture inverted.
- 120 24c Green and dark violet (Declaration of Independence).
 a. blue green and dark violet.
 b. picture inverted.
 c. without grill.
- 121 30c Ultramarine and carmine (Coat of Arms).
 a. pale ultramarine and rose.
 b. dark ultramarine and carmine.
 c. picture inverted.
 d. without grill.
- 122 90c Carmine and black (Lincoln).
 a. rose and black.
 b. without grill.

REISSUE OF 1875.

Without grill. Hard white paper.

- 123 1c Orange brown.
 124 2c Brown.
 125 3c Ultramarine.
 126 6c Ultramarine.
 127 10c Orange yellow.
 128 12c Green.
 129 15c Brown and blue (Picture not framed).
 130 24c Green and violet.
 131 30c Ultramarine and carmine.
 132 90c Carmine and black.

ISSUE OF 1880.

Soft porous paper.

- 133 1c Orange brown.

ISSUE OF 1870.

Printed by the National Bank Note Co.

Grilles of various sizes from 8 to 9 by 10 to 12½ mm.

- 134 1c Ultramarine (Bust of Franklin).
 a. pale ultramarine.
 b. deep ultramarine.
 c. bright ultramarine.
 d. grille extending from top to bottom.
- 135 2c Reddish brown (Jackson).
 a. pale reddish brown.
 b. orange brown.
 c. grille extending from top to bottom.
- 136 3c Green (Washington).
 a. pale green.
 b. deep green.
 c. yellow green.
 d. pale yellow green.
 e. grille extending from top to bottom.
- 137 6c Carmine (Lincoln).
 a. rose carmine.
 b. pale rose carmine.

- c. grille extending from top to bottom.
- 138 7c Vermillion (Stanton).
a. scarlet vermilion.
b. grille extending from top to bottom.
- 139 10c Brown (Jefferson).
a. pale brown.
b. dark brown.
c. yellow brown.
d. grille extending from top to bottom.
- 140 12c Dull violet (Clay).
a. pale dull violet.
b. grille extending from top to bottom.
- 141 15c Bright orange (Webster).
a. deep orange.
- 142 24c Dull purple (Scott).
a. pale dull purple.
- 143 30c Black (Hamilton).
a. full black.
b. grille extending from top to bottom.
- 144 90c Carmine (Perry).
a. carmine lake.
- b. brown carmine.
c. violet carmine.
d. rose.
e. pale rose.
f. brown rose.
g. double paper.
- 149 7c Vermillion.
a. scarlet vermilion.
b. orange vermilion.
- 150 10c Brown.
a. pale brown.
b. deep brown.
c. yellow brown.
d. gray brown.
e. dark gray brown.
- 151 12c Dull violet.
a. pale dull violet.
b. gray violet.
c. black violet.
- 152 15c Bright orange.
a. pale bright orange.
b. deep orange.
- 153 24c Purple.
a. deep purple.
b. gray purple.
c. red purple.
d. double paper.
- 154 30c Black.
a. gray black.
b. full black.
- 155 90c Carmine.
a. carmine lake.
b. lake.

ISSUE OF 1870-71.

Printed by the National Bank Note Co. Without Grille.

- 145 1c Ultramarine.
a. pale ultramarine.
b. dark ultramarine.
c. bright ultramarine.
d. gray blue.
e. dull blue.
f. chalky blue.
g. deep blue.
- 146 2c Reddish brown.
a. pale reddish brown.
b. deep reddish brown.
c. orange brown.
d. brown.
e. dark brown.
f. chestnut.
- 147 3c green.
a. pale green.
b. deep green.
c. gray green.
d. yellow green.
e. imperf.
f. impression on the reverse.
g. proof used postally.
- 148 6c Carmine.
a. rose carmine.

ISSUE OF 1873.

Printed by the Continental Bank Note Company With Secret Marks on the Designs of 1870-71.

- 156 1c Ultramarine.
a. pale ultramarine.
b. deep ultramarine.
c. pale dull blue.
d. dull blue.
e. chalky blue.
f. gray blue.
g. pale gray blue.
h. sky blue.
i. bright blue.
j. greenish blue.
k. ultramarine with grille.
l. ultramarine paper cut with cog-wheel punch.
m. ultramarine ribbed paper.

- n. ultramarine double paper. 161 10c Brown.
- o. Ultramarine soft porous paper, 1878. a. pale brown.
b. dark brown.
c. yellow brown.
d. pale yellow brown.
e. orange brown.
f. red brown.
g. gray brown.
h. pale gray brown.
i. chocolate.
j. brown ribbed paper.
k. brown double paper.
l. brown horizontal pair imperf. between.
- 157 2c Brown. m. brown with grille.
a. red brown. 162 12c Dull purple.
b. deep red brown. a. deep dull purple.
c. orange brown. b. black purple.
d. dark brown. c. dull purple with grille.
e. black brown. d. dull purple ribbed paper.
f. gray brown. 163 15c Orange.
g. bistre brown. a. pale orange.
h. brown with grille. b. red orange.
i. brown ribbed paper. c. orange with grille.
j. brown double paper. d. orange ribbed paper.
- 158 3c Green. 164 24c Deep purple.
a. yellow green. a. bluish purple.
b. pale yellow green. b. deep bluish purple.
c. deep yellow green. c. deep purple with grille.
d. bright yellow green. 165 30c Gray black.
e. blue green. a. greenish black.
f. dark blue green. b. gray black double paper.
g. olive green. c. gray black ribbed paper.
h. dark green. 166 90c Rose carmine.
i. dull green. a. pale rose carmine.
j. pale dull green. b. dull carmine.
- k. dark dull green. 167 1c Ultramarine.
l. gray green. 168 2c Deep brown.
m. green with grille. 169 3c Blue green.
n. green ribbed paper. 170 6c Dull rose.
o. green double paper. 171 7c Bright vermilion.
p. green soft porous paper. 172 10c Pale brown.
q. green paper cut with cog-wheel punch. 173 12c Deep purple.
r. green imperf. 174 15c Bright orange.
s. green horizontal pair imperf. between. 175 24c Dull purple.
t. green surfaced paper weakened by horizontal cuts. 176 30c Greenish black.
177 90c Violet carmine.
- 159 6c Dull pink. **ISSUE OF 1875.**
a. dull rose. **Special Printing. Hard Very**
b. brownish rose. **White Wove Paper**
c. dull pink with grille. **Without Gum.**
d. dull pink ribbed paper.
e. dull pink double paper.
- 160 7c Vermillion.
a. scarlet vermilion.
b. orange vermilion.
c. vermilion with grille.
d. vermilion ribbed paper.

A New Issue

A. A. M. in "PUNCH"

Clipping from Julian Park

"Do you know anything about stamps?" asked my young friend Bobby. He had been having a week's holiday in-honor of the coronation and had been making a nuisance of himself because he saw it and I didn't. However, as I point out to him, I was at least alive at the Diamond Jubilee.

"It's just got a lion or something on it, and a guy's head, and some other things," said Bobby, searching in his pocket. "Uncle Henry sent it to me."

The description seemed to apply to a good many stamps.

"Any words?"

"Wait a sec.," said Bobby, and he ran it to ground in his right-hand trouser pocket. "Here it is."

It could claim to be unused, and be so much the more valuable, but another week or two in Bobby's pocket might have invalidated its claim. However, I had no doubt that I had never seen a stamp like it before.

"Who is the guy?" said Bobby.

"It's nobody I know," said I, looking at it closely, "unless—no—it isn't your Uncle William, is it?"

"It's got 'postage revenue' on it," Bobby pointed out. "So it must be colonial, I should think, wouldn't you?"

"Yes, that shows it couldn't be foreign. This looks like an African lion to me. I expect it's the new South African stamp. That's Botha."

We looked at it again, and then Bobby went and got an atlas. He turned to the map whereon the British possessions are marked red. There were an awful lot of them.

"You see, it might be any one of these little islands," I said. "After all, we're sure it isn't one of the big colonies, because we've seen photographs of the premiers in all the illustrated papers, and this isn't like any of them."

"I saw old Fisher in the procession—"

"No, no, Bobby, not again," I remonstrated.

He blushed and put the stamp back in his pocket.

"Well, look here, I'll tell you what I'll do," I said. "I'm lurching tomorrow with a man who's a great philatelist."

"Whats that?"

"It means he collects stamps, and I'll ask him about yours. And I'll send you a line."

My philatelist had never heard of it. No doubt I described it very badly; my memories were a little vague for one thing, and for another I was probably wrong to have assumed that it went into Bobby's pocket the same smudgy color that it went out. He was interested, however, in the gum test, and on my suggestion, made on the spur of the moment, that it was a mid-Victorian issue of one of the South Pacific islands, he proposed that it be sent him for examination. I wrote to Bobby to this effect and went into the postoffice for a stamp.

"One?" said the lady.

"Only one," I admitted humbly.

She threw one at me. I picked it up and then gave a jump.

"Where did you get this from?" I cried. "Did Uncle Henry send you one too?"

"Do you want another one?"

"Why, have you got any more?" I asked excitedly. "What could you let me have a dozen for?"

"A shilling."

"Done," I said gladly, thinking how Bobby would like them for exchange. "Oh, and I want a penny stamp, please."

She threw another one of the same kind at me.

"I asked for a simple penny English stamp," I began sarcastically, "and you give me another of those rare Tasman—" Then it occurred to me, quite abruptly, that it was possible I was an ass.

"Tell me," I said, going hot and cold all over, "who is this gentleman?" and I indicated the top part of the stamp.

"That is the KING."

"Of England?"

"And Ireland, Scotland and Wales and—"

"Yes, yes. And who is this?"

"A lion."

"Just an ordinary lion? You're sure it's not meant for anybody particular?"

"Quite sure. Do you want another one?"

"No, thank you," I said sadly, and I took my stamps home with me.

"Dear Bobby," I wrote. "I am sending you a second one; it is not so beastly rare as we thought, and if I were you I should tell Uncle Henry all about the coronation."

News of The Month

NEW YORK LETTER

Not much New York news this month, folks, for the simple reason that there are no stamp men in Manhattan. The hot wave sent them all hustling for mountain, shore and country.

We hear there is going to be an investigation to see where all the money came from: that paid for steamer tickets. All the real, sure-enough, honest-to-goodness stamp dealers have gone to Europe. We were going to print all the names of the ocean travelers but it would be easier to give a list of those who did not go.

"The South has been cleaned up with a fine-tooth comb. Nothing worth while left." That's the old wheeze. E. H. Gammans, our popular heavy-weight dealer, went to New Orleans for a vacation and returned last week with a suitcase full of good things including strips of the general issues of the Confederacy, on the cover and off, blocks and any old thing you might want. Not the least were two Richmond, Texas, envelopes, in two types, worth probably \$150 each. New York may not know much of baseball (curses on Chicago), but we can dig up good stuff.

One of the large insurance companies receives unused foreign stamps as remittances. These are cashed at Wm. P. Brown's busy little nook. In a lot of 300 2c grey, Newfoundland, he found 9 pairs part unperforate, a very neat find for 18c. In an hour's time all Nassau street knew about it and the lot went as fast as Mr. Brown could hand them out. Of course, these will be catalogued and some amateur writer who didn't see this note will be writing knowingly a year hence how the Newfoundland government enriched itself at the expense of the poor stamp collector.

That reminds Phil to state that the average dealer gets quite peeved to see some of the juveniles writing about stamps of which they know nothing. Nicaragua usually gets a black eye for errors of surcharge, etc. "All made to rob collectors," say our youthful journalists, little knowing that the dealer gets the errors at same price as the common variety and that as a rule only the first few hundred sheets contain the errors. A dealer has a set of sheets of a recent issue, the first containing 5 errors, the second 4 errors, the fifth no errors, showing that the stamps were urgently needed and only corrected as printers found time. It must

be remembered that Nicaragua, if it wished to gain revenue from collectors, would have no need to make one or two errors to a sheet. It would be a simple matter to make 25 or 50 errors at each impression.

Several months ago we mentioned that the government objected to a New York dealer's use of a gummed label bearing a reproduction of a New York, 1845. Because of this case Postmaster General Hitchcock has passed a ruling prohibiting the use on envelopes of adhesives resembling stamps. This does not apply to stamps printed directly on envelopes when used as advertisements, nor is objection made to labels on reverse of envelopes.

The New York Mail runs a department every Saturday in imitation of a country newspaper, giving little personal notices. Recently mention was made of C. H. Nammack's News-Letter. How much did it cost, Charley?

The New York World also played up George Tuttle's auction. An artist was present and he showed the bidders frantically gesticulating for an 1869 U. S. 24c inverted center. Walter Scott, the auctioneer, was fairly well drawn, perched on his camp-chair on a table. A blank square, the size of the 1869 issue, had a large "pointer," a hand, with a line reading, "Would you pay \$167 for a piece of square paper?" Excepting The Times, New York papers seldom mention stamp matters.

Your reporter asked Gus Burger how he got those Gilbert and Ellice stamps, but he only smiled wisely, like the cat who has dined on the canary.

E. S. Allen is preparing a house organ, to be issued in September. It will contain the usual notes and bargains. By the way, soon be time to be publishing "decease" notices on organs. All are run at a loss and that means dealers will soon tire of the "glory."

—PHIL KNICKERBOCKER.

PHILADELPHIA LETTER

Dear Editor:—Since last writing you there has ben considerable doing in our old town, even if we have been sweltering like the rest of the citizens and others in this blessed country.

The Friday night gatherings at the Drury Building in the Philadelphia Stamp Club Room are THE thing. A regu-

lar bunch sits there and comments, jokes and smokes (no drinks until after leaving). The familiar faces seen regularly are those belonging to P. H. Ward, Jr., Maurice Barnett, James Whiteside, William F. Leupold, Percy McG. Mann, F. C. S. Leonhardt and Edgar L. Green. A. F. Henkels and William R. Keller are also frequent attendants.

Bermuda was the vacation point of Perce C. Ingraham, one of our well known collectors. With his wife and daughter he has just returned from a two weeks' trip, and brought home a few Colonials for the gracing of his album pages.

The entertainment at the July meeting of the local club was in the manner of a competition for a blue ribbon. The committee had requested all members attending to fetch along their 1847 issue of U. S., which would be judged by judges appointed by the president. Those competing were P. M. Mann, F. P. Hand, F. Hahman and P. H. Ward, Jr. Mr. Ward was the winner of the blue ribbon, which was tastefully lettered in gold "Philadelphia Stamp Club—July 18th, 1911—1847 Issue U. S." in three lines. Mr. Ward's showing was very fine, consisting of originals, reprints and proofs, also numerous copies showing the various colored cancellations, besides a number of covers showing the 5-cent and 10-cent. In presenting the blue ribbon, voiced by all the members, the president hoped that Mr. Ward would be as successful at Chicago with his collection of Siam, which will be in evidence at the exhibition in the Art Museum.

It is not probable that there will be another appointment to the position of Examiner of Sales Books at this late date, although there is a vacancy. Mr. William T. Clement, who was appointed to the place to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Klein, has severed his connections with the Philadelphia Stamp Co. It will be recalled that Mr. Clement was given the position of Counter Manager of that firm when it absorbed the United States Stamp Co., of which Mr. Clement was the manager.

I hear that Julius Levy, of New York City, Eugene Klein and Percy Mann, of Philadelphia, will journey together to Chicago to attend the convention and exhibition.

The interest taken by Philadelphians in the Anniversary Stamp Exhibition to be held in Chicago on the 22nd-26th of this month is not very great as a whole (too bad for

Phillie) but a keen competition between two Philadelphians, Philip H. Ward, Jr., who will exhibit his specialized collection of Siam, and Edwin A. Fleisher, who will exhibit his wonderful India collection, is creating quite an interest, as these two collections, which will be placed in competition in the same class and section at the exhibition, will cause a puzzler for the judges.

Edwin A. Fleisher will also place for exhibition at Chicago his magnificent collection of Sudan. The only other exhibit from the Quaker City, of which I am aware, will be the Philadelphia Stamp News, which will be entered in the Philatelic Literature class.

The Philadelphia Stamp Club is circulating to stamp clubs throughout the country a letter, the purport of which is, that the clubs maintain a publication which will give the reports of all the clubs each month, together with articles written by the members and other stamp articles. It is suggested that the publication would be an inter-club publication entirely.

For the benefit of my Philadelphia readers I would say that so far all guesses as to my identity have not been near the mark.

CHERRY HILL.

LOUISVILLE LETTER There is not much doing in the stamp line in Louisville this summer, as a good many of the boys are away, and those who are forced to stay at home are too hot to bother with anything that looks like a stamp.

Poor Great Britain! still having trouble with her stamps! This from that staid publication, the London "Spectator":

We desire to join in the hope which has been expressed that it will be found possible to replace the new 1d. stamps by a worthier design. The new stamps are petty and undistinguished to an almost provocative degree. It seems that Mr. Bertram Mackennal has been unjustly blamed for the design, as a photographic portrait of the King was supplied, and all he had to do was to design a frame for it. But surely a stamp, like a good coin, should have some monumental quality; it is not enough to frame a photograph, nor indeed is there room for a frame with considerable ornamentation or symbolical meaning. A small stamp to be impressive must have a head larger than the head in the new stamps,

and designers might do worse than look back to the very early Victorian issues. Further, the method of reproduction in our stamps is unsatisfactory and the impression is weak. And why should the fine, rich, deep color of at least one Victorian issue be unknown today? We fear that the country which invented postage stamps has fallen dolefully behind in the quality of their production.

There has been a lot of "hullabaloo" lately about simplified collecting. This scribe has simplified his collection by disposing of all his U. S. postage to a local dealer. He got very tired of chasing endless shades and minor varieties and put an end to it thereby. From now on he intends to concentrate his energies on Revenues, M. & M., Beer and Cigarettes.*

Louisville is represented on the A. P. S. ticket by L. C. Hassler, candidate for treasurer. His nomination is equivalent to election we take it, and we are glad to have a representative among the officers.

Mr. Hassler's collecting activities have extended over many years, and a very wide range of subjects. At present he is devoting his attention to completing his large collection of U. S. postage. Among his side-lines may be mentioned lock-seals, of which he has probably one of the largest and finest in the country.

Revenues seem to be attracting more than their share of attention just now. One of our collectors has disposed of all his holdings with the exception of his revenues and will henceforth devote himself to this class of stuff exclusively. They are certainly very attractive stamps, and the collector of them is not much troubled with new issues.

So far as can be ascertained, the bill presented to Congress by Rep. Shirley for a tax on medicines has died a natural death. All the drug interests were against it, naturally, and they made life pretty warm for the Kentucky representative for a while with letters and telegrams of protest.

GALLIA.

*We believe Gallia means beer and cigarette stamps.—Ed.



The Auction Market

Present indications for the 1911-12 season lead us to believe that it will be a record breaker in many ways. A surprisingly large number of dealers are entering this field in a way that means business. Already we learn of several large sales that are booked for early fall and with matters starting off at this rate, we should judge that 'ere the season closes some new records will be established.

Eugene Klein, Inc., of Philadelphia are already preparing for fall business, having held very successful sales in the last season. This firm already announce four sales for the early fall, one sale to be made up entirely of U. S. and Colonies. This collection is said to be worth about ten thousand dollars.

Messrs B. L. Drew Co. of Boston, Mass., are preparing to open up their fall sales and their next sale will be the 234th. This firm has already held 233 sales the proceeds of which amount to nearly a half million dollars. A sale of a collection valued at about \$40,000 is announced by this firm and it is expected that this sale will take from four to six evenings. Among the items included, are a copy of the famous Connell stamp of New Brunswick and a 2c Baton Rouge.

The first catalogue to reach us for the regular fall sales, comes from Messrs Glendining & Co., 7 Argyl St., Oxford Circus, W. London, England. This sale consists of 532 lots of Great Britain only. Including practically everything in this country, and many beautiful blocks, pairs and strips of the early one and two penny values. The catalogue contains 8 full page plates, illustrating many rarities and any collector interested in British stamps will do well to secure this catalogue. The sale is to be held on October 3 and 4 and plenty of time remains for getting in bids if you act at once.



AN M. P. A. FRAUD The Stamp Collector has become so famous as a remedy for almost any fraudulent transaction in Philately that we have received dozens of letters requesting us to look into this or that matter. It is a well known fact that The Stamp Collector

stands for the right in all cases and when any fraud on the philatelic public has been perpetrated we are ready to turn the spot light on the scoundrels, no matter if the parties who should do this fail or falter in their duties. The above facts have become impressed so strongly in the minds of some people that we are appealed to by various parties to assist in clearing up their personal affairs. This we can not do except in very severe cases.

Our attention, however, has been called to a case involving certain members of the Metropolitan Philatelic Association. Mr. W. C. Webb of Boonton, N. J. has been acting as fraud investigator of this association and has been trying for some time to settle a case involving some stamps valued at over \$100 which were placed in the sales department of the National Philatelic Association, which association by the way, was operated on plans similar to a Canadian Club now in existence. The manager, secretary, director or whatever the owner of the club chooses to call himself, takes the money and you get a membership card, no financial reports are made and the treasury is a trousers pocket. It develops that a member of the M. P. A. who also belonged to the N. P. A. placed a large number of books in the sales department of the N. P. A. No settlement was ever secured and this member appealed to the M. P. A., the society whose motto is "Protection." It also develops that the fraud investigator of the M. P. A. is a man who means business from the word "go." Mr. Webb has been working on this case for some time; he has encountered many obstacles and has been treated very poorly by parties who should be honor bound to assist him.

We do not propose to go into the details of this matter at present, but we have a copy of the report of Mr. Webb, which is to be taken up before the Boonton Convention and unless the Association will give him the assistance he should have, we will feel called upon to publish this report or extracts therefrom and give our fullest assistance.

The report of Mr. Webb has been approved by President Dunning and we believe from what we have been able to learn of this case, in the past few months, that the accused parties are guilty and such being the case they should be expelled from the Association. The Association should also do all in its power to secure the return of the property of one of its members or to secure payment for the same.

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Fellow Members:—

At the time I am writing this, I believe I shall have your copy of the Society's book, "A Check List of the Philatelic Publications for the year 1909," in your hands before this number of *The Stamp Collector* reaches you. This book is truly a very creditable publication for our Society and I trust every member will be pleased with it. A copy is given gratis to every member whose dues are paid up to April 1, 1912. Are yours paid? If not, send 50 cents at once. One hundred copies are available for Society members or can be purchased for one dollar each. An edition of 25 copies, marked "Press Copy," has been prepared and will be distributed to the leading publishers of philatelic works. This distribution should be of much benefit to the Society. A De Luxe edition of 25 copies, printed in two colors throughout and beautifully bound in full red leather and handsomely stamped in gold, has been prepared and are offered for sale at \$2.50 per volume. This price being very reasonable considering the cost of producing a book of this nature in a limited edition. Orders have already been received for over half of this edition and if you want one, remit for same at once, as no more can be had at any price after twenty-five are sold.

Fraternally yours,

GEO. W. LINN, Secy.



The Publishers Page

WE ARE FOR NAST You who have not yet voted your A. P. S. ballots are asked to consider carefully the name of Charles A. Nast, of Denver, for Director at Large. Whatever else anyone may say of Mr. Nast, he is a good, true and honest PHILATELIST. We capped the Philatelist for that's what he is. Mr. Nast is not an ordinary stamp collector. He is a student of stamps and likewise a student of A. P. S. matters. He has been very

active in the past, in efforts to better the society and has always conducted himself as a gentleman, and this in the very face of most slanderous spiel by those and the friends of those who are against him. He has always stood for the good of the members and has fought for all the benefits which have been bestowed upon the society in the past few years. His record is clean through and through and his election is only a small payment on the debt the members owe for his strenuous work in their behalf.

HULLY GEE! We're safe now. We understand Clawarence used "THAT SUIT" to get married in. Congratulations old Chappie, and many of them.

MINNESOTA SOCIETY Mr. Cleveland Bundlie, P. O. Box 303, East Grand Forks, Minn., advises us that a number of Minnesota collectors have organized a State society, known as the Minnesota Philatelic Society. All collectors living within the state are invited to become members and we recommend that such of our readers who are residents of that state should write Mr. Bundlie for further information.

SIERRA LEONE Number 6 of the West End Philatelist series of handbooks is a 38 page booklet on the highly interesting colony of Sierra Leone. This country is an interesting one and a highly desirable country to specialize. None of the regular issues being very high priced. The scarcer and higher priced stamps being in the 1897 issue in which the large revenue stamps were surcharged 2½d and used postally. We can recommend this book which is by Mr. Bertram W. H. Poole, who by the way can now be classed among the American philatelists and we might add further that he will rank near the top.

BERMUDA This West Indian colony is the subject of the seventh book in the same series as the above, and by the same author.

Both of these books are commenced with a brief but interesting historical and geographical sketch of the countries and a short postal history.

Numerous illustrations and diagrams are spread throughout the text and any collector interested in either of these

countries will be well repaid by securing a copy of the book. The price is 14 cents each, postpaid, and they may be had of the publisher, Mr. D. Field, 4 and 5 The Royal Arcade, Old Bond street, London, W. England.



The A P S Emblem

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our American Philatelic Society of nearly 2,000 members, the most of whom reside in this country and every one of whom is of the good fellow brand—always anxious and ready to meet and talk to a brother collector, a little lapel pin will do more good and if worn by all members will be the cause of bringing more pleasure and enjoyment to your trips from one city to another than anything else possibly could. You may be an Elk or a Mason and depend in some ways upon your badge in either lodge to make friends and acquaintances while away from home, but you know very well, you would rather be recognized by one brother philatelist than by half a dozen Masons.

The A. P. S. emblem illustrated above shows the actual size of the badge pin or lapel button—just as you wish it—which has been manufactured by The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Co., 1218 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa. The emblem is really beautiful, and will appear favorably alongside of the pin of any lodge or fraternity. Being made in 14 karat gold, enameled, at \$2.50, or in sterling silver, gilt and enameled, at \$1.00. The colors being red, blue, white and gold.

Every A. P. S. member should secure one of these pins as we firmly believe you will soon find that the right to wear the pin will prove to be the greatest benefit you could possibly get from your membership in the American Philatelic Society.

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Philatelic Rambles in Spanish America

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ARGENTINA



THE tide of travel is obviously turning. For the last year or so South America has been almost keeping up with Europe, and already in magazines or books we have had our fill of the narrative of the ordinary conventional South American trip—down the west coast, across the Andes to Buenos Ayres, and up the Brazilian coast; or vice versa. Why, then, give us another?—for the journey herein treated was of that conventional type. My only excuse is that the narrative will attempt to combine travel and philately just as the trip itself did; only in the latter, naturally, there was a disproportionate amount of travel over stamps, and so the one will here be condensed, and the other expanded.

A few of the Spanish-speaking countries have always been great favorites of mine in a philatelic way, and so it was with peculiar interest that I haunted the stamp marts of Buenos Ayres. Unfortunately it was before the day of Stanley Gibbons' successful Argentine branch that now, no doubt, eclipses any of its competitors—which were at that time mere cubby-holes in the alley-like side streets, for the most part conducted by unenterprising but courteous Spaniards. Notable exceptions, which I hasten to record, were the stamp shops conducted by Senores Roberto Rosauer, now, I believe, Gibbons' agent—and Jose Sechen. If one comes to Buenos Ayres, however, expecting to find an unhealthy, dirty town of the tropical sort, one is due for a rude shock, after one realizes that it is bigger than any city in Spain or Italy—the two countries from which it draws a majority of inhabitants, and that it even aspires to rival

Paris as the premier Latin city of the world. Argentina realizes that it greatly needs more immigrants. The population is barely five per square mile, and as a matter of fact is practically even less than that, for so large a part of the population is crowded into the city and province of Buenos Ayres. And the immigrants are coming. My ship brought a thousand. Argentina is catching up with us wonderfully fast. Nor is she waiting for "American enterprise." During 1908 more than 3,000 ocean-going vessels entered her ports. Of these thousands, four flew the American flag.

The republic has an area of one million and a third of square miles—nearly one-half the size of the United States. There are many points of resemblance with our own republic. Like ours, the government is a federal republic, with a Senate and House of Representatives. The President, elected for six years, is Dr. Pena, who resigned a month ago on account of ill-health, and the Vice-President will fill four years of his term. One must have noticed, in the albums and elsewhere, the prevalence of the prefix "Dr." before the names of most of those in South American public life. This does not mean that physicians are intruding in politics, but that all lawyers have the degree of "doctor of law," which is a degree-in-course conferred by the university law schools, corresponding to our master or bachelor of laws. A glance at the wealth of portraiture on Argentine stamps will show that nearly all of their national heroes are either General or Doctor; of the former, especially San Martin (the Washington of Argentina), Rivadavia (whose portrait recurs so often), Belgrano, Saavadra; and of those in civil life, Presidents Sarmiento, Celman, and Mitre.

The first stamp was issued in 1858, after the various provinces of the Rio de la Plata had been gathered into what was termed the Argentine Confederation. It consisted of three values, with a roughly drawn representation of the arms of the Confederation. Then followed, in 1862, the first stamps of the republic, with the arms in reduced size in a laureated central frame, oval in shape. In 1864 was inaugurated the long series after series of portraits, and hardly any other country can present such an imposing array, without the slightest taint of speculation attaching to any of these issues. Surcharges are few, and shown by their history to have been necessary. The first two issues afford joy to the specialist, though they are still readily obtainable for reasonable prices, thanks to the large remainders which

came into the hands of dealers when they were withdrawn from issue.

Apart from their historical interest, in itself no small consideration for their study, the portrait series in general are philatelically of no unusual value or attention. Provisionals were three times issued, the last in 1890, when, despite the fact that the $\frac{1}{4}$ -centavo value had been discontinued, the demand for it when first issued remained considerable, for a provisional became necessary in a very few months after the first stamp of that value was put on sale. This was provided by surcharging the current 12c blue with the fraction $\frac{1}{4}$, some of the sheets being done in red and some in black.

The last series of portraits, prior to the recent interesting commemorative set, was issued in 1892, the designs being plainer and the portraits somewhat renovated and changed, though their subjects are very familiar to us—i. e., on the low values Rivadavia, the great constructive statesman who founded the university, hospitals, and asylums, introduced ecclesiastical and military reform, and infused into legislation a modern progressive spirit. On the middle values Belgrano appears—a boyish-looking man, distinguished for his diplomacy in troubled times; and on the stamps of over a peso figures San Martin—to whom our sympathy goes out as a genuine victim of the ingratitude of republics—who, after surpassing Napoleon's crossing of the Alps by leading a small army over the Andes in the dead of winter and surprising the Spaniards peacefully encamped in Chile, came into collision with the ambition of Bolivar. Simon Bolivar is the type of the swashbuckler general. He had the official title conferred on him of "Liberator and Father of his Country, and Terror of Despots"! San Martin, with all of Bolivar's virtues, such as brilliant courage and capacity for sustained effort, had but few of his defects, and refused to accept any grandiose titles, save the one of "Founder of Peruvian Liberty." He was unique and truly statesmanlike in his demand for a constitutional monarchy after the expulsion of the Spaniards, claiming that a republic would be anarchy. Time has exactly borne him out. The contrast between the two great leaders comes out in the famous conference at Guayaquil (Ecuador), in 1822, where San Martin, after freeing Chile, had gone to seek reinforcements for the same task in Peru. But Bolivar declined to send his army to Peru unless he should command in person. The Peru-

vians, however, refused to accept San Martin's resignation as their commander, and so the scheme fell through. Not knowing himself what the term meant, Bolivar thought that he "saw through" San Martin's modesty. Sadly saying, "There is no room for both Bolivar and myself in Peru," San Martin issued a farewell which has been compared to Washington's, and retired to voluntary exile in France, where he lived long enough to witness the dawning prosperity of the countries he had freed. In the Buenos Ayres cathedral, I stood by his magnificent tomb—and wondered whether his memory stood in need of it.

And so, as is fitting, San Martin's is the last portrait on the nineteenth century stamps. No less handsome an issue, however, is the one immediately following, which substitutes for portraits of celebrities the goddess of liberty, seated with a shield, on which is figured the celebrated cap of liberty. As for commemoratives, Argentina has ever been chary with them, there being but two designs issued in the last century. One, quite naturally, was a Columbus Celebration issue (1892), while the other, no less pretty a stamp, has less reason for its existence. It commemorates the laying of the first stone of the new (1902) harbor works at Rosario, and was issued throughout the republic during the one day only, being available solely for inland postage. After a cursory inspection of these same harbor works, however, I ceased to wonder at the fuss made over them, for I doubt if there is anything so extensive in this country.

At Rosario, by the way, the leading philatelic publication of the republic was being issued and was prospering exceedingly at the time of my visit. In the file of the magazine which the editor presented to me I find the following clipping concerning the interesting 1891 and 1899 stamps, the former being a set issued at a time when the country was passing through a period of unusual difficulties, chiefly financial. I quote the substance of the paragraph. It seems that the banks in the interior offered little security and the public generally did not confide in them: for its exchange transactions, not only on account of their high charges, but also because it had no confidence that the operation would successfully result in payment to the addressee. Under such circumstances the system was adopted of remitting the actual cash by means of the postoffice, in packages with the value declared, and for the payment of the postage and fee the 5 and 20-peso stamps were used, ac-

ording to the value of the packets. In this way there were used in the mails during the year and a half of their circulation 2,168 stamps of the 20-peso value. As to the 16c orange, of the 1899 issue, not only should it not have been included in the set at all (as it was not necessary to cover any rate), but it was issued later than the other values and retired almost immediately as soon as its uselessness was realized. This, no doubt, accounts for its rarity today in comparison with the rest of the set, Scott pricing it (only twelve years after its issuance) at \$1.75 used, whereas the other centavo values are none of them worth more than 12 cents. Another factor contributing to its comparative rarity was its restricted issue and sale, as it circulated but a short time and was on sale only at the Buenos Ayres postoffice.

Returning for a moment to the 1892 issue, another philatelic friend in Buenos Ayres, Senor Alfredo Baudouin, has made a special study of them as well as myself. His researches have dealt with the watermarks more particularly, and according to him three issues exist, each varying from the others in the execution of the watermark. The second and third types differ from the first and are most generally recognized, chiefly in the lines of the rays of the sun; there are other variations which his careful research has discovered, but they are too minute save for the keenest specialist. The second type, however, is the only one which may be found in all values. The first and second types are never found on the same sheet, and this seemed to puzzle Sr. Baudouin; for my part, I should be more surprised if they were to be found on one sheet, for it clearly proves that a new watermark was prepared for the second lot of paper.

The question of watermark also enters into the Columbus commemorative stamps, which were all printed on paper showing the first watermark only. At the time of my visit counterfeits of this handsome pair had just been detected by the postoffice authorities, though why it should have been worth while to forge issues of such low value somewhat puzzled them. It needs, however, a well-trained eye to distinguish the fabrications. Perhaps the watermark is the best test of genuineness, for, according to some authority—no doubt more infallible than my own—the watermark never appears complete upon a counterfeit, but usually only two-thirds of it may be seen.

And here we must leave these very cursory and almost non-philatelic notes of a fascinating country, fascinating not

less to the student of stamps and their history, than to the traveler who seeks in these little-known neighbors of ours sensations quite foreign to any experienced in an old-world civilization.



News of The Month

NEW YORK LETTER The collections J. Murray Bartels conveyed to Vienna were wonderful and in themselves an exhibition.

The results of the exhibition at Chicago were quite expected. Any dealer familiar with stamps might have prognosticated with some accuracy who would get the gold medals. It is suggested that hereafter all winners enter a separate or special competition, thus giving the smaller exhibitors a chance for a medal. This is put forward as encouragement for the little fellow.

Mr. Mann, of the Philadelphia Stamp News, spent a day in New York preparatory to his descent on the conventions at Boonton and Chicago. Mr. Charlat showed him that famous lunch place, Whytes (from a distance).

A Twenty-third street dealer says that six of his customers claim to be the one and only original, genuine Phil. Knickerbocker. Gee, it's great to be famous!

Here is a funny experience. A dealer was talking about the numerous crooks who are robbing dealers and collectors. "I had a bad scare about a year ago. Received a request, with references, for a selection, which I sent. It was valued at \$80. Three days after sending it I picked up a paper the mail man had just delivered and there was a story how this same party I had mailed the stamps to had trimmed a score of dealers. I gave it up as lost and counted myself out eighty beans. A week later I got the stamps back, a money order for \$50 and a letter of thanks for nice lot. Since then that man has spent probably ten times his initial purchase. I never had the nerve to ask him about the fraud story."

We never saw him so angry. The hair on the back of his neck stood out straight, his fists were clenched and his eyes flashed lightning. Evidently he was some perturbed. "Wass iss loss?" we asked, merely to show our complete mastery of German. We could have said it in English just

as well. And he spoke as follows: "Here I've been paying good legal mazuma for ad space and now look what they have gone and done. I've been fattening them up to import foreign competition. For the love of Mike, tell me, can you beat it? Begging the English dealers to come over, coaxing them with sweet "puffs" and making special efforts for them. Holy Mackerel, it's tough. If I ever again—" Just here, unfortunately, he swallowed his false teeth.

Miss Sophie, head clerk of the N. Y. Stamp and Coin Exchange, is on a vacation at "Idle Hour," one of the many recreation spots owned by her employer.

Mr. Jos. S. Rich, of the Scott Stamp and Coin Co., is in Maine for a few weeks.

We hear the postoffice department is quite vexed at the way information concerning new issues leaks out. The tip went out that it would be unwise to chronicle the new set until the department announced it officially. Several people knew about it months ago but feared that publication of advance news would be traced readily and possibly result in trouble for the officer giving the information. The original story had it that the top values would show Lincoln. Dope now says Franklin. Looks like one of those open and close traps of the Secret Service. What?

Ever since we mentioned Whytes as being the noon-hour meeting place of the really big stampmen, we have been hearing about it. A St. Louis paper speaks of it as familiarly as if the editor lunched there every day, the N. Y. correspondent of another paper speaks of it, but was probably never nearer N. Y. than Smith's Corner, Mo. A dealer on Broadway says he never saw Whytes and wants to know if they eat off the arm of a chair like they do in Childs.

New York's Ghetto harbors several gangs of boys who have been soliciting approval sheets from dealers and it is safe to say that nearly every dealer has been approached by these boys. A foxy system of references and prompt returns with first selection with small remittance usually brings a better lot of sheets. It has been impossible to trace the young crooks and dealers must have lost considerable. The past season has been notorious for its crooks, and the fakirs are not always boys, either. We wonder how long it will take dealers and collectors to realize that societies are of little benefit in this direction and that the only hope is in a protective association such as is main-

tained in England. Canned the conventions and exchange departments, making the sole object the fighting of bunks.

J. Hausselman and brother have retired from Nassau street, though we believe they will continue in the stamp business. They have a farm in New Jersey, and like most of our stampmen, are interested in poultry-raising. The Hausselmans are among the oldest dealers, dating back to the time when Wm. P. Brown and J. W. Scott had their stands on Broadway.

PHIL. KNICKERBOCKER.

CHICAGO LETTER

Just landed in town and do not know what way is from me. Have been up in the air since Wednesday before the convention. The first arrival was Charlie Nast, of Denver. Edgar Nelton and Billy Store were tied for second place. Thereafter the crowd arrived in bunches and by train loads until nearly 190 people were here. Your scribe started out with beautiful resolutions but alas where are they now. Never again: say we. (Brother Wylie please note.)

Seriously, the convention was the greatest ever held in the U. S. and visitors came from as far away as Boston, Mass., Atlanta, Ga., and Seattle, Wash. This indicates the intense interest there is in A. P. S. affairs.

The badge of the convention consisted of a silver pin and ribbon pendant on which was hung the beautifully wrought medallion Bas-relief portrait of President Mudge. The design of the badge had been a closely guarded secret and was a great surprise to everyone. In addition to the badge, each visitor was presented with a set of souvenir stamps which for beauty and originality of design could not be excelled. Great credit is due to Mr. Iver R. Johnson who, we understand, was responsible for both of these features.

The exhibition at the Art Institute was a gigantic success. The members expressed delight at the opportunity of seeing such superb exhibits and the general public showed their interest by attending in such large numbers that extra guards were required for the exhibition rooms.

We We might go on for many pages telling of the happenings at Chicago, but we won't. We believe that all who came had a good time, at least we hope so and the only

regret that we have is that more did not come. We were ready and willing, yes anxious, to welcome 300 or even 500 A. P. S. members and friends. However, begin to plan now for Springfield in 1912.

PILGRIM.

PHILADELPHIA LETTER

The Philadelphia Stamp Club's August meeting was given over to Side-Lines as the entertainment feature.

A. F. Henkel's exhibition was without question the most complete, showing Exposition Labels, Charity Stamps, Exposition Cancellations, Sanitary Fair Stamps, Exposition Post-cards, War Time Envelopes and other side-lines, exclusively from the United States. P. M. Mann exhibited a volume containing eight hundred Exposition Labels, Charity Stamps and a few Advertising Labels, from all parts of the world. James Whiteside exhibited a specially prepared Caricature on Side-Lines, which was much enjoyed. These showings in side-lines opened the eyes of many as to the pleasure to be derived from such collections. P. M. Mann stated he had about eight thousand varieties of such labels as he exhibited and was only sorry that he didn't have them mounted for exhibition. Mr. Henkel's has also a large collection of foreign labels which have never been exhibited.

The news of the winning by two Philadelphians of medals at the Chicago Stamp Exhibition was well received in their home town, and congratulations are pouring in upon Edwin A. Fleisher and Phillip H. Ward, Jr., upon their successes. A daily paper devoted a half of a column to the praise of Mr. Fleisher's collections, and the only objection to this was that Mr. Ward's name was not mentioned.

For novelties, Philadelphia leads the stamp world. The newest to come from the Quaker City is the announcement by Eugene Klein, Inc., of an Auction Sale Catalogue Cover Design Competition. This is to be conducted on advanced lines and the awards will be bounteous. Eugene Klein, Inc., have set the fashion with a de luxe edition of their Third Auction Sale Catalogue, which is in addition to their regular edition. To add to the artisticness of their catalogues they decided on having a competition in the submitting of designs for the cover. This competition will be open to all.

The next novelty in order emanating from Philadelphia will be the competitive exhibition of Green Stamps to be held at the September meeting of the local club. The exhibition, primarily arranged for entertainment will be not

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CHERRY HILL.

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