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STOP! READ THIS AD!

Because if you don't you will miss the biggest bargain of your life time. The following packet is made up solely to test the pulling qualities of this paper as an advertising medium. This extraordinary packet contains 80 varieties of U. S. and Canadian, all different, such as U. S. postage from 1857 to date, including Columbians and Ottawas, old postage, dues, special delivery, departments, rare old cut square envelopes, revenues used and unused, including high values of 1898 issue, also many varieties, shades, etc. Canada Jubilees, maple leaf, numerals, revenues, law and bill stamps, etc. price only 35 cents. We claim the above packet to be one of the best ever offered by anybody for such a low price. It contains no trash whatever, every stamp being a picked specimen and its catalogues many times the price asked. Satisfaction guaranteed or money cheerfully refunded.

	Cat. Price	Our Price		Cat. Price	Our Price
25c bond	01c	04c	\$1 00 foreign exchange	03c	01c
25c certificate	01c	1/2c	\$1 00 inland exchange	02c	01c
25c entry of goods	07c	03c	\$1 00 lease	10c	05c
25c insurance	02c	01c	\$1 00 life insurance	25c	11c
25c life insurance	03c	14c	\$1 00 power of attorney	08c	04c
25c power of attorney	03c	01c	\$1 50 inland exchange	20c	09c
25c protest	35c	17c	\$2 00 conveyance	15c	07c
25c warehouse receipts	75c	35c	\$2 00 mortgage	30c	15c
50c conveyance	01c	1/2c	\$3 00 manifest	25c	12c
50c entry of goods	01c	1/2c	\$3 00 charter party	25c	12c
50c life insurance	10c	04c	1898 3c documentary	02c	01c
50c mortgage	65c	02c	" 4c "	02c	01c
50c original process	02c	01c	" 5c "	01c	01c
50c passage ticket	15c	00c	" 10c "	01c	01c
50c surety bond	10c	04c	" 25c "	01c	01c
\$1 00 conveyance	20c	08c	" 50c "	01c	01c
\$1 00 entry of goods	05c	02c	" \$1 "	01c	01c

Special packet containing 20 revenues, all different, many rare. Price only 10 cents.

Notice—The first person answering the above ad will receive what he orders free of charge, his money being returned with the goods, and every tenth person will receive a set of 1898 documentary from 1/2 to \$1.00. This is a bona fide offer. Names of winners will be published next month. Wm. H. Fisher, Baltimore, won 1st prize last month. Postage extra on all orders. Make all remittance to

Zenith City Stamp Company,

T. P. BRADLEY, MGR.

701 West Second St.,

Duluth, Minn., U. S. A.

U. S. POSTAGE & REVENUE STAMPS.

My stock is large. Write me for what you need. I can supply you, and I have others that you will want at my prices. Below I quote you:

1847 5c unused	\$1 30	" 90c "	" "	17 00
" 10c black used	5 10	set of nine stamps for		55 00
" 10c bluish unused	9 00	60c periodical catalogued	\$7 50	3 00
1855 12c black unused	1 40	72c "	12 50	5 00
" 24c lilac unused	3 25	\$6 "		4 30
1861 10c green unused	80	1 manifest imperforated		1 10
" 24c red lilac unused	4 50	1 prol at will		1 00
1869 1c unused without embossing	2 25	2 mortgage		1 10
" 5c "	4 25	3 charter party		5 00
" 5c "	6 50	5 manifest perforated		1 00
" 6c "	4 25	10 conveyance		1 00
" 10c "	5 50	15 mortgage		3 50
" 12c "	4 25	20 conveyance		95
" 21c "	6 50	25 mortgage		2 50
" 20c "	9 50	50 later revenue		1 90

All stamps in good condition. Cash with order. Registration extra. All medium U. S. Postage and Revenues supplied at 60 per cent discount on Scott's 58th. Foreign at same discount. Those desiring approval sheets kindly send commercial references.

THOMAS G. WALKER,

WATSONVILLE, CAL.

"Warm Babies!" CLOSING OUT!

Who? We, of course. Do you rubber? Take one at these bargains. Cuckoos, aren't they?

Canada jubilee *1c o g mint	02
Canada jubilee *2c o g mint	03
Canada jubilee *4c o g mint, the bargain	04
Canada 4 leaves *1/2c o g mint	01
Canada 4 leaves *1c o g mint	02
Canada 4 leaves *2c o g mint	03
Canada 4 leaves *3c o g mint	05
Canada 4 leaves *5c o g mint	08
Canada 4 leaves 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8 used, fine	08
Canada beaver, 5c used	03
"superior" hinges, not "best" per 1,000	09

Postage 2c on order under 50c. Our approval selections are "corkers." Established 1892.

Queen City Stamp Co.,

27 Burlington St. Hastings, Nebr.

Newspaper Stamps.

I am offering complete sets 1c to \$100.00, in perfect condition, \$6.00 per set. I also have the plate numbers of same in strips of three for \$25.00 per set top, bottom, right and left, (take your choice.)

A. C. TOWNSEND,

226 O. St., N. W. - - - Washington, D. C.

I have just put my entire stock of \$480 worth of U S and foreign duplicates, up into 40 packets, and each packet contains stamps catalogued at, from \$10 to \$50, and I will sell them for \$2 each, or I will let you have 3 for \$5 and 8c extra for registry, and out of three you will be almost sure to get one containing stamps catalogued at \$20 or \$25 and probably a packet of \$50 worth.

I am also taking the fine picked specimens from my collection and placing on sheets, and offering at 33 1/3 per cent of catalogue prices and I would be glad to send a selection to all parties desiring same.

I have 23,050 first class stamp hinges that I will sell for \$1

I have a large quantity of cheap stamps, both U S and foreign, that I will sell in lots of 1,000 or more at exceedingly low prices.

I will send a directory, consisting of the names and addresses of the Philatelists of the State of Arkansas, to any dealer for only 10 cents.

Let me hear from you, and if you want one of those packets you had better send the money at once for they will not last long. Should your order be received too late your Money will be returned promptly. Address,

L. E. MOORE,

Moorefield. - - - - - Arkansas

An Accommodation Ad

We will send complete sets of newspaper stamps 1c to \$100.00, as furnished by St. Louis postoffice at their price of \$5.00. Any unused Omahas, and any unused Columbians, except \$1.00, at face value. Our new price list and a new U. S. stamp catalogue 5c. free to all naming this paper.

What have you to sell?
What do you want to buy?

Premium coin list 10c. Gives 200 coins worth more than face.

St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co,

312 N. 4th Street. - - - - - St. Louis, Mo.

BEST

Stamp hinges, onion skin paper, pure gum, die cut, 500 for 6c; 1,000 for 10c; 3,000 for 30c.

BLANK APPROVAL BOOKS (sixty stamps) 10 for 10c; 25 for 20c; 50 for 38c; 100 for 68c.

BLANK SHEETS 50 for 10; 100 for 16c.

DEALERS SEND stamp for samples and prices of the above and many other specialties.

F. E THORP,

Norwich, New York

WE

ARE SELLING OUT

A certain class of our stock.

NOW'S THE OPPORTUNITY TO BUY CHEAP.

As we have said we are selling out some of our stock. If you want a bargain you had better try one of our packets. These stamps run in value from 1c to 25c and 50c. We are making them into two classes of packets: No. 1—50 stamps, price 50c. No. 2—125 stamps, price 90c.

ALL POST FREE.

If you miss this you will be sorry for it afterwards. Try one. Money back if wanted. 5 packets for price of 4. Stamps are all different.

Alwin Knispel Stamp Co.

Belleville, Ill.

BLANK APPROVAL BOOKS

Mr. Collector, if you have never tried this convenient method of arranging your duplicates you should try it. You will find it the best possible and you will use no other. Try a sample.

15 for 30 cents. Per 100 \$1.50

PRICE LIST FREE:

H. G. Crowell,

208 Superior, CLEVELAND, O.

DON'T DELAY

SEND AT ONCE FOR THE FOLLOWING.

- Canada Imperial lavender, unused
- " " gray "
- " " light green "
- " " dark green "
- Postage extra on above.
- Nova Scotia 10c red, used (perfect)
- " " 5c blue, "
- Canada four maple leaves (½c to 10c)
- 50 varieties postage stamps, only
- 17 varieties Canada revenues
- Approval sheets at 50 per cent commission

CRESCENT STAMP CO.

Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia, Can.

Philatelic

Printing = = =

If your stock of envelopes, letter heads, note cards or statements is nearly exhausted, better order in your order now, so as to give us time to do a good job for you. Prices cheerfully furnished on anything you need. Write us. Below only a few of our special prices:

- 100 No. 6 white envelopes 30c
- 100 packet note heads, good white, 30c
- 100 statements, good quality, 28c
- 100 letter heads, good quality, 42c
- 100 business cards, best quality, white or colored, round or square corners, 35c
- 100 drug envelopes, good quality, 25c
- 250 small 4 page papers, 100 words to page, on good paper, only 85c

Price lists, 4 page circulars, etc, same as above. If you don't see what you want, ask for it.

Always address for printing.

CHAS. E. DUDDING,
Oxford, Indiana.

Approval = Sheets

For Beginners

A SPECIALTY
AT 60 PER CENT
DISCOUNT.

S. Revenues and Mexicans

Very cheap. Mention this paper when you write.

E. NORTON,

Office Box 22. — Alamo, Michigan

Member of S. of P. and D. P. A.

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CALENDAR POCKET EDITION

From A. D. 1753 to A. D. 2000.

Price 10c postage free.

P. D. STANNARD,

Renfrew street E E, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
Reference, editor of this paper.

REVENUES 1898

For Sale Cheap

Complete sets (used) 1,
2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 40, 50,
80, \$1.00.....

30 CENTS.

Your orders solicited

ROLLIE NENMANN,

Box 98 Kansas City, Mo.

Don't send stamps.
Bills and coins, well wrapped will carry.

U. R.

Western Packet No. 14

Containing 35 fine varieties of U. S. postage stamps, adhesives and envelopes. Issues of 1851, '57, '61, '69, '70, '98, including war, treasury and postoffice department. Also good values of Columbian and Omanas. Higher values of '98 revenues, documentary and proprietary in good condition.

35 Good, clean, perfect specimens, post free. ONLY 50

Catalogued many times price asked. Order at once as supply is limited.

THE WESTERN STAMP CO.

427 N Market St, Wichita, Kansas.

Approval Sheets

LOOK!

We give you 50 per cent discount off on our sheets and also give you fine premiums according to amount of your purchases. Send references for a selection now.

SPECIAL BARGAINS.

100 foreign stamps.....	09
100 all different, excellent.....	17
Canada 2c imperial penny postage stamp, used.....	08
Canada numeral issue 1/2, 1, 2, 3.....	04

Order under 10c, postage extra.

LORNE L. THOMPSON,

MEAFORD, ONTARIO CAN.

Nit! Nat! No!

We don't charge two prices for stamps, if you don't believe it just look at these

*UNUSED IN CANADIANS.

20c '92-93, vermilion.....	05
3c 1868 red.....	02
8c 1898 maple leaf.....	02
8c 1898 numerals (obsolete).....	02
Set 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 1898, numerals.....	02
Complete set 4 leaf Canada.....	19
Complete set 3 leaf Canada, unused.....	45
*Entire 3c envelope 1877-96.....	05
*Entire 1c envelope 1877-96.....	03
New Brunswick 1890 used 5c.....	01
*1/2c Canada jubilee.....	14
*6c Canada jubilee.....	25
*8c Canada jubilee.....	13
*1c special delivery.....	13
1c special delivery, used.....	10
2 and 5c Canada register.....	20

To collectors of stamps on Original covers: We have an entire envelope with the following Turks Islands thereon, used and lightly cancelled: Scott's 58th numbers. Three of each numbers 60, 59, 61, 53, 54, 56. What are we offered for this miniature collection of Turks Islands. We buy all kinds of stamps. Postage extra on orders under 25c.

JUBILEE STAMP CO.,

Smith's Falls, Ontario, Can.

Daily
 &
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Are still doing business at the old stand. We make the following liberal offer, which will especially interest beginners: To every person purchasing 25c worth, or more, from our approval sheets, we will give absolutely free, 25 stamps, no two alike. We allow 50 per cent discount on approval sheets. Send us good references, or a line from a bank or business house stating that they know you and that you are all right. We send the 25 stamps upon receipt of first remittance.

SPECIAL.

Complete Set Omahas used, very fine.....	3 00
Complete Set Columbiads, used, very fine.....	12 00

Write for our price list of U. S. stamps

Address orders to

DAILY & McNAMEAR,

Fairfield, Kansas

Canada's First Surcharge!

1890 envelope, 2c in black, on 1898 3c red
entire, mint, only..... \$.30
1890 envelope, 2c, entire, mint; in use
only a few days, will be rare..... 1 00
Canada mangle leaf set, complete, fine..... 30
Packet 40 var. Can revs, best on market..... 85
Brit Guiana jubilees, complete, mint..... 75
New so Wales 8d. Lyre bird, scarce..... 17
New so Wales jubilees, complete set 3, used
Cash with order; post free. Try my fine
approval sheets at 50 per cent discount.

W. KELSEY HALL,

Peterboro, Ontario

NEW YORK 1845

Black on yellowish white, fine pair..... \$11 00
Same single..... 6 00
Black on bluish, fine pair..... 9 00
Same single..... 4 00
S 1847, 5c various shades..... 40
S 1847, 10c on bluish paper..... 1 90
Same on large part of o c, with New York
postmark..... 2 25
Mobile, 5c blue on entire envelope..... 4 00
U. S 1841, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 12, 15, 24, 30 & 90c
"specimen" in Gothic type..... 6 00

All the above are in fine condition, and the
Y stamps have the postmaster's initials in
armine ink. Satisfaction guaranteed or
money refunded

W. LEDYARD SCOTT,

17 N Royal street Mobile, Ala

Three Fine Sets

At about one-third cat. price.

HONDURAS UNUSED.
1891 issue, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 75c, and
1 peso, complete catalogue price 69c, my
price 25c.

1891 issue, 2, 5, 10 pesos, complet, cat. price,
70c, my price 26c

LABUAN JUBILEE ISSUE.

1896, used, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8 25
The three set as above for 70
Money order or unused stamps, 1898-9
Price List free. Call and see me when in
town.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY.

When I advertise I guarantee satisfaction.
What can I do for you?

1,000 mixed stamps, over 80 varieties, suit-
able for cheap packets or sheets.

Fine lot, 1,000 postpaid 23c.
1,000 hinges 10c, 3,000 25c, postpaid.

VARIETY PACKETS.

100 all different, catalogue value over
\$1.00. My price, postpaid 10
150 all different, catalogue value over
1.50. My price, postpaid 15
200 all different, catalogue price over
2.50. My price, postpaid 25
300 all different, catalogue value over
4.00. My price, postpaid 50
500 all different, catalogue value over
10.00. My price, postpaid 1 75
1,000 all different, catalogue value over
35.00. My price, postpaid 6 25

All stamps in above packets are picked
specimens and guaranteed. They do not
contain cut cards or revenues.

My 1898-9 Price List is sent free.

SCARCE FOREIGN STAMPS CHEAP.

*unused; all others lightly cancelled.
*No. 73, Barbados, 1/2p on 4p 09
*No. 36, Hayti, 2 on 3c, blue 08
No 30, Hawaii, 1c violet 12
*No. 8 and 9, Gibraltar, 5 and 10c 12
*No 16, Gibraltar, 10c on 1p rose 10
*No 17, Gibraltar, 25c on 2p violet 25
*No 18, Gibraltar, 25c on 2 1/2p blue 15
*No 115, Phillipiae Islands, 1c green 25
*No 155, Porto Rico, 1m. brown, sur 1898 9 10
*No 156a, Peru, 20c, orange, Commem 25
*No 156b, Peru, 50c, blue, Commemorative 48
*No 41, Sierra Leone, 6p red.violet 25
No 58, Queensland, 2p blue 08
No 125, South African Rep., 5sh dark blue 25
No 144, South African Rep, 6p blue 17
*No 31, Costa Rico, 1 peso, blue 10
No 146 Uruguay, 20c black and green 20
No 35, Ecuador, 5c on 50c maroon 07
Numbers to the left are according to 58th
edition catalogue. 1898-9 Price List Free.

I will give one each of the above 19 picked
copies for \$2.75. Money order or unused
stamps.

AN UNUSED STAMP FREE!

To everybody sending for a copy of my
Price List I will send free of charge an un-
used stamp. My price list is full of tempting
offers and as it has been decided that the
'97-98 edition of Scott's Catalogue will remain
current during '98-99 my prices will stand
the same in '97 list until further notice.

C. E. HUSSMAN,

Rooms 420-421 Fullerton B'ld'g, St. Louis, Mo.

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B. F. JONES,

P S A 1349

165 Washington St.

Chicago, Illinois

How Is This?

Ecuador, 1881-87, 7 var. unused 07c.
Switzerland, 1881, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40c unused, 5c.

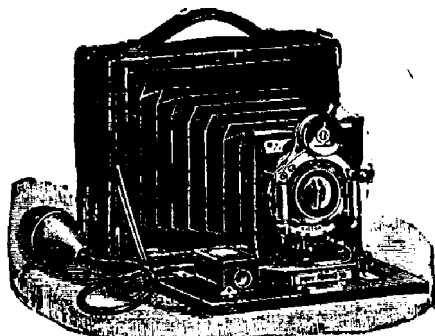
Packet No. 116, contains 30 varieties European stamps from the following eight countries only: Austria, Bulgaria, Bavaria, Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Russia and Spain. No common continentals, but all good varieties. Price \$25. All of the above 43 varieties for \$15.

Gummed hinges 10c per 1,000.

W. HAMMOND,

Lock Box 43, Palmyra, N. Y.

Photo Supplies.



MANY KINDS OF CAMERAS

Send for my new catalogue and price list of supplies.

D. E. DePUTRON,

Box 973, Or Room 5,
1041 O street,

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA.

Cash for Photos

I want to buy photographs of historic places, curious things and the most beautiful landscapes. Don't want anything less than 3x5. Mounted or unmounted. Send any number not to exceed 2 dozen at once, for examination and price. Don't send badly damaged or imperfect pictures. Must be clear and distinct. Reference editor WEST. Address,

HOWARD BURBA,

Springfield, Ohio.

A 25c Packet.

- 15 U S rev, old and new 05c
 - 25 var US includ. Omahas 08c
 - 6 var Valco De Gama Portuguese 15c
 - 500 hinges 03c
- Send for Catalogues.

BRISTOL & CULVER,

Pulvers, N. Y.

CANADA STAMP CO.

Danville P. Q, Canada

The following all prepaid with half cent stamps.

- Canada 2c imperial, used 1 2c, unused 0 1c
- Canada maple leaf 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10 unused 59c
- Canada numerals 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 10 unused 49c
- Canada revenues 25 kinds 25c
- Great Britain 2-penny blue 1811 imper. nice pair 08c
- Gold cost one shilling 12c
- Tobago 3d cat \$2.50 50c
- Chile 10c and 20c, for the two 03c
- U S 30c war 15c
- U S 12c violet 1870 15c
- U S 10c treasury 35c
- U S 12c treasury 65c

All Canada stamps at half catalogue. U. S. stamps taken.

Our Latest Drops

LOTS AND SETS.

- 30 varieties U S 08
- 50 varieties U S 16
- 1 varieties U S, cat \$1.00 20
- 100 mixed 15

SINGLE SPEC.

- 2c playing card, cat. 40 14
- 10c Cuba rep green, cat. 50 15
- 2c entire centennial envelope, cat. 25 05

DEALERS OUTFIT

Very seldom are U S offered exclusive in outfits. This will be a starter so send at once before they are all sold out.

Some catalogues \$10.00 or more.

Blank sheets and books

1 packages of "best" die cut hinges.

1 inch ad in Philatelic West and year's subscription to same.

All for only a \$1.50 money order.

Postage 2c on orders under 50

We also have 2 fine collects to dispose of. Write for terms.

U. S. STAMP CO.

BOX 507.

IOWA FALLS, IOWA

...SOME SPRING SNAPS...

You should take some of the following for "that tired feeling" which comes on during the spring and they will renew your failing ambition and give you new (stamp) life:

- 25 var U S, fine lot 10c
- 6 varieties Omaha 10c
- 6 varieties Cuba (new, cat 15c) 10c
- 2 varieties New Zealand postals (cat 25c) 10c
- 1 varieties Omaha Exposition postals 10c
- 100 varieties foreign (fine) 10c
- 4 varieties foreign postals (cat 30c) 10c

Any three of the above for 25c, or the seven lots for 50c (coin).

Satisfaction or Money Refunded.

OMAHA STAMP CO.,

1214 Farnam St.

Omaha, Nebraska

D. T. EATON,

Muscatine, Ia

INVITES ALL COLLECTORS TO READ THE FOLLOWING.

UNITED STATES.		1898 REVENUES.	
1890	1c to 90c unused o. g. fine, 11 var. \$2 25	1c and 2c I R surcharge includ small I R 1c	15
1890	1c to 90c used, fine, 11 var. 69	5, 10, 25, 50c used	15
1893	1c to 10c unused o. g. fine, 8 var. 50	\$1.00	08
1893	1c to 10c used, fine, 8 var. 20	2c I R inverted	25
1893	15c & 30c unused o. g. fine, 2 var. 55	Proprietary $\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{3}{8}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, $1\frac{1}{4}$, $1\frac{1}{2}$, 2, $2\frac{1}{4}$,	
1893	50c slate, used, fine 40	$3\frac{1}{2}$, 4, 5c o. g.	35
1893 \$1.00	salmon used or unused 2 50	SOME GOOD REVENUES.	
1893 2.00	brown red unused 2 25	1c playing cards	\$1 50
1893 3.00	green unused 5 25	3c playing cards	3 50
1893 4.00	carmine unused 4 25	\$1 00 mortgage	2 25
1893 5.00	black unused 5 25	3 50 inland exchange	1 00
1894	1c to \$5.00, 19 varieties o. g. 12 50	5 00 manifest	1 25
1894	50c orange unused o. g. 60	5 00 probate of will	50
1894 1.00	black unused o. g. 1 50	5 00 mortgage	50
1894 2.00	sapphire unused o. g. 2 50	10 00 charter party	50
1894 5.00	green unused o. g. 5 25	10 00 conveyance	1 25
1895	1c to \$1, 13 var o. g. 2 50	10 00 mortgage	75
1895	50c orange o. g. 60	10 00 probate of will	50
1895	50c orange used fine 10	15 00 mortgage	4 00
1895 1.00	black unused o. g. 1 25	20 00 conveyance	1 00
1895 1.00	black and \$5 green, very fine. 2 25	25 00 mortgage	2 50
		50 00 U. S. I. R.	2 00
		\$200 00 U. S. I. R.	15 00

Japan New Issue just arrived, 2, 4, 10, send set ofro. g. 25c. I want Current Issues, used, 15c, 50c \$1, \$2, \$5 for cash or exchange. Anyone having any of these to dispose of write me.

D. T. EATON,

MUSCATINE, IOWA.

"Quality not Quantity."

THE STAMP EXCHANGE.

A New Monthly Journal

Consisting of 16 to 24 (9x6) pages and cover, will appear April 15th with a guaranteed circulation for No. 1 of over

10,000 Copies.

Nos. 2 and 3 will be over 5,000 each.

Several well-known writers of Philately will contribute each month articles of merit.

Special Attention also given to the Advertising Department.

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Box 3276

(R. W. TUCKER, Publisher) Boston, Mass.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

All advertisements, large or small, will receive our best attention. Write at once and secure good position in No. 1, as space is limited.

Collectors and Specialists, advertise your wants. Dealers advertise your bargains.

Special attention given to the advertising of Auction Sales. With this large circulation fine returns are certain. Will quote reduced rates on any number of pages.

Circulating as this Journal will among this large number of collectors and dealers, it is evident that these pages will be the means of bringing together those who have hitherto not been in correspondence.

Please communicate with us at once.

(Please mention Philatelic West.)

10 Cents Gets It.

20th Century Stamp Album.

Just the thing for small collectors and dealers who wish to store stamps and have them neat and clean. Large collectors are buying them to store their exchanges while awaiting a good exchange. Send 10 cents at once. YOU GET BIG value.

We are preparing a line of mail order specialties. Ready about April.

Sudd Specialty Co.,

Printers and Publishers,

Box 396, Middletown, N. Y.

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Old Collections.

Highest CASH market price paid.

BARGAINS.

1898 documents 1c to 50c	4	15
" " \$1 00	5	05
" " 3 00	2	25
" " 5 00	3	35
" " \$1, \$3, \$5	5	50
65 varieties revenues	1	00
Canada maps (lavender)	1	10

W. C. ESTES 9 Harney, Omaha, Nebraska.



Collectors

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For Thomas, Superior, Nebraska, a badge and a uniform. The badge must be a plain white one. The number of each of the items of white stamp. Collectors wanted.



J. HENRY THOMAS.

SECOND ILLUSTRATION.

This month we present our old-time and well known friend, J. Henry Thomas. Though from appearance, one would judge the belaying of a jib-halyard, or furling of a main royal, or the manipulation of a 13-inch gun were more in his line than taking an active interest in Philately, but the sea life is not his regular following. At the outbreak of the war against Spain, Mr. Thomas deemed it his duty, as an American, to answer the call to arms when President McKinley issued the call for volunteers in defense of the nation. Having had some former experience on the sea, and being fond of the free life aboard ship, Mr. Thomas volunteered and enlisted in the Navy, being assigned as able bodied

seaman on the auxiliary cruiser U. S. S. "Badger," as acting quartermaster, stand his watches at the helm. Being a member of the New Jersey Naval Reserve, with his mates was enlisted in the service at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. Later, on the locating of Cervera's fleet, the ship, while coaling at Portland, was ordered to the Cuban remaining fleet an honor the crew were very proud of, on arrival of the "Newark," the flag was transferred to her.

John Henry Thomas was born at Hudson City, now part of Jersey City, N. J., on June 20th, 1872, and has resided in same city since. Philately took hold of him while attending school and his collections, a general and a United States, are the pride of the owner. His stock of thousands

The higher values of the jubilee issue are for sale in some of the larger postoffices. Montreal has from the 20-cent upwards. They will be used in connection with the new newspaper postage act, after which the numerals will replace them.

Reports say that the 2c numeral has been printed in red, and will be placed on sale when the old twos are all used.

The Philatelic Messenger has been consolidated with the Philatelic Advocate. Regrets.

We may expect at any time to see the six and eight sent stamps, formerly used for double postage and registration, respectively, superseded by a four and seven. The three-cent will be retired also.

A mistake was made by the postoffice officials in printing the new 2c envelopes blue, whereas the postal regulations call for red. They were in use only two days, and then only in the city offices. It remains to be seen how the government intends to dispose of the remainder.

INTRODUCTION OF POSTAGE STAMPS INTO THE UNITED STATES C. R. GLEASON.

In 1840, three cents was the postage for a local letter which was not delivered by a carrier. Indeed, there were no letter carriers, and this in large cities was such an inconvenience that private dispatch companies undertook to deliver letters about the cities for 2 cents each, and to accommodate their customers they issued adhesive stamps which, placed on the letters, insured their delivery. These are what are known to collectors as carrier stamps, some of which demand very high prices. The larger cities used them more extensively than others. The loss of business to the government caused by these companies, and the general demand for quicker and cheaper mail service forced congress to revise the postal laws of 1845, when an attempt was made to introduce the use of postage stamps by the government. As the mails were becoming very heavy, the postmasters in the cities and important towns had already begun to have printed at their own expense. The purpose of these stamps was to save the time of the people. Then, as now, let-

ter postage was prepaid. But instead of fixing a stamp on the envelope (there was no such a thing in 1840) the writer sent the letter to the postoffice and paid the postage in money whereupon the postmaster stamped the letter "paid." This consumed the time of the postmaster and the letter writer. But when he could go once to the postoffice and prepay a quantity of letters by buying stamps any one of which affixed to a letter was evident that its postage had been paid, any man who wanted to could save his time. These stamps the postmasters or companies sold at a little more than the expense of printing. Thus the postmasters of New York and St. Louis charged one dollar for nine ten-cent or eighteen five-cent stamps. This increased the price of postage a trifle, but as the use of the stamps was optional the burden fell on those willing to bear it, while the convenience was so great that the effort made to have the postoffice department furnish the stamps and require the people to use them succeeded in 1844. Companies then issued stamps that could be put on envelopes with the government stamps, and would be delivered within the city. These were known as locals.

WHAT CAN BECOME OF A TAILOR'S BOY.

In the good old city of Stolp, in North Germany, lived once an honest tailor, Ernst Henry Stephan by name. From his small workshop he would often let his thoughts wander to the future, but he knew the best to give them something good for their future, but he knew the best best capital is not found in the purse, but in the head and heart. His son Henry, born the 7th of January, 1831, was well gifted. In getting lessons Henry always took the lead among the children. He "devoured," who say, all books which came in his reach. And as his father could not furnish enough for his hunger, Henry made friends with a bookdealer and consequently had from then access to a large library. Henry Stephan had a great fondness for foreign languages. First he learned German, French and Latin, but this never satisfied his thirst for knowledge.

of duplicates obtained through business connections, are freely given in his many exchanges with other collectors. As a Philatelic writer he has made quite a success and was very prominent; of late his pen has been idle during his service to his country. His well known "Jersey Jottings" of spicy original stamp notes were much sought and interesting to read. As a correspondent, many friends were added to his already long list, and by his good nature he is well liked by social and Philatelic friends. By occupation Mr. Thomas is a traveling salesman, and is employed by a large wholesale house in New York.—John Miles.

DER PHILATELIST.

(By P. Williams.)

Who stops at der best hotel,
Und takes his oysters on der shell,
Und mit der ladies cuts a swell?
Der Philatelist.

Who vas it comes into my store,
Throws down his bundles by der floor
Und never stops to shut der door?
Der Philatelist.

Who takes me by der hand, und say:
"Hans Phiffer, how you vas today?"
Und goes for bisness rite aavy?
Der Philatelist.

Who spreads his stamps out in a trice
Und says: "Just look vonce; see how
nice;
You bet, I've got der bottom price?"
Der Philatelist.

Who punch my ribs, call me a sport,
My oldest daughter dries to court;
Sells stamps cheap, because ne's
short?
Der Philatelist.

Who varrents all de stamps to soot
De customers upon his route,
Und ven dey comes, dey ish no goot?
Der Philatelist.

Who calls by my house ven I's been out
Und drinks my beer, und eats my kraut,
Und kisses Kaderiena in der moud?
Der Philatelist.

Who ven he comes agin dis vay
Vill hear vat Phiffer has to say,
Und mit a black eye go away?
Der Philatelist.

OUR ILLUSTRATION.

The subect of this sketch is a "Hoosier;" was born near what was then called Gallaudet, Marion county, Indiana, coming to Iowa with his parents in the spring of 1857 when but two years of age; removed to Muscatine in 1871; entered the City High School, but before graduating left school to accept a position in a retail dry goods store, which position he held for almost fifteen years, being nearly all the time connected with the same firm.

In 1887, while hunting with a friend, was accidentally shot in the left knee, which left him a cripple. He was elected to the office of police magistrate and city recorder of the City of Muscatine in 1888, which office he held for eight years. In 1896 he entered the employ of J. F. Beard, and has charge of the order department, and upon the death of Mr. Beard assumed control of the business.

Mr. Eaton is a member of the American Philatelic Association, also the P. S. of A., American Stamp Exchange and C. P. A. Mr. Eaton was married in 1882 and has one boy of twelve years of age who is also interested in stamps.

Mr. Eaton was one of the witnesses against the noted Richard Wolle who was tried at the November term of the United States court in St. Louis last November, which resulted in helping to send Mr. Wolle to the penitentiary for a term of eighteen months.

CANADA LETTER.

By Crescent.

There are four shades of the 2c imperial stamp to date as follows:

- Black, red and lavender.
- Black, red and grey.
- Black, red and light green.
- Black, red and dark green.

The above list is arranged in order of their printing, but also stands good for variety. The first is the most comely stamp.

There is a shade, or rather a distinct color, of the 2c numeral stamp which I would call a lilac. The postmaster informs me that it is not commonly seen in the mails compared with others.

He asked his father to allow him to take private lessons in Italian, Spanish, and English. His father granted the request and now our Henry was able to read books in those languages. Besides, Henry was well posted in mathematics, natural philosophy and music. But the wisdom did not hurt his constitution, as one may think, for we find him with the boys a first class turner, swimmer, etc.

The greatest inheritance Henry Stephan brought from his home was his piety, his fear of God. As the rest of the children, he had to read a scripture lesson each evening at home. And his Bible always remained his companion in after life.

As Henry was 17 years old he graduated with high honors. He at once connected himself with his local postal affairs. He thought for this calling he was predestined. A few years later we find him as secretary in the great postoffice at Koehn on the Rhine. There his work afforded him much pleasure, but we often find him behind his books again, reading late in the night. Whenever his eyes wanted to leave him, he would put his feet in cold water and remain awake. Once a letter arrived for the postoffice from Madrid, Spain, written in Spanish language. Of the postal officers only the hero of our sketch could read the letter and answer the same also in Spanish. All were surprised to have a born German who could thus master the Spanish language. This was the fruit of diligence and faithfulness. Soon H. Stephan was forwarded to the general P. O. at Berlin. Here he became, 1856, being only 27 years, a member of the postal association. He soon won the confidence of his fellow members and was intrusted with responsible duties, transacted most important business. Only a few of his deeds we can enumerate.

It is now over 400 years ago, as C. Columbus sailed for America, and Vasco De Gama to India, as the first postal wagons were established in Germany. A postal-wagon took mail and also passengers. An Italian nobleman Frank V. Faxis by name (whose descendants were the pioneers and later imperial postmasters of Turn & Taxis) has first introduced this system into

the German states.

It was miserable to travel in those post-wagons in those times. Thrown in between the trunks, mail bags, always fearing the drivers, robbers, thieves, etc., one was not sure of his life. A similar danger the letter had to undergo. Germany was then divided in many principalities and states and many of these erected their own postoffices besides those already erected by the Turn & Taxis authorities. This state of affairs made it necessary that much duty had to be paid on letters. Each state demanded its own duty for a letter. A letter passing through several states cost as many marks (\$) as now pfennige (cents), and if the mail could go over the German boundary line, and so much extra had to be paid. This state of affairs remained practically the same until the year 1867. From this year on we find a universal postal rate in Prussia and also in Germany, viz.: A letter only cost one groschen, whether it made a long or short journey. This great revolution of affairs was mainly the work of the tailor's boy, Henry Stephan. It was also a step toward the unity of the divided states. It surely was a step in the right direction, for now the poor people could notice, we are really a united people. Since then a new era for correspondence and intercourse among the people opened itself. It was the tailor's boy, H. Stephan, who had figured it out before that if postage rates were made cheaper, the government would make more money, for all could then afford to buy postage. -At that time a proverb made the round: Where can one dine the cheapest? Answer: In the German post, for an envelope only cost 10 pfennige and the licking is gratis.

In a few years H. Stephan was forwarded to the general postmastership of the North German postal district. Now the war broke out with France. Again it was the tailor's boy who delivered the soldiers' mail. H. Stephan knew that news from home would give the boys new courage in the fight. The French soldiers did not get mail from home and this took their energy. H. Stephan thought.

After H. Stephan was the general postmaster of the German empire, he

made many improvements for the facilities in postal affairs by reducing postal rates, erecting of postoffices in villages, etc., but the greatest deed for the rank of this man was something else. H. Stephan always thought that all nations on earth were in a certain sense brothers and sisters. Therefore intercourse should be made as easy and cheaply as possible, and the doors from one nation to the other should be open. Often he had thought how letters could travel cheaper from one nation to the other, etc. Finally he invited general postmasters to assemble at Bern, Switzerland, in order to organize a world postal association, 1st of July, 1874. At Bern, Switzerland, representatives of twenty-two countries assembled and organized the World's Postal Association (or union) and since then many more countries have joined the Union. The great result was that the 5c letter and 2c card rate was inaugurated. Surely, the tailor's boy became a benefactor to whole mankind.

On the 9th of April, 1897, the sad message was wired all over the globe: the German imperial P. M. is dead. He is worthy to be kept in memory—he opened the doors of commerce and intercourse; he brought the nations closer together.

W. H.

THE BOY COLLECTOR.

How much we have heard of the boy collector lately. He has been given a prominent place in all the periodicals; he is a mushroom product; he springs up to the full fascination of the interesting pursuit, or art, in a single night and it often as suddenly loses its interest for him.

To the dealer the boy collector is a source of profit. He is not a heavy buyer; on the contrary, he invests but little, but he takes the more common varieties off the dealer's hands; he is not that worry of all dealers, a philatelic crank," he is satisfied with a good stamp. He does not require the unused stamps in "mint state," but he is very careful to see that their faces are clean. If a stamp is one millimeter off center he does not refuse it, worthless, and if it has a cancellation that can be seen with the naked eye he does not consider it valueless.

He is not a speculator; he is trying to get as many varieties as possible, and a Nicaragua is as good as a Norway. He does not worry his brain over Colonel Seibeck, with his endless varieties; does not obey the commands of the great and awful S. S. S. S., but goes merrily spending his pennies for Chinese locals and jubilees. As a rule the boy collector is "out of fashion;" he does not lay aside collecting in the summer; on the contrary he spends more time over it; he does not specialize, as a rule he has not even a catalogue.

Still the faults of the boy collector sometimes effect the dealer; he does not keep his sheets clean; he has an unpleasant way of figuring upon the back of the sheet of what he owes the dealer and often the sheets are returned with an unaccountable X marked under sundry stamps. The stamps come off the sheets easily in his possession and he energetically replaces them with whatever comes handy, be it a drug label or a sticking plaster, causing the dealer, when he examines the sheet, to scratch his head with thoughts of substitution, etc., flitting through his brain.

The boy collector is usually honest; he remits with ungummed stamps or stamps so gummy that they stick together; part of remittance is usually in stamps and part in coin. He usually splits that odd cent for himself and generally retains 2 cents for postage.

His writing is, as a rule, such a scrawl that within two months the dealer considers himself able to read Chinese.

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ALL THE philatelic world is indebted to the dealer. He keeps the recruits in line, thereby insuring the dealers, publishers and collectors of the future.

Never dampen the ardor of a boy collector. Encourage him. If he bothers you with endless questions restrain yourself and answer them. Give him those old philatelic magazines, make him a present of some of your duplicates and remember that there once was a time when you would have greatly appreciated kind treatment of that kind.—Queen City.

A COLLECTOR'S DREAM.

(By J. B. Garella, Jr.)

Looking over old letters,
Written in days gone by,
Looking for our special hobby,
A secret 'tween you and I.

Luck had long ago left me,
But Hope deserted me not,
As I assorted the musty old letters
Which had long lain away and forgot.

I still looked over the letters,
But luck was always the same,
And I was feeling dreary,
And sleepness over me came

I still assorted the letters,
And my spirit soon rose high,
For among the folds of a letter
A rare Mauritius I spy.

The next stamp that greets me
Is a rare St. Louis of old;
The bears bowed and courts aged
And how flattered I felt is untold.

I found many more stamps,
Such rare ones I never had seen,
And then with a start I awoke,
And found it was only a dream.

ANOTHER VARIETY OF THE 1C
I. R.

By E. W. Fitt.

In looking over some sheets of the 1 cent I. R. for the much talked of varieties in spots, etc., I found the following in the order named: The fourth stamp on the bottom row from the left corner of the lower right pane of sheet has a perfect letter o measuring two m. m. by $1\frac{1}{4}$ m. m. instead of the dot after the I; the dot after the R. is correct. In the next stamp the I is divided in two by curved lines. The third stamp has a small dot after the I measuring $1\frac{1}{2}$ m. m. by 1 m. m., and a large dot after the R. whilst the up stroke at the end of the tail of the R is a well developed curve.

These peculiarities do not seem to be confined to one stamp or sheet, for of five sheets examined the failures in printing appeared in the same place. The large and small dot on the third stamp are curious though and do not seem to be caused from the printing. Unfortunately the plate numbers had been removed and therefore no information on that can be given.

MY PET EUROPEANS.

E. Norton.

I will only speak of a few countries which I have chosen as my favorites; also stamps that are quite easily obtained by any collectors and form a foundation for collection that is a pleasure for the collector and his to gaze upon as well as a large field for historical study.

I have had friends ask me why I collected stamps and all such questions as all of us have to answer, but I begin and tell them of the difference in the paper, the watermarks and such differences that a great many collectors do not pay any attention to and I can most always get their attention, and in a few moments they will join as earnestly as a great many collectors whom I have met, but I am going astray and must return to my subject.

In looking over these countries I think one can find a great many stamps that require a great deal of study and also a great deal of profit. Austria is my first choice in Europeans, which has about one hundred and fifty stamps and only one or two that are at all hard to get; then Bavaria with about eighty of the adhesive stamps. Also here we have something new, viz., the Return Letter stamps, which attract the attention of most every person looking at an album and I think that such things do our cause, as I will call it, more good than a great many other things that would cost more trouble and expense; and also here we have the broken circle variety, which is quoted at a moderate price, but is apt to raise in the next catalogue. Then we come to Belgium with about one hundred varieties and some very interesting varieties, but none so very expensive. And now we reach Bulgaria, one of my pet countries, and which most anyone can get of most dealers at reasonable prices, and only three stamps that are at all rare. We now come to a country which is left but few collectors are able to show anything of a complete page of these stamps which to me are very interesting. I have now arrived at another country—Finland—which is a very pretty page and have a few stamps of a very rare nature. Also

we have France and leaving out the colonies I like the stamps as well as most any of the countries of Europe, but we have Germany and Greece, also Hungary as well as Sweden and Switzerland, which are very interesting to me as they have enough varieties to make them interesting, but I think that I have already said enough as I am afraid this will find the wastebasket, still I would like to say that I think we can do a great deal of good by interesting the so-called boy collectors, as I know what it is to start as one of this class and no one to help me but a small album and one of Mr. T. E. Parker's catalogues, but by study and careful buying I claim I have done very well.

One thing more before I close: I want to say that although I have written about Europeans, my favorite stamps are those of the United States, both postage and revenue, as well as our new possession, Hawaii. Then comes England and her colonies, which affords a great deal of study and research.

As I now have written more than I first intended, I will close by saying let us all do the good we can in all the ways we can to the boy collector, and help him all we can.

PLACING A VALUE.

I notice that it is very difficult to find two collectors or dealers who would place the same value on a pair of stamps or strip or block of the same.

Some in pricing on an approval sheet pair of U. S. 5 cent 1897 Garfield, will say would price it as three individual stamps; in case of a strip of 3 or 4 of the same stamp would mark it as one more in value.

This is in my way of thinking, a very fair way, but, what about blocks of four, some dealers as well as collectors place a value equal to double the price of four single stamps, that is to say, four stamps catalogued at five cents each would be priced at 40 cents, as they were attached in block plane; others again put on a higher price, and would make the same block at least 50 cents. Where can a standard be obtained?

SOME RARE STAMPS.

In a catalogue published by Young & Stockhall, stamp dealers, Liverpool, Eng., in 1872, is listed: Canada 1869 small design (1869-98) 3 cents, lake price used specimens 2 shillings; 1870, 3 cents, maroon, 1 shilling and sixpence; 1871, 3 cents, red id; 1871, 3 cents, dull red on greenish paper, 5 shillings.

Considering the long reign of this stamp it is pleasing to know that there were some scarce articles.—B.

STAMP NEWS.

C. E. Dudding.

The number of postage stamps used in a year is something enormous. For instance, the ordinary postal revenue for the year ending June 30, 1891, exclusive of the money order business, was \$65,065,293.87. Of this \$41,432,129.50 came from letter postage alone. The bulk of this is, of course, in two cent stamps. It is safe to put the whole number of this denomination used at more than two billions per annum.

One of Uncle Sam's best machines is the one employed in making postal cards. It counts 250,000 postal cards every hour, and puts them in packages of 25 each.

In the 55th edition of his catalogue, Scott listed 27,358 stamps and about 2,436 postal cards.

In some of the old countries advertisements appear on the back of postage stamps, thus netting the governments nearly twice as much as if they had no ad. on.

In 1848, 58,000,000 letters were sent through the mails, and the revenue at two cents per letter netted the government just \$1,160,000.

The stamps of Paraguay are priced very low; they will not long remain so, and I advise collectors to fill out the "blank spaces" in their albums, of this country.

If all the Columbian stamps were laid end to end they would extend over a distance of 45,375 miles.

They have a bonfire every day in Washington. They burn on an average 500,000 stamps each day.

Postal cards are not redeemable if they have been obliterated.

There were 562,500 of the 10c red brown stamps printed of the 1882-84 issue of Hawaii.

MY STAMP FIND.

Margaret Blaine Reynolds.

I spent part of my summer vacation in the year '97 at the home of a cousin, who lived in the country.

He had been in congress the early part of this century. He had a great deal of correspondence, which dated back to the time when the United States issued no stamps.

He had letters, which Abraham Lincoln, William H. Seward and other great men of the time had written to him.

I arrived on Saturday, and by Sunday I had so interested the family in stamps that on Sunday afternoon my cousin brought out a package of letters, much to my delight. But when the stamps proved to be only two-cent Columbian envelopes, I was not so delighted. When I had picked out all the Columbian envelopes I wanted he sent his daughter for other packages of letters. The first stamp I saw was a ten-cent green of 1861. There were in all about fifty of them, but I, an ignorant collector, thought they must be very common. So I only took ten of them. Then the three-cent rose 1861 and 1868 were quite plentiful. I also found a few of the two-cent black 1861.

The next day I said that revenue stamps were often found on old photographs. At that my cousin told me where I could find some photograph albums. I took out every photograph and found quite a number of three-cent green. I also found three two-cent placard blue, which catalogued at forty cents apiece. At that time I thought this was a very rare stamp, but I now know better. The two-cent orange internal revenues were the most common.

In the dining room were two old photographs. But of course they were framed and I did not think of taking the board off from the back. To my surprise one day my cousin remarked that perhaps there would be some stamps on the back of the picture. So we took the board off from the back and found on one a five-cent playing card red. On the other we found two of the same stamps.

My cousin had been the American consul at Montreal in the early '80s, so I found a few Canadian stamps,

among letters which he had written to his family.

At that time I thought I had made a great stamp find, but now as I know more about stamps, I do not think so.

NOTES ON STAMPS.

By John Beltz.

Revenue stamps were never allowed to be used as postage stamps in the St. Vincent Island. Many are found cancelled but all these are forged or were cancelled by some obliging official.

The common Italy newspaper 1890, 2c on 50c claret, used is found with invested surcharge. This variety is not catalogued.

Beginners may not despise the following bit of information of the 1882-92 issues of Russia, whereby the two issues (which are nearly similar to each other) may be detected. In the 1882 issue the two post 25 c., whereon an error exists, namely, in the word "Venticinque" the "c" of the final word "cinqque" is omitted and in place is a rather curious device shaped like a crown.

Great care should be exercised in soaking grilled stamps; in many instances the grilling is so faint, prolonged soaking will entirely efface the grill and make a rare stamp a very common one.

I have in my collection six different capped twos of the 1890 issue U. S. as follows: (1) Both twos capped. (2) Dewey's, Sampson's or McKinley's portrait in the center.

Different shades of the 2c Omahas are plentiful. I have seen red, carmine, brick-red, lake, dark brownish red, pink, scarlet, etc. The pink shade is one of the most beautiful colors in U. S. Stamps I have ever seen, and they are not so very common either. In about a hundred of the 2c Omahas I found five or six copies of this particular shade.

In the Era for Nov. 5 Mr. McKeath lists some several of the 1872 issue.

It is a wonder to me why the U. S. 1895 15 cent is not priced higher by Scott. Although I have handled hundreds of the 6 and 8 centers of this issue during the past few months I only came across a few of the 15 cent

which surely ought to indicate that this stamp is catalogued too low. In very fine condition, i. e., perfectly centered, lightly cancelled, not torn or mended, the above stamp, in my opinion, is worth 15 cents. The same remarks apply to the 15 cent of the 1890 and 1893 issues.

A sheet of the $\frac{1}{8}$ cent Prop. Revenues has been found printed on both sides. More oddities of like nature may come to light.

shade varieties of Canadian stamps. Immediately after reading the article I looked over some Canadian stamps sent me that day from a friend. I found one of the 8 cent purple-black shade he referred to in his notes, but while examining the stamp more closely the following day I discovered an error existing thereon, namely: On the left side of the stamp the figure "8" is broken in on the left side and the space empty measures at least 1-3 mm. long, except for a very thin hair line which connects the two parts together, which are broken.

The U. S. 1882 re-engraved issue show much heavier lines all over the stamps than right two. (3) Cap on left two. (4) Cap at right side of stamp. (5) Cap on right side of two on left side of stamp. (6) Cap on the line which runs inward from outside on lower part of two. A writer in the N. Y. Philatelist suggests the above capped two's should be classed as curios, and not errors.

One collector states that when long exposed to the sunlight the color of the 1c orange Canada Jubilee stamp will change in color from orange to brown.

When the U. S. again issues another or changes it present set of stamps one or more could well be utilized with horns under the Russian coat-of-arms are quite plain, while in the 1890-92 issue they are crossed by a pair of double-pointed arrows called thunderbolts.

Proofs of the 3p. 1852 and 1859 $7\frac{1}{2}$ p. Canada are known to exist in black.

Only 200,000 of the 8 cent Jubilee's were to have been printed but in reality 240,000 were printed. Thus 40,000 of the 8-centers were recalled and destroyed. We wonder if they had not been destroyed whether a corner

would have been attempted with this value.

I have in my collection a fair copy of the 1879 issue of Italy.

THE PHILATELIC PRESS.

John Hulme Lowe.

There has been growing in Philately a sentiment in favor of journalistic ventures of the literary Philatelist, and their journals are largely sought after by his Philatelic brethren. A large and perhaps just now increasing population are collecting the literary efforts of the Philatelic press, and as a matter of fact that as the majority of persons of this century are stamp collectors, they must have papers and essays on their fad, like any other hobby or science. It is a well known fact what effect the journal now has, and the dealers realize that effective co-operation of interests must be extended not to localities, but to continents; that their interests of failure or success depends largely on our Philatelic papers.

DOES STAMP COLLECTING PAY.

By Jos. Gibson, Jr.

Many people cry down stamp collecting as mere child's play and a hobby which we should throw off, as we grow older.

In defense of Philately and in opposition to the above statement, I intend to discuss it from a purely business standpoint.

First, as to cost of starting. Many young collectors start without an album, but it is advisable to procure one as early as possible. A fair one can be purchased for a dollar or even less.

Nine out of ten start the actual collecting by buying the "old reliable" packet, 100 for 10c., and with 100 varieties and an album one can be said to be fairly started. Other varieties are added as they come to hand from your friends or purchased with one's spare cash from approval sheets. In this and other ways a fairly good collection can be gathered at a trifling expense. Now if the collector will hold this for five or ten years, the result will be he can sell them at an advance of from 50 to 100 per cent over the original cost; but in face of

this some will persist in saying that it is mere child's play, when the above proves it to be one, if not the best, investment a boy or man can possibly make. Now take recent issues—the Jubilee and Maple Leaf issues of Canada for example; both of these are now bringing good prices.

We quote the Montreal Philatelist: A number of Canadians were offered for sale and in a short time they were sold en-bloc to a New York house for the following good prices:

- 1 cent Maple Leaf, 30 cents per 100
- 2 cent Maple Leaf, 35 cents per 100
- 3 cent Maple Leaf, 25 cents per 100
- 6 cent Maple Leaf, \$3.50 each.
- 5 cent Maple Leaf, \$1.50 per 100.
- 8 cent Maple Leaf, \$2.50 per 100.
- 10 cent Maple Leaf, 6 cents each.
- 1 cent Numerals, 25 cents per 100.
- 2 cent Numerals, 30 cents per 100.
- 3 cent Numerals, 20 cents per 100.

This clearly shows that there is money in postage stamps and therefore Philately is not child's play, but is on the contrary a good pursuit for anyone to follow and a capital investment as well.

We all know that there are a great many benefits which are derived from stamp collecting. Benefits which add more pleasure to the life of a person every day.

Stamp collecting often saves youthful people from falling into bad company or ignominious sins, etc. Oftentimes there are people in this world that try to lead others astray, and if the collector has the enthusiasm and love for his collection he will not wander into destruction. Philately is a good investment. Better than any saving bank. In a great many instances there are younger people who on account of the ignorance of Philately fall into bad habits, such as tobacco, liquor, etc. Just for the simple reason of not having a good way to invest their money.

If the lamps of Philately were illuminated to every person in this world I think the people would not live in ignorance and disgrace.

Philately has increased the education of this country, the knowledge in geography and history. It has pro-

vided an intellectual amusement, trained the powers of observation. Philately has induced a great many more benefits but it would consume volumes to tell it. There is more happiness, more accuracy, and neatness in stamp collecting than any other fact existing.

Stamp collecting has done more for humanity in the line of providing a combination of desirable elements than any other branch of collecting, and in the near future there are far brighter days of Philately and her devoted study.—D.

LIBRARY NOTES.

The past six weeks has shown a remarkable activity in not only new issues but new collectors.

In U. S. issues the envelopes are the engrossing subject at present as in the 1887 issue of dies have been found styled dies A and B. Die A the circle is more round and point of bust points between first dot and corner of shield. Die B is same as the 2c green envelope. Die A will be the rare die. How rare? Time only will tell it has been found on size 13 (legal) on White Buff and amber of regular size.

Die B comes on white buff, amber and blue. No Manila is used this year. Size 13 comes on both '94 and '99 W mark paper—the 1c green wrapper the same. As three separate companies are furnishing paper each have their own private mark in the paper. So, if you are collecting, you will have to collect them entire. So far 63 distinct varieties are found of the 1887 issue of envelopes and wrappers.

Since having the Cuban surcharge Puerto Rico now has the 1c, 2c, 5c, and 10c surcharged "Puerto Rico" at top of stamp. Value is not changed.

Hawaii and the Philippines, although nothing reported as yet, may soon have their set also.

The 4 and 5c envelopes are said to be very poor dies, and that the 5c is in dark brown instead of Red Brown. If so, you may look for new ones here also, but the 4c dark brown envelope looks peculiar to me. It is going to be the same as the 2c purple Canadian envelope?

STAMPS AND HISTORY.

It may not have occurred to the young collector that a great amount of history, both ancient and modern, can be learned from the bits of paper which too many consider and collect merely as curiosities.

If these collectors will turn to their stamps for a minute I will endeavor to show a few of the many historical facts which may be learned from a systematic perusal of their album.

First in alphabetical order will be Angola. By the inscription on the latter and the crown on the early issues we readily see that this country is a colony, or more correctly a province, dependent on some European country. We know that it must be a European dependency for only in Europe do we find monarchies having colonial possessions. That the home country is a monarchy is conclusively shown by the crown. By the '94 issue, also the newspaper stamp we find the mother country to be Portugal.

By the date of the first issue of stamps the date of the first civilized government can be arrived at very accurately. In this case the date is 1870.

Then the Argentine stamps. By a glance at the stamps of 58-61 we see that previous to 1860 the republic was known as the Argentine-Confederation. The fact that the confederation enjoyed a republican form of government is shown by the liberty cap which also appears on several of the subsequent issues. That the country was of Spanish origin is quite evident from the language and money in use.

The public men of this and other countries, also their rulers, can be followed by their pictures on the various issues. It is doubtful, however, if many of us could tell who these men are and why they are thus honored without reference to some authority.

The various issues of Egypt carry us back to the days of Pharaoh, and the spinx and pyramids remind us of many a nearly forgotten story of those strange lands and people. And so we can wander on through the pages of our albums finding something new on every page and gathering new and val-

uable information from every issue. Not historical facts alone, but geographical and scientific facts as well, besides a much better art education than is to be derived from the illustrations found in the text books used in our schools today.—S. T. Amp.

CURRENT PRICES.

E. W. THOMAS.

The fact that the Scott company did not issue the Standard Catalogue for this fiscal year is a sign of ominous meaning to every right minded philatelist. He questions himself whether philately is in a healthy conditions or that the current prices are wrong.

After a moments consideration we see that the prices are at fault, and since the publishers make the prices they may be held indirectly responsible. Why should this year's catalogue be omitted rather than last year's? Because the market does not demand it. It is true that most any stamp may be purchased at half catalogue prices. The writer knows of one dealer who sells rare U. S. at from 50 to 80 per cent off catalogue. At a recent auction sale good stamps went from 60 per cent to 90 per cent off catalogue.

The prevalence of these large discounts show that something is the matter. It shows that prices in the 78th edition have advanced too high and the publishers are now waiting for the market to "catch up" with their prices.

We cannot ascribe the above state of affairs to the lack of interest among collectors for the papers, the thermometers of philately report the most encouraging news from dealers.

What we need are stable prices, not those that are continually fluctuating. If the Scott company would work for the benefit of philately in general and not for themselves wholly philately would be in a much better condition.

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Entered at the postoffice at Superior, Nebr., as second-class mail matter.

Cancelled to order of the U. S. is reported high as 5c.

New South Wales claims to have issued its postage stamps in 1838.

We are always glad to receive hints, or suggestions for the better of the paper.

We expect to illustrate our next number still more and make each number better.

The love for stamps and stamp collecting grows on one. Try it, and see if this is not so.

We believe all the advertisements we carry are good and if not would be glad to be informed.

Our last number was delayed by sickness of both editors and printers, hence change of date.

What seems strange with Canada 2c rate to England for letters costs same rate for postcards.

Testimonials of paper are coming in every day and our subscription list surprises us in number.

Mr. Shepard has left the state and turned society matters over to Mr. Hughes who will have charge.

The current issue of Cuban stamps, boy king, 1898-99, has been counterfeited. The counterfeits are coarse lithographs.

The newspaper stamps are placed on sale at most of the large cities reports, will be hard to get a complete set of originals.

The Brazilian postcards of 40 and 80 reis are withdrawn from circulation. Counterfeits of Ionian Ilse 7½c orange, are on.

If you have not sent for a copy of Eastern Phil. of Boston 60 so. wt. Underdooley on stamp collections is worth the price alone.

The second insertion of a good ad will pay better than the first and the third will, as a rule, do as well as the preceding two combined.

It is a good deal as Munsey says in his advertising phases that the monthly magazine is before the people 30 days and the daily 30 minutes.

Till officers are elected, and if Trans-Mississippi secretary live west of Mississippi it would pay you better to join and be a charter member.

ERRATA.—The article "Second Illustration" is completed on page 17. The article "What Can Become of a Tailor's Boy," is continued on page 17.

Received with thanks: Price lists of E. B. Sterling Trenton, N. J.; Pierce & Zahn, Denver, Colo., who are good ones to write to, if you have any old books for sale or exchange; Star Photo and Finishing Co., Springfield, Mass., send out a neat price list and are cheap; S. P. Hughes have got a good price list.

Make your ads attractive which is half of the sale, and not try to crowd a 2-inch ad in 1-inch space. It does not pay. Cuts also help to draw attention and that is what you want.

The newspaper stamps that have been placed on sale so far as heard, all contain some reprint which can be told from the original by difference in color, an extreme whiteness of paper.

Two separate lots of Philatelic papers received from E. J. Mackey, Superior, Wis.; Also Quillings, Tri-monthly--Collector, New Oxford, Pa. W. C. Estes, Librarian.

Look up our offer for Miss. on stamps in December number. From \$20 government bond to \$5 in stamps offered for the best to subscribers. You may be the lucky one. Cant tell till you try.

Subscribers are what draws the people and we think our number will compare with anyone issued 5 years ago and we hope to make each number better and larger. This depends on the readers.

The plates of all the obsolete issues of Newfoundland were destroyed on January 16. The \$200 revenue stamp, first issue, has been found on silk paper. It was known only on old paper before.

The best pocket calendar I have seen and it should be in the hands of everyone, is from A. D. 1753 to 2000, and is offered by P. D. Stannard of Pittsburg. You should not be without it at the low price of 10c.

Stamp matters are getting better every day. One can look for prices to advance in new catalogue. Now is a splendid time to buy and before long you can look upon it as a good investment and readily realize a good profit.

Scott, Stamp and Coin Co. report they are out of the 58th edition catalogue and it will be the first of May before they can supply orders. The 59th edition will be sent out early in

the fall. They will prepare a larger edition than ever before. They say that their mail now contains more letters than in the palmy days of 1894 and bids fair to swamp them before the season is over. They expect prices to boom.

We wish back numbers of Philatelic West. All for 1898 and first two numbers of 97, Jan. and Feb. and Jan., 96. We will offer free subscription for any of these numbers sent to us in good condition. Each number good for one years subscription.

One will find that the larger part of stock especially of high values are reprints. For instance, take the \$100 denomination of 5,000 face value to be \$5,000,000 and the receipts of the department of the second class does not amount to \$3,000,000 a year.

Now is the time to buy your stamps before the raise. Scott & Co. report never had so many letters and calls for catalogues and 58th catalogue sold out. In cheap albums there has been a larger sale for the last three months than ever before.

There's a curious crank called "Brody"
I don't know which he likes best
Old stamps or camera pictures
Or his Philatelic West.
It goes to every corner of
The world e'en to Alaska,
Though hailing from that hustling
town,
Superior, Nebraska.

J. D. Cox, Upper Stewiacke, N. S., Canada, sends the following:

Replying to your inquiry on the subject any 3c stamped envelopes or 3c letter-cards you have unused will be surcharged if you will observe the following conditions with respect to them: Hand them to the nearest postmaster to be forwarded to this branch per registered mail as soon as possible with a brief memorandum as to their number and value. On receipt here they will be surcharged and returned to you through the same postmaster who will be notified as to the amount of refund to be allowed you.

Will be well for all readers to notice adds; even small one offer good bargains.

Miss. about stamps, short and to the point, is what we wish and will be read because it is what is written for.

Provisional stamps for Porto Rico have been purchased as follows:

One million 1c, 2,000,000 2c, 500,000 of 5c and 500,000 of the 10c. They were shipped on February 21. It is not the intention of the government to get out a distinctive set for Porto Rico as for Cuba.

Williams Co seems to have been more than on paper. Stamps of England, Stanlen Gibbons of London in vite correspondence who have received no cash or stamps. But fear be no remedy. We can offer the West for same price you pay to any magazines like Munsey. How to grow flowers photo era etc. Send stamp for particulars.

Mr. Cox has kindly sent us one of the 3c stamps cut into with half cent used to make the 2c rate which were out of values.

We have received price list and catalogues with no room to make mention and believe our advertisers best ones to secure prices of. Being cheap, i not cheaper than any.

Make your adds clever and catchy. Don't crowd two inches into one. It is quality in circulation as well as in clothes; have had adds in 100 to 300,000 circulation and did not pay as well as in one with last two figures off, because it did not cater to the right class of people. It is best to look into the character of the circulation, not number.

We have had high as 1 dozen subscriptions sent in by one party at one time and large number in smaller numbers and 9 per cent of these come from the west. One of the latest as well as one of the best papers of the Philatelic Monthly advertisers have been sold to the Stamp Collectors Journal the oldest stamp paper of England being over twenty years old.

I offer for sale something you call for or are trying to get. Two inches into one. I offer something reasonable and is in demand and give room to display well. We will do the best.

Western Stamp Co., Witchita, Kan., writes us they received all kinds of replies to their ad in your excellent magazine.

We have a few back numbers from 1st volume to date. Offer 6 or 10c post-paid and rate been going will not hold out long. Offer of free subscription for names was withdrawn Jan. 1. Got more now than we can use.

Notice English papers have such questions: Why is stamp collecting a favorite hobby with school boys? Are speculators an enemy to Philately? What is best way to arrange a collection of 1500, and is blank or plain album the best?

We find many points of difference in collecting and that is the reason we are pleased to hear what our readers have to say.

Would like each member that has not given a history of his collections to send me same. I have published several, and would be glad to get yours, as well as cost to you, an educational advantage, etc., and if you have half tone send it along with it. Let each member give some hint. Pleased to hear from all, and try and send an application blank mailed out with it. Library places any paper on file sent to W. C. Estes, 19th and Harney, Omaha.

Free subscriptions. Do you want such? If a reader, we offer about the same rate, that is, if you are all ready a subscriber or wish to renew. We offer the following: Send in the names of any of your friends who wish to have the paper and 1 cent a month for each name and allow each an exchange notice. We have now a list of subscribers that we are willing to compare with any of the same class monthly in the U. S. and believe we will run the weeklies a close one, when R. Neuman and others say that Philatelic West gives them more replies than same add in weeklies.

Think it would be good for papers to form continuity club or society of papers. There are more papers published one or two times than lives, and it is no wonder that collectors are shy on new papers. By each member being pledged to publish his paper continuously under a penalty of a fine, and if it should be discontinued the remaining papers could take turns in filling the term of its subscriptions or adds. This way the subscribers or advertisers would feel safer. We do not blame readers for not subscribing on first few numbers and even now have parties write me to send two or more numbers and will subscribe. Of course it is not always the fault of the publisher. Being in many cases printers delaying paper. Can state that is one cause where have been delayed and cash was generally paid before I had seen the paper.

E. W. Corning of Marysville, Tenn Renewed his subscription and says he would not be without it for three times the price.

B. F. Moss of New York: Your paper is very interesting and an editor may be proud of such a fine paper.

Bovey Bros., Iowa: We have had ads in most papers and yours beats them all.

Aloe & Penfold Co., one of the largest houses of the west, has adds in most of the leading papers say they get more replies from the west than any other paper of its kind or style and they carry adds in most of the leaders which circulate in the west.

E. W. Thomas of Indiana: It is among the best and if it keeps on at the present standard will be the best in existence.

People who have tried it say that ads in the West pays.

For Sale or Exchange—Ad Accounts Of Standard Stamp Co. of St. Louis Mo.; J. L. Forman, Alma, Neb.; Williams Co., Peru, S. A.; N. Ohman of Newfoundland, now at or near Montreal; A. Burnham, N. Y., Souvenir Card, Society man; H. E. Swan, Lynn Mass.; F. L. Ackley, Sioux City or Hewarden, Ia.; W. M. Waterbury, Ithaca Mich. Be more in next number, if not paid.

Jublee Stamp Co. reports following frauds to put on your list: L. McDonald, Sherbrooke, N. S., Canada; K. C. Schnell, Alton, Ill.; A. A. Abbeford, Kansas City, Mo.

Dewey Stamp Co. report W. A. McCorn, Ridley Park, Pa.; T. W. B. Welch, Millburn, N. J.; A. B. Clark, Guelph, Ont., Canada; S. Kronsberger, Philadelphia, Pa.

A great many collectors are interested in coins and expect a number will attend the Exposition at Omaha this year will be well to see the Byron Reed Collection, which occupies an upper floor of the Omaha library and is open week days from 10 a. m. to 12 noon and from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m.; Sundays from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. It is one of the most marvelous in the world and as a numismatic collection ranks third in the United States. It will interest any who visit it. There are displayed 6,395 coins, 474 patterns, 2,136 United States notes, 607 confederate notes, 1,280 medals, 1,029 autograph letters. Foremost is the collection of the signers of the declaration, five only being lacking. There are complete collections of revolutionary, union and confederate generals, the presidents, and of special interest to Nebraskans, governors of the state and mayors of the city of Omaha. Besides these relating to the United States, there is a fine representation of the crowned heads of England, France, Germany and Belgium, and a large showing of literateurs, musicians and noted persons.

The new edition of S. Gibbon's catalogue has reduced the prices on the following countries:

St. Vincent, 4 per cent; Trinidad, 20 per cent; Nevis, 220 per cent; New Brunswick, 15 per cent; Newfoundland, 115 per cent; New South Wales, 20 per cent; Virgin Island, 3 per cent.

It is published this year in four volumes at a cost of \$1.00, and is of complex character and will be of more service to advanced collectors. Prices are near the actual value.

THE CUBAN REPUBLIC STAMP OF 1873.

BY "El Cuband."

As we do not see the Cuban republic stamps classed as speculative, we may treat of them as legitimate postage stamps, used for postage and intended for postal service. In fact, collectors of Cuban stamps consider that republic's stamp of 1873 a rarity.

The stamp was raised during the stirring days of the "Ten Years' War" (1868-78) and saw no little amount of service in Cuba Libre. The president of the Cuban republic was the venerable Salvador Cisneros-Betancourt, formerly Marquis of Santa Lucia and he was quite ambitious that Cuba should be in all respects like the modern nations.

There is a little hamlet some twelve miles north of Santiago de Cuba, and in the forests which form the outskirts of the town, were the Cuban Executive headquarters.

It was in the fall of '73 that president Cisneros assembled the cabinet, the commander of the district and others and the plan of issuing postage stamps was discussed.

As a result, a courier was dispatched to "Los Estados Unidos" and after much personal risk escaped from the coast in an open boat, bearing important dispatches to Cuban leaders in New York city and elsewhere. He escaped the vigilance of the many Spanish coast-guard boats and safely reached his destination.

At about this time the president of the New York junta was General Rafael Quesada and he it was who had charge of the issuing of the stamps.

They came out in November and were of neat but simple design. The stamp consisted of the coat-of-arms of the Cuban republic and the inscription, "Republica de Cuba" above the design and "10 Centavos" beneath. Its color was a dark green.

It is said that 1,000,000 of these were issued and furthermore that less than 1-1000 were sold to postage stamp dealers. We hear it recorded that a vast number were sold as souvenirs during the Centennial exposition three years after the issue.

They were used in Cuba in great numbers and it is amusing to know

the unique way in which the insurgents kept up the mail system. Spanish generals were often astonished to find letters from Cuban rebels, bearing the somewhat ordinary yet hateful looking "mambi frelo de frangued" (rebel postage stamp, with the postmark, "Cuba libre."

A noted Cuban in New York City, on receiving a letter with the Cuban republic adhesive post-mark upon the envelope, remarked: "Of course, these stamps are not recognized by other nations as legitimate, but nevertheless the very sight of them gladden our hearts and show the determination of our countrymen in the field."

The genuine unused is sold nowadays at about 50 cents, while the used is not catalogued. Reprints of this stamp sell all the way from 25 cents to 50 cents and very poor imitations at that.

The Cuban republic did not issue the stamp as a matter of profit, but as a matter of national importance. They were issued to show the world that the Cubans in the field could carry on a postal service without hinderance from the enemy, and record never was made of a single Cuban republic stamp being taken by the Spaniards.

New Members: 206, H. A. Whipple, 225 N. Y. Life Building, Omaha; 207, R. C. McGrew, Bloomington; 208, Chas. Callahan, Room 211 Sheely Block, Omaha.

Applications: 209, M. F. Coster, Willow Island, Dawson county; 210, Harry W. Conrad, Wymore, reference, R. Neuman; 211, John Stushark, Cedar Bluffs, reference, Myers; 212, Wm. Smelser, Ashton, reference, L. Brodstone.

Change of Address: 197, R. R. Williams, Black Creek, Wis.

Reissued Membership: 32, W. F. Hendricks, Paxton Hotel, Omaha; 54, Miss Adda Whalley, Box 14, Galloway; 126, H. Wendt, Sterling; 165, Green Bros., Beaver City. Is a number still owe dues. Look up your cards and notice date.

Have you not a friend, an active collector or camera friend, that you can get to be a member and help enlarge the society. More members the better. Try and get at least one member.

Always glad to hear any suggestions or hints for betterment of society.

The Camera News

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A PRACTICAL METHOD OF FILM DEVELOPMENT.

By Geo. B. Ward.

There is a scepticism among a large class of amateurs as regards the practicability of films as a substitute for glass plates.

I shall endeavor in the scope of this article to detail a method whereby the development of films may be carried on with what appears to me, to be less labor than the development of a corresponding number of glass plates.

As regards the practical value of films, as against glass plates, the absence of the breakage, the saving of weight and the extreme portability of films, to my mind, more than compensates for the additional cost and also the slight additional bother in learning to develop them properly.

For it is my honest opinion that the majority of workers who have tried films and condemned them have gone about the development without a clear conception of the nature of the material they were handling.

The Eastman Kodak company, probably the largest makers of roll film in the world are using at present a celluloid made, so I understand, under their own patents, and as produced by them, is a beautifully clear support for the sensitive emulsion, which is coated on it by machinery.

In the cartridge form, as used in the majority of cases especially in the later types of cameras, the film is covered with a strip of black paper the entire length, and extending beyond at both ends, thereby thoroughly protecting the film from exposure to light or "fogging" as it is called. The length of each exposure is marked off on the black paper and "cutting marks" provided so there need be no fear of cutting through an exposure.

The one great point to be observed in film development is that all solutions must be cold, and in summer time ice-cold. Keep ice in your developer, your washing water, your fixing bath, and let me again repeat and

emphasize it, have all solutions ice-cold.

Having established the above "Article of Faith" for the faithful amateur, I will proceed to outline my method of work.

I commence by cutting the exposures apart in suitable lengths, generally two or three exposures in a strip, however in this matter the size of the tray will determine the length of the strip of film, as it should not be longer than can be handled without doubling.

If the film shows a tendency to roll tightly, I carefully proceed to roll it in the opposite direction and secure it with a rubber band.

I proceed to cut up the balance of the roll treating the remaining strips in the same way if they prove refractory. I then place them in a dark box and allow them to remain while I am getting my baths ready.

My dark room is filled up with large tanks and trays for the various manipulations, but any amateur can adapt wash bowls, bath tubs, etc., to meet his most exacting requirements. I fill my first tank with water to the depth of about three inches and in this I place the film after carefully unrolling it, face down, it is left in this "soak" for about five minutes and then transferred to the developing tray. I have my developer in liberal quantity, and to a depth of at least a half-inch in the tray.

The developer I use and recommend to those who are after good results is pyro, made according to Formula published in last month's Camera News, but as a good thing will bear repetition. I will give it again.

Solution A:—

Sulphite Soda, cryst. 4 oz.
Pyrogallie Acid 1 oz.
Hot Water 16 oz.
Add ten drops sulphuric acid.

Solution B:—

Carbonate Potassium 4 oz.
Hot Water 16 oz.

To use for snap shot exposures on films take 1 oz. A., 1 oz. B., 4 oz. water. If your exposures are over-timed take 1 oz. A., ½ oz. B., 5 oz. water and add a few drops of a 10

per cent solution, Bromide of Potassium.

If undertimed, take 1 oz. A, 2 oz. B, 6 oz. water. A ten per cent solution Bromide Potassium is easily made by dissolving an oz. of Bromide of Potassium in 10 oz. of water.

There are many other good developers, but to my mind the results produced by the above formula on all varieties of exposure are unsurpassed, and therefore I again advise serious workers to give it a trial.

The strips of film are placed in the developer face down and are handled by the extreme ends and edges only. A good sized tray should be used, and when this is done several strips of film can be used at the same time. The image should appear in from 30 to 60 seconds and development should be continued until they show through strongly on the back, and until the entire film is so dense that no detail can be seen except in the deepest shadows when viewed by transmitted light. Development carried to this point produces a strong vigorous negative that yields a fine print by any of the printing methods now in vogue.

The properly developed film is now transferred to another tank and the developer rinsed off thoroughly. It is then transferred to the fixing bath of plain hypo and water, made at a strength of one part of hypo to four of water.

Allow to remain in the fixing bath until all yellow appearance is gone from the back, be sure and have the fixing bath ice-cold if you want a hard film) when properly fixed, wash in running water for at least a half-hour and transfer to the hardening and clearing bath which removes all yellow color from the film and hardens the surface, and removes the last traces of hypo.

I have found this bath, the formula of which is given below, to be a most valuable adjunct in film development, and I always use it.

Hardening and Clearing Bath:—

Water, 2 qts.
Alum (powd.), 4 oz.
Citric Acid, 1 oz.

They are allowed to remain in this

bath about five minutes; are then thoroughly rinsed and removed to the soaking solution, composed of Glycerine, 1 oz.; water, 1 qt. Allow to remain in this solution from two to five minutes, depending on their curling propensities. They are then removed and pinned up by the four corners to soft pine boards (without further rinsing.)

Allow to dry in the ordinary way, and when dry remove from the boards and wipe the back with a soft cloth. This wiping removes any of the glycerine solution that might cause them to stick together.

A brief summary of my method of film development is as follows:

- 1st. Have all the solutions cold.
- 2nd. If films curl badly, roll backward.
- 3rd. Soak in water for five minutes, face down.
- 4th. Develop face down in pyro or other good developers.
- 5th. Rinse well and fix thoroughly, (fixing bath ice-cold.)
- 6th. Wash freely and harden for five minutes, (formula given).
- 7th. Rinse well and transfer to soaking solution.
- 8th. Pin up on soft pine boards directly from soaking solution.
- 9th. When dry, wipe backs with soft cloth.

One great difficulty in developing films has been the curling. This is obviated by my methods.

Frilling and softening are also done away with to a great extent by the use of ice-cold solutions and the hardening bath as noted.

HOW TO TONE BLUE PRINTS.

By Geo. B. Ward.

Various modifications of tone may be produced on blue prints by the use of methods given below.

Prints should be fully printed, except for first formula, and well washed afterward to insure good results and permanent prints.

Green.—Print rather lightly, wash well, and immerse in 15 minims of sulphuric acid diluted with 10 ounces of water.

Violet.—Immerse the blue print in

a 25 per cent. solution of acetate of lead.

Sepia.—Wash well, and immerse in water 10 oz., tannic acid 1 dr., for a few minutes, then immerse in carbonate of soda 1 dr., water 4 oz., for a very short time, then return to tannic acid bath, and if necessary repeat the operation until the right tint is obtained.

Brown (dark.)—Immerse in caustic potash 1 dr., to water 8 oz., (or ammonia .880, 10 per cent solution) until blue color disappears and prints are a pale orange yellow, then change to (above) tannic acid bath until tint required is reached.

Black.—Bathe in 4 per cent solution of potassium carbonate (or sodium carbonate) until blue disappears and print is a yellowish-brown. Wash and bathe in 4 per cent solution of tannin.

PHOTOGRAPHIC NOTES.

By Geo. B. Ward.

That the coming season is going to be the greatest ever known in amateur photography is generally expressed throughout the photographic trade.

All indications point to a most prosperous year.

There seems to be a greater unanimity among dealers in regard to upholding of prices, and the discouragement of illegitimate competition.

The action of one of the leading camera concerns in the country in making a standard discount, below which their goods cannot be sold, while it is a most radical departure from their former methods is nevertheless hailed with joy by dealers who desire to make a fair profit on the goods they sell.

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MAGIC PHOTOGRAPH.

The so-called magic photographs are used by fortune tellers who, for a small consideration, will show you the exact likeness of your future wife or husband. They are produced in this way: Fix a print on albumenized paper in a perfectly fresh hypo bath and wash well. Bleach this print in bi-chloride of mercury solution when image will completely disappear. Now soak a blotter in strong hypo solution and allow to dry. To again develop the print, cut a piece of blotter the size of print and immerse both in water, the face of the print being next to the blotter. Allow to remain in contact for a minute when the print will again be fully visible.

CLEANING LENSES.

A piece of fine chamois skin moistened slightly with alcohol is the best thing to use. Do not rub the surfaces of the lens but merely wipe away with a gentle motion, any dirt or scum that may have collected upon them. A soft camel hair duster is excellent in cleaning lenses and the inside of cameras also.

This will work no hardship on camera purchasers, in fact it will be a distinct advantage for the reason that a fixed price will be maintained by all dealers, and department stores and mail order houses will not be able to sell at any less rate than legitimate dealers in photo goods.

The photographic paper trust still continues in force, despite the sanguine statements of outside firms, that it could not last. That a factory for the manufacture of photographic paper is being rapidly pushed to completion in Chicago is an open secret.

This new concern claims to have the sole control of American raw stock, and to have on their staff the most expert emulsion maker in the country.

Chicago is fast becoming a photographic center, at least for camera and apparatus manufacture.

There are eight concerns manufacturing cameras, six concerns making apparatus and photo sundries, two factories producing card stock and the new paper factory will be in operation

in six weeks or two months.

MAKING HIS OWN CHEMICALS.

Mr. Jackson Fredericks lays all the blame on the stock man, but this is how it happened.

Mr. Fredericks is one of Chicago's most enthusiastic amateurs, and really makes some exceedingly fine photographs.

He possesses one great virtue, when applied to photography—he refuses to allow any proposition in connection with his chosen art to daunt him.

One Saturday night he mended his way, as the poet so aptly expresses it, to his favorite dealer in photographic necessities, and endeavored to purchase, or at least to get, a quantity of oxalate of Potassium, as he desired to concoct some photographic prints by a process known as platinotype.

He was regretfully informed by the aforesaid dealer that he was entirely out of the required chemical, and that it was too late to get any from the wholesale house that night.

Mr. Fredericks who, as remarked at the beginning, refuses to be daunted, demanded that he be supplied with a pound of oxalic acid and a pound of carbonate of potassium, and he would make his own oxalate of potassium.

These chemicals were supplied him and he cheerfully departed to his own fireside where he informed a numerous audience that he would show them something in photographic chemistry after supper.

You know chemistry is an interesting study in whatever form you find it, and Mr. Fredericks was somewhat elated at his opportunity to make his own chemicals. So he cheerfully waited until the supper things had been cleared away, and the kitchen washed up. In the meantime he started some water heating and inveigled his wife into supplying him with a couple of large fruit jars.

He succeeded in filling the jars about half full of the hot water without doing any damage, and proceeded to dissolve the oxalic acid in one and the carbonate of potassium in the other.

The balance of this experiment in photographic chemistry we will allow

Mr. Fredericks to tell in his own words:

"I called to Mrs. Fredericks and the rest of the people to come, if they wanted to see the experiment, and when all were ready I poured the contents of one jar into the other. Did you ever mix a sedelitz powder and drink it while it foamed? Well I poured it fast, for the jar was hot, and the next minute I thought someone had opened a barrel of sedelitz powders and set them all off at once. It foamed, and boiled, and bubbled; it went all over me, my wife, who was close, over her mother, the cat, the table, the floor and commenced to flow in two great streams towards the dining room. Well, sir, I never saw anything like it; it seemed as if that measley fruit can held a barrel. I was so amazed at the outcome of my experiment that my senses deserted me, and I could only feebly stand and stare at the young geyser on the table.

Well, it took the whole family all the rest of the evening in mopping up the puddles and getting the place aired out, for the smell was frightful.

That fool stock man ought to have told me that you can't mix an acid and an alkali like those I got without producing enough carbonic acid gas to run a soda fountain all summer."

—Geo. B. Ward.

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DETROIT ITEMS.

One of the oddest and most artistic pieces of amateur work I ever saw was that of a spider web. The web was beautifully spun, the spider was caught and in its own meshes. Such views are mostly obtained in the fall or spring of the year.

The Michigan Photographic's Association at their last meeting have selected DeWitt as their next meeting place in 1900.

And now comes the looker round wondering what is new in the camera line for 1899.

The bicycle houses have all had their spring opening the first of the month. Now that the camera and bike go together in hand, why would it not be a good plan for the camera dealers to get together and have an opening and show what's new.

What next? The Ray Camera Co., of Rochester, are offering a trip to the Paris exposition in 1900.

\$100.00 in old as second prize, besides a lot of camera of this make for the best 12 negatives made with one of their cameras.

The Detroit Camera club gave their second illustrated lecture on the Hawaiian Island. It was largely attended. The Camera club gives these shows at the art museum free to all.

The recent heavy snow storm stirred up many of the enthusiastic amateurs. Some made beautiful pictures of the heavy snow-laden trees. Views in the parks were unusually pretty.

The Detroit Camera club members and friends were given a demonstration in Velox papers by the Nepera Chemical Co.'s representative. Fully 60 members were present.

Things in the photo line are looking very encouraging for the coming season. General predictions by the travelers are that this will be a banner year.

A display of pictures of ice-boat racing on Lake St. Clair, in the show windows of the L. Black Co., attracted many amateurs. They were of 5x7 size and taken while the race was on.—H. W. Boers.

No report received from President Hughes his mother being very sick cause of delay. Applications of all members published in society report and can use both departments at price of one. If you wish to subscribe to any of the leading photo magazines we can save you money on most of them, particulars for postage. Furnish the Photo Era of Boston, price, \$1.50, for \$1; World Wide Photo Exchange Bulletin, 25c. for 15c. etc. Also can give rates on number of other leading papers and magazines. Would advise all readers to send for copy of Camera and Dark Room. Is very good. And great many others. Did you ever notice if use 4x5 size papers that you can get most papers of cabinet size at same price and is larger? Being many negatives that you can cut paper into and go that much farther and since price of paper has gone up it is well to figure cost of paper. If you count your poor results think you will find that it will pay you to use the Self Toning paper and get more good prints than any other kind of paper. H. Bauer, Montclair, N. J., for sample. Sent gratis.

If you own a camera and wish information, amusement, questions answered, etc., and are living in Nebraska, do not fail to join the Nebraska Camera club. Exchange column free to all members.

If you live out of the state there are several good camera exchange clubs mentioned in exchange column and by taking the West and Camera News you can keep posted on photo points and it will tell you the cheapest way to make success with the camera. We have camera papers of Europe, Australia, etc., to get any new ideas learned here. All readers that have prints to exchange, please send list to secretary.

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I will send 10 different stamp papers for every 100 varieties of stamps sent me in good condition. Reference, the editor of this paper.—John H. Lowe, 109 Huron St., Toronto, Canada.

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L. S. Slevin, 2413 Sacramento St., San Francisco, Cal., prints of western boats for others.

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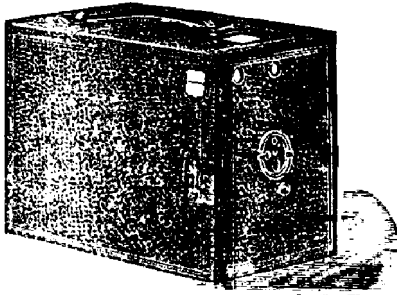
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Exchange: Graphophone records, revenue stamps, coins, rubber type, steel pens, blank cards, World's Fair views, stamps, safety razors, 1899 stamp album (new), Merco dry batteries, gear roller organ music, shading pens, for best offer.—D. C. Nufus, Jr., 538 Union St., Hudson, N. Y.

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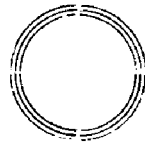
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Accounts for sale: Several prominent members are still owing me for stamps purchased last year and pay no attention whatever to letters asking for settlement. Some have been notified as many as 10 times, and unless they can be settled by next month will be offered for sale. There is \$23 yet due the members from delinquents and the amount should be paid at once, so I can settle with members having claims against the society.—S. P. Hughes, superintendent for 1896, '97 and '98.

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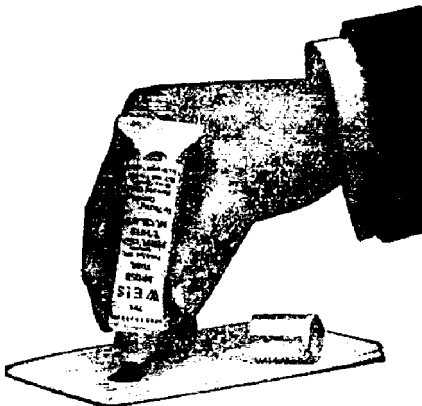
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" " 1c Numeral	05	10
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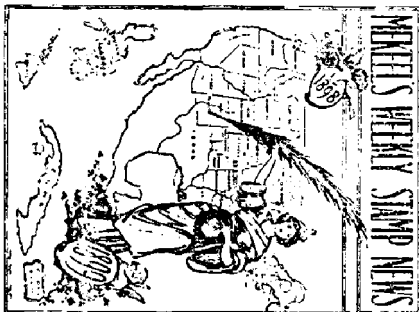
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If in business give name of firm.....

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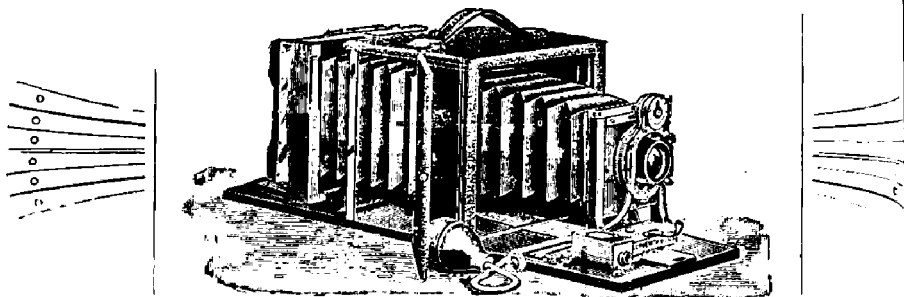
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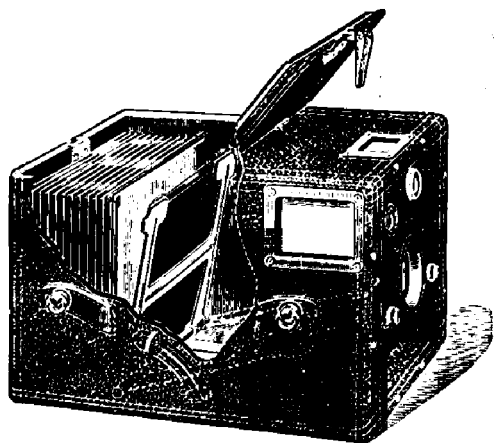
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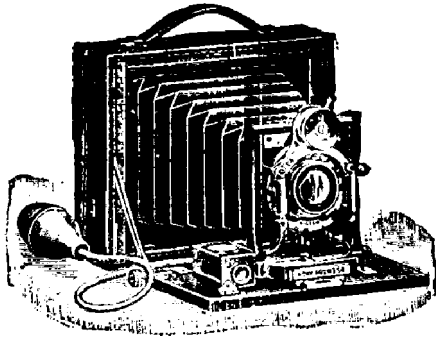
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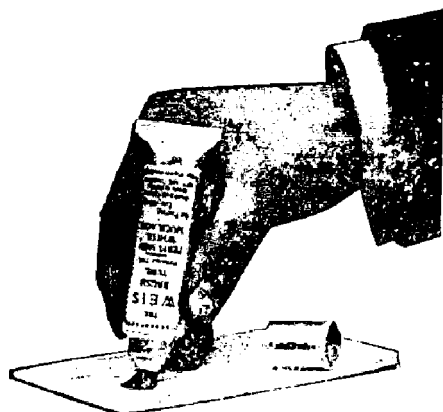
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30 10c brown used	4 00	111 10c bistre used 1883	12 1/2
35 2c brown	04	124 2 1/2c brown 1885	12 1/2
48 5c blue	2 1/2	127 1c brown 1890	1 1/2
49 5c green	02	128 2c blue 1890	2 1/2
56 25c blue	1 1/2	129 2 1/2c green	05
60 25c blue	1 1/2	130 5c green 1890	01
61 50c green	02	132 20c violet	06
64 25c gray lilac	2 1/2	135 2c brown 1891	2 1/2
65 50c blue	04	155 2 1/2c salmon 1891	03
69 25c green	05	136 5c green 1891	05
70 50c black	2 1/2	139 1c blue 1894	1 1/2
72 5c blue	2 1/2	140 2c red 1894	2 1/2
75 25c green, 1878	1 1/2	142 2c violet 1894	04
76 50c green, 1878	2 1/2	143 20c brown 1894	20
78 5c black, 1879	2 1/2	144 1c brown 1895	1 1/2
81 25c blue, 1879	1 1/2	145 2c claret 1895	02
82 50c gray, 1879	2 1/2	147 5c blue 1895	04
84 5c green, 1880	2 1/2	148 10c green 1896	7 1/2
87 25c blue, 1880	1 1/2	149 20c violet 1896	15
88 50c brown, 1880	1 1/2	223 4 m rose 1894	01
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3-1879	15c orange	1		BAHAMAS.
4-1890	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 15, 20, 90c	11	31-1862	*1 p carmine fine
5-1890	1 and 2c	125	32-1862	4 p rose
6-1890	2c caps over left 2	4	33-1882	4 p rose pref 12
7-1890	3c (fine) in lots of five	5		NEWFOUNDLAND.
8-1890	4c fine in lots of five	5	34-1857	*3 p fine
9-1890	5c fine in lots of five	5	35-1863	*4 p fine
10-1890	6c fine in lots of five	5	36-1863	6 p used fine
11-1890	8c fine in lots of five	5	37-1866	2c used fine
12-1890	10c fine in lots of five	5	38-1866	10c used fine
13-1890	15c fine in lots of five	5	39-1866	24c used fine
14-1861	69-82 3c fine in lots of five	25	40-1867	73 1c used fine
15-1879	1, 2, 3c postage due stamp brown	3	41-1867	3c used fine
16-1893	*1c fine block of 25	25	42-1876	1c used fine
17-1893	*4 fine in blocks or strips of four	4		SERVIA
18-1893	1 and 2c fine	150	43-1866	*2 p brown No 10 fine cat \$2.00
19-1893	3c in lots of five, fine	5	44-1868	*1 p green No 17 fine cat \$1.50
20-1893	4c in lots of five fine	5	45	blank album band made and finished cost \$2.75 new
21-1893	5c in lots of five fine	5	46	scrap book pictures 8 on sheet, 1 sheet
22-1893	6c in lots of five, fine	5	47	scrap book pictures 6 on sheet, 1 sheet
23-1893	8c in lots of five, fine	5	48	foreign stamps 25 varieties cat price \$1.00
24-1893	10c in lots of five, fine	1		in lots of
25-1893	15c in lots of five, fine	1	49	foreign postal cards in lots of
26-1893	20c in lots of five, fine	5	50	sea shells, fine, in one pound packages reserved price 50c
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2c proprietary	07	03	07	10c foreign exchange	60	25	
2c express blue	05	02	05	10c power of attorney	03	01	
2c express orange	08	04	08	1898 documentary 15c unused		01	
2c certificate blue	1 00	15	1 00	" " 1c used		00	
2c playing cards blue	10	20	10	" " 2c		00	
3c foreign exchange	08	04	08	" " 3c		02	
3c proprietary	12	06	12	" " 4c		02	
3c telegraph	35	17	35	" " 5c		01	
4c proprietary	15	07	15	" " 10c		01	
4c agreement	04	02	04	" " 25c		02	
5c certificate	01	00	01	" " 50c		01	
5c express	08	04	08	" " \$1.00		01	
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Was born in Bay City, Michigan, in 1880, but moved to Duluth a couple of years later and has made his home there ever since. Has traveled a great deal going through all of the western states, has also visited all of the principal seaports from Mexico to Oregon. First became interested in stamps in 1890, having been shown a few by a cousin, and immediately went to work tearing stamps off all the letters he could find and a little later got access to a lot of old deeds and secured a number of desirable revenues and was also presented with a collection by his father numbering 750 varieties, all glued down that in an old Walter Scott album. Soon after this he received a letter from a relative in Detroit asking if he cared for a few stamps, immediately wrote back saying he would be pleased to receive same. Imagine his surprise when, a couple of weeks, later he received an express package and upon opening it found 35,000 U. S. and Canadian issues previous to 1885. Among them were a number of rare stamps such as U. S. 1869 from 1 to 90c complete, 1870-79 the same way, also department revenues and a great many others. But as he was ignorant of their value he disposed of the best of them for almost nothing.

He has been an active collector ever since and is now spending part of his time in the business, being manager of the Zenith City Stamp Co. Is engaged in the lumber business and deals in stamps as a pastime only.

Contract for the new issue for Mexico has been awarded to Bradbury, Wilkins & Co., of London, England, and contemplates 150,000,000 stamps, cards and envelopes.

ST. LOUIS NOTES

Trade in St. Louis is booming. Dealers all agree that times were never better in the stamp business than at present.

Chas. Hussman shows a fine unsevered pair of imperforated 3 p. Natal unused, of 1860. Assuming that they are genuine, what are they worth?

The boy collector is much in evidence. Step into any stamp store on Saturdays and you will find him there looking for bargains, and buying cheap stamps.

St. Louis readers were sorry to see so many typographical errors in the last number of the Philatelic West and hope that our printer can be induced to do better the coming month.

The postoffice department is after another evil-doer in Philately. S. A. Reigel, of Lewistown, Pa., succeeded in "doing" several St. Louis dealers, and tried to "do" others. Government Inspectors are now at work on his case, but it is reported that he has "skipped" from Lewistown.

Comment on New Issues.

A new 30 centavo postage due stamp has been issued by Chile, printed in the warm color of carmine.

The bureau of engraving and printing is now getting out the new stamps for use in Cuba and they will be sent there for circulation in the very near future. This refers to the new designs.

A complete new set of stamps is announced for Fernando postoffice. These are, of course, issued by Spain, and contain all the high values. They are to be the same design as the 1898-99 sets for Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines.

Brazil has surcharged several of its current stamps provisionally, it is reported, for newspapers. The new values run from 20 to 700 reis and are surcharged on to stamps of lower value. The surcharges are in blue, black, red and green.

Rumor says France will soon get out a new issue of stamps. This will be good news for Philatelists. It would seem that a quarter of a century is long enough to use any design, and particularly one as unattractive as the present design of the French stamps.

The special delivery service is to be "Tried on the Dog" in Havana, Cuba and if found to work satisfactorily there, will be extended to the other principal cities of the Island. The postoffice department at Washington, D. C., has just finished surcharging 10,000 of the current U. S. special delivery stamps for this purpose. The surcharge reads "Cuba, 10 Centavo de Peso." A new design will probably be gotten out at once for a special delivery stamp to be used in Cuba.

PICK UPS

An unused \$5,000 revenue has turned up in San Francisco, selling for more than face value.

Two more Philatelic wrong doers have learned that stamps are not common property. Wm. Crockett will serve 18 months in prison for failing to return stamps sent him by various dealers. A man by the name of Eastman in New York plead guilty to nine indictments, and will get all the way from ten to thirty five years.

If supply and demand and the scarcity of a stamp has anything to do

with its value then the \$2.00 blue current postage is a very rare stamp. The writer tried to buy a used copy last month at full catalog value, and twenty-five leading dealers replied "none in stock." Now the question arises, what becomes of all the used copies of this stamp. Someone must be buying them up. If such is the case his speculation will prove a failure. Its used value can never exceed its face value, while in use, and when obsolete, no more than an unused copy.

There seems to be three distinct shades of the 8c Omaha stamp, evidently different printings and fault in mixing ink. The scarcest variety seems to be a shade of very light red brown or lake, the next a deep rich brown, and the last the common variety. The 10c is found in two distinct shades, whether accidental or official changes, I am unable to state. The difference almost as noticeable as in the 10c Columbian. Different shades are found in all values the most pronounced perhaps in the 4c value. Evidently the last printing, as all copies I have seen are in such a bright red orange as to attract instant attention. Speaking of Omahas reminds us of those loud wailings heard last year when the issue first came out. They are all quit now, as not one of them is refusing to buy Omahas at any price. There is a tinge of "sour grapes" about it that caused an instant change of mind, as soon as they got hold of a few.

Report comes here of a new stamp for Great Barrier Island. Excuses are offered for its issue, that having no mail facilities it is to be used to pay the cost of carrying letters to Auckland, N. Z., by private carriers. The stamp is of an oblong shape, printed in blue, perforated 13, and of the value of one shilling.

The one cent Canada post cards will shortly appear with numerals in the lower corners, also the new one cent card for advertising purposes in sheets of sixteen, eight and singly.

So far the following firms have taken advantage of the law to issue private proprietary stamps: Branca Bros., Chas. F. Fletcher, Hostetter & Co., Johnson & Johnson, Charles Marchland, Lauman V. Kemp, The Piso Co., Radway & Co., and the Warner Safe Cure Co.—Adam Dallard.

RARITY OF STAMPS.

F. WEST.

Stamps having fallen into disuse are always considered a coming scarcity, and apropos of the recent change in the stamps of Canada a short article on the above subject might be of interest to collectors and other of your readers. When in 1869 the Canadian postoffice brought out the series—1, 2 and 3c—of stamps, they certainly did not intend to keep up the design and colors for nearly thirty years. They did continue the design but made some valuable changes in the tints.

The one cent denomination first appeared in a dull straw color on thick porous paper and was perforated same length as the larger stamps which preceded it, but was never known to show the perforation in the width. These are very rare. As far back as 1872 Y. S. & Co., (Liverpool) priced them at 2s 6d sixty cents and according to the advance of prices since that date twenty dollars should be a low figure at present.

The 3c first appeared in a bright maroon color, but was soon followed

by a dull lake or carmine. Y. S. & Co. in 1872-3 catalogued the maroon tint at 1s 6d and they must be very scarce now as the writer has not for over fifteen years seen a specimen outside of an old collection. The second color, dull rose, was in 1876 priced by R. Co., (Liverpool) at 10d. This stamp is not counted by the 10,000 today as are the later tints.

There is one or maybe two more of the old tints which are scarce—the brown of 1885 and the blood red of 1888-90, but they are not near as rare as the two first named. Of the five cent denomination there is nothing of note as regards the color.

One of the rarest if not the most rare of the whole series is the six cent 1872, which was issued at first in a dull Vandyke brown. L. S. Co., priced this variety in 1874 at 5s—one dollar and twenty cents. Very few have been seen for many years. There are as you know a vast number of shades in the three cent stamp, and you may sometimes think you have a maroon, but look at the paper on which it is printed, they are on porous paper of a rather thick nature. There are many very scarce stamps in color or tint which are found on different papers.

There are again a number of perforations which many collectors take pride in adding to their hobby, but as they are not known in catalogues they are not so much collected.

Stanley Gibbon's catalog now comes in several volumes with the cards separated from the stamps. We hope the Scott Co., do not follow this plan with the 59th. The 58th is arranged in the handiest possible manner.

The Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences has created a department of Philately.

SOME ENTIRES.

These few remarks are not intended particularly for the edification or instruction of the advanced collector of cards or entires. Far be it from me to think so, but if they cheer a beginner like myself on the way, or interest some one who hasn't yet begun, the space will not be quite wasted.

Much has been said and written concerning the "Canadian Imps;" but it behooves us to look to our new possessions for a map stamp that, even if it don't come in quite so many classes nor show quite so much territory, is more complete as a map. The stamp of the 2c green Hawaiian postal card for 1894 is as nice a map of the Pacific and part of the adjacent continent as one could wish for, showing steamship routes, and giving names and location of many important cities on both coasts. The 1c card for the same year shows a very good picture of what we should call the "capitol building at Honolulu." The Hawaiian cards are all pretty and should be to us as interesting as their stamps.

There is a minor variety of the 5c green, 1879-90 issue of Belgium, but I can't say which is "regular" and which is the variety. In the word "Zijde" on one card "j" is even at the bottom with the other letters of the word and on another card that letter comes below the others.

Shades in the card stamps are as noticeable as in adhesives. I have the 5 pf. green 1890 issue of Bavaria in a very light and a very dark green. The earliest Canadian cards are in both light and dark blue and in some cases the surface of the card is tinged with blue. Cards of Austria from 1869 to

1876 are as apt to be a deep orange as the yellow mentioned in the catalog.

In the 2 kr brown issues of Austria the cards differ, some being thin, and light straw color, while others, of supposedly the same issue, are on a thicker card, that is browner with a red tinge.

Some Foreign Governments must take a fatherly interest in the people for the face of the card is well filled with instructions and the back carefully ruled so there is no danger of writing from corner to corner diagonally.

Can any one tell us if the "B. I." on the cards of the Brazilian Republic, just below the stamp, are the engraver's initials? And, though I am not very well posted concerning Brazil, I take it for granted the "Casa da Moeda" on the back of the 80 reis letter card, is their "capitol." It is a fine looking building, anyhow. It would be a good idea if our own Government should follow suit and picture our public buildings on cards or envelopes.

On some of the cards of Italy there is an abbreviated date and I am assured by an "advanced collector" that each different date is a variety, so beginners, beware how you let them go, thinking they are duplicates. Some Swiss cards have various numbers in the lower left corner which, I judge, signify date and number issued and these various numbers must also be preserved. That is, if you believe in minor varieties.

One variety that is interesting is the card used with an extra adhesion making it a "foreign" card. According to the theory of that writer who collects pairs, strips and blocks of used stamps because they show a "provisional" value, so those cards show a

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Williams & Co., are still receiving considerable free advertising but it is not in the advertising columns.

As far as ordinary people are concerned the Postal Union rates are still in force to all the colonies. It is only letters to or from soldiers that go at domestic rates. To secure this privilege letters to soldiers must bear the words "soldier's letter" with an officer's or postmaster's endorsement. This latter will also take a letter through c. o. d.

United States stamps are now printed with what is known as the Bureau power press. This press consists of a square bed so arranged that an endless chain carries four plates continuously around, so that while one plate is receiving the ink, another is having the surplus ink removed by the wiper, a third is having the final polishing executed by a plate printer, and a fourth is having an impression taken with a roller. This machine requires four plates that are printed in the same color. It is on this account that plate numbers usually run in sets of four.

For purposes of administration the offices in the Philippines have been designated and conducted as stations of the San Francisco office. To distinguish from ordinary postal stations the colonial offices are known as Military Stations. There are at present only three in the Philippines: No. 1, Manila; No. 2, Cavite and No. 3 Iloilo. The Porto Rican offices are stations of Washington. They are Arlontio, Bayamon, Camuy, Cayey, Caguas, Fajado, Rio Piedras, San German, Vieques and Nos. 1 to 8. Up to March 1, the Cuban offices have been New York stations Nos. 1 to 39.

since that date the numbers have been dropped and they are now conducted as independent offices, only international money orders are used to and from the United States and it is in many respects a separate postal system. The first postmarks of the early stations only bear the name of the island and the number of the office owing to the fact that the post-marking stamps were prepared in this country before it was known exactly where they would be used. The No. 1 Cuba was used before and after the capture of Santiago as was the No. 1 Philippines at Manila.

References as a Weapon.

In looking over the different philatelic journals of the past six months I notice that all, with possibly one or two exceptions in that time, mention the names of many collectors in connection with some rascality, such as making no returns of exchange, substituting, and retaining approval sheets. The above mentioned practices are on the increase, I believe, and they are certainly not confined to persons outside the different philatelic organizations.

Conscientious collectors and dealers are handicapped from start to finish by these unscrupulous rascals, as they have in their clutches a weapon calculated to ensnare the unwary and deceive the most cautious.

That weapon is "references." Figuratively speaking, references have been requested and references have been given since the beginning of time, and have been abused more or less ever since. "Refer you to postmaster," and "reference the above firm." The latter written upon one of the "above firm's" bill or letter heads, and many other methods which

this same "references" is made the scape goat.

But there are ways and means of putting the quietus upon this "fine work."

Let a bureau be founded (I will subscribe handsomely to such, and I am not a dealer) that will obtain and maintain for the benefit of everyone interested, the standing, both morally and financially, of every collector and dealer in the country and let us have philately conducted as far as possible, and upon strictly business principles.

This can be done very easily, and if the big dealers and the better class of collectors will take hold of it, and lend their financial support, this thieving rascality in the stamp business will be reduced to a minimum. —Pajaro.

Argentine Notes.

Philately is on the move just now, one or two dealers report things are humming.

It is reported that Williams & Co., are amongst the dead. Several dealers and collectors are crying for their replies, as letters were sent to them as long ago as six months, and up to now no reply can be had.

Fiscal stamp collecting is taking a heavy hold on a few down here, and old provincials fiscals are fetching tall prices. The supply of these are very small.

Uruguay has been richer of her provisional "at last" as the $\frac{1}{2}$ has been received from the engravers from London. Very tall prices are asking for some of these late surcharges, especially the issues of 10,000, 25,000 and 50,000.

Achard & Co., are still a little behind hand with their Bevista postal. Better late than never friend Achard. Millard.

NOTES ON STAMPS OF FRANCE

CHAS. E. JENNY.

Collectors probably have seen many times the term *tete-beche* used in reference to French stamps and may have wondered at its meaning since evidently these stamps were not made at two printings like some of our 1899 issue or the 2d or 3d issue revenues. The *tete-beche* is not merely an inverted medallion. It is the whole stamp upside down, appearing in a sheet and of course can only be determined when in unsevered connection with another stamp or stamps. All the values of the first issue of France are found in this condition but are very infrequently met with since unsevered pairs of these are not common. The pair of 20 cent black showing one stamp right side up and the other bottom side up is worth in the neighborhood of \$10 and the other values are scarcer.

Of the 1853 issue there are several shades of each value not listed by Scott: the 1c ranging from a pale olive to a dark bronze green; the 5c green from pale green to yellow green, and the 1fr coming on whitish and yellow paper. The 20, 80 and 1fr are found *tete-beche*.

Again in the 1860 issue the 5c shades from yellow green to blue green and the 20 and 80 are found *tete-beche*. In the 1863 issue there are two noticeable shades in each value right through the set and the 4c is found *tete-beche*. The 1870 issue, lithographed, known as the Bordeaux issue, is also much more prolific in shades than the catalogue shows. Perhaps a clearer description of the difference between types I and II of the 20c stamp than that given by Scott,

would be to say that in type I the shading on the neck consists of small dots, while in type II it is formed by lines. In type III of course the letters "Repub. Franc." are much larger. There is still another type IV, in which the point of the neck is considerably farther from the circle than in any of the others.

The engraved set of 1871 was printed in Paris and is also full of shades. The 10, 15 and 25 are found *tete-beche*.

Of the later issues bearing the design of Commerce and Peace shades can be multiplied to suit the taste of the individual collector. Personally I think this matter of shades is carried much too far by the average collector but it would not seem out of place to keep at least two shades of each value, showing the extremes, since in the long continuance in use of these stamps it was scarcely to be expected that a uniform shade could be maintained and the later stamps are usually of a very different shade from the first issued.

All the sets that I personally know of being bought, without an exception they have been bought by ex-collectors and for speculation and none by active collectors.

This is the first instance in our history where the unused stamps of the U. S. have not been worth face value and have been ever since.

Since we are so much the greater sinner I cannot say much about Canada but in the past year Canada has rapidly developed Seebeck qualities. The change in color of the Imperial stamp; the funny business of the two cent purple envelope; and the recent surcharges and split stamps all tend to show that philatelic influences are dominating the Canadian postoffice department rather than public conveniences. Everything seems to indicate that we are on the verge of a Seebeckized America.

Now I would suggest that instead of our two governments trying to manage these schemes separately themselves that they make a contract with Mr. Seebeck, for he knows how to do these things better.

POSTAL CARDS.

Philatelic journalism of today, far in advance of any period since the first stamp was issued, yet we rarely are able to find any information concerning postal cards.

We seldom read any comment on them, and never hear of finds of great rarities. No really unprejudiced statements of their true value has been given. The merits of the study are much underrated. It is therefore my object to state a few facts about postal cards, with the hope that collectors may become interested.

Many do not collect them because they are not "fashionable." But as my readers know from experience "fashion" in philately is a poor master.

Perhaps the greatest hindrance to collecting entires, is the unjust prejudice caused by their bulkiness. True, the time was when they either had to be glued into an album, or left to take care of themselves, but now with our improved postal card albums every specimen may be preserved in its state.

Again, it is only natural that the inartistic and uninteresting cards of our own country should awaken little desire to collect. Nevertheless there is no shadow of a doubt that the demand for cards is on the increase, indicating that a large number of collectors are now devoting their energies to this branch. Their increasing value, due the coming popularity, does not seem to be of a temporary character.

If you have never given card collecting a thought, do so now. Like all wide awake and up with the times

philatelists you should have a few entires "on the side." You will be surprised to see what a handsome showing even a few will make. I doubt if anything would make a better impression on a non-collector than a display of entire postal cards.

Most of the designs are free from complicated details, but effective and veritable works of art. In fact the designs vary far beyond the range of stamps. Moreover postoffice officials usually cancel entires more lightly than adhesives. Sometimes they do not cancel them at all, simply post marking and dating the card without touching the stamp. This makes it possible to have a very beautiful collection.

As far as educational advantages are concerned, the card is far ahead of the stamp, as it not only promotes geographical knowledge, but incites more of a desire to become familiar with foreign languages.

With the exception of Seebeckism, no taint of speculation lingers about them. They have been surecharged, but can you name many instances where the over-printing has been done unnecessarily, or to exploit the pockets of collectors? To sum up, they are made to serve their legitimate purpose. There are few reprints and I do not remember meeting with any forgeries.

Reasoning from this surmise the card has fully as strong a claim upon the collector, as has the stamp, and the latter is more widely collected only on account of its seeming advantage.

Cards are to a great extent cheap and easy of attainment. The face value of each rarely being over two cents or equivalent. They can, in the main, be procured at moderate figures, rarities of the first rank being few.

The present demand indicates that the twentieth century may open with the greatest boom postal cards have ever known. Therefore let us try to uplift prevailing ignorance of the interest and pleasure derived from the accumulation of these virtuous products of philately, and aid the universal reaction which is bound to favor them. A. Eugene Michel.

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Send only your best prints for exchange, and do not become offended if part of them are returned. Photos that interest you may have no attraction whatever for a stranger.—S. P. Hughes.

Secretary's Report

We have quite a number of new members, and will be glad to hear any hints or suggestions for the betterment of the club. Will meet at Omaha again this year and hope each member may be present. A camera club at Neligh with over 30 members has been formed, and will be glad to hear of others. Self Toning paper seems to be the most used among my exchanges and have seen the finest prints on it of any kind yet, and seems to be the most simple and easy to understand. Has less poor results and all their paper is guaranteed. If never used it do not fail to send to H. Bauer of Mont Clair, N. J., for free sample. You will use no other when once tried, it being the cheapest in the long run.

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Would like to hear from all readers who expect to go to Paris next year. If you ride a wheel do not fail to take it along for you will see some of the finest roads in the world.—L. T. Brodstone.

PHOTOGRAPHING DOUBLES.

An easy and economical method of practicing this branch of the art is as follows: Fasten two strips of rabbited wood (or tin turned over will do just as well) horizontally across the back of the lens board above and below the lens; cut a piece of card-board about half the breadth of the lens board, and just long enough to nicely slip along the grooves. Take the camera and focus the window frame from the inside getting the centre perpendicular part of the frame in the centre of the focussing screen. Lift out the lens board, and slip in the piece of card along until only half of the window is seen. Make a small mark on the strip of wood where the edge of the card comes to. Push the card over to the other side and repeat, making a mark where the other half of the window is obscured. It is advisable to put in the stop (while doing this) that it is intended to use, as an alteration of the diaphragm necessitates an alteration in the position of the card.

Everything is now ready for the sitter. Focus him or her in the double position, slip in the card to the mark, make the exposure, close the slide, and while your subject is changing position, lift out the lens board and slip the card to the other side; make the second exposure (exactly the same as the first), and with ordinary care, the print will show no join whatever. This can be done with half-an-hour's labor, no expense, and endless amusement.

VIGNETTING PHOTOGRAPHS.

It will be noticed that a very large proportion of all the photographic portraits taken are vignettted, a pro-

cess carried out during the printing from the negative. For this purpose in taking the portrait it is wise to use a light background. Vignetting is often resorted to when a single head and shoulders picture is desired from a group negative.

Printing frames, as bought, are not suitable for vignetting; it is necessary to build up the fronts considerably so that there will be more distance between the negative, when printing, and the tissue, etc., which will be put on the now built up front. Soft vignettes whose edges blend away gradually can only be successfully made by allowing a good distance from the tissue to the negative; if too near, the print will surely have hard edges, and in fact, be no vignette at all. Having placed the negatives in the built up frame, take a piece of card board on the front, having for a portrait a pear or oval shaped opening of suitable size; adjust this so that, holding the negative and frame up to the light, the opening is seen to be in the right place and of proper size; if not large enough, then is the time to make it larger. Over the opening, paste white tissue paper such as is sold for the purpose and the vignette is made.

Place the frame out to print, facing the sun, and when printed, examine it closely. If the vignette is soft and of suitable size and shape it should go in the print box; if too large, daub opaque on the tissue until reduced in opening suitably. Cotton wool is often used, pulled into suitable shape under the card board to obtain finer effects. Two thicknesses of tissue can be used if the negative prints too quickly. There are many forms of vignetting. The one given is as good as any and easily constructed.

ON THE STORING OF NEGATIVES.

No photographer can practice the craft for very long without getting a large accumulation of negatives, which he may not require to look at very often, but still which he does not feel inclined to throw away. Under these circumstances, the method in which these negatives are stored becomes an important one.

To start with, they must not be kept where damp is likely to have access to them. An ordinary room will answer well enough, and no great precautions need be taken against damp; but they should not be preserved where there is any likelihood of their suffering. Then, again, they should be so kept, that any particular negative that may be desired can be got at without much trouble and without any risk of damaging the others.

The simplest plan is in the use of the grooved boxes, which can be obtained from any dealer. The boxes hold twelve, twenty-four, fifty or one hundred negatives, and where the number of negatives is not likely to run into thousands answer very well. The principal drawback of these boxes is to be found in their bulk, one hundred negatives in such boxes taking up a greater space than by almost any other means of storing. Many photographers simply place their negatives in the original plate boxes with a sheet of paper between each or between every pair of films but this, while answering very well as regards compactness, has the disadvantage that there is a liability to scratch the negatives in taking any particular one out, and the whole boxful may be turned over in the process. The best way, where large numbers have to

be kept, is to be found in the use of envelopes. Each negative should have its own envelope, and a rough print of the negative may be stuck on outside for purposes of identification. The envelopes may then be stored in pigeon-holes of a convenient size, and any particular negative can be at once obtained without difficulty.

While on the subject of negative storing, we cannot too strongly advocate our readers to keep a book—it need only be a rough one—in which a print of every negative developed can be stuck. In after years, especially if the photographer does not preserve his negatives, such a book will be found to be invaluable, and it will at all times be interesting as showing in a better way than any other how practice has improved the worker.

While on this subject, we might also mention that it is not, as far as we know, the practice for most amateurs to varnish their negatives before printing, and many valuable negatives have been utterly ruined for the want of this simple precaution. To do the thing properly, the negative should be first thoroughly well dried and then coated with enamel collodion, which may be in its turn allowed to dry. The negative should then be well warmed in front of the fire, a pool of negative varnish poured into the middle of it and allowed to flow all over the film. Now pour off the excess and again heat the plate for a minute or two, putting it finally on one side to dry. Where there is likely to be any number of prints taken off one negative, this course should always be adopted.

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Secretary's Report.

Last number the printers got reports mixed so will use part over again. A number of members dues expire and early renewal is desired when new memberships will be sent by return mail.

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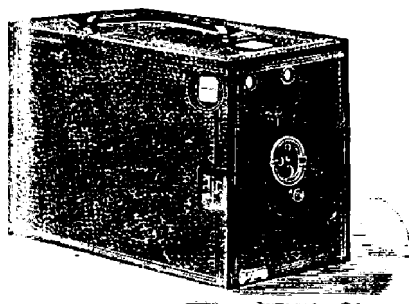
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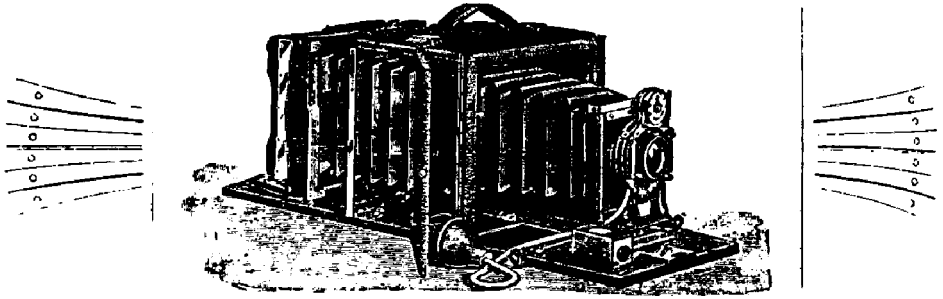
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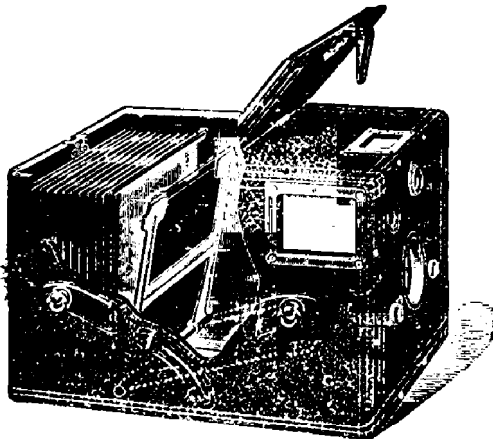
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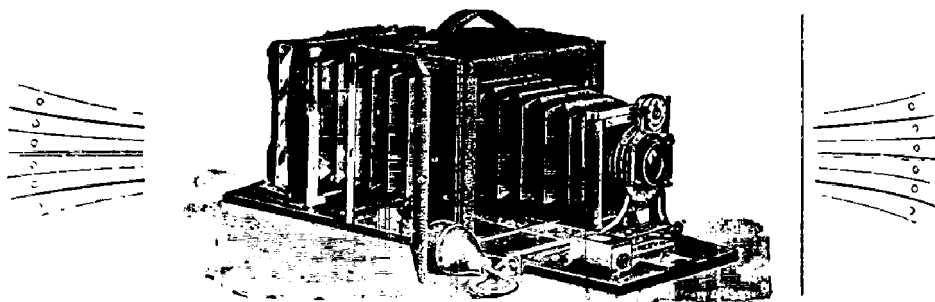
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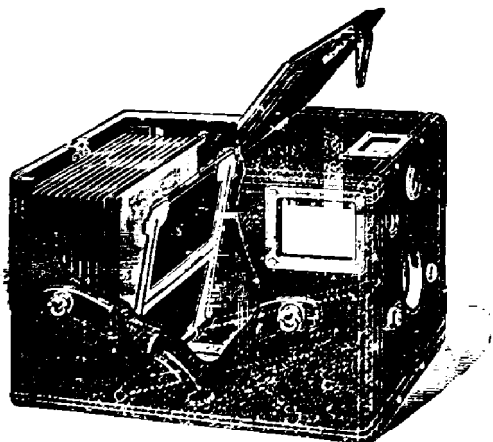
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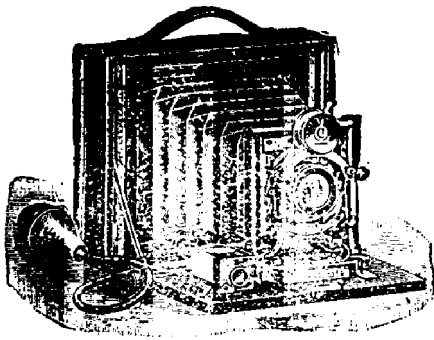
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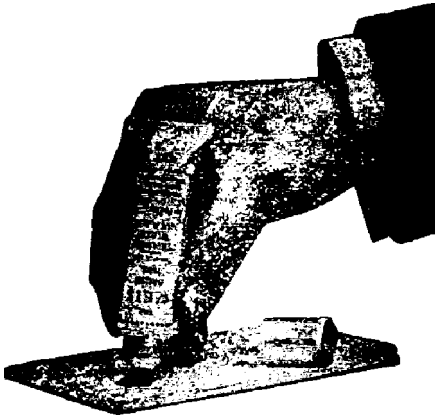
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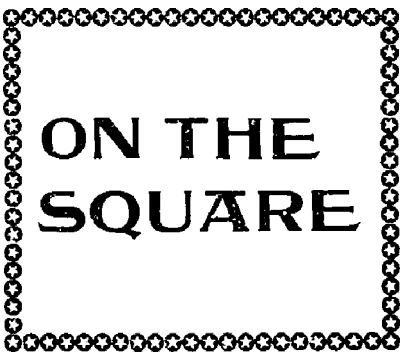
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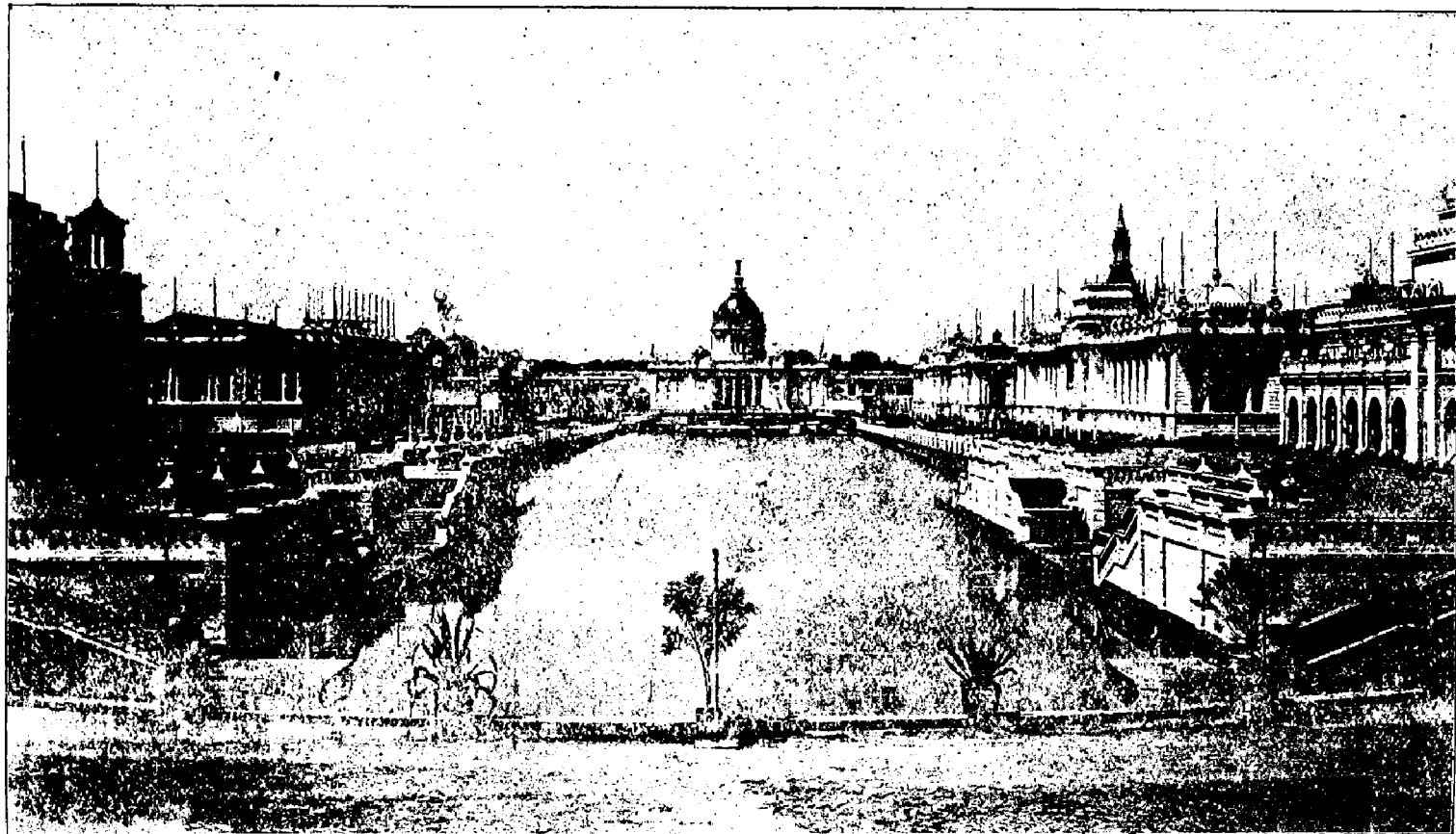
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OUR ILLUSTRATION.

A. D. GRANT, Kansas City, Kan., was born 18 years ago in that city, and got started collecting in '92. Has worked at both Editorial and Reporter-Departmental Departments, and had charge of the Western School News, for a year or more.

He is a member of a number of clubs and societies, and was at Omaha all last year during the Exposition. Is just starting a new monthly paper.

THE STAMP FIEND.

BY A. C. DAILY.

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And will try to get a sucker on his line.
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So he'll write to some poor dealer.
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pay.

He'll return these with a letter,
Saying "Send me something better."
And that's where the dealer makes his great
mistake.

For the fiend has this bad habit,
When he sees a good one "grab it"
And replace it with the worst kind of a fake.
Cannot some plan be reported

So these fiends can be transported,
To the place where stamps are never, never
seen?

Should some victim ere discover,
How to bring these sharks to cover,
The fraternity will keep his memory green.

THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF CUBA.

BY "EL CUBANO."

THE late Spanish-American War in which Cuba played no small part, has caused quite a demand for Cuban postage stamps. The American occupation of that island and recent surcharged issues, have caused no little comment in philatelic circles.

Cuban stamps so far as color and design are concerned, are uninteresting, but the events associated with their issues make them valuable. For the most part, the plates are poor, the ink worse and the paper—in one issue frequently varying in thickness.

Spain never spent a great amount of care or money on the postage stamps of her colonies. This is evident in the case of the early issues of Cuba and Porto Rico. Another peculiar fact is that Cuba never had a stamped envelope issue, that is, under Spanish rule.

In 1856 were issued postage stamps of the denominations of $\frac{1}{2}$ real blue green; 1 r. green; 2 r. carmine and 2 r. orange, bearing the portrait of Isabella II. Pen cancellations are the only kind seen on this issue, probably

Spain could not afford cancelling machines.

In 1856 and 1857 the first issue was surcharged to value $\frac{1}{2}$ real, or about three cents in our money. Spanish stamps were used from 1862-64 bearing the bust of Isabella, turned to left. These values were $\frac{1}{2}$ r. blue; $\frac{1}{2}$ r. buff; $\frac{1}{2}$ r. green; $\frac{1}{2}$ r. on rose paper; 1 r. blue, and 2 r. vermilion, flesh paper and 2 r. vermilion, rose paper. This issue is reprinted to a great extent.

It must be remembered that all these issues were imperforate, but in 1867 the first perforate stamps were issued. They were similar in design to the issue of 1862-64, and were 5 centesimo lilac, 10 c. blue, 20 c. green, and 40 c. rose. The 5 c. blue used is now worth \$5.00, while the 40 c. rose brings about \$2.50.

In 1868 another set appeared, with the head of Isabella in a circle. The inscription at the top is "Ultramar." The Spaniards are "Insulars" by the Cubans, while in turn the latter are called "Ultramar," which accounts for this expression on the stamp. The denominations were 5 centesimo lilac, 10 c. blue, 20 c. green, and 40 c. rose.

These in the following year were surcharged "Habilitade Uacion." The issues of 1868 and 1869 were also of same design and values but of various colors.

In 1870, (the Cuban Revolution was then going on) Spain adopted the plan of issuing postage stamps to defray war expenses. Let these issues from 1870-78 are considered "speculative," and they are reprinted and sold in large quantities.

The issues of 1870, '71 and '73 are similar to the designs of the Spanish stamps of the same date. The issue of 1871 contains a female head in an oval over the top of which is inscribed "Correos," meaning postage. The values are 5 centesimo blue, 10 c. green, 20 c. brown and 40 c. rose.

In the next issues of the following year the stamp was both perforate and imperforate. They consisted of 12 centesimo brown lilac, 25 c. blue, 50 c. green and 1 peso brown. They contained the statue of "España" and coat of arms on a shield. At the top was "Ultramar 1871."

From 1870-82 the stamps for Cuba always bore the date of their issue. The portrait of King Amadeus appears on those of 1873, and denominations of 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ centesimo green, 25 c. lilac, 50 c. brown, 1 peso red brown. We must still remember these stamps were for both Cuba and Porto Rico, though they were surcharged for use in the latter country.

In 1874 Spain managed to issue stamps for Cuba only, the first issue of which was similar in design to the issue of 1871, in 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ centesimo brown, 25 c. blue, 50 c. red purple, 50 c. gray and one peso carmine.

The suppression Carlist Revolution in Spain in 1876, resulted in the enthronement of Alfonso XII and in the same year as well as for three successive years, stamps with bust of Alfonso to right, were issued. The dates of their respective issues were placed at the top of the design. Usually the denominations were 5, 10, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$, 25 and 50 centesimos and 1 peso. About as many of these are reprinted as the newspaper stamps of 1890-96.

The year 1880 brought a change both in design and lettering. At the top was "Cuba 1880," (with the bust of Alfonso XII.) They were longer and wider than the preceeding issues and consisted of 5 centesimo green, 10 c. rose, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. lilac, 25 c. blue, 50 c. brown and 1 peso bistre.

The issues of 1881-82 bore the same design and same denominations. Five "fantastic ornamental surcharges" were placed on these stamps. Sometimes the surcharge was inverted, sometimes doubled and frequent

errors made in the attempt to make them valuable.

The appearance of these stamps were greatly improved by re-engravings of the plates. The unsurcharged issue of 1883-86 is in values of 1 centesimo green, 2½ c. olive, 2½ c. blue, 2½ c. violet, 5 c. blue (1st re-engraving) 5 c. blue, (2nd re-engraving) 10 c. brown and 20 c. olive. The issue of 1880 was of the same design in denominations of 2½ c. red brown, 10 c. blue and 20 c. lilac gray.

Alfonso XII King of Spain died in 1886 and in 1890 the portrait of his four year's old son, "Alfonso XIII, the Unlucky" had the misfortune to see his face on a postage stamp, to be licked by everybody, even by the Yankees.

The issue of 1890 consisted of 1 centesimo brown, 2 c. slate blue, 2½ c. emerald, 5 c. olive green, 10 c. lilac brown and 20 c. dark violet. Those of 1891 and '94 were of the same denominations. The colors of 1891 issue were violet blue, lilac brown, salmon, emerald, claret and blue, and those of 1894: 1c violet blue, 2c red, 2½c lilac, 2½c lilac violet, and 20c brown.

The issues of 1896 and '97 consisted of 1 centesimo lilac brown, 2c claret, 2½c rose, 5c slate blue, 10c emerald, and 20c violet; 1897, 40c orange brown, which is now worth 60 cents unused and \$1 used; and 80c lilac brown which brings \$1.20 unused and \$1.50 used. They were used but little, nevertheless they will soon be rare and hard to get at above named prices.

The issues of 1890-97 all bore the portrait of the infant Spanish monarch, but at about the time of the commencement of the Spanish-American War, the former named contestant was in financial straits, i. e. hard up. As a result of her pecuniary embarrassment, she resorted to making "sellos de frangueo," consoled by

the hope that she could at least sell them to stamp dealers, even if at a low price.

A completely new issue was made for Cuba, Porto Rico and Philippines. Those for Cuba are blue black 1 m. to 2 pesos with inscription at top of "Cuba 1898 y 99. We might observe that the latter date is quite as useless as the former, as these stamps did not see a full month's use in Cuba.

The design of this stamp is quite unique and undeniably the best looking one ever made for use in Cuba. At the left of the design is "Correos" and the right, "Telegrafos." Alfonso has a very mannish appearance and we hope to see more of him.

Then there are those newspaper or "Impresos" stamps of which we are too familiar to make much mention. The vast numbers of which they are reprinted, counterfeited and sold is simply astonishing. The ½ to 3 milimas usually sell from 1 to 3 cents, and as a matter of fact not worth the paper on which they are printed.

We have almost forgotten the issues of the Cuban Republic. The 10 centavo green 1873 bearing the coat of arms above which is inscribed "10 Correos 10;" across middle, "Rep. de Cuba;" and below "10 Centavos 10." In April, 1896, the Cuban Insurgent Govt. issued a series of 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20 centavos, bearing the Cuban Republic's coat of arms. These were issued in New York City and at present are somewhat in demand.

Cuban stamps are by no means expensive although they bid fair to become rare in time. The most valuable Cuban stamp in existence at present, costs no more than five dollars, while all that were ever issued can be procured for not a great many dollars.

For the most part, the dull color of these stamps as well as poor engraving, is against them. We are to hope that American occupation in Cuba will with its good results, bring good postage stamps.

A Traitor to Philately.

BY WILLIE GER.

A lazy languor fills the air;
 The trees are whisp'ring low
 Where blue jays hold a matinee
 And glancing waters flow:
 I close my album's cover and
 I somehow fall to wishing
 That I were down beside the stream
 With Charley Woods, a fishing.
 My blues and grays but bring to mind
 A stretch of sunny sky,
 And airy drifts of ragged cloud
 That on its bosom lie;
 I feel that I could gaze at that
 In sort of semi-slumber
 Till I forgot my treasures quite.
 Their value and their number.
 My greens suggest a fragrant mead
 With changing sun and shade.
 Where dandelions greet the eye
 In new Spring clothes arrayed:
 I wish that I were out there now
 Where aged oaks bend over.
 And butterflies play hide and seek
 Amidst the nodding clover
 This stamp collecting seems to me
 All right in Winter time.
 When trees are fringed with snowy lace.
 And yards of glist'ning rime.
 But in the Summer, somehow I
 Just want to go and wander
 Through all out doors and way beyond
 The distant hill top yonder.
 I don't care what collectors say
 About this act of mine.
 Or whether they condemn the deed
 In many a scathing line:
 My album I shall lay aside
 And wait for cooler weather.
 Instead of seeking cards and stamps
 I'll look for flowers and heather.

**A PHILATELIC NIGHT-
 MARE.**

BY A. RUSSELL,
 BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA.

THE Government printing office, Brisbane, Australia, stands on high ground in a quiet street, and looks over the river Brisbane to S. Brisbane, and its hill covered houses.

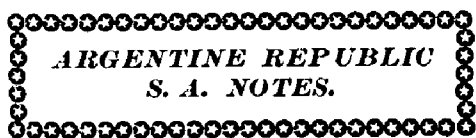
Adjacent to the office is the large building where all litho work is executed, and where, in addition, the duty and postage stamps are printed, gummed, perforated, and stored until required by the postal or fiscal departments.

The perforating machine is one known as a "comb" machine, perforating one horizontal row of holes, with a return off it, the depth of a single stamp, ten times repeated, therefore to perforate a sheet of stamps the machinist has to make twelve operations.

The purchase of some zig zag steel rule suitable for perforating check books suggested itself to the Govt. Printer that here was an agent capable of being adapted to perforate a whole sheet of stamps at one operation, full of this labor saving theory he had a "form" of this rule set up the size of a sheet of stamps and laying it on the bed of a cylinder machine in the printing office started experiments, it was soon found that the experiment bid fair to succeed, the blank paper used took the perforation well, and, finally, placed a sheet of penny stamps on the cylinder, one rotation gave it back perforated, not down the space between the stamps, but mostly over the stamps, it was then decided by the machinists to raise the cylinder slightly, ink the zig zag "form," and get an impression of the zig zag on a sheet of stamps, showing where it did not register truly, the form was then altered to correspond, this took time and sheets. Finally the zig zag was brought to run just where it should go, the cylinder was lowered and 5000 sheets of penny stamps perforated. Just here trouble commenced, the "comb" machine did its work after gumming, the zig zag machine would not do its work after gumming, consequently the 5000 sheets had to be taken over

to the stamp building and run through the "gummer," dried, packed away, and finally delivered to the General Post Office, from whence they were distributed to the various post offices as required. The public soon began wondering what new fangled idea this was, and finding that the action of gumming fastened by the slits made by the perforator, causing them to tear everywhere but at the right place complained, and 3000 sheets were returned to the authorities, who forwarded them to the printer for perforation by the comb machine, they would not take any more of the zig zag perf. and the steel rule composing the form was taken apart and promptly used for other than postal work. The stamps with the double perforation have gone into circulation, thus in two months a variety was born and died, and the philatelic world has to grope for the remains which are roughly speaking, 2,000 sheets, 240,000, 1c stamps zig zag perforation. 3,000 sheets, 360,000, 1c stamps zig zag perforation plus comb perforation, in addition, both are to be found with the experimental black lines, either on the face of the stamp or in the uncolored space between any two of the stamps. A great number of these stamps were destroyed by people when tearing them asunder, they would not tear straight on the perf., but would tear right across the face of the stamp.

The "comb" machinist smiled a grim smile, the machine minders went to their ordinary work, and quietness again rests on the red brick pile fronting the river.



ARGENTINE REPUBLIC
S. A. NOTES.

Achard has sold out his interest in

the Revista Postal, to his partner Jimenez. Amingo Jimenez I wish you success.

Friend Roberto Rosaver has severed his partnership with Kerchoff of Calle Victoria, and will start business on his own account shortly. Bueno suerte to you amigo.

Williams and Co., of Lima, Peru, has vanished in the tropical heat of Peru, they cannot be found for love and Sols. Friend Orchard lost heavily.

Uruguay has not as yet put out the regular issue of $\frac{1}{2}$ centavo stamps that arrived from London, but have changed the native issue from pink to violet. Uruguay when are you going to do the right thing to us collectors. Manana talvez.

There is reported a shortage in the accounts of the post office of Uruguay to the sum of \$60,000 or £12,000, what a future for someone in the institution.

Friend Soutomayor of Esmeralda, ought to feel very elated, he has been advocating fiscal stamp collecting with a will for the last five years, and now he is to be elected President of the Fiscal Stamp Club. His collection of some of Argentina is over 2000 varieties.

Another sad death, one of the large dealers of Uruguay, Senor Don Eugenio Mechilli, has passed away to the other world.

Stamp business is gaining a hard hold in Buenos Ayres, dealers are springing up all around. The more the merrier.

Amigo Othal has got the selling of our late friend Senor Stenius, deceased, collection. Africa and Asia has been sold for \$15,000 paper or national currency. Argentine and Uruguay has been sold for \$3,000 gold, these two parts were complete. These

prices are very high, but taking into consideration the used and unused varieties, I consider it very cheap. Che Othal, keep it up.

We are sick of Brazilian provisional and a few dealers are boycotting them including,

Yours Very Faithfully,

MILLARD.

STAMP REPAIRING.

BY A. C. DAILY.

ALL kinds of manufactured articles become in time, worn to such an extent as to impair their beauty or usefulness. On account of this fact, persons have found it profitable to engage in the business of repairing such articles, and these repairers have become quite as familiar and necessary to us as the manufacturers themselves. This fact is equally true of the stamp business, except that the professional stamp repairer is hardly known outside of the stamp collecting fraternity, many collectors never having heard of such a business. The date of the introduction of stamp repairing is not known. As the stamp collecting fad grew and became larger and more general, many stamps were naturally found that were more or less damaged, some with perforations torn, some, minus a corner, some with large tears in them, and otherwise mutilated. When these imperfections were found in a cheap and common stamp, the stamp usually found its way into the waste basket, but when the collector found a rare, and otherwise valuable, stamp which was badly damaged, he would not throw it away, but would look at it fondly and regret that it was not perfect. This is the reason of stamp repairing being invented. Some shrewd person discovered that he could neatly mend such

stamps and collectors found that they would rather have a rare stamp neatly repaired than to have none at all of the particular variety, and the business was soon firmly established, and has since been improving in volume and results. The possibilities of stamp repairing are greater than would be imagined by one unfamiliar with the business. A skillful repairer will supply a missing corner or a row of perforations in such a manner that the repair can be detected only by the most observing. A St. Louis dealer recently showed me a beautiful specimen of the 90c of 1869, unused and with original gum. After I had examined it, he explained to me how it was "made." The original was a card board proof, printed in brilliant colors and perfectly centered. The Stamp Repairer pared the card board down to the requisite thinness, put on the back of the stamp a grill $9\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$ mm., put on the original gum, and perforated the stamp all around. The result is a beautiful specimen of a high priced stamp. While there may be different views in regard to the desirability of stamps "made" in this way, it goes to show the possibilities of repairing stamps. Almost everyone is willing to admit that the repairing of genuine stamps which have been damaged is a very desirable and perfectly proper proceeding, and we predict that the business of stamp repairing will steadily increase.

NOTES, ETC.

There is more practical information gained from the common postage stamps than one would imagine. Stamp collecting makes one observe more closely. There is no stamp issued but that has some connection with the history of the country. Stamps are no more than a rare luxury and if not unused have no value at all. Stamps are bought by some

as an investment, and by others for mere curiosity in order to have them to look at. Stamps fluctuate in value more or less and consequently when the fall comes it deminishes the number of stamp collectors. When the rise in the prices comes, the collectors who have the stamps practically become dealers and more people start to collecting. Of late years the stamp collector are being thinned out on account of the slack in business, and the hard times. Stamps likewise are very cheap now and it is very hard for one to sell his stamp collection and realize the price it cost him. This is the time some buy stamps in the hopes of a raise in the prices in the near future.

FIRST POSTAGE STAMP.

The following is an extract from a letter from Col. F. S. Pursell, of Logan, who left a few weeks ago to take charge of the mail service for the army of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, at Military Station No. 26, Buena Vista, Cuba. The letter is dated Jan. 11th, and says:

"This was the first day my office was open to the public. Major Russell B. Harrison was my first customer. He had previously asked me as a special favor to be allowed to purchase the first stamp and mail the first letter. He was here bright and early this morning to claim the favor I had promised him. His letter was to his wife, and I indorsed on the envelope a certificate as follows:"

"This certifies that Maj. Russell B. Harrison mailed this the first letter received at Military Station No. 26, Buena Vista, Cuba. F. S. PURSELL, Agent in charge."

"I also gave him a certificate showing that he had bought the first stamp sold at this station. If you think for one moment that I am not doing a land office business here you will have

a different idea when I tell you that the receipts of my office today were over \$1,000." CHAS. E. DUDDING.

QUEEN CITY NOTES.

The Republic of San Marino has issued two special stamps of 2 and 5 centisimos denomination. Purpose, to bleed philatelist. Excuse, "internal service."

The $\frac{1}{2}$ anna surcharged on $\frac{1}{2}$ anna India is now obsolete. As this stamp has been in use but a few months it is sure to soon become a rarity.

A stamp company advertising in Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News uses a picture of the good old Quaker who for so long a time has pictorially represented the Quaker Oats familiar, to epicures. This cut does not fail to attract attention as it at first, thinking it is the oatmeal advertisement, seems out of place in a Philatelic (capital P mind you) magazine.

I have also noticed Cascarets, No-to-bac, Birds eggs, Coins, Books, and even the "Learn to stuff birds, learn today, etc.," of our friend in Hawarden(?) Iowa, in their philatelic columns.

Mr. F. N. Fountain, Hastings, philatelic representative in the late Spanish war is now returned to the city. While in Havana Mr. Fountain purchased a fine collection of Spanish postage. He relates numerous tales of his adventures in philatelic guests, among them may be mentioned his disappointment in not being able to secure the plate number of the surcharged U. S. stamps. Every sheet he saw had the plate number removed and he states that he has seen many.

The return of the Third Nebraska brought into the state many Cuban relics. Spanish sabres, Cuban cane knives and Mauser bullets are in abundance, but what is a surprise to the philatelist is the fact that stamps were not thought worth bringing home by the ordinary soldier.

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EDITORIAL.



Mr. Frank T. Shepard gives us his idea of a philatelic scrap book suitable for clippings, price lists, approval sheets or letters.

"I insert colored sheets of letter size paper in an ordinary letter file with board, arch and perforator complete. Use the different colored sheets for different subjects filing each subject under a name and that under the proper letter on the file. This does away with all indexing. When the file is complete they can be bound or placed in a binding case the same as is used for letters. The cost is very small, less than a good scrap album, and other advantages are, dispensing with indexing and the convenience of removing anything without mutilation to the balance." We think this would be very handy for collectors who prefer to clip papers rather than try to keep them entire.

We have been informed that the orange special deliveries are still on sale at Stanton, Neb.

The Spanish mail service in the island of Cuba was conducted in an interesting manner. Each village had a chief called a "presidente local." Among other things he had charge of the transportation of the mails for his village and the local post office. Every citizen was required to perform fifteen days' work for the government each year. A trip to the next village was credited as one day's work, considerable easier than labor on the highways or public buildings, so there was always a great scramble to get to be mail carrier.

Said William to Brody, now what do you think.
Of all the stamp fends, is really the pink.
Why, said Brody to William, there can be no doubt,
In any one's mind, that knows what their about.
That, that unperforate pair, Phil. West and Mr. Camera News
Are surely the best, and acknowledged cuckoos.

Hereafter we will be very particular about buying stamps on laid paper. We have just seen a current stamped envelope the paper of which has been doubled under great pressure. The folding had been done so that the laid lines run nearly at right angles, and they appeared in that manner on the envelope, each series of lines being equally distinct. If it can be done so nice by accident it probably could be done much nicer by design.

Mr. Henry A. Chapman voices our sentiments exactly in speaking of a 10 cent '47 on the cover—"Soak it off? Well, kick me if I do! Too interesting and full of associations to do that and if there's no other place for it I'll even paste it in my hat." There are lots of entire covers that are interesting enough so to be kept out of any album. We have some blank spaces among the Hawaiian officials in our album but they will not be filled by stamps taken from letters of soldiers' of the first Philippine expedition. Of course we would not go to the extreme of keeping proprietary or beer stamps or even most postage stamps on the original covers, but there are lots of them that should not be spoiled to fill any gap.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

BY THE BUSINESS MANAGER.



We are sorry our printers have been cause of delay and errors and hope to be out on time, having given the work to a printer who gets out a number of magazines. The April No. had not only a lot of ads but some of our best MSS. and our say left out, printer says cause of delay not being able to get help. March No. being run on a linotype machine may see how it got mixed.

Our offer in Dec. number from \$20 Government bond down to \$5 for MSS. on stamps we have decided to extend till August to give more a show and prize winners will be named at the stamp meeting. Remember if a subscriber you have a chance at above offer.

We have six bound volumes of West form '95 to date, in Weiss binder we offer postpaid for \$1 each, and if gone when money is received it will be returned to you. Binder alone is worth half, and changable so can insert other papers or take any number out, without soiling the paper.

Some of the subscribers will notice their Ex. notices I just received from printer Kennedy of Hastings, who has had them since early part of Dec. Promised as good No. as June to Nov. numbers, and readers can compare Dec. No. with them and see.

Our printer made a bad mistake in placing Tuckers name on our Acct. list, who we have found to be first class and for first number of paper his Stamp Exchange leads any seen, of U. S. and will pay all readers to send for a copy to Box 3726, Boston. Will not regret it I know, or we can offer it with the West, both for same price.

Testimonials are still coming in each week. I have received many orders from your paper, says C. E. Dudding, who has ad in West. W. F. Slusser of Mexico writes, I received a dozen replies before I got the paper. Jubilee Stamp Co., of Canada say, answers to our ad were good only trouble was we hadn't enough copies of all the stamps to fill orders as they came in, and had as high as 200 copies of the stamps we advertised. E. M. Cook, Asst. P. M., Eolian, Tex. I like West better than other papers I pay 50c for. L. B. Kinney, G. C. Depot, Cincinnati, Ohio, your photo articles are worth twenty times the amount and am sorry I missed any of them. T. G. Walker of Cal. who had ad in last No. says my advertising in the West has brought me more business than I desired, and I can tell you one thing, it is the best advertising medium, through which I reach buyers, and consider myself fortunate in having it to rely on in making my offers known to the public. F. S. Vaughn, Peoria, Ill. Talk about fish not biting flies, I never got so many answers for any one number in all my life. Your paper is a crackerjack, and is all O. K. You can have my advertising and can bet on that. I am more than well pleased. Queen City Stamp Co., Hastings, We are flooded with orders, and have lately received orders for stamps of our ads in your Dec. number.

"They are wise who advertise
In winter, spring and fall;
But wiser yet are they, you bet,
Who never let up at all."

Vaughn of Peoria, Ill., writes he is unable to get money, or goods of B. G. McFall of Pa., who he sent \$2.80 over two months ago. Are there any others. Queen City Stamp Co., report the following as frauds: F. Ramsey, Pender, Neb.; H. Perry, Westfield, Mass.; R. A. Swanke, Pestigo, Wis. We have received settlement of Standard Stamp Co., at last.

NEBRASKA CAMERA CLUB.

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President's Report.



FELLOW MEMBERS, N. C. C.:—I am pleased to see the names of so many new members in the last month's journal. Let the good work go on. There is no reason why we should not have 500 members, and with so many amateurs in our state, will in time reach this number.

Let every member secure at least one new name during the year, as the season promises to be one of the most active ever known in camera circles. The cost of membership is so small, and the benefits so many that very few real amateurs will hesitate to join, when these are carefully explained to them. Kindly write the Sec. for as many blanks as you need.

The second annual convention will be held as last year, immediately following the annual meet N. P. S. Exact date and place of meet will be announced later. Railroad rates to Omaha will be very low all season, and should induce a large number to attend. Send in your nominations to Sec. Brodstone for publication in next month's journal.

Fraternally, S. P. HUGHES.

Secretary's Report.

We are glad to see more members coming in each month, and hope you all can be present at our convention at Omaha, and if you have any ideas or hints, for help of camera or uses, would be glad to see same, wish names of all active camerists you know of.

One of the finest pictures I have seen was on glossy Self Toning paper, and party wrote had not even been washed for ten months or more, pay all readers to send to H. Bauer, Montclair, N. J., for sample of paper, which is sent free.

We have taken organship of American Camera Club Exchange, and pay all readers to be a member, and offers all subscribers or members half rate or 1c a month till your time is up, or can be a corresponding member for a 2c stamp, and the membership card that is sent to you is worth more than the price alone. The club has more foreign

members than any club in U. S., or any that I have seen. Write Secy. Thornton, 301 N. State St., Chicago, for blanks.

All members or readers that have prints to exchange if will send me list be pleased to publish same, and if have cut of yourself be glad to use it. L. BRODSTONE.

Photographic Hints for Amateurs.

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PIN HOLES.

Those little holes, almost too tiny to see, but which print black spots on the print, must all be touched out. Obtain some retouching fluid, and apply to the face of the negative, then with a fairly hard lead pencil, touch out each spot. If the negative be dense it may be found necessary to use India ink with a fine sable brush instead of a pencil.

TO SPOT NEGATIVES.

All bubble holes should be filled with India ink, so that very slight if any discrepancy is discovered between the filled portion and the rest of the print. The colour should be touched on in light strokes, patted perhaps with the finger, washed on and re-washed on if necessary until the hole is neatly covered. It is a good plan in spotting large defects never to do in one stroke what could better be done in twenty. The more carefully the negative is spotted, the less labour will there be working off the print after mounting. It should be understood that not only is almost every negative in need of some little spotting, but that prints, too, require the same careful examination and spotting of slight defects.

The more care taken to get a good clean printing negative the less spotting will have to be done on the prints. Still, owing to the defects in paper, too heavy spotting or slight opaque dust spots on the plate, the print must come in for its share of attention at the spotting desk. Scratches are easily removed by first varnishing the negative with hard retouching varnish and then carefully tracing the lines over with a pencil sharpened to such a point as will be required for each depth of scratch mark. Opaque dust spots can be etched off with a fine graver, but it is as well to leave them on and touch the resulting white spot on the print with suitable medium, according to the kind and colour of print, when mounted.

Reducing the Density of a Photographic Negative.

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It often happens that portions of a negative are so dense that no detail can be secured from those portions in the printing. Every

now and then also, a negative is left too long in the developer and acquires too much density throughout. In the first case, local reduction must be resorted to, while in the other, reduction of the entire image will be necessary. To accomplish this is one of the simplest things imaginable, and once tried, will be freely resorted to by all. It would be a great improvement to any negative to over-develop it and then reduce to proper density, as it clears the shadows, removes fog and makes the best possible printing negatives.

The best reducer is known as Howard Farmer's Reducer, and can be purchased of most photographic dealers, or can be made up from the following formula:—

A.

Potassium ferricyanide.....1 oz.
Water.....10 "

B.

Hypo-soda.....1 oz.
Water.....20 "

For use, solution A, 60 mins.; solution B, 10z.

For local reduction apply carefully with a brush; for complete reduction simply immerse the plate until reduced sufficiently, then wash well.

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No. 4—There are many colors to which Blue Prints may be toned. I give a few methods.

FOR PURPLE OR GREEN BLACK.

Borax.....1 oz.
Water.....14 "

Add Sulphuric Acid in small quantities until blue bitmus paper is turned slightly red, then add Ammonia until red bitmus paper is turned blue, then add to the solution 60 gr. Catechu and allow it to dissolve with occasional stirring.

To tone a print immerse it in this bath until desired tone is obtained, which will be from five to ten minutes. Wash thoroughly. This bath keeps well.

FOR BROWN.

After washing and drying immerse the print in the following solution:

Stronger Water of Ammonia.....1 oz.
Water.....8 "

Allow the print to remain in this solution until it has nearly or quite lost its blue color, which will take from two to five minutes, when it should be rinsed and immersed in the following solution.

Tanic Acid.....1 dr.
Water.....6 oz.

Dissolve and filter. The print is to be removed from this bath as soon as the desired sharpness is obtained. This last operation will occupy from ten to fifteen minutes. If the color is not dark enough at the expiration of this time, it is intensified by adding a few drops of ammonia and allow the print to remain one or two minutes longer, then rinse freely.

EXCHANGE COLUMN.

This column is for the use of regular members free of charge. Exchange notices must not exceed thirty words and should be in the hands of the Sec. by the 15th of the month—not later.

All members are invited to send hints or queries to help the association along.

Address. H. V. THORNTON, 304 N. State St., Irving D. 2., Chicago. Ill.

ARE THESE ON YOUR LIST.

Owe you anything. Like to hear from all who have accounts against: B. G. McFall, Eldred, Pa.; Pulver, Pulvers, N. Y.; J. C. Brassington, Hart, Mich.; W. M. Waterbury, Ithaca, Mich.; F. L. Ackley, Sioux City, and Harwarden, Ia.; R. Burnham, of N. Y. City, and Providence, R. I.; N. Ohman, Newfoundland and Canada; J. L. Forman, Alma, Neb.; Long, Falls City, Neb.; Higginson, Omaha, Neb.; L. L. Thompson, Meadford, Ont., Can.; J. H. Lowe, Toronto, Can. The above are for sale cheap or exchange, any old thing. What have you to offer.



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Fellow members N. P. S.:—Nominations for the various offices of the N. P. S. are now in order. The convention will be held at Omaha, in July or August, exact dates will be announced later. What with the additional attractions, Greater America Exposition, etc., we will doubtless have a large attendance. All Collectors and those interested are cordially invited to attend, whether members of any society or not. Anyone having a claim against our exchange department for '97-'98, please send me an exact statement to date, whether they have written me before or not. Those who owe exchange department are requested to send me a statement of amount and when they expect to pay same. If these last instructions are not complied with, the parties referred to will receive an unpleasant reminder. We wish very much to further increase our membership before the convention, although the growth of the society the past year has been very gratifying. Everybody put their shoulder to the wheel. At least let those who have not secured a new member the past year get one now. Remember there is a prize offered of

U. S. stamp catalogued \$6.50 to the member who secures the most new members.—F. W. ROTHERY.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

NEW MEMBERS.

- No. 209—M. E. Castin, Willow Island, Dawson County.
- No. 210—H. W. Conrad, Wymore.
- No. 211—John Stuebrk, Ceder Bluffs.
- No. 212—W. M. Smelser, Ashton.
- No. 213—R. E. Dale, 1448 O Street, Lincoln.
- No. 214—H. L. Feigly, Bloomington.
- No. 215—S. W. Allen, Neligh.
- No. 216—C. H. Frady, Box 268, Neligh.
- No. 217—W. S. Cleaver, Neligh.
- No. 218—M. A. Beal, Hastings.

REISSUED MEMBERSHIP.

- No. 168—E. J. Mackey, Superior.
- No. 178—A. Hedwall, Omaha, 617 S. 13 St.

APPLICATIONS.

- No. 219—C. S. Bristal, Gresham, Reference S. P. Hughes.
- No. 220—Mrs. Retta Lillie, David City.
- No. 221—Manual Boatsman, Sterling, Reference H. Wendt.
- No. 222—W. Templeton, Superior, Reference L. Brodstone.

We have still more room for more members, and hope each one can send a few before our annual convention. If you have any nominations for officers we will be glad to receive same.

Quite a number of member's dues have expired in the last month. Look up your card and see if you are on the list, your card gives date it expires. We also wish names of all active collectors you know of, to see if can't induce them to join. Our President has offered a valuable U. S. stamp, catalogued at \$6.50, well worth working for to get in most members, before our meeting and you will have a good chance for same. Glad to

hear any suggestions or ideas, for better of society.—L. T. BRODSTONE.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Received from R. Mortenson a package of magazines for library.—W. C. ESTES.

CAMERA EXCHANGE.

- One insertion free to each subscriber.
- FOR SALE NOTICES.
- ½c a word. 3 insertions for price of two.

Geo. B. Ward, 208 Wabash Ave., Chicago, has the following cameras to exchange for good stamps: One number 2 Kodak, cost \$2.50; one number 4 Jr., Kodak, cost \$50.00; one number 4 Reg. Kodak, cost \$50.00; one number 2 Buckeye, cost \$8.00; one Genie Magazine Camera, cost \$25.00. Cameras have been used but are in good condition and guaranteed. Stamps will be accepted in exchange for any of the above for two-third catalogue.

Have a set of about 30 4 x 5 unmounted prints taken at the Omaha Exposition to exchange for other prints—F. C. Swanson, Aurora, Neb.

I desire to exchange stamps with collectors; send sheets and receive mine. Will also exchange camera prints. I buy all kinds of Omaha stamps for cash—Frank C. Winter, 3000 Troost Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

Amateur photographers who would like to join the most effective and far-reaching photographic society in world will do well to write to the secretary of the World-Wide Photo Exchange. F. R. Archibald, Rock Creek, O., dues 25c for 12 months; list of members issued each month, members all over the world. On Dec. 15th the enrolled 231 members; join now.

10000 Canadians such as Maple Leaf ¼, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 10. Numeral ¼, 1, 2, 3. Old issue 1, 2, 3. Maps 3 shades. Old 5 and 8 pair ships and Jubilee 1, 2, 3, to exchange for birds eggs, art photographs, birds alive or stuffed and curiosities of any description, send on your stuff and state what you want in return. am government official, and refer you to anyone in our city—Sid J. Wood, 3 Lemoine Terrace, Winnipeg, Canada.

Mrs. Retta Lillie, David City, Neb., has 4x5 Premo camera and wishes exchange prints.

C. H. Frady, Box 268, Neligh, Neb., has 4x5 POCO and Quad cameras, bldg. and scenes along beautiful Elkhorn and landscapes to exchange for other prints.

I have one 3 x 5 Excelsior printing press and 8 fonts of type, all as good as new, wish to exchange for camera or wheel press and outfit, cost \$40.00. What have you to offer?—Phil Semler, Enfaula, Ind. Ter.

I have several 4 x 5 photographs of river views, Bethany college, Kansas cattle, etc., to exchange for other 4x5 unmounted prints. Only good prints wanted. My prints are on Aristo Platino and Vero Matt paper—R. Goodholm, Lindsborg, Kan., Box 27.

Am general collector of stamps, coins, currency, etc. Send books or sheets for exchange and receive my books in return. Will also exchange camera prints any size up to 5 x 7—J. W. Goodyear, Wells County Bank, Bluffton, Ind.

W. E. Rogers, Frankfort, Ind., has 4 x 5 to 5 x 7 prints from scenes of late war to exchange.

W. G. Pierson, 175 St. Marks Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., has some fine views taken in New York City and vicinity to exchange for views taken in other cities of interesting places or events. Send prints, untoned and I will do same or if you finish them on Velox I will also do that way.

Theatre programmes to exchange for same, from 1870 to current year, 4 x 5 prints of Washington, D. C., Boston, Mass., Providence, R. I., Plymouth, and other places to exchange for other prints, Velox and platinum preferred—Ernest L. Briggs, Plymouth, Mass., Box 531.

Camera, size 6 1/4 x 6 1/2 x 10 1/2, view or snap shot pictures 4 x 5. Three double plate holders, war relics, Indian relics, C. S. A. money, World's Fair tickets, old W. S. cents, Geodes, Crinoid stems, books, etc. I want Indian relics, old, odd and curious fire arms, 32 or 22 repeating rifle. Send list with prices wanted and your wants—C. F. Alkire, Box 228, Mt. Sterling, Ohio.

Send me enough stamps to catalogue \$1.00, and in return I will send postpaid 12 different mineral curios found in the mountains of California—J. B. Gardella, Jr., Newtown, Eldorado Co., California.

Geo. Barclay, care of Railway Dep't., Dunedin, New Zealand, exchanges stamps and camera prints. Especially desires prints of military photographs, being captain of Dunedin engineer volunteers. Reference Brodstone.

Will give splendid exchange in stamps for good camera (4 x 5 or larger) and outfit—W. H. Walker, Box 867, Denver, Col.

Ed. Root, Lebanon, Kan., has Omaha Expos. and western views for exchange.

S. Walleu, Neligh, Neb., has general views 4 x 5 of Poco and Montauk Cameras for exchange.

W. S. Cleaver, Neligh, Neb., has Poco and Montauk Cameras and general subject for exchange.

W. Lowry, 37 Princes street, Flemington, Victoria, Australia, exchanges stamps and unmounted camera prints. Member Golden Hours club.

J. Stuebsk, Cedar Bluffs, Neb., Manhattan 5 x 7 R R lens and Stereo Cameras, Bluffs, Platte river and other scenery and stereo views on Velox. Will exchange with anyone for good permanent prints. Send them along.

I want unmounted prints of bridges or landscape views, and will give in exchange pictures of the war ships and other water views—E. V. Bragdon, 87 West 321 St., Bayonne, N. J.

W. Lowry, 37 Princes street, Flemington, Victoria, Australia, exchanges camera prints and stamps. Reference Brodstone.

Send stamp for our 1899 catalogue and plan by which you can obtain a \$5.00 Peerless Camera for 5 cents—Peerless Camera Co., Box F, Peoria, Ill.

Amateur Photographers of Penn.—We have now a state association, and all amateurs should join at once and make it the largest association in existence. Its advantages are many and we would like to hear from you. For full particulars and application blanks write to the secretary, Fred W. Lindig, Lewisburg, Pa., or the president, C. W. Lawton, Patterson Mills, Pa.

M. E. Costin, Willow Island, Neb., has 4x5 and 5x7 prints of buildings, lakes, landscape views, canyons, etc., to exchange for others.



Walter E. Peck, Galesburg, Ill., has unmounted prints to exchange, taken in Rhode Island around Newport, Niagara Falls, St. Louis, Mississippi river. I use Velox paper and would like same in return. Careful amateurs please write.

F. C. Kuyler, Newark, Mo., has a lot of stamps to exchange for photo apparatus, material and literature. Mo. and Col. views for Oregon, Wash. and Idaho, etc.

C. S. Bristol, Gresham, Neb., has Cyclone camera No. 3, prints of Hot Springs and S. D. scenery to exchange.

Have a Ray jr. camera, lot of photo material, chemicals, mounts, etc., to exchange for stamps or sell for cash. Write for list and particulars and state what you have. Wanted Omahas for cash or exchange—C. L. Pond, 1009 No. 29th St., Omaha, Neb.

Geo. Heaton, Fairmont, Neb., has camera prints of First Neb. Reg. in camp; also Neb. scenes to exchange for others.


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Want old U. S. and Confederates on original envelopes. Will give cash or good exchange. If you have any write—F. R. Stearns, Sac City, Iowa.

A. H. Brosseau, 173 St. Hulbert St., Montreal, Canada wishes to exchange stamps with everybody.

Will exchange a Lovell Diamond Bicycle as good as new cost me \$100 dollars, ridden less than 500 miles. Best offer stamps takes it—Wm. D. Eldredge, Boston, Mass., Box 1332.

40 var. U. S. 20c. Franklyn fountain pen cost \$2 for stamps cat. \$1.50 not in collection of 1000. I will give 40 var. U. S. for every 25 Phil. papers sent prepaid. Canadian stamps wanted, Columbians, Omahas and 98 revs. in exchange—J. A. Rathbun, Jr., Peace Dale, R. I.

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THE PHILATELIC WEST

Exchange: Will give ten unused stamps from No. America, catalogued \$1.20, for each 50c Omaha or for 20 Omahas mixed over 2c, for the \$1 Omaha will give 18 unused stamps catalogued \$2.20, beginners send me your name—J. F. Negreen, Omaha, Neb.

Wanted to exchange stamps. Have 1700 var. Send your stamps on approval sheets with prices marked. Will return the favor. Also have Indian arrow heads to trade for similar articles—Red J. E. Cummings, Dows, Iowa.

Bargains. I paid 40 dollars for a 5 and a 10 cent Providence, R. I., stamps catalogues at 46.50. Will sell for 38 dollars cash—Walter W. Fritzsche, Burlington, Iowa.

Try my 25 var. of fine stamps for 5c post-paid, with every order I will give 4 U. S. rev. including the rare 1c I. R. surcharged—F. Haller, 1456 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, Ill.

I have a fine lot of books to X for stamps and novels, write for list—F. Haller, 1456 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Lionel Campbell, 37 Duke St., Southport, England, specialist in British Railway stamps is willing to exchange duplicates for U. S. A. Entires. Send 10 cents for a 2d Great Western Railway, (unused,) and list of other railways issuing stamps.

Write me for lists and prices as I am selling out my entire collection of coins, stamps, postmarks, curios, minerals, Confederate money, stamp papers, Indian relics, shells, and unused envelopes at a low figure to close them out at once—W. E. Reynolds, Peekskill, N. Y.

Wanted in exchange, a camera 4 x 5 in good condition, for good stamps such as U. S. postage used and unused, unused Dues, Periodicals, Canada, Newfoundland, Mexico and other foreign. All letters answered—Benjamin Cohen, 1980 3rd Ave., N. Y. City.

Scott's 1898 catalogue with our name and address stamped on the first three pages. To exchange for stamps—Neal Leonard & Co., 18 John R St., Detroit, Mich.

United States and foreign postage stamps and philatelic papers to exchange for 1st issue U. S. Revenues—John J. Baker, Fairmont, W. Va.

Wanted: Italy 1879, 30c brown, Scott's 59 and 1891-92 Finland from 1 Kop to 1 rouble. Please send on approval. Reference A 1—Fred Fuessel, Auction Mgr. Am. St. Ex., 4417 Gibson Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

A large number of copies of Harper's Weekly, Scribner's Magazine, and other periodicals, to exchange for stamps. Liberal exchange given for U. S. or foreigners—C. L. O. Lucken, Box 315, Duluth, Minn.

Want all kinds of U. S. and Colonies stamps. Will pay highest cash prices for them, or give good exchange in foreign stamps. Send stamps with lowest prices—R. Kretschmar, Braidentown, Fla.

I want every collector to exchange his 30 cents in payment for his dues and fees to the Junior Philatelic Society. Write for application blanks to the secretary—R. L. Doak, Pearl, Ohio.

Stamps at 80 per cent. on approval with a packet free—N. K. Conderman, 232 N. 19th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

A 10 x 15 Kelsey hand printing press, with foot lever attachment, in first class condition, no type; for best offer in stamps, on approval desired. Have a general collection of 1000 varieties. Please make me an offer—Harvery H. Dingman, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Box 882.

Would like to exchange for uncanceled or slightly cancelled postage stamps catalogued not less than five cents each—John P. Olson, Lombard, Ill.

American shells wanted in exchange for British—S. H. Solly, Deal, Kent, England.

Old stamp papers, stamps, cameras, and fifteen names of active collectors of this city for cameras, stamps and mandolins—D. A. Leon, Jax, Fla.

I will give 105 all different foreign stamps for 10c or 30 different U. S. for 10c. I want to hear from parties in England or U. S. named Butter or Buta—W. M. Butter, Forest Hill, La.

Will give double in exchange for any stamps not in my collection. Stamps of the Western Hemisphere and Hawaii only wanted. Return postage on less than 50c worth—Jno. F. Hinson, Kenansville, N. C.

I will exchange stamps suitable for sheets for unused S. and C. America—Ray Starkweather, Millburn, Lake Co., Ill.

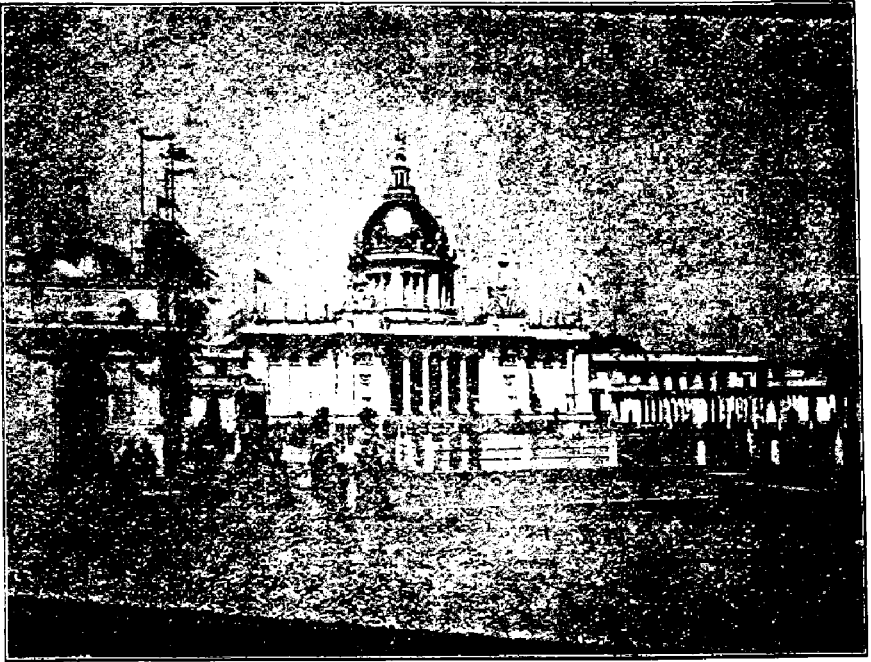
Exchange correspondence desired with collectors not too far advanced. Birds eggs, skins, salt water shells, printing press, foreign and domestic stamps, both postage and revenue. Please send sheets, and let me know what you want. Reference: The Business Manager of this paper—W. W. Worthington, Shelter Island Heights, N. Y.

I have Maple leaf and Canada Jubilee to exchange for your duplicates not in my collection—W. Russell Brown, Port Arthur, Ont. Canada.

Will exchange stamps for a printing press. State size and send copy. Also have 800 Horse shoe and Drummond tags to exchange—C. T. Bergsland, 1031 Myrtle Ave., El Paso, Texas.

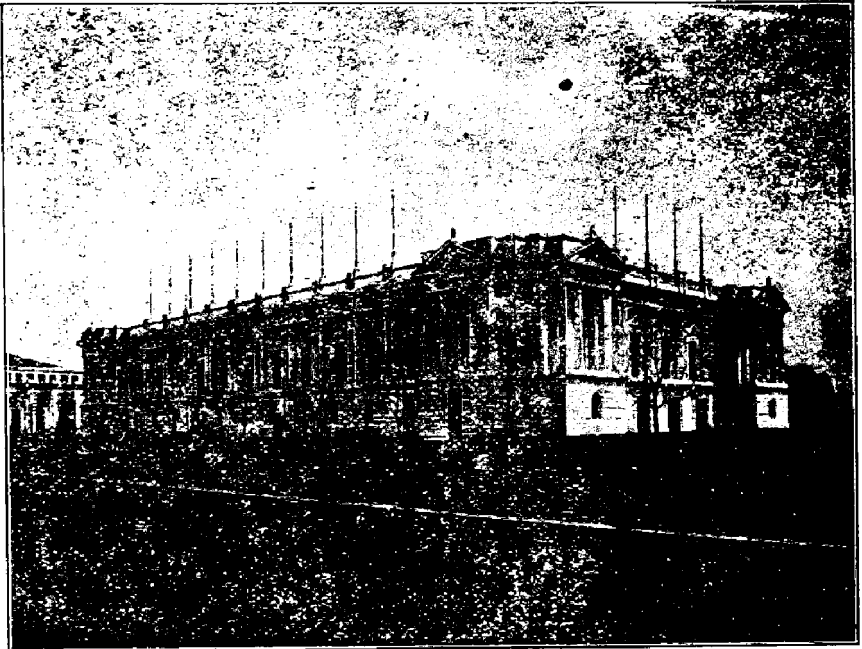
A quantity of clean copies and complete volumes of Youth's Companion, and Harper's Magazines, bound and unbound, and Scribner's Magazines, Munsey's Argosys and Quakers, unbound to exchange for unused U. S. Departments, the scarcer 10c or 2c issue U. S. Revenues used, unused British N. American stamps or Camera in good condition. All letters enclosing stamp will be promptly answered and lists given—R. L. Payne, Schuyler, Neb.

I will exchange U. S. and any other old stamps that I may have in duplicates, with stamp collectors in all foreign countries. No Beaumonts, Goliad or Brattleboro's left. Williams and Co., touched me for them all. I do not want to open up correspondence with any one that wants to make a spec. through my ignorance. Have tired studying human nature. All desiring to "note fair" will be met half way—Geo. W. Ingram, Hempstead, Tex.



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Have a large quantity of books that I will exchange for stamps. Eight page list of 175 titles free—Edythe Doane, Box 911, Meriden, Conn.

Used and unused stamps, periodicals, etc., to exchange for common tobacco tags, in large quantities. What have you?—F. T. Shepard, Box 555, Schuyler, Neb.

E. D. Ancona, Eastern Telegraph Co., Sliema, Malta, will give same value in Malta, Gibraltar stamps for 100 stamps of any country. Common European stamps refused.

U. S. revenues to exchange for unused Columbians or Omahas, also want World's Fair postals. I have a big list to exchange, write what you have and send for my list—D. V. Neefus, Jr., Hudson, N. Y.

Canadian plate numbers complete to exchange for Good British colonies not in my collection. Write to Geo. E. Davenport, president Philatelic club, 70 Melbourne Ave., Toronto, Can.

Seventy-five dollars' worth of books on modern lacosophy, including all of Madame Blavatsky's great works, for U. S. revenues or approval sheet stock—Geo. B. Ward, 208 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Want unused foreign stamps, catalogued over 15c. Also stamps on original covers, except common continentals. Prefer covers having but one stamp. Member Manhattan Philatelic Society—A. Herrmann, A 16 Produce Ex., New York, N. Y.

Wanted. Used or unused entire foreign postal cards cataloguing at 20c each and over. Must be in first class condition, what have you to offer? State best discount. References on application—A. Eugene Michel, 1721 Washington St., Marion, Ind.

I have a fine lot of approval sheets going cheap at 50 per cent. off. All sending 2c for postage will receive a stamp catalogued at 6c, free. I have on hand a fine lot of sea shells going cheap. Send for price list. Address—Rudolph Kretschmar, Box 104, Braidentown, Fla.

Camera prints to exchange of Scotland, Paris, Holland, Belgium, England, Omaha Expos, Western scenes, etc. Any number and size up to 4 x 5. Self toning or Velox paper, Matt preferred. Also stamps entire, envelopes, postal cards, etc.—L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Neb.

I have a fine collection of Gulf of Mexico sea shells which I will sell by the pound cheap or give the same in exchange for the following U. S. stamps: 1861, 5c, 10c, 12c, 24c, 30c, 1862, 15, 24c, 1872, 7, 12, 24, 90c, 1894, 50c, \$1, \$2, \$5. Wish the Omaha 10, 50c, \$1, \$2—R. Kretschmar, Braidentown, Ia.

Stamp collectors addresses for U. S. or Confederate, 10 names for each stamp, "Dollar" typewriter for books, or offers 25 different foreign for 15c collection; 5 to 100 different for each Omaha above 2c; novels and story papers for Scotts 38th, or large new album. Two old U. S. revenues free to all answering above and enclosing return postage—Miss E. I. Locke, Redding, Iowa.

A year's subscription to this paper given free to anyone sending us fifteen 4, 5 and 10c Omahas mixed and in good condition. Or we will give the above free to every tenth person answering our page ad elsewhere in their paper. Let us hear from you—Zenith City Stamp Co., 701 W. Second street, Duluth, Minn.

I want U. S. stamps, on envelope, both ordinary and surcharged, post marked in Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippines. Send with exchange and cash prices marked. State size of collection and specialty, if any. I have both cards and stamps to exchange above, or for other cards and stamps—C. B. Freeborough, 1001 Eddy St., Ft. Scott, Kan.

Exchange wanted: Minerals, shells, birds' eggs in sets and singles, with data, curios, bird skins, mounted birds and animals, Indian curios, fossels, sea curios, coins, stamps, etc. Give in exchange specimens of asbestos from our mine here, which is the largest in the world. Send by mail, and I will return the asbestos by mail prepaid with 1/2c stamps—J. C. Stockwell, Danville, Que, Canada.

Foreign collectors send from 50 to 1,000 stamps of their country and receive equal value in good U. S. and Canadian. Domestic collectors send what 1898 revenues you have for sale or exchange as we can use any amount of them. Always state your lowest price and enclose return postage in case we do not accept. We are also anxious to secure a number of Omahas and pay a fair price for same. Canadian collectors send us what Canadian revenues you have for sale or exchange. State your lowest price and if we accept we will give good U. S. of foreign in exchange for them or pay cash as desired. Write us anyway and we can surely do some business together. Look up our ads elsewhere in this paper—Zenith City Stamp Co., 701 W. Second St., Duluth, Minn.

Common tags wanted in large quantity, stamps, stamp papers, magazines, rubber type, etc., to offer—F. T. Shepard, Box 555, Schuyler, Neb.

Wanted. Mekeel's Mexican Album, Scott's 58th edition catalogue, International album, camera and outfit, old coins, and rare U. S. stamps. Will exchange common and rare stamps of Mexico—Cuauhtemoc Curio Co., Nueva Casas Grandes, Chihuahua, Mexico.

L. A. Arfman, Box 397, Butler, Mo., wants unused postage stamps in blocks of 4 and high value '98 revenues.

Mexican postage stamps, 100 mixed 15c post free, 20 different 22c post free, 1895 1c to \$1.00, \$1.00 post free. Price list free—Felipe Nevada, Urbina 10, Foluca, Mex. Mexico.

100 circulars mailed promptly 8c, 50c per 1000—Gunter Bros., Holly, Ohio.

I buy and exchange foreign stamps, postmarks and picture post cards. I have almost all of the stamps and picture post cards of Trezesowka, with correct stamps on them. I should like to receive various kinds of stamps, and different numbers of magazines. Every paper that advertises this for me, I will send them the money what it costs—Fried Thanhofer, Trezesowka, Austria.

I desire to exchange stamps with collectors in foreign countries, also all others who want to do so—E. Norton, Alamo, Mich.

A. S. Russell Gregory, Terrace Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, exchange entire and stamps. Wish U. S. plate No. of all kinds.

One year's subscription to the West and Camera News for any stamp catalogue 50c, if 2c stamp sent for reply—L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Neb.

Tribune tandem \$50.00, No. 2 Hammond typewriter, Eastman No. 2, Poco No. 15, etc., cameras for sale cheap or exchange for stamps. Send stamp for particulars—L. T. Brodstone, Box 60, Superior, Neb.

Sam Vesty Place, Mont Benon, 6 Lausanne, Switzerland, wishes to exchange illustrated postal cards used.

Exchange desired with collectors having 3,000 varieties of stamps—Herman W. Boers, 389 Maple St., Detroit, Mich.

I have the new envelope, 2c carmine on white, 1893, watermark Die "A" will exchange for stamps or envelopes—Erastus Cornell, Box 99, Marshalltown, Iowa.

I will give Canada envelope, 1898, 2c on 3c unused, and letter card 1898, 2c on 3c unused, for any stamp, envelope or post card catalogued at 50c or over not in my collection, also wishes arrow heads—J. D. Cox, Upper Steinacke, Nova Scotia, Canada.

I have about 375 monthly parts and 15 bound volumes of boys' papers including "Boys' of England," "Boys' Comic Journal," "Boys' of the Empire" and "Young Men of Great Britain," also volume 1 and 3 bound of Frank Tousey's "Boys' Weekly," "Happy Days" from No. 1 to date, a lot of Jack Wright and Frank Reade libraries and lot of stamp papers. Original cost of all over \$125. Will trade all for stamps or offers—C. E. McNemar, Fairfield, Kansas.

For Sale—82 varieties France including 1 fr 1850, 5 fr, and republic and empire stamps used, together \$1.50; 50 varieties France, 35c; 28 varieties English railway, 25c; 10 varieties English railway, 10c; 20 foreign revenues, 25c—Fred B. Woolston, Wayne, Nebraska.

I have a large variety of British Colonials, both postage and revenue, and also foreign stamps to exchange for others not in my collection from sheets—Frank Best, 35 Howell St., Toronto, Canada.

Collectors—Send me ten 50c stamps of China, Chefoo, Chinkiang, Chungking, Hankov, Yehang, Kevy-kiang, Shanghai, Wuhu Japan, and I will send you same value in Mexican stamps—Fol de Naveda, Urbina 10 Foluca, Mex. Mexico.

Walter Winkler, 263 Field Ave., Detroit, Mich., wishes to exchange Camera prints.

Sam Vesty Place, Mont Benon, 6 Lausanne, Switzerland, exchanged stamps, entires, used souvenir and post cards.

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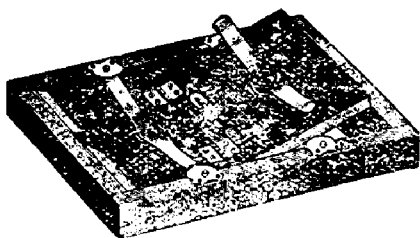
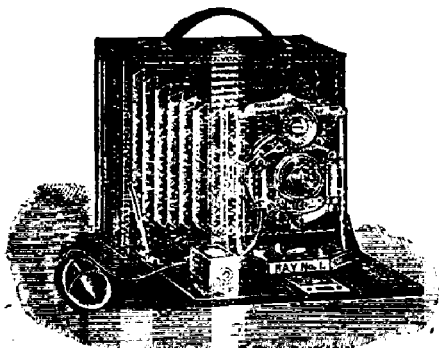
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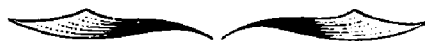
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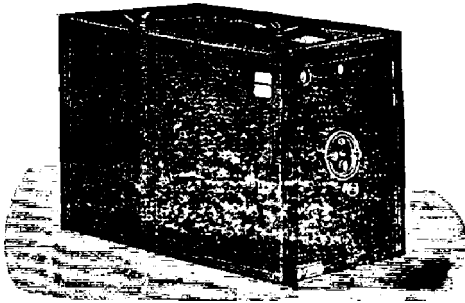
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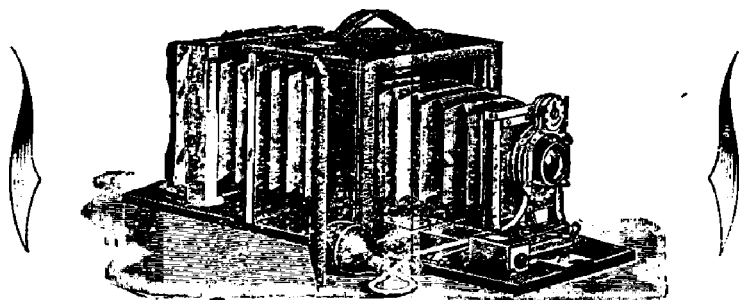
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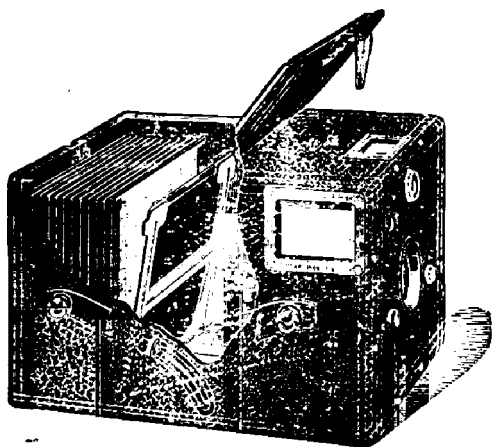
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