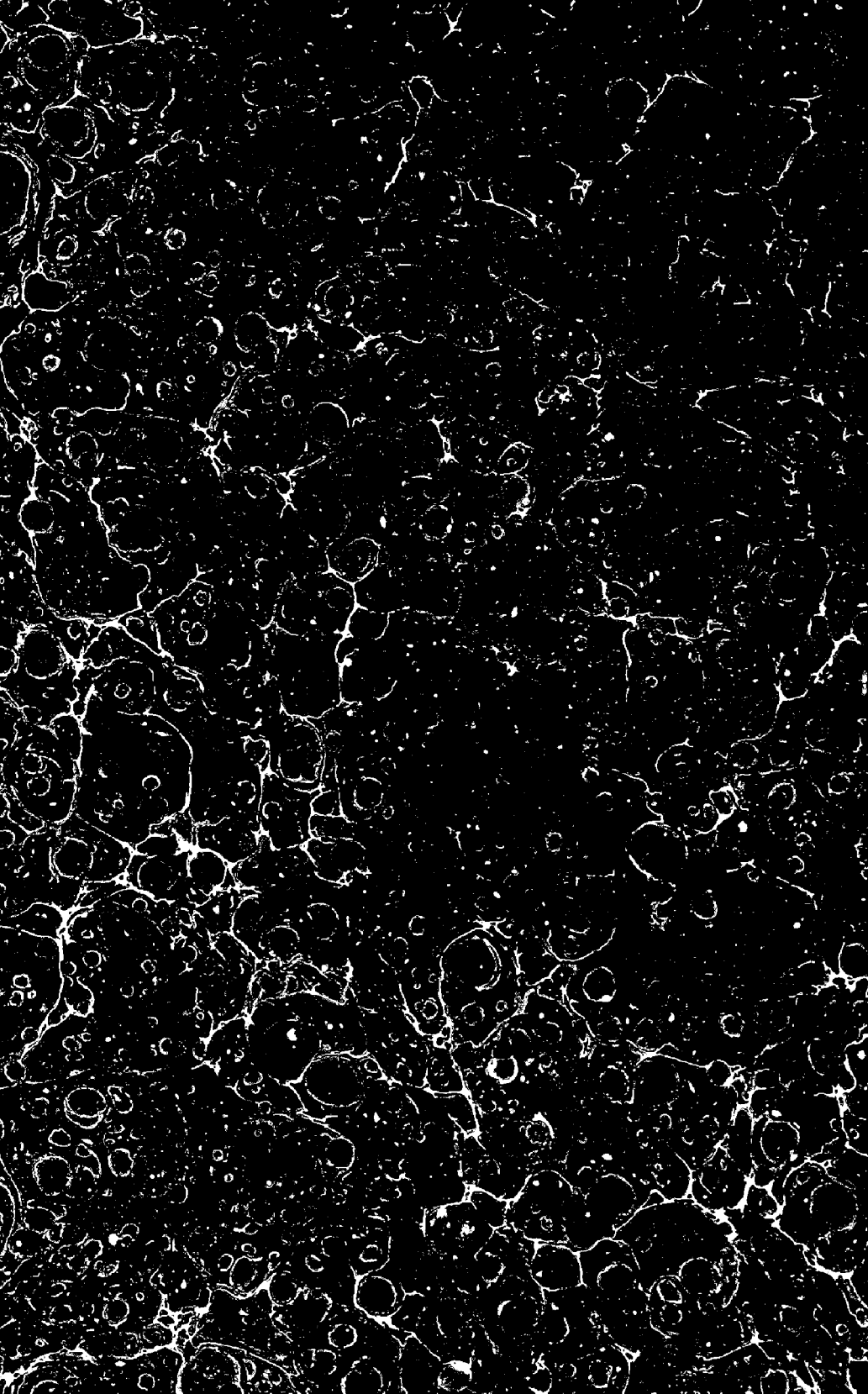


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1861 30c used, fine	30	1873 7c orange	25
1862-66 2c Jackson	04	" 10c br.	20
" 5c bl br cat 50c	25	" 12c purple	20
" 15c Lincoln	30	" 15c orange cat. 75c	25
" 24c lilac	20	" 90c carmine cat. \$1.50	65
1868 grill 11x13 1c cat \$2	75	1875-79 5c blue cat. 8c	03
" " " 2c	10	" 15c orange	07
" " " 3c	02	" 60c carmine cat. \$1	40
" " 9x13 1c cat 75c	30	1890 1 to 10c	03
" " " 2c black	05	" 15c	03
" " " 3c rose	01	" 30c	05
" " " 12c	20	" 90c orange	28
" " " 15c cat \$1	45	1893 Columbian 1-10c	10
1869 1c buff, unused, cat 1.25	50	" " 15c green	12
" 1c buff, used, cat 60c	15	" " 30c fine	20
" 2c horseman	06	" " 30c unused	35
" 3c locomotive, unused cat \$1	30	" " 50c used	35
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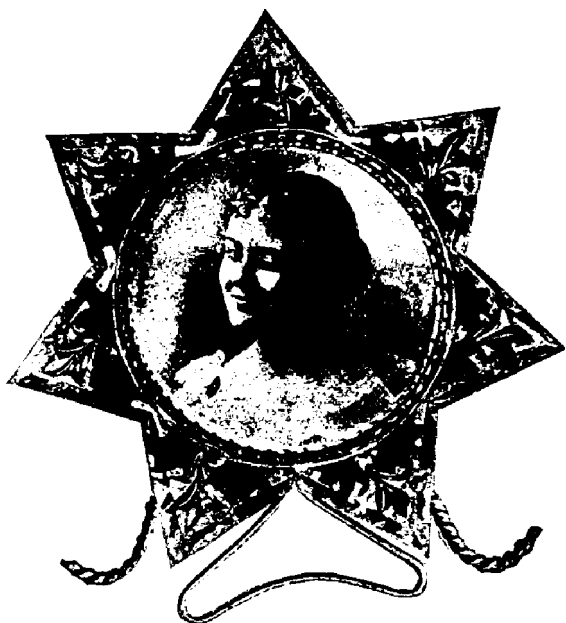
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\$1 gr " 10	07	\$1 red	" 5	10	German 1900 1 m used
\$1 red " 1	20	\$1 gray	" 25	10	" " 2 m used
\$1 gray " 1	07	\$2 " "	" 1	00	Hawaii 1893 2c red surch unused
3 brown " 1	10	\$2 " "	" 1	03	" " 10c " "
3 gray " 1	35	\$3 " "	" 1	08	Salvador 1895 1 on 12c cat 10c
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" 1861 10c used "	10	05	" 1893 2c violet sur's	5	04
U. S. 1867 1c " grill 9x13	75	40	Hawaii 1894 5c	05	03
" " 10c " " "	60	30	Iceland 1892 10 a	3	02
" 1870-1 1c " embossed	50	25	Malta 1885 ½p	2	01
" 1873 10c " "	4	02	Mauritus ½ on 10 p can o g.		05
" 1875 4c " "	8	04	† Mexico 1874 5c	8	04
" 1893 2c " capped	5	03	† " " 25c	3	01
" " 1 to 10c " Columb.	26	12	† " " 100c	12	05
" Omaha 4c " "	3	02	" " 1885 10c	3	01
" " 5c " "	5	04	Nicaragua 1898 5c	3	02
" " 8c " "	6	05	" 1899 5c	3	02
" " 10c " "	5	04	" 1900 5c and 10c	-	06
Azores No. 201	4	02	New Fd 1880 3c	6	04
Bolivar 1897 5, 10 and 20	14	07	† " 1887 ½c	4	03
British Guiana 1882 8c	5	03	† " " 1c	4	03
Cuba 1874 50c	6	03	† " " 2c	6	04
" 1876 1 p not perfect	35	12	" " 2c	5	03
" 1877 12½	15	08	" " 5c	6	04
" 1879 5c	3	02	† " 1890 ½c	3	02
" 1880 12½, 25 and 50c	16	08	" " 3c	5	03
" 1881 1c	4	02	† " 1898 1c † or used	3	02
" " 5c	3	02	† " " 2c	4	03
" 1883 No. 112	5	03	" " 3c	3	02
" " No. 113	15	08	Labuan 1897 18c	10	06
" 1896 2½c	3	02	Peru 1898 1c and 2c	6	03
" " 10c	3	02	" " 5c	3	02
" on U. S. 1c to 10c fine	39	20	" 1901 5c violet and blk	6	03
Ceylon 1900 3c		01	† Portugal 1892 5c	3	02
Canada 1859 1c	6	03	† " " 10c	4	02
" " 5c	4	02	† " " 15c	6	03
" 1897 5c	3	02	† " India 1882 4½ R	3	02
" " 8c	5	03	† " 1886 4½ R	4	02
" 1898 8c	5	03	Phil Isl 1880 2 4-8c	5	03
" " 10c	8	06	" " 1899 5c	-	05
Costa Rica 1863 2 r	4	02	† Porto Rico 1895 6c	5	03
" " 1889 1c to 50c		08	St Lucia 1882 2½	3	02
Gunacaste 1890 20c	10	05	† Sarawak 1892 1c on 3c	6	04
" " 10c	5	03	St Vincent 1885 2½ on 1p	6	04
Cape of G. H. 1885 6 p	3	02	" " ½ and 1p	6	03
" " 1891 4p	3	02	† Salvador 1892 1c on 25c	10	05
Curacao 1873 25c	6	03	† " 1895 1c on 12	10	05
" 1889 2c	3	02	Tobago 1885 ½p	3	02
" 1892 12½c	4	02	" " 1p	5	03
Cyprus 1880 2 p	5	03			
Kewkiang No. 1 and No. 3	10	05	PACKETS.		
Shanghai 1893 2 & 5 post due	10	05	U S 30 different no 1898 revs	10	
Dom Repub 1885 1c to 10c	17	08	Cuba 20	15	
" 1895 " " "	17	08	Porto Rico 10 different	10	
" 1899 2c	4	02	25 diff Hawaii, Cuba and Porto Rico	20	
Dutch Indies 1892 25c	3	02	5 " "	10	
Ecuador 8 different		10	5 " New Foundland	10	
Thurm & faxis 1866 1 sgr	3	02	2 " Congo	05	
" " " 2 " "	4	02	200 Postage stamps	25	
" " 1866 3 kr so. dis	3	02	300 " "	50	
" " " 5 " " "	5	03	500 " "	1.00	
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CHINA		1886. 100m blue and pink.....	03
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1897. 1/2c brown violet.....	02	1898. 2c carmine.....	03
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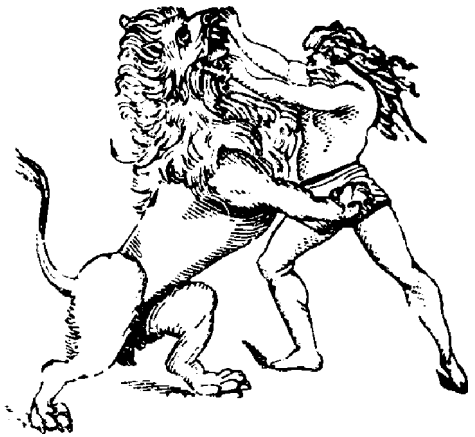
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"	15c brown	1.84	18c	rose		.42		.42
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Counterfeits and Their Detectoin

By *Lacus Viridis.*

(Continued.)

BRITISH GUIANA There are before me several counterfeits of the British Guiana issues of 1860 and following years—those bearing the figures 1-8-6-0 in the four corners. The first one, to which we will devote attention, is a forgery of the 1c black on thin paper of 1862. This issue is distinguished by the wide space between the value and the word cents; on the 1c value it is of the width of the strap turned over from the garter as above. The counterfeit shows this characteristic also, but it differs greatly in other respects. The forgery is considerably taller than the genuine stamp; the latter measures exactly 23 mm. in height, while the forgery measures $23\frac{3}{4}$ mm. This excess of length throws everything out of proportion; thus the space above and below the word 'Guiana' is considerably too wide: the words One Cent are too tall;

the central oval is also nearly a millimeter too tall. This is also true of the figures 1-8-6-0 in the corners; they are all tall in proportion to their width, while the figures on the genuine stamp are rather squat in appearance. The network in the spandrels has been pretty well imitated, but the arched lines bordering it on the outside show glaring discrepancies. They compare as follows:

Left upper spandrel.

Horizontal line.

Genuine: 4 arches and part of a fifth
Forgery: same

Vertical line.

Genuine: 5 arches and part of a sixth.

Forgery: 4 arches and part of a 5th.

Right upper spandrel.

Horizontal line.

Genuine: 4 arches and part of a 5th.

Forgery: 3 arches and part of a 4th.

Vertical line.

Genuine: 4 arches and part of a 5th.

Forgery: 4 arches.

Left lower spandrel.

Horizontal line.

Genuine: 4 arches and part of a 5th.

Forgery: 3 arches and larger part of fourth.

Vertical line:

Genuine: 5 arches and part of a 6th

Forgery: same.

Right lower spandrel.

Horizontal line.

Genuine: 4 arches and part of a 5th.

Forgery: 4 arches.

Vertical line.

Genuine: 5 arches and part of a 6th

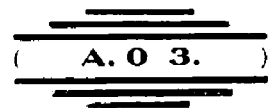
Forgery: 4 arches.

You will observe that the forger was exceedingly careless here. The inscriptions are also none of the best; the most glaring difference is in the second word of the motto around the central oval; it reads Retimus instead of Petimus. Presumably the forger copied from a blurred specimen. On the genuine stamp the u of Petimus points to the interval of i and a in Guiana; the same letter on the forgery points directly to the i above it. The shading of the sails on the counterfeit is very coarse, while on the genuine the lines of shading are very fine and even. The perforation of the counterfeit is 12½, pretty evenly done; of the genuine there are two varieties, one perforated 12, the other 12½ to 13. The latter is the commoner variety; so that it is not clear why the forger did not choose the scarcer perforation. The counterfeit is lithographed, but that does not help us here, as the originals were produced in the same fashion. The "cancellation" of my forgery of this value is too indistinct to admit of description.

Upon the whole, despite all these differences, this counterfeit looks fairly well done and quite prepossessing. This is much less the case with various counterfeits of this set, also before me, which to all appearances printed from the same plate as the 1c just described. All the characteristics just mentioned are found here also, except that the lower label has been altered to represent specimens of the set with narrow space be-

tween value and cents. Those before me are the 2c orange, the 4c blue, the 8c rose and a 24c green. This last value in this design and color is only found among the stamps with wide space between the value and Cents but the forger has here produced an impossible stamp with narrow space. On all these forgeries the word Petimus is spelled Retimus and all the other distinctions given for the 1c are found here also but the stone must have been pretty well worn by the time these specimens were printed, as all the finer lines of the shading on the sails and of the network are beginning to disappear, especially on the 2c value. On the 4c and 8c forgeries before me traces are visible in the lower label of the erasures made in inserting the new values; it would have been better for this counterfeiter not to be so excessively economical. The 2c, 4c and 8c counterfeits in my possession are all perforated 12½, but the 24c to some unknown reason shows the perforation 11, unknown to the cataloguer for this value.

These counterfeits all show the cancellation A 03, which was really the number used for Demerara (or Georgetown), the capital of British Guiana. It consists of these letters between parallel bars, three above and three below growing shorter outwards, a bracket closing the open space at either end thus:



But genuine copies of this postmark show only 7 millimeters interval between the two groups of parallel bars, whereas the groups on these counterfeits are 12 millimeters apart, consequently the letters are all much too tall and slender.

(To be continued.)

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A short article in the May number of *Le Timbrophile Belge* deals with the Mexican issue of 1895, of which the author distinguishes four varieties; with water mark CORREOS E. U. M., water mark R. M., watermark eagle

and R. M., no watermark. Another article is begun in this number enumerating certain doubtful postal cards; the author claims that the following cards were never issued: Cuba 1889, 3c dep. rose (S. G. No. 26), 1892, 3c dep. brown (Senf No. 24), 1896, 5c dep. green and 10c de p green (S G No 30 and 31), Puerto Rico 1882, 3x3c blue (Scott No 206).

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The most interesting feature of the *Schweizer Briefmarken-Zeitung* for April is a critical review of the designs submitted for competition for the new issue of Switzerland. Six of the best are illustrated; none received first prize. To judge by the descriptions given, the task of the judges was no easy one and it is doubtful what the postal authorities will finally do.

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Mr. Nankivell, the philatelic Journalist with a capital J, is illustrated and written up in the April number of the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*; you all know him as a British correspondent of the A. J. of P. and a most prolific writer. The article on the 2 yen stamp of Japan 1871-75, is carried on to the syllabic characters of 1874, there is much valuable information. The difference between Greek stamps of Paris and Athens prints is one of those inexhaustible subjects; it is here dealt with in a continued article by Mr. Pemberton. Despite of all descriptions, these stamps puzzle even advanced collectors and no two authorities agree on their proper arrangement. It is stated in this number that the 15c stamp in the Monchon type of the new French stamps is the only value of that type not printed in two operations; the others of this type were printed in two operations at first, in one later.

The British & Colonial Philatelic Advertiser has improved, both in appearance and reading matter, though the April number contains nothing of special mention.

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In the April number of *La Filatelia* a collector pleads earnestly for postal cards, which seem to be neglected in South America also. The paper is growing considerably.

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According to the Australian Journal of Philately for April Commonwealth postal matter, as concerns stamps, are in statu quo, and as to the ½d commemorative stamp, it seems that it may quite possibly not be issued at all. The other contents of this number are largely copied from American papers.

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From the other Australian paper, the Australian Philatelist (for March) we learn that Mr. Drake, the new Commonwealth P. M. G. did not speak of stamp collecting as an "excrescence." We may therefore revoke our indignation meetings. The A. P. takes up the question of a collectors' catalogue and is much in favor of it; but I fear me that the dealers will continue to boss us in these matters.

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Stamps in its May number touches on the ever-present color question in its "Hints for Beginners," the author thinks the solution easier than most of us have found it so far. The fiscal department in this number is of special interest, a long paper deals with the rates of taxation in India to be paid by revenue stamps. There is some "Gossip about Entires" and a short resume of the two Mauritius "Post Office" stamps. The continued article on U. S. stamps deals with the 1870 issue and the later ones of that type; the secret marks of

1873 are finely illustrated. The list is continued up to 1888.

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As usual the chief feature of the *Verauliches Korrespondenz-Blatt* consists of its notices on the latest counterfeits and frauds. I am sorry that our space will hardly permit us to copy from this list—unfortunately a long one each month.

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Mr. Lehner's new venture, *Philatelic Literature*, is doing well and bids fair to become a necessity. Mr. Aldrich contributes interesting American notes and a valuable feature is the list of prices bought by various philatelic publications at auction sales.

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Mr. Stephenson of Birmingham is the subject for the portrait, etc., in the June number of the *Stamp Collector*. A valuable article by Mr. Kuehn collects all available information in regard to the Great Barrier Island Pigeon Post stamps. A list of British auction catalogues will hardly interest us much; it is beguiling here. Does any one collect American auction catalogues? This paper, by the way, is the first European paper I have seen illustrating the Pan-American series.

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Some months ago Morley's *Philatelic Journal* described and illustrated two types of the 2c Seychelles, de la Rue Rue design. In the May number there are enlarged reproductions of the two types of the 8, 10, 13 and 16 cents. Nevertheless it takes a good eye to see the differences. The stamps of Sarawak are continued; the departments devoted to railway, fiscal and telegraph stamps are of the usual interest and splendidly illustrated. In the fiscal chronicle there are illustrations of a set of bogus revenues for Newfoundland. The supplementary instalment of Argentine fiscal

takes us into the realm of hat tax and match stamps.

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A note of interest in the May number of *Le Fureteur* describes and illustrates the similarity between M. Mouchon's design for the medium values of the new French stamps and the vignette found on the French assignats of 1793. The resemblance is striking, even the inscription being the same.

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Major Evans in the April number of *S. G. Monthly Journal* takes up the vexed question of color varieties, but does not settle it, either. The chronicle gives the text of the notice retiring the old British stamps. An article of great interest gives the results of some experiments as to the durability of the colors of various stamps which were exposed to the light under peculiarly trying conditions. I am glad to see that most of our U. S. stamps belong to the non-fading class; only the 3c of 1890 (a coal-tar color) is classed as very fugitive. The Australian authority, Mr. A. F. Basset Hull, begins an exhaustive article on the stamps of the Cook Islands; the first issue is described at length. Mr. Ohrt's book on the stamps of Oldenburg is here translated, the second installment appearing in this number.

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There is an article on the stamps of Canada in the May number of the *Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser*, but it is of an elementary nature. Some forgery notes on British stamps are all there is worth noting besides.

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M. Mahe is not through yet with his caustic comments on the new French set; in the April number of the *Revue Philatelique Francaise* he proceeds to roast the design of the

high values in his humerous style. Flandrin writes interestingly on the stamps of Corrientes, though he develops nothing new. The Fiscal department is shorter than usual this time.

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Postmarks are of special interest in Europe; Dr. Moschkan in the May No. of *Der Philatelist* reviews a work devoted exclusively to the cancellations of Bavaria. A feature of interest in *Der Philatelist* is its chronicle of philatelic literature. Counterfeits are also described extensively.

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The Post Card Column is a feature of continued interest in *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News*; postmarks are also treated in detail. I regret that space will hardly permit me to review this valuable paper in detail, but I hope to find space for some extracts.

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CLIPPINGS FROM THE FOREIGN PRESS.
From a review of the new French stamps in the *Revue Philatelique Francaise*:

The American engravers of postage stamps may perhaps not be considered artists in the full meaning of the word but one must admit them to be incomparable masters of their profession, and lie upon art, any-way, if art can not give us anything better than unsatisfactory effigies such as are the new stamps with which we have been gratified.

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The *Philatelic Journal of India* announces that another Native State Postoffice was closed on the 31st March. This time it is Faridkot and special interest attaches to this case, as it is the first of the "Convention" states to give in. The State is retaining the stock-in-hand of unprinted (?) stamps. (E. W. S. H.)

Le Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste gives a list of foreign offices in the Levant:

Austrian offices: Adrianople, Beyrout, Canea, Candia, Caifa Cavalle, Chios, Dardanelles, Dedeagh, Durazzo, Gallipoli, Jaffa, Janina, Jerusalem, Jueboli, Keresun, Lagos, Mytilene, Prevesa, Retimo, Rhodes, Salonica, Samsoun, Santi, Smyrna, Trebizond, Ualona, Uathy, Galata, Pera, Stambul. (Formerly also at Sofia, Philippople, Burgas, Uarna, Rustchuk, Tirnova.)

German offices: Pera, Galata, Stambul, Smyrna, Salonica, Beyrout, Jaffa, Jerusalem.

British offices: Galata, Stambul, Smyrna, Salonica, Beyrout.

Italian offices: Canea, Tripoli, (Formerly also at Constantinople, Smyrna, Beyrout and Egyptian points.)

Russian offices: Beyrout, Chios, Constantinople, Dardanelles, Jueboli, Jaffa, Mt. Athos, Mytilene, Mersina, Ordon, Keresun, Rizeh, Salonica, Samsun, Smyrna, Sinope, Trebizond, Tripoli, Teheran.

The French offices, which are quite numerous, are not given in the list. [The Stamp Collector.]

Of the Servian 2 pare stamp, black, of 1872, Type I, there seem to exist two printings which can be distinguished by the paper and the execution. The newly discovered printing is on soft thinnish paper and the color is deep black; it is therefore similar to the second type, but minus broken "T" and the spot in the hair.

[Philatelic Record.]

The following "errors" of the 1901 issue of Finland have lately been offered:

- 2 penni green (instead of yellow)
- 5 " yellow (" " green)
- 10 " blue (" " red)
- 20 " red (" " blue)
- 1 mark without central oval.
- 10 " black, oval yellow (instead of gray.)

These are nothing but printer's waste sheets and collectors are warned against them. [V. K. B.]

Montenegro will shortly adopt a

currency of hellers and Kronen similar to that of Austria. Thus we may expect to see a complete new issue with values in the new currency soon.

[E. W. S. N.]

Great Britain is not going to adopt the system of selling stamps in books after all. The scheme was considered by the postal authorities and deemed impracticable. At the same time it is rumored that the idea will be adopted by several of the colonies. Indeed we hear that New Zealand, always a go-ahead country in postal affairs, has already issued booklets in two sizes, which are sold at 1 | 0½ and 2 | 6½ respectively. The one holds 12 and the other 30 stamps in sheets of 6, interleaved with waxed paper.

[E. W. S. N.]

Some of the current Indian stamps have been surcharged E. I. R., but these letters have nothing to do with Edward, Emperor, Rex; they are surcharged by the East Indian Railway to prevent their stamps from being stolen. [Stamps.]

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The dull season of the year is now here, but a large share of our members have paid their dues, the duties of your secretary are light and he has but little to report.

The time draws near for our stamp meets and would be pleasant if we could all visit Buffalo together and also become personally acquainted with the genial president of the P. S. of A. also publisher of this magazine, but I fear many of us cannot attend. But perhaps many of us will be able to attend the annual convention in our own state later in the season and get acquainted there. We can report a meeting of the trustees at which the following new members were admitted:

- No. 29. Cleve Combs, Wichita, Kans.
- No. 30. W. H. Broadbent, Kansas City, Kans.

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responded for a list of books in the library. Enclose
stamp when writing. The following persons
have donated papers to the library: C. L. Du
Bose, Lisbon, Ga., 100 copies; H. Ernest Beebe,
Lawrence, Mo., 38 copies; Geo. N. Linn, 85
Wisconsin Ave., Col., O., 25 copies. Let every
member donate a few. Complete list of every
paper in the library for a 2c stamp.

GEO. N. LINN, 85 Wisconsin Ave., Columbus, O.
Librarian.

Fellow Members, here is My Report up to this
time:

Total number of books received for the cir-
cuits 11; of these, 7 marked at net prices, \$20.08
Four marked at cut prices, \$8.11 @ 50% dis 4.05

Total net value of stamps on hand \$ 24.13

Members will please bear in mind that stamps
are to be marked at their net prices and not at
catalogue rates. JH DuBose

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

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G. R. Coombs, Peabody, Mass.; A. G. Nelson, Ke-
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Billard Bldg.; R. Beck, St. Paul, Minn., 227
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ing, N. Y. (Winter, Calif and Long) complain of
Bible, of Mass., WJ Young, DC, complains of
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shen, Ind, also IG Williment, 234 W 26 st, N Y;

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plains A Ackerman of Ia, F Werver of Berlin,
Canada, H Snow, Newfnd, Ind. Is also publisher
of Canada, and in south have also sent sev-
eral subs to those parties state dont get papers
nor am I able to get reply regards them, will
send fuller notes next time if don't hear. Always
try to hear of any cases, and if any of advs of
West don't treat you fairly let us know. Govern-
ment Stamp Co., of Ia sends list but not room here.



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ben week. Date be announced later.

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Have combined West with Curio Monthly.

We expect to use better paper and be better
all around in our next number. Mr. Clute in
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EDITORIAL

The inverted Pan-Americans are certainly giving philately a considerable amount of good advertising. This, in connection with the beneficial effect the issue has of itself should lead to many new entries to our ranks, and the re-entrance of old time collectors who have strayed away.

A long and varied list of the stamp designs in which the beasts, the fishes, the amphibious things, the birds and the spheres in which all of these move and exist appears in a recent issue of an

English contemporary. It occurs to me that to find some thing or subject, either allegorical or real, some representation or misrepresentation of which has appeared on some stamp or other, would be a hard task indeed. The designs on stamps are necessarily limited, but the lines of limitation are wide apart. An issue in which some feature does not partake of similarity to some previous issue is seldom seen.

A scheme to compete with the postal service has recently developed in some of our western cities. It was widely announced that letters would be delivered in certain quantities for 1c each. At first it was thought that the business would not be allowed to operate by the postal authorities. However, the scheme has failed through the inability of the operators to give the public the same good service that the mails afford. The boys employed to carry the letters and packages proved to be so irresponsible that there was no absolute surety of the delivery of matter intrusted to their care. It is related that a number of firms sent out their regular monthly statements June 1 to their customers through the new company. The slowness of return seemed to indicate an unusual state of penuriousness in the community and an investigation disclosed the fact that the major part of the letters were never delivered at all.

The enterprising dealers who have a booth at the Buffalo exposition will receive returns in the free advertising that are receiving if nothing else. No doubt there was method in their madness.

One of the most attractive features of philately is the absolute freedom with which the collector may indulge his personal whims and ideas. For instance there is the specialist in errors; that

has an inviting field is beyond dispute. A collection of this kind must be of great interest to the layman who has the opportunity to inspect it. And yet, this search for minor varieties, which the error collector appropriates to his album, has gone so far as to become ridiculous. Note the infinitesimal distinctions in the "V. R. I." varieties recently chronicled: "5 sh first print, inverted period after "R"; "1d, third print, raised periods, thick "V", wide space between "V" and "R";" etcetera. And this is dubbed study! To what advanced type of engraver will we delegate the task of preparing a plate wherein the microscope of the scientific collector will not detect dissimilarity between one stamp and another.

Why all this fuss about invert Pan-Americans? How many issues of stamps printed in two colors where the number of stamps printed was large have been so perfectly prepared as to escape this up-side-down business? Probably two hundred million of the two cent Pan-American have been printed, the number of errors found is remarkably low. Collectors were on the qui vive for these inverted centers as soon as it was known that the stamps were to appear in two colors; their expectations have been met. Perchance the proper thing for the government to do is to run off a few hundred thousand of the one cent and two cent with inverted centers, thus giving each collector an opportunity to gratify his desire to possess a copy in this condition, and putting a quietus to all this talk going the rounds of the newspapers about the fabulous value of these stamps. Why, even staid business men have become infected with the collecting fever to a certain degree, and the first thing they are prone to do each morning when opening their mail is to make a careful search for stamps with the pictures up-side down; we are aware of at least one

instance where philately gained a recruit of note by this interest taken in these stamps with the erroneous printing. It is odd, the causes that lead to the starting of a collection.

Philatelic politics seem to be dormant this year. The month for the conventions and elections draws near apace, yet aspiring candidates have not begun to fill the columns of their "organs" with their merits and others demerits as has been the practice in years past. And this is as it should be; let the office seek the man.

Our Australian correspondent informs us that at this writing the Australian commonwealth issue is a matter of doubt. It is anticipated that a month or two will elapse before anything definite is given to the public regarding this issue.

That the late picture set of French Congo was not issued for postal purposes is evidenced by the fact that it was never sent to this colony for use and probably will not be. In the eyes of many, this will not enhance the value.

Our old friend Roy Farrell Greene is winning renown in other than philatelic circles. A recent issue of JUDGE devotes the entire back cover to a poem of his and the colored illustration accompanying it, the latter being drawn by a staff artist.

As the energy of the stamp collector decreases during the summer months, so does the size of the West lessen. To keep up the large size appearing last winter would be a hard and unprofitable task. We have set the record for some time to come in point of continued large numbers. Next winter we confidently

expect to do as well and better. If our friends demand as much in these hot summer months, we will give it to them but think that a slight reduction in size will be deemed proper. We are enthusiasts ourselves, but must admit that hot weather serves to dull our ambitions for labor in the stamp line.

We learn from a correspondent that remainders of the Marchand private die proprietary stamps will be disposed of to the stamp public through some dealer after July 1st. As the printers are still getting out quantities of them, the supply of "remainders" will doubtless be ample to supply all those who have no scruples against having such unworthy specimens in their albums.

No doubt there will be many reprints and remainders of the private die proprietaries foisted on the unsuspecting at the expiration of the revenue law making their use compulsory. To detect these from the genuine will be difficult. If it is known that they are printed before July 1st, even though not intended for actual use, they may be regarded collectible by some. To avoid any attempted misrepresentation, choose the obvious method and get them used.

To the Americans of the last generation these war revenue stamps are of peculiar interest—more so than the issue during the war of the rebellion. They mark an epoch in our country's career which, while no less noteworthy than the memorable strife of '61, is fraught with an element of interest born from personal observation not enjoyed in the former case. Perchance it may be said that the majority of collectors find a deep interest in this issue of stamps because of this reason. The passing moment should be improved

and as nearly a complete set procured as permissible. The bona fide specimens will never be any cheaper than right now.

Not only is the undeveloped youth encouraged in his thievery by the broadcast scattering of approval sheets over the land by dealers ambitious for business, but it must needs be that further inducement is offered him to send for selection by the generous offer of a gift for so doing. He is required to furnish no references—any old form of request will receive willing attention. Small wonder that the tempter comes and persuades he of tender years and little experience to keep the stamps—once in his possession it looks so easy. And from this small start a thoroughly bred rogue may develop. No solution to the problem. The obvious one would not be adopted by the dealers. In the struggle for business, they loose sentiment—become sordid as Quackenbush would say. A few lots lost each month is only a sequel to their openhanded methods, and the loss is anticipated and expected.

The secretary of the Chicago Philatelic Society has been advised by the postal authorities that it is not a punishable offence to thin cardboard proofs of United States department stamps and place them on bogus original covers. Can a rogue obtain money under false pretences and still go his way without reprimand or punishment? Common law should afford relief.

A contemporary notes the holding of an inverted Pan-American 1c, 2c and 4c one man to consist of thirteen sheets. And this in this age of "perfect printing."

If you see anything in the west the

THE PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

You don't like tell us. The publishers desire your cooperation. For every criticism that suggests or implies a desirable improvement, we will give one year's subscription for yourself or a friend. Look sharp. Tell the editor about it.

Nothing can be made absolutely perfect. Our ambition is to attain this point as nearly as possible. That we fail in many ways is undeniable. If we were millionaires some advancement might be made.

Our camera department has been accorded such impartial support from our subscribers that we leave no stone unturned to make it interesting and valuable. Inasmuch as the camera is a favorite with so many stamp collectors during summer time, we feel that it will be appropriate to give it more attention in our columns during this period. We anticipate securing the services of one of the leaders in amateur photography and he will be given entire charge of this department, with instructions to place therein the best obtainable matter for our readers edification. There are many meritorious camera papers published, but in the main they all gave one fault, if we may term it such, technicality. It will be our camera editor's aim to eliminate this as far as it is practical to do so. Your cooperation is desired.

Our contributors are requested to turn their thoughts to the lighter side of philately when preparing articles to appear in our next three numbers. To make philately popular during these months technical matter should be avoided. Even the dyed in the wool specialist turns to articles of a lighter vein in summer. A period of relaxation is due to all classes; it is taken and en-

joyed.

Real estate and stamps—rather an incongruous pair for business association on first thought. In anticipation of slackness in their stamp sales for the next few months, an enterprising western firm has combined the two lines, the real estate transactions to fill in the gap during the summer.

In response to our invitation last month, a host of articles from the pens of beginners reached us. Some of these were meritorious, and will appear in due time. In this connection, a hint to these enterprising young friends would not be amiss. Do not choose for a subject some technical matter which you are unable to handle properly; do not write such an article until you are well prepared to leave the descriptions in the standard catalogue severely alone, your own researches furnishing all the necessary data. Refrain from long sentences. Choose your words with care; common language is best understood—do not search your dictionary for what you need. Do not be ashamed to imitate; observe the manner and method of older, wiser writers and pattern after them. Observations as to spelling, legible writing, the use of but one side of the paper, etcetera, are superfluous.

Just as we are about to go to press, final arrangements have been made with Mr. Franklin J. Clute, of San Francisco, to take charge of the camera department. Mr. Clute is one of the leading lights in the amateur photographic world, and our readers may look forward to many treats. His ability as a writer and as a conductor of camera departments is well known, he having been a regular contributor to the leading camera journals. He has interested himself in the camera department of the WEST, and will devote his best energies to making it the best in the land.



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Noticia a los Socios de la Sociedad Filatelica Hispano-Americana, y a todos los interesados:—Aprovecho de esa oportunidad para informarles de la apariencia del numero Commemorativo del Organó Oficial de nuestra institucion, que tendra lugar en el dia 25^o de Julio. He recibido los grabados y las biografias de nuestros oficiales, y me causa un placer infinito para ver la satisfaccion manifestada, por nuestros miembros en todas las partes de las republicas de Norte, Centro y Sud America, y los Indias Occidentales.

Presentamos con este mes, la siguiente lista de nuevos socios, en nuestra asociacion, y esperamos recibir mas solicitudes de los vice-presidentes, para poner en el numero conmemorativo de la Sociedad.

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Tambien, he recibido, las solicitudes de los coleccionistas siguientes y, recibiran sus Diplomas, Notas do Nacimiento, y los regalos de la sociedad, y la asociacion envia su sincera gratitud, para el interes, y el trabajo de los Vice presidentes en los paises, mencionados en nuesta lista hoy.

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Sin mas hasta la apariencia del numero grande, del organó oficial, es grato subscribirme con o el Secretario, de la asociacion, que queda las ordenes de todos de Uds.

CHAS. WILLARD MYERS

How I Started

Collecting. A Young Collector's
Experience and Ideas.

I started collecting stamps like the average boy does by getting all the common one and two cent stamps thinking I could sell them. I also got hold of a few Columbians and other stamps I thought I had a fine collection when a lady gave me a few Canadian and Australian stamps. Then I commenced to ask everybody to save me stamps. One day I happened to show my collection, which was in a box, to an insurance agent whose son was a collector. When he reached home he sent me some stamps in a small album in which I soon placed more.

As to collecting, I think one of the best ways to fill an album at no expense is to buy packets, take from them the stamps you do not have, and the rest put on sheets and sell. I have now nearly two thousand stamps, an international album, catalogue, etc., which I paid for by selling stamps on approval. A great many boys put too much money in stamps and for that reason have to give up collecting. As to trading I think it is good but do not think it pays as well as selling from sheets. Collectors must read all they can about stamps if they want to make a success of buying and trading.

If most beginners would study the "Hints for collectors" in the front of the catalogue they would find they would have a great many varieties when they came to look over their stamps and would have a better chance in trading.

A perforation gauge is one of the best things to find varieties, also benzine to reveal watermarks. I bought a 15 cent packet of match stamps and by using benzine (which is applied by putting on the back of stamp turned face downward

on some black surface,) I found two were water marked, one worth \$10.00, the other \$2.50. Of course it is a little trouble but it pays. In buying Continental packets it is best to look over all the stamps of those countries that may have varieties, as the common English one cent red.

When you know people that you think would be likely to have stamps do not be afraid to ask them; Especially old people usually have old correspondence in their trunks. By asking I received some old revenues among which was a 50c mortgage cat. \$1.25.

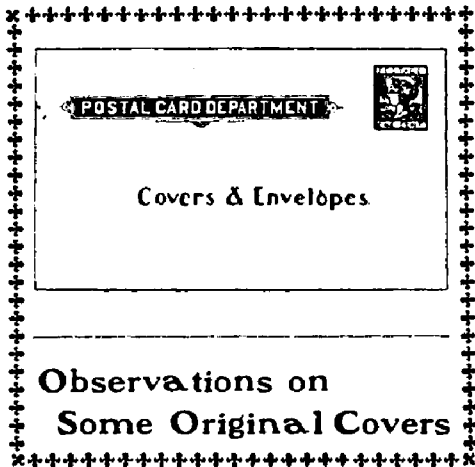
I will give a few reasons for collecting;

1st.—It helps in the study of geography as by seeing a stamp you naturally want to know where the country is and if it is a colony you learn to which country it belongs; For example, who would know where Eritrea was if he were not a stamp collector?

2nd—In history you learn the changes in government as in Germany, France and Italy. The different successors to the thrones whose pictures have appeared on stamps.

3rd—Money value, as the years go by your collection will increase in value. But the pleasure it affords pays for all trouble and expense.

Every part of postage stamp making is done by hand. The designs are engraved on steel, 200 stamps on a single plate. These plates are inked by two men, and then are printed by a girl and a man on a large handpress. They are dried as fast as printed and then gummed with a starch paste made from potatoes. This paste is dried by placing the sheets in a steam fanning machine, and then the stamps are subjected to a pressure of 2000 tons in a hydraulic press. Next the sheets are cut so that each one contains 100 stamps, after which the paper between the stamps is perforated, and after being pressed the sheets are filed away. If a single stamp is injured, the whole sheet is burned.



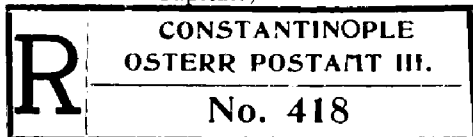
**Observations on
Some Original Covers**

By R. R. THIELE.

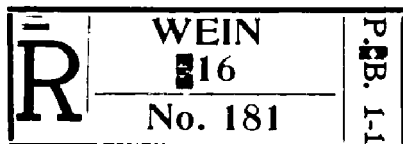
Unfortunately lack of space made it impracticable to give exact reproductions of all the registration labels in our April number; I think you understand that all the varieties near the close of the article should have frame-lines similar to those shown earlier in the article and should have been much larger than printed there.

As these labels are of some interest, I think it may not be amiss to describe a few other specimens such as have casually been preserved by me; these things serve to throw some light on postal conditions here and there.

The labels used by the Austrian post offices in the Levant are similar in general get-up to those of the mother country. I have them from several of these offices; here is a sample, coming from one of the Austrian offices at Constantinople (for, to judge by the inscription, Austria must have several offices in the Turkish Capital.)



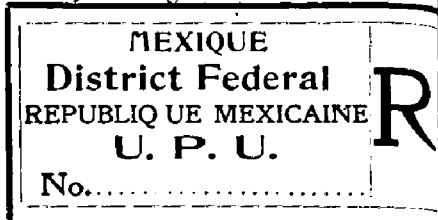
It is printed in black on yellow paper. A variety of those used in Austria is this one:



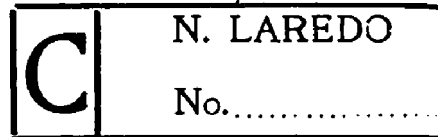
Not very apt to be overlooked, is it? The P. B. presumably stands for "Post Bureau" (Post Office), but the 1 | 1 is

is dark to me.

In the last number I described one from Mexico, originating at Tampico, State of Tamaulipas. Here is another variety coming from Mexico City:



It is printed in red on white, the number being added by numbering machine. This variety gives both city and state (district) name, whereas the former showed neither. This letter also bears the registration stamp of Nuevo Laredo, the exchange office for the United States through which this letter passed, but this is a hand stamp. It looks like this:



I have this on a number of letters. It is always struck in black and the number is inserted with pen and ink, or with indelible pencil. The C stands for Certificado, the Spanish equivalent Registered, but on the international label, as you will notice, the international symbol R. is used.

Another letter from Tampico bears a similar hand stamp, but more elaborate in this style:



This is struck in aniline ink and the number inserted with pen and ink. The letter also bears the entry stamp of the U. S. exchange office, like this:



This is struck in red aniline ink, the number being written in. Still another mark on this letter was also impressed at Tampico: it is struck in violet aniline ink. It is circular with A. R. in center. Cannot be produced here.

(To be continued.)



BOILED DOWN

ORIGINAL AND OTHERWISE

The little booklet of stamps issued by the authorities at Washington, is to be adopted by the Austro-Hungarian government. When these stamp books were first issued, samples were sent to every country in the Postal Union, with the result that several other countries are about to adopt the use of them, notably Germany and England.

Newfoundland had, only a few short weeks ago, the unique distinction of having four generations in the line of succession to the Empire's throne depicted upon its postage stamps, viz.: the Queen, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York, and young Prince Edward.

Any U. S. stamp catalogued at one dollar or more that can be purchased at from sixty-six to seventy-five per cent. discount is a bargain. Buy it if you have to borrow the money to do so.

Today United States Revenues sell at prices that would be undoubtedly very low two years ago, but the steadily increasing demand will surely place these stamps on their true level in a few years, and those unthoughtful collectors who fail to purchase now will have cause to complain and denounce themselves for their want of intellectual discernment.

While excessive speculation by collectors and dealers in general has a demoralizing effect on stamp-collecting, the efforts of one man or of a set of men to boom the price of any specified stamp will result eventually in the price seek-

It is reported that Charles H. Reed has filed suit at Pittsburg against Armour & Company of Chicago for \$10,000 for alleged breach of contract. It is held by the plaintiff that Armour & Co., bargained for a quarter-million uncanceled Philippine stamps, and then refused to buy them.

On the 1 colon Costa Rica of the new pictorial issue is represented a railroad bridge over the Berris, a stream few philatelists would have ever heard from but for this incident.

No more stamps from Favidkot. The office was discontinued March 31st. A new issue from the French colony of Tchad takes its place.

Some dealers were hurt by the wholesale unloading of Haytean and San Marino jubilee issue which recently transpired.

A Chicago letter-carrier is of the opinion that the best advertising that stamp collecting has received for some time resulted from the newspaper reports of the finding of inverted centers of the 2-cent Pan-Americans. He says that the idea of the central design inverted is a fascinating one to the layman, and that he is besieged by non-collectors who wish to know about the inverted medallions in particular and stamps in general.

Two types of the 8, 10, 13 and 16c Seychelles have been found.

In the re-engraved 1 p., red, 1854-6 Great Britain, the eye-lids of the queens portrait show plainly. In the original issue, the upper eye-lid is barely noticeable, while the lower eye-lid is quite

Notes on the Coinage of the Greeks

By T. L. ELDER.

PERIOD III B. C. 400-336.

(Continued from May number.)

A silver coin of Cyzicus bearing the head of Demeter or Persephone and on the reverse a lion's head and tunny, is one of the gems of Greek Art.

Tenedos. Obv. Juniform head, male and female; reverse double axe. In the field, the magistrate's letter and two symbols. Weight of coin 200 grains. Tenedos seems to have coined silver money of this type at three different periods; first, before the Persian wars; second, about the time of Alexander the Great when the Island revolted from Persia, and third, about B. C. 189.

Clazomenae. Obv. head of Appollo, full face; reverse, Swan, weight 88 grains. Another coin bears the engraver's full signature, something most interesting.

In the territory of Clazomenae there was a temple of Apollo; the swan is one of the symbols of this god, who is said to have sometimes assumed its form. The delta of the Hermus abounded in wild swans, and the name Clazomenae may have been due to their shrill cries. Both of the above mentioned coins are splendid examples of the full faced type of Appollo, and they may be compared with those of Rhodes, Aenus, Amphipolis and Syracuse. The fashion of putting full faced heads on coins was a characteristic of the fourth century.

Colophon. Obv. head of a Persian King or Satrap; Rev. Lyre. This coin bears a striking portrait of a Persian Satrap (?) perhaps Pharanabaus, wearing the tiara. The reverse indicates that the coin was struck by the authority of the great king.

Ephesus. Obv. bee; Rev. Infant strangling serpents.

Rhodes. Obverse, head of Helios,

full face, his hair arranged in locks suggestive of rays. Reverse, Rose with bud, and vine-spray with grapes; the whole in an incuse square. Weight 132-6 grains.

The three cities of this ancient island, Lindus, Ialysas, and Carmirus, combined in B. C. 408 to found the city of Rhodes. This coin is one of the finest Greek coins extant. It may have belonged to the first-half of the fourth century, or possibly to the second half.

Tarsus. Obv. Baaltars, in the Aramic character. Zeus of Tarsus, seated on a throne, holding sceptre. Letters and grapes in the field. Rev. Aramic Inscription. Lion devouring a bull; beneath a walled city. Wt. 171 grains.

The Aramic inscription on the reverse side probably contains the name of the satrap ruler of Cilicia under whose authority the coin was struck. It may be translated "Mazares, who governs Syria and Cilicia."

Sidon. Obverse, Galley, before the fortified wall of a city. In exergue, two lions. Reverse, King in Chariot, driven at full speed by charioteer; beneath a goat, incuse. Wt. 425 grains; silver.

Aenus. Obv. Head of Hermes, facing, wearing petasus. Reverse Ainion. Goat; in field, torch. Wt. 175.9 grains silver. Among the coins of Aenus are found some of the finest examples of full face on ancient coins. The fashion of presenting the face of man in this manner upon coins is peculiar to the best period of art. (See coins of Rhodes, Amphipolis Syracuse, etc.)

Amphipolis. Obv. Head of Apollo, facing. Rev. Greek inscription. Racing torch within a frame, the whole in incuse square. Wt. 220.5 grains; silver. Amphipolis was founded in B. C. 437, and it ceased to strike autonomous coins when it became subject to Philip of Macedon in B. C. 358. The fine silver staters of this city are remarkable for intensity of expression.

(To be continued.)

CHIPS *A. B. Y. A.*
E. R. Steinbrueck

I collect precancelled stamps coming my way and have got a pair of 15 cents surcharged "Chicago, Illinois" between two horizontal lines in black; a 2 cent surcharged "Calla Ohio" between two pair of parallel lines and two broken lines on each side of names. Surcharges in gray runs vertically; a 1 cent surcharged in black

Chicago
4-1
Illinois

between two horizontal lines; others 1 cent from Racine, Wis., and another reverse: Dayton, Ohio; Decorah, Iowa; Boston, Mass; Minneapolis, Minn; and and inverted horizontally; 2 cents Boston, Mass., Chicago, Illinois, horizontally; 3 cents Minneapolis, Minn., horizontally and inverted (they don't seem to be very particular which way they get it) Racine, Wis., down and up, St. Paul between two vertical lines up and down and St Paul, Minn., down and up; 6 cents brownish lake St Paul and magenta both down and up between two vertical lines; 8 cents Minneapolis, Minn., horizontally precancelled.

Among my correspondence with foreign countries one of my letters to Germany was returned to me with a little slip pasted on front, which read in print

*Ungenugende
Adresse
insufficance
d'adresse*

the frame is green while the printing in German and in French letters is black.

I have received a letter from Germany the cover split all round in two, the contents, two sheets and two photos all complete, nothing missing. Postmaster

had marked in pencil on face of half cover, "Received in bad order." Well, I should say so.

When living in Canada in the township of Sebastopol I received once a letter from Germany covered with all kinds of post marks, Russian, U. S. and Canadian the letter being dated about one year back. It had been sent to all kinds of Sebastopols, simply being addressed "Sebastopol," till it finally and safely reached its destination, the Post Office Cloutarf now deceased in the County of Renfrew Ontario. Why did I not keep it for a relic? Because then I was no collector.

Another letter sent from here to the Crimea, Russia, was returned, addressees had moved away and could not be found. It is covered with Russian postmarks. Anybody wanting it may have it for two cents return postage.

\$50 for a Postal Card.

The exhibition of postage stamps at the Palais de l'Industrie, in Paris, has given a notable boom the trade in used stamps. The Stamp Exchange in the Champs Elysees fell for sometime into a state of languor, but it is now brisker than ever.

One sees there every morning between 300 and 400 philatelists or speculators. They meet in the open air near the Marigny end of the gardens, and make as great a hubbub as if they were at the Bourse. Quotations of the prices are telegraphed all over France and abroad.

The other day a postal card was sold for \$50 because it had gone all around the world after the person to whom it was addressed, and bore 72 postmarks.

It was evident that means had been taken beforehand to cause it to be sent on through 72 post offices. The original address and the supplemental ones were written in very small characters, and most of them in red ink, as if on purpose, so as not to take from the distinctness of the postmarks.



Fiscal and Revenue Dept.

Correspondence is invited in these columns on the subject of fiscal and telegraph stamps

Collectors in foreign countries are especially requested to send information concerning new issues, oddities, uncatalogued varieties, etc. All communications should be addressed to

G. W. PEPPER,
220 E. 57th St., New York City, U. S. A.

Judging from the extremely small number of uncut copies of the present issue document stamps offered for sale collectors with limited purses will have a hard time of it, to make any respectable showing in the above.

A friend of mine who handles and sells, perhaps as many document stamps as any one in this country, tells me that uncut copies above the \$2 denominations are scarcer than diamonds. Only 2 of the \$5 denomination had thus far been met with, and no \$10 at all.

I have not seen any offered above the \$3 stamp by dealers.

It would seem that even if one has plenty of money, he must buy them unused if he must have them uncut.

Speaking for my self, I do not object to a cut copy providing that the cuts do not touch the edge of the stamp. Of course there are all sizes and styles of cancelling, but many are cut so as to be hardly noticeable.

Some of the document stamps are cancelled by means of a punch which causes the stamp to appear as though it had been grilled with a large grill. This may be remedied by means of a little patience and a hot flat iron, so as to look very well.

The public have now handled the

Pan-American stamps and have ample opportunity to judge as to the merits.

The public have been quoted; the stamp collectors have been quoted; the clerks at the P. O. Dep't at Washington have been quoted, and thus far looks as though the majority seem to think them the finest thing yet turned out by the post office department.

On this question I shall have to placate myself with the minority, for in point of workmanship, I consider them about the worst piece of work ever turned out by the P. O. Dep't.

This opinion is shared by all the engravers I have asked the opinion of and includes some of the best in the city.

The foreman of one concern who has about 30 men working for him, could not believe that it was done by the government workmen.

This criticism applies to the scene on the stamps and not the lettering which is fully up to the high standard of government work.

I take pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of stamps from Mr. Preston Pearce, Exchange manager of Great Britain, to balance amount due me on my account.

I note in (Stamps) that Mr. Pearce has found that increased business responsibilities will cause him to be obliged to resign his position as Exchange manager of the club, and hopes to make definite arrangements to turn over his work in connection with the club, to some one else in the near future.

Speaking of the fiscals of India, Mr. Pearce makes the interesting statement that, 4 of the 6 stamps listed by Scott under Bhor, are fiscals pure and simple.

The information given by Mr. Pearce on the fiscals of India in Stamp

is of great value to one who makes a specialty of the above.

The fiscals of India certainly offer an inviting field to the collector. Morley lists about 350 varieties not including the Native states, and this is no doubt far short of the actual number on original documents measuring $7\frac{1}{2}$ by $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches, color light blue.

The workmanship is by De la Rue of London, which is a sufficient guarantee that the workmanship is fine.

The design consists of a profile of Queen Victoria in center surrounded by an elaborate frame. These appear in both English and native language and the balance of the stamp is composed of beautiful scroll work, in English and native language and the balance of the stamp is composed of beautiful scroll work, in which the word India is repeated about 150 times.

Another issue (For copies only) measures $7\frac{1}{2} \times 2$ inches, color red brown, design similar to the blue stamps mentioned above. All the values are of different designs and the designs are marvels of intricate work.

Another beautiful and striking set is the (Hundi) stamps. These are lilac in color, size $4\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$ inches, they contain profile of Queen Victoria in oval, in centre, surrounded by the same intricate ornamentation which forms so much a part of the designs of the stamps of India.

I have 10 varieties of the last named

Not so pretty as the stamps mentioned above are some presumably of home manufacture, of an oval shape, I have them in various sizes from $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ in size. And from 1 anna to 32 rupees in value.

In one of them now before me I notice an error in the spelling, it reading two annas. instead of two annas.

Most of them are printed in two colors, blue and black, or brick red and black been the favorite colors.

I have one for Travancore however, which is printed in vermillion and blue.

Some of the Native States are engraved in up-to-date style; (Morvee State) for instance, has an issue showing a native with head adorned with a turban, and his moustache curled up "a la Emperor William."

1c Buffalo with inverted centers have sold for \$17.00; the 2c is offered at \$50.

Another change in the dollar documentary stamps may be expected soon. Stricter measures to prevent washing will be adopted by printing the numerals with which the stamps are surcharged in soluble ink.

Postoffice Inspector F. D. Peer, Macon, Georgia, has caused the arrest of H. G. Snow, alias H. D. Shaw, Fort Valiey, Ga., the person recently reported in the philatelic press as having applied for selections of valuable stamps on approval and having given a bogus reference. The inspector desires all correspondence from dealers that may have a bearing on the case.

The action of the Victorian postal service in offering cancelled sets of the new issue for 4sh each is meeting with outspoken condemnation from Australian philatelists.

A glance over the philatelic history of the year that is past will show a wonderful activity upon the part of European countries in the way of new issues. Entire sets upon the part of Austria, Hungary, Spain, Germany, Turkey and Holland, indeed there are very few countries in which a number of changes cannot be recorded. Even staid old Belgium, Denmark and Norway must be included. Entirely new issues are contemplated for Belgium and Montenegro and Italy.

Notes For U. S. Collectors

E. R. ALDRICH.

Postmaster General Smith has promulgated the following:

"Ordered. That section 631 of the amended postal laws and regulations in relation to the free delivery service be and the same hereby is amended by adding the following:

"Shirt Waist—During the heated term postmasters may permit letter carriers to wear a neat shirt waist or loose-fitting blouse, instead of coat and vest, the same to be made of light gray shambray gingham, light gray cheviot, or other light gray washable material; to be worn with turn-down collar, dark tie and a neat belt: all to be uniform at each office.

The Minneapolis Journal of April 20, gave nearly a quarter of a page to the new Pan-American issue illustrating the central part of each stamp with cuts of an inch and a half diameter. As the article was in the supplement especially given up to the school children of the northwest it is almost inevitable that it will do much to stimulate stamp collecting by the youths of the grain belt.

Up to date I have seen three printings of the Chicago precancelled stamps. The first issued had the inscription in two horizontal lines "Chicago-Illinois" In the second the date "4-1" is inserted between the two lines and the third, the one now in use "5-1." (See "Chips" for illustrations.)

I have seen but few of the Pan-Americans as yet but one specimen I have seen is so surface printed that at first glance a person would think the specimen was upon pink paper.

Speaking of Pan-American reminds me of a little experience I had on the second of the month. Having written a couple of letters, franked with the new stamps—too late for the regular mail I asked a friend to put them on the train for me, which he did but the clerk passed them back with the remark "Those can't go they have no postage stamps on, only those d— advertising stickers from Buffalo." My friend not being a philatelist, thinking I had made a mistake, brought them back and my mail was delayed twelve hours through the ignorance of a postal official.

From the postmaster general's report sent to congress in December last I clip

The records of the department show that 18,422,649 pieces of mail were registered in the various postoffices during the year, 3,029,713 official (free), and 15,392,936 for the public (paid). Of those registered for the public the sum of \$1,231,434.88 was collected as registration fees, showing an increase of 14.77 per cent, nearly double the per cent of increase for the previous year, that being 7.48 per cent. The percentage of increase in the number of articles registered during the year (14.52) is nearly five times that for the previous year (3.11) and exceeds the average yearly rate of increase during the last preceding twenty years by 1,541,165 pieces, or 349.71 per cent.

There were 7,129,990,202 pieces of mail matter of all kinds handled in our postoffice during the year. These were divided as follows: Letters, paid and free, 3,309,754,607; postal cards 587,815,250; newspapers and periodicals known as second-class matter, 2,356,698,377; third and fourth class matter 875,721,968.

From the 1896 report of the third assistant I clip: The total number of all kinds issued during the year ending

... was for the postal cards which ...
 ... than the No. for the preced-
 ... year. Assuming that during the present
 ... the coming years the increase will be 7 per
 ... the same as is assumed in the case of ad-
 ... stamps the estimate will be 76155,360 for

... of this number of single cards at the
 ... present contract price of 12.87 cents a thousand
 ... 97,501

... the cost of double or reply postal cards it is
 ... fully necessary to include in the estimate, the
 ... being but small. The estimate may be
 ... put at 197,000. The current appropriation
 ... 186,000.

... the present contract for postal cards expires
 ... of September, 1897; but under a new
 ... contract the cost per thousand will probably not
 ... increased.

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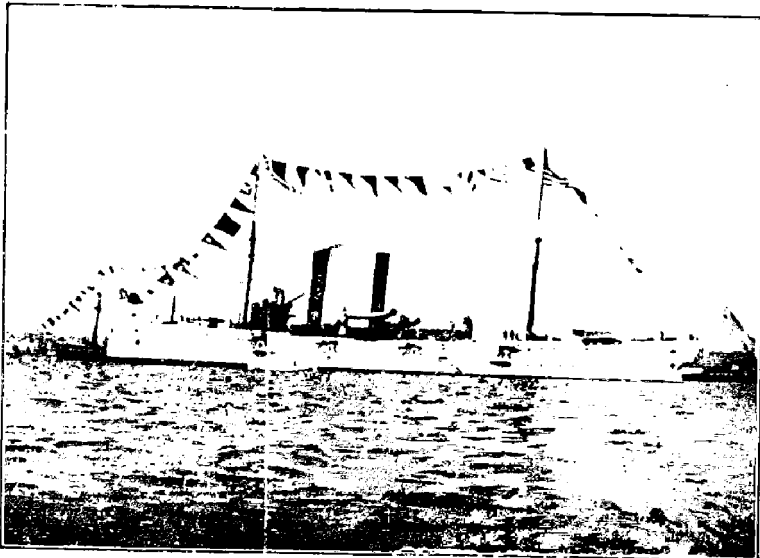
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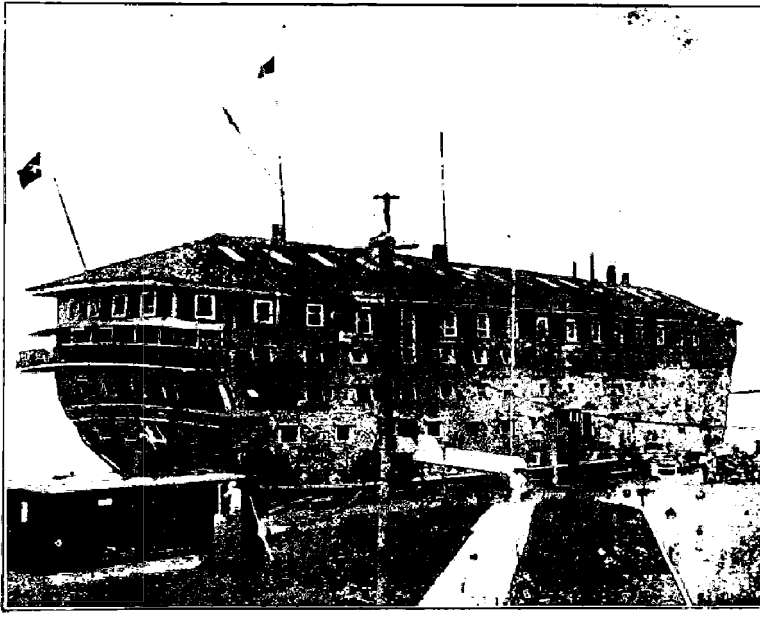
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MINING PAPER



U. S. R. S. VERMONT.



Two Years AGO

We advertised the 1 Shilling green 1885, South African Rep. unused at 45c. Many collectors who failed to take advantage of the offer, would no doubt be glad to get the same stamp now for four times our former price. The same thing will probably be true of the **2c Proprietary** imperf. vertically we offered in last month's ad. Only 120 pairs are known to exist, and according to Crawford Capen's mode of valuation each pair is worth \$35.00. At any price only 120 collectors can be supplied.

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European Souvenir Card Collectors have gotten onto a new wrinkle to avoid the unpleasantness of having their cards torn or spoiled by careless cancellation, a number of our American members are following their example and are well pleased with the results.

Supposing you want to send 2 or 3 cards to a collector in Europe, and, in return for the handsome cards sent you, wish to send in exchange as nice cards as you can find. You would naturally hate to see the cards get to their destination in a torn and soiled condition, and you are therefore willing to go to some trouble about insuring their safe arrival. After properly stamping and addressing the cards and signing your name, take them to the P. O. with the request of having the stamps cancelled. But that this is done carefully and have the cards returned to you, place them in an envelope and send as printed matter, open, as long as there are no communications, written on the cards—otherwise close the letter and send at letter postage rates. This system insures safe arrival in a nice clean condition, and still, the cards are properly stamped and cancelled.

A number of collectors now ask to have the stamp placed on the view side of the card to show the stamp and cancellation without removing the card from the album.

It is advisable to take your cards to the P. M. and explain to him, what you want done and the reason why and there will be no trouble about having this attended to satisfactorily.

There has been a great demand for the

official Pan-Am. Souvenir cards. About 25 sets of them have been sent by the Exchange headquarters during one week in June for various collectors, via Buffalo, to all parts of the world. Of course, they should be properly stamped and cancelled, bearing Buffalo postmark and this will be attended to by your secretary at a slight advance, just enough to cover the cost. Send 30c for set of 10 cards—10c for postage (1c each) and 10c for expense of addressing forwarding, corresponding, etc., 50c in all.

There continues to be a big demand for the new Indian cards, which meet with universal favor in foreign countries. Have you seen the new 'Shirtwaist man' a comic card and making a great hit, if you haven't seen one yet you had better send for a few. 10 for 30c prepaid.

One of our Canadian friends objected to being roasted in a recent number of the West in regard to the average Quality of Souv cards used in Canada, and as a contradiction sent two very pretty colored cards of St. Johns, N-Brunswick, Canada. We sincerely hope he did not feel hurt at our reply and explanation, that those two cards were made in the U. S. They certainly are far superior to much of the amateurish looking work we have seen so far and we give our correspondent credit for using the best in the market, which goes to show that the work of the cheap handpress artist goes begging, while something good always fetches a good price.

Don't be surprised, if you are using the amateur kind of cards as have been received by some of our members, and don't get any reply or exchange for them. The aforesaid victims have registered a vigorous kick at Exchange headquarters, and say that they would not waste a stamp nor a card to reply to such cheap trash. We wish to emphasize this statement by suggesting to all desiring to collect souvenir cards, to please not impose upon good nature, and either give value for value or quit.

Colonialana America.

Or Ways, Things and Times in the American Colonies, by Daniel E. Pannepacker.

INTRODUCTION.

As the days come and go old Father Time has seemingly turned men's minds to ways, objects and times of our early Colonial ancestors.

Genealogical research has of late years traced many a family history back to the days of its beginning in the fatherland and emblazoned upon the silver and plate appear the heraldic coat of arms of a noble ancestry. Others there be, less careful who have adopted or perhaps we must say appropriated such "coat of arms" of some person bearing a like name without regard to right or lineal descent.

Our study is not, however, of either genealogy or heraldry, but rather of the "folk lore," "quaint ways," "objects, utensils, furniture and things" in use in Colonial days.

Our desire is to aid both the student and the collector of American antiques and at the same time we hope to entertain the general reader by a description of the practical use and illustration of several utensils and objects having the to do with early pioneer life.

We hope to give only authentic information and as there is at present no single work having to do with objects used by our ancestors, we hope any error made may be brought to our attention.

In an appendix we will give proper recognition to any aid or suggestion received from other antiquarians.

CHAPTER I.

AMERICA BEFORE COLUMBUS.

THE MYTHICAL PERIOD.

Perhaps our fellow American antiquarians will take exception to any period called mythical or having to do with that which is vague or legendary.

Other parts of the world began their history in myth and tradition and our

land has not escaped the shadowy romance. We shall have but little to say of the folk lore and customs of the Indians except where their ways were adopted and their utensils used by the colonist.

As the traditions and tales of the Montezumas, Incas and Mound Builders seem to run back far beyond the memory of the white man, we will look back through the distant past and try and study their mode of life, their character, their religion for a moment.

All of us have been impressed with their wonderful "architecture."

Some historians have claimed a wonderful degree of civilization for our early Indians. The architecture of their time is not the architecture of civilization only a wonderfully skilled barbarism and proves to our mind that there never was any real prehistoric civilization.

Indeed all Indian kind were essentially one in their social structure, varying only in their development and for convenience in study they may be divided into three great classes:

Class 1.—In this class we include what were known as village and who depended almost entirely upon horticulture for subsistence. The Indians of New Mexico, Central America and the plateaus of the Andes are of the first class.

Class 2—Embraces now horticultural Indians, who depended upon fish, bread roots and game for an existence and included the Indians of the valley of Columbia, Hudson Bay Territory, parts of Canada and such other parts of North America where cultivation was unknown.

Class 3.—Were the partially village and partially horticultural Indians. To this class belonged the powerful Iroquois or five nations of New York, the New England and the Virginia Indians, the Creeks, Cherokees, Mandans, Minitaries, Shawnees and Chichemees of Mexico.

(To be continued.)



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REPORT OF SECRETARY.

Fellow Members:

The society is progressing as well as could be expected under the circumstances. You are not required to fill application blanks for new members when applying for charter membership.

The state presidents will be announced next month and they proceed at once to recommend the county Vice-Presidents of their states.

The National election occurs in September.

Mr. Lewis Brodstone of Superior Nebraska and Mr. Frank Gingrich of New Kamille, Wash., have been appointed on the National recruiting committee.

The following prizes are offered in addition to those offered last month:

A year's subscription to either "Success" or "Saturday Evening Post," to all who secure 20 members.

Let everyone work. I would like to hear from one young man and woman every school and college in the U. S. who will help to get members for our society, have good offer to make to any who are willing to take up this work.

Hoping I may hear from all readers of West.

F. E. BARTH,
Gen. Secretary.

Geological Formation of Madison Co., Ia. By F. R. Brown.

The strata here exposed belong to two groups widely separated in character, origin and age.

The indurated rocks belong to the Carboniferous, while the overlying unconsolidated beds belong to the Pleistocene.

It may be possible that in the South-

west part under the drift are out lies of the Cretaceous but none have yet been discovered.

We have in the Pleistocene the Iowan and Kansan drift in the Carb, just the upper part subdivided into Missourian highest and then Des Moines.

The Missourian consists of Shales, clay limestones.

The Des Moines as exposed in this country is of shales, limestones and thin coal seams, the thickest being two feet.

The two following fossils. All to be found in Missourian and most of them in Des Moines:

- 1, Allorienea Cunteatum.
- 2, Archeocidaris sp?
- 3, Athyris Subtilita.
- 4, Aviculopecten Occidentalis.
- 5, Axophyllum Rude.
- 6, Bellorophon sp?
- 7, Chonetes Mesoloba.
- 8, " Paruus.
- 9, " Vermeuiliona.
- 10, Derbya Crassa.
- 11, Dielesnea Bovidens.
- 12, Tusilina Cylindrica.
- 13, Hustedia Mormoni.
- 14, Lophophyllum Proliferum.
- 15, Mukella Shiato-Corlota.
- 16, Myalina Subquadrata.
- 17, " Kausasensio.
- 18, " Swallowi.
- 19, Naticopsis Altonensis.
- 20, Orthis Pecosi.
- 21, Productus Costatus.
- 22, " Cora.
- 23, " Longispinsis.
- 24, " Muricatus.
- 25, " Nebrascensis.
- 26, " Semireticulatus.
- 27, Rhynchonella Uta.
- 28, Spirifer Cameratus.
- 29, " Lineatus.
- 30, " Plano-Convexus.
- 31, Spiriferina Kentuckensis.
- 32, Straparollus Cattilloides.
- 33, " Sp?
- Species of Bryozoa Sp?
- " " Crinoid Sp?
- " " Corals Sp?

Notes of the Pan-American.

By F. A. W. Dean.

Bostock's animal show are in receipt of a large consignment of snakes from India. One of these large Boas has escaped and is somewhere in the neighborhood of Tonawanda swamp. They are buying up all the old plug horses they can find to feed the animals. Mr. Bostock has the only pair of Black Ostriches in captivity and they are being trained to harness.

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The Congress of American Indians is historical and interesting to young and old.

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Chas. Bierdstadt has forwarded to the fine art building the celebrated painting of St. Anthony's Falls, painted from life by his brother, the celebrated artist, Albert Bierdstadt.

Bierdstadt Bros. are the originators of Albuma Paper in America, that is, they coated the first in this country for the Benj. French Co., at Boston.

Anthony had albuma paper on the market previous of German origin.

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Ohio is well represented with spoils of Archaeology at the Pan. Fort Ancient and other sites are represented.

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The park zoo is in goon condition with a fine herd of American Bison and a rare and interesting collection of others.

Thoughts on Stamp Exchanging.

Edwin Ewell, Nashua, Ia.

"Honesty is the best policy." It is always best to be fair and square and the other fellow will learn to trust you.

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Promptness is an essential quality of a good correspondent. Time is valuable and it is robbery to keep another waiting needlessly. Answer the letter and, if

you cannot supply the stamps wanted or give adequate exchange, say so.

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No one can give something for nothing and keep at it very long without bankruptcy. Do not expect better stamps either as to condition or catalogue value than you are willing to give.

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If you receive a selection from which to choose, it will not be fair to send barely enough to cover the amount you have taken. Send a lot worth at least five times as much as the whole amount of those you have selected and thus give the other party a chance to select.

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Who shall begin the exchange? You, by sending as good a lot as you are willing to risk in the hands of a stranger. Having learned his needs you can quickly decide whether you are able to supply them and so continue the exchange.

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A two cent stamp measures a man's heart as to generosity. In beginning the exchange there will be no loss in enclosing return postage and in all matters of primary personal interest courtesy demands it.

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If the exchange be foreign be sure that the stamps are worth several times the postage or enclose return postage.

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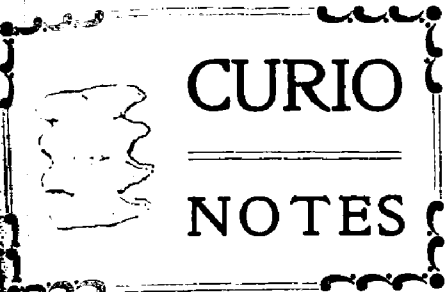
Advertise the exchange desired in several papers domestic and foreign and thus give your name to the stamp world.

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Exchanging may secure healthy growth of your collection and help you to many pleasant acquaintances.

W. Van Malder, Halifax, Canada.—West is to good a paper to miss a single number.

H. Wendt, Neb.—My ads pay me well.



CURIO NOTES

The origin of the old fractional currency, which is now in so much demand with collectors is somewhat peculiar and not generally known. The appearance of this currency, which at first was always spoken of as "postal currency," was due to the premium on specie. In 1862 small change became very scarce. It was more than a day's search to find a five cent silver piece or any other small denomination coin. People could not find change for small transactions. All gold and silver was being hoarded by banks and by individuals. General Spinner was then treasurer of the United States. He was constantly appealed to from all quarters to do something to supply the demand for small change, but he had no law under which he could act, and it was only after much straining of his wits that he bethought him of the postage-stamp. He ordered a package of the paper upon which government securities were printed and cut this paper into various sizes. On the pieces he pasted stamps to represent different amounts, and in this way indicated a substitute for fractional silver. This was not, however, a government transaction in any sense: It could not be. General Spinner distributed his improvised currency among the clerks of the department. They took it readily and the trade-folks more readily. The more it spread, the postage stamp, either detached or pasted on a piece of paper became the medium of small exchange. It was dubbed "postal currency," and there was issued "encased postage

stamps" also which are now much sought by collectors. General Spinner went before Congress with his idea, that body readily adopted it, and soon a law was on the statute-books authorizing an issue of fractional paper. The facsimile of postage stamps was put on each piece of currency and for a long time it was called "postal currency."

John Burroughs, the eminent naturalist and well-known magazine contributor, writing of one of our most common American birds had this to say in a magazine some years ago: "Our blue-bird is no doubt a modified thrush; that is, its ancestor, in the remote past was doubtless of the thrush family. One evidence of this is the fact that the young of the blue-bird has a speckled breast like the thrush; and Darwin established the principle that peculiar markings or traits confined to the youth of any species are an inheritance from early progenitors. In addition to this, I have noted in the song of the female blue-bird, (one of a pair that for two seasons have built near me), a distant note of the thrush. Whenever I hear the voice of this bird it reminds me of that of a certain thrush—the olive-backed."

Experiments in transplanting the beautiful Alpine flower, Edelweiss, into other mountain ranges of Europe show the flower changes its character in its new home. In the mountains of Bohemia it has become a new species, bearing red blossoms, instead of the beautiful pure white blooms of Switzerland.

One of the most interesting botanical curiosities of our continent is the genus of plants known as cactus, the type of the order of cactaceae, comprising numerous species all of which are native to America. The stems of the plant are

usually leafless and fleshy, globular or columnar, and are armed with spines or bristles. The structure of many of the species is singular and grotesque in the extreme, and the roughness of the stalks and the beauty of the flowers make them interesting curios to the botanical student and collector. They are found chiefly in the hot, stony places of tropical America, and their tough and almost impenetrable skin encloses abundant juice, which enables them to support a sluggish vital action without inconvenience even in parched soil. Some of the varieties of cactus are only a few inches high while others attain a height of forty feet. It is a curious fact that the cactus flourishes even at the foot of Mt. Etna in Sicily. The most splendid example of the cacti family is the giant cactus of which a fine specimen was still standing some years ago, though it was then slowly rotting and was about to fall, at a point eight miles south of Phoenix, Arizona; near the Pima Reservation. It was about forty feet high. What the date-palm is to the African deserts the giant cactus is to our own arid lands. From it the Mexicans extract the drink called "mescal," and the Indians also obtain a beverage from it. On its fruit the Papago Indians live for weeks at a time. Woodpeckers dig their nests in the trunk and branches and even doves feed on the fruit. When the cactus of this kind dies its usefulness is not destroyed, for the tough ribs beneath the outer skin are used by the Papago Indians for the foundation of their mud roofs, and they also use it in building chicken-coops, and even as a covering for their graves. It is not this species of cactus from which travelers are supposed to obtain a supply of water, but the small cactus, which contains a plentiful supply of sap.

Livingstone met with a wonderful distilling insect in Africa fig trees. Seven or eight of the insects would cluster round a spot on one of the smaller branches and there keep up a constant distillation of a clear fluid like water, dropping to the ground, forms a little puddle. If a vessel is placed under them in the evening it contains three or four pints in the morning. To the question whence is this fluid derived? the natives reply that the insects suck it out of the tree, and Naturalists give the same answer. But Livingstone could never find any wound in the bark, or any proof whatever that insect pierced it. Our common frog hopper, which before it gets its wings is called "cuckoo sprit" and lives on many plants in a frothy, spittlelike fluid, is like the the African insect, but is much smaller. Livingstone considers that they derive much of their fluid by absorbing it from the air. He found some of the insects on a castor-oil plant, and he cut away about 20 inches of the bark between the insects and the tree or bush, and destroyed all the vegetable tissue which carried the sap from the tree to the place where the insects were distilling. The distillation was then going on at the rate of one drop in every 67 seconds, or 5½ tablespoonfuls every 24 hours. Next morning, although the supplies were stopped, supposing them to come up from the ground, the fluid was increased to one drop every five seconds or one pint in every 24 hours. He then cut the branch so much that it broke, but they still went on at the rate of one drop every five seconds while another colony of the insects on a branch, on the same tree, gave a drop only every 16 seconds.

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Though many coin collectors of numismatists would be willing to exchange their dearest possessions, al-

most, for a complete set of United States silver coins in a mint state, any of them would perhaps tell you, could you extract from a them frank confession, that it is a national pride that prompts them to especially desire a collection of United States coins and not the beauty of these pieces. As a matter of fact the coins of our country are far less beautiful than those of many two-by-four countries on the map, and scarcely any country of note but takes more pride in its coin issues than does this country of ours. In this connection we are prompted a quote a little bon-mot of James Russell Lowells. He once said: "Clearly enunciated words are like coins fresh from the mint, compared with the worn and dingy druges of long service—I do not mean American coins, for those look less badly the more they lose of their original ugliness."

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A certain learned professor, not long ago, shut up in a green house twelve male and as many female butterflies, in order to study them at leisure. He was not long in finding out that those of the "fair sex" were remarkable for perfect sobriety. These winged ladies drank nothing but water—several drops of dew a day—to quench their thirst. The males, on the contrary, gave way to revolting intemperance. "They came," said the professor, "to the flowers whose distillation produces the most alcohol, and they drank of the juices to the point of remaining inanimate several hours. There was not a day when I did not pick up butterflies dead drunk." And the professor is persuaded that the butterfly does not merit the reputation for inconstancy that the poets give it. When the insect is overcome by the abuse of strong liquors it staggers to its spouse to receive the attention which its state needs. The professor

conducted his experiments so far as to intoxicate his pupils, not with flowers, but with vegetable spirits, of which he placed a few drops on the glass of the greenhouse. The butterflies did not hesitate; the precipitated themselves upon the whiskey and several of them succumbed. Some butterflies at liberty were attracted by the fumes of a glass of gin left upon a table in a garden and fell asleep after excessive libations.

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The construction of the owl's foot is peculiar. Unlike the well-known foot of the parrot, which has two toes in front and two behind, and like that of the eagle—or a more familiar example—the common sparrow, it has one toe behind and three in front; but the first of these is capable of much lateral motion, while the fourth or outer toe is reversible and, when the bird perches is turned backward, so that the owl sits on its perch with the two middle toes in front and the two outer toes behind.

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Now is the collectors busy season, and while no doubt the trade of the curio dealer will be diminished during the warm weather he will welcome the opportunity thus offered him to replenish stock and arrange his new catalogues and price lists for next winter's rush. And the collector himself while on his summer vacation will add specimens to his collection from this place and that, and return home with a fresh interest in his cabinet that will make him a good patron of the dealer later on. The editor will confess that he is footsore and weary nearly every night now from excursions on foot o'er the surrounding country after fossils, minerals, land-shells, birds eggs and what not; for he is a general collector and that means hard work. We are too tired to write interesting collecting notes at night now, and too busy to take up a pen in the day time so our readers will kindly pardon any dullness this month.

ROY F. GREENE.

The Geological Succession of Animals and Plants.

A Retrospect.

By Forest Gaines, Champaign, Ill.

Some of these fossils recently found in England were found to contain a pigment from which was made a substance resembling our India ink. Some of the best examples of these last two classes come from the Age of reptiles—to be noticed later.

Next, a short view of the Trilobites, and Crinoids. The former belong to the Crustaceous period. They are divided lengthwise into three lobes. They had compound eyes, and could curl themselves up into a snug ball. They varied from less than an inch to about two feet in length. Not a species of them is in existence at present. Illinois produces a good number of these extinct animals. A great number were secured by various persons where the great Drainage canal was in process of construction. These occurred mostly in the Magara limestone, a light blue formation.

The Crinoids occurred mostly in the Age of Coal, the Cretaceous, Jurassic and Silurian periods. They are stellated structures. Sections of these animals were formerly known as St. Cuthbert's beads. Sir Walter Scott gives a reference to them in his "Marion." The author has found many stems of these animals, also "Crinoid heads" which are only the bodies proper of these animals, which when expanded in life looked much like a bud or expanded flower. This bud contained the digestive apparatus. Stellated branches also arose from the sides of the crinoid stems. Dredging in the deeper parts of the sea, at the present time, has brought to light a few living representatives of this family. Sections of the stems of these animals are known to most persons as "Indian beads." Great quantities of limestone has been formed from these

animals. Where the animals can be plainly seen in the strata, the formation is known as crinoidal limestone.

The most species of fishes came in what is known as the Devonian Age. And curious fishes they would be to most people now. Many of them were covered with hard plates—something like an armored knight. The ganoids are some of the best preserved of fishes. They occur mostly in the Old Red Sandstone. The Pterichtys had remarkable projections from the front of its body at the sides, resembling wings. This fish was a great curiosity to Agassiz himself. Its head was covered with a very strong helmet. A great part of this country was under water at the time, so that very well preserved specimens of these fossils are found in many places in the United States. Illinois furnishes some of the best of them. The Brachiopod mollusks were rather abundant in this age.

Next comes the Age of Coal. During most of this period, full sway was given to the growth of large and coarse organized plants. During this age great subsidences were going on, which resulted in covering great tracts of land with water. The result was that everyday necessity—coal. One can readily ascertain where these plants grew most by making a study of the coal-fields. North America has better coal-fields than any other part of the world. Great Britain can be put next in order. Coal nearly always occurs in very clearly stratified rocks. The Calamites, Lepidodendrons and ferns; also the Conifers furnished a great quantity of coal. These plants grew in a very rank at the period of formation of coal. We have some very interesting corals from the coal age. They form many strata both above and below the coal-beds.

Let us now give a brief consideration to the Age of Reptiles. This period witnessed the evolution of the largest animals ever known before or since.

(To be continued.)

Our Illustrations

Albert C. Stewart was born July 19, 1868 in Cambridgeport, Mass., and in 1870 his father removed with his family to Toledo, Ohio, where they have since resided.

Albert Stewart was educated in the Toledo schools. In 1884 he entered his father's dry goods store where he remained until he cast his lot with the philatelists.

He became interested in stamps in the fall of '95 and collected until the autumn of 1896 when he established the Lucas Stamp Co., which he merged into the Toledo Stamp Co., after purchasing the business of that name in the spring of 1898. For nearly one year he devoted all his spare time to this venture, ably assisted by his wife who is an intelligent philatelist.

Jan. 1st, 1899 found Mr. Stewart giving his entire time to his steadily increasing business in a neatly fitted up office in his home and with the help of his wife and two assistants.

The trade outgrew these quarters shortly and Mr. Stewart took a room in downtown office building. In a few months this gave place to a suite of two rooms and here he may be found surrounded by a bevy of a dozen busy clerks.

Within the last few weeks a new advent in his work has been the placing of machinery in his rooms for the manufacture of stamp hinges.

By earnest application and clear insight Mr. Stewart has earned for himself the reputation among philatelists as an honest, reliable, and thoroughly wide-awake business man. He is a member of the A. P. A., The S. of P. and Vice Pres of Ohio of the P. S. of A. Expects to be at Buffalo meeting.

Lewis M. Lang, Baltimore, Md.,

leading attorney, Vice pres., P. S. of A for his state. Was born Sept. 1875, and is a member of leading societies, expects to be at Buffalo collectors meetings.

He once published the Collector and got out best Nos. yet seen. His hand book of the Philatelic Sons of America was finest of its kind illustrating over two dozen leading officers, directory of society with notes, etc., that will pay any reader to send him 25c for it is well worth it, being printed in society colors purple and white.

Chas. A. Phildius, was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., 1881, graduate Long Island business college.

Started to collect stamps when he received copy of Stamp Reporter, Canada. Received a sample copy of the West and as soon as he received it subscribed for it and recommends it as the leading new century paper.

He is in stamp business for himself and is known all over the world. He also has a weekly correspondence from South Africa and India.

Anyone who wishes to write him will always receive a reply.

Fredrick Edgar Barth the subject of this sketch is an Ohioan by birth. He removed to Seattle, Wash, in 1887. Mr. Barth is a philatelist of some fourteen years standing. Has written many fine articles for various magazines.

He is the acting secretary of the newly organized "American Society of Young Scientists" also candidate for director of Phil. Sons of America.

Mr. Barth has now in preparation a series of articles on "Scientific Hobbies" which will be published some time during the coming summer. G. A. M.

Next West will illustrate most of the Spanish American society officers who are foreign collectors. It will be worth the price of one year. Get your order in early to get a copy. Will also have MSS. by leading writers not yet seen.

The American Society Of Curio Collectors.

President—Roy Farrell Greene, Arkansas City, Kansas.

Vice President—Thomas L. Elder, 343 Princeton Place, Pittsburg, Penn.-sylvania.

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The secretary will furnish application blanks.

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NOTE: Arrangements are being made to establish other departments.

All honest collectors of the following are invited to join: Shells, fossils, minerals, Indian relics, war relics, coins, medals, paper money, eggs, insects, flowers, woods, autographs, mounted birds and animals, rare books, historical articles of all kinds, sea and land curios, etc., etc.

Free Identification Bureau for naming of shells, minerals, fossils and coins. One exchange notice in official organ. Quarterly bulletin for use of members only. Many other benefits.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

No doubt the members of our Society will be surprised to see, this month our official reports again in the columns of the West, but we feel sure that there will be little or no disappointment in the surprise. "The Curio Monthly" which was to be published by our secretary regularly, in the capacity of official organ, has been discontinued after issuing two numbers, Mr. Reynolds, the publisher, found his time too much taken up with necessary business to spend all his time and energy in the development of the magazine and he also found that the aid and assistance which had been pledged to him when the "Curio Monthly" started did not materialize when he most needed it, so he thought it better to discontinue the publication and fall back on the West. Every collectors stand-by, than try to eke out a precarious journalistic existence. Every member will receive the West

regularly each month and in this magazine only will the applications, the membership lists and officers reports be published.

I am informed by Mr. F. W. Coning of Maryville, Tenn., chairman of the Committee on Constitution that the committee has organized for work, and if any member should have a suggestion to make in connection with the constitution of the society, any clause he wishes incorporated in it, will kindly address Mr. Coning at the above address on the subject. Suggestions will be gladly received.

I have the honor and the pleasure this month to name W. E. Snyder, of Beaver Dam, Wis., as head of the Identification Bureau, Division of Birds and Mammals. Any member who wishes specimens identified and properly named in these two lines will please communicate with Mr. Snyder.

I have been fortunate also in obtaining as the head of the Identification Bureau, Department of Bibliography, and Department of Colonial Curiosities, Mr. Daniel E. Pannepacker, 34 No. Dewey St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Any member having any old book which he should like to have named and classified, or one he wishes valued where it can be sold if he wishes to dispose of it, or, should he desire any book, where it can be obtained will please confer with Mr. Pannepacker. Any curiosity of colonial days will also be identified by Mr. Pannepacker for our members.

The society is progressing finely. Good material is coming in each month and everything augurs well for a glorious future. Let every member put his or her shoulder to the wheel and push the society upward and forward and also help the West.

Yours in collectorship.

ROY F. GREENE.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Fellow Members:—I suppose that you will be surprised to learn that we shall use the West again as our Official Organ. The P. O. Department would not grant second-class rates for the Curio Monthly so that publication is a thing of the past. I have suffered a personal loss of about \$75 00. But I have no kick to make. I thank all the members who have done so much to help me. Let us work to increase the membership to 500 by the end of the year. And while we are working for the society let us not forget

to put in a good word for the West.

NUMISMATIC DEPARTMENT.

Identification Bureau of the A. S. of C. C.

The rules governing the Mineralogical and Conchological Depts. will apply to this department. All communications should be addressed to

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- 175 Thomas W. Allen, (61) 902 N 6th st., St Joe, Mo. Geol. & arch spec's
- 179 C. G. Moebling, (18) Des Plaines, Ills. Coins, curios.
- 180 Cleve H. Gott, Jr. (23) 135 Moore St. Lowell Mass. Coins, paper money, war & Ind. rels.
- 181 Andrew G. Akin, (23) Canton, N. Y. Eggs, geol. arch specimens.
- 182 Charles D. Perry (34) Hanover, Conn. U. S. copper coins, U. S. unused postage stps, rev stps and fractional currency.
- 183 Jeff C. Grinnalds, (17) 1244 William St. Baltimore, Md. Minerals, coins, curios, arrow-heads, war relics, Confed money.
- 184 Bradley Morral, (17) Mt Carmel, S. C. Eggs, curios and war relics.
- 185 Bennet C. Wheeler, (28) Pylesville, Md. Geol. arch spec mens coins and Confed money.
- 186 Geo G Hale, (28) Westport, Conn., curios Specialty Ind relics.
- 187 Anders-on J Corwin, (16) Edison, O. Ind. rel.
- 188 Paul Mooris, (27) Corpaopolis, Pa. arch, conchology everything in zoology specialty: birds and inammals
- 189 Frank P Janke, (26) 17 N Penn st Indianapolis, Ind. General
- 190 H C Sweet (31) Irene, Ill. Minerals, relics
- 191 Albert F. Gaudier, (19) Bowmar, ave., Vicksburg, Miss. Eggs in sets black numbers of na. hist: papers and photos of birds, nests and eggs
- 192 Thomas W Embley, M. D (27) Fishkill, N. Y. Insects, Ind relics, stps, etc
- 193 Mrs. Jane Shelby, Howard, Kans. geol spec and sea shells
- 194 H. L. Warner [37] Waubeek, Iowa coins, eggs skins, mounted birds, etc
- 195 N. H. Godley [56] 223 B W st Hutchinson, Ks. general
- 196 Don Graves [22] 54 E 6th st Dunkirk, N. Y. eggs, skins, insects, Minerals
- 197 Charles Russell Orcutt (37) 365 21st st San Diego, Calif. shells, minerals, plants, books.
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- 201 C Wesley Price [] General delivery Detroit Mich
- 202 Albert Carter [31] 121 1/2 S Broadway, Los Angeles, Cal. Sea shells, Ind rel, eggs minerals
- 203 P. H. Stilson [18] 690 Elton st Brooklyn, N. Y. Stamps, coins, etc
- 204 Victor I. Smith, [21] R F D No 7 Ottawa Ks eggs, stps and coins
- 205 T M Kelso [30] Orting, Wash. Indian relics
- 206 A J Dennis 30 Beulah, Manitoba, Canada Insects stamps and shells
- 207 Pierce Earker, 22, to Lindley ave, Philadelphia, Pa. minerals
- 208 E. L. Bangs, 37, 1401 Clarkson st. Baltimore, Md. coins, stamps, paper money, minerals &

- curios
- 209 Geo M Crotte, 58, Herbert, Va. geol. specimens and shells
- 210 Hubert Rawiszer, 18, 10 Main st., Pearl River N. Y. Coins
- 211 Robt P. King, 32, c-of L. S. & M. S. Ry Erie, Pa. War envelopes, paper money, postal cards, general relics especially documents of '64 period.
- 212 C F Alkire, 41, Mt. Sterling, Ohio. Ind. war and pioneer relics, fire arms, knives, old relics in general curios
- 213 W P Young, 35, 35 Dennett St., Portsmouth, N. H. general.
- 214 Gharles E Jenney, 28, Fresno, Calif. stps, coins, curios, shell and botanical specimens
- 215 D M Averill, 35, 331 Morrison St., Portland, Oregon. general
- 216 Fred K stearns, 30, Sac City, Ia. Nat. Hist. specimens in general, stamps
- 217 J J Dalton, 22, box 202, Wellsville, Ohio.—Coins, relics and old fire arms
- 218 C A Mathis, 45, box 75, Greenwood, Neb.—Coins, Indian relics and Confed scrip
- 219 Joseph Dillon, 47, 191 Livingston., St Grand Rapids, Mich.—General.
- 221 Chas W Major, 28, Anita Ia. General
- 222 A M Allen, 36, 1143 27th St, Des Moines, Iowa Minerals and rocks
- 223 H A Warne, 60, Kenwood, N. Y. Botany and cinchology
- 224 Ernest J Palmer, 26, 321 S Allen St. Webb City, Mo. General
- 225 r H McCoy, 62, 3815 Lake Ave, Chicago, Ill shells, minerals, corals curios and Indian relics

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- 226 H W Carr, Stamford, Conn
 - 227 Geo Harris, Fulton Ohio
 - 228 C N Dutton, Otego, N. Y
 - 229 J W Swartz, W. Market St East Liverpool, O.
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 - 250 E H Collins, Box 888 Cherokee, Ia
 - 251 Fredk B Stebbins, 8 W-R R Adrian, Mich
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- The above will be admitted to full membership, providing no sufficient objection is filed against them before July 15
- NOTICE: As none of the members are interested in the contest for new members, the prizes offered since last March are withdrawn.
- ALLEN JESSE REYNOLDS.
- Publisher requests all to notify him if address is not correct.

*Largest Photograph in the World
Of the Handsomest Train in the World*

It took two and a half months to build the big camera.

The mammoth camera was designed and built in Chicago. It is finished throughout in natural cherry, and at the top of the back part of the camera is a small track upon which two focusing screens are moving back and forth like a sliding door. These focusing screens are made of semi-transparent celluloid stretched across the frames. The bed, which is composed of four 2x6 inch cherry beams, is about twenty feet long when fully extended. The camera has double swing front and back.

The bellows is made of an outside covering of heavy rubber, each fold being stiffened by a piece of veneered white wood one-fourth of an inch thick, it is then lined inside by a heavy black canvas and an additional lining of thin black opaque material, thereby making it doubly light-proof. In the construction of this mammoth bellows over forty gallons of cement, two bolts of wide rubber cloth, and five hundred feet of one-fourth inch whitewood were used. The bellows is divided into four sections and between each section is a supported frame mounted on small wheels, which run on a steel track; the back, supporting the plateholder, being operated as easily as an ordinary camera.

The plateholder is of the roller-curtain type. This curtain contains about eight square feet of ash three-eighths inch thick, and is lined with three thicknesses of light-proof material. Over ten gallons of cement were used in the construction of this curtain, and it is mounted on a ball bearing roller. Ball bearing rollers are also mounted every two inches in the grooves in which the edge of curtain slides, thereby reducing the friction to almost nothing.

The weight of the camera is 900 pounds and the plateholder when loaded weighs 500; making a total weight of

1,400 pounds.

In operation the camera is so constructed that after a long journey the plate may be dusted in a very unique manner. The holder is put in position, the large front board, or front door as it may be called, is swung open the operator passes inside with a camel's hair duster, the door is then closed and a ruby glass cap placed over the lens, the curtain slide is drawn and the operator dusts the plate in a portable dark room, after which the slide is closed and he passes out the same way he entered.

The lens which are of the Carl Zeiss patent, were ground at great expense and trouble. They are the largest photographic lenses ever made, one being wide angle lens five and a half feet equivalent focus and the other being a telecopic rectilinear lens of ten feet equivalent focus, the latter being the one used when taking the large photograph. The Alton Limited.

The first three prints were sent to Paris Exposition. The stir which immense picture created in Paris is illustrated from the fact that affidavits were required before the Exposition officials consented to label the exhibit "The largest photograph ever made one plate."

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Camera & News



Advice to Amateurs by An Amateur. FAYETTE J. CLUTE

There are a few things that the novice in photography should bear in mind if he wishes to make his camera a source of pleasure and satisfaction instead of allowing it to become, as too many do, productive of annoyance and disappointment. It lies with each one as an individual, which it shall make it. There is no virtue in any particular form of camera or make of lens, brand of paper or developer formula. The careless worker, the indifferent student, and the person who knows it all, will fail. The careful worker, the one who seeks the answer to the various questions constantly arising, and the one who is willing to learn, will find their camera, be it ever so humble a box, a source of ever increasing enjoyment and gratification. The novice should learn that he must not expect too much of his tools. There is not a camera made but has its limitations in same direction. His may be a simple, fixed focus affair, with a cheap lens that necessitates its being used only during the middle of the day; and then, when the sun is shining brightly on the view from over his shoulder. Does he confine himself to scenes and subjects under these conditions? Rarely. Instead, he mourns for a more complicated assemblage of glass, brass, and wood; failing to realize that the more complicated his equipments, the more confusing will his difficulties become.

The novice also imagines that there must be some mystic qualities inherent in some particular developer formula that he has, as yet, failed to obtain. Here he is again mistaken. The best workers are using the formula they found in the first box of plates they used, after having learned the lesson that all must learn, sooner or later: that the formula is only indicative, not final. It is the knowledge that comes of experience and painstaking practice that enables them to secure good results. The

sooner one learns that there is little choice, and confines himself to one brand of plates, one developer, one printing process and the like; the sooner will he profit by his daily experience.

Where one brand of plates and a certain developer is used to-morrow, experience will teach him little if anything.

A good print is easily obtained from a good negative. A good negative is almost sure to result from a correctly exposed plate. A correctly exposed plate is not hard to get if one will but choose his subject to suit the capabilities of his camera. With any of the exposure scales or meters on the market, and with a little care employed in their use, one can easily give exposures so nearly correct that they will develop into good negatives almost automatically in any normal developer. If the exposure meter calls for an exposure that his camera or the subject will not permit, he should pass it by; there are plenty of subjects that will allow his camera to do just as good work as the most expensive one is capable of producing. Any well known brand of plates will give good results, any developing formula published in a reliable journal, or furnished with these plates will make good negatives of anything like correctly exposed plates. Any brand of paper that has been on the market for six months, will give good prints from a good negative, and any locality will furnish subjects suited to your camera if you but learn to see them. Study the material at hand, learn the use of your simple tools, and your results will be satisfactory. Sigh for other scenes, for other cameras, for more expensive lenses, blame your surrounding and your supposedly inexpedient outfit, and you will never conquer the failures for which you alone are responsible.

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sible print for reproduction in the shortest possible time after the development of the negative, you should use enameled bromide and make a print by contact, from undried negative. It is easily done by dampening the sheet of bromide paper and squeegeeing it in contact with the wet negative, and then giving the required exposure and developing as usual. No printing frame is required.

Intensifying or Reducing Bromide Prints

A. J. S. wants to know if there is any simple method of doing this? There is. Bromide prints may be intensified with mercury followed with ferrous oxlate or hydroquinone developer, the same as a negative. It may be reduced with ferric anide and hypo, but this sometimes leaves a yellow stain. A cleaner plan is to use one part of an alcoholic saturated solution of iodine, two part of aqueous solution of potassium cyanide, and dilute plentifully with water:—from 100 to 200 or more parts, according to the speed of reduction required.

Acid Fixing Bath.

A subscriber wishes to know if the acid fixing bath is to be used instead of or as an addition to the regular fixing bath? It is used instead of the plain hypo bath, keeps clear for a long time, and in a great measure prevents stains due to the developer.

The following formula is one of the best.

Hypo.....	4 oz.
Sodium bisulphite.....	1 oz.
Water.....	20 oz.

Or use acid sulphite of soda lye in place of the bisulphite if not obtainable.

Answers



Queries should be addressed to Fayette J. Clute
 16 Marye Terrace, San Francisco, California

Spotting Glossy Prints.

A correspondent wishes to know what he can use for spotting his glossy prints that will not dry out of a dull appearance. If he will use albumen or white egg instead of water in mixing his water color, he will find that nearly all of them dry glossy and match the surface of his enameled prints.

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Errata

Arndt Stamp Co., Chicago, should have U. S. Rev. cut \$1 gray priced at 12c per 100. They also wish to change price of \$3 gray uncut from 50c to 35c, and \$3 gray cut from 10c to 8c.

L. W. Charlat, N. Y. has changed his address since ad was printed to 345 E 5th St

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Address all correspondence relating to the P. C. C. E. to August Luft, Secy, Aspinwall, Pa. All letters will be answered personally if stamp is enclosed for reply, otherwise will be answered through this column.

In accordance with our announcement last month, of our intentions to appoint the first applicant in each state as state consul for the P. C. C. E. we hereby announce the following appointments:

Wisconsin.—W. W. Gilman, Marston Block, Madison, Wis.

Colorado.—G. C. Cook, Box 791, Denver Col.

Nebraska.—D. E. Johnston, New Castle, Neb.

Alabama.—H. R. Pfaff, Jennings, Ala.

Pennsylvania.—T. J. Carney, Edmond St. Pittsburg, Pa.

As it is our intention to increase our membership, and we desire a consul in each state, the first applicant will be appointed, provided all things are satisfactory.

The duties of consuls have not yet been entirely outlined but they will be notified in due season, and the importance of the office will depend on the size of the increased membership.

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On account of press of other matters, the P. C. C. E. column will necessarily be limited this month, but will have

new things to offer next month.

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We would like to receive a few new members this month and will give one Trenol Developer, postpaid for four memberships, as any of your friends will join if you will explain the objects of the organization to them. Try it and see.

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Improving Chin Negatives.

Amateurs often find themselves in the following dilemma: They have a negative which is, at present, a little too thin to be perfectly satisfactory, but which would if intensified, lose all its beautiful delicacy of half-tone. This requisite slight amount of density is best imparted to the negative as follows: Save a little of your old pyro developer and allow it to oxidise; if you have none mixed, dissolve a little dry pyro in some water and it will soon oxidise, and when brown it is ready for use. Immerse the negative in this for a few minutes. It will soon become stained yellow all over, and will be found to yield a much better print than before. What has really happened is, the pyro and gelatine combining have formed a slight secondary image, yellow in color, but exactly coincident with the silver image. The negative is really slightly intensified, and will yield prints free from heavy opacity in the shadows and chalkiness in the high-lights, as it would do were it intensified by some of the other methods so often employed.

The Nebraska Camera Club

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Meeting last month of professionals elected as president, a Superior photo man who has made photos for some of our cuts used.

Hope to see a large meeting of this club soon, for date be arranged later, in time for you to attend.

Chicago Record-Herald, Ladies Home Journal-Philadelphia; Pilgrim, Battle Creek, Mich., hold prize contest for photographs. Write for fuller particulars Chicago Record-Herald has formed Photographic League for readers. Always glad to hear of any photo contests.

Shutter Speed.

To estimate the speed of shutter necessary when photographing a moving object, the distance and rate of speed being unknown; so that you could not apply the required rule, even if you should happen to remember it; observe how many seconds the image requires to move an inch on the focusing screen, and divide this number of seconds by 100, which will give speed required in fractions of a second.

A Cure For Overprinted Prints.

Who has not when printing been called away for a moment and on returning found a print that would take the prize for a midnight effect? If it has only just bronzed over in the shadows it may still be turned into a good photograph. Treat it the same as an

ordinary print when toning, but when it is of the proper tone, put into a dish of water and let stand aside until the others have been fixed. Now take a fixing bath strong enough for plates, and immerse the extra dark print in it for fifteen or twenty minutes. You will find it will be reduced sufficiently to be presentable.

A Test For Hypo.

Amateurs often experience much difficulty in determining how long to wash their prints or plates when their water supply is limited. The following is an almost infallible test. Take a piece of Solio or other printing paper; a piece that was printed too dark or not dark enough will do, wash it as you would an ordinary print before toning. Now, during the last five minutes of the intended washing, arrange the piece of paper so, that half of it is in the water and half out. If after five minutes there is any difference in color between the immersed and unimmersed halves, the hypo is not entirely removed and washing must be continued. Faint traces of hypo have a tendency to yellow the immersed portion of the printing paper.

Gelatine Mountant.

The advantages of a well-made gelatine mountant is that it does not cockle the print; this is because alcohol forms a large portion of the moisture present. The following is a good formula:

Gelatine	- - - - -	1 oz.
Water	- - - - -	3 "

Soak for an hour, and then dissolve by gentle heat and add:

Glycerine	- - - - -	2 drams
Alcohol	- - - - -	1½ oz.

The alcohol must be added very slowly, a little at a time, with constant stirring, otherwise it will precipitate the gelatine. This mountant must be heated each time it is wanted for use.

The Michigan Camera Art Association.

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This is the only state amateurs club in Michigan. We want everyone who owns a camera to join us. The cost will be 25c a year, which will give you full membership to the M. C. A. A. No initiation fee. every member will also receive the official organ, the Philatelic West and Camera News free.

Arrowroot Paste.

A really excellent paste that will keep fairly well is given in "Early Work" as follows:

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| Bermuda arrowroot | - | 3½ oz. |
| Nelson's No. 1 gelatine | - | 160 gr. |
| Alcohol | - | 2 gr. |
| Pure carbolic acid | - | 12 minims. |
| Cold water | - | 30 oz. |

Mix the arrowroot into a stiff cream with 2 oz. of the water, while the gelatine is placed to soak in the remainder. When the gelatine is softened and the arrowroot well mixed, pour all together into a saucepan and bring to the boiling point. Keep at this heat for about five minutes, stirring continually from the moment the mixture is placed on the fire. When sufficiently cooked, pour into a basin to cool and then add the carbolic acid and alcohol, previously mixed in a thin stream, with constant stirring. Bottle and keep well corked.

A Hint for Indoor Portraiture.

An effective portrait should have the

lighting of the face balanced by the light and shade in the background. Nothing has a better effect or gives so much relief as a background that comes dark behind the lighted side of the head and light behind the shadowed side. To produce this effect in an ordinary room proceed as follows (the suggestion is Mr. H. P. Robinson's):—Arrange a simple two-leaf screen behind the sitter: the light from the window falls on the leaf behind the shaded side of the head, leaving the other leaf in dark shadow.

Developing Bromides.

When using Metol for developing prints on bromide paper, take the print out of the developer when about half-developed and holding it on the hand, breath gently on those parts in which it is desired to force detail. The thin film developer on the surface of the paper is easily warmed and gives the natural effect of increased softness and detail.

Choosing Your Subject
In Landscape Work.

In choosing the subject and point of view, simplicity should be aimed for. The rules of composition should be kept well in mind, even if one knows them so well that familiarity has bred contempt, and we are going to infringe them. If there is any question as to the focusing screen having two pictures on it expose a plate on each, and do not try to include both in one. Sometimes in order to do this we shall need a longer focus lens, and the back combination of our regular lens, if it is capable of being so used, will come in handy if we remember that the focal length being doubled, the duration of exposure should be quadrupled; in other words, if we are using f | 8 we expose as though it was f | 22.

Contact Copying Of Engravings.

To make a negative of some old engraving, bound in some venerable tone, is often a task of trouble and considerable delicacy, so much so that the trouble, if camera copying is resorted to, is more than the resulting advantage.

It is therefore worth remembering—that it is by no means new but what is often forgotten—that a paper negative can often be made by direct contact without using the camera at all and of a quality equal to and in no respects better than a glass-supported negative produced in the camera. The paper to be used is any glossy bromide paper or some slower paper, such as Velox. Lay a piece of this sensitised paper under the print, the face of the print to the coated side of the paper, and cover the back of the print with a sheet of heavy plate glass to insure absolute contact. The exposure should be to diffused daylight and may vary from thirty seconds to one minute or even more. After exposure the paper should be well soaked in water and then developed in some non-staining, non-fogging developer mixed to the strength ordinarily used. The addition of a little potassium bromide to the developer will be an advantage. The developer we prefer is amidol, and development should be slow and gradual and without any attempt to force matters which would prove fatal.

If the original engraving is not time stained or in any other way unevenly marked the paper negative made in this manner should prove superior to a camera-made one in its clearer lines, and this more noticeable sharpness in the finer and more delicate parts of the engraving. The tendency to fill up or fog is a very real one when engravings are copied in the camera. This is due in part to the spreading tendency of the developer in the film, but is also due in part to reflected light on the surface of the print itself during exposure. The dark surfaces of an engraving are by no means dead black, and the light reflected from them tends to weaken their intensity and by a kind of halation give the blurred effect. Indeed, given a fairly good ink on a good quality of paper which is not stained, a negative by contact should be fully as good as any one which could possibly be obtained in the camera, and at infinitely less trouble.

It must not be supposed that this plan is merely a make shift to avoid trouble;

it is a good practical method. We have recommended bromide paper as being the rapidest method of procedure; but there is no reason, as far as quality is concerned, why any fine-texture printing out paper should not be used. Some of the finest negatives we have ever obtained by this method were made years ago and were made on albumen paper. —Wilson's Photographic Magazine.

Sulphite vs. Sulphate of Soda.

The difference between using sulphite of soda and sulphate as an ingredient in developers is all the difference between making developers that will work and that will not. Sulphite of soda is used, among other purposes, as a preservative. When it decomposes or oxidizes, it becomes sulphate of soda, and becomes worthless for use in developers. Always buy sulphite of soda of a photographic stock house—never at a drug store, unless it maintains a photographic department and sells the soda in sealed bottles—and never use it after it becomes stale. It may be all right, but it is so cheap that it does not pay to take the risk. Sulphite that has turned to sulphate can usually be detected by the white, feathery powder that has gathered on the crystals. —Pacific Photo-Journal.

Intensifying Old Negatives.

It often strikes one, when looking over their old negatives that this or that one would be improved by intensification or reduction, and, giving either process a trial, after a short soak in water we are surprised at the blotchy results or otherwise unsatisfactory character of the intended improvement.

Let us see where the trouble lies. We must remember that with advancing years the gelatine film has lost the first blush and softness of youth and become hard and horny, so that long soaking in water must take place before it ceases to repel that harmless fluid. When you attempt to operate on it in this state your results will be disappointing. Better to uniformly soften the film by soaking it for a few minutes in a weak solution of acetic acid. Add 1½ drams of glacial acetic acid to a pint of water. A few minutes soaking will prepare the negative for any subsequent treatment. Wash the acid out with water.



Pleased to meet you.

Hope you like the new arrangement.

Send all complaints and suggestions to me. Mr. Brodstone is kept busy with the other departments.

I have tried the Lovell Backed Plate and secured some fine negatives of difficult subjects on them. Will use more of them in the future.

I want the members of the different camera clubs and associations to send me articles of about six or seven hundred words on some photographic subject, for the first page.

I want them simple and practical. Tell how you do one of the many processes in photography. How you correct over and under exposure in development. How you work some of the developing papers. How you made a ruby lamp, and things of that kind.

If you are in doubt as to your capability to furnish creditable MSS. do not let that deter you. Send it on and a request to have it edited for you and I will see that it is made all right and be only too glad to do so. See which club can make the best showing in this line for the next year.

I would like to see the members use the print exchange column more than

they do. An exchange of prints if carried on in a business-like manner will result in an album that will be worth much more than the trouble and cost. I know because I have got two of them. You could not buy either of them for a twenty dollar gold piece.

I want this "Answers" column patronized more than it is. I am not a walking photographic encyclopaedia, but I am in a position to obtain information that the isolated worker would find trouble in obtaining. I have a pretty complete photographic library, have access to another still more complete, am in touch with some of the best in the country, and do a little experimenting myself.

After a while we hope to have the Philatelic West and Camera News so bound up that the Camera enthusiasts can, by removing the stitching in the back, have camera notes come away by itself in good shape to be sewn together and so form a book that will be valuable as a reference book. The stamp man can do the same. What I am getting at is this: Keep a memorandum book and jot down all hints you may find in this and other publication, or that you may get from your photographic friends that may be of value at another time, and you will soon have a book that you would hate to part with. Send a copy of those from other sources to me that the other readers of Camera News may profit also.

Focusing In Enlarging.

If you have any difficulty in sharply focusing the image of a very dense negative, get an old dense negative and, laying it film up on the table, scratch a couple of fine diagonal lines on it with a stout needle. Place this old negative in position and focus sharply on the clear lines.

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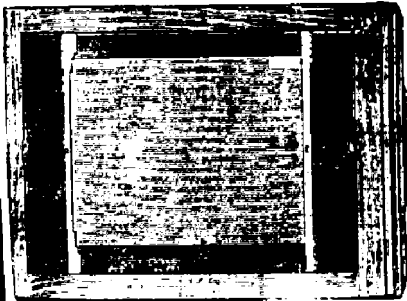
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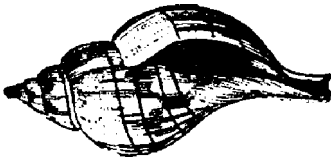
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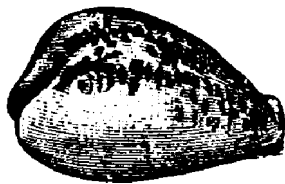
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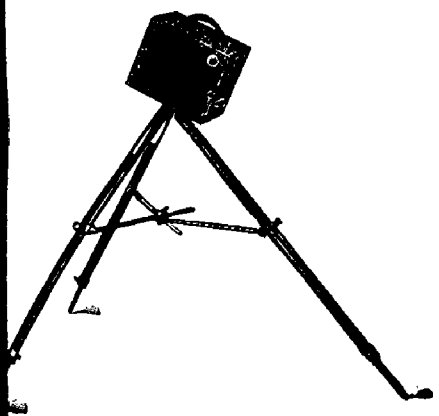
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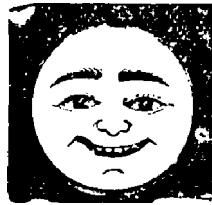
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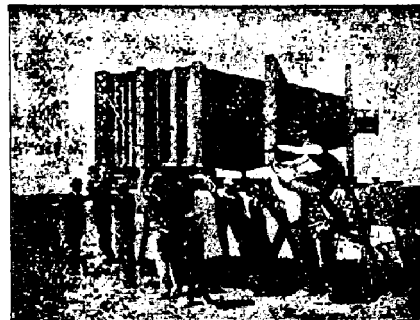
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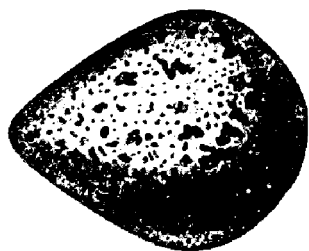
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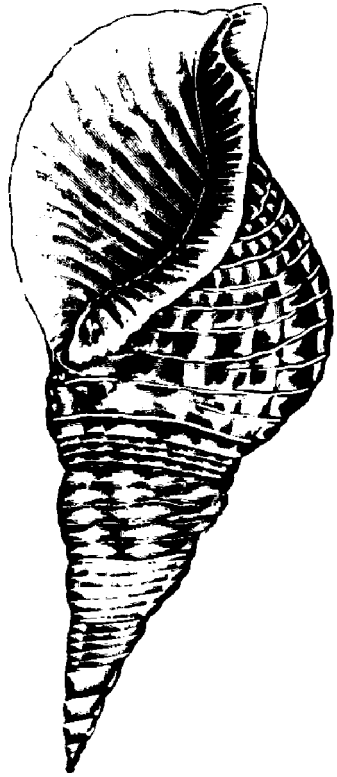
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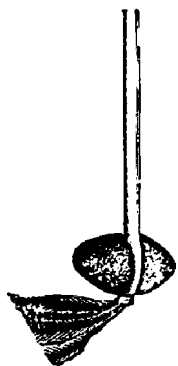
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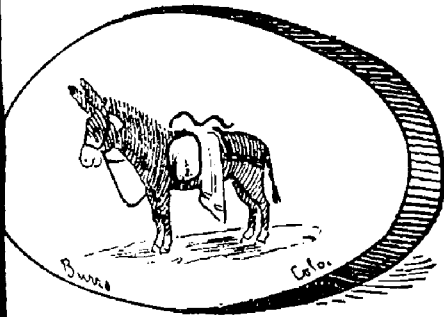
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" "	Above set comp.	- - .75	" 47	2r " " pair used	-
" 1898	1k blue used	- - .04	" 54	2r " " "	-
" "	2k pink used	- - .08	" 86	20c lilac used	-
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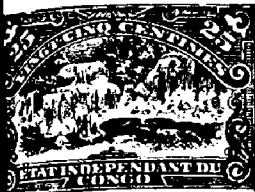
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12 1/2. 20.
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lopes. 3d.
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1900. 1/2. 1d. Life Insurance. 1/2 1. 2d. News-
paper. 1891. 1/2d; 1895. 1/2d.
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'91. 1c. 2c; '92. 1c. 2c; '93. 1c. 2c; '94. 1c. 2c; '95.
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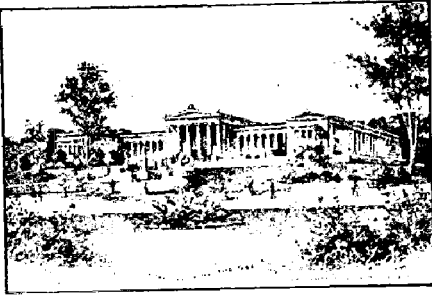
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EDITORIAL

correspondence between dealer and collector and between collectors each expects the other to use these stamps for postage. The amount of correspondence transacted daily by those interested in stamps is immense.

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While we are sufficiently acquainted with our camera editor's name, an inexcusable blunder was made in the last number, wherein he was alluded to as "Franklin"—and he is so fond of his tronymic "Fayette"!

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used Pan-Americans, or trade them. Their use is limited to the who ask for them particularly. majority of the patrons of the office when buying stamps ask "a dollars worth of twos" or "a red ones." They get the regular

Pan-American issue receives financial support from the stamp community. In the interchange of cor-

If the present demand for Pan-Americans continues after they are no longer

issued, where will the prices land? A late P. O. Department report relates that the Bureau of Engraving and printing can furnish only 2,500,000 daily, while daily requisitions from post masters aggregate 5,000,000. For an issue of stamps that is supplied to the public on demand, this is surprising, to a certain extent. That the public has a discriminating sense of beauty is apparent.

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A correspondent in Australia speaks of the recent presentation to the Duke and Duchess of York by the Premiers of the various Australian states 8 complete sets of the various stamps. "The Queensland gift was a specially 'toney' affair. Being now united, we are not colonies any more, but 'States.' So peace to the United States of Australia!"

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The MELBOURNE AGE gives long mention of the summary justice dealt an employee of the Post Office Department who removed from the envelope a high face value stamp sent through the mails for the purpose of having it cancelled. The chronicle states that the culprit was arrested on the charge of "larceny."

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One of our contributors in last number asks for particulars of the "Sedang" stamp he has. Mr. H. Traherne, of Brighton, England, has the following to say. "This is a bogus stamp and was made by a French captain in the army in 1888. The state (?) of Sedang is on the west coast of Africa but the stamps are utterly bogus."

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The most important event in the philatelic world transpiring for some time is the recent absorption of the New England Stamp Co., and the Scott Stamp and Coin Co., by the American Collector's Co. The stockholders have elected the following officers:

President, Geo. C. Capen.

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Last month we offered a yearly subscription to each critic of the WEST who found some fault that was not altogether conspicuous and suggested a remedy for it. The concensus of opinion seems to be that the WEST is too full of imperfections to be allowed to exist. Perchance the bribe was too large?

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Negotiations are being made with prominent London philatelic journals to furnish the WEST each month with a page of newsy items from England and the continent. Personal opinions and dry discussion will be eliminated. This versatile correspondent will present only terse news.

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Radical orders affecting second-class matter were issued by the postmaster general July 17. The first excludes periodicals having the characteristics of books; the second excludes publications to which are not found on their value as literary or news journals, or which gain subscriptions through the offer of premiums; the third order prohibits the return of unsold copies of second-class publications at post office rates. The effect of these changes will

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is believed. result in the establishment of 1 cent letter postage.

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Roy Farrell Green's poem, "The Buffalo Convention" brings to memory many friends of former years. Many of the names he mentions, once so well known, are strangers to the collector of recent years. It is fitting that they should be thus spoken of in a pleasant vein, as only Greene can do.

A News Service Without Parallel.

There is ample justification for the claim made by The Chicago Record-Herald that its readers enjoy every day of the week, Sundays included, a news service that is without parallel in range and completeness. The reason is obvious—the combination of the varied and extensive facilities of the two great dailies, The Chicago Record and The Chicago Times-Herald. In addition to the independent news facilities of both papers, The Record-Herald receives the complete news service of The New York Herald, The New York Tribune and The Associated Press; and when it is considered that its news columns are supplemented by all the special features so popular in The Chicago Record and The Chicago Times-Herald, it will be seen that The Record-Herald holds a unique place among the great newspapers of the United States.

A Famous Newspaper Correspondent.

There are few if any newspaper men in the United States with a more brilliant record than that achieved by Mr. William Curtis, the famous Washington correspondent of The Chicago Record-Herald. Among newspaper men as well as among the careful readers of newspapers, it is generally conceded that Mr. Curtis is the dean of the large colony of trained journalists at the national capital. His relations with the eminent men in Washington are so intimate and so

personal, that he has an immense advantage over the ordinary correspondent. They give to him their confidence, knowing that he will properly discriminate what should be said and what should not.

The newspaper career of Mr. Curtis began in Chicago in 1872. Starting as a reporter, he worked his way upward rapidly to the position of managing editor, which he resigned to become the Secretary of the South American Commission—a government appointment. While in this position, Mr. Curtis traveled extensively in Central and South America, producing several popular volumes as the literary result of his labors. Later on, in co-operation with Secretary of State, James G. Blaine, Mr. Curtis organized the work of the Bureau of American Republics, and was placed in charge of that organization; and at the World's Columbian Exposition, he distinguished himself by his labors as the executive head of the Latin-American departments. As correspondent of The Chicago Record, Mr. Curtis' travels carried him not only into all quarters of the United States, but almost everywhere abroad. His letters to The Record from Japan and China were published in book form, likewise his letters from England, Germany and France, and also those resulting from his travels in Mexico and in South America. A letter from Mr. Curtis is published in every issue of The Chicago Record-Herald daily and Sunday.

The genuine obliterations of the stamps of the Ionian Isles are: Corfu at the top between two lines of a double circle "franco" in an oval with sharp ends, and pen-strokes.

H. R. H. the Duke of Cornwall and York is to bring home, as a trophy of his visit to the Colonies, a full set of unused Australian stamps. The Duke's entire collection now represents a total value of half a million dollars.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

FELLOW MEMBERS:

The time will soon be here to elect a new set of officers to rule the society for the third year.

A complete ticket has been made and will be mailed to each member about September 15th, when received don't lay it aside but, fill it out with your proxy and mail to the address given on same.

At our last convention we had 90 per cent of our membership present and it would have been 95 per cent only a letter was not mailed in time and arrived the day after the convention, so be prompt and let us have full representation.

In case you have a nomination for any office send it in at once to Mr. G. Barker, Wichita, Kansas, who will see that it is placed on the ticket.

I hope that each Kansas member will try and be present at the convention in Wichita and bring their friends with them.

O. H. PHINNEY,
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 Mortenson. More in the next number. President states we meet at Omaha during the Allen week. Date will be announced later.

The Gigantic Wheat Industry of Kansas

The wheat industry of Kansas is the subject of an interesting article by William R. Draper, in the August 'Success' Referring to the crop of 1901. Mr. Draper says: In Kansas, this year, five million acres are covered with wheat, which will probably yield one hundred million bushels. This means at least ten dollars per acre to the farmers, an income of fifty million dollars. The crop would if put into cars, make a train long enough to reach from Wichita to New York, with ten tons in each car. The money would take three years to convert if placed in silver dollars. It has been used, of late, in paying debts, building farm houses, purchasing diamonds and rubber-tired rigs, and other luxuries of the rich. Kansas farmers have made enough money, in three years, to plant almost a square mile with dollar bills, and most of it has been made from wheat. National Magazine of Boston gets better each number. Send for it. combine rates on same will surprise you.

Saturday Evening Post, Philadelphia's oldest paper in America. Founded 1773 by B. Franklin will pay all readers to take it.

Cram's Magazine of Chicago, is the best of its kind and they have just got the finest Atlas yet seen.

Ye Callous Critic's Column.

By
Yours Sincerely

How insignificant some of these flimsy stamp companies now seem when placed in comparison with the new American Collector's Company. \$450,000 capital stock! As to whether all this is paid in or generously watered chronicles affirmeth not. Ordinary mortals are unable to comprehend the necessity for this amount of capital, except for advertising purposes.

On the heels of this announcement comes the advice that Severn, Mekeel, Redfield, et al have formed a company for the publication of Mekeels Weekly Stamp News, the capital stock being placed at \$50,000. Thus is the credibility of the philatelist assailed.

"General Collector" has this to say in Ewen's Weekly Stamp News: "Nowadays there are but few general collectors who can say they do not admit varieties of perforation or watermark into their albums. This is greatly to be regretted, as although one is continually hearing of the spread of Philately, little is said of the numerous collectors who are every year worried out of all interest in the hobby by tiresome variations that require a magnifying glass or a millimetre scale to detect."

"Colonel Collector" should draft an article on "The Degeneracy of Stamp Collecting" by One Who Knows." He seems as rabid in his ideas as Tolstoi. That stamp collecting has become that it is a thoughtful, earnest pursuit, followed by earnest, brainy people, is attributable to the fact that it has outgrown the small boy period,

and has reached that advanced stage wherein some attraction is offered other than the mere sticking of stamp in album."

"Major Collector" advises that we turn "our attention to picture post cards or something else, which can be collected with a maximum of pleasure and a minimum of hard work."

It is puzzling how "Captain Collector" Conquered his apparent repugnance to labor sufficiently to write his long, amazing article. Poor, inconsistent "Lientenant Collector."

Break the news gently. All this self flattery, this proud conceit that the general public is rapidly becoming familiar with the inside features of philately, regarding it as a sensible pursuit, all these pleasing thoughts must be air castles. Here is an editorial in one of the best known eastern daily papers, wherein comment is made on the recent theft of stamps from the postoffice exhibit at Buffalo, it being said that in selecting the stamp for theft, the intelligence of a "numismatist" was shown. If the gifted editorial writer is not conversant enough with philately to give a presumed devotee his proper designation, what must be the state of mind of the people in general?

Some idea of the extent of philately may be gathered from the following list of the number of journals published in the various countries:—United States, 78; Great Britain, 26; British colonies, 10; German empire, 37; France 32; other European, 99; South America, 13; total, 295. These figures are exclusive of hand-books, catalogue, and other works on philately.

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PRESIDENT'S GREETING.

To the members of our association:— I wish to thank you one and all for the kindly interest you have made towards rendering our Spanish-American Philatelic Society a grand success, and am convinced that it has been the means of bringing together more good collectors of Latin-America than any other possible means. I think that by each individual member's endeavoring to do something we can accomplish a still greater amount of good towards philately and more particularly to our organization. I will be in the United States during the months of August and September and will be pleased to see you all at every occasion possible, and with best wishes for our society's prosperity, hoping to do still more, I remain, Very sincerely yours,
AMANDO CESPEDES, M.
San Jose, Costa Rica, Central America.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

Since our last month's report, I am pleased to offer the following new members admitted into our society, as well as a list of applications received up till the 15 of July.

NEW MEMBERS.

- Mr. German Helmrich, Tepic, Mexico.
Dr. Manuel N. Sanamiego, Durango, Mexico.
Dario T. Lacunza, Port San Jose de Guatemala, C. A.
A. D. Blair, Jr. Elmira, New York, U.S.A.

Carlos Tirado, Lima, Peru, South America.
The above named gentlemen will receive their Diplomas and gifts of the Society at an early date, and we hope you will strive to do everything possible towards increasing the exchange relations between the philatelists of the Western Continent. We give herewith the list of applications so far and others received during this month will be inserted in our next issue.

Federico C. Liendo, Age 24, Mgr. Lithographing and Publishing Co., Iqueque, Chile, S. A. References, Northwestern Stamp & Pub. Co., Birmingham, England; A. Cespedes, M. Reginio M. Farias, Age 48, Mexico City, Mexico, Box No. 605, Merchant References, Felipe Naveda, International Secy. C. W. Kissinger.

Jose Brito, Age 24, Clerk P O Department, Havana, Cuba. Recommended by R. E. Galvez, Resident Vice-president for Cuba.

Walter M. Scott, Age 22, U S Post Office Clerk, Havana, Cuba. Recommended by R. E. Galvez, Res. V P in Havana.

Owing to the fact of the special issue of our official organ occupying so much of my attention, I have not been able to reply to a number of our member's inquiries with as much promptness as I would have liked, so must ask your pardon on this account. Special credit is due this month to our resident Vice-Presidents for the work carried on this month, and it is easily observed how much can be accomplished through this source. In connection therewith, I beg to inform the following gentlemen that they are appointed resident V.-Pres. for their respective countries, and the association will send them all information and printed matter, application blanks necessary, as soon as possible.

Dominion of Canada, Hon. C. W. Merriman, U S Consul, Brockville, Ont.
Republic of Mexico, Luis Perez Vargas, Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mex.

Republic of Guatemala, Dario T. Lacunza, Puerto San Jose de Guatemala, Central America.

Republic of Peru, Carlos Tirado, Lima.
Other names will be added in our next report, and thanking you one and all for the many kind expressions I take this means of assuring our officers and members that with the advent of the number of our official organ into Spanish-America, the Spanish-American Philatelic Society is now one of the greatest and wide spread philatelic organizations in the world.

CHAS. WILLARD MYERS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

A Perfect Collection.

The two principal qualities necessary to a perfect stamp collection are beauty and value. If you had but one hundred beautiful stamps and had them arranged in perfect order they would afford much more pleasure and instruction for a person to whom you were showing your album than a thousand varieties tucked in "mos, any way."

The first consideration for a beautiful collection is the stamps themselves and the second is their arrangement in the album. Badly centered, torn or heavily cancelled stamps should by all means be avoided. Besides being practically worthless they spoil the beauty of your collection.

A great error of the beginner is to try to get as many stamps as possible without regard to their arrangements in sets. Selling your collection a complete set of stamps would sell for a third or a half as much more than the same catalogue value of single stamps. To have a complete set of each of ten different countries would be much nicer than to have 500 stamps with only two or three of a country.

Unused stamps also increase the beauty of your collection and the lower values of a set should if possible, be in that condition. The stamps of Chili, Cuba or Porto Rico with the lower values unused and the higher ones used would make a very pretty collection at small expense. The stamps of China are very interesting. The highly colored labels of various Central and South American republics, which are called Seebecks, should be avoided as they have no philatelic interest being merely a speculative venture.

A great deal of the beauty of a collection also depends on the arrangement of the stamps. They should be fastened tight and evenly in the album with good peelable hinges. A beautiful collection will nearly always be valuable. This is meant that it could be sold at any time and at a price that would compare favorably with its cost.

Be neat, keep your album clean, arrange your stamps in perfect order, buy only good stamps and you will have a

perfect collection which will be "a thing of joy forever." O. B.

Irregular Issues. O. H. Saint.

Porto Rico and Guam belong to the United States and are considered a part of our country. Why should they have special stamps or U. S. stamps surcharged? It would be as reasonable to give Alaska or Hawaii special stamps or surcharge stamps for the territories. I would call these irregular issues.

STAMP SWINDLER.

Rosenbaum, Wanted at Omaha, Is Caught in Philadelphia.

July 10.—Inspector Mehary has captured Henry Rosenbaum, a clever stamp swindler who is wanted in Omaha, Cleveland and a number of other cities. His dealings are said to involve thousands of dollars. He has been known as Henry Rosemont, Frank Duff, Tom Rich, John Ross, Joseph Baun, Jr., and has operated as the Quaker City Stamp Co.

United States Stamps.

Mekeels Weekly Stamp News.

The scarce Confederate locals of Baton Rouge were issued in July, 1861, and remained in use until December, 1861, when the general issue was received. Upon the capture of Baton Rouge by the northern army all the stamps were destroyed by the postmaster, McCornack, who issued the locals.

The Microscopic Variety.

Ewen's Weekly Stamp News.

I have recently noted an interesting variety in the 1877-79 issues of the stamps of Cuba. In the top border of these stamps is the word 'Ultramar,' and the date, with a small dot between. The dot varies greatly in size, from a mere speck to about as big as the head of a pin. Amongst a lot of more than 600 of these stamps I examined, I found three without the slightest trace of the dot showing, viz:—the 25c green of 1877, 25c green of 1878, and 5c black of 1879. From this, I conclude that all values of these dates may be found without dots.

Cuba Again.

Mekeels Weekly Stamp News.

The stamps of Cuba used provisionally in the Philippines during the first quarter of 1859, can be distinguished from those used in Cuba only by the cancellation. It was the Cuban issue of 1855 that was impressed for this service.

Chips.

By E. R. Steinbrueck.

Talking about rare stamps!—I have been asking Tom, Dick and Harry for No. 8 Russia now these last three years and finally obtained "the last copy for sale at Boston" through Herbert E. Morey of that city with the above remark. I had to pay full catalogue price and did it willingly for I think that rare stamp is underrated and is worth more attention than all the artificial South African varieties.

I notice in one or two of certain circuit books a printed slip cautioning members of that society to observe that every stamp in such book is stamped on the back with certain initials. This caution took me by surprise. I thought all members were honest and the idea of changing for substitutes did not strike me till then. I am sorry to see that such caution appears to be necessary. Also the language used among members of one and the same stamp society should be decent and trustful or else it would become disgusting to belong to such a society or fraternity.

Through courtesy of Spinony & Co., San Francisco, Cal., I am in possession of a set of Aguinaldo stamps, for which I herewith render thanks in public. There is an ex-soldier here in Mandan, who served in the Philippines as U. S. Volunteer and has accumulated among other curiosities a few 2 cent Aguinaldos postally cancelled. He states that he has refused \$2.50 for one of the 2 cent cancelled. I was so lucky as to exchange with him a new 2 cent for a cancelled one. In this instance I think I am right to presume that the cancelled specimen is the most valuable, and I have made a good trade although I do not collect for speculation. My maxim is to collect actually used postage stamps.

New Stamps of Victoria.

Edwin Ewell, Nashua, Iowa.

On January first 1901, the states of Australia including Tasmania were federated under one central government similar to the United States. It has been the custom for each colony to manage its own postal business and each colony issued its own stamps.

Those who wish to post themselves upon the stamps of Victoria will find an excellent series of papers by David Hill, in *The Philatelic Journal of America* Vols. VII and VIII.

The stamps of Victoria have been issued ("stamp duty") for both revenue and postal purposes. In order to accustom the people to the new regime changes were made in the stamps of Victoria. This change separates the revenue for postage from that for duty.

All of the Victorian stamps hitherto have been used for both postage and revenue purposes and the ones with the words "stamp duty" will not be valid for postage after July 1st of the year.

The new stamps which went into use Jan. 1, 1901, are likely to confuse those who have not kept watch of the many changes taking place in Victoria. The new stamps are not new types altogether but are printed from plates used in different periods during the past year with the colors changed except as regards the two pence, half penny and five pence stamps which have the word "postage" substituted on them for "stamp duty." The three pence nearest in color to the old issue and the one penny has the word "postage" added to the old type. The Ninepence and Three pence stamps are not changed at all as they never bore "stamp duty" on them.

How long these stamps will be used is uncertain, possibly five years from Jan. 1, 1901 as that is the period allowed for the final financial amalgamation of the Australian postoffices.

New Zealand and Fiji are not included in the Australian Federation. A new issue for duty purposes only may be looked for in Victoria.

Impression of a Philatelic Fossil.

By "Enthusiast."

The Pan-American stamps were the means of bringing back into the Philatelic fold the writer, who, ten years ago, was what he signs himself today, an "Enthusiast." I wonder how many others could tell the same tale? Thousands, I hope.

From the dozen or more of the leading Philatelic publications to which I have subscribed during the past month I gather that it is the general concensus of opinion that these beautiful new stamps will be the means of making new collectors. I hope so. But I read scarcely a line about the possible return to the ranks of the old fossils in whom the fire of enthusiasm will be fanned by the appearance of these striking and exquisitely beautiful stamps.

I look, too, for a universal stimulus to Philately, to be the result of the forthcoming issues of England, Italy and the Australian confederation. Most vital, doubtless, will be the new issue of England, by the change from the features of the well beloved Queen to her debonair son, now His Majesty King Edward the VII. the most popular sovereign on earth, if not the most powerful.

Ten years, after all, is not a great space of time, but what changes have been wrought in every branch of Philately! The numerous interesting and beautiful changes of issue of most of the great nations of the world; the increased values of stamps, and the number and character of the various publications, all these form the change and contrast of Philately to-day and ten years ago. Is it not to the lack of sameness that much of the charm of stamp collecting is attributable?

While it is not the desire of the "Enthusiast" to pose as a Prophet of

Philately, still he does want to go on record as predicting a future for our hobby, more brilliant than the fondest dreams of wildest Philatelic speculator.

The Origin of the United States Locals.

Before the postal reform of the United States which took place in 1845, the postage of the letters was fixed according to the distance from the spot of their departure. This being sometimes considerable, rendered the charge exorbitant. To give an idea of this charge it will be enough to say that it cost 12½ cents to carry a letter between Boston, New York and Philadelphia. This high rate caused much discontent for a long time after the news of the adoption in England of a uniform payment of one penny for all letters not exceeding half an ounce, from any part of the kingdom to another. This state of affairs induced Messrs. D. O. Blood & Co., of Philadelphia, in 1843, to organize a delivery of letters in their city in conjunction with that of the government. The first postage stamp they issued was a circular stamp inscribed, "Phila Despatch Post" with the word "Paid" in the centre, and was impressed in black and red on bluish paper. This stamp was issued at the end of the year 1841 and may therefore be considered the first American postage stamp, the government not adopting any before July 1st 1847. The success of this private post, induced others to establish similar post offices, and, towards the end of 1843, Messrs Hale & Co., of Boston, sent off messengers every day between New York, Boston and Philadelphia by railway. Two octagonal stamps were used for Boston and New York and a stamp with an eagle and the words "American Mail Co." was used for Philadelphia and New York. Next to appear was the stamp of W. Wyman 8 Court and 3 Wall St., with the representation of a railway

engine in the centre. This was issued for Boston and New York letters. About this time Brinar & Co., of 58 Wall St., issued a circular stamp to be used on their letters between New York and Albany.

These private firms injured the state post office and forced a lower scale of charges which took place on March 3, 1845, when the postage on letters was fixed at 5 cents for any distance under and 10 cents above three miles. This did not prove satisfactory however, as the postmen, who did not receive any other payment for their services, demanded 2 cents on each letter.

The success of the private post offices so annoyed the authorities that a law of March 3rd 1851 declared the streets of the cities "post routes," holding for themselves the exclusive right of collecting the district letters and conveying them to the central offices for despatch to their place of destination. The stamps inscribed 'Post Office Despatch,' 'Government City Despatch,' etc., are sufficient proof of this service having been rendered by some of the private firms. At length the law suit instituted by the government against Kochersperger & Co., the successors of D. O. Blood & Co., gave the finishing strokes to all these private post offices. It was officially decided that, in accordance with the law of March 3rd 1851, the streets of the cities had become "post routes," and that the government had the sole right of letter carrying. Thus by this law all the private post offices except a few who undertook the delivery of parcels, etc., were prohibited from further engaging in the business.

California issued 284 varieties State revenues. Nevada issued about 30.

Half a stamp is sometimes better than none—especially if its half of a Nova Scotia shilling on the Provisional Envelope.



BOILED DOWN

ORIGINAL AND OTHERS

The five cent Pan-American is the scarcest value of the set.

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No Afghan stamp ever finds its way out of Afghanistan. The people at Kabul have their letters sent to Peshawar in an envelope supplied by the local office and on arrival here the envelope is removed, the original envelope has an ordinary Indian stamp affixed by the Ameer's own postmaster, and it is handed over to the Indian post office.

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The superb entire envelope collection of the late Joseph W. Rechart is to be placed on sale.

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250 one cent Pan-American inventories are known to exist.

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Reports are current of the 4c and 10c being in the possession of collectors, but these reports have not, as yet, been confirmed.

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If the number of inverted Pan-Americans in existence confined to the small lots that have been discovered up till now, they will be of considerable value, but it is our opinion that large quantities will be found in various parts of the United States, and we would strongly advise collectors not to pay high prices for these varieties, at least, for the present.

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A fakir in Italy is sending out some dangerous counterfeits of varieties, notably the early Swiss Cantonals.



Mr. George S. McKearin of Hoosick Falls, has unearthed some part rouletted 1898. 2c Proprietary stamps.



The 15c and 25c Monaco now appear in gray and blue.



We have seen a new unpaid letter stamp from Tunis, resembling the current unpaid of France. The set is as follows: 1c black, 2c orange, 5c blue, 10c brown, 20c blue green, 30c carmine, 50c red brown.



All but the 50c of the new series from Uruguay have been surcharged for official use.



The first set bearing the portrait of King Edward will be issued for the Transvaal.



The 4c Liberia of 1892 has been found with inverted center.



The current 3 pence South Australia appears in olive green.



Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea, Lour-enzo Marques, Mozambique, Portuguese Congo, St. Thomas and Prince and Zambesi have each been furnished with a new 500r and 700r.

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Those who advertise in a business-like way seldom complain that results are not what they should be.

The Little Joker.

Curio Exchange.

At the rate subscriptions are coming in, and with the large amount of advertising we are now placing, our circulation bids fair to reach the twenty-five-thousand mark by the time volume two is completed.

The Amethyst Hue.

Curio Exchange.

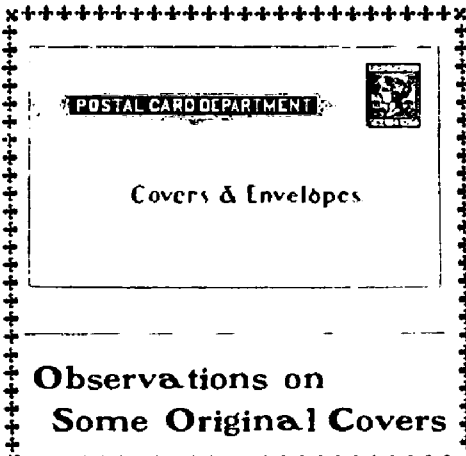
As the years pass by, the collector who purchases packets, finds new varieties creeping into them, the result of new issues in the larger countries. The old German stamps with the coat of arms, that gave the tone to packets of a few years ago are being displaced by the new Germans, with Germania symbolized. The old 15 centime blue of France, which tinged whole packets an amethyst hue and gave the hopeful collector the blues too, is being replaced by the new type of French stamps. So the packets vary and the collector's interest is kept up in his never-ending search for varieties.

Pointers to the Prudent.

American Philatelic Magazine.

I will start with the issue of the British South Africa Co., (absurdly styled "Rhodesia" by the American cataloguers. The 2½sh is catalogued at \$3.00 and offered to the trade at 80 cents. The 3sh is not so bad (catalogue price \$1.50, wholesale price 96 cents) but the 4sh is off again (catalogue \$3.50, wholesale \$1.30) and the 5sh is the worst of the lot with its catalogue price of \$4.50 and a wholesale offer of \$1.64. Of the low values, the ½p should be the same unused as used, the wholesale price being two cents; and the 4p should be the same used as unused, the wholesale price being nine cents. The 8p is about right at 40 cents costing the trade 24 cents; but the 4p of 1892-93 (perforated 12½, and printed on thick paper) might well be reduced from 50 cents, as its cost to the trade is but 20 cents.

At a recent auction sale in Philadelphia somebody detected a bogus surcharge of the Bahamas 1883, 4p. on 6p. violet—a very fine piece of work. It was proved bogus by the fact that the surcharge appeared over the cancellation thus showing that it was put on after the stamp had performed its duty.



**Observations on
Some Original Covers**

By R. R. THIELE.

These two letters A. R. are also an international symbol. They are an abbreviation of the words Avis (de) Reception (or the English equivalent "Advice of Receipt") and when marked on an international registered letter (often the words are written out in full) mean that the sender wants a receipt for the letter returned to him. Some countries, like our own, furnish this receipt free; others make a charge for it. Chili, Columbia and Salvador have issued special stamps for the purpose, perhaps other countries also, though I cannot now recall any. A similar hand stamp on a registered letter from Chili has VALPARAISO in a semi-circle around A. R.

Here is a letter from Cuba bearing several registration marks of the American administration. First is a plain handstamp, struck in blue aniline ink, like this:

Registered, No.
SAGUA LA GRANDE, CUBA.

This bears no number. Oddly enough there is another registration mark of the same office, like this:

REG. No.
(date)

Sagua la Grande, S. C.

The number on this is written in with

pen and ink. Next comes the record of Havana, in this style:

HAVANA
(date)
REGISTERED

This is impressed in aniline ink, like those above. Then (as Cuba is a foreign territory to us) comes the international label, a printed one of this design:



It is printed in red, the number being inserted by numbering machine. On the back is the entry stamp of the U. S. Exchange office, being

Jacksonville, Fla.
(date)
Registry Division.

in a double circle, the date within the inner circle.

Under the Spanish rule in Cuba no printed labels were used; at least I have not seen any. All registered letters from Cuba under Spanish rule so far as seen by me bear this handstamp:



It is usually impressed in black, sometimes in violet. The number being inserted with pen and ink. One specimen in my possession is exactly similar to that described, except that the word Transito is inserted (also in type) above No. The words Via Extranjera mean simply "Foreign (mail)"

A registration used at St Petersburg, Russia, was shown in our last number: I have another here, somewhat different. It looks like this:



This is struck in red, the number inserted with pen and ink: the effect is rather primitive.

(To be Continued.)

Illustrations.

EDUARDO M. VARGAS

Director of Sales and Exchanges,
 British-American Philatelic Society.
 Mr. Vargas was born and received
 his early education in the city of Ira-
 puato, state of Guamajuato, Mexico,
 and say with a just amount of pride,
 that our fellow-member comes from
 one of the oldest and most influential
 families of the Republic and whose
 hero during the stirring times of
 the infant republic, sacrificed luxury
 and homes and in many instances their
 lives for the sake of their native land.
 Mr. Vargas is at present cashier of
 the bank of Guamajuato. The publishing
 house now under the management of
 Mr. Luis G. Vargas, is without a
 doubt one of the finest equipped in
 Central Mexico and figured prominent-
 ly in the recent election of General
 Carranza, who is a personal friend of Mr.
 Vargas.

Mr. Vargas has a collection of 8000
 stamps and his collection of Mexican
 postage issues is practically complete un-
 fortunately he carried on quite an ex-
 tensive philatelic business and pub-
 lished price-lists and catalogues in
 English, Spanish and French in which
 languages he is a proficient linguist.
 He has recently published a splen-
 did book entitled "Irapuato," contain-
 ing its history, also complete astronomic
 observations, the latter science
 Mr. Vargas is an ardent student, and
 needless to state that its appear-
 ance has caused quite an agreeable sur-
 prise to his countrymen. In conclusion
 we say that by his influence and
 particularly his philatelic liking our
 Society has enrolled one of the princi-
 pal philatelists of the Republic of
 Mexico, and who, from the first found-
 ing of our association has al-
 ways lent a willing heart and hand in
 its work.

LUIS PEREZ VARGAS

Mr. Luis Perez Vargas, Resident
 Consul for Mexico, was born some
 years ago in the city of Arandal, in
 the State of Jalisco, not far from the
 famous pleasure resort of Aguascalien-
 tes. Here at an early age he began
 his education in the Seminary but
 finally after leaving that institution for
 the well known city of Guadalajara,
 entering the "Liceo de Varones, a



Luis Perez Vargas. Guadalajara. Mexico.



Eduardo M. Vargas. Irapuato. Mexico.



MR. FELIPE NAVEDA.

International Secy.

(See write up in December 1900 West.)

prominent college, and still resides in city of Guadalajara.

He began collecting postage stamps three years ago, now having a nice album of 3800 varieties being however more advanced in Mexican issues, of which he has 320 postage and over 500 different revenues.

Our friend Vargas, like our Mr. Vargas of Irapuato Mexico is of a most genial disposition and he will always be pleased to enter pleasant exchange relations with any of our philatelic fraternity.

MR. AMANDO CESPEDES M.

President of the Spanish-American Philatelic Society.

In June 1896 he began publishing the monthly philatelic magazine "El Filatelico Comercial," continuing the same something over a year. In 1897, Guatemala Exposition granted Mr. Céspedes a medal and made honorable mention for his collection of postage stamps. In the following year he went to Lunon, Costa Rica, editing "El Progreso de Lunon," and at the same time managing the business of the two publishing firms in San Jose and Lunon.

He visited New York City in 1899



CHARLES WILLARD MYERS.
SECRETARY-TREASURER.

(See write up in December 1900 West.)

remaining there until May 1900 when he went to Effingham, Illinois, to study art and photography in the Illinois college. He graduated with high honors in December and returned to San Jose, Costa Rica, where he now resides. In a short time he expects to visit New York City, Detroit and St. Louis and visit his many friends in the U. S. and the association wishes its President a pleasant voyage and "buena suerte."

HON. C. W. MERRIMAN.

Resident Vice-President for Canada, Spanish-American Philatelic Society.
BORN JUNE 1856, BELLOIT, WIS.

For a number of years Mr. Merriman was elected to the legislature of the state of Wisconsin; in 1896 and at the expiration of his term there was appointed United States Consul at Brockville, Ontario, Canada, which position he still holds.

Mr. Merriman is the possessor of a magnificent collection of all countries and desires to further continue in exchange relations with philatelists in Spanish-American countries to which he has a particular fancy, having over 100,000 duplicates in his exchange selections.

By his high position and influence in international affairs coupled with his generous nature we believe our association has gained much, in having Mr. Merriman as a member.



W. C. A. GRANT, Expert Examiner, S.-A. P. A., Kansas City, Ks.

AUGUSTIN VAZQUEZ, Havana, Cuba.

MR. W. C. A. GRANT,
 Kansas City, Mo., Expert Examiner,
 English-American Philatelic Society.
 Born in the 24th Concession, Char-
 leburg, Glengarry Co., Ontario,
 Canada in 1882, came to Kansas City
 in 1885 where he still resides, began
 collecting in '92 and now has a collec-
 tion of 2500 varieties, his specialities
 being in U. S. Colonies and Western
 Hemispheres being in correspondence
 with a large number of collectors in
 20 countries. He is a charter
 member of the Kansas Phil. Soc. in
 which he has held two terms of office,
 a member of P. S. of A.:—Stamp
 Protec Assn, American Camera
 Ex and Star Stamp Col Soc. In
 1900, he began publication of the
 magazine "Grant's Phil. Monthly,"
 following after the consolidation of the
 International Philatelist, a section in
 Spanish language for the interests
 of the Spanish-American Phil. Soc.,
 which was then in its infancy. He re-
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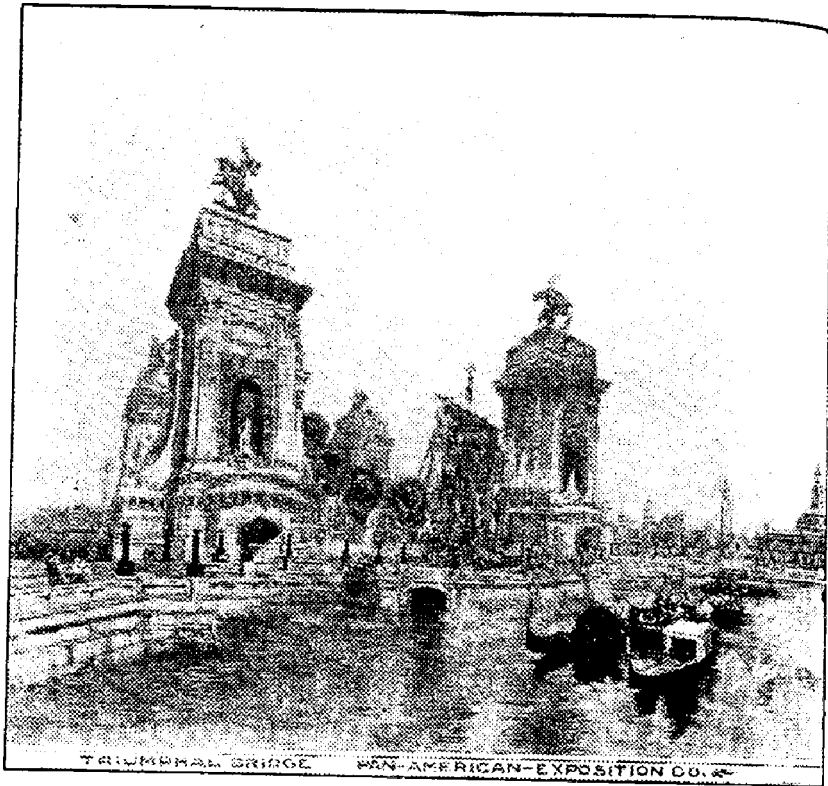
Began collecting in 1882 or '83. Dis-
 posed of his collection two or three
 times but each time the wonderful
 fascination of the pursuit has drawn
 him back. Has a private collection of
 some five to six thousand varieties in-
 cluding many foreign unused in sheets,
 part sheets and blocks of four.

At present is assistant secretary of
 Robinson & Co.'s large mfrs. of thresh-
 ing machinery at Richmond, Ind., and
 is also a dealer in stamps.

MISS LULU PHILLIDA TILLOTSON

You seldom see a president of a state
 society born in the same state,
 but it is true of Miss Tillotson, a Neb-
 raska girl born in Blair, Nebraska.
 While quite a young girl she removed
 to Omaha with her parents, received
 her education in Omaha Public Schools.
 She is a great lover of out door sports
 her camera is a constant friend, she
 has been a camera fiend for the past
 six years as illustrating is her profes-
 sion. She had charge of the only
 camera exhibit at Omaha Exposition
 and her negatives are the finest I saw
 at the Exposition. Was elected presi-
 dent of Nebraska Camera Club the
 same year and has secured a large
 number of the members for the club.

CHAS. C. DE SELMS,
 born in Anderson, Indiana.



Some P. S. of A. Members on the Beach at Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 1898.

The Buffalo Convention.

THE century's first year has reached its half-past two P. M.
 If months be reckoned hours—(quite a figurative gem)—
 In other words the twelve months span to afternoon hath grown.
 And Springtime buds have ripened into August days full-blown.
 With carpet bags collectors come, come singly and in bands.
 To but old friendships sweet renew, to clasp each others hands,
 Come round-about and devious ways, come straight as flies the crow—
 'Tis August Nineteen-one, you see, and this is Buffalo.

We'll see the Pan-American—the Midway first of all!
 Is Gurdji here? If so, we'll let him take the lead, and call
 Straightway upon the dancing-girls, the "40 beauties" too,
 That in Chicago, World's Fair year, through his good grace we knew,
 Ah, Kissinger and Fox, in whom my faith doth not relax,
 Have promised true they'll be with us tonight at Sam T. Jack's.—
 Oh Pshaw, Chicago's in my dreams and Ninety-three, you know,
 I half forget 'tis Nineteen-one and this is Buffalo.

Where's Doeblin gone? Why, he was here some minutes five ago.
 Perchance he's found a favored tree where cheese and pretzels grow!
 Is Herbert Beardsley here ar' und, or did he take that car
 Up town somewhere, where he might gain admission to the bar?
 Where's Ashcroft, Lang and Metcalf now? Is Wolsieffer about?
 You'll find them round at Hagenback's without a bit of doubt
 If Charlie Severn hasn't told them somewheres else to go—
 Great Scott, I dream for this is Nineteen-one and Buffalo.

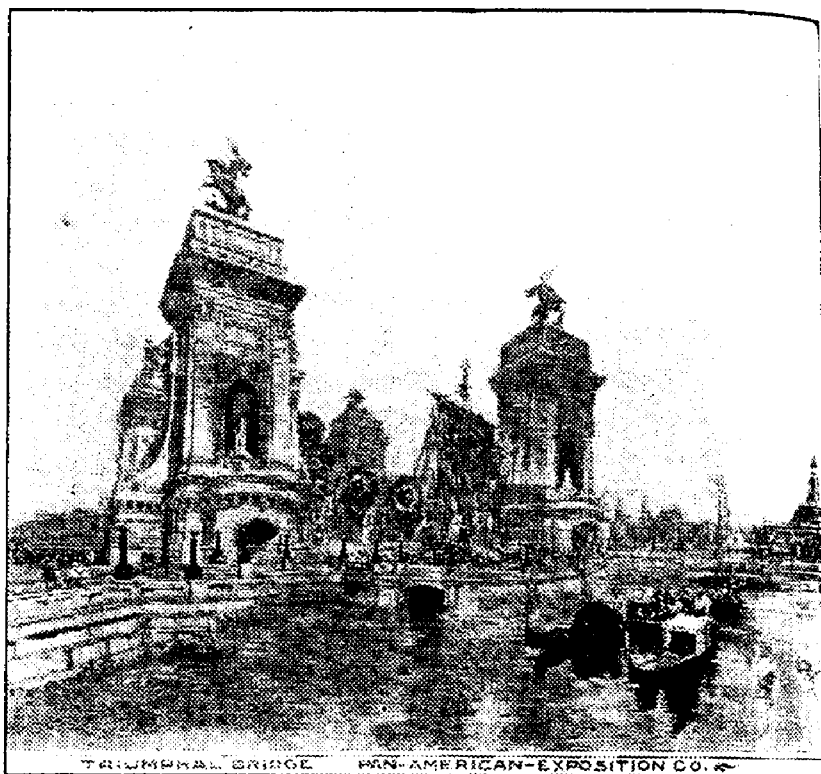
I spoke of Scott, that prompts me now to ask if he is here?
 Has anyone seen Cleve of late? He's gone from us I fear.
 And who knows whether Messer lives? Has Wittal gone before?
 With Brody 'twas I saw him last in Denver, Ninety-four!
 Frank Brown of Omaha is here, or will be, I would guess,
 Since he's grown plutocratic through the philatelic press.
 But where is Withrow, Hoyt and Luhn does anybody know?—
 I'd like to shake their hands in Nineteen-one at Buffalo.

I long to see Bob Miller's face, but ah that face has gone!
 Perchance it looketh down today from out the fields of dawn,
 God's bright eternal fields where calm hath banished every care,
 Fields which must needs be doubly blessed since he still lingers there.
 And Swanbeck too hath found that rest from worldly troubles free—
 Two well beloved faces gone we knew in Ninety-three!
 For them we'll drink a tearful toast and stand with heads bowed low,
 When round the banquet-board in Nineteen-one at Buffalo.

Does Henry Fowler, tall Cannuck, an honest tribute pay
 To Philatelia's power still? and is he here today?
 In short are all P. S. of A's, from east to western sea,
 With us, who signed the charter-roll in August Ninety-three?
 Is Quackenbush and Aldrich here, much we in truth believe
 That J. A. Pierce and Babcock too are absent without leave?
 They all were with us World's Fair year, but that was long ago,
 I still forget 'tis Nineteen-one and this is Buffalo.

God bless the Boys where e'er they are, God bless our honored dead,
 May love and love's sweet memories in opulence be spread
 O'er them and theirs, may fellowship and friendship so expand
 Hearts still may touch and hands reach out o'er weary leagues of land.
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ROY FARRELL GREENE, Arkansas City, Kansas.



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ROY FARRELL GREENE, Arkansas City, Kansas.



FOREIGN PAPERS

The Australian papers are full of the visit of the Duke of York and the presentation of the address of the Sydney Philatelic Club to the royal philatelist about which our papers have already given later information. Another matter stirring up much emotion in the antipodes is the protest of the same club against the sale of 'postmarked' sets by the Victorian Postal Department; the text of the protest is given in the Australian Philatelist for April. I hope that the protest may not be in vain; all we desire is that the postal authorities should pay no attention to us in the matter of bargain sales. The new Victoria 1 and 2 pound stamps are illustrated; they are excessively homely, for a fact.

These same stamps are condemned in scathing terms in the May number of the Australian Journal of Philately.

An article of some interest is Mr. Hull's defense of the 5d green of New South Wales as the G. O. S. of philately against a misguided correspondent of E. W. S. N., who claimed an equal age for the 3d green of N. S. W. and the 9d, 1sh and 2 sh of South Australia.

The Philatelic Referee comes to the review table for the first time with its May number. I hope that it will continue the favor. Its number before me is a very creditable one, containing finely illustrated articles on the South African War Provisionals, a continued article on the stamps of Hayti (the 1883 1886 and 1897 issues are treated in this number) and a fine halftone supplement illustrating new issues, including the Pan-Americans.

The only article of special interest in the Philatelic Trader for June, we are pleased to note, has been reprinted from the Philatelic West; it is Mr. Fisher's advice on what to collect with moderate means.

Le Philatelite Francais for May also reproduces the French stamp lately described in the Philatelic Record which were forged for the special edification of Emperor Napoleon III in 1866. M. Lemaire promises further information about these official counterfeits. The article on Roumania deals with the issues of 1872; that on Belgian postmarks is concluded and that on the stamps of

the U. S. deals with the plates of the 1872 issue. From the former article I gather that the wheel cancellation often seen on the Belgian 1 and stamps is used for pre-cancellation similarly as done in this country.

Another paper not heretofore a visit to the reviewer is El Filatelico Espanol of Barcelona. Its contents are not bad, though largely reprinted, especially from El Curioso Americano and Revista Argentina. An original article deals with the stamps of Samoa, but brings nothing new.

Le Timbrophile Belge for June and other European papers, illustrates the Pan-Americans. An article on the angular stamps of the Cape of Good Hope is reprinted from the Philatelic West. The article on doubtful postcards enumerates the following as new issues. Tasmania, de la Rue design 1½ d brown, sent No. 6, Stanley Gibbons No. 12; 1d with another 1½ d stamp impressed beside it, sent Nos. 5 and 8 these being stamped to order; Erythraean Italian card commemorative of Rome with black surcharge Colonia Eritrea Portugal, 20 reis carmine with black surcharge Valido 1893; 25 reis, single and double, on chamois, design of 1898 Dominican Republic, cards of 1885 with black surcharge Union Postal Universelle 2 and 2x2c carmine and 3 and 3x3c blue Scott Nos. 479, 480, 481 and 482. Let Mr. Lohmeyer take note of the series articles.

In the Philatelic Record for June Mr. Nankivell produces some very interesting late evidence on the V. R. surcharges on the stamps of the first Republic of the surcharges in complete panes of the 1d red on orange and 6d blue on blue both from the same setting, of one setting of the 3d mauve on buff, and of the 6d blue on green, of which there are only Roman V. R.'s. Some new varieties of St. Helena surcharges are mentioned and an interesting variety of the 1880 50 pf. stamp of Germany is illustrated; it lacks the small ornament between the two scrolls on the right-hand side. Mr. King's article on varieties of several Philippine surcharges is reprinted from M. W. S. N. Our Pan-American issue is scored in vehement words, e. g. It is surprising that the Postal Department of a great State should prostitute its authority in such a manner. I hope that our State Department does not make this a diplomatic matter.

Le Courrier Philatelique Belge in its July-August number promises great improvements for the future; by way

beginning it combines the numbers for the vacation months. The number contains little of note.

Mr. Deakin is the subject for the cent-piece in the July Stamp Collector. An interesting feature of this paper is the Question Department; sometimes information of real value is promulgated here. Interesting extracts are given from the book on Danish stamps lately issued in Denmark.

I acknowledge with thanks the receipt of Nos. 4 to 11 of the current Briefmarken-Verkauf, the official advertising organ of the International Stamp Dealers' Association. None but reliable advertising is admitted.

The July number of the *Vertranliches Correspondenz-Blatt* is largely devoted to announcements for the philatelic convention at Berlin September 7th. The rest of the number is devoted to a full list of new forgeries and frauds.

Madrid Filatelico in its May number—the last at hand—brings a fair study on the stamps of Thurn and Taxis and a valuable article on reprints of Austrian newspaper stamps. A counterfeit of the new Chilean 5c surcharge on 30c is described: the genuine figure 5 measures 1.5 mm. in height, the imitation only 13. Pages 33 to 40 of the new book on the stamps of Spain accompanies this number.

El Curioso Americano in its April-May double number continues its good work on publishing valuable documents relative to the history of Cuban stamps, largely accounts of the number issued, also documents and tariffs relating to the use of Cuban stamps by the Spanish expeditions to San Domingo and Mexico in 1861. Cancellations used by these expeditions are reproduced; there is also a facsimile of a Spanish official stamp readily used in Cuba in 1857. A number of documents relative to the Puerto Principe provisionals is reprinted, giving numbers issued. Two full-page facsimiles reproduce entire sheets of the Cuban 5 and 10c of 1883, each with double surcharge. The paper states that General Gomez has been recorded franking privileges in Cuba.

Mr. Maury begins an interesting article on the requirements of a proper postage stamp design in the *Schweizer Postmarken-Zeitung* for May. Needless to say that few find grace before his critical eyes. The article on Argentinian stamps deals with the telegraph and official stamps, describing the varieties of the latter very minutely. A short article deals with the re-en-

graving of the Swiss 25c U. P. U. Jubilee stamps; an official letter shows that none of the retouches were sold to the public.

The P. J. of G. B. in its June number gives us the likeness of Mr. Gibson of Manchester. Mr. Pemberton is still at the Greeks and gives us much information on the printings from the cleaned plate after 1870, while Mr. Firth goes into the wilderness of perforations to be found on the 2 sen 1871-75 of Japan.

The May number of S. G. M. J. reviews Mr. Masson's book on Kashmir and the book on Danish stamps before mentioned; both are eminently worth having. Mr. Hull continues his exhaustive article on the issues of the Cook Islands, and Major Evans deals with the second and third issues of Hyderabad. Dr. Diena gives some interesting documents relative to the stamps of Corrientes, especially to their retirement.

Der Philatelist for June does not present much calling for mention. Dr. Moschkan chats in his usual patriarchal manner on the bear movement in entires but encourages their collection.

Morley's *Philatelic Journal* for June brings the continuation of the article on Sarawak and illustrates some revenue stamps lately issued by the Mosquito Reserve. Indian revenues surcharged British Somaliland are illustrated; here is an opening for a new postal issue. The Argentinian supplement deals with Patent, Playing Card and tobacco stamps. The new Puerto Rican revenues are also illustrated.

The article on secret marks in the *Revue Philatelique Francaise* is concluded in the May number; the author has a scheme for utilizing the perforation for purposes of control. That *Cyclopaedia of Philately*, M. Flandrin, writes on Gambia this time, with the aid of a gazettier. The fiscal part translates the article on U. S. revenue issues for the Philippines from Morley's *Philatelic Journal*.

An interesting feature of the *Stamp Collector's Fortnightly* (No. 164) is the reproduction of a number of forged tete beche pairs of the first French issue.

Mr. Hull's article on the stamps of the Cook Islands is translated in the *Postzegelgids* for June and another translation from the *Echo de la Timbrologie* deals with those of the Roman States. Some forgeries of the 10kr. of the first issue Wuerttemberg are illustrated. There is also an American correspondence.

Counterfeits and Their Detectoin

By *Lacus Viridis*

(Continued.)

TURKEY. One of those countries which are persistently neglected to the average collector is Turkey. I do not know whether religious considerations have anything to do with it or whether the horror of the late Armenian massacres is reflected upon the stamps of the unspeakable Turk or whether the reason for their neglect is to be found in the foreign character of the inscriptions. At all events the fact is to be deplored, for they are a most interesting field for research and, by reason of their neglect, can with few exceptions be obtained at low prices. Nevertheless counterfeits are very common and are found in many otherwise well ordered collections few being able to distinguish them from the genuine. Hence it may be appropriate to describe some of the more common forgeries.

At this writing I have no imitations of the first issue before me, though there are enough of them in the market. But the next issue is well represented. It is the one of 1865. The easiest way to distinguish the four issues of 1865, 1867, 1869 and 1874 is found in the left hand curl of the inscription at the top. In the 1865 issue this character is turned sharply upwards and there are a number of vowel signs scattered around the inscription. In the 1867 issue the left end character ends almost horizontally and the whole word looks very plain compared with the previous one. In the 1869 issue the same character hangs downward; the whole word is in larger letters. In the 1874 issue the character is turned upwards, but there are no vowel signs at all, only the two diacritical dots over the last letter. (It is

the Arabic letter T; the Arabic letter T is exactly similar but has three dots. The word at the top reads Devlete Osmanie, Government, that at the right Postai Osmanie; that at the left Osmanie; the whole inscription Postai Devlete Osmanie—Postai of the Osman Government: the value is below.) The 1876 issue is readily distinguished by the extremely complicated appearance of the black surcharge richly ornamented with vowel signs and accents.

Now for the counterfeits, The first one before me seems intended to represent the 20 paras yellow of 1865 or the some of 1867. The forger presumably was not familiar with the Arabic alphabet—which, indeed, would be expecting too much of a poor forger trying to eke out a frugal living by the manufacture of labels for stamp collectors. Accordingly it would puzzle the best Arabic scholar to decipher his inscriptions. The left hand character of the word at the top curves up at the left as it should for the 1865 issue, but the forger added another little hook to it at the left which is unknown to the Arabic alphabet. There are no vowel-signs to this word at all in the forgery, only the two diacritical dots, but the forger in his innocence has put them over the second letter L, instead of the last, the T. The inscriptions at the sides and at the foot are equally faulty, but it is almost impossible to elucidate these divergencies in words. Comparison of a suspect with any other value of this set will be best; remember that the inscriptions at the top and sides will be identical for all values mentioned: only the lower inscription, the value, is changed. The reproductions given in Scott's Catalogue are close enough to serve for comparison. There are many points of difference in the colored part of the design, especially in the delicate tracery under the black surcharge, but they are so minute that they can hardly be described.

(To be continued.)

Pan-American Notes.

THE ETHNOLOGICAL EXHIBIT.

By T. L. Elder.

Magnificent and impressive in the light of the sun, and dazzling and brilliant at night, the building of Ethnology at the Pan American stands unsurpassed from an artistic standpoint by any other building at the great Exposition. Its beautiful sculpture, golden chariots, its massive classical columns fine location, and perfect shape, combine to make it a striking object to all who visit the exposition to see the most beautiful features.

Located at the end of the lake, it is finely situated just opposite the temple of music which resembles it in shape. But strangely one feels a disappointment on looking through its interior. The arrangement of the exhibits does not strike one as being very tasteful, and there are also to be seen here some things not strictly ethnologic in nature. One Peruvian Mummy is on exhibition.

The Ohio State Historical Society is fairly well represented with some interesting relics from renowned Fort Ancient, Ohio.

S. P. Adams, of Portsmouth, Ohio, has on exhibition a very fine collection of stone pipes, small celts, pestles and copper relics.

There are quite a few relics of interest taken from the Baum, (O) village site in 1900. The Baum relics are of a quite varied character. In the centre of the building is a plot of ground showing even Indian skeletons in their original position, from the Baum site. The skeletons are those of children and adults, the largest measuring at least six feet in length.

Some interesting awls, needles, bone beads and perforated shell ornaments

are shown. The awls are made from the bones of a variety of animals, such as raccoon, elk and bear, and many with double points are shown. This town seems to have been very populous and was doubtless of great antiquity. Remains from ash pits and the village refuse heaps furnish bones of almost every animal of the early days, of deer, turtle, wild turkey, squirrel, and even the skulls of several of the village dogs are to be seen, as well as large quantities of mussel shells, burnt walnuts, butter-nuts, etc.

Models of the group of mounds at Newark, O., are to be seen, and the models of the great group of animal effigy mounds near the Milwaukee River, three miles east of West Bend, after the survey by Dr. Stephen D. Peet are also shown.

Some modern Indian weapons and wearing apparel, buckskin shirts, moccasins and bead work are seen.

The island of Samoa has a creditable exhibit of ornaments, weapons, articles of dress, etc.

Mexico, in this department, as well as in every other department of the exposition, from merchandise to bull fights, has outdone herself. It is about time for people to give over the idea that the Mexicans are a lot of heathen and semi-barbarous. The enthusiasm with which Mexico has entered into all our expositions is most inspiring and praiseworthy. I wish it were permissible for me to tell here an impressive patriotic event that took place in the evening of the Fourth, in which only the Mexican contingent took part. But I cannot. This country exhibits many interesting relics of the Aztecs in clay, stone, gold and silver, well worth seeing, besides other objects in great variety.

The contents of such a building have for the public in general the same interest that a graveyard would, but to the antiquarian, the lover of American history, legend, and Archaeology, it will be a Mecca replete with interest to which he will joyfully plod his way.

Considerable dissatisfaction has been expressed by collectors who wanted to exhibit their collections at the Pan-American on account of treatment received by them at the hands of some of the officials. There is something wrong when the officials refuse to even pay the freight charges on the magnificent collection of archaeological relics belonging to Mr. Thomas Harper of Bellevue Pa. Mr. Harper is one of the best known authorities on archaeology in America and is Curator of the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania. Mr. Harper's collection is the finest one in the Smithsonian Institute, and it is hard to understand why the Pan officials should act so foolishly, unless by such behavior they accepted instead the exhibit of some firm who offered them a pecuniary consideration.

Notes from Ewen's Weekly of England.

Owing to the appearance of the 1d. Universal Postage stamp in New Zealand, the pictorial local print of that value is obsolete—a fact that does not yet appear to have occurred to most collectors.

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The 1 dinar stamp of the current type of Servia issued in 1894 in blue-green, has been demonetized and the stock of remainders was recently sold by auction in Paris. Collectors will do well to remember this fact when buying unused Servian stamps as face value is as frail a guide to their value as it is in the case of Salvadors, Nicaraguas and others of that ilk.

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Another new set of stamps that is a long time appearing is that which, more than twelve months ago, was being prepared for Greece and which was expected to have been issued last September. The many delays that have occurred are stated to be responsible for the flood of surcharges to which Greece recently treated the philatelic world.

However the Greek postal officials seem to be hurrying on-matters just now for we learn that the designs have been accepted and that the stamps are in the press. Messrs. Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., are producing the stamps and doubtless they will be as artistic as any of the previous work done by this firm. The set for ordinary postal use will consist of the values of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 40 and 60 lepta and 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 drachmai while the unpaid letter set will be similarly constituted with the omission of the three higher values.

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It seems that the recently issued Cayman Islands ½d. and 1d. stamps are available for international postage after all and are not restricted to local use as was reported a few months back.

GETTING MORE TRADE.

Every observing man knows to a certainty that the right kind of advertising pays. Speaking from the standpoint of profit in the marketing of goods, the meaning of the word advertise is RESULTS. It is not justifiable to any publication to expect satisfactory results from an advertisement run only once. One time advertising is like being introduced to a person; you simply get the name and an idea of the appearance. Frequently afterwayd you may meet the person and not know him. On the other hand if that person has something new to tell you upon each meeting, and it is interesting, he will become an entertaining acquaintance. It is the same person yet he has a new story to tell you at each meeting. The application this has to advertising is that the advertisement should be continued for several issues and the ads changed frequently. The same firm may advertise the same goods yet do so in a new manner each time and make the "salesmen in type" (the ads) tell an interesting story. With attractive illustrations, interesting and convincing reading matter, advertising is sure to increase trade.—Cycling West

The Collecting Field

BY
W. H. W. Stillwell.

BUSINESS MANAGERS SAY

There are undoubtedly fewer mineralogists in the country than there ought to be. But then, I should not have said that, for if every one was a mineral collector, there would not be enough specimens to go around.

When I say mineralogist, I do not mean the kind our high schools turn out, that cannot give you the comp. of granite and get it straight. I was talking to a young lady graduate of the high school in this city, and speaking about the Scientific courses given in the schools, she said: "The only thing I remember about geology is the comp. of quartz, which is Hornblende, Silica and sometimes mica." Wouldn't it be a fine thing to get a large quartz crystal composed of the above ingredients. Why we would be far ahead of Science. Such a study as geology or mineralogy might be a great deal more thoroughly taught in our schools and less football and dancing.

Another instance came under my observation a short time ago. A friend was looking over my collection and finally speaking of different metals and ores, he asked me what kind of ore brass was found in. He was a well educated young man and another school graduate. At the time the above question was asked the young man was employed in a machine shop, where the metal was very often used, and yet he had never taken the trouble to find out about such matters. It is just the same with collecting as with some other things, some people are desperately fond of music, I can almost truly say that I am, that is, some kinds, bag pipes and dog fights excepted. Other people would much rather see a prize fight than listen to the best Craxfordio. I often think how very fortunate it is for us all that we do not think alike.

One of the reasons that so few mineralogists exist is that mineralogy and geology is as deep a study (taken together) if not more so, than ninety-nine out of every hundred of the studies pursued by our men of science, I do not mean to say that I am a thorough mineralogist. Oh no! for life is not long enough for a person to only start in the mysteries of nature revealed to the nature lover.

Our Editor-In-Chief, Mr. E. H. Wilkinson, has recently been promoted to the position of Freight Cashier of the Burlington R. R. at Omaha. This responsible position is a fitting reward for his years of service with the Burlington.

Readers who desire to renew their subscriptions should do so at least one month before the expiration of the old subscription. This is the only way you may be sure of receiving it without missing a number. Prompt renewal is requested because the edition is exhausted each month and it is almost impossible to secure back numbers. Renew a month before and have your file complete.

Glad to see friend W. Fracher of Detroit awarded the first prize for window display for competition of large New York publishers being decided on the merits of photographs taken of newsdealers window and decided by judges in New York.

Subscribe and get the next number. Expect it to be the finest yet. It will surely pay you to try an ad.

We will use cut of a leading New York collector who has the finest original covers of the U. S. Also, cut of Sprague, of Mass., who got out the Photographic Blue-book, has over 5000 fine negatives. Spent eight summers on British Isles with camera, and has been over most of America. Expect to use some of his MSS, and cuts of other noted collectors.

Error made in ads of W. Shaw of Los Angeles, Calif., 5 picket, price \$1.00 instead of 100 and C. Freeman of Portland, Ore., T S should be U S

Are you going to the Collectors' meets at Buffalo August 19-23? If not and you are a member of A. P. A., or P. S. of A., or S. of P., would like your proxy. Remember, proxy of latest date holds good, so if given already, and you wish to change, can do so. Can send to L. Brodstnoe, care Niagara Hotel, Buffalo, by August 19-20.

Memoranda.

These notes are picked up here and there—some are stolen, some are borrowed some are original. If they serve a purpose, all is well, if not they are only a few items lost on the sea of philatelic journalism.

The postal emissions of Aguinaldo's republic are generally conceded as legitimate issues.

There is talk of a new issue of Italian stamps to bear the likeness of Queen Helena.

The slow-going Chinese never hurry in conveying ordinary mail matter from one part of the empire to another. Letters are carried by slow boats or by foot runners who never exceed a speed of 20 mi in 24 hours. The foot-runners secure the letter bag to the back by a cloth knotted across the chest.

The time for the annual conventions of the different societies is drawing near, and a collector who has attended one of these "meets" knows well the pleasure of the hearty hand shake and the welcome smile that characterizes the great philatelic brotherhood of our country.

There is many a pleasant hour of summer spent with stamps that otherwise might be dull and meaningless. If you have a few spare moments go to your own little realm of pleasure, lose yourself from the busy world and look deep into the heart of philately. See the true inward spirit that rules you in your passion for stamps, and then realize there is more of beauty still that may be gathered by looking closer and deeper into the greatest of minor joys.

Buffalo, the exposition city, has a population of 400,000, 26 railways, 23 passenger trains daily, 225 miles asphalt streets. It is thirty minutes ride from Niagara, and is the coolest city in summer in the United States. Excursion rates are low enough to allow a large attendance of stamp collectors at the annual conventions.

The Buffalo stamps are all the rage. Old time collectors, who have not collected for years, are buying them as souvenirs and without a doubt many of them will renew their old allegiance to philately.

The fame of the inverted Pan-Americans is surprisingly great among people who never before gave a thought to the philatelic value of stamps. All these augur well for the Pan-Americans and for collecting in general.

Only 500 of these Cards Issued.

A Danish post-card which, in the opinion of a correspondent, is "sure to be much sought after by collectors," has recently made its appearance at Copenhagen, the issue being limited to 500 copies. The idea, it seems, was to commemorate the Fancy Fair held in the Danish capital last week under the patronage of Princess Maria of Denmark.

The card was designed by a prominent Danish artist, Harold Scott Møller, and represented Atlas bearing the globe.

The post-office installed a bureau in the bazaar, and here the cards were stamped with the princess's initial "M.," surmounted with a crown with the official Danish postage stamp. All the cards were sold on the first day of the fair at a price of 1s. each, but they are already at considerable premium.

The American Society
Of Curio Collectors.

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Department of Conchology (Marine Atlantic Division)—J. Lewis Wheeler, 30 Lenox Ave. Providence, R. I.

Department of Conchology [Marine Pacific Division] [Terrestrial Division]

Botany—Charles Russell Orcutt
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Department of Numismatics—E. L. Bangs, 1401 Clarkson St., Baltimore, Md.

Department of Entomology—Prof. C. Abbott Davis, 1134 Elmwood Ave., Providence, R. I.

NOTE: Arrangements are being made to establish other departments.

All honest collectors of the following are invited to join: shells, fossils, minerals, Indian relics, war relics, coins, medals, paper money, eggs, insects, flowers, woods, autographs, mounted birds and animals, rare books, historical articles of all kinds, sea and land curios, etc., etc.

Free Identification Bureau for naming of shells, minerals, fossils and coins. One exchange notice in official organ. Quarterly bulletin for use of members only. Many other benefits.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The summer months, or heated term of the year are conceded to be the slack time with all collectors and little is doing in the curio world. Consequently our applications for membership are not many during this season. The American Society of Curio Collectors, however, is getting well advertised by "its loving friends" and we may look for a goodly increase of memberships soon as the vacation season is over, and thousands of collectors take up their work again. Let every member try to get at least one new member to join ere next month's report. We will not be long in reaching the 1000 mark. Get your talking clothes on and boom the society.
ROY F. GREENE.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Fellow Members: My time has been so thoroughly occupied that I've been unable to do any bidding for new members. Having been called to a higher work than merely spending my spare time in the collecting of specimens, I herewith tender my resignation as secretary-treasurer of the A. S. of C. C. It is my desire that the president appoint one of your active members to relieve me of the position as soon as possible. In becoming a secretary I also retire from the collectors ranks. In future my time will be occupied in an entirely different line of work; and the rest of my life will be devoted to what I feel is my duty—to push forward the betterment of the American Indian. I'll have no time for correspondence unless it be on my special line of work.

Thanking all for past favors.

Yours Very Truly,

ALLEN JESSE REYNOLDS.

Change of address: 51—J Lewis Wheeler, 30 Lenox Ave., Providence, RI. 110—Fred'k M Henry, 11 W 135th St, New York City. 181—Andrew J Aiken, Lishon Centre, N.Y. 147—H N Dennis, Momenca, Ill.

Omission from last month's report: 220—Chas E Shoup, (26) Edison, O. General, everything but stamps

NEW MEMBERS.

226 H W Carr, (34) Stamford, Conn 4 Forest St. General.

227 Geo Harris, (38) Fulton Ohio, General.

228 C N Dutton, (36) Otego, N Y, Ind rel; curios.

229 J W Swartz, (38) W Market St E. Liverpool, O. General

230 E W Darbey, (1) 438 Main St, Winnipeg, Man. Canada

231 W G Jerrens Jr, (32) 214 Clark St Chicago, Ill Ancient coins and fossils.

232 Tillo C Metyger, (26) 16 Gladys St, Rochester N Y Shells, minerals, birds eggs.

233 C C Cobb, (59) York, Nebr., Ind rels, shells, coins, minerals, pottery, fire arms, books and woods.

234 J H Wattles Jr (22) 1111 Cherry St, St. Kau City, Mo coins, min, fossils, Ind rel

235 Norman Wallace Letmond, (40) Thomaston, Me General

236 Burn J Cherry, (24) Santa Rosa, Calif coins, stamps, Ind rel, old newspapers, curios

237 Rowland Evans, (37) U S Court, Indianapolis, Ind. Old books, especially historical and legal, butterflies and bugs

238 J N Scott, M D (34) 375 W Van Buren Chicago Ill shells and curios in general, money and stamps;

232 E R Hartinger; (24) Alden, Iowa mounted birds, eggs and curios

240 Frank S Glover, (16) 1714 Buckingham Place, Chicago, Ill, stamps, shells, Ind rels

241 B Butler, (55) Brevoort, P O Miss General

242 A H Boies, (65) Hudson, Mich All branches of Natural history

243 Miss Jennie Chapin, 603 Fayette St, Syracuse N Y

244 William A Shaw, (38) C-o Dunlap Tire Co, Toronto Ont, Canada old fire arms and curios of Canada.

245 H G Askew, (55) Austin, Texas shells, min, fos, postage stps, envelopes, cards.

246 G B Smith, (33) 305 Superior Ave, Dayton, O rare and old coins, hist rels, photos, old books.

247 A W Van Leer, (1) 1008 North East S, Bloomington Ill.

248 Frank E. Culp, (31) Bx 42 Bethalto, Ill Gen'l

249 Wm H Baker, [2] Pond St, Quincy, Mass Gen'l

250 E H Collins, [48] Box 888 Cherokee, Ia Ind rels

251 Fredk B Stebbins, [48] W-R R Adrian, Mich General

252 H N Bugbee, [31] 14 Charles St, Fitchburg, Mass General.

253 Alfred O Gross, [] Urbana, Ill mounted birds, birds nests and eggs.

254 D C Neefus, Jr [37] 538 Union St Hudson N Y Coins, stamps and relirs of all kinds

APPLICATIONS.

255. Jonkheer C. Ph. h. Van Kinschot, Domburg Holland.

256. Robert Moses, 8 Strand, Walmer Deal, Kent, England.

257. Edgar F. Gladwin, 305 W. 12th St., Pueblo, Colorado.

258. A. H. Bailey, box 137, Marietta, Ga

259. Archibald Crozier, 810 W 5th St Wilmington, Del.

260. Mrs. M. H. Taylor, New Kalmiche, Wash.

261. Ray F. Stevens, Shablona Ill

262. John F. Fargo M. D., Umonth Ave., Lo-

- Angeles, Calif.
 263. Arthur R. Talbot, c of H. H. L. Judd Co.,
 Wallingford, Conn.
 264. Carl H. Haessler, 633 11th St., Milwaukee,
 Wis.
 265. J. E. Short, Cheney, Washington.
 266. T. G. Hayard, Edison, Ohio.
 267. Carl Schrumpl, Hart, Mich.
 268. Harvey L. McAlister, Lexington, Oregon.
 269. J. A. Williams, 98 Calhoun St., Ft Wayne,
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ALLEN JESSE REYNOLDS.
 RULES FOR

DEPT. OF IDENTIFICATION OF BIRDS AND
 MAMMALS OF THE U. S.

W. E. Snyder, Beaver Dam, Wis.—in charge.

1—All birds or mammals sent me in the meat shall become my property unless otherwise agreed.

2—Prepared skins will be returned only when return postage is furnished in advance.

3—If unable to send birds in the meat as prepared skins, cut off the head, tail and wings and send these for identification.

4—All mammal skins sent must be accompanied by the proper skull.

5—Each specimen submitted must bear a tag stating the locality and date of capture, and the sex, where known.

6—A stamp or postal must be enclosed for return of names, except in cases which come under headings 1 and 2 above.

Mounting Indian Relics

By F. E. HALBERT.

The attractiveness of many collections is impaired by inartistic mounting, or not being mounted at all. Recently the writer arranged a collection in the following manner: First, a Whitewood board (any soft wood will do) 16x18 inches in size and $\frac{3}{8}$ in thick and planed on both sides was covered on one side with silk velvet slightly padded with cotton wadding. The velvet was tacked on at the sides with small brass-headed tacks. This made a rich back-ground.

The arrow points, etc., were fastened on with fine annealed wire, which was passed through holes made with a small sharp brad-awl. The wires being fastened at the back. An Indian photo was placed in the center, and tacked at each corner. Around it were placed a number of arrow points in a circle. At each corner of the board was placed a large specimen, then a small semi-circle of arrow-points pointing towards the corner. Between these semi-circles were arranged the larger specimens; the

whole forming a pleasing effect. All the relics were securely wired down so as not to be easily moved. There is hardly any limit to the manner in which relics can be arranged so as to show them up to advantage.

Relics mounted in this manner can be framed if desired, and thus be kept in fine condition and be readily examined. Try this method and you will find that your friends will take more interest in what you have to exhibit in this line. You will take more interest in relic collecting also.

The Brotherhood of Nations.

How much nearer to each other the nations of the world seem to be to-day, and really are to-day, than was the case a few decades ago. When weeks and months were required for communication between the United States and Europe, the countries of the old world appeared to be a long way off. Now the circumference of old earth is belted with telegraph and cable lines in every possible direction. What happens to-day in Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, South America, and the great islands of the sea, is made known to us to-morrow by great newspapers like The Chicago Record-Herald, whose foreign news correspondents are located in every important city in world outside of the United States. In addition to its own staff correspondents, The Record-Herald enjoys the foreign news service of The New York Herald, famous for many years for the reliability of its foreign news, and also of the New York Tribune and of that great co-operative news-gathering organization, The Associated Press. No other daily newspaper in America possesses facilities so varied and extensive for covering the news of all nations.

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Colonialana America.

Of Wars, Things and Times in the American Colonies. by Daniel E. Pannepacker.

INTRODUCTION.

(Continued from last number.)

Close ethnological students all agree as the evidence of their unity of origin. In their weapons, arts, objects, usages, inventions, dances, and form of government we find the same impress of a common mind and the successive stages of development of the same original conceptions.

Every school boy is familiar with the mythical tales told by the lazy avaricious Spaniard of the Mexican and South American Indians, their cities and towns, their kings, their emperors, and their civilization.

As a matter of fact history proves there never was an Aztec empire, that only a league of free tribes who elected chiefs of their own and accepted the same general modes of consanguinity that have prevailed among all the more advanced tribes of North America.

Nor was Montezuma an emperor, he had no palace but lived in the great communal dwelling of his tribe, who recognized and served him as their head.

The great Indian cities and towns of South American and Mexican countries existed only in the fertile brain of the early Spanish discoverer. Of course there were uncommunal structures where the rich and poor alike dwelt.

(To be continued.)

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The Hawkeye Camera Club.

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Acting upon a suggestion of Mr. Brodstone that Iowa ought to have a camera club, I have taken it upon myself to organize one. I have written to several persons in regards helping me organize it but though they will join after it is organized they did not want to help organize. So I concluded that the best thing to do was to announce the new society in the Phil. West. For want of a better name I have called the society "The Hawkeye Camera Club."

The object of the society will be:— 1st. the advancement of amateur photography. 2nd. for a better knowledge of "How 'tis done." 3rd Exchange of photo ideas and apparatus. 4th. a better acquaintance with each other.

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SALE SUPT REPORT

The bulk of the stamps received up to the date are of the cheapest quality. It is a mistake to think that very common stamps are easily disposed of through this department. Many new issues are always sought for even though very cheap in quality, but when all the collectors have been supplied the demand ceases and such stamps are better disposed of at wholesale or job lots. Cheap foreign will sell more readily than cheap U.S. Please make me up some books of medium grade desirable stamps marked at fair prices, and I will endeavor to please you in the sales. I am very much in want of names for circuits. All who require stamps for their collections please forward their names promptly.

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JOEL T. DUBOSE.

CURIO NOTES

Queen Margherita of Italy has a passion for collecting the old shoes of historical personages. Her majesty's collection, which is already very large, includes boots or shoes worn by Joan of Arc, Mary Queen of Scots, and Marie Antoinette.

Not long ago while workmen were excavating under the old jail at Juarez, Mexico, not far from El Paso, Texas, a number of old Spanish weapons were unearthed, in a fairly good state of preservation. The jail underneath which the relics were found is one of the oldest buildings in the northern part of the republic of Mexico, and was built more than 300 years ago. According to tradition, it was used during the time of the Spanish rule as a barracks for the soldiers of the king, but they were forced to flee to escape a fierce attack of aborigines. Among the weapons found were two old-fashioned muskets, a cannon and some smaller weapons used by the Spaniards during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. There were seven muskets, also, of a different type, besides two other fire-arms known as Arquebuses, which weighed so much that it was necessary to use a brace to support them when firing at an object.

Florida is rich in minerals. In addition to phosphate, of which the world already knows, she has immense deposits of clays of every kind—kaolin, fire and aluminum clay, gypsum,

and Fuller's earth of great extent and finest quality. She has stone excellent for building purposes and a soft magnesian limestone that produces a cement in every respect equal to the best imported. Iron of high grade and value is known to exist in several localities; so also are indications of petroleum, natural gas and soft coal and asphalt to be found in several portions of the state, and yet, with one or two exceptions, the fields containing these ores are undeveloped.

Archaeologists are certain that ere the work on the Nicaragua Canal is completed many interesting relics will have been unearthed as that region is known to be very rich in evidences of a prehistoric race, and has as yet been little explored. The Pacific end of the canal is sure to cut through an interesting section to archaeologists as the dense forests are believed to cover the vestiges of a lost people. In the midst of these great woodlands stand to this very day great stone images, which were once worshipped as gods. The practice of burial in pots was one of their odd customs. Many such pots have been dug up. They are huge, boot-shaped urns of earthen ware, five feet high and four feet in diameter. In each one, ordinarily, is found a human skeleton in a sitting posture, with the knees drawn up to the chin. In every case the burial pot, when sufficiently preserved, has a cover, which is an inverted bowl of earthenware elaborately decorated with figures of curious design that evidently had a meaning of their own. Possibly only persons of a certain class were interred in these urns, for graves and tombs of other kinds are found. The human remains are always accompanied by articles such as beads, whistles shaped like turtles or other animals, burnt corn, beans, peculiar

green stones and small images of gold, proving conclusively that these ancient people possessed considerable quantities of yellow metal. The richest remains are found on the island of Ometepe, eight miles from the west coast of Lake Nicaragua.

Prof. Adams, of McGill University, Montreal, has demonstrated the manner in which the rocks under the earth's crust are continually changed by the pressure upon them. He subjected columns of marble to the enormous pressure of 18000 pounds to the square inch for periods varying from 17 to 124 days. It was as if a rock had been put into a monster nut-cracker. The solid marble flowed out at the sides like molasses, but most wonderful of all, without losing its cohesion or solidity. The experiment showed that the solid rocks beneath the earth's surface are continually flowing in the direction of the least resistance.

In a popular lecture on birds, an ornithologist at the American Museum of Natural History recently stated some most interesting facts. Birds are simply reptiles he said, which have shed their scales and teeth, grown wings and feathers and invaded the domain of air. Some millions of years ago, when reptiles ruled the roost, the birds were but a feeble folk and had not shaken off the marks of their cold-blooded ancestry. The very oldest of these ancient birds of which we know anything has been chipped out of the lithographic stone of Bavaria. This is the Archaeopteryx, a creature about the size of a crow, and its Greek name means "old bird. Its jaws were provided with sharp teeth, its powers of flight were limited and its tail was long, like that of a lizard, but instead of being scaly, bore twenty pairs of quill feathers. Other toothed birds of younger date have been discovered in

the rocks of North America, but these lived an enormous time ago, when the chalk making up the white cliffs of England was at the bottom of the ocean. One of these birds is called Hesperornis ("bird of the West") and was not able to fly at all, living by diving after fish, which its long-toothed jaws were able to catch and hold. Another, Ichthyornis ("fish bird") a small form possessed of the power of flight but also addicted to a fish diet.

That life may exist for tens of thousands of years in the seeds of a flower seems to be proven by the presence on the banks of the Susquehanna river of a strange and hitherto unknown plant, having a beautiful bloom of a thing like that of the violet. The discovery of the novel flower was made by a class in botany. The roots of the plant were imbedded in coal thrown up in a culm bank. A number of botanists have examined the flower, and nearly all of them agree that it is sprung from seeds which were embedded during the misty centuries of the coal age. The species when analyzed was found to belong to the same floral family as the common violet.

The dragon-fly is something like a knight in the pieces of a game of chess as it can move in eccentric directions, backwards, sideways, and alter course without turning the body.

Ostriches are not the only running animals that can outstrip the speed of a horse. There is a land tortoise in Cuba, it is said, that can rival the ostrich, and go much faster than a horse. In contrast to this is the snail that takes 14 days and five hours to travel one mile.

The pretty little Woodpecker

California is an energetic worker. It will carry an acorn a distance of thirty miles to store it away from sight.

Of all the curious kinds of lace, especially old lace, the most curious is that which is called point tresse. It is very rare and was made of human hair. French collectors say it exists in the present day only in their cabinets. It is confined to the early part of the sixteenth century.

If you have read this department this year you must be interested in curios. And if you are interested in curios you should belong to the American Society of Curio Collectors. Now is the time to join as the dues may be raised at the end of the first year, which will be soon. You will find, on other pages of the paper, the society's list of officers, new members, etc., and after looking the matter over and carefully considering the matter, we should like to have you send the secretary your application for membership.

ROY F. GREENE.

Canadian Notes.

By Basil G. Hamilton, Winnipeg, Canada

Arrangements have been completed for the unveiling on the 22nd of this month, of a monument erected in Toronto by the efforts of the Ontario Historical Society to the memory of Laura Secord. The bust is life size, cast in bronze. It is the work of Miss Mildred Peel and is said to be an excellent likeness. Laura Secord is a Canadian heroine who lanced her title by carrying word through the American lines to the British headquarters that the Americans were about to make an attack.

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At the May meeting of the Numismatic and Historical Society, of Mont-

real, Curator R. W. McLachlan reported several donations to the Museum and a large number of books to the library. Some routine business was carried through. Dr. Laberge exhibited a small ivory bust of Queen Victoria of very artistic workmanship by M. Noble 1856; a silver-plated platter cover with a coat of arms engraved thereon. He was anxious to know to what family it belonged. They were emblazoned with a chevron and three fawns. Mr. J. H. Ross exhibited a large album containing about 150 pen and ink drawings of old Montreal buildings, many of which have long ago been demolished. A subscription was started to secure the album for the museum.

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Mrs. Dean Freeman of Fort McLeod, Alberta, was in Winnipeg last month with an extensive collection of genuine Indian Curios and Modern Indian works of art from the Blood reserve. She was successful in disposing of much of it. Included in the collection were a number of "buffalo stones",—colored pieces of rock almost the shape of a toad,—which the Indians believed possessed peculiar merit for buffalo hunts. Besides these she had several grotesque rattles and an excellent head dress.

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Mr. E. W. Darbey has been added to the list of curio dealers of western Canada. He is conducting a business on main street Winnipeg. Mr. Darbey was for many years with Mr. W. F. White and should prove to be an expert in his chosen profession.

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Resolutions of condolence were passed and ordered to be sent to the families or friends of the following members who had died during the past week:—Abbe H. Verreau, who had been a member since 1881, an eminent historian and antiquarian; P. S. Murphy, member since 1880; and John S. Shearer, member since 1887, and a former treasurer of the society. All of these men are a great loss to the ranks of the antiquarians of Montreal.

The Geological Succession of Animals and Plants

A RETROSPECT.

By F. Gaines.

(Concluded from last Number.)

Great universities are now sending out finely equipped expeditions, solely to study these extinct giants in the rocks. Wyoming, Montana, Dakota and Washington states, Wyoming especially are unexcelled for well preserved fossils of these extinct reptiles. Of late years more and more attention is being given to this branch of geology, and amazing discoveries are being made constantly.

Lizards, Batrachians, Saurians, etc., were especially abundant, and of great size during this age. The fossil tracks of these animals are found in some districts, in great abundance. Some sections of Connecticut are especially rich in them. The *Brontozoum Giganteum* whose tracks are occasionally found, is supposed to have had a height of about fourteen feet.

Some of the best known animals of this period are the *Ichthyosamus*, *Plesiosamus*, *Pterodactyle*, and *Iguanodon*. The *Ichthyosamus* much resembled an enormous crocodile. One was recently found petrified in an opal mine in New South Wales, the opal having replaced the parts of the animal perfectly. Another report says that one has been dug up in England. The *Pterodactyl* had the head of a bird, mouth of a crocodile, wings of a bat and body of a mammal. It is supposed by most palaeontologists that this animal had the power of powerful flight, occasionally swooping down into the water to seize its prey.

The Dinosaurs of the Age of Reptiles had many of the general characteristics of lizards. These monstrous animals were usually from twenty-five to thirty feet in length. To this group belongs the *Iguanodon*.

In the Mammalian Age the whales and mammoth are two of the most im-

portant groups of animals. The *Megatherium* of the Zenglodon, a species of whale, are so abundant in the state of Alabama, that they were once much used for industrial purposes. Treves describes one skeleton of this animal which was about seventy feet in length on the ground. The great *Liberian* mammoth of this age was much larger than the largest elephants of the present time. Specimens of them have recently been found almost perfectly preserved in the ice of that northern country. In fact parts of the remains of one were fed by one party to the dogs with no bad effects. When one considers the time these animals must have been in the ice, this seems indeed like a wonderful miracle. The *Mastodon*, closely related to the mammoth also lived during this period. The study of the teeth of these animals is almost a science in itself. During this age, also, a great glacial epoch occurred.

Now for a word about fossil man himself. The antiquity of man is still puzzling our greatest scientists, and still seems to be an unsolved question as yet. Recently, at Sandstone, Minnesota some quarrymen unearthed a number of petrified bodies. What is more strange, the bodies were found in white sandstone, which hardened into its present form, thousands if not millions of years ago. Four bodies were found in all, two of the figures being almost seven feet tall. The other two are between four and five feet in height. The heads are perfect but there is no indication of features owing to the coarse structure of the rock. The sand stone is used for ordinary building purposes. Thus science has another problem to puzzle over.

From this all too brief retrospect will be seen what an endless field the enthusiastic palaeontologist has to puzzle over, but perhaps it will create more respect in the minds of some for what they were formerly disposed to regard as "petrified things."



Camera News



Intensification and Reduction.

F. A. W. DEAN, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Intensification is a practice little understood and still less practiced by the novice in photography. At that period in his career when its aid would be most valuable, he neglects to avail himself of its advantages through fear of difficulties and a lack of thorough understanding of the great power that it gives him to correct the errors that he is so prone to commit; namely, the under-development of his negatives. Such negatives as have been correctly or fully exposed, but removed from the developing solution before sufficient density was obtained, may be made, by intensifying, as good as if they had been carried to just the right point in development.

Several formulae are used but the one I shall indicate has been in use since the days of albumen paper; it is as popular today as it was at that time when clear, strong negatives were demanded, and it will be found as satisfactory if not more so, than many others. The first or bleaching solution, can be applied to either the wet or dry negative, which must be in either case perfectly free from any trace of hypo; but I find that better and quicker results are obtained when the negative has first been allowed to dry before being placed in the solution.

This is simply a saturated solution of chloride of mercury. Enough of the mercury is placed in a bottle filled with water, to insure some of the chemical remaining undissolved at the bottom.

Care should be taken that none of these undissolved crystals are poured from the bottle onto the plate and as this chemical is highly corrosive and very poisonous, the fingers should be kept out of it as much as possible, particularly if cuts or wounds are present.

This solution is flowed over the negative, rocking the tray meanwhile, until the film is bleached completely. This can be determined by raising the plate and examining the back. When this stage is reached, remove the plate and wash for nearly an hour in running water.

The bleaching solution which is then applied is prepared by adding about a spoonful of stronger ammonia to enough water to well cover the plate or film. A teaspoonful for a small plate, 5x7 or smaller, and a tablespoonful for a larger plate. When the negative is blackened clear through, it should be removed, well washed and then dried. If not strong enough the operation can be repeated. Leaving the plate in the ammonia solution after blackening has taken place is not advisable. The density is inclined to decrease instead of increase on long immersion.

Another use to which intensification is often put by the advanced worker is to strengthen negatives which have been purposely taken from the developer before sufficient density was obtained, as in the case of a badly overtimed plate is inclined to show slight veil or fog. Were development continued this fog would only increase while with intensification only such deposit as is already developed can be strengthened.

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Hypo Crystallizing Out of Negatives.

J. A. McG. It is doubtful if there is any way of saving these negatives. As the hypo crystallizes out the salt makes minute holes in the film. If there is any white next to the glass and the negatives have been thoroughly fixed it will do no harm. Some negatives have this appearance. In any case I would first soften the film in a very weak solution, a few drops to the ounce of sulphuric acid, and then immerse in a fresh hypo bath washing well afterwards. Let me know how you come out as I have seen it stated that there is no cure.

How to Test a Neutral Solution.

G. M. B. If a solution is neutral it will not effect either blue or red litmus paper. You can get the paper for a few cents at any drug store or stock house. If the solution is acid it will turn blue litmus paper red; if alkaline, red paper blue. Should your solution be acid the remedy is to add more of the alkali until it has no effect on the blue paper. If alkaline add more acid.

Bicarbonate and Bisulphite.

No Name. You can use bicarbonate in place of carbonate but it is not advisable. It costs more; you must use more and it requires twelve parts of water to dissolve one part of the salt, while carbonate requires only six parts. Bisulphite of soda can hardly be used as a substitute for sulphite as the former is strongly acid and would simply neutralize the alkali in the developer giving the effect of a strong restrainer. Metabisulphite can be used as it is like the sulphite nearly neutral.

Permanganate Stains.

C. S. P. Permanganate is not suitable for intensifying gelatine negatives, on account of the deep stains that always accompanies its use. It is chiefly of value for collodion plates, in which the clear portions are not affected by its action. Your stains can be removed by immersing the negative in a solution of hydrochloric acid and water in the proportion of 1 to 6, until the stain disappears.

Yellow Prussiate in Developer.

R. DeH. Yellow prussiate is not a restrainer in the formula you give; it simply tends to keep the plate brilliant with dense high lights.

Purple Tones.

W. E. D. Yes, the acetate of soda gives more purple tones than the sulphocyanide bath; with suitable negatives it gives a very pleasing series of browns and purples according to time of immersion.

Creased Film Negatives.

L. L. P. If it is a celluloid film will be hard to remove. Try soaking it in water for an hour, and then pin it, face upward, on a board placing it as flat as possible and putting a pin firmly at each corner. As it dries, the gelatine side will contract, and possibly this will remove the marks.

Crystal Varnish.

E. W. A good varnish for transparencies is as follows:

Gum mastic	-	-	-	-	60 gr.
Canada Balsom	-	-	-	-	1 "
Benzine	-	-	-	-	3 "

Dissolve the mastic in the benzine. Bake the balsam in an oven till brittle, taking care that it does not catch fire, and then add the other ingredients. This may be applied cold.

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In addition to the appointments
made last month the following additional
appointments are made.

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We have on our files a number of ex-
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members may avail themselves of
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and what you want and we will try and
accommodate you.

Don't forget the stamp please.

Even though this is the ideal time
of the year to take pictures, it is not

the ideal time to finish them as plates
will frill, prints turn brown and red
pinholes appear in your negatives and
other hot weather trouble develop
which cause the 'tyro' to sicken at heart.

Cheer up, fellow photographers,
your developing in the cellar, or
plenty of ice, mixed with good judg-
ment, and your troubles will disappear
like dew drops before the morning sun.

When we see a fellow going along
with a fixed focus, cheap hand camera
we say to ourselves there is a "cheer-
guy," when we see a man with a large
focus, high priced "dude box" we say
he is a "swell guy," but when we see
a photographer taking pictures with a
regulation view camera plain but ser-
viceable, we spot him as a sensible fel-
low and probably the best photograp-
er of the lot.

If the average amateur could only
appreciate the service and solid satis-
faction to be gotten out of an old style
view camera there would be more
practical photography and not so much
horse play.

There seems to be a greater demand
among amateurs for larger camera
from 5x7 to 8x10. This we are glad to
see as when one becomes real enthu-
siastic, a 4x5 has no charms for him and
nothing short of an 8x10 will satisfy
his appetite. We have three inquiries
on our files for 8x10 lens, and any of
our readers who have a surfeit of lenses
of this size can dispose of them at a
good advantage by addressing the secre-
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APPLICATIONS—331 Sheldon care of Nebr. Historical Soc'y Lincoln. 527 Premo. Wants to X Indian relics and views. 332 H. B. Evans, Kearney.

We expect next No. to announce time of annual meeting of Camera Club. Send Clute your questions and any articles on Camera news.

Trimming Prints.

In pictures of yachts, steamers, or in fact, any moving object, it is a good plan when trimming the prints to leave more space in front of the object when approaching and more behind when it is moving off. By so doing the suggestion of motion will be increased in a most marked degree. This rule also holds good in the trimming of views of processions and like objects illustrative of moving life.

To Photograph Glittering Objects.

Any one who has attempted to photograph glittering objects like glass, metal or polished stone, knows the difficulty of avoiding troublesome reflections. These may, to a very great extent, be avoided thus: Gum the edges of several sheets of tissue paper together until you have a piece large enough to cover a fair sized window. Place the object rather close to the window and photograph it by pointing the lens towards but not quite directly at the tissue window. A

sheet hung alongside the camera will act as a reflector to light the dark side of the object.

Sunken in or Degraded Platinotype Prints.

Very often one finds that for some reason, their platinotype prints when dried look dull and insipid. Sometimes this is caused by using the acid bath too strong, which seems to destroy the sizing used on the paper, with the undesirable result of the print showing signs of a most unbecoming bashfulness and trying to sink itself into the body of the paper support. When this is so, a weak solution of the wax magilp will quickly coax the print back into full light of day. It is a good plan to wash it on and let it soak well in, then dab it off with a clean cloth or blot it off with clean hard blotting paper. This prevents any shiny appearance when dry.

To Remove Fixed Glass Stoppers.

Take the bottle in the left hand and place the ball of the thumb against one side of the stopper. Then tap the other side of the stopper with some hard substance, such as the handle of a knife, after a few taps, turn the bottle around, and repeat the process. In a very little time the stopper will become unloosened and can be removed.

To Remove Ink Stains.

The following will be found to remove ink from paper without leaving a sign of its ever having been there, and comes very handy, as one often wishes to remove such a stain. Wash alternately with a camel's hair brush dipped in a solution of oxalic acid and cyanide of potassium, and the ink stain will nearly always disappear.

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Organized Nov. 1, 1900

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Dealing With Over-Exposure.

If a plate is known to be over-exposed it should be soaked for several minutes in a quantity of the pyro solution. to which has been added five or six minims of a 10 per cent solution of potassium bromide. About one half the normal amount of the alkali solution is then added, and the plate again flowed with the developer. To obtain sufficient contrast, too much alkali solution must be avoided. A 10 per cent solution of citrate of soda makes a good restrainer. A few drops will help to produce contrast and keep the shadows clear.

Combination of Exterior and Interior View.

Occasionally we meet with an interior or architectural view; arches, doorways, and the like, where it would greatly add to the pictorial effect if the exterior view seen through the open door, window or arch, could be shown, instead of a blank blur due to over ex-

posure, halation, etc. This may be done as follows: First give on plate No. 1 an exposure sufficient for the view seen through the window, this being perhaps a fraction of a second. Now hang over the window, outside if possible a thin sheet of muslin or put tissue paper to fit the glass, and without moving the camera expose plate No. 2 for the interior. Although the sheet of tissue paper somewhat prolongs the exposure, yet the result is better, owing to the light being more diffused. Besides, the effect of halation is reduced. From the two negatives a combination print is made, first by printing the view through the window, all else but the part of negative No. 1 being stopped out, and then the interior from No. 2 the window portion being stopped out if necessary, which is often not the case.

To Clean Platinotype Prints.

The following hint as to cleaning rough-surface prints may prove useful. Make of flour and cold water a fairly thick paste, of about the consistency of cream. To this add a small quantity of alum, say half a teaspoonful of alum to a large cupful of flour. With a spoon and a basin rub all together into as smooth a paste as possible. Now with a soft brush apply this paste all over the print and wash all off again under the tap, when it will be found that the paste has gathered up the dust and dirt out of the grain of the paper, and the print comes out as fresh as the day it was made. Use plenty of paste on a very soft brush, or you may slightly abrade the more delicate tones of the print.

Improving the Undertimed.

The consensus of opinion of the majority of photographers concerning undertimed plates, that is, woefully undertimed ones, is to consign them to the ash heap, but according to a communication to the Photographic Society of Philadelphia, by our Mr. Bartlett, even an excessively undertimed negative may be brought to a good printing condition and so made to yield good, apparently well-timed, pictures.

His method, briefly, is as follows: He had made two exposures upon a pair of horses at 5 P. M. in December, after the sun had sunk below the western clouds. From the character of the subject the exposure necessitated considerably less than a second. One plate was treated in the usual way for under-exposure with the usual unsatisfactory harsh, contrasty results, i. e., strong high lights, and shadows almost bare glass. The second plate was treated to a different and ingenious method. To keep down as much as possible contrast, and to bring out detail in the shadows, a pure Metol and splash developer was used. A thin negative of necessity results, but by reason of the scanty exposure, even where the high lights had received the maximum share of illumination; the shadows, the minimum. The originality of the process pursued will now be explained. The wonderful property of the persulphate of ammonia reducer is called into requisition. The plate, after the hypo from the fixing had been thoroughly washed out, was treated to a bath of persulphate of ammonia acidulated with sulphuric acid.

Ammonium Persulphate	-	40 grains
Water	-	2 ounces
Sulphuric Acid	-	3 drops

The peculiar action of the persulphate is to first reduce the high lights. Making advantage of this, Mr. Bartlett succeeded in bringing down the high lights to a more harmonious relation to the shadows, a very thin, ghostly looking negative being the result.

We are told by the instruction books that it is necessary to subject the reduced plate to a sulphite bath, and finally to refix it in hypo.

The novelty of Mr. Bartlett's plan consists in omitting both these operations. He merely rinsed off the persulphate of ammonia, and immediately began to intensify the negative with bi-chloride of mercury followed by weak

ammonia and a wash in water.

He claims that the action of the persulphate is to reduce the film to a condition which forms an admirable nucleus or substratum for the deposition of the mercury, thereby insuring greater strength in the image. The negative, which he exhibited, bore evidence of the efficacy of the plan, presenting all the appearance of a well-timed plate.

- 1.—Reduce high lights to harmony with the shadows.
- 2.—Intensify immediately with saturated solution of bi-chloride of mercury.
- 3.—Wash well under the tap 5 to 10 minutes.
- 4.—Blacken in weak ammonia.
- 5.—Wash 5 minutes.—The Camera, Philadelphia, Pa.

A Makeshift Plate.

How often do amateurs in their rambles run across some desirable view just after their last plate has been exposed. They would have willingly avoided making all their other exposures had they known this was to come. In such cases the following may be tried: go over your note book and pick out a plate, that in your estimation is under-exposed, preferably of a subject containing no high lights, and one you can dispense with or get on another day. Take your desired view on this plate, giving about five times the correct exposure, develop in a solution well restrained and strong in pyro, but with scarcely a trace of alkali. A rather thin negative will result, which may be intensified, and best of all there will be no trace of the first exposure. The rationale of the process is this: We develop with a developer so weak in alkali that it would take a very long time to bring out the first or under-timed image, perhaps half an hour. Long before the half hour has passed the second image, on account of its long exposure, has appeared and gained sufficient detail and density to be easily amendable to the process of intensification after having been well washed and fixed.



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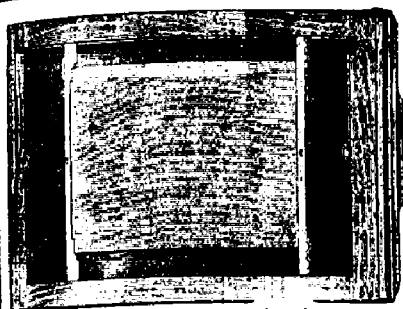
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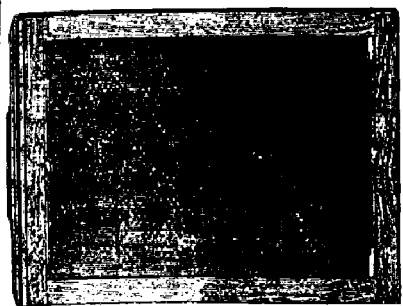
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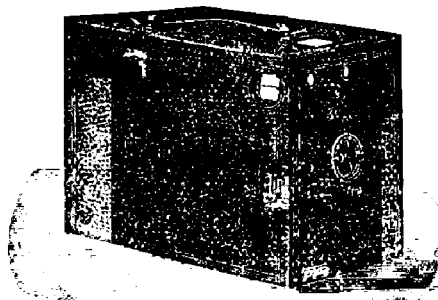
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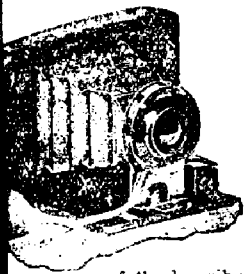
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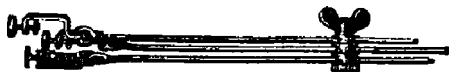
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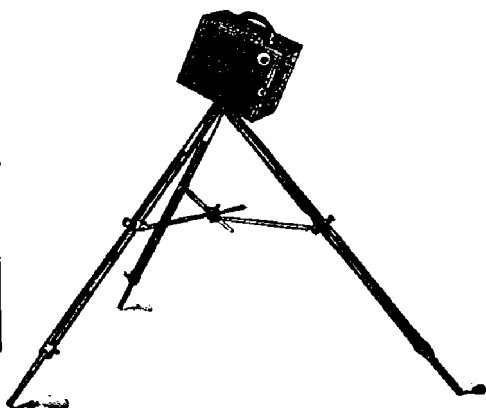
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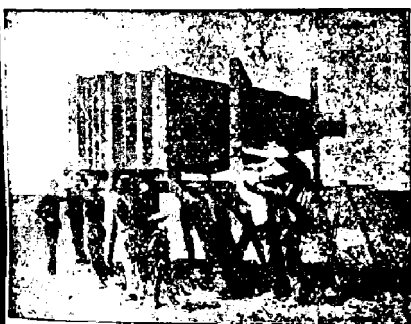
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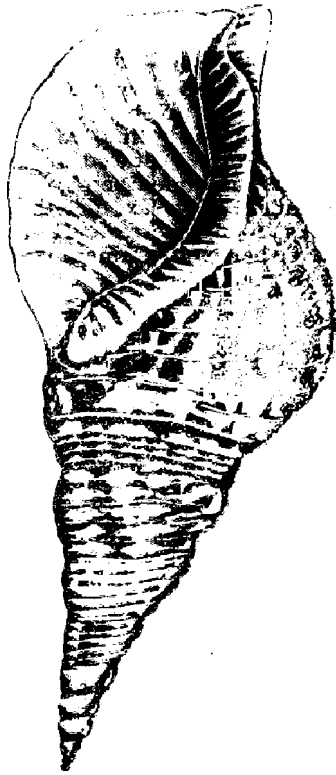
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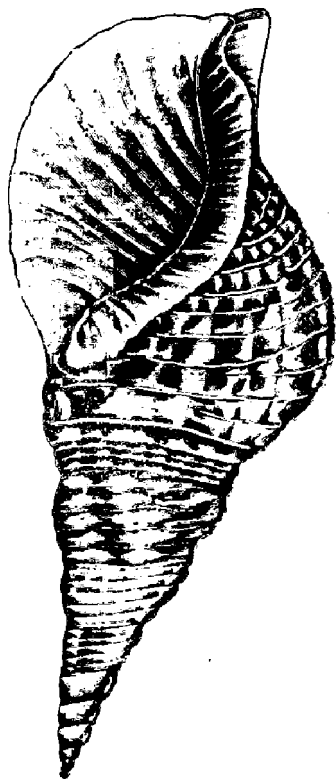
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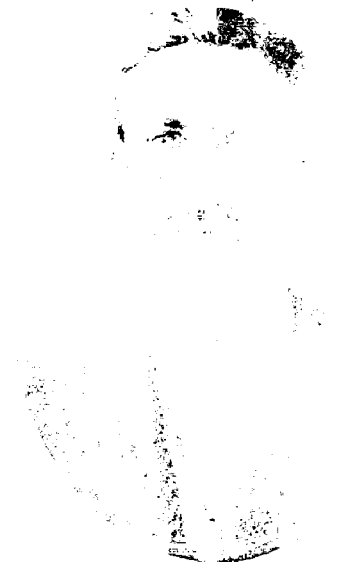
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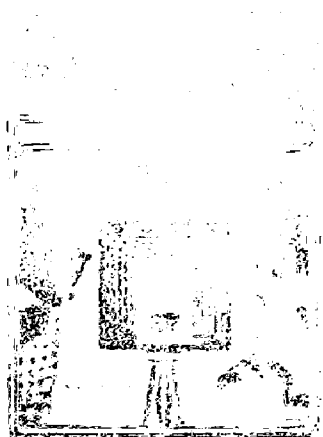


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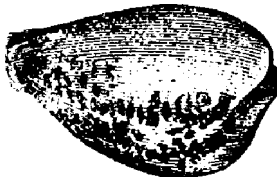
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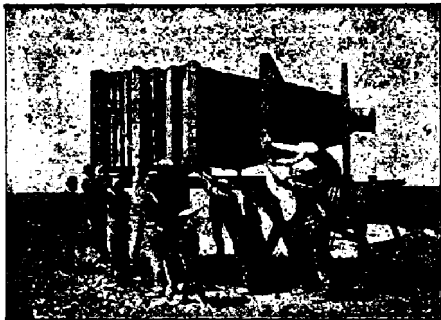
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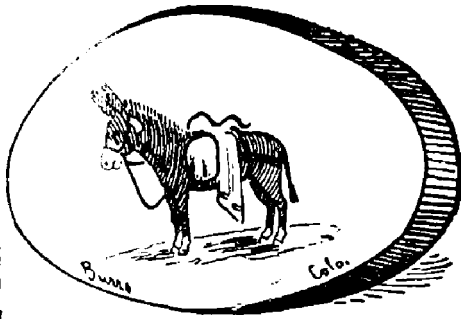
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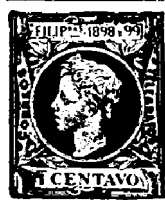
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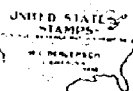
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EDITORIAL

We have received a neat pamphlet, "Hints for the Amateur," the work of our camera editor, Mr. Clute. A perusal of this substantiates our faith in the ability of Mr. Clute to conduct the camera department of the WEST in a manner pleasing to all.

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A condensation into one volume of all the technical and general information that would be a work of some magnitude. "Stamps," our esteemed contemporary, proposes that the task be under-

taken by co-operation between American and English philatelists. The publication of such a work should receive the hearty support of every stamp collector worthy of the appellation philatelist. The immense bulk of philatelic literature in the present form precludes the possibility of those of other than great means owing to a nearly complete library, to say nothing of the inconvenience attached to the preservation of the ill assorted forms in which it comes. We have various dictionaries of philatelic terms, etc. Now for an encyclopaedia of philatelic knowledge.

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We have found occasion to speak in these columns before of the pernicious

effect upon the younger element in philately. From this to the unsolicited approval sheet nuisance is but a short step. Mr. Jewett, of the ERA, has again taken up the cudgel against this latter evil, not in the light of it being a temptation, to dishonesty, but simply from the aspect of the inconvenience experienced by those who are the recipients of unsolicited selections. It would seem that this is the least important side of the question. It certainly were an easy matter aside from some slight bother, to put the unsolicited selection in an envelope for return to the misguided sender. But is this always so easy? To the business or professional man, no incentive or thought to do otherwise can exist; to the youth, and his name is legion, the still, small voice may grow weak, and thus the first unwise step is taken. What philately may suffer from this destable system followed by dealers of small discretion is, therefore, twofold. In the case mentioned in the ERA, a gentleman of prominence suffered some annoyance from the receipt of three unsolicited selections; in the suppositions case above referred to, the chances for pernicious work, the warping of a young mind, so susceptible to evil influence and thought, is so obvious, so indisputable, that, in comparison, the first phase of the matter becomes insignificant. We would it were possible to stamp this bane out of existence—to do so were a more appalling task than that which confronted Hercules when elected to renovate the Augean stables.

Remember that "facilis est descensus Averni." (the descent to hell is easy), as Virgil says; "ne puero gladium" (do not entrust a sword to a boy.)

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We are in receipt of a letter from Mr. A. Preston Pearce, formerly secretary of the Fiscal Stamp Exchange Club, in which he states fully the reason for the unsatisfactory service in the exchange

department of that club, as referred to in the May number of the WEST by Mr. Pepper. We regret that our limited space does not permit of the insertion of the communication, as we feel that Mr. Pearce should be accorded a hearing. While our associate editor apparently had just grounds for complaint, it appears that whatever trouble may have arisen was entirely unintentional on the part of Mr. Pearce. Mr. Pearce is well known as the founder and editor of Morley's Philatelic Journal and is connected with prominent institutions in England, and any delay in the transactions of the exchange department of the Fiscal Stamp Exchange Club was entirely due to his inability to successfully cope with the immense amount of work attached to it. Our readers may rest assured that the remarks of Mr. Pepper were inspired from any malignant motives and it is a matter of regret that the matter was not brought to our attention sooner. The withdrawal of Mr. Pearce from the secretaryship of the Fiscal Stamp Exchange Club is a loss to that organization, his long and earnest services in the direction of popularizing the collection of fiscals making his services of no uncertain value. His successor is announced as Mr. A. B. Key, 35 Bessborough Street, London, S. W., a gentleman whose ability is unimpeachable.

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The Chicago Philatelic Society is doing much to promote the welfare of philately. Their announced series of exhibitions of stamps, wherein the successful exhibitors will receive medals will be of more pertinent interest to the local members, but will be of interest also. We quote from the circular: "The exhibits, which will be five in number, will be held monthly and awards will be made as follows: One silver and one bronze medal donated by the Chicago Philatelic Society at each exhibition."

one special silver medal tendered by member of the society to the contestant entering each exhibit and making the most commulative showing.

The Committee on exhibitions names following dates for the exhibits in countries that have been chosen: August 15th—Brazil September 19th—Philippines. October 17th—German Empire and Colonies. November 21st—Nova Scotia and New Brunswick December 19th—Russia, Poland and Poland. The rewards for successful exhibitors are substantial and aggregate number, eleven, is a large

To the competitor whose display is judged the best, a silver medal will be awarded; and a bronze medal will be given to the one whose exhibit is next in the order of merit. To the member who enters each of the five exhibits and scores the highest number of points in aggregate, a special silver medal will be awarded."

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A remarkable example of business organization is the recent moving of Mel's Weekly Stamp News from St. Louis to New York, this being successfully accomplished without any apparent friction or delay of publication. It is fitting that the best weekly stamp paper in the world should emanate from a stamp center of the world.

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"Veteran", in the New York Philatelist, evidently was playing for publicity when he wrote that article on "A Plea for Better Philatelic Literature," and he is right. Most every editor has had something to say on the subject in line with his article. And a few find themselves unable to agree with him in every particular. Henry A. Chapman, in the Adhesive, gives us the most thorough and common sense discussion of the subject that we have seen. "Veteran's" theory that a stamp paper should contain nine pages of reading matter for each three of advertisements is puerile, and expos-

es his ignorance of the practical side of the subject. The publishers of the PHILATELIC WEST have always endeavored to work on the basis of one page of reading for one of advertisements, and it may be mentioned that they have succeeded in presenting from fifteen to twenty pages of stamp reading matter each month for some time. To do more would be ruinous. Mr. Chapman's pertinent suggestion that the advancement of the subscription price to fifty cents per year for a really good paper would aid materially in adding to the amount of reading matter is an entirely sensible one, with an exception we may make. As long as weekly papers, published or controlled by dealers, are obtainable for fifty cents or twenty-five cents per annum it were suicide for the publishers of monthly papers to attempt to advance to fifty cents. The Adhesive, the WEST and many others of merit are published by non dealers. They derive no support from the businesses of those connected with them promoted by advertising space liberally used in their columns. And yet they must compete with the many dealer published papers. We have long considered taking a decisive step and asking collectors for fifty cents for twelve numbers, guaranteeing enlargement and improvement in accordance. And after this is done we would be receiving double the amount we do now—and would be giving double the value, the immense amount of additional work entailed receiving no compensation whatever. The gain to the collector would be somewhat imaginary in point of cost, he paying for the additions. And there you are. The present basis of publication is too well established by years of experience to suffer criticism from the unversed. To offer practical suggestions as to contents is acceptable—to presume to question the generosity of publishers of better class papers is, on the face of it, purely a play for notoriety, nothing else.

Jottings from Old England.

By REGULAR CORRESPONDENT

It will be my intention to give the readers of the PHILATELIC WEST a monthly resume of current news of England and the continent. Nothing startling original will be attempted.

Many collectors hereabout are quite eager after the current issue of Spain. All this owing to the rumored change of currency and consequent new issue.

American fiscals, in fact fiscals of all countries, are on the boom here. Understand Mr. Robie, one of your impressive dealers, left a good sized bunch of these stamps with London dealers.

Many American collectors probably remember the former firm of Harry Hilckes & Co., which failed in 1899. It has been recently announced that preferred shareholders will receive settlement to within six per cent of twenty shillings to the pound. Considering the forced sale of the business, this is a handsome showing. It certainly shows that stamps have an intrinsic value that suffers little because of circumstances that would materially decrease the value of almost any other line of objects.

A London paper recently had the following: "Stamps make the whole world kin." Another morning paper had it this way: "Stamps collectors make the whole world grin."

As the Pan-American stamps added to the ranks in the States, so has the war with South Africa and the South African issues given an impetus to collecting in England.

I am informed that several values of Indian stamps are soon to appear with the King's likeness thereon.

A disastrous fire occurred in the establishment of Messrs. Bright and Scott, the well known stamp dealers located at 164 Strand, London, on June 20th. The stock was almost completely destroyed, but happily was well insured.

The British office is considering the scheme of becoming its own printer.

The color for our new 1d stamps is still undecided.

America can boast of many unique stamp papers, but none to approach the curiousness one coming from New South Wales. It is called "The Hawkesbury Philatelist," and is entirely "hand made," it being written on foolscap paper, there being eight pages of same. The cover is quite an artistic production of brush work. I venture to say that the "publishers" do not boast very loudly of the circulation.

Not to be outdone by others, France has a sort of a "trust" of stamp paper publishers and dealers, called a "Syndicate of the Philatelic Press." They state its object is to act as a protector of the interests of philately. But perhaps its own interests will be well attended to.

In your correspondence to advertisements will you kindly mention the fact that you saw their announcements in the PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS. It will afford them evidence of the value of this paper as an Advertising Medium of unexcelled merit.

Counterfeits and Their Detectoin

By *Lacus Viridis*

(Continued.)

The tops of the Arabic figures 2 in the corners are too sharply tilted upwards instead of being nearly horizontal, as they should be. But a sure test for one with good eyesight lies in the pearls surrounding the central oval: the genuine has 48 pearls, but the counterfeit has only 43. The color is good but the perforation is very poor, so poor that I cannot gauge it, whereas the issues of 1865 and 1867 are usually quite cleanly perforated $12\frac{1}{2}$. All these characteristics are also found on a 2 piastres blue forgery, meant for the same issues as the 20 paras before described; perhaps it is printed from a transfer of the former or vice-versa. Here also there is a difference in the outer line of the stamp. The genuine stamp is surrounded by a fine white line and an equally fine outer line of color. On the counterfeit this outer colored line is very thick and coarse. To be sure, one cannot always use this for comparison, because the impression of the genuine stamps is often so miserable that these two outer lines are entirely blurred. Here is a forgery of the 5 piastres carmine (or rose) of the same issues. Here the forger was either too economical or else slept at his work. The lower values, to be sure, change only the numerals in the colored design; hence the forger thought the higher values did the same. But he was mistaken. While the corner numerals on the lower values are contained in small circles, the figures of the 5 piastres are contained in small octagons, curiously growing out of the other ornamentation. The counterfeiter did not observe this and put the figures on his production into circles also which renders further

description unnecessary. The above descriptions apply word for word, except as to color, to counterfeits of the brown 1, 2 and 5 piastres unpaid stamps of the corresponding unpaid sets. They are evidently produced from the same stones; I suppose the other values have also been imitated in the same manner.

On a lot of counterfeits of the 1876 issue, with French surcharge of value, now before me the Turkish inscriptions are much better imitated, so well in fact that although there are differences, they are so minute that I cannot make them clear without illustrations. The best test lies in the 43 pearls of the central oval (as against 48 of the genuine), in the clumsy, thick figures 2 in the corners (I am now speaking of the $\frac{1}{2}$ piastre green, whose value is expressed in Turkish as 20 paras), and in the word *Pre*. On the genuine stamp this is surcharged with type; the letters are ordinary body-type with heavy downstrokes and thin cross strokes. The forgery is lithographically surcharged and the strokes of the letters are of uniform thickness throughout. Another counterfeit, this time the $\frac{1}{4}$ piastre (surcharged on 10 paras) does not show this characteristic; the letters are fairly well imitated, but the e extends farther down than that of the r. The Arabic figure 1 in the lower left corner is nearly vertical, whereas on the genuine stamps it leans considerably to the left (the same is true of the three other corners). A forgery of the $1\frac{1}{4}$ piastre (surcharged on 50 paras) furnishes an easy means of identification in the Arabic figures in the corners. The thick strokes of the lefthand numeral—the Arabic 5—on the genuine run nearly horizontally; on the counterfeit they are nearly vertical. The righthand numeral—a dot, the Arabic 0—on the genuine is distinctly fourcornered; on the counterfeit it is a plain round dot. A counterfeit of the 2 piastres can easily be told by the s of *Pres*; on the genuine the upper part is smaller than the lower, while on the counterfeit they are of the same size. The 5 piastres has also been imitated.

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Elimination of Difficulties.

American Philatelic Magazine.

If the number of shades listed in the catalogues is reduced, the chance of confusion will be lessened. It appears to us therefore, to be the part of wisdom to eliminate from the catalogues all shades of which a series can be found, grading gradually from light to dark, no matter how great the contrast is between the series. This would leave in the list only the pronounced shades of which there are no intermediate varieties.

Seasonable Advice.

Philatelic Bulletin.

Remember that the stamps you prize highest in winter, can be bought the cheaper in summer. Some dealers are offering a large discount from catalogue on old war revenues of the U. S. at present. This certainly will not be the case in the coming fall, as these stamps enjoyed a healthy boom last season which put them up several notches on the ladder of value, and I don't think I'll be contradicted by many when I state that they will probably take another boost shortly, so fill up your empty spaces N. W.

The Standard of Accuracy.

Monthly Journal.

It is very convenient, of course, for a collector to be able to obtain for a few shillings a complete list of all the varieties of the objects that he collects, and it may be worth the while of some dealers in stamps (we believe that it is of stamps, alone, that such catalogues exist) to go to the trouble and expense of compiling and publishing these lists; but where prices are concerned, it is evident that these alone can be thoroughly reliable which are affixed to stamps that are actually in stock or are frequently in the market; and that if a dealer, in response to the demands of his customers for a so-called Standard

Catalogue and Guide, prices things that he neither possesses nor is likely to possess, those prices must be fictitious, and may be quite inaccurate.

Murder and Suicide.

Philatelic Record.

There will yet have to be a dramatic remedy in the shape of a "close time" for discoverers of microscopical die varieties, retouches, etc. There must be a violent reaction some day. Patience will assuredly call a halt in the enumeration of stops, large and small, square and round, level, raised and inverted. And when that reaction sets in it is to be hoped there will be no more murder and suicide than are absolutely necessary.

A Philatelist By Proxy.

While His Royal Highness, the Duke of York, is an enthusiastic philatelist, still our readers must not be carried away with the idea that he depends upon his own knowledge and time to arrange his stamps. This work is undertaken by Mr. J. A. Tilleard of London, a gentleman of well known philatelic knowledge and who acts as His Royal Highness's philatelic secretary."

The Reason Why.

Canada Stamp Sheet.

Doubtless many persons not informed have wondered why the 1889 issue of Salvador were surcharged in the same year with the date "1889" in several colors of ink. The reason generally given for their issuance is this: Some time in the latter part of 1889 the national palaces of Salvador were destroyed by fire. The post office also was destroyed, but some smoked stamps were found in the ruins, and for the purpose of preventing these stamps from being used by people who chanced to find smoked sheets of them the government caused all the stamps remaining on hand to be surcharged as aforesaid. In the hurry and confusion

of doing this many errors of surcharge occurred, such as inverted surcharge, double surcharge, etc. Probably all of these are authentic.

How a 6000 Variety Packet is Constructed.

McKeel's Weekly Stamp News.

Stanley Gibbons Co., has been engaged in building a 6,000 variety packet that is now offered at retail for \$400. It is rather interesting to note the process by which this monster packet was created. The firm took all the stamps catalogued from 2c up to 18c, the highest number being found at 4c of which there were 1,067. The 12c stamps numbered 1,039, and following closely with 947 were those catalogued at 8c. The catalogue value of the entire packet is \$550.

Stamps of the Continental Bank Note Co With the Grill.

American Journal of Philately.

For many years it has been held by philatelists that, of all the companies having contracts for the manufacture of our postage stamps, the National Bank Note Co., was the only one to use the grill. It will be remembered that in June, 1876, a stamp cleaning case was tried in the courts. It was attended by the usual flurry among officials and a revival of the discussion of preventatives of such frauds. The Continental Bank Note Co., who then held the contract for the manufacture of postage stamps, suggested putting the grill into use once more. They were instructed to prepare 1,000 copies of each value current. As they had not the requisite machinery for making the grill roller, they intrusted that work to Campbell & Watt, a firm of machinists of New York City. To this we may attribute the small differences between this grill and those of the National Bank Note Co. The order was duly executed and perhaps slightly exceeded, since it included the

2, 7, 12 and 24 cents of the 1873 series, which has ceased to be issued to the public. The grided stamps were forwarded to Washington and put into circulation; but the Continental Bank Note Co., did not receive any further orders to apply the patent.

Since these grided stamps were prepared on proper authorization and duly issued, and used, there cannot be any question that they constitute a legitimate issue and are worthy of a place in any collection of United States stamps.

The Solution of the Ribbed Paper Question.

Philatelic Era.

The only trouble is that friends of mine, who know all about paper making and printing, insist that there is no such thing as ribbed paper, and I have about concluded to agree with them. They say that this paper never was made with ribs and that before it went into the printing press it had none, but that the lines we find on the stamps are caused by a worn blanket on the press. After the blanket becomes worn the threads of the warp stand out prominently and are pressed into the wet paper, at the time of printing, and form these ribbed lines.

I have found ribbed paper in nearly every issue since 1873, including those of recent date, as well as department stamps, Newspaper stamps and Postage Due stamps. I would not be surprised if the same thing could be found in stamps of issues earlier than 1873; and probably they are all due to the same cause."

When you write to them say you where you saw their announcement. Some of them advertise different lines in different journals and they can more intelligently understand your letter if you say which particular advertisement has attracted your attention. Still more important is the fact that it helps us. We could not give you the magazine we do if it was not for the advertisers, and the only way to get and hold advertising patronage is to give them returns. The journal that gives them the most inquiries concerning their goods gets their money for space. We want to be that journal. Will you help us?

Ye Callous Critic's Column.

By
Yours Sincerely

HINTS TO COLLECTORS.

Never cut or trim stamps.

Never wash off the original gum.

Never paste a stamp down; always use the hinge.

No, dear reader, the above did not appear in the first stamp paper ever published. They are taken from the only number of a blustering western spiritant. Paste this valuable information on your list for future reference—it may not appear again. Such generous instruction in the gentle art of stamp collecting is commendable.

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Here is the acme of philatelic jokeism. When is a stamp not a stamp? When it is a counterfeit."

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A contemporaneous editorial: "The removal of Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, to New York, will have a great deal to do with the future of Philately." Dear me! The shadows of coming events are heavy, this time.

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Now honestly, how much honor is there in the filling of an "unexpired" subscription list of a defunct stamp paper—one that found the struggle for existence too sanguine, and was compelled from the depleted pocketbook of the aspiring publisher to throw up the sponge—by a paper whose owner has a little more wind—or credit at the printers—and is able to assume a prosperity that is not, the unlimited gall of the editor being the fountain of most of the prosperity. If a paper is so poor that the public withholds support, and thus pronounces its doom, of what value is the sub list?

There is one thing about those new second class postage regulations—they will make some of these 6c per year papers look sideways. Likewise will they affect those papers that are given away with packets of stamps and other useful articles. Well, it's a poor tub that can't stand on its own bottom.

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What a to-be-regretted circumstance that Pan-American issues and ominous combinations of stamp capital do not occur more frequently. Such events furnish good material for editorials.

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Speaking of trusts. It would appear to a male person esconsed on a limb that in the reorganization of the American Collectors Co., the title of this awesome corporation should have been amended to read "American Dealers Co."—it would seem more in keeping with the plans and principles of the company as embodied in the recent prospectus. The "community of interest" theory exemplified: "We plan to make prices stable, which all can see is for mutual benefit. This can be accomplished by united effort where all have an interest in effecting the result.

Nothing is more injurious to the one who has a relatively small capital invested in the stamp business than to be obliged to sell at a fraction of their value rare stamps which he may be able to secure. A purchase which might mean a small fortune thus results in comparatively little gain.

We believe that our principles, and efforts in accord with them, will produce the greatest prosperity in the American stamp business."

Note that plain, unvarnished statement "We believe that our principles, and efforts to accord with them, will produce the greatest prosperity in the American stamp business." American Collectors Co., indeed. The benevolence heretofore ascribed to this company, and cheerfully

claimed by them, apparently extends in the direction of the dealer's pocketbook, not that of the collector, unless, perchance, the latter owns stock. Unless affected with astigmatism, between the lines appears "It is our everlasting aim to boost prices, to make them stable, to prevent losses to dealers from unaccountable fluctuations."

That the collecting fraternity will suffer from this "octopus" is not to be feared. The solidity of philately as an institution is not to be questioned, and no such combination of capital can seriously damage it. But consistency still continues to be a jewel.

Present Day Philately.

EDWARD W. MCCREADY.

It may be truthfully said that there are very few, if any true philatelists, among the numerous collectors scattered about the globe. Of these, the larger portion are in Europe.

It is a fact that there are thousands of people who collect stamps, but how many of these are philatelists in the true sense of the word? How many know why they collect? Some pursue the study for the sake of gathering a thousand, or two or three thousand varieties of stamps, and then when asked by an outsider what benefit they derive from "that pile of waste paper," they answer that it is but a pastime, a fad, at which the outsider "guys" them, and remarks that it is an expensive pastime.

There are still others—a little more advanced, as it were—who are in it for what they can get out of it. These glorious speculators are the principal drawback in the advancement of Philately. It is this class that makes the collector pay, and pay well for what he wants, and then suddenly unload a large quantity of the same stamps at ridiculously low prices and causes the value of the collector's holdings to fade

considerably. It is this class which turns true philatelists away from many stamps which would have afforded much interesting study had they not "gone to the dogs."

There is the class who collect not for a pastime, not for speculation but for the purpose of making this "bits of waste paper" a history of each country, not represented by an elegant binding of fine paper and neat printing besides a few dollars in the publisher's pocket, but documents, documents, documents! the truest and best historical records.

Now, fellow collectors, speculate all; let us get down to collecting as it ought to be. Let us study our stamps and soon we will learn how great and glorious a science philately is. We will soon learn which stamps are desirable and not, and in a short time we will have collections to be proud of. We will then be able to give the outsider an argument about those "bits of waste paper" which will be much stronger than "fad" and "pastime," and perhaps interest them.

Of course it must be admitted that there is a certain amount of speculation involved which cannot be avoided. For instance, why are collectors buying the stamps of Hawaii now? They form an interesting study, it is true, but even so why not as much so in the future now? It is not because their interest will subside, but because the supply is not enough to go around, and they will soon advance in price. Are they not therefore speculating on a rise?

But, like everything else, there are various kinds of speculation. Take, for instance, that, above mentioned, cannot harm Philately but on the contrary will do much to advance it. But when some scheming fellow buys up the entire supply of a certain kind of stamp and holds them until they rise in value, which they will probably do, as they will be very few on sale, to sup-

lectors—then comes out with them and takes it out of the collector—the sh. I mean—unloads as fast as he can. The market becomes flooded with them, the price goes down, and the poor collector "gets it in the neck."

may add that there is a good deal of advantage derived from buying carefully and much dissatisfaction from buying carelessly. For instance, when a collector buys right and left, regardless of value—as long as the stamps are gains—and then from year to year when he looks at the catalogue for the value of his holdings, and finds no advance—sometimes they decrease—he becomes discouraged and disposes of his collection—which cost him considerable cash, and much trouble for nothing.

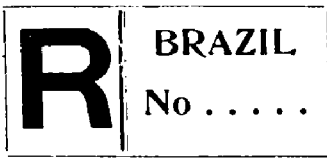
On conclusion I once more suggest that you get down to studying your stamps. Join yourselves together and form local societies or join those already formed, or better still, join some larger national society.

Though this little bit of sentiment may weary you, I suggest that you note its contents carefully.

EDWARD W. MCCREADY.

struck in black the number written in. Notice that the name EGYPTE shows French spelling, though the country is under British rule.

Here is a handstamp from Brazil; the letter came from a place in Minas Geraes, but no name is shown in the handstamp:



It is impressed in black, the number being written in. Registered letters from Brazil also usually bear a date stamp of the dispatching office showing the word REGISTRADO.

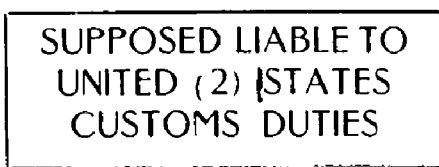
Registered matter from France usually bears only this excessively plain hand stamp:



usually struck in black. I have it in various sizes, but all in the same style. On one cover bearing this—it contained a book sent to me—there is an unwelcome legend with which most collectors with foreign correspondents will be familiar:

Suspected Liable to
Customs Duty.


It is impressed at the exchange office, in this case New York, I think. Another variety of this reads a little more civilly:



This was put on at New York also; the meaning of the 2 is not quite clear to me, unless it is merely the number of the stamp.

(To be continued.)

POSTAL CARD DEPARTMENT



Covers & Envelopes

Observations on
Some Original Covers

By R. R. THIELE.
(Continued from last number)

A letter from Alexandria, Egypt, bears this handstamp:

EGYPTE



No.....

Necessities of a New Philatelic Publication.

(BY A. HAS-BEEN.)

The above caption may be slightly misleading, as it is not our intention to advocate the necessity for any further attempts in this line, but simply to throw out a few hints to aid the beginners in getting properly started on the troubled sea of Philatelic Journalism.

In the first place it is a mistaken idea to suppose that a person starting a philatelic publication should be possessed of large or even moderate means. A very insignificant sum will start one out and enable him to "supply a long felt want" for two or three numbers, and at the end of that time, when the want is no longer "felt," his failure will probably not be noticed so much as if his capital had been larger.

Probably the most important feature of a new publication is its staff of contributors, and in this particular it is always best for a new publication to secure articles from members of the "gang" or Philatelic Writers Syndicate, composed of Miss A. Little Slow, Mr. Here's A Cheapman, Mr. Eel Fisherman, Mr. E. Let Her Push and others. Few papers in the country have been able to issue even a first number without contributions by two or more of the "gang." Of course papers thus catered by the 'gang' even have been forced to suspend publication, but we hardly consider it fair to attribute their failure to the contributors.

Another desirable thing is to have your paper printed by J. Weekly Slow, the great and only philatelic printer. This insures the paper being full, and on time. In case of a shortage of Philatelic data at any time, the printer can borrow a few pages of 'boiler plate' from one of your contemporaries, printed by him and no one will ever know the difference, as the reading all looks alike and hardly any one takes

the trouble to actually read it.

Don't be too hard on the fraternity in point of subscription price. Thirty cents looks big to some collectors and when other publishers offer practically the same journal for twenty cents it is liable to make it hard for you to increase your subscription list.

Endeavor to be the official organ of something. If you can't break into the arrangements of some of the old societies, start a new one of your own. It don't cost much; won't hurt any one; looks well; and will increase your subscription list, as one cent per. An appropriate name might be "Nights of the Mystic Stamp;" "Independent Order of Philatelic Butchers;" "Hod Carriers of Philatelia;" etc.

Never give more than a quarter-page ad in exchange for any article. Members of the "gang" are satisfied with this price and you must avoid bullying the market and causing an over production of articles on Great Finds, etc.

Always accept any ad offered you for publication, especially if accompanied by cash. If the advertiser happens to be a fraud you can apologise for it afterwards. An apology don't take up much space and you will probably make money on the ad. People don't mind being soaked a few times anyway. Some even like it and look for more.

The great qualification for a successful editor, however, lies in the fact that he must be hand-some, such as our friend Billar O'Ryley. This brings the collectors of the fair sex to your sanctum to sit and gaze on your manly beauty in speechless admiration. This must be delightful to a handsome and polished editor, and ought to in a measure compensate him for the abuse heaped upon his head by his loathed contemporaries.

The last, and probably the best advice we can offer to the person contemplating the "filling of a long felt want" is: "Don't do it."

AS SEEN AT THE MEETS.

E. R. ALDRICH

To few was it given to see the Chicago "Carrnation" do the joint smashing act at Lewiston but Wolsieffer vouches for the greatness of the act.

W. H. Beck came in with the state, county and city officials of the Wolverine State to make Michigan Day at the exposition a success but didn't fail to show up at the association meet. The other Beck—Howard C. and G. W. Price completed the Detroit delegation.

If the midway was a little slow to Bro. Schad no one could be surprised as he and Mayor Rose had just got through spending \$26,000 on a three days Elk's blow out at Milwaukee.

The sensation of the week was the announced loss of \$6000 worth of stamps upon the Midway by Kelsy Hall to which the daily papers gave considerable space with large headings but it turned out that the stamps were safely left at the hotel.

Geo. W. Rode of Pittsburg was present for the first time I believe since the Chicago meet and I can't see he has changed a particle. Rode is also an authority on coins and has a fine numismatic library.

Emil Kieffer only showed up for one day this year but is the same chipper little chap as at Milwaukee. He is at present resident in the "Electric City" but expects to return to Alleghaney this winter. He took a westerner out to see the town Monday night and says he didn't do a thing to him.

The group picture taken at Whirlpool Rapids the day of the excursion is as fine a specimen of pictorial art as any of the conventions have ever brought forth. It was finished in two sizes, 8x10 and 12x16, I believe. Send 60c to F. A. W. Dean, Niagara Falls, for one.

To see Albert and Norma hand in hand on the midway caused many outsiders to think that a new married couple were on their bridal tour but if the same outsiders had seen the valise of souvenirs sent to the little girls at home would have dispelled the idea.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Eaton were there of course. It wouldn't seem like a convention if D. T.'s genial smile and Mrs. E.'s motherly countenance were absent.

Clifford W. Kissinger was accompanied by his wife and father-in-law. The

latter while not interested in stamps attended one session and was much impressed by the manner of procedure. Mrs. K. as usual added to her already large number of friends.

T. Merrit Gifford was one of the last to leave, returning to New Bedford on Tuesday evening. His last act was to see that Cobe got through the crowd at the depot with his sixteen packages of souvenir.

"Papa" and Mrs. Doebelin were as genial as ever and as popular. "Deb" chaperoned Stauffer and would have been just as attentive to the "widow" if occasion had offered.

It isn't everyone who could do it but rumor says one member got chased across the state by the sheriff to reach the meet. May he not meet the sheriff on his return.

Edward Y. Parker came across from Toronto and took in the meet and his namesake, E. T. of Bethlehem, Pa., was also there. May we meet them both at Springfield.

Quite a party went to Niagara Falls on Thursday and they dined at the Temperance House, in spite of Beshers' protest who said that was too dry, they didn't find it dry any time afterwards as water—both spray and rain—followed them all the afternoon.



NEBRASKA
PHILATELIC
SOCIETY. 222

Nebraska's
Pride.

ORGANIZED 1892. LARGEST STATE SOCIETY EXTANT.

Pres., W. C. Estes, Omaha.
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Auction Mgr., J. Negreen, Omaha
Counterfeit Detector, A. Whitmer, Tecumseh
Librarian, F. T. Phillips, 1645 M st. Lincoln
Attorney, H. Whipple, Omaha
Trustees, Parker, Phillips, Stanbro, Lincoln
Official Organ, Philatelic West

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The next annual meeting will be held at F. Brown's room, upstairs, corner Farnam St. and 13th or 220 S 13th St. Sept 20, 7:30 p m.
Let every member be present in person or proxy
Send ballot to F Brown, Bx 866, Omaha, Neb., by Sept 19 Respy. W C ESTES

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Renewals—W C Estes, Omaha; B C Smith, Beaver city; F Woolston, Wayne
Nomination For Officers—Pres. F. Woolston—c Pond, H. Wendt, Vice Pres—H. Conrad, F. Shepard, J. Negreen, Auc. Manager C. L. Poad—Negreen, Ex.—Sales Supt. S. Hughes, H. Wendt S. Mortenson.

BUFFALO ITEMS.

Same officers as before for S. of P., A. P. A., P. S. of A. Springfield, Mass., secured 1902 meets.

Nebraska was the farthest western state represented. Canada and Cuba were represented.

Hubbell and Becker were the only Buffalo collectors in attendance, I believe. The hard work in making the conventions successful is deserving of praise.

Those in attendance found the government exhibits of Venezuela and Argentine very interesting.

Niagara Hotel, the convention headquarters, was honored by the presence of Generals Miles, Lee and Sickles and Lieut. Hobson during convention week.

Massachusetts had the largest representation—12.

69 members and 30 visitors were registered.

The report of the Secretary of A. P. A. showed a loss in membership of 33 since a year ago.

The vote on Secretary and Treasurer in the S. of P. was close; For Secretary Dodge 111, Brown 102; For Treasurer, 103, Brown 111.

The Buffalo newspapers devoted considerable space to the collectors and convention proceedings. One too enterprising reporter put this score head over his article: "Unique Societies Convene In City. Fifteen Hundred Stamp Collectors Estimated to be in Buffalo."

Space forbids me giving a complete list of those in attendance. But I must mention the ladies—they were in evidence at all things. I remember the following: Mesdams Stewart, Aldrich, Doebelin, Schad, Kissinger, Heinman, Eaton, Davison. Strange to say the names of the unmarried ladies have escaped my mind.

Many P. S. of A. members regret that the improper casting of proxies made necessary ruling no election. It was not difficult to perceive where the fault rested.

One of the old officers whose term was extended another year by the above unexpected event expressed his satisfaction that things had turned out so.

Some S. of P. members were looking for trouble, but good sense prevailed, the threatened row was averted, and all the boys left each other with friendly feeling.

Colorado and the West will long remember W. H. Barnum's noble efforts to elect Denver for the 1902 conventions. He is deserving of unstinted praise.

Roy Farrell Greene's poem to the P. S. of A. received great applause, as it deserved. Greene is a poet of the first order.

ADELANTE!

La Sociedad Filatelica Hispano-Americana.

THE SPANISH-AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

FOUNDED JANUARY 1, 1900.

PRESIDENT'S GREETING

Fellow Members: After a most pleasurable visit in the cities of Detroit, Chicago, Milwaukee, Buffalo and St. Louis, I am at present in Effingham, Ill. where I will be for a short time. I have had the pleasure of meeting a number of our prominent members, and was surprised at the many copies of the Philatelic West in the various parts of the country. I shall be pleased to hear from and all, and hope that each member will make a special effort to secure new members before the coming election of officers.

With Kind Regards,

AMANDO CESPEDES M.

SECRETARY'S REPORT, NEW MEMBERS

Federico H. Liendo, Iquaque, Chile
Walter M. Scott, Havana, Cuba
A. D. Blair Jr, Elmira, N. Y.
Jose Brito, Havana, Cuba
Regino Farias, Mexico City, Mexico
APPLICATIONS: Francisco Payrol y Sol, Habana, Cuba, age 32 clerk
References: Agustin Vazquez, Chas. W. Myers

Election of officers takes place in November, and owing to various locations of our members, nominations will have to be sent in earlier.

Chas. Willard Myers, Sec-Treas,
Wichita, Ks.

ERRATA—In Randolph Stamp Co. last line should read "Price list free on application; E. Coch, Peoria, should be Koch; Stegman of St. Louis changes prices: Omaha 1c, 15c per 100; 4c, 1c each and 5c, 10c at 1½c each; Review too late for this number.

Our Illustrations.

E. W. Kimball, Boulder, Colo., was born at Cinpville, Ohio, August 2 1872 29 years of age, has resided in Colorado during the last 12 years, is a great cutter by trade. During the last 6 years, he has collected western and other minerals, curios, Indian relics and semi-precious stones importing opals direct from Mexico. Mr. Kimball is a member of the American Society of Curio Collectors. He is identified with the mining interests of Boulder Co., Colo., being vice-president of the Wizard Gold Mining Co., a corporation with a capitalization of \$300,000. Being interested in Real Estate in and around Boulder. Mr. Kimball will answer any and all letters from parties contemplating coming to Colorado whether for investment or residence. See his ad in this issue.

F. E. Halbert is a native of the "Empire State," but recently having removed to So. Berwick, Me. At an early age he evinced a liking for curios and is still an enthusiastic collector. His collection though not extensive contains a number of articles that would be impossible to duplicate. His specialties are, U. S. stamps, fossils, general artistic curios and Indian relics. Among the latter he has an arrow point of peculiar material and of fine workmanship, that is positively known to have killed a man in the State of Pennsylvania. Mr. Halbert has written a number of articles for various periodicals on subjects pertaining to curio collecting. He is also an excellent art critic and offers prizes for amateur photographs that are worth trying for. See ad in this issue. Occasionally deals in relics and stamps and always endeavors to give full value received.

A. T. S.

R. H. Hendrick, St. Joe, Mo.,] was

born 1874 near Salem, Ills (on a farm) in 1889 moved to Mo. In 1898 started a grocery store in St Joe, which he still conducts. Started to collect stamps in 1893 with the columbians, sold his collection in 1896 to a brother, started again in 1898 with the Omahas, and still retains his collection but regularly collects U. S. adhesives now. Started stamp business 1899. See his ad in this number and printed his own supplies, since Jan. 01. He has never had the pleasure of seeing a large collection of stamps but has a large mail order trade, is a member P. S. of A. etc.

C. T. Metcalf, Greenfield, Ill., born in 1875, receiving his education in the high school and Plackburn University of Carlinville, Ill. Began collecting stamps in 1885, present collection numbering 5000 var of issues prior to 1895 was started in 1890. His collection is particularly strong in U. S. postage and revenues and British Colonial. Was one of the Organizers of the P. S. of A. in Chicago in 93 being charter member No. 7 and first purchasing agent of the society. Hopes to be at next meet.

John F. Seybold is known as ardent an enthusiastic collector for over thirty years. He is a man of refined temperment, genial company and is known favorably to the business world as well as the stamp trade. His collection of covers is the finest in the world and his singles, pairs, strips and blocks on and off the cover in U. S. and foreign cannot be duplicated. He adds every week some rarity to his stamps.

Walter Sprange—Probably there are few amateur photographers in this country who have a more valuable and interesting collection of negatives than Walter Sprange, of Beach Bluff, Mass. For more than ten years he has been an enthusiastic amateur, with the result that, notwithstanding, constant

"weeding out," he has over five thousand 4x5 negatives of various subjects that are good printers and were made a definite purpose. Eight summers have been passed by him with his camera in the British Isles: visiting places of historic note; and he has negatives of almost every ruin, castle and cathedral, within their confines. He has also visited and photographed the haunts of Shakespeare, Scott, Burns and other noted writers.

For many years Mr. Sprange has travelled for a large corporation, and on these trips has gleaned views of the principal points of interest as well as characteristic views; at every place he has visited from Montreal to New Orleans and from Grand Manan to Golden Gate, not forgetting to include the homes of Colonial times and of the heroes of the Revolution. For several years he has been a constant contributor to photographic journals, and although he makes no claim to being a man of science, his practical suggestions for workers are considered to be of value and assistance. As a rule his articles are either humorous or instructive, generally describing the experiences of camerists during their "outings," or trips to places of interest with illustrations of them. Of late years he has been kept constantly at work during his leisure hours in supplying the popular magazines with illustrated articles and short sketches.

The demand for prints from Mr. Sprange's negatives has for several years been beyond his resources and he has been compelled to discontinue exchanging. Indeed he has no time to make prints. About six years ago he entrusted his negatives to the care of some young ladies who needed employment and assistance, and paid them for making prints from them for his own use and also for distribution, but the increasing demand for prints

compelled him to turn all requests for them over to these young ladies. In 1896 they established the Gem View Co. at Beach Bluff, Mass., and ever since then they have been kept busy filling orders for Mr. Sprange and also for those who wish for prints from his negatives.

Mr. Sprange is the editor of the British and American editions of the "Photo Blue Book" which contains authentic lists of photographic societies and their members, a directory of professional photographers, and original and useful information for the fraternity. The last editions, published in 1896, are all sold out, and he is at work on a new American edition, which is to appear at the end of this year. Hope to see some of his MSS. in the West 1111

Frank Arthur Wishard Dean. Graduate of Photo College of Illinois, was born at Niagara, Falls, N. Y., in 1858. Traveled extensively on historical and natural sciences explorations through Michigan, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Missouri, having opened 112 Indian mounds 33 of which were in St. Joe, Mich. He first commenced collecting when 6 years gathering pretty stones. Then his hobby turned to Firenze and miscellaneous badges, for which he took the first prize in state contest to coins and any old thing. When 8 yrs old took up Taxidermy was one of oldest and most noted taxidermists and after several years up natural history and has collection of 8000 specimens. In 1893 became engaged wholesale and retail Natural Science. In '99 took up photography and in November entered college of photography. November expects to take extended tour through the west. Member of P. S. of A. S. C. A and musician to the W. O. bicycle corps. All naturalist collectors amateur and professional photographers when in his locality are cordially invited to call and any information he can give will be pleased to do so.

Swindler Captured in Omaha

Walker, Alias Wetmore; Alias Williams, Arrested.

Notorious Swindler in Limbo At Last.

Destroys Evidence of Guilt by Swallowing Fraudulent Draft.

The old axiom that the pitcher which is taken to the well too often will get broken, is true, if homely. The smooth forger who recently fleeced the International Stamp Co., of Montreal, and made a Chicago dealer, an attempt to operate in Boston, has undoubtedly profoundly meditated on the truth of the above saying while sitting in his cell in the Omaha police station where he has been "in duress vile" since Aug. 6. Philatelists the world over will learn of his apprehension with satisfaction, and will eagerly await the announcement of his conviction.

Williams, as he called himself in Omaha, chose the Omaha Stamp & Coin Co., for his victim this time "and thereby hangs a tale." As related to a representation of the West by Mr. Negreen, of the above firm, the story is substantially as follows:

About 1:30 P. M. Aug. 6, a man of good appearance walked into the office of the above company and, stating that he was a stamp collector, and that he wished to buy some stamps—not for himself, but for a friend, whose want list he had with him, and, wishing to profit, wanted to buy at a close figure to enable him to re-sell at an advance. After looking over a number of the firms stock books, incidentally displaying his thorough familiarity with the technical side of collecting, he picked out four or five U. S. stamps of good quality, and after much quibbling, agreed to take them for \$10.00. However, he had no change—"would they cash a draft for \$25.00 drawn by his firm?" producing the draft, which was drawn on the First National Bank of Minneapolis, and signed by the Northwestern Milling Co., which firm Williams stated he was travelling for. The draft bore every appearance of genuineness, but the dealers suspicions arose, and, recalling the Montreal happening, found that his customer answered the published descriptions of the Montreal rogue and that his methods seemed similar—quickly calculating on a plan to appre-

hend and investigate, he told Williams that he would be happy to cash the draft, and begged to be excused a few minutes while he took it to the bank, he lacking sufficient funds on hand to cash it, in the meantime handing the stamps selected to his stenographer for keeping until his return. Williams apparently had no immediate suspicion of the dealer's intentions, and expressed his willingness to await his return, settling himself into a comfortable attitude in an easy chair.

Once on the street, a telephone was found and the police station communicated with, and a bicycle detective soon appeared.

A few steps from the rendezvous Williams was met, he apparently having become alarmed. Stepping up to him, the dealer asked to be allowed to introduce him to a friend who he had opportunely met and who would cash the draft. His suspicion allayed, Williams shook hands in a nonchalant manner, and the three walked into an office near by, where the draft was produced and handed to the officer. That guileless individual, after a casual inspection—returned it, (Oh ye gods and little fishes) excused himself "for a moment" and made for a telephone to call for (though why he should do this is still as mysterious as the returning of the draft, the bona fide evidence of guilt, is inexplicable. Taking immediate alarm, Williams tore the incriminating paper to bits, chewed it, swallowed it, and, while so doing, made a hasty exit, closely pursued by the dealer, the officer triumphantly bringing up the rear. A short chase and Williams was brought to bay, and, despite frantic resistance, arrested. A trip to the patrol box—a ride in the "hoodlum" and the thing was done.

Concealed in Williams shoes were found several blank checks and a railroad check for a trunk; and on his person, \$266.00 in currency, a number of stamps and a revolver. What proved to be his luggage was found to contain blank checks and drafts on banks in many prominent cities of the United States and a collection of stamps catalogued at about \$100.00 were part of the contents. A package of Columbian envelopes which may be those procured from the Montreal dealer was also noticed.

Telegraphic communication with Montreal seems to prove conclusively that Williams is none other than the sharper wanted there. The Chicago

authorities have also been communicated with. The police had him photographed and measured by the Bertillon system the morning after his capture, and an inspection of this by the Montreal victims will settle the matter.

(His picture will appear in the WEST next month.)

The Omaha officials are dubious about conviction, as the only trace of evidence was lost when the draft was destroyed. It is hoped to have him convicted for offenses in Chicago, Boston or Montreal, if possible.

At the hour of going to press, his trial had not been held. Full details will appear in the next number of the WEST.

REVIEW.

By R. R. GHIELE

Foreign Papers

An auction sale in Japan is entertainingly described in Morley's Philatelic Journal for July. It is rather different from those here, being conducted more on the principle of our mail auctions. Another paper of interest is Mr. Morley's paper on the stamps of Tonga, and the fiscal, telegraph and railway stamp departments are up to the usual standard of excellence. The catalogue of Argentine fiscals running in his paper reaches the province of Buenos Aires in this number and is accompanied by a sketch map showing the various stamp-issuing provinces and municipalities of the Argentine Republic.

In the Philatelic Referee for June South Africa is to the fore, one article dealing with the Mafeking provisionals and another article the early issues of the South African Republic; both are interestingly written, though bringing nothing new. The article on Haiti deals with the 1887 issue of the black republic.

Three great articles form the main contents of *Le Philatliste Francais* for June. The one on the stamps of Roumania deals with the issues of 1872 (engraved by Barre and printed at Paris) of 1876 (same printed at Bucarest) and of 1879. The article on those of the United States deals with the impressions of the Continental Bank Note Co. A new article deals with the Belgian postage-due stamps, giving much new and authentic information as to the various printings. A shorter article grapples with the inexhaustible subject of Austrian perforations.

Mr. Stone of Springfield—our precious stone—will appreciate the July number of the *Schweizer Briefmarken-Zeitung*, for it contains a long descriptive list of all the philatelic papers so far produced by Switzerland. Another article deals with the postal history of Brunswick. It having been claimed in the last number of the S. B. Z. that the re-engraved 25c on the Swiss Jubilee issue was never sold to the public, a correspondent in this number claims that not a few of them reached the public after all. Only 4200 copies of the re-engraved type were printed in all. No decision has not yet been reached as to the new design.

With justifiable pride the May number of the *Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina* reproduces facsimiles of the silver medal and diploma won by it at the Paris Exposition—a well deserved honor. A large number of counterfeits are described and illustrated. The rest of the contents are chiefly official matter of the proprietary society.

A letter from Abyssina printed in *Die Post* states that the so called postage-due stamps of this country are absolutely unknown there, being no doubt a fraudulent speculation. The ordinary issue is being sold out to dealers, as the currency is about to be changed: the Thaler will in the future be divided into 100 centimes. The long-continued article on German colonial postmarks deals with those of German East Africa.

Catalogues have their faults, no matter what their language. The May number of *Filatelia* (of Buenos Aires) contains a roast of the last edition of the Galvez catalogue, the standard in the Spanish language. Let the other cataloguers take heart; their Spanish colleague is criticized as unsparingly as they are.

note of interest describes a counter-
feit (recently discovered) of the current
200 reis stamp of Brazil, made to
defraud the government.

An article in the July number of *Le
philophile Belge* deals with the late
surcharged sets of Crete and gives the
reason for the surcharge. It was applied
so that they might be sold not at their
face value, but at a value corresponding
to the stamps sold by the various foreign
countries in Crete. The following are
given as the real values at which they
were sold:

Face Value.	Real Value.
25 lepta	21 lepta
50 "	42 "
1 drachme	84 "
2 "	1 dr. 68 lepta.
5 "	4 " 20 "

Another item states that in December
1894 there were destroyed at the govern-
ment printing office, Auckland, New
Zealand, the plates of the following
stamps of Samoa; 1887, palms, 1892,
Paliotoa, 1894, cross.

No. 4 of *Philatelic Literature* is also
the last issued by Mr. Lehner, much to
the regret of literature collectors. Per-
haps it may be reissued by other hands;
let us hope to see it again.

There are people over in Britain who
collect stamp auction catalogues and the
Stamp Collector for August gives a
long catalogue of such. I doubt
whether many are saved over here. The
South African war stamps figure in this
number also in an article on the usual
issues. The other contents are all re-
printed.

Volume Eleven of Stanley Gibbons
Monthly Journal is completed with the
same number; I trust there will be
many more. Mr. Hull continues his

valuable history of the stamps of the
Cook Islands; it is illustrated by very
interesting reproductions of proofs from
various stages of the die for the Queen
Makea stamps. It is curious to thus
trace the genesis of a postage stamp. In
his native Indian series Major Evans
deals at length with the Official stamps
and with the envelopes of Hyderabad.
Four types of the Sarkari surcharge are
reproduced from an official document.
The translation of Lieut. Ohrt's work
on Oldenburg is concluded.

A curious new German provisional
is described in the July number of *Der
Philatelist*. It was issued on board
the German man-of-war *Vineta* (the
German war-vessels all have a post-
office on board for the benefit of the
crew) and consists of the current 5pf.
stamp divided in two vertically and
surcharged 3 pf in violet ink, the die
being apparently made of wood or
cork. A number of Italian, Peruvian
and Puerto Rican counterfeits and
forged cancellations are described, as
always, *Der Philatelist* devotes con-
siderable space to literature lists.

The July number of the *London
Philatelist* speaks at length of the
forthcoming South African Stamp Ex-
hibition to be held under the auspices
of the London Society early this sea-
son. A paper of great interest—il-
lustrated by a splendid autotype plate—
is Mr. Castle's article on the early is-
sues of Portugal, in regard to which
comparatively little information has
heretofore been available. I note that
the initials on the bust of the first is-
sue are those of the engraver Francisco
Borga Freire. Contrary to other
authorities the author finds two distinct
dies of the first issue, the difference
lying chiefly in the curl of hair at the
Queen's neck.

M. Mahe pours out the vials of his scorn upon the alleged discovery of secret marks on the old issues of France in the June number of the Revue Philatelique Francaise; they are mere accidental imperfections, according to him (including the tete-beche varieties) The inexhaustible M. Flandrin deals with the stamps of Gambia, without producing anything new. A long article deals with a recent Parisian scandal, the 5 franc stamp of Vathy having been reissued in large quantities after the authorities had assured the stamp world that the stock was exhausted. As a result the price fell from 50 to 6 francs and various dealers lost considerably. Another article illustrates various errors of the late Pietersburg provisionals of the Transvaal. There is also an interesting fiscal department.

Mr. Pemberton is still after the Greek stamps in the Philatelic Journal of Great Britain for July; he is now at the impressions from the cleaned plate in 1870 and later. The editor speaks his mind as follows regarding our stamp papers: "Some of the American papers are the most original on earth, but they rarely have anything new in them. The originality is confined almost entirely to the advertisement departments and the ingenious way in which dealers' wares are puffed in the "literary" portions of the journal. These must be the publications which our critic has in his mind, but to call them "literature" which needs improving, is flattering them in a subtle way." Let us hope that a perusal of the Philatelic West will incline the editor to kindlier views, though we must admit that not a few of our papers justify these remarks.

The Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser in its July number states that

Canada is already on the verge of issuing a new set with the head of King Edward. Is it true, I wonder?

Some dangerous forgeries of Tuscan stamps are illustrated in No. 166 of the Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly. The paper is sprightly, but the contents are very largely reprinted.

Clippings from the Foreign Press.

Montenegro is about to replace its coinage in novicis by one in heller and Kronen, like that of Austria; this seems to herald a new set of postage stamps before long.

—Le Philatelist Francais.

Two types exist of the current 100 and 200 reis stamps of Brazil. The first type of these values shows the background of the centre, formed by parallel lines, enclosed by an elliptical line; on the second there is no such line and the background shows only the plain lines. These types according to Sr. Rosaner originate as follows: The first printings of these stamps were made in two operations: the outer part of the stamp was printed first, then the center (the same as formerly when the stamps were bicolored), while at present both are united in the same plate. The difference in color between the center and the margin is another reason which confirms this opinion.

—Revista Argentina.

There will soon appear a new series for the French colony of Djibouti. The engravings are done and are said to be very beautiful. There will be three types; one for the five low values, one for the medium values and the third for the values in francs.

—Le Timbrophile Belge.

ERRATA—F. Massoth Co., Chicago should be 1603, instead 1630 Marquette Bldg; Miss L. Murray of Mich. 26c bond rev. should be 25c; n5 Wash house receipt should be 25c; \$1 Conveyance cat \$4 should be, 40c; \$1 Power of Atty, price 8c should be 3c; want some last Nos. and offer 4 months Sub. for Vol. 16, No. 2, in good shape.

Some Shell

Curios ^{BY} FOREST GAINES,

The mollusks given below are each distinguished from ordinary shells by some peculiar characteristic, of which we shall try to give a short description in each case. The Chiton a peculiar marine shell is formed in the shape of an elongated hemisphere. It is composed of eight plates, rounded and overlapping each other, surrounded in turn by a ring of animal matter. This shell frequent on very many coasts. Another name for this shell is the "mermaid cradle."

The Pearly Nautilus, a shell arranged in a conical whorl, enjoys a rather marked distinction as it is the only survivor of almost unnumbered ancestors. These geological shells, the Ammonites are so numerous that two thousand species or more are now known. The animal living in the Nautilus shell adds a new spiral chamber to it's house each year, and lives in the last chamber made. These shells are more numerous in the Southern Pacific than any other locality. It is to the Nautilus described that Holmes refers in his famous poem.

The Vermetus Lumbricatus or Worm Shell is very numerous on the Florida coast. This shell is very narrow, and has a number of spiral windings; hence its name. One of the shells somewhat resembles a moving serpent.

A very popular little Florida shell also, and one much sold by dealers, is the Bleeding-tooth. This shell is rather flattened, but is rounded and has a spiral form. It gets its name from the fact that the inner lip of the shell is raised up into a white notch, surrounded by a red coloration, the whole resembling very vividly a bleeding tooth. These shells are usually light yellow on the exterior, with pink to brown spots. The peculiar phenomena mentioned is usual-

ly more marked on the larger shells.

The Spindle-shell, also marine gets its name from its resemblance to a revolving spindle. The Key-hole Simpet is a flattened conical shell with a small hole in the top of the cone. It is often found adhering to rocks.

But mollusks are not the only animals living in mollusks shells by any means. On coasts where the Hermit Crab is abundant just the contrary may be looked for. These little fighting crabs have adapted themselves in the course of time to life in the shells and are now seldom found elsewhere, as their hard covering has become softened in the course of events. When two crabs come to the same shell at the same time, of course there is pretty sure to be a good fight. The animals by living in shells continually have become misshapen and therefore usually grow in the shape of the shell. Of course as the crab grows too large, it has to look for larger dwelling quarters from time to time.

The Spiney Murex, a marine shell, and a member of the Murex family is entirely covered at various intervals, with long sharp spines, which gives the shell a most barbarous appearance. This shell has also the names of Venis Comb and Thorny Woodcock.

The money-cowry, a little shell less than an inch long, is used by the natives of Western Africa, for money, and hence has a peculiar interest for that reason. This shell is a small species of the Cowry family.

If any readers are interested further, I refer you to Messrs. J. F. Powell, Waukegan, Ill., and the Naturalist's Supply Association, Chicago, both of whom are very extensive dealers in shells and similar specimens.

He is a wise business man who can see the weakness of his own advertisement. He profits by wisdom who can eliminate the weak points before the advertisement is published.

Quartz Crystals...

Montague Butler



and last. The search after rare minerals without regard for their beauty. Most of us are in the second of the divisions and it is with the hope of benefitting such that I give here a few facts concerning perhaps the prettiest—certainly the commonest of the crystallized minerals in our cabinets.

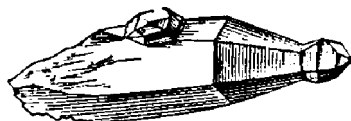
Most crystals are formed by deposition from some more or less liquid material and they continue to enlarge so long as the fluid, or mineralizer, surrounds or even drips upon them. The mineralizer in the case of quartz is hot, alkaline water, which by cooling or evaporation, leaves the Oxide of Silicon—quartz—in a more or less pure condition, completely, or partially filling the fissure through which the mineralizer flowed.

All minerals crystallize in one of the great systems and do not deviate far from certain well established forms, but slight differences in composition or mode of formation may cause the same mineral to assume several different "habits" and quartz shows a slightly different habit in almost every locality. These habits may be broadly divided into the single terminated,—Figs. 1 and 2—the capped—Fig. 3—and the double

The collecting of minerals may usually be divided into three periods: 1st. The accumulation of the "pretty stones" of our childhood. 2nd. The eager gathering of fine crystals and showy specimens. 3rd



terminated crystals—Figs. 4 and 5. All the varieties bear the geometric forms characteristic of this mineral, i.e. the hexagonal prism, plus and minus rhombohedron and often other less important forms, such as the trigonal trapezohedron etc., to the number of about one hundred and seventy-five. The plus rhombohedron, which is shown in Fig. 1 as at both sides of the upper termination of the crystal, is usually much larger and more brilliant than the minus rhombohedron, which is only shown in this cut by the single, small isosceles triangle directly facing the reader.



There are usually three plus and three minus rhomb faces at each end of a crystal, each rhomb face being directed over a prism face and the plus rhomb faces on one end are directly above the minus rhomb faces on one end and directly above the minus rhomb faces on the other end when the crystal is double terminated. The trigonal trapezohedron would be represented by a small face truncating, or cutting, the edge between the plus and minus rhomb faces. It would appear in three places at each end of the crystal.

(To be continued.)



CHAMA VALLEY ON B. & M. R. R. IN COLORADO.



MINNEHAHA FALLS, COLORADO

The man who does not advertise simply because his grandfather did not ought to wear knee breeches and a queue. The man who does not advertise because it costs money should throw away his cigar when the light goes out. The

man who does not advertise because he don't know how should stop eating because he can't cook. The man who does not advertise because someone said it doesn't pay ought not to believe the earth is round because the ancients said it was flat.—Scotlold County Democrat.

Canada Notes

In connection with the census of Canada which has recently been taken the following has a peculiar interest: "In the seventeenth century, nine censuses of New France and five of Acadia were taken. Twelve censuses were taken in the eighteenth century. In the first twenty-five years of the nineteenth century but one census was taken—that of 1817—which was a census of Nova Scotia. In 1824 there was a census of Upper Canada and of New Brunswick. From 1824 to 1842 Upper Canada had a yearly census, and in the same period the census was taken twice for Lower Canada, twice for Nova Scotia, thrice for New Brunswick, once for Prince Edward Island, and four times for Assiniboia. Coming down to 1860-61, all the provinces took censuses, excepting British Columbia. In 1870-71, there were censuses simultaneously in all the provinces, excepting British Columbia and Manitoba, which took theirs in 1870. The census of Canada was taken, as of the same day, throughout the Dominion, in 1880-81 and 1890-91.

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In Ottawa, Ontario on the 31st of May last, some workmen while digging out a cellar under an old building situated at the rear of Bryson, Graham & Co.'s store, unearthed a stone of a dark brown color three feet in length and one and a half feet in width and bearing the inscription "April 7. Here fell D'Arcy McGee." The stone had evidently been broken off a larger piece, as one side has a ragged edge. A piece of similar stone also bearing an inscription was found years ago while excavating for the Y. M. C. A. building. The stone was viewed by a large and curious crowd. Hon. Thomas D'Archy McGee was an Irish Canadian statesman from the district of Montreal. He was murdered shortly after leaving the parlia-

ment buildings on the way to his lodgings, April 7th 1868.

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The historic site at Quebec known as the Plains of Abraham was purchased last month from the nuns by the government of the Dominion of Canada, for \$80,000. It is to be held for park purposes. On these plains history tells was fought between the English and the French for the conquest of Canada, and Wolfe and Montcalm both received their death wounds.


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Speaking recently in the Federal House at Ottawa, Hon. J. I. Sarte, Minister of Public Works, said that the new geological museum would be placed somewhere near the printing bureau or Major's Hill Park. It would cost about \$750,000 if the supreme court, art gallery and fisheries exhibit were included. It were only for the geological museum it would cost a half a million dollars.

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The annual meeting of the Royal Society of Canada was held in Ottawa last month Dr. Louis Frechette, the president, delivered the annual address. He spoke in French and dealt with the present age. In course of his remarks he said it was a cause for pride that we have in Canada two such races as the French and English to draw from. This meant a nation of high civilization and broad aims. He said there were no more loyal people in the empire than the French. The annual report of the society condemned yellow journals.

Some routine business was carried through. Dr. Laberge exhibited a small ivory bust of Queen Victoria of very artistic workmanship by M. Noble 1856; a silver plated platter cover with a coat of arms engraved thereon. He was anxious to know to what family it belonged. They were emblazoned with a chevron and three fawns. Mr. J. H. Ross exhibited a large album containing about 150 pen and ink drawings of old Montreal buildings, many of which have long ago been demolished. A subscription was started to secure the album for the museum.



CURIO NOTES

A copy of Benjamin Franklin's 1744 oration of Cicero's "Cato Major, or His Discourse on Old Age," was sold at auction the other day for \$90.

More than 400 varieties of plants have been found in the ruins of the Colosseum and Flavian Amphitheatre at Rome.

The camel is not the only living creature that can go a length of time without water. Many reptiles live without drinking a long time in places where months are perpetual. A paroquet in the London Zoo was said to have lived a century without drinking a drop of water.

The earliest Indian pipes were simply bowls, in one end of which the tobacco or dried leaves were put. It has been found that the pipes used by the ancient Indians were made on the same plan, the bowl being an invention reserved for a comparatively recent day.

An autograph letter written in a Virginia jail, November 17, 1859, by John Brown "of Ossawatimie," to B. F. Grove, sold in a recent auction sale for \$220.

There is a group of "official treaties" on the exhibit of the United States Department of State at the Buffalo Exposition which excites much curiosity. One of these is written in Greek on a slab of

white Pentelican marble. It was found among the ruins of the Acropolis and belongs to the age of Pericles. It is a treaty between the Athenians and Chalcidians. The translation made by Professor Gildersleeve accompanies it. It was sent to the Department of State by General Merideth Reid when he was Minister to Greece, but has never before been permitted to leave the Department Building in Washington. Another curious "treaty" is in the form of the tooth of a sea-monster sent to the President of the United States by the Chief of the Fiji Islands. Collectors will enjoy a look at these when they visit Buffalo.

The first and last guns fired in the civil war are to be seen in the government building at the Buffalo Exposition. The former is a four-pounder, smooth-bore, gun, fired by a citizen of Vicksburg at a U. S. steamer passing that place, supposed to be bound for New Orleans with U. S. army supplies and rations. This shot was fired several days before the firing on Fort Sumpter. The other piece is a three-inch wrought-iron rifle, and is the last gun fired before the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. Both guns are from the West Point Museum.

The state of Missouri has a fine mineral exhibit in the Mines Building at the Buffalo Exposition. Various crystallizations of south Missouri minerals including calcite, dolomite, Galena, and barite occupy one case, and a rare and extremely fine collection of crystallizations of zinc occupies another and attracts much attention. Granite building blocks said to be equal if not superior to the Scotch granite are shown. Keolin, from which china ware is made is shown with the ware from it. A large disc of tripoli from which gravity

filters are made is an interesting exhibit. In a portico of the Mines Building, Missouri has an exhibit consisting of a fifteen hundred pound specimen of zinc and several others weighing in the vicinity of 1000 pounds. At least six tons of ore are included in this portion of the exhibit. Mineralogists who visit the Exposition must not forget to look up Missouri's display.

At a recent autograph sale a long autograph journal-letter, dated January 13-27, 1820, from John Keats, the poet, to his sister-in-law, Georgiana, was sold for \$300. A complete holograph manuscript of Keats' poem "To Charles Cowden Clarke," dated 1816, went for \$325.

According to a recent New York letter John Lewis Childs of Floral Park, N. Y., well known as a florist and seedsman, paid the other day \$25,000 for a collection of birds' eggs. Of course it is said to be the finest collection of eggs in the United States, and Mr. Childs considers that he secured a rare bargain. The collection was purchased from Miss Jean Bell of Philadelphia, who has for years been gathering the eggs. They are made up in sets, according to the number the birds lay, and there are 820 species represented. In addition to the eggs there are some 400 nests, and several mounted birds. One of the most valuable of the specimens is that of the nut-cracker, a bird which inhabits the remote mountains of Utah. Miss Bell the original owner, organized an expedition for the purpose of securing this specimen. After many months she succeeded in capturing a nest filled with eggs, and to make the collection complete she secured a bird also. Another rare set of eggs were those laid by the solitary sandpiper, which inhabits the Arctic zone. Then there is a collection of eggs of the California condor, or vulture, now practically extinct. Each

egg is worth \$100. Miss Bell made every effort to secure an egg of the great auk, long since extinct, and kept a standing offer of \$1,000 for a specimen. Any person who should happen to run across the egg of a great auk can find a ready buyer. In this connection it might not be out of place to say that the Curio Editor of the West recently sold Mr. Child's a fine set of eggs of a more or less scarce variety of Kansas bird, and it is with some what of pride he realizes that this set of eggs of his own taking, will be added to such a superb collection as has passed into the hands of the enthusiastic collector, John Lewis Childs.

A fine lot of Pueblo pottery and relics of different sorts is shown in the Ethnology building of the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo. The Pueblos, who were dwellers in the plains and in the cliffs as well, are one of the most interesting, from an archaeological point of view, of all prehistoric people. Their civilization was remarkable, and their ingenuity in pottery making, basket weaving, bead work and many other things very great. They had many peculiar customs, ceremonies, and symbolic rites, and their pottery is ornamented with figures the significance of which puzzles the novice and expert alike. One of their peculiar symbols was a broken inside of a continuous line drawn about a bowl or other dish, suggesting perhaps the finite character of life. A bowl shown in the exhibit of Pueblo pottery has the reproduction of two feet upon the bottom of it, inside, suggesting possibly the transition and insignificant character of terrestrial existence. Fine specimens of the famous "black and white ware" are shown, as well as the "red ware" of which is black on the inside. A number of specimens finished so as

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the outside a corrugated appearance. Many ingenious fine tools, finished stone implements, ornamental trinkets, presumably having religious significance, are on exhibit in the cases. The basket work of the Indians is very wonderful. Baskets made by comparatively modern Indians are shown. Water-tight baskets in large numbers and in many varieties are seen in the exhibit. All are ornamented with figures woven in when the basket was made. The Pima Indians are those most famous for basket making. They even used baskets for cooking utensils, covering them with a thin layer of clay to keep them from being destroyed by contact with the fire.

The Leavenworth, Kans., Chronicle-Tribune of July 20, 1901, gave a three column write-up of George J. Reinsburg, (A. S. of C. C. No. 161.) who is one of the most prominent western archaeologists. Reinsburg has done a great deal of exploring and excavating of antiquities in Kansas and is an all-around enthusiastic collector whom it is a pleasure to know, personally or through correspondence.

We would like all collectors of the curious in nature, lovers of antiques, autograph "fiends," and the like, who feel that they would like to become better acquainted with other collectors along the same lines, with a view to exchanging specimens, interchanging ideas and opinions, and the general good of their respective collections, to join the American Society of Curio Collectors, which is the 'best thing that ever happened for the curio lover. If you collect minerals, fossils, pressed plants and flowers, postmarks, birds, eggs, Indian relics, old china and antiques, rare books, engravings, sealings, stuffed birds or animals, woods,

war relics, etc., etc., please write a letter of inquiry about this society to Mr. F. W. Coning, Maryville, Tennessee, and learn of something that will interest you and be of profit. Please do this at once.

A remarkable "forest" of petrified trees called Chalcedony Park can be reached in a few hours from Holbrook, Ariz. The area of the park is estimated at hundreds of square miles, and it contains thousands of tons of agatized wood. It is like a vast lumber camp, where the lumberman have thrown the huge logs at random from their sleds, leaving them to become rain-soaked and moss-grown. Some of the trunks are 150 feet long, and they break up in sections, as if sawn through at intervals. The bark is of a dark red color, as a rule, but the chips and interior exhibit kaleidoscopic colors. Amethysts; red and yellow jasper, chalcedony of every tint, topaz, onyx, carnelian and other stones abound. The logs, in fact, are a blend of these stones. One of them, 100 feet long and three to five feet in diameter, spans a narrow canyon, and is called the Agate bridge. It is chiefly composed of jaspers and agates. As to the origin of the petrifications, it is supposed that in past times the trees were overwhelmed with volcanic ashes and hot silicious waters from geysers. The timber is analogous to pine or cedar, and as it decayed the silica dyed with various salts of iron and manganese in solution took its place.

A very valuable book has been accidentally found in an out-of-the-way corner of the Columbia University library. It is called the "Rights of Women and Childred" and was printed in 1558 for Constable Anne, the first Duke of Montmorency, who died in war in 1564. An inferior copy of a "Montorency" was sold in Paris for 5,000 francs in 1879, while another dilapidated copy brought 18,600 francs in 1886.

When a heron flaps his wings the upward and downward movements, it is claimed, number nearly three hundred beats a minute. The bird consequently creates a considerable disturbance of the air for some distance in his vicinity whenever he thus exercises himself.

An instructive exhibit of flint implements from Mill Creek, Union County, Illinois, occupies five cases in the balcony of the ethnology building of the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo. Rough pieces of flint are shown in different stages of completeness and incompleteness. On the left a number of blocks of flint are shown, and, as one walks along the line of cases, he sees the various implements assuming a more nearly finished condition, and finally the complete flint spade, hammer, axe, knife or whatever domestic or agricultural implement the crude work produced.

The egg of the guillemot is one of the most peculiar and furnishes an admirable example of the way in which nature provides for the conditions of life. This bird is found on the coast, and the eggs are usually laid on the bare edges of high rocks, from which position an ordinary specimen of the egg would probably roll off. But the guillemot's egg won't do this. The egg is nearly conical in shape, broad at the base and sharp at the point, so that it will only roll in a circle.

It may not be generally known that the rattlesnake has the greatest antipathy for the leaves of the white ash tree. People have proved by experiments that this dislike is so intense that the snake will even run into fire or across the burning coals to avoid touching white ash leaves.

E. W. Darbey, 438 Main Street, Winnipeg, Canada, is sending out a neat price-list which will interest curio lovers. Darbey is a taxidermer of note in the North, and carries in stock a nice line of Indian curios, relics of the Wild West, Bead work, rugs and mats, Indian photos, Rocky Mountain scenery photos, native wild animals, etc. Write him for list and mention the WEST.

The curio editor is advised that L. J. Henry, a Santa Fe, New Mexico, Archaeologist, has recured from an Indian trader in San Juan county an odd-shaped bead of jade which was dug recently in the Aztec ruins on the Chaco river by a member of the Hyde exploring expedition. The bead, which is dark green, has a rich, deep color. It is of peculiar shape and will cut glass readily as a diamond. It was picked up by a Pueblo Indian employed by Hyde and it is not believed that he revealed his find to the others, but sold his bead to the trader. The significance of the discovery lies in the fact that jade is only found in China, and its possession by the Aztecs shows that it was brought here before Columbus arrived in America. When Cortez conquered Mexico he found jade ornaments and implements in possession of the Indians, who prize them more highly than gold or silver.

The most costly book in the royal library at Stockholm is a Bible. It is no wonder that it is considered precious for there is not another just like it in the whole world. Its weight and size alone is unique. It is said that the skins of 160 asses were used for the parchment leaves. There are 309 pages of writing, and each page falls but an inch short of being a yard in length. The width of the leaves is twenty inches. The covers are solid planks four inches thick.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The heated term is about over and I should like to urge upon members the necessity of recruit-work in order to push our membership up to the thousand mark. With a thousand members the society can undertake and carry-out much good work that it is not now able to do, and our Quarterly Bulletin, which is at present languishing, could be issued regularly and as a large magazine. If every one of our present members will secure 4 new members between now and the holidays we will have the thousand members to begin the new year with. Will each one do his part? Write to the secretary for application blanks and secure at least four members, more if possible! I have the pleasure of announcing this month the appointment of F. W. Coning, of Maryville, Tennessee as Secretary in place of Allen J. Reynolds, resigned. Will every member please give Mr. Coning all the assistance, aid and encouragement in their power. It has been thought best, also, to create the

Department of War Relics, and I take pleasure in appointing Mr. A. H. Bailey of Marietta, Georgia as head of that department. Mr. Bailey is well versed in this line of collecting, his home is near the famous battlefield of Kennesaw Mountain, and close to many of the historic battlefields of the Civil war. He will formulate rules for his department, to be published later, and will be glad to furnish information to all members interested in this line of collecting. The constitution committee has reported through Mr. Coning and the constitution as drawn will be printed in this paper next month, the members being permitted soon thereafter to vote on its adoption.

ROY F. GREENE.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Fellow Members:—With this report I bid you good-bye. Ten months ago "the child" was born. How it has grown! With a membership that covers almost the whole of the United States, several members in Canada, and its influence just commencing in "the land o'er the sea," I can retire knowing that my work was not in vain. I earnestly hope the A. S. C. C. will continue to grow until it will be international in the broadest sense. Let the members remember that the society was organized to ADVANCE, not to drag along at a death-killing pace. So my last request is to push, push, push!

I am glad that Mr. Coning has been appointed successor. I believe he will be the right man in the right place.

Special thanks are due the President, Mr. Greene. He is ever ready to do more than his part and the success of the society is largely due him. Personally I'll ever remember him as a dear and good friend. I can not bring this, my last report, to a close without thanking "Dear Elder" for his hearty support. He has worked hard to boom the society and I hope that all the members interested in coins, etc., will remember that he is ever ready to supply their wants at reasonable prices.

Good-bye, my dear friends, we no longer walk in the same path but you have my best wishes and may He who watches over all, guard, protect, and bless you, is my prayer.

ALLEN JESSE REYNOLDS.

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- 256. Robert Moses, 8 Strand, Walmer, Deal, Kent, England.
Stamps, eggs, shells, insects and natural insects and natural history specimens of all kinds.
- 257. Edgar F. Gladwin, 305 W. 12th St., Pueblo Colorado, autographs, min. curio (35)
- 258. A. H. Bailey, (box 137, Marietta, Ga. civil war relics.
- 259. Archibald Crozier, 810 W 5th St Wilming ton, Del. (23) general curios, specialty: Ind Rel
- 260. Mrs. M. H. Taylor, New Kalmiche, Wash. shells; marine curios, leaf and flower specimens, ferns, mosses, insects, etc.
- 261. Ray F. Stevens, (18) Shablona, Ill. shells, eggs, fossils, minerals, land and marine curios
- 262. John F. Fargo, M. D., Umonth Ave., Los

- Angeles, Calif. (65) minerals
 263. Arthur R. Talbot, c of H. H. L. Judd Co., Wallingford, Conn. (20) Ind rehs, ferns, fossils and shells
 264. Carl H. Haessler, 633 11th St., Milwaukee, Wis. (13) natural history specimens of all kinds
 265. J. E. Short, (27) Cheney, Washington. Coins stamps, photos, shells, Indian relics and curios.
 266. T. G. Hayard, (20) Edison, Ohio. Indian relics.
 267. Carl Schrupf, (47) Hart, Mich. Coins, Indian relics, geol. spec., shells, old bank and confederate bills.
 268. Harvey L. McAlister, Lexington, Oregon. (31) coins, stamps, indian relics and old Spanish documents and curios from the Philippine islands and Japan.
 269. J. A. Williams, 98 Calhoun St., Ft Wayne, Ind. [38] Coins, stamps, paper money, old arms and Indian relics.

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- 270 C J Richardson, 1016 Lydia Ave Kan Cy. Mo
 271 Edmund J Gee, 922 Lombard St. Wilmington Del
 272 M C Mohr, Lealman, Florida
 273 H A Shaw, 610, 8th Ave, Grand Forks, N Dak
 274 Chas Allen, Court House, Grand Forks, N Dak
 275 W J England, Caro. Mich
 276 R D Hay, Winston, N C

OBITUARY.

Thomas Harper, Bellevue, Penn. (A. S. of C. C. No. 154), departed this life since our last official report was made, at his home 73 Harrison Ave., Bellvue. Mr. Harper was an honored member of the society and an ethnologist of more than local reputation. It was he who opened the famous McKees Rocks mound in Pennsylvania under the direction of the museum committee of the Carnegie institute. The mound was uncovered after three month's work and many skeletons of a prehistoric race were unearthed and are now on exhibition in the Carnegie museum. Mr. Harper arranged and catalogued many of the exhibits in the museum, and had a wonderful knowledge of prehistoric relics. He was curator of the Pennsylvania Historical Society when he died and had held many positions of honor and public trust. His own collection is a vast one, but he had always been so busy with other work he had never catalogued it, having intended to soon begin this work when he was taken ill. Mr. Harper was in the 72nd year of his age.

A TRIBUTE.

The announcement of the death of Thomas Harper, an honored member of the A. S. of C. C., will be a painful surprise to all the members, and collectors in general.

The writer remembers well the opening of the McKee's Rocks mound referred to. Some 25 human skeletons and a great number of implements were exhumed, some of the skeletons being of great height. Most of these are to be seen today in the noted Carnegie Museum at Pittsburg.

A certain Pittsburg paper, of the "yellow" type, desiring something sensational, put out a sheet at the time declaring that the skeletons were not prehistoric, but were doubtless the remains of cholera victims. For weeks this paper printed pages about the "McKee's Rocks Mound Fraud" etc., etc.

Mr. Harper and his assistants although mortified, continued their labors, knowing full well the newspaper's attacks were groundless and contemptible. Finally to prove that the opinions of Thomas Harper were correct, that the contents of the mound were genuine and of great antiquity, Professor Putnam of Harvard University was requested by the Carnegie museum directors to examine them. Dr. Putnam gave a lecture at Carnegie Hall after he had examined the finds carefully, illustrating with stereopticon views the excavations, skeletons, etc. It will be a matter of pride to collectors to know that Prof. Putnam agreed entirely with Mr. Harper and dismayed "yellow journals" took to their heels.

Up to the time of his death Mr. Harper, although advanced in years, was as enthusiastic a collector as ever. Only a few months ago he contributed an article to the "Curio Monthly," which the A. S. of C. C. members read and enjoyed, and the writer had a pleurant correspondence and exchange of specimens with him as late. The collecting world has lost a valuable helper and respected brother in the death of Thomas Harper.

THOMAS L. ELDER,
 V. Pres. A. S. of C. C.

Just a few lines ament ourselves, culled from the letters of our friends., and as we ourselves see it.

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Several ask for Query Stamp Dept. if enough interest is shown will have one.

F. R. Surry of Holy Trinity Boys school Bridge St., Bow, London, Eng., wants correspondence with professor or school teachers so pupils may X duplicates with his.

Saturday Evening Post of Philadelphia will have contribution by Ex-Pres. Cleveland on fishing and Dr. Nansen on pole seeking, ect., makes the best \$1 weekly I know of.

National Magazine of Boston is getting out three numbers on Exposition grounds. Is the best all around magazine yet seen, well worth the price and if will send me your \$1 for same will include the West and inch ad.

F. Halbert of Me., wishes contest of photos held open till Sept. 25th so time for you to send a print or two.

Several have taken contracts for 100 inches or more of ads and time you were in the list.

New Issues

In India, the natives regard with great favor the ¼ anna stamps. They get more of them for their money, and find them useful to seal the envelopes.

H. Treherne of Eng writes registered envelope increased from 2 | 2½ to 2 | 4 per 12, flap shaped different with stamp in corner. This issue will be rare for soon change to the king's head. Half cent green now surcharged. Army official. The 4½d stamp be extinct species after end of August.

He also sends some Guam surcharges type not catalogued, may be bogus.

He came across ½c Eng. red surg 1 R official with surcharge inverted.

T. Hayward of Colorado writes his Berlin correspondent states current German stamps will be superseded by entirely new issue and that design for all values from 2 pfg, to 80 pfg, will be similar to those now in use. Prominent changes being a smaller head of Germania. Work on above values has already been commenced.

The officials at Washington profess to be much exercised over the cleaning of revenue stamps and their repeated use. The remedy seems simple. The \$3.00 red is a fine appearing stamp and absolutely uncleanable. A single drop of water affects the red ink much as it would a blot of copying ink.

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the quality of the stamps I consider the sales very good. On the whole the quality of books now coming in is improving considerably. Send me your name for the circuits and I will endeavor to send you something of interest when preparing books for the circuit. Remember to mark net prices and to make each book at least \$3.00.

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Camera & News

Editor, F. J. CLUTE, San Francisco



Jottings from My Note Book

By E. H. Gough, Nanaimo, B. C., Canada

Portraits By Flashlight:—A good idea, that all the hypo is removed before then taking a flashlight picture of one treating.

For more persons, is to have them close their eyes for a moment just before the flash. There is then no danger of closed eyes in the picture.

Red Spots:—When red spots occur on your P. O. paper, touch them with the point of a fine camel's hair brush that has been introduced to the mouth of the bottle containing the toning solution, either gold or platinum, as the case may be. It will cause them to quickly amoose.

Developing Films:—Always allow a little extra time for density when developing films, as they seem to lose more in the fixing bath than plates.

Cyanide of Potassium Fixing Bath:—It is composed of cyanide of potassium, 24 grains; water, 8 ounces. Do not allow trace of hypo to get into it. As it acts as a reducer, one must remember to develop somewhat further than when using the regular hypo fixing bath. It clears away fog as the usual bath is entirely incapable of doing.

A Substitute for Varnishing:—

Alum	-	1 ounce,
Tannic acid		30 grains,
Water	-	8 ounces.

Immerse negative from three to five minutes. A longer immersion will loosen the film. Wash for fifteen minutes and rear up to dry. Films so treated are almost waterproof. Be sure

A Test for Hypo in Wash Water:—

Permanganate of potash	2 grains.
Caustic soda	- - 10 grains.
Water	- - - 10 ounces.

A few drops of water to be tested are mixed with a few drops of this solution; if hypo be present; the red color will be changed to green.

A Good Paste:—Starch, one ounce; water, eight ounces. Mix and heat over boiling water until turned; then add three drachms of glycerine, and in warm weather, a grain or two of thymol.

A Toning Hint:—If your half-tones bleach out in the toning bath, add a little chloride of sodium (common table salt), to the bath: say about five or six grains to the pint of toning bath.

Quick Stops:—It is sometimes very convenient to have at hand a solution which will stop all developing, toning or other chemical action at once. Here are a few:

For developer; pyro, metol, quinol, &c.	
Citric acid 60 grains.
Water 12 ounces.
For Toning; gold-sulphocyanide &c.	
Sulphite of soda 60 grains.
Water 12 ounces.
For Toning; platinum and citric acid.	
Carbonate of soda 120 grains.
Water 12 ounces.
For developing P. O. P. as Solio &c.	
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 the adhesive thinly, and place it on the mount;
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 press down firmly in all directions. In
 this way the print will expand evenly
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L. L. P.—Effect of Air on Chemicals:
 Sodium carbonate loses the greater part
 of its crystallization when it effloresces
 in a dry atmosphere, but it is in no way
 damaged by this change. One part of
 the thoroughly effloresced carbonate is
 equal to two parts of the ordinary crys-
 tallized salt. Sodium sulphite suffers
 oxidation, and any sample that has altered
 considerably in appearance by ef-
 florescence should be rejected as the sur-
 face crust will consist of sulphate.
 "Hypo" does not effloresce, but may

become oxidised and acid, it is so cheap
 that risk should be avoided by using
 only that which is fresh.

C. E. A.—Home-Made Background:
 You can make a water distemper by
 mixing one ounce of water, and adding
 dry color as required. For slate, use
 a large brush. Paint the two sides dif-
 ferent; one can be dark slate, and the
 other cream, or black, or graduated.

M. B. H.—Using a Hydrometer:—
 That your hydrometer does not always
 register the same is perhaps the fault of
 the chemicals being more dry at one
 time than at another. Again grease or
 dirt on the stem may throw it out sev-
 eral degrees. When using it, it is a good
 plan to push it down in the solution so
 that its stem may become wet enough to
 overcome the capillary attraction that
 will cause it to register several degrees
 less than it should, as it will do on some
 solutions.

L. M.—Warm Tones on Developing
 Paper:—A correspondent in Iowa has
 been getting pink tones on one brand of
 paper by giving long exposures and de-
 veloping with a weak hydroquinone de-
 veloper, but trying to get warm tones on
 another and faster brand of paper by the
 same method, he has failed. His failure
 was due to the fact that the rapid paper
 is coated with an all bromide emulsion,
 while the slower ones generally contain
 a large proportion of chloride. With
 very long exposure and restrained de-
 veloper, paper whose emulsion contains
 chlorid will yield very warm tones by
 simple development. This is the reason
 why the quicker brands are more reli-
 able in the matter of good blacks of a
 pleasing tone.

R. F. G.—A Simple Developer:—You
 can hardly have a simpler or cheaper
 one than the following, using dry pyro:

Washing soda	-	2 ozs.
Sodium Sulphite		2 "
Water, to	-	20 "

To prepare 4 oz. of developer, take 1
 oz. of this solution, 3 oz. water, and add
 6 to 8 gr. of dry pyro, remembering
 pyro confers density.

Pennsylvania Camera Club

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Address all correspondence relating to the P. C. C. E. to August Luft, Secy, Aspinwall, Pa. All letters will be answered personally if stamp is enclosed for reply, otherwise will be answered through this column.

It is our desire to get one hundred new members this month, therefore our offer of a package of Trenol Developer postpaid for five new members still holds good. Application blanks will be sent to anyone on request.

We have received from Mr. H. R. Pfaff a photograph of his home, also one of the "Moonshiners" making illicit whiskey or "mountain dew." The picture of his home shows a large southern country residence with spacious grounds, and the picture of the moonshiners is quite a clever production. A copy of the latter picture will be sent to any one sending Mr. Pfaff ten cents in stamps.

We are indebted to Henry Hirsch, Ama, La., for his photograph, which he sent together with good wishes for the P. C. C. E. We thank Mr. Hirsch for the photo, but more especially for his good wishes which he backs up by sending in a few new members. Hope others will do likewise.

Requests are coming in very rapidly for copies of our exchange lists, we are also receiving goods for exchange from our members. Anyone having apparatus for sale or exchange, or wishing to buy any will do well to communicate with the secretary.

The writer developed fourteen 6 1/2 x 8 1/2 negatives the other evening with the result that eleven were blistered very badly while the other three were all right. Investigation showed that the blistered ones were Stanley plates. The other three were Eclipse Jr. This shows that blistering is peculiar to some make of plates only and it does not necessarily follow that all plates should blister in hot weather.

E. M. B. The price of the camera question is regulated by the manufacturer and cannot be sold for less than 15 per cent from the list price.

G. K. M. The addition of a little alum to your hypo will prevent your plates from frilling, the Velox formula for acid hypo is very good.

AUG. LUFT, SEC'Y,
Aspinwall, Pa.

NEW MEMBERS.

- 59. Miss Alice Sellers, Ama, La.
- 60. Mrs. Geo. W. Flanders, Beaumont, Mont.
- 61. Sol Levy, Elkinsville, La.
- 62. Theo A Hunter, Greensburg, Pa.
- { 63. Ira Bishop Jr., Mapleton, N.C.
- { 64. P. H. Schweitzer, Minn.

The Nebraska Camera Club

FOUNDED JANUARY 1898

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NEW MEMBERS.

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 H. B. Evans, Kearney.

APPLICATIONS.

G. Kroeger, Hoover, Nebr.
 Chas. Hargraves, Lincoln.

Expect to hold a meeting at Omaha during Asksen week. Date same as Nebr. Society. Can see in the Society date. We want more members and give one of Mellens Book of Pointers for amateur, well worth 25c. for every member got before Sept. 21. Write Secy for blank.

Flowers.

To photograph flowers: Those with long stalks, such as poppies, look well if represented as standing up, without any vase or jar. To do this, fill a box or boxes, with damp sand or sawdust, or the fine shavings called excelsior used in packing, and make the flowers stand up in this, propping them with bits of wood or paper. Put them some little distance in front of the background. Use a small stop, and give a full exposure. Photograph them in a room not far from the window, and at right angles to it. Of course the support must not show in the picture.

The Color of Photographs.

That should not give this matter of color the attention that it merits is an undeniable fact. Quoting from an English writer: Old buildings and church interiors should be a warm brown; newer buildings, and interiors where white marble or stone predomi-

nates, should be of a cold tone; landscapes, in spring a brownish-black color, and in summer of a reddish-brown; autumn, brown; and winter hoar-frost scenes, black or blue-black.

To Strengthen Alcohol.

Alcohol that has been used to rapidly dry negatives or to precipitate gelatine emulsions can have the water removed in a very simple manner. Add dry carbonate of potash to the weak spirits, and shake freely until no more is dissolved. Allow to settle for a few minutes, when the water, which has joined the potash, will be found at the bottom, and the strong spirits can be decanted and kept for future use. The solution of potash can be heated until the water is driven off, leaving the dry potash ready for similar use on another occasion.

Under-Exposure.

If you are dealing with difficult subjects, such, for instance, as interior of buildings, where contrasts are extremely marked, dark, heavy shadows, and brilliant sun shining through windows, no better way of leveling matters up is known to the writer than taking one part rodinal and eighty parts water; place the plates in a dish, flow over this weak developer, cover them up, and leave them to look after themselves for ten minutes or so; a glance then will tell how matters are going. If the high lights seem likely to be too pronounced or too dense, add another dose of water, say twenty or thirty parts and leave the plates for an hour or so. In this manner many a good negative may be saved.

The Michigan Camera Art Association.

Organized Nov. 1, 1900

OFFICERS:

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Height of the Camera.

The effects of raising or lowering the camera is one of those little matters which many beginners are apt to ignore, perhaps due to the fact that the ground-glassimae being inverted, the effect of position is not so quickly noticed. The effect of raising the position of the camera is to spread out the foreground more, and consequently the lower the camera is the more the foreground is compressed, and therefore small objects in the immediate foreground are emphasized in importance by their relative position being altered. For example, a tuft of long grass in the foreground may, by lowering the camera, be made to cover a large object like a tree or building in the distance. There is a tendency at the present day to have either a high horizon with a long expanse of foreground, or to select a low view point, and emphasize the size of objects in the foreground. It should be noted

that most painters sit at their work and consequently they see things from a lower point of view than does the photographer standing behind his tripod.

Good Advice.

A negative you wish to keep should be thoroughly fixed; a second hypo bath after clearing is advisable well washed, carefully dried away from dust, and then varnished. Do not place several of them close together in a negative rack to dry, or they will dry unevenly and show the effects of having done so.

To Remove Squeegeed Prints.

Make up a solution as follows:—
 Sodium flouride 20 gr.
 Water 2 oz.

Add a drachm of acetic acid just before using. Damp the back of the squeegeed prints with the above solution. In a few minutes the print will come off easily. It should then be treated to a short washing.

Silver Stains on Negatives.

Silver stains can be removed from negatives by toning them in a solution made by dissolving 4 ounces of hypo 10 grains sodium phosphate, ½ ounce lead nitrate in 12 ounces of water, and adding ½ ounce ground alum. The solution should be allowed to ripen and clear before use.

Red Tones on Bromide Paper.

After having fixed and slightly washed the prints, dip them in a solution of chloride of copper 15 per cent., remove and wash well; next place in a solution of yellow prussiate of potash, wash, and then put the prints back into the copper solution, where they will once turn a deep red color.

Photographic Clubs.

OSBORNE I. YELLOTT.

Were I asked to express in one word the greatest need of amateur photographers as a body, I should answer with the one word—association. Instruction in the technique of photography, books and articles on the various branches of the art, are very well in their way, but these all have their limitations. One can very easily, and in a comparatively short time learn to make a perfect negative or a perfect print, but beyond all this there is a vast field of pleasure in photography, arising wholly from the fact that photography is an art as well as a science. The scientist can pursue his hobby with his test-tubes, his graduated scales and his charts, and be independent of all the rest of the world, but the artist must know what others are doing,—must be able to compare his results with the results of others,—before he can know whether he has succeeded or has failed. Such comparisons, if to his detriment, incite him to better things; if in his favor, cause him to enter wider fields of competition. Meanwhile he is daily receiving new ideas and inspirations, all tending to the ultimate improvement of his individual work.

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There are, no doubt hundreds of men and women in our smaller cities and towns who make photographs and who have artistic talents of a high order, but these talents lie buried because those who possess them have never felt the inspiration of real healthy, earnest competition. They make a picture a little above the ordinary, put it in a portfolio or album and bring it occasionally to show a friend, but there ends its usefulness.

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The problem, then, which confronts those who have the cause of artistic photography in America at heart, is how to bring together those who have artistic tastes, and to cause them to work together for the good of the art as a whole. To do this will result in raising the standard of our art throughout the entire country, and in bringing to the front individuals who otherwise would never be heard of.

The solution of the problem unquestionably lies in establishing and properly conducting photographic clubs and societies. Of these we have two

classes—local clubs with fixed quarters, and photographic exchanges. I will speak of these in their order.

Every large city in the country has one or more photographic clubs. These clubs have quarters more or less commodious, darkrooms for their members, appliances of various kinds, and occasionally a room suitable for exhibition of pictures.

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The second method of, systematically developing latent artistic talent is by photographic exchanges. In England where the distances are comparatively short, these exchanges or postal clubs as they are called, exist in great abundance. In America there are only two or three in existence. The principle of these clubs is practically the same in every instance. "The Postal Photographic Club," of which the writer is a member is a fair example, and has been in existence over thirteen years. During this time it has had many members well known to the photographic world, and all of them can trace their success largely to the benefits derived from membership therein. The members, not over forty in number, each month send two of their best pictures with data to the secretary, who mounts them carefully in a large album and transcribes the data accompanying prints to a notebook containing pages for the criticism of the pictures. The album and notebook are then sent by express to the nearest members, who criticise the prints, vote on their artistic and technical merit and forward it within three days to the next member on the route list. He in turn keeps it three days, and so on, until it goes to all the members contributing prints, in this case starting from the home of the secretary at Washington, going in turn to Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Boston and intermediate cities and towns.

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The practical effect of a club or exchange of this kind is to bring together a large number of men earnestly engaged in the advancement of photography as an art, men who otherwise would probably never have heard of each other or seen each others pictures. The result is the mutual advancement of their work from an artistic and technical standpoint. Such clubs are practicable in every section of the country.—Photopla, Boston.



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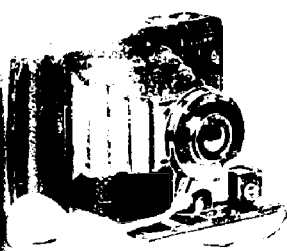
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I have some excellent M.S.S. on hand and promised as a result of the invitation in the June issue. I had no idea the WEST had so many good friends that were capable writers. Let the good work continue. We will find room for it all.

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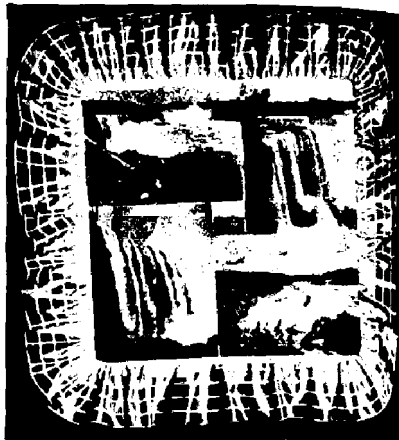
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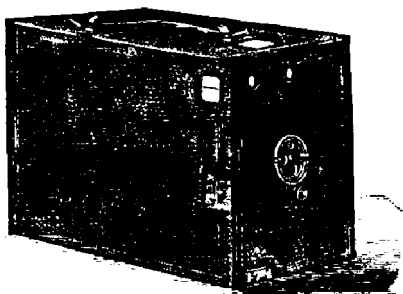
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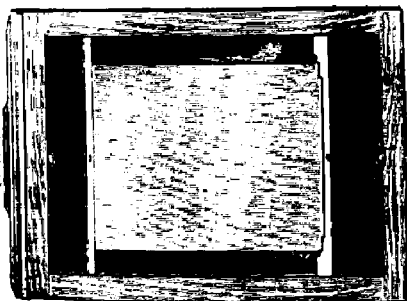


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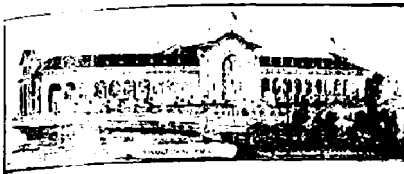
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Carmine Slate	30	2 50	" 22½	65	
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Panama 1896-20	70		1891 7½	10	60
" -50	2 00		" 22½	20	1.60
" -1 Peso	3 00		" 25	08	40
Nicaragua 1897-2 peso(cat 15)	30	2 00	" 50	18	1.25
Malta 1901-1 farthing (View of Harbor)	10	75	" 1 g1	65	
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" -5 " "	30	2 25	1899 7½	15	1.25
" -7 " "	30	2 25	" 12½	05	20
" -28 " "	65	6 00	" 20	10	75
" -2 " "	15	90	" 25	08	50
" -5 " "	20	1 75	" 50	18	
German 1900-20 Pf	05	10	" 2½g1 ea	30	
" -25 Pf	30	2 00	" 5 g1 ea	65	
" -30 Pf	05	20	" 22½	25	1.75
" -40 Pf	05	20	Servia 1894-96 1d green o g	60	5.00
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