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Enough to quote our Selling Prices on many of the good Stamps or Coins we supply cheaply

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## Annual Report of Sales Superintendant.

In circulation Nov. 2, 1901.
39 books, value
8974.98

Received since, 67 books value $\quad 801.22$ line hooks. value $\overline{\$ 1776.20}$
Retired (sales $\$ 421.50$ ) 72
books, value $\$ 12.559$
In creulation Nov. 29,
$19(2,25$ books, value 502.00

Insurance fund Nov. 2, 1901

Ex2.18
Add 1 per cent. on 801.22801 In bank Nov. 29, 1902 $=90.19$
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Bolivia 18644 var
Brazil to varieties $0 ;$
British Colonies 15 var 05
Canada 25 var 10
Cyprus $189+3$ var 07
France 15 var 05
Hayti 4 var $0 ;$
Labuan 18976 var 12
North Borneo 18976 var .I?
New Brunswick 2 var 0
Nyassa 1901 2 varieties 0 .
Peru 6 var 0
P. E. Island 3 var io

Reunion 5 var
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Tunis
Russian Levant 3 var .0i
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" like light " 81 " ${ }^{\circ} \quad$ " 55 c
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used on cover .. .............22c
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France, 1853-60, 80c lake .............. 12
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Gold Coast, 1885, 4p red violet ..... 04
*Guutemala, 1875, $1 / 4 \mathrm{r}$ black.......... . 04
Japan, 1876, 20s dark blue . . . . . . . . . . 03
Netherlaud 1888, 1 gul gray violet .07
Orange River Colony, 1868 1p brn. . 02
*Paraguay, 1884, 1. 2, and 5c......... 10
*Porto Rico. 1891-93, 20c lilac, cat 2510 Roumania, 1868, 18b red ............ 10 St. Vincent, 1883, 1 p carmine ...... 0.3 Straits Settlements, $1883,10 \mathrm{c}$ slate 02 Switzerland, 1862, 3c black......... . . 05 Venezuela, 1880. 25c yellow . . . . . . . . 02 Victoria, 1867, 2p lilac .................66,

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It may have occurred to some of the more discerning that Gibbon's always does appear several weeks before Scott's. the former having always reached col-
lectors first whell no American edition was published. Some even go so lar as to hint that there is a certain method in this apparent procrastination of the American company, in that they are ell. abled to go over the English book and compare prices, making such alterations as are desired in their own prices. There is no authoritative information at hand on this point, but Gibbon's gains where Scott's loses in the tardiness of the lat-
ter.

Mekeel's Stamp Collector editorial of December fifteenth issue of that paper is indisputable. The editorial in part is as follows: "(Gibbon's) is a book that sloould be in the library of every stamp collector in the I'nited States.' Let a collector once get hold of a Gibbon's and he will ever after swear by it, should be added.

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The editorial staff ot the WFST is to be increased. A new department is to be added that will be of interest to many of the readers of the WES'T. The new associate editress is not unknown to our readers, having been a valued contributor for some time.

The WEST was the first stamp paper to mention the actual issuance of the new thirteen cent stamp. The St. I.onis Coin \& Stamp Company mailed the publishers a letter bearing one of the new stamps, the letter being sent November seventeenth. The fact was announced in the Wr:ST, which was mailed the nex. day.

These philatelic society exhibitions excite interest, and what is less desired, envy and, perchance, covetousness. That the prizes, honorable mentions, et cetera will be carried off by the wealthy is a foregone conclusion. The less fortunate lights cannot compete successfully, for in stamp collecting, like every thing else, gold spells success.

The Philatelic Society, of New York City, has made a laudable effort to ameliorate the condition of affairs and ar. range matters so that the collector with the short purse is placed on an equal footing with the possessor of the long one intheir exhibitions. The end sought is making application and study neces sary to be successful, wealtin being a lesser requirement.

In a recent competition arranged with this end in view those competing were required to show stamps, bearing por-
traits, as many as desired, and with earh stamp the date of the hirth and leab and the name of the subject there pertrayed. The prize winner, of course, be he who showed the greatest number No inconsideral)le amount of investiga. tion is required to secure such informs. tion as this. Look over your collectis and consider where you would turn secure the nawes of a great wany, tolk gin with, and then the exact dates of birth and death-the task appears to be no light one.

The educational adrantages of stit competitions are readily perceived. Tter can be carried into the realms of att and architecture and attention paid to stamp portraying works of art and fance. buildings, the location and descriptie of the building or, in the case of att it title of the picture or statue and the art ist being given.

According to some Washington a: respondent or other a new issur fue the St. I,ouis fair is no longer a $\mu$ mos bility it is an assured fact. And what is more to the point, the subjects f the artists are being chosen. Firit stance, here is Mr. Datliels, of did York Celltral R. K. fane, who ant nounces for the benefit of the impas tient public that his "Twentieth Cer. tury Limited" will be chosell for wh denomination. Some people have a idea that the goverument has acted 2 ant advertising agent for Mr. Danie, once before, and that should suttie? If there is any of it to do, give sura other man a chance. For instance . Enstis, of the Burlington, who cann in doubt, furnish the ensravers with good photograph of their Chicagur Denver fast mail, a traill that has d: molished the records of the New Yivi Central trains repeatedly. The fair a western institution backed by wis tern money and enterprise. It is ${ }^{n} \mathrm{~m}$ per that a western road shonld toke

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precedence over an eastern line, if advertising trains is in order, and morewer let us have the best train by all neans. P. P. Fodrea, of Chicago, ad manager of the C. B. \& Q. Ry. is an old Nebraska Collector.

The WL:ST takes the organ of the Kansas City Society and the Southern philatelic Association. The last named has one of the finest Sales or Exchange llepartments of any society and pays ally reader to join for this alone.
J. W. Ssott, the father of Philately in America, in an editorial in the Metropolitan Philatelist says:

Two new catalogues are before us. me published by stanley Gibbons, the other by the Scott Stamp and Coin Co., both are about complete and up to date. The $S .4$ is the better for minor details, but the S. S. \& C. Co. is easier for the beginner. The prices are lower in the first named. They are of the same size and price and appear to have an equal number of friends at the start, but certain features of the $S$. G. list will make it a wimer in the long run. and as there is much new information to be learned from it practical19 every collector will purchase it.

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To Mis; E. Bellow, of Quebec, Canda, we are indebted for an account of the luss of the collection of Miss Charlotie lloyd in the Victoria hotel conllarration on December 14th, Miss Lloyd herself receiving painful burns. Besides all her personal effects, Miss floyd lost 3 vaibable albums, one containing ber collection of postage stamps a second album of the revenue stamps of Canata and a third album of entires. This last was unique and beautifully illustrated, with title pages of the different parts. hand painted by boushty. one of the finest illumina. tors in in ine world.

These collections were valued by the owner at $40,000.00$ and were the work of a lifetime.

Miss Lloyd had no insurance whatever on any of her collections of stamps, or other effects, therefore her loss is total.

The following circular from the $P$. O. Dept. shows the information in regard to the new issue, with the exception of the 2 cent stamp, the design for which has not been made:


## JUST ABOUT THE WEST

The WFiST begins the new year with a subscription list larger than that of ant similar publication. As a matter of fact, there is no publication similar to the WLEST-it is unicue in this respect. But after dividing up the subscriptions received from collectors and from amateur photographers, we find that the WEST enjoys beyond cavil the largest circulation among philatelists of any monthr American stamp paper - we are strongly inclined to believe from data obtainable, and we never guess about such a serions matter, that its cirulation exceets tha: of any monthly stamp paper in the world. In the camera field, the WEST ayain learls, no other camera paper having as many bona fide subscribers. In the curis department, there is nothing to make a comparison to, as no other publicatios caters to the lovers of curios like the WEST.

Why is this? The answer is the WEST itself. Readers of the WEST come nearer getting just what they want than they do in other papers. Not only do they get the amount-the quality is there also. The well known motto of the WEST-"The Best-and Lots of It" is a nutshell explanation of the WESTS popularity and success.

Until the WEST began appearing month after month with 100 page nuolhers, no one would have thought a publisher sane who attempted anything of the kind. For more than 2 years the 100 page number has been a regular monthly expectation. There will be no lessening in size. We will not promise enlargetment, but you need not be surprised if that happens.
some over envious competing publishers have sneeringly alluded to the sizeol the WEST being made possible by the other matter run. Take any number of the WEST for the last year and count the pages giren up exclusively to philatelc matter and you will see how meritricious these tales are. The WEST does not mot solid stamp matter because the publishers believe that its readers appreciate a variety, such as they are given. It is certainly a belief well founded-the success of the WEST shows that.

During 1903 the WEST wall continue its present editorial staff with two and pussibly three additions. The souvenir card department has become so popnlar that we have bowed to our readers insistance and engaged a well known authorit! on the subject to assume charge of il. We aiso announce in our next number an associate editor who will conduct a coin department, which will be made the mos interesting in the conntry. Mr. Thiele will continue in the foriegn review char and this well liked feature of the WFST-a feature, by the way, found in noother American paper, either weekly of monthly, where papers of all languages ant reviewed in extense-will be enlarged upon as suggested by some of our readers Mr. Greene will have charge of the curio department so ably conducted by him io the past. Mr. Nast in the fiscal department will cater to fiscallists in his on ginal and entertaining style, and Mr. Dorpat in the inqury deparment will akt care of our reader's troubles without cost to them Mr. Clute ai tilitor of Camera News will give amateut lhotographers the best there is going in their line. Philocarty Souvenir card collecting will have an editress; numismatics will be givenat tention also by an efficient writer. Mr. Auf der Heide as our European corsepondent will see that the readers of the WEST' get all the news from the continen.

Thus the WEST in its eighth year of publication-a sipe old age, surely. continues along an unimpeded road of prosperity-and all because of the close obstvance of that famous motto-'The Rest-and $\mathrm{I}_{\text {fots }}$ of It'".

## PHII.ATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS:



## FOKFICN PAPFRS.

In No. 4 of the Anstralian Philatelist Mr. A. F. Basset Hull gives some advance information in regard to the new edition of the London Society's work on the stamps of Oceania. The first colume will contain the issues of the six states now federated in the Gmumonealth; a second volume will contain the issues of New Zeland and the lesser British Colonies and Protectorates in the Pacific. It is interesting to learn that the cost of producliun of the work as incurred by the Lond, Nociety will be over $\$ 3000$. Xit many societies that could afford vich an undertaking, and all honor to the landon Suciety for coming to our aid. It would be carrying owls to Ahells to recamment? the forthcoming thok to the notice of collectors; everything coming from this source bears the mark of perfection.
M. Maury, who is the foremost adrwate of $\mu$ hilatelic esthetics in No. 265 uf his Collectionneur de Tibres-Poste, suthiects the new design for the French Stamps, the "Suwer" of M. Roty, to a thenevent criticism. The figure is graceful and the symbolism charmink. but under M. Maury's eyes it finds nograce as far as concerns postage stanps, he prefers the old allegorical group or a head of the Republic, or the Gallic cock.
But M. Manry has another grievance, i.e. the miserable execution of the present brench stamps. He is a great admirer of line engraving and hudds up the stamps of the United stales as shining examples thereof. But he has si farstriven in vain for the
adoption of this process in France. When the issue of stamps for the French Congo was first mooted, M. Maury proposed to the minister for the Colonies that he should be permitted to have these stamps engraved and printed in lime-engraving, the government paying only the actual expense. He also drew the attention of the goverument to Patrl Merwart who afterwards degigned this issule. To his joy, his proposal was at first accepted. and the designs prepared; they were very beautiful, as M. Maury proves by a half-tone reproduction of M. Merwart's design for the 15 c ; a splendid piece of work which properly engraved would have been an artistic joy. But the minister hedged and delayed, finally M. Maury was given to understand that the contract had been given to an employe of the Colonial Ministry: he in turn had selected an engraver who had never used the graver, bun only the etching process; accordingly the stamps were etched and multiplied by photogravure. Ot the horrible results you can easily sa!isfy yourself by an inspection of the set as printed. No wonder M Maury indignantly disclaims any responsibility for these 1rightful nightmares. This number also illustrates the design made by M . Merwart for the arms of French Guiana, which are to be used on a new set of stamps for this colony; two anteaters are the supporters.

III No. 12 of the Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidskrift a high Dauish postal official describes an internatisnal reply stamp as invented by him. The scheme is simply to print the usual international stamp of each country with a small coupon, similar to the Belgian Sunday coupon and bearing the name of the issuing country with the word "Reponse' (reply). This coupon is to be torn off by the receiver and to be exchanged at his postoftice fur the corresponding stamp of his own country; the coupons are later accounted for between the countries concerned. Something tangiable will no doubt develop from all these schemes at the next Postal Congress. In Sweden an 8 oere stamp is to be used and the 3 oere stamp to be retired.

Uur Cuban contemporary, the Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Cubana, in its late numbers-so the December number goes deeply into Cuban postmarks and brings a wealth of illustrations of interesting date stamps. There is no doubt a great deal of interest in this side line and it will repay study. The chronicle announces that on Nov. 21st the new Cuban special delivery stamp with spelling Inmediata was issued in red orange. The Cuban Government intends to issue a new series of stamps, values $1,2,5,8,10,20$ and 25 centavos, bearing allegorical designs emblematical of the new Republic. A competition is to be opened with a prize of $\$ 100$ for the best desigrl Well well! what shall we see? A new set of postage due stamps is also in view, values the same as now. Here is an item of interest in regard to the late Cuban surcharge 1 c on 3 c . As you are aware, the blank margin at the botton of the sheets was also surcharged and sone papers have listed this also as a stamp. The Kevista cleclares atuthoratively that these marfrins had no franking power and are not to be considered as stamps. The printing form was not as large as the sheet, but larger than half a sheet, so that it had to be impressed twice; hence the lower impression also took in the margin.

With No. Vlli, 10 (whole No. 96) the Argentine Kevista completes eight years of age. In these eight years it has rendered great services to philately and has won for itself a place among the best papers devoted to our pursuit. We sincerely congrafulate it on the occasion and wish it long life and continued success.

With this number a separate chronicle is begut for entires only. We are glad to note this sign of interest in cards and cnvelopes.

The Argentine collectors are great on tiscals and the Revista caters to their taste. Thus in this number there is a long article descriptive of the 5 revenue stamps lately issued in Argentine for the collection of a tax on bottled wines and liquors. The article is beautifully illustrated, making one wish that our government had been equally liberal in permitting the illus. tration of the Boston Revenue book.

De Postzegelgids issues a large and well illustrated Christmas number. The two leading articles-one on the stamps of New Brunswick and one on the Postal Museum at Berlin-are reprinted from American sources. Some correspondent sends a lot of notes, chiefly on Cook Islands and Nine. Not all are new but some may be of interest. "At an auction lately held "at Rarotonga, Cook Istands, quitea "lot of 1d blue stamps with surcharge "' 'One halfpenny' were sold at face "value. There was only one bidder. "and a non-philatelist at that, who "sent the stamps to England and made "quite a little protit on them, They "were among' the effects of the late "Secretary of the Cook Islands who "was killed by an explosion in setting "off fireworks. Scott places the value "of this stamp in his catalogue at one "dollar unused."
"Queen Lavina, the wife of King "George Tubou ll of Tonga, died April "2tth of last year. She married the "King June lst 1899." This is the queen in whose honor the famous TL surcharge was made.

The stamp business of the Cook Is. lands is brisk and is netting considerable profit, ill consequence whereof the former wooden postoffice btilding at Karotonga has been replaced by a stone building.

In No. $1+2$ of the Philatelic Journal if ifeat Britain there is a clever little pretical skit on the Very Advanced specialist. This one specializes in the tentime black and rose 1894 of Obock Atter emmerating his treasures in this tur the mourntully closes:
Ined but one more specimen my cup of jos to till.
Alas' 'tis uncttannable, I fear, do what 1 will.
want it gernu nely used and that seens hopeless quite,
For its one in the wretched place knows how to read or write."
The scientitic part of this number s represented by the stamps of Bremen n the catalogue of Furopean stamps. these articies are extremely valuable wing much information in a small pumpass.
Ia X... 143 this catalogue is continued fill the stamps of Brunswick. Of trat interest is the warning against kir and dangerons furgeries of Greek *anus. which are produced by a cerain A. Alissatti, of Constantinople, pris and Athens. I quote as follows: "Among those we have are all varithies of the laris prints except the 5 lep. 10 lep. with figures and 40 lep., and of the Athens printing there is a fairly representative set showing varfieus shodes and states of the plate of the 10 lep , and 30 lep., the 30 lep . trath brown and blue, the 60 lep. Paris rand Athells. Of the let6 type we have the $?$ lep., 20 lep., 25 lep. ultramarine, to lep. violet. to lep. blue and 1 dr . xey. Some of these latter are so thuely printed as to make tts sttppose they are intended for Brussels print"ns. but the only ones that could be mistaken for such are the 2 lep. and the luke. Wwing to the large num'ber of varieties it would be impossible to give details of the points of difference. but we shall be pleased to temine inv specimens sent to us for
"opinion free of charge. For the most "part the colors and the paper are the "best general test, as it is only in a "few instances that these have been "imitated exactly." It is curious, by the way, to note that these forgeries are openly sold in Greece as "mere images under a permit from the Government:

From a write-up of Mr. Schwabacher's collections, we gather that his tis- $^{\dagger}$ cal collection numbers nearly 30.000 varieties!

The French stamps surcharged for Canton and Hoi-Hao have been withdrawn from circulation to be replaced by the new French set for the outlying offices. On this occasion Le Timbrophile Belge in its No. 60 gives a list of the stamps surcharged for either place which may not be without interest.

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| 40 | " |  | 9,60 1 | 3.900 |
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Some of these latter ought to be. come rarities of the first water.

Portugal has also adopted colonial penny postage; since January lst the letter rate between Portugal and its colonies is 25 reis instead of 65 reis as before. A new 25 reis in rose will be issued for all the colonies.

An instructive article on the stamps of Naples gives the following quantities issued of each value, which account for their scarcity.

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The American bank note company is now printing the fiscal stamps for the Dominion of Canada. It is said that in the Law series only the $\mathbf{1 0}$ cent and the sl values are yet in use, though the plates have been ready for years. Of course like all the Camadian revemines these stamps are very beautiful, and no doubt there will be quite a demand ior them. There is said to be only a very small supply in sight.

A friend in a letter recently remarked that he had read in an English stamp journal that a french collector of foreign reventues had recently refused two thousand pounds for his collection of 30,000 specimens. The price seems rather high, being $\$ 10,000$ in our money. However, I notice in several journals the item going the rounds that Walter Morley, the well known dealer and publisher has acquired from the purchaser, Hugo Griebert, the large stock of fiscal and telegraph stamps of the late Ch. Koussin, of Paris. Perhaps there is a connection between these two bits of information.

Speaking of Morley, in the last mumber of his journal came to hand (Nov. 1902) there is an interesting article by Emil Tamsen on "The Telegraph stamps of the Transvaal". From this article it would seem that both revenue and postage stamp; were used by this branch and can be distinguished easily
by the concellations. The reference list given consists of ten stamps under British rule in 1880, thirty-six stamps under Dutch rule and seventeen since the recent English occupation.

The comic papers have regaled us lately with all sorts of "skits" anent the coal famine. Now philately not to be outdone comes in with a real fungy one which at the same time is real true. It seems the Goverument has hit upon a plan to save $\$ 150$ per month in its coal bills by burning tons and tons of the recently called in documen. taries and proprietary stamps. At the bureau it was stated as a fact that the use of this sort of fuel had saved the consumption of a ton of coal daily for a considerable time. If eastern dealers would only second this move by burning up some of their "wholesale lots" how nice it would be.

That interest in things fiscal are mu the increase is evidenced by the growing attention given the doings and deliberations of the several societies organized for the purpose of the study. classification, recording and collecting of foreign revenues. The following item has been sent me for publication and as it is of interest to readers of this department it is herewith given in full.
At the meeting held on December 4 . 1902, Messrs. C. F. S. Crofton. C. Frike Evans, P. Gilbert (France), A. Kousillon (France), and A. Vetter (Germany), were elected members. The fiscals of the New Kepublic. New South Wales and New Zealand were discussed and catalogued.
Mr. Wulbern presented copies of his works on the tiscal and telegraph stamps of the German States, AustriaHungary and Balkan States. to the library.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 8th, 1503, at 6:30 p. m1. at 65 Bishopgate Street, Withont, London, E. C., when the remainder of the fiscals of New Zealand will be catalogred. Will members assist by sending notes of varieties, perfora. tions, etc.

The December Exchange Packet (Home) totals to $£ 145$, and the contribution from home members to the Cortinental Exchange to fr, 976. The sales from the November packet were over 610.
Kules and any desited particulars respecting the Society can be obtained from Hon. secretary A. B. Kay, 2 Haarlem Mansions, West Kensington, London, W. England.

In the Perforator for December the upening article is an installment of E. B. Sterling's list of type-printed cancellations by Keasby and Mattison of Ambler. $P a$. It is the well known "K \& M." We trust he will next AMBLER take up J. Wyeth \& Bro. and date. and Dr. Kilmer \& Co. These lists are very interesting and that to a very much larger number of persons than is suspected. As a typographical feat on the part of the journal it is to be commended.

All eastern firm in advertlsing a loug list of IT. S. Kevs for sale says, "Pefect stamps but double perfora. tions" and then follows some of the choicest stamps in this division at $1 / 3$ of catalosue price. This seems like a fare good chance for the apecialists to get oddities cheap.

I have been shown a number of interesting revenue stamps issued by the Linited States for use in the Philipine Islands, lately received by Mr. Ed Plummer of this city. They contain the mott" "E pluribus unum" "United States Internal Revenue', the picture of both the shield and the American
eagle and are on the whole intensely interesting. There are two sizes, for the smallest denominations the size is the same as our current postage stamp. for higher values a size and shape similar to our Columbians, only a third larger is used.

1c de peso, black
2c de peso, brick red
$2 c$ de peso, carmine
10c de peso, brown
10c de peso, green
25 c de peso, (large), red
40 c de peso " blue
1 Peso, " black
I have written to find out whether these were printed in this country or abroad, though I suspect from the workmanship that they were printed in Manilla; More of this in my next.

L. B. Kinney of Cincintati, Ohio, sends a sheet of five checks, of the Civil war stamp paper. It contains the embossed stamp in gilt of Lincoln. value 5 cents and used for Receipts. It is not rare as this being the only denomination for documents of that kind millions were used.

Will the correspondent in Ireka, California please write again regarding the provisional revenues of the ' 98 series. His letter was misplaced and I have no record of his name. I think I can give him some valuable hints on the subject.

The editor of Morley's Jutrnal has estimated the cost at face value of a set of the current Revenue and Fee stamps of Great Britain and Iretand and finds that the sum total would amount to $\$ 763$ or $\$ 3815$. Of course used specimens are within the reach of any one almost. It may surprise some to know that there is no history of England's Revenues, though steps have been taken in the matter by $L$. W. Fulcher the editor and compiler of the recent "Revinues of Spain and her Colonies". It is said that in the office of the Commissioners of Inland Kevenue, at Somerset House there is a collection of "Imprimatur" sheets, which go back to the earlier half of the eighteenth century. Suppose the U. S. Internal Kev. Dept had a sheet of every revenue stamp ever issued by this government what a collection it would make:!

Inscriptions On Stamps.
3 By L. G. DORPAT. 3
(Continued from last number.)
Oh the issue of 1892 there is a change. I read: "Dawlat Ghaniyeh Osmaniyeh." Ghaniyeh I think means "governmental.' If any of the West's readers can correct me I shall be thankful for their correction. Numerals are:

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APPROPRIATENESS OF INAGES ON
We, in the United States have had Buffalos and Oxen on our own stamps, and now we see the prospect of soon seeing some American lady on one of them. We might well ask: "What for?" When the first stamp was made in England the portrait of Queen Victoria was selected for a central clesign, because the queen was the head of the government. This was quitein agreement with the rationale of stamps, meaning that the government has received a certain sum of money for which it agrees to provide a zertain postal service to the holder of said stamp. When our tirst stamps were issued the portraits of Franklin and Washington were used, becallse the se men at that time represented the U. S. postal and federal administrations. Spain, Austria, Italy and Germany and lirance in their early issues
pursued the sume course, selecting the design that representative of government allthority. The same may be said of all the older issues the world over, unless, as is the case with Brazil and later of Mexico, the figure of value was made so prominent as to suppress all other forms of display. The ide was that the image on the stam should convey an indication of the authority which made the stamp worth its face value by the promise oiactrtain postal service. New Foundland, if I remember right was the first to depart from this idea and to substitute a codfish and a seal for an emblem of government authority. Uther conntries followed, the United states adopting a mail rider, a locomotire and a steamship; France the allerorical flgure of commerce and industry: Labuan, a crocodile and a monkes, and Liberia a hippopotamus.

In 1893 the United States arain made a new departure, in giving the world whoie picture gallery ell miniature of history on the Columbian stampi, Pretty as this may be, it has nothiub to do with the function of a postaco stamp nor with the authority behind it. It looks more as if the surpjus space had been rented to some forith purpose. The same may be said ou the Trans-Mississippi and Pan-American issues, as well as the land stape issues of New Zeland, Congo, Cons and others. The Japanese chrysm themum, and the Guatemalan "parrou" as well as the U. S. and Meriag eagle are to be viewed in a differty light; they are emblems of gorm ment.

If Martha Washington be adop!e to beautify one of our stamps by he image, into what category will the image belong? Is her image anem. blem of government or postal id ministration, or is it merely anillus tration of something outside of tha

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pale. In the latter case Martha Washington would come not into the society of our presidents, of queens and kings, but into the society of alligators, apes, buffalos and oxen. The respect for Martha Washington and all grood American ladies, makes me dislike that idea, though their imagei would certainly make pretty stamps. On the other hand if we do not want absurdities, and must give the tadies a turn, let us have a whole issuc with ladies portraits only, then all issue of their children and grandchildren, so that all president's wives mothers, datnghters, nieces, consins, ctc., etc., may finally be duplicated. after we get through with them, we may take their sewing machines, cantary hirds, rocking chairs, or any other object they loved or made use of. These issues mirht be repeated every four years and be called leap year issues.

## Review Notes

Spanish fiscals are a large order and any light thrown on them is welcome to the growing number of fiscal collectors. The Filatelico Espanol is doing grod work in this direction. After describing the stamps of the Notarial Association of Barcelona, No. 27 brings a long article on the stamps issued by the Attomeys' Association of the same city (the Colegio de los Procuradores.)

With No. 12 of the Vertrauliches Korrespondenz-Blatt comes the report of the XIV German Philatelists Conrention held at Vienma in September. There wasn't much science but a grand «ood time. The city of Vienna by its mayor received the assembled stamp folk at the City Hall and served an opulent breakfast to them. The stamp The stamp sales made during the conrention amounted to about $\$ 125.000$ : Not exactly a sign of hard times, that!

Morleys l'rilatelic Journal for December thuld be of special interest to
U. S. Revenue Collectors, for it illustrates several new varieties of revenues issued by our authorities in the Philippines. They are the $1,2,5,10 \mathrm{c}$ de $p$. Internal Kevenue, and the $25,50 \mathrm{c}$ de p . 1 peso and 2 pesos, heretofore known, but surcharged Customs in two varieties of type and three different colors. red green and blue. Mr. Pearce say's says that an engraved set with the same designation Customs has grone out there from America and is now in use in the Philippines.

## Stories About Stamps.

An interesting lecture was given at the London Institution by Mr. Fred J. Melville on "Postage Stamps with Stories." When the first stamps were issued by Great Britain in 1840 they were familiarly called "Queen's heads" Ladies quickly took to collecting these, and "Punch"' noted that "the ladies of England betray more anxiety to treasure up Queen's hearls than King Harry the Eigth did to gret rid of them."

A Canadian stamp shows a map of the world with the British possessions indicated in red. But on some of the stamps inaccurate printing has resulted in the annexation of the United States while Britain has invaded France and the Cape of Good Hope grone out to sea.

Queen Wilhelmina was very diasatistied with the stamps of Holland, which until the year before last showed her as a little girl. The time had come when she ought to have been shown with with her hair up. At the time of her Coronation new stamps were issued adorned with a beautiful portrait.

Britain has a stamp collection of its own. It was bequeathed to the nation by the late Mr. T. K. 'Tapling, M. P. It contains the two most costly stamps of Mauritins. A similar pair were sold for $\$ 9,500$ 10. The "two-pence" stamp of Mauritius was shown by the lecturer. This had been sold fur 57.500. (:0)

## DEPARTMENT OF INQUIRY <br> Conducted by

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Questions relative to stamps will be answered in this column free of charge to subscribers. All questions must be sent to the above address. and a 2 c stamp must accompany each letter containing questions. When stamps are sent for examination. return postage must be included besides the fee above provicied for.
24.-Mr. A. C. Watts, Assistannt Host Master at Iloilo, Philipine Is., sives the followlng information: 'The 2c postage are in sheets of 192 , twelve accross and sixteen from top to botion ut the sheet, instead of fifty as mentioned in your article. I have an unbruken sheet in my collection. Of the regular Insurgent Issue I have the one milesinia, newspaper, black, both perf. itad imperf.; 2c postage, $2 c$ telegraph, Sc registry, $10 c$ receipt, $25 c$ stamped paper, 50 c telegraph. Of the provis. ional local issues I have the Janinay? 1599, postage, 4 curatos, black, local insurgent government print, sewing machine perf. Bohol, provisional postage, no value expressed, black or red, imperf. Bohol, 1900, Habilitado, 2c postage on $24-8$ Spanish recargo Cedula. The Janiuay stamp was issued by the insurgents at that place where they had taken up quarters after having been driven from Iliolo in February 1899.

Mr. Watts also mentions the Philipine Island le due used in place of the regular le postage in the Manila office for several days when the office was without that value. The date of a specimen received is September 9, 1902. Another news item from the same fentleman is a Philipine Island 5c with inverted surchargeed; he has one used copy ouly. Who knows where the others from the same sheet may be'?
77. What is the meaning uf the SURCHARGES ON TURKISH STAMPS FOR L,OCAI, USH, NOS. 651 TO 752 SCuTS Catalogur? It is "Sheir" or "Shehit" and means city.
78. WHY ARETCRKISH ANU DEKSHS NUMERALS KFAIIFROM I,EFT TO RLGH: WHILE THE TUKKISH AND WORISS SH READ FKOM KIGHT TO 1,FFT? Th nunerals are of Indian rigin, and the Iudians (East Iudians) read from left to right as we do, Thus: $0=5 ; 0=3$, $0 \cdots=500 ; 0 \cdots=5000$, etc. When Arabain letters are used to express numbers, they are read from right to left, but as in Roman numbers one letter sometimes expresses a largr number, as $100,500,10(10 n$
79. What IS The MOSI Thokoliz CATAJOGUE?--ror postage stamps the "Catalogre for Advauced Collectors." published by the scott Company, is unsurpassed. Fur postage and res. enue Moen's Catalogue is the thing Major Evans Catalogue also is yood, though a little out of date now. Among the cheaper boaks, Kohl's is probably the best, though the forthcuming ed ition of Sitanley Gibbons, Senf and Scott will probably be rivals.
89. HOW MAY A STAMP HE kSory AS POSTALIL USFIn? - By the study of pastmarks. Anl stamp not bearing the regular pustmark is a doubtful specimen, unless it bc on the original letter and vouched for by a trusi. worthy recipient.. l'en mark caucelations, as a rule, indicate fiscal use. When a cancelled stanup retajns its full gum, it usually was cancelled to order without doing actual service In such a cise even the proper pui: mark is $n, t$ enough tu establish the stamp as a postally used one Nerer theless a staunp may be posially used when it does mot show the proper post mark, because occasionally an ummmon mark, is used in the maili Or a stamp may after regular use ond letter or parcel reiain uncost or all of is: gum, because sume papers will not "take" the gun from the s'amp. But from either case the atual use tal not be proven from the - danp itso!f.
W. F. VAN MALIEER
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## P. I. Nokv:IN

i: 1.. Morgan, of Fremont, Neb.. Wa, him at Coshorton, (Hhio. July 15, 1861. He is a commercial Traveler, and bas. fur mans vears, been deeply intersted in ble collectinn of Coills, Stanan. Dostal Citris, Fractional Currence, and Confederate money.
He ; , the prissessor of a very tine set a: Ftactional currency for the U. S., cullisting of uncirculated copies of ever: kllown isste and variety. He
has a complete set of the Postal Cards of the li. S. anml its prosessions, in which may be found several specimem; of each issue, variety and watermalak. in mint condition. He also has a com. plete set of the paper money of the Confiderate states, of the many different issues and types, some of which are exceedingly rare and valuable. He takes greatest pride however in his collection of I . S. stamps, which is made up of a more or less complete set of the stamped enveiopes unused and entie, and at nealy complete set of the adhesives, both usecl and unused.

In American coms. he lias almosit everghing, from the earliest coin struck by the dmerican colomies down to the present. contining himself chiefis to the minor rarieties.

Plise Foreign Coins, Stamps, Pustal Cards. etc., in his collection consist chielly of rarities and do not number more than 11000 ratieties. He is a member of the Nehraska Phil. Society.

MISS MAUELINE: KELLER
Whose picture we see is of german patentage, both hei father and motber beins born in Wurtemburer, Germans but she herself was born in Junean. Wisc., where she received her early education. After having taken a cotrse in the high sehool at Columbins, Wise, she went to Feaver Dam, Wisc., near her home to take up ansic it beins her favorite study. and one diligently pursted at home. I,ater she wemt to chicago to continue the same under private instructors and later at the age of sixteen years being then quite all accomplished musician she presided at the pipe organ of St. Palles Lutherall church at Manchester, IVisc. of which parish her brother-iti-law, R. R. 'Thiele, Editor of : he Review Dept.. of this paper is the pastor. Havins


Collection of Indian Stone Tools, I). K゙inmey. Waseca, Minn.


Junl Ibood Creck Indian Cirls, Showing :he Jamons Creek Jottery

held her pasition as oryanist for mear. ly tive reats sher resigned in order to. resume tier musical studies now at the Chicaso Musioti College Heing an cothusiastic sonvenir card collector for some time. she bas her say about such in every momber of this paper, haviry taken $\quad$ pp the Sumbenir Card Dept. of same some itate time atro. Gther antieles of hers oi no lithle interest hate "pueared in the eamera lhept., now and then. The stamplixehanse has hat articles of hers. Miss liellers interest and love fo sollentr cards wiss awakened at an eariy date when cards were sent from abroall frum relatives and friends of her farents. some catch showithe birih and phaces of her parents and other places ancl things noteworlly to thent which ronsed a
 ifes atd friends of her family from this conntry wok trifs abroadatid sent
cards from varions comatrias from wumerns stopping places. These were a bealitifll collection whish som accumblated for since then she strived to gather them in all mammers she soon becalle a meanber of Somenir Card Clubs the re and abroad. Sine has been a reader of the Wlin'T for some time having also exchanged wita variuns sc:avenir card collectors throngh the WBS'R Exchange Colnmos

Her collection is one to be prond of contaninge cards from all parts of the wordal.

## MK. I.UKLENOU OLIVER

A prominemt member of the spamish American Pliblatelic Society, is a lesident of Samtako de Cuba, in omr far little sister remulac. be:ng engrated in the mereantile bushleses m that cin. Mr. Oliver has had the pleasure of vis. iting the $\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$. S., ami highly appreciat $=$ this cotlltry enpecialy it- philatelists. as well as that well ki:onnsociety of which in ligures prominently as a menilser.


By R O Y F A R R E L L G R E E N E. A. S. of C. C.

A lock of Napoleon's hair was sold at auction a year or two ago. It was accompanied by the letter which Napoleon sent with it to a Mrs. Le Vaux. The let ter runs thus: "Enclosed is what I prom ised you; it is small but precious. I have but little left."

The largest quantity of amber is found on the southern shore of the Baltic beIween Memel and Konigsberg, where it is cast up by the action of the ground iwell after the Northerly gales. It is also found on the coast of Sicily, on the shores of the Adriatic, on the English lieach of Nortolk and Suffolk, and at Cupe Sable in Maryland. Mining for nuber in beds of brown lignite or wood coal is carried on in Prussia, and it is found it excavations all over Furope.

It has been discovered that the great city of London rests on a foundatinn of skeletons-hundreds of thousands of ikeletons that extend east and west, north and south, from boundary to inomulary of the world's metropolis and bryonl. There they lie, compressed in. fia compact mass by the superimposed clay. gravel. sand and surface structures. These skelstons were once the irame work of living beings-beings that were the most simple of multi cellular animais. known as sponges. Many thousands of years ago, when the great sea ebbed aml flowed where London now stands, these metaroon organisms, these cities of cells,
these Venices, with their thousands of canals, lived, and did their unconscious part in the great plan of evolution. Now the life has goue, the cells are crushed. the canals are closed, and only the frames of flint, compressed into a homogeneous mass, remain.

Dr. Herman Strecker of Reading, Penn., who died about 12 months ago possessed the finest coilection of butterflies in existence. There are only three other collections which in any way com. pare with Streker's-the collections of the Grand Duke Nicholas of Russia, a private museum of Berlin, Germany, and the collection of the Rothschilds, in England. Dr. Strecker corresponded and exchanged specimens with all these. The other three great collections are of butterflies only, and do not include moths. The Strecker collection includes butterflies and moths whose haunts in life are in every portion of the discovered globe, not excepting the regions close to the poles, the wildest forests of Africa, India, Australia and South America, and the smailer islands of the Indian and Pa. cific oceans. Souse of the specimens cost $\$ 100$, several $\$ 50$ and $\$ 60$, and scores of then: 55 and $\$ 10$.

The site of the lost Indian city, Mas. coutens, which was reported as having 20,000 inhabitants in 1675, has beell determined by the labors of Thomas Clith. ero, of lortage, Wis., now extended aver

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many years. It was the largest city in all Indian history, so far as United States territory is concerned, and the descriptions of the Jesuites in the course of the seventeenth century, closing with Marquette and Joliet in 1673, are said to have heen verified.

The earliest mirrors of which me:tion is made in history were in use among the Israelites in the time of Moses. That gentleman, as recorded in the Bible, commanded in a certain emergenc: that these articles should be transformed into wash basins for the priests. They were made of brass. Doubtless similar uten. sils of this and other materials were in use long before that. At that same period black glass was employed for the purpose, as well as transparent glass with black foil on the back. It is related that the Spaniards found mirrors of polished hlack stone. both convex and concave, among the natives of South Aurerica.

The Chicago Historical Society is the owner of the most valuable set of private papers in America which remain unworked into historical volumes. This is the diary and correspondence, state and personal, of James K. Yolk, which was purchased of the beirs in Nashwille for $\$ 3,500$. The diary is contained in forty volumes full of interesting data and comments. Impressions of the different members of the Polk cabinet are found under the dates when the meetings were held. The correspondence covers a perioll of twenty years-one of the most important and trying periods in Ameri. can history. It is in Polk': own handwriting and is remarkably legible. There are letters from Andrew Jackson and replies from Polk, negotiations on the Oregon boundary, the re-annexation of Texas, communications with the British parliament over what then viere vexing questions, and a complete history of the progress of diplomacy of that time. The

Chicago society acquired a bargain wien they purchased these valuable relics at such a ridiculously low figure. Collect. ors living in or dear Chicago should nod fail to see these splendid historical relics-

The Kaiser has turned archzenogist. It is a new hobby with him, but as ho usually breaks out in a new place erery few months it is not unusual. While making a visit to West Prussia sumb weeks ago he came across a party of 10 . cal scientists digging into a burial mourd near Koggenhofen. When he learned what they were up to he abandoned thy programme he had laid ont and remainef with them during the entire day. Ho was well rewarded, for they found severab iuteresting prehistoric articles, including four almost perfect bronze urns. The Kaiser was delighted. He acted as those urns had been buried a thousend years ago expressly that he might find them, and he gave orders that a wing he added to the museum at Flbin with tablet in the walls to inform the pulitio tinat it was his gift. He also directed that special show cases be made for the exhibition of the urns and the other rel. ics found that day, with an inscription that they had been discovered in his presence. The consequence of all this is a revival of arciaeological interest throughout the entire empire, and the palace at Potsdam is rapidly becominga, museum of prehistoric arts anl indus tries. Everybody who seeks the Kaiser's favor now sends him an old pece of portery or bronze.

In the abysses of the oceans, belort 500 fathoms many animals have either imperfect eyes or none. Their condibtion in this regard affords a suggestive paralell to that of cave life, and the caluses are probably just the same. Science is of the opinion that all deep sea life originally emikrated from the shallows.

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When the autograph collection of the late Frederrck W. French was sold at auction in Boston a few months ago, the lighest price paid was for a remarkably fine letter of William Whipple of New Haupshire, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, written from Philadelphia on June 23, 1776. This brought sil. Another unique document, an syreement with King Philip, was sold to a Boston collector for $\$ 30$. Included in the sale were autngraphs of Revolutionary officers, members of the old Congresses, signets of the Declaration of Independence, Presidents of the United ftites. foreign rulers and American and English authors.

The scientists of the Peabody museunı at Yale have set up a prehistoric dog. which is certainly the only specimen of the kind on this continent and is prohably the only one in the world. Its scientific name is Dromocyon vorax. It was dug out of the mountains of Wyoming and is supposed to have lived in the Fuocene tertiary period. It was discovered by the late Prof. O. E. Marsh in 1872, and it lay in the Peaborlv Musenm's cellar until a few months ago, when the museum professors detarwined to bring it to the front and show Yale visitors what the ancestors of the dog of inday looked like. This dog is in the same rom wilh the baby dinosaur, another aninal from the past, but found in the same state. In life he was the size of a large woll He is remarkable for the size of his skull. which is one half larger that the skull of a -iberian bloodhound The brain cavity is very small. The muzzle is of moderate length and height, slightly constructed behind the canines and oblqquely truncated in front. This dog, in a straight line measurenent from his tail to his nose. has a length of about seventy-two inches.

The Chicago Record Herald some time ago had on its editorial page the follow. ing Plea for the Abolition of Relic Hunters":
Some temporary stairs that President Roosevelt walked upon while he was in Meriden, Conn., have been sold at auction for a big price to a local militia company, which will preserve them in its armory as priceless relics.

Also it is announced that one of the wheels of the carriage that was wrecked when the President so narrowly escaped death at Pittsfield. Mass., is to be exhibited in the uime museums of the country. These instances merely serve as reminders the American people are probally the worst relics fiends in the world. Whenever Americans visit the tombs of great men or celebrated build. ings, or other things of historical interest, the custodians mu:t double their precantions in order to keep the relic hunters from cutting or chiseling or dig. ging.
Something ought to be done for the relic hunters. Why can't they be so surfeited with relics that they will cease to hunt for more? Let our Presidents save all their old shirts, their worn-out socks, and the rest of their cast off elothes, to be distributed amonk the relic. hunters. While the chief executive is on his travels let the authorieties in every city and town which he visits put down boards which be may walk over for the benefit of the relic fiends. Between heats he might put his hands upon the umbrellas and walking sticks of other relic hunters thus spreading joy, and perhaps by mak ing the relic common help to destory its value in the eyes of the relic hunter, who is a nuisance that ought to be abolished in some way

Wouldn't this Editorial writer be willing :o pay over a few shekels of his good money for a relic of Guttenberg, or Caxtonor Ber. Franklin? Wonldn't he now? Honest?

Turquoise mining in New Mexico is of very remote origin. Many of the present mines when located indicated operations by the inhabitants of New Mexico at a time prior to or contemporaneous with the Aztecs.

The largest egr laid by any European bird is that of the swan; the smallest that of the golden crested wren.

The crocodile's lower jaw is not socketed in the skull, as is the case with other animals, but the skull is socketed in the jaw, so that the animal can lift the upper part of its head as upon a hinge and so capture whatever prey may be at hand without going to the trouble of getting upon its legs.
it is said that hornets never use the same nest a second season.

One of President Roosevelt's diversions, when he is not shooting bear, is collecting clay pipes. He has a most remarkable "pipe wuseum' containing every known kind of clay pipe. It has recently been added to by a remarkably complete and interesting set of pipes collected for him in England. The doner is an old friend and comrade. This new set of pipes, all of English origin comprises some remarkable varities, such as are seldom seen even in London. Some of the Welsh Clays, for instance: are both curious and ornamental. Specimens of the "church warden" vality are also represented, as well as the "Cheshire cheese" brand of pipe.

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Sometine last summer the Curio Editor noticed that Hustace Furlong, an assistant prolessor at the University of California, had discovered a cave full of fossil bones on the McCloud river, in Shasta county. Prof. Merriam of the university believed then that Furlong had discovered a "fissure cave," and
hat to fill this crevasse in the earth had taken thousands of years. In that case the discoveries would lead back toan in. definite period, and the successive layers of soil and gravel would be a storehouse of geological curiosities. We have heard nothing late from this "find," and would like any of the California members of the A. S. of C. C. to communicate with us further regarding it.

George K. Cherrie, curator of the Brooklyn Museum, attached to the In. stitute of Arts and Sciences, sailed some weeks ago for Cayenne, Guiana, in the interests of the Museum and also for the British and Rothschilds museums in England. He is collecting butteffies and mammals. Benjamin Gault of Cbicago, who went to South America in the interests of the Field Colombian mustum, accompanied Mr. Cherrie. This is Cherrie's first experience in search of relics of prehistoric ages but he has made several previous collecting trips. The party was well equiped when it left his country and expected to be absent until about February or March of this year.

Since his return fron South Africa Lord Kitchener has been bothere Jy au. tograph hunters and snap-shotters. To a young man who had served in South Africa, and who had asked hin for his signature, the general said: "Yourg man, make your owil aulograph worth "cmething; mine's worth nothing."

In Lahore there is or was a massive luilding made of bricks and mortar, but the builders, who erected it in about the year 320 B. C., understood their business so well that the fabric defied the engrneering efforts of tour successive govern. ments to remove it. India. too, caa show plastered buildings white and shuy, like marble and as snooth and polished as glass.

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## The Spanish-American Philatelic Society.

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PRESIDENTS ADDRESS. lermit me, fellow mumbers, to express my most sincere thanks for the honorable rit certainly undeserved position with whirl I ant entrusted. Believe me, J shall take to heart all the best interests of the heloved association which has been pleased to so honor me, and shall cooperate with my humble services towards the propoganda of our Institution throughout all Spanish America. With assurances of niy best consideration, I remain

## J. F. Steegers, Ires.

RYPOKT OF THE SHCRFTARY TREASURER Fellow members: As this is my last report prior to retiring from this office I desire to express iny appreciation of the untiring efforts and loyalty of all our membrrs, representatives and officers in every country on our continent.
Tome, as the founder of $t$ this society. it is a real pleasure to note the gradual grewth of our organization and we start the new year with a more prosperous ondition than ever before. A worthy
monument of our society is its Commemorative Booklet just issued, and it will certainly be of material benefit to the organization.

We have the spirited encouragement of our newley elected officers and I particularly wish to mestion the Department of Sales and Fixchanges under the direction of our worthy fellow member Mr. Merriman, an advanced philatelist and of many years of experience. Then comes miy successor Mr. Blair, whose loyalty to our society is well known, a!so Mr. Menenclez of Cuba, in charge of our Library.

I have the honor to report for the year 1902 as follows:
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James C. Mills. Pennington Gap. Va c-o American Stave $\&$ Cooperage Co. [38] Refs. Chas. Willard Myers. Respectfolly submitted, Charles Willard Myers, sec'y.

### 4.00 Philatelic Notes from Mexico

By FELIPE NAVEDA, Member 2. Spanish-American Philatelic Soclety

Realizing the fact that the equivolance of Mexican money in the Uni. versal Postal Union is on a basis of 2 cents for each 5 centimos, 4 for each 10 , and 10 for each 25 , and having taken into consideration all referring to these respective values some changes in the present issue of postage stamps have been made necessary.

The Postal Department has given ont the following regarding the manner in which the new stamps shalldifferenciate from those now in circula. tion.

| l centavo lilac |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | . | green |
| 4 | ". | red |
| 5 | ". | yellow |
| 10 | ". | orange on blue ground |

These stamps will bear the national coat of arms of the Kepublic of Mexico Besides these shall be issued the following:

## pOSTAI, CARDS

2c Coat-of-Arms in relief, on back. ground of emerald green.

STAMPED ENVEJ,OPES
5c same design, in relief on yellow back ground.

WRAPPERS
1c same design, in relief on lilac background.

The issuing of these new stamps shall not nullify the present issue already in circulation and shall be used until the L'ostal Department shall order otherwise.

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Kansas City Philatelle Society.
Kansas City Dec 22-02. Regular meeting called to order by Ires. Canfield and following members Hest. Bescher, Brown, Broadbent, minghanl. Hurst, Loewen, Maurer, finney, Stepherns, Wynne, Mittman, chel and Kelley.
Ninutes of hast meeting approved as trit.

Mr. I. A. Wright was elected to memmhip be acclamation.
Salps Supt Hurst had first circuit rady to go ont.
The evening was spent in showing cläiscussing stamps.
Adjourned 10 P. M. to meet again Jan -1913. Koom 412 Bank of Commerce lidg. Respectfully sub. W. P. Kelley.

Secy.
$332+$ Peery Ave. Kansas City, Mo.
Whigurement of Illustrated and Pretty Souverir Cards.

Many collectors of souvenir cards have kin sery much disheartened at times beceive a pretty souvenit card and find t tome conspicuous part of the picture nthe back of the card, a round black smark announcing the time of reop at their local P. O. and in the case la Foreign card, an old castle or defate landscape, may bear the startling mitsurprising label--"Paid all. New lori. $X . l$. and date."
When Congress on May 19, 1898 passHalaw allowing picture cards to be sis postaily, it does not seem right an they shoull! thus be unnecessarily

The fact of the matter is. the P. O. dea:ment at Washingeton does not aprowe of view cards being postmarked the picture side or postal cards on be message side.
Collectors who find their cards thus "fared, would do well to call the atfition of the P. () Department to such rielessness.


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## SEC' Y REPORT

How many members have tried the Sales Dept under Wendt is well worth trying, and he also gets out a good Auction Sale each month; see one itt this number. Renewais, G Koehke, Platismouth Bx. 1217. New Members: FA Muller, Asst PM, Peake, Nebr., Dr L Michael Shelton, Nebr; Applications, BF Morgan, Fremont, 20 S Logan, Ref. Brodstone and Parmelee. Hopson, one of the Omaha member has got out a neat pocket stock book, see his ad on another page, and in next number of W'EST will have coin editor who used to be old Neb. boy and deal in coins.
sales dep't (nec. 1902)
A few weeks ago this dept was opened; bowever we can already report that 12 parties are using the same either buying or selling or both. -12 books hate been received. Cat value $\mathbf{\$} 8600$; 9 books are in circulation, cat. $\$ 69.38$. This is the best time to be placed on the circuit. Let me hear at once if you want to help) this dept either buying or selling. Rules for a stamp. (Stamps of the Dept. are priced remarkable cheap.)
H. Wendt, Sterling Neb.

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I am sorry to say I have but very little to report this month. Not a single application for membership, and no member have paid their dues. The year of 1903 has now come, which should remind us that most of us are are now owing the society 2.5 cents for dues, and the printer has to have his pay every month. I should be pleased if I could hear from many of you without having to writing a personal letter to each of you asking for these dues. A few dropped out the past year that we much regret, hope they will decide to renew, and come back and be one of us, and none of our present list will drop out.

The following new members have been admitted by our trustees:
50. C. W. Brenneisen, Kansas City, Mo. 51 B Grant Jefferies, Chicago, Ills., 86 Evergreen Ave. 52. Jas. H. Little, LaCrosse, Wis

As soon as I receive cards from our president I will send out membership cards to these new members, also to all those who have paid their dues. A revised list of our membership shows with the addition of these new names only 37 active paid up members. Let us make it 50 as soun as possible.

> F. A. LiI.I.y, Sec.
> Sebetha, Kans.
sales report.
27 books in cir last report, val $\$ 161.65$ 25 books received since 52 283.54
$\$ 445.19$
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(from which was sold $\$ 36.00$ or 18 per cent. value
$\overline{14}$ books in cir Dec. 26, 02
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Members should send for Sales Depirtment books, 2 for 5 c , and send in their duplicates I will guarantee good sales if the prices are right. If you hrve nothing to sell you can buy stamps for your collection at low prices. Wishing all the members a happy and prosperous New Year, I remain,

Respectfully,
W. P. Kelly, Supt.,

3324 Perry aye,


## ANNUAI, ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that an elec. tion will be held Jan. 31, for officers for the year 1902. Forward your bal. lots by mail to the Secretary, and be sure you mail it in time to reach him by the date named.

Joel H. DuBose, Pres. S. P. A.
TO OUK MEMBERS AND THE PUBTIC.
Many thanks are due brother Bradley of the Virginia Philatelist for the kindly attention given us during the period his magazine has served us as official organ. He has always had a word of encouragement for us, and though his magazinc has appeared very irreenlarly it has no doubt been owing tu circumstances he was unable to control. A philatelic society cannot, however, live and prosper with an irregular appearing othicial organ, as our decinated nembership attests. Bruther sradley hopes soun to be able to have his magazine appear on time. but our members have lost confidence. We have, therefore, though regretting exceedingly to give up the dear Virginia, decided it is best to makea change.

Unr secretary has made arrangements with the Philatelic West and henceforth our reports will appear in that organ. We feel now we can, with more grace, ask those who have let their membership drop, to return and help us set the grand old shipadrifi again. We feel contident we will soon regain our former prestige and soon be again one of the first societies of the land. Fraternally yours,

Joel H. DıBose, Pres. S. P. A

SHCRETARY'S KEPORT, S. P.A.
Our president having issued the call for a mall conventions take ple.sure

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Members shonld send their ballots to the secretary. Kesult will be annumiced Feb. 10, 1003.
Dues for 1903 are now due and payable. Send for application blanks. Let's all ret together now and re-establish the Grand OId S. P. A. We can do it now that we have an official orgial. Bradley's paper has served us well in the past, but we must have an organ that appears on time.

Fraternally, W. P. Kelly,
Sec-Treas. S. P A.
332ł Peery Ave., Kansas City. Mo.

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Of the books retired 4 were returned "no purchases." From the remaining 22 , stamps were Sold to the value of $\$ 1328$.
Insurance fund Juiy 20, $\$ 1902 \quad 2,42$
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I will furnish blank books free, and if you will fill them with grood saleable stamps, they will sell. Am in need of buyers for circuit list. You will find a nice assortment at very moderate prices. Joel H. DuBose, Sales Supt., Huguenot, Ga.

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Readers should not forget 10 send 4 c with every clain if they wish secretary to try his help on same.

Complaints made by E Smith on J J Singer of Omaha, Nebr., and says been reported in New York Philatelist and several other papers. We notice ad of Blake of California still in foreign papers, he used to be in South Dakota, and how many got paid? Scott Williams Co. of Seattle, Wash. in some of American stamp papers, and wonder if got any cash yet for ads.

H Smith f Cincinatti, O. reports $A$ 0 slate of Detroit. Any others.

Been several complain on D E Johnsin of New Castle, Nebr, and he writes been away cause of jelay.

Hillman of Massachusets reports Bedford S amp Co. of Pittsburg, Pa. Any others?
C Brewster of Ohio reports MC Kendal of Emmetsburg, Ia, moved to Granvillee, South Dakota,

## The WEST Opinion Contest.

It will interest you-read about it.
The WEST is published for its readers. From them its primary support is derived. We want to ascertain wherein they like and dislike the WEST.

Every one of our readers thinks this article entertaining or instructite or not so, that department interesting or superfluous. We want every reader to express his approval or disapproval, to suggest attractions, additions, or curtailments, that, in his opinion, would improve the paper. If any particula; article or department appears interesting, or if interest is lacking, we want to know about it and know why. As an incenative to our readers to send u; their opinions on these matters, we announce this Opinion Contest. In this contest, ouly yearly subscribers are eligible to enter. There are no further requirements. Literary merit is not so much a desideratum as originalitr. Terseness is preferable to verbosity.

## E AWARDS.

For the best reply to he questions set opposite, the following awards will be made:

1. To the writer of the best reply, Ten Dollars worth of stamps or camera groods, his choice.
2. To the writer of the second best reply. same to the value of Eight Dollars.
3. To the writer of the third best reply, same to the value of Five Dollars.
4. To the writer of the fourth best reply, three yearly subscriptions to the WEST, or one three year subscription, or equal value in advertising.
5. To each of the writers of the fifth, sixth and seventh best reply, two yearly subscriptions to the WEST, or one tro year subscription, or one inch in advertising space.
6. To next twenty contestants, one yearly subscription.

## THE QUESTIONS.

Each contestant is required to arswer all of the following questions.

1. What do yoll suggest as anim. provement to the WEST? Whereing has the suggested improveme: merit?
2. Which department of the WEST do you prefer? Why?
3. Which department do you iik least? Why?
4. What feature of the WEST, it any, do you regard with the kas favor? Why?
5. Of all the articles which apt peared in the WEST during loe which did you like best? Why?
6. Do you think it advisable print portrait cuts on the cover of lim WEST, or do you think they stura preferably be inserted inside.

7 Of all the monthly philatelicand photo papers published in Ameria which do you like the best? Why?

The advertising space alrarded to successful contestalits is made tran ferable, if desired. The subscriptions will be credited to the contestant hi subscription being extended. or they will be credited to whoever he designates The names of the successitul contestants will be published in the Aprilumber of the WEST. All replys must be in Superior prior to March 23. Address ${ }^{2}$ replies to L. BRODSTONE, Superior, Nebr.

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## AnAfternoon With My Kodak

By Lilian anna day Denmark, Iowa
Not long ago I was asked by a lady in the country to come to her home the next Saturday and take some pictures. As an account of this day's experience maygive an insight into a few of the trials that biake such an expedition menorable, I will ask you to live again with me in thought that day of work and worry.
I loaded my kodak with four plates and at half past twetwe I was well on my nay. It secmed to me I had gone hardly more than a mite, when here 1 was at midestinrtion Upon entering I was tnid that I was to take a picture of two little cousins, girls of perhaps two rears of age "Oh, rear me!" I thought hut I would do the beat I could. The little girls were in the parlor post haste tolook me over, and I tried to make frimals with them. for $I$ knew my future success depended largely on wimning their good will. While one mother was arranging the natural curls of her little girl and the other was taking down curling pins. I looked to the condition of the light and shade in the room. By the time the light hat been properly adjusted the little kirls were in spick and span order, ready to have their "pitchers tooken." Now the excitement berrins, the two maminas sat down near me, grandmother comes in, an older brother, amutt 10, I should judge, comes from annewhere and wishes to "be showed how the thincr works." I am very -rry. hut I can't expiain now, for the babies are getting fidgety, and who winld + with so manv eyes fastemed upm them: By joint consultation we decide that Bessie should sit and K.sy th. ul: wand heside her. They atre phaed in the correct attitude and the mumpine and grandmother go on something like this: "Now sit still lifssi..". "dent do like that" "mamma wiil whin rou if you don't do as tre iddy tell- you" (I have not said a Hink yin. "rrandma wants ynu to be nice litt, sirls, for we are going to
send one of the pictures to Aunt Mary," "That's right," "Harry, keep still or you will make them laugh:" After about ten minutes steady chatter, I venture to remark that it might be well to keep as still as possible and I will try to attract their attention. This is a new idea and I have the flour. The girls attention must be held while I count four I get the correct focus, set the kodak, take out the dark slide and then open my watch and hold it right where I want them to look: just as the shutter opens with a click, both pairs of eyes look for the source of the noise and the picture is ruined.

Then a vollev of questions. 'W'as it all tight?"-"Did ther move?" etc., etc. I think I would bette try one more of the same nosition for I am afraid they didn't holl their eves quite steady Then follow many threats. entreaties and admonitions. When there comes a lull in the tumbit. I find something different to attract their attention and pull the slicte, snap the shutter. this time with better succress. Possibly this picture will be all right. with considerable stress on possiblv.

I will not wears you with an account of the dreadful ime I had taking a picture of an elm tree which was so high could not possibly get far enough away from it to get it all on the focusing screen. Mv plates were filed after I had takell a view of the barns and twelve head of horses in a forty arre lot just hack of it and it was a great relief to get into my buggy and collect me disordered thoughts after the excitement of the aftermoon.

Soon after I gat home I developed my plates. The pictures of the little girls were both blurred and nthe half of the elm tree was missing. The barn vard scene was a conclomeration of almost everything. Rather discouraging. do vou think? Yes I know it hut it is a fine opportunity to leath human nature to riscipline one's patience abd to cultivate ingenuit:.

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President-H. V. Thornton, 304 N . State St., Chicago, Ill.
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ds you perhaps noticed in the last issue, class 2 members are under no obligations to auswer letters or return prints that have not been solicited by them. For that reason, readers of "HBST" will save themselves disap. pointment by securing the regular list, gring full detail. as published in The Photographic Exchange each month, before sending prints or writing to members of the Exchange. This monthly also contains all changes of addresses and other detail that would require too much space in the "WEST."

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OUR CIRCULATJNG ALBUMS.
This department, under the able supervision of Mr. Kirkland, is becoming more and more popular as the months fy past. Not only are they most interesting and pleasing in themselves but they permit of a judicions selection of desirable exchanges suited to the tastes of the nember wishing to make up a collection of prints in this manner. Some of the foreign albums are making their appearance and the interest they excite is no doubt one of the greatest stimulants to this feature of the Exchange. The postage rarely exceeds six cents. and there being no other cost to the members. there is hitle wonder that Mr. Kirkland's apetite for work is being gratified.

## DEPT. OF CIRCUIARTNG AIDBMS.

Conder the Itirection of
G. C. Kirkland, 3428 Franklin Street, Denver, Colo.
I respectfully ask each nember not to keep the albumany longer than the rules allow. If you can ferward the album earlier, kindly do so. It requires some time for the alhums to make the rounds of the Cnited States, after which they are sent to our foreign members who have contributed prints. You can see the importance of sending the albums forward as snom as possible.

Each and every member of our exchange is cordially invited to contribute prints for the circulating alhums. As long as there is no entrance fee attacched you should keep me well supplied wi h, prints, especially now that the moths monthe are upon us.


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## Ghe American Historical, and Natural History Photo Society

I'asses its first anniversary with the issue of this number. During lyon the society has had a very prosperous career, having gained members from many different states as well as from some of our new pissessions.

We hope in 1903 to secure members in every country where the WEST is read, as well as from the entire American Continent

The object of the society assated briety $y$ in the above heading, is the Evehange and Sale of Photo Prints, mounted and ummonnted, also Souvenir Cardsamong its members. All having Historic Pritnts or Cards for Exchange or Sille, are inviled to join and send a dist of their most interesting subjects. with their ad ress to the s c", tary. as we lipe som to be ahale to list thome who can furnish Prints and Cards Illusirating every Historic Pace, Buildin: and Event, from the time of the Monnd Buitders and Cliff Dwellers to the presellt day.

And thuse who can furnish Natural History Prints and Cards are especially invited to become members, as Natural History and particularly Ornithol igy is being studied at present more extensively than any other subject.

We have several of the most eminent Naturalists and Ornitholngists of the Country as members of the suciety. Our President, as well as the Secretary have made a speclal study of the subject during the past few years, the Secretary having made an extensive collection of $5 \times 7$ Natural History negatives during that period, and would be pleased to send list of the subjects he can furnish with one of his 1902 Prize Winning fhutos for 10c. This Month We lublish a C mplete List of All Members Who Joined in 1902 (with their ads omitted), we know this list wili interest all joining We trust all will renew their membership as fast is their term expires, and that each member will induce at least one other to foin during 1903.

## Direciory of 1902 Members

1. Nebraska, Superior. 1. I . Brodstone, lub P . W. \& C N.
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## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS:



We shall continue the monthly prize contest and the reproducing of Photos of Capitol Buildings with sketch describing same as fast as received, and wish all having any Capitol Photos would forward them to the Secy.. with a descriptivn giving style. size height, cost of the Building and any other interesting puints Historic or otherwise.

For the tirst received of each, with description, suitable for reproduction, we will give a Free Membership in the Society, including years subscription to the WHET and all the other advantages.

If you are already a member of the Society or Subscriber to the WEST we will extend your membership and subscrip ion one year.

## Members Monthly Directory

All members are entitled to one short Free Exchange or Want Ad under this heading. 56 Mt : Leo. F. Fagan. 924 N . 3rd St., Springtield, Ill. will exchange l'hotss of th 'Illinots State Capitol, Lincoln's Home and Monument. for other State Capitols, Presidents Homes and Montments He atso has sume of the finest Souvenir Cards to exchange we have seen. 57 Mr . Egbert Bask. 424 binese St., Utica, N. Y. will exchange Photos of the Californin State Capitul. also $4 \times 5$ Velox Prints from 500 Negatives, for Postage Stamps which catalugue above 5 c .

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591 J Benson, Omaha
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598 C II Conn, Senca, Bx 44
598 G Koehke, Plattsmouth, Bx 1217
600 A 13 Bisbee, Newcastle, now at Effinglam, llf. lhoto College
601 H Lester, Superior, kodac western views to exchange and souvenir post cards
We want members and readers views as to how to make the camera part in the $\| \mathrm{E} ; \mathrm{T}$ better, see prize offer on alo her fage. Any ideas ald suggestions to $h c l p$, would be pleased to hear and see same.
K. Wilcox, N. Y. sends a clipping ou Stamps of Great Face Value. Photohraphis are reproduction of real stamps with portraits of friends introduced in place of the usual otficial head and the great feature of the work lies in the fact that the stamp itself affords the
negative and no dark room or camera is needed. Place a postage stampface downward on a piece of sensitive printing paper slightly larger than the stamp behind a plain glass in the printing frame., This will be found $t$ vgive the negative of the stamp the $11_{6}$ ht penetrating through it exactly as though it was a glass negative. Tone and fix the print in the usual way. Next paste on the face of this photo. graph a thin piece of black paper the shape of the part to be hidden or black the space with ink. To make the positive reproduce this negative again face downward on a second piece of printing paper. This gives a picture of the stamp with a white patch in the centre. Next take a piece of black paper in which a hole has been previous. ly cut the exact shape of this patch and fasten the positive stamp by strips of grummed paper behind it so that now only the white patch can be ex posed to the light Finally take any photographic plate of a group of friends and select a lead tw fit the patch looking throngh the plate on the stamp to adjust it exactly as usual. The stamp can still be improved by punching holes around it and using transparent photo colors.

## Including Oneself in the View.

It often happens that the operator desires to include himself or herself in the landscape composition or group and this may be done withont difficulty where the camera is provided with a shutter release. The best methom is to attach tu the shatter release a piece of thread. reasonably strong, which should be carried toward the base of the tripod and held in position under a pin inserted in one of the leps. The other end of the string is held by the operator. who, after taking pusition, may release the shutter by a slight pull of the thread, which. rumbing $141-$ der the pin, gives the desired downward motion to the shotter release without disturbing the camera Care must be e:zerciscd, however. that the shutter si not sproung until all is ready for the exposure.

## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.



Queries should be addressed to Fayette J. Clute 16 Marye Terrace, San Francisco, California
T. M. T.-Iso. plates and Ray Screens or Filters. - The use of the ray screen and ray filters on the market is confined to cases where isochromatic plates are used. While the deepest shades sold only triple the exposure on the iso plates they multiply the exposure required on the ordinary brands by eighteen or twenty. The function of the yellow screen is to hold back the blues. Isochromatic plates are more sensitive to the reds and yellows, io you see they do not both bave the same effect.
F. K. B. -Developing in Cold Weath-er.-Your description of your trouble pints to too cold developer. The colder your solution is, the slower it will work, and the less detail it will bring out. There is no use trying to coax up under-exposures with a very cold developer; the developer for under-exposures should be lukewarm at least. Renmember that cold retards chemical action always while heat accelerates it. In cold weather all photographic solu tions should have the chill taken off by the aldition of sufficient warm water.
T. H. (1, Brownish Tones in Combined Bath.-soak a few pieces of 111 fixed paper in your combined bath, or and a few and it will give you purple tones instead of the browns to which yuu obr ject. Where a batch of prints are toned at one time the color is a pleas. ing purple but if you wish to tone but onc or two at a time you must first add a little silyer chloride.
W. I. P.-Testing camera for Fog. -Stick a square of black paper lightly to the center of a plate, place it in the camera, withdraw the slide, and then leave the camera in bright sunlight for several minutes without opening the shutter. Remove the black paper and develop the plate. If the centre shows fog as well as the edges, the dark room is at fault; if the center only is clear, the camera or shutter lacks light.
S. W. A. - Exposure meter. - We strongly advise the use of an exposure meter, and have done so over and over again in these columns. Nothing is harder to do than to guage the inten: sity of a light by means of the eyes. Their very perfection makes it difficult, since they automatically adjust themselves to the brilliancy of the light in a manner of which the observer is quite unconscious at the time. This is sufficient to render them misleading guides, even supposing that the visual brilliancy of the light was a certain guide to its chemical activity on the plate, which it is not.
F. S. D. When to Make Use of In. tensitication.-li the shadows of your negative have fair detail, yet are thill, you can improve them by intensification. Before dotng so, however, see that your high lights arc not already so dense that they woild become over. dense with the extra intensification that would come to the rest of the neg. atives as well as to the shadows. If the high lights will stand a little intensification, you can safely go ahead with the idea of intensifying the shadows.

If the high lights are sufficiently dense already, reduce thein with a Weak solution, bay 2 per cent. of per. sulphate of ammonia, which will re. duce the high lights before it affects the shadows. When the nerative comes from this, it can then be intensified, which will bring the high lights only up to where they were before, while at the same time it strengthens the shadows.

Artin Photography. By CharlosE.Manierre.

Some primary rules from the "Photographic Timies Almanac."

1. Not to put the principal object of interest in the exact center of the picture.
2. Not to have the light and shade in patchy spots all over the picture.
3. Not to have the lines in the picture all sloping off to one side, nor to have figures apparently walking off the paper.
4. Not to have prominent objects in a straight line, nor with equal spaces between them.
5. To remember that an effect of distance is produced by lack of sharpness of outline as well as by diminishing size.
6. That the picture should tell but one story. so that the beholder miy mever be in doubt what the author intended as the principal matter of interest. That is to say, if it is a landscape, the figures must evidently be incidents; if it is of figures. the landscape background must be, evidently, of secondary interest
7. No unnecessary accessories The camera takes in with too great sharpness all the details within range, and the tendency of the inartistic amateur is to help make a record of all his possessions. at once. Take the average camping photograph, as an example of what not to do. Everything the campers own is in sight. All the game and fish they can beg, horrow, or steal is hung up promi. nently; and if there are guides in the picture. every one has his gun in bis liand-no guide ever was taken without his gun, if he could help it
8. A proper balance between the ansount of light and shade
9. Don't omit to get some sort of sky Into the picture. even if it is no more than sunning the print after it comes from the printing frame, so that the sky shades up from a bright horizon to a
somewhat deeper color above.
10. Look out for the foreground and the lower corners. Tiney ought not to look like a barren waste, nor ought any. thing of importance to appear in them. There should be just enough character to keep the eye from noticing them espe. cially.
11. Don't consider that because the negative is a $4 \times 5$, or a $5 \times 7$, that, there. fore, the picture is to be the same. The chances are a hundred to one that part of the print should be cut away. The same print may contain two or more sep. arate pictures, according to the way it is cut.

## Lines in a Picture.

Did you ever notice how careful the painters are to avoid forming a right an. gle by allowing a line in one direction to join another that is parallel with one of the boundaries of their picture? I never did until my attention was called to the fact the other day. I at once got down a volume of reproductrons and looked them over, failing to find a single case in which prominent lines had been so employed. Reviewing only a small collection of prints by my amateur friends disclosen the fact that they often allowed them. selves to commit this error. Once it is discovered to be a fault, it explains why certain photographs are not as pleasiug as they might otherwise have been. While I am not at all partial to the oral form of trimmer. I am going to employ it religiously in the future on prints from several of my favorite negatives. I think the use of an oval or round mask will partially overcome the difficulty in some cases, hut it is best to avoid such a conl bination by changing the position of the camera when making the exposure.

During his recent tour of the provintes the King of Spain admired the triumphal arch erected at Leon and stopped the procession ten minutes while he look photographs of it. Who woulds't bea boy and a king if he could to as hpleased in this fashion?

Notes From the Illinois College of Photography.

On Thanksgiving night our students gave a reception to those of Austin College together with the faculties, trustees and their tamilies. The parlors of Garnet Hall were festooned with smilax and white chrysanthemulus. During the evening a prize, consisting of a $14 \times 17$ carbon portrait of Pres. Lugenbeel and a photograph the same size of Garnet Hall was givenl to the one making the largest number of acquaintances. Tableaux were given, illustrating "The American Girl" from the Indian Maiden to the Up-todate Girl, The posing by Miss Weisman was most artistic. A delightful musical program was rendered and much enjoyed by the appreciative audience.
Information comes of the wedding of Mr. Sam Luchsinger of New Glarus, Wise with one of Wisconsin's most charming and attractive daughters. Miss Helen Dougherty hasalso been enliced from the ranks of the profession, and in future will be known as Mrs. Helen Dougherty Spencer. We extend congratulations.
We received a pleasant visit from Miss Honsch of Salem, Ill., a student of ' $\%$. Miss Houch is not only a good photographer but an excellent manager. A more pledsant young lady would be hard to tind.
Miss Helen E. Hall who recently secured a position in Florida has just purchased an excellently equipped studivat St. Augustine; the oldest city in America. She writes very favorably of the location.
The graduates for Dec. 1st were Win. Kineier, Miss Ruth Elliott, Miss Esther Marcrott, Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Frank Kahabka and Geo, Chesbro. They
have all secured positions or opened studios at their homes and we look for creditable work from them.

On Friday evening, Nov. 28th a farewell reception was given to the graduating class of November. A delightful evening was spent with music, pingpong and the magician. With many regrets goodbyes were said, and once more what seemed a large family circle, was broken. We sincerely wish these faithful students, unbounded success.

## Developing Papers.

I have been using a grod deal of these kinds of papers lately and have learned a few things not mentioned in the accompinying formula sheets. One of them is this: Impure sulphite or that which has through exposure to the air, partially turned to sulphate is blamable for a great portion of the irregular streaks that are formed when the developer is first flowed over the print. After I had induced my developer to work as it should, by employing oniy "recrystalized" sulphite in its preparation. I assured myself of the correctness of my surmise by adding a small quantity of sulphate to the solution. The same defective prints then resulted. Anuther point: The water in different localities varies, necessitating the use of so much more water in some localities than in others. Four times us much water is required where our city water is employed as is necessary with the well-water I used in a small town less than ten miles inland This variation also explains why Am dol does not prove the success in one case that it does in another. It requires but a small trace of alkali in the water used to deprive Amidol of its capabilities as a producer of good tones and velvety blacks. With distilled or other reasonaby pure water; the recrystalized sulphite instead of the ordinary kind; with a fresh sample uf Amidol the perfection of develinping paper or platina prints are obtainable.


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Mr. Hissell writes us that on March 1st, 1903, the tuition fee of the Illinois College of Photograpey for the two and three year courses, or "life scholarships" as they are called, will be advanced to $\$ 25000$. This rate, again, will be advanced from time to time until the permanent price of $\$ 4.0 .00$ is reached. This will be made necessary as the platl-already in operation-of constantly improving the curriculum and faculty by adding new id as and improvemedts to the one and by increasing the efficiency of the other, is carried out. The increased expense to the institution naturally makes the course more instructive to the students, and hence the advance in tuition fee is well justified by our desire and determination to make the college a recognized institution of learning.

About the neatest thing offerel to the amateur this winter is the Acme Flash Lamp. I can speak with a guod deal of conridence because 1 have just finished some negatives made with its aid. In years past I have used almost everything from a tin pie plite to the 510000 Williams machine. even invented a flash lamp of my own one t me. This latter I could never get
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I have been still more busy than us. ual the last month and when I found that I must get out a few pictures in some shape to "fill in the chinks" as it were, of my Christmas giving. I was in trouble. It did not last long. With a package of Engel's Picture Mountings and one evenings time I prepared one of the most pleasing gifts in the way of photographic productions that it has been my good luck to turn out for some time. Some cleaned negative glasses, some spoiled and ragged prints that had to be trimmed down to remove spots and other defects, and some old mounts with undesirable pirtures upon them, were the only other requisites. I anı groing to use a lot more of the Mounters and can only regret that "Engel's Way" of mounting prints and making passe partouts did not find its way into my hands long ago.

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## Notes For U. S. Colletors. <br> By E. R. A L D R $\mathbf{I}$ C H.

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The superb collection of match and menicine stamus brought together by (ies. L. Toppan. ex president of the American Association frmed the nucleus of Jamary Wolseiffer sale, mot only did this collection include a nearly complete series of the lower priced stamps but also many of the sreat varietics listing $\$ 50$ or over.
dre dimble pertorated revenmes worth enmugh more thatl ordinary sucimetis 10 pay tor distoonest manipulation by those bot over scrujubus. I'olay, the precs they bring would unhesitatingly canse one to say no, but the fincy prices which they were held at ufteen years ago would Warant a difierent auswer. The fol. lowing prices from Sterling's 1888 catalogue shows the margin skillful manipulators biad to 20 oll in those diars.

| 1 c | and black | 5.03 | \$. 50 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2c | " | . 01 | 1.00 |
| 10 c | " | . 01 | 2.00 |
| S1 | * | . 13 | 1.10 |
| 85 | " | . 50 | 2.50 |

The new Minneapolis weckly, "The Philatelic World,' is the authority for announcing the highest precancelled value yet known, the $\$ 1$ surcharged for use in Chicago, the specimen noted being in the collection of Walter (jates. of Teaticket. Mass.

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Speaking of precancelleds reminds me that the organization devoted to the collectors of this interesting class of stamps held their anntal election in December and is in full working order. The exchange superintendent writes we that nearly 5150 were ready to start on circalation in books a veraging 55 a piece. Those wishing an application blank can secure one by adclessing me at Benson, Maine.

The Philatelic Era lists ati interesting eniosity in the form of a two cent stamp. current isstes with no lines in the right hand triangle, while the left hand one is normal. The specimetn is used and is the property of a New York firm and was used in that city.

Up to Feb. 1 have heard of frour of the new series in use, 2c, xc 13 c and the special, althongh the supply of old 1c and 1.5 c were such that it was mot undikely that some pffices may have been surprised with those value also in new desipn.

A Washington correspondent who has seen the design of the new dollar stamp is enthusiastic in his praise of the new design. The head of Farragnt is almost full view and is said to be exceptionally faithful. Mans, however, will regret the supplanting of the here of Lake Frie for the hero of Mobile Ray.



The new catalogue for 1903 of Yoert \& Tellier has appeared. It is a book of 796 p. p. and fully illustrated. Collectors or dealers who want to do business with french philatelists must buy a copy, the price is only 3 francs, or $31 / 2$ francs postpaid.

A stamp Show or Exhibition wiil be lield from 11 till 16 April 1903 in Metz. 15 gold medals, 15 silver medals and 10 bronze medals are to be awarded to the best things exlibited. Mrs. Hugo Krotsch and Paul Kohl of Leipzig, Pierre Mahe' of Brussels and Carl Willadt of Gforzheim will act as presidents.

France wiil get new postage stamps from 1-30 centimes in March, 1903.

Some of the German philatelic Christmas numbers have already come to hand They are all, plenty of advertisements.

Mr. Walter Morley, the well known London deaier in fiscal stamps bougit the stock of fiscals, railway and telegraph stamps of the late Mr. Charles Roussin of l'aris from Mrs. Hugo Griebert \& Co.

The new stamp for the Dutch Indies are in preparation. In the next number of my paper, "De Postzegelgids'" which will be a fine Christuas number of about 12 large pages I will bring the reproduction of the new stamps. Of course the new issue will bring a rush in the now circulating surcharges, and prices of them will surely advance highly. In most catalogues in the Finglish language as Scotts and Stanley Gibbons, the prices noted for these stamps are not correct. The best values ar $\stackrel{\text { the }}{ } 2.50 \quad 121 / 2$ blue and the 25 c , red and blue, then cone the 20egreen and the 50 c brown and gretn, then the 1.3 c brown and last
the stamps, for inland postage is the loc grey.

I was very glad to see in the last num. ber of the WEST, the two counterfeits of Mr. Harold Roe Smith, with whom 1 made some business, when the lived in Stuttgart and that of Mr. Antonio Rincon, whom I knew for several years. I find the pictures the most attractive in your paper.


A Patisian dealer has issued a simplified catalogue, in which no surcharged stamps are included.

The "I Gildi, '02-'03,' surcharge on the Iceland stamps, means "valid or available for postage during 1902-3."

The report of the postmaster general for last year shows that of the 30 cent due stamps 5,690 were issued and of the 50 cent 5,300 .

On the commemorative stamps recently issued by Bulgaria may be seen the names of three battles-Shipka, Starayagora and Sheynovo.

Victorian "cancelled to order" stamps may be recognized by the cancellation. In the ordinary cancellation the ink is put on in blotches, in the "cancelled to order" stamps the cancellation can scarcely be seen.

The U. S. 7 cent stamp was issued in March 1871 to meet the demand occasioned by a reduced rate of foreign postage under the postal treaty with the North Gerían Confederation.

The 5 cent Taylor was issued for the new letter rate of postage under the l : P. U. convention of 1874, and this reduc tion of foreign rates rentered the 7,12 and 24 cent values unnecessary, and the: were discontinued.

Inscriptions on Stamps BY L. G . DOAR P $\mathbf{A}$

EGYPT. Of the original or ancient Egyptian larguage very little is left in Egypt now, except in the Coptic, which is practically a dead language too, and re find none of it on the stamps of the country. The combion language there is a dialect of the Arabian. On the first issue of Egyptian stamps, however, we find the Turkish language, because Egypt was then under Osmanish supre. mace. Ismail bought the Fgyptian post office in 1865 and placed it under the care ot an European officer by whose effort it was greatly ituproved (first issue ol postage stamps); in the following rear (1866) he obtained a concession from Turkey grantiug him almost indepenlence and the title of Khedive (prorounced Kliedeev). This accounts for the diopping of the Turkish language from the stamps in 1867 and the adopting of the Arabian which was used ever since, later is conjunction with French. Another example of how stamps reflect the history of a country.
In the centre of the first issue we have "mask". the Arabian name for Egypt, corresponding with the Hebrew "anzR.an' of the Bible. 'The word reading upuards at the right "tamacialir" I do mot know. At the top is the word "post. whr" meanine "post" and at the left downard "maskient" Exyptian. The calues are "BBSH Para" 5 para: "on raka" 10 pata: "rcihir mipara" 20 pata; "ink ratertsh" 1 piastre; "IKI chtrish' 2 piastres; "ubsh ©htrusif" "piastres: "on cintrosin" 10 piastres. Ghurush is also pronounced Kissh.
In the issue of 1867 we find above "RMarall bostiver maskivert', evidently of the saute meaniag as the illscrption on the first issue.
The first word at the right in the tahiet semme to be "isamantin'", but 1 ans
not sure and do not know the meaning. The middle word is the numeral of value "KHamse" 5 ; "asharali" 10 ; "asharin'" 20. The word at the left I take for "faddan'" para. Of the piastre values I have but one to hand, and I can not make out the inscription.

The issue of 1872 to 1879 has essentially the same as the foregoing, but is so indistinct, that it is very hard to make out all parts of the inscription on any one of the series. On the issue of 1879 we read "postibh maskifh" Egyptian, below, ard at the side the value in "para" and "Ghbrusi". Later the Arabic inscription takes another place and the millieme ( $=4$ para $=1.10$ piastre) appears as "ussher ar. Ghirsh'.

The due stamps have to the right of the value a word which I read as "musTAHLK" meaning probably "to pay". I'ara sometimes ends with $H$, sometimes with T : the latter denotes the plural, the former the singular (singular standing after all the numbers from 11 to 99).
The ellvelopes have nothing new. Arabian or Egyptian numerals:

1: ahad, awahed
2: etueu
3: tlate
4: arba
5: khamse
6: sitte
7: saba
8: tman
9: tisa
10: ashara
11: ahad asher
12: etu asher
13: thatet asher
14: arbaet asher

15: khamst asher
20: ashrin
30: tlatin
40: arbailı
5): khamsin

100: maye
101H. alf
$1 / 2$ : nussf
${ }^{1}{ }^{1}$ : tult
1/4: ruh
1-5: khums
1-6: suds
1-7: sub
1-10: usher
(To he continued.)
Social Philately should be assidnously cultivated. The collecting instinct is one manifestation of miserliness.


The Argentine Revista fitly begins the first number of its ninth year of existence with the portrait of its honorary president. Senor Rodolfo Laass, who is a!so the president and general manager of the South American Bank Note Company of Huenos Aires. We collectors, who have often admired the beautiful work of his establishment on so many Sonth American stamps, are interested in learning that Sr. I, aass is an 8mnivorous collector, but especially strong in Crugnay.

The annual report of the Sociedad Filatelica Argentina published in this mumber would make profitable reading for many a larger society. The society numbers only 54 members, and yet look at the high grade paper it publishes! To be sure the Revista cost it about $\$ 700$ last year!!

The Revista illustrates the new type adiopted for the definite Paraguayan issue to which we have before alluded. It is a good deal larger than the present is. sue; the lion has become tired of sitting and is depicted standing on all fours. More details later.

All of No. $4-5$ of the Anales de la Sociedad Pilatelica de Chile is taken up by a full translation of Mr. Bacon's research. es on the first issues of Chile as originally published in the London Philatelist. To be sure it is worth it: no article of greater importance has anywhere appeared the past year.

In its . Noveuber number Stanler Gibbons' Monthly Journal had cast some serious aspersions on the Cuban le surrharged on 3 c , intimating that it was speculative and that the authorities had
disposed of it to friends oniy, not to the public. These reflections were brought the notice to of Sr. Figueredo, the Post. waster General of Cuba, and so roused his indignation that he reguested the Cuban Phiiatelic Society to send a conmittee to him, so he might clear himself before the philatelic public. The interview took place on Dec. 31 and in its January number the Revista de la Soci. edad Filatelica Cubana gives an account of it. Most of the facts are already mell known. According to Sr. Figueredo, the Provisional Government had purpostly let the stocks of stamps run low; the new orders had to pass through diplomatic channeis and hence were delayed; in the meanwhile the picture postcard craze had invaded Cuha and as a result the Depar.ment suddenly found itself with. out 1c stamps. Hence the surcharge. As the 200,000 printed were exhausted in three days, a second edition was prepared, but the new supply arrived from Wasbington and the surcharges were burned. Sr. Figueredo also informed the commitlee that a new issue commemorative of the establishment of the Republic was in preparation, that it would protably run up to one peso, and that no definite decision on designs, colors etc. would be made without consuiting the Cuban Philatelic Society. Whereupon the Society of course placed its treasures of philatelic knowledge at the disposal of the government.-Surely never before have philatelists received such direct of. ficial acknowledgement as this and we may well congratulate our Cuban fellow. collectors on the influence they exercise. Let us hope that the new issue may be a credit to them.

The continued articie on the postmarks of Cuba is of great interest: 211 postmarks have already been illustrated.

We beg to thank our Cuban colleague for its kind words of apprectation for the WEST. "Cuba for the Cuhans" is in.

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ded our sincere wish.
No. 12 of the Schweizer Briefmarkenyeitung gives some details as to the recent forgery of the current German 10 pt. stamp. They were produced by a printer named Schulze at Chemmitz; the dies were cut by an engrater named Meerstein, also at Chemnitz, while sthular did the printing. Only 2238 of the forgeries were sold before the police whthered tie forgers in. The printing plate is exactly like the official ones, with border lines, row counters, ete. The perforation differs. The originals are perforated by a comb-machine and the certical perforation is not quite the same as the horizontal. The forgerits were perforated by a single-line machine of the gauge of the genuine horizontal perforation; thus the vertical perforation differs from the genuine.

An exhaustive article deals with the perforations of the 1867-1900 issues of Alstria, Its information is in several cases at rariance with the catalogues.
For instance Scott gives the 25 Kr . gray lilac of 1867 as perf. $91 / 2,101 / 2$ and 11 ; this article states that the 25 Kr . exhibits quother perforation than $9 \frac{1}{2}$. The 50 Kr . perf. 13. fine ionpression, is said to be are (Scott gives it at 25 c ). In the 1867 levant issue $91 / 2$ is the usual perforation : the 15 soldi perf. $10 \frac{1}{2}$ is tare and worth about 52. The 1892 Levant 2 pia. on 20 Kr and 5 pia. on 50 Kr . also exist perf. 12 , hut not the 20 Kr . and 50 Kr . unsurcharged. The luKr. of 1883 perf. $81 / 2$. 9 or $9 ' 2$ is a great rarity (Scott lumps it with the comuson 10 and $10 \frac{1}{2}$ ). - But the whole article is of great interest to the specialist. Severtheless its author adrises all but the enraged specialist to confine themselves to three principal sts: 9! ; $10^{\prime}$ ? and 12; if you want wore, then take also the $11,111 / 2$ and 13.
ts is his custom, M. Maury issues a catalogue of all stamps issued during the !ear with the December number of lee

Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste. It comprises 44 pages, including envelopes and postal cards! Finough to discourage a beginner, one would think.-The paper itself this time contains little calling for special mention.

A new comer of the reviewer's desk is Correo Filatelico from Santiago, Chile. Vol. I. No. 2 is dated November 15, 1902. It is graced with the portrait of Don Samnel Ossa Borne, P. M. G. of Chile. The paper looks promising and we wish it long life and prosperity.
From an asticle on Chilean revenue stamps used postally we quote as follows.

* There have been used postally only the " following revenue stamps:
" 1880-81: 1, 2 and 5 centavos (arms with ". single numeral below, Scott K I). ". 1891: 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20 centavos and 1 " ${ }^{\text {d }}$ peso (same type). *
" 1900: 1, 2 and 5 centavos (same type) ." and 1 and 5 centavos (arms with numerals in four corners, scott R 2).
"Of these it is donbtful whether the 1 " peso was so used, as in 1891 there was " no such postage stamp. But. without " doubt, the 2,5 and 10 pesos revenue " stamps have never been used for post" age nor ever been authorized for such " use. Consequently stamps of these " three values, at least, which may be " found in posta! collections. even if ap"، parently postally cancelled, should bè " removed therefrom and should not ap-- pear in catalogues dealing only with " postage stamps."
An entire sheet of the $\mathbf{3 0}$ centavos rose (Scott No. 32) was lately sold at Santiago for 120 pesos.

On the 24 centavos dark bue of I'araguay lately surcharged 20 centavos three errors of surcharge are found in the word Habilitado, not yet mentioned elsewisere. One is spelled Habiltado, the other Hablitado, the third Habil: tado. The Correo Filatelico intimates that the print-

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ers perpetrated these with malice aforethought for speculative purposes.

La Circulaire Philatelique in its Deceviber uumber describes some curiosities which have no doubt been noticed by many collectors. They are stamps which have been printed on creased paper and therefore show blank strips when unfolded. Several of these are illustrated; curious effects are thus produced, although by rights such stamps should have been condemned as printer's waste. For instance, the author mentions a French stamp in his possession which has three such creases! Other curiosities shown have been produced by creas. es made before perforation.

From an article in No. 17 of Szektula Briefmarken-Verkehr it appears that since Jan 1st of this year the Austrian Post Office Ijepartment will stamp private envelopes, wrappers and postal cards with the official stamps, as is now done e.g. in Great Britain and Germany. The description is a little indefilite, but it seems that the emperor's head will appear on these impressions in low reljef (i. e. slightly embossed), otherwise they will resemble the current issue.

In a recent number of $L$ a Cote Keelle there is a verv good illustrated article on the secret marks of $\mathrm{L}^{\circ}$. S. stamps. The marks of the 1870.1873 and 1882 isaues are illustrated by very good enlargements ( not the usual catalogue cuts). The author is also one of those who think they have discovered the secret mark of the 30c. at least. he feels sure and proves it in his satisfaction by enlargements. On the National Bank Note Company's print there is a dot which unites the two horiyontal lines proceeding from the mouth of the portrait at the left. On the Continental B. N. Co's print this dot has disappeared, but its place is taken by a thin horizontal colored line extending through the frame. sometimes clear into the perforation. On the American I3. N. Co's print this line is again absent. but the dot reappears and is much larger; it is now placed in the white space sur.
rounding the horizoutal shade-lines. The 30 c brown of 1888 also slows it.Mr. J.uff in his admirable magnua opus on I'. S. stamps ack nowledges that the secret inark has not yet been located: whether this discovery has done so, te. mains to be confirmed.

El Filatelico Fispanol is still occupied with clearing up the difficulties surronud. ing many of the Spanish fiscals. In No. 28 there is another valuable article, fortified by copious extracts from the official documents, relative to the stamps $i_{5-}$ sued by the College of Notaries at Barcelona for the benefit of the endowment maintained by them for unprovided wid. ows and orphans. If a handbook of all Spanish 6seals could be written on similar lines, it would be an exceedingly valuable compilation. Mr. Fulcher's attention is respectfully directed to these articles.

With this number of the Filatelico Es. panol we have received a copy of the Spanish-Portuguese Philatelic Annual issued by its publisher. It is a directory of Spanish and Portuguse collectors. The arrangement is unigue; each alternate page is left blank for additions and notes.-Collecting seems to be popular in Spain: the directory comprises sonve 900 names in Spain aione. It should prove convenient for dealers and collectors desiring exchange relations.

We also acknowledige with thanks the receipt of the Directory of the SpanishAmerican Philatelic Society. It contains the constitution of this society, cuts o! all the officers and a list of the members. scattered throughout Latill America. and other Latin-American collectors. The book is very neatly gotten up and reflects credit on the society and its energetic secretary, Mr. Myers.

Le Timbrophile Belge in No. 61 de. scribes some Venezuelan provisionals not yet mentioned elsewhere. I quote as follows:
" This issue was marde by the Provisional " Goverument of the Revolucion Liherts.
" dora in the State of Guiyana, while the " other parts of the Republic employed " the stamps of the Govermment. The " decree authorizing the issue of these " provisionals is chated Oct. 12, 190 ? "The stamps bear surcharged a seal " (two concentric circles, the outer one " donble-lined, in the centre a coat-nf. " arms with six stars ahove. between the

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- circles above: Fiscalia De Instruccion - Publica helow Estado Guavana) and " more over liagonally from left to right " downwards the signature Carrasco. "The seal is applied in violet $\mathrm{i} r \mathbf{k}$ and " hence almost indistinguishable.
" The signature is written by hand in hack ink. Three stamps have had their value raised by surcharges, as follows: Vale 25 Cs, Vale 50 Cs , Vale Bs 1, (all in thin sans-serif capitals). These surcharges, also applied in very "pale violet ink, are very faint. The " signature on these latter stamps is at "the bottom, on the old value. We have thus the foliowing:
"With round seal and diagonal signature.
5 green, violet seal, black signature.

| - ithe red. | " | ' | * |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| " ? Sic blue, | ' | $\cdots$ | ، | - |
| " 50 corange. | . | ' | . |  |
| " d balitar blk |  |  | ، |  |

The latter two with surcharge 1900.
"With round seal and surcharge 25 , " 50 O or 1 hol, besides the signature.
Lic on 5 c green, violet seal and value. black signature.
" sic on 5 c green, violet seal and value, black siguature.
1 bol. on $5 c$ green, violet seal and value, black signature."
These are new to me. If we have to add all these freaks to Castro's misdeeds, sonething ought to be done to him, indeed.
A very instructive article on the stamps of Hamburg is illustrated with enlargements of the warks of the genuine stamps. It would be better to reproduce the cuts, but nevertheless I quote the following marks which must appear on a genuive copy of the ' 2 sch. black:
The two horizontal strokes at the tops " of the legs of the H in Hamburg are " very near each other, leaving an im. perceptible blank space, while those at the base are more distant and separat "ed by a dot.

- In the $M$ of the same word, the left leg does not touch the horizontal stroke at the bottom.

After the word Hamburg there is a " very faint dot, placed lower than the " word.
" At the left of the $S$ in schilling, be-
" tween the ornament over the lower la-
" bel and the vertical line joining the
" two labels, there is a small horizontal "stroke slightly inclined towards the " right.
" The first I of Schilling seems broken " at the top; the other I is perfect.
"The ornament under the lower label " at the right, exactly under the letters " R K of the word Postmarke, is broken "-a feature not found in the other val" ues."

Now look at your Hamburg half schillings; there are innumerable counterfeits abroad.

The philatelic portion of Fl Petit Hahana has dwindled to a chronicle of new issues; most of the space is devoted to baseball which flourishes in Cuba since the American occupation.

The Vertrauliches Korrespodenz-Blatt begins its thirteenth year with the January number. We wish it a long continued existence and continued valuable service in the cause of philately. Naturally most of its contents are not of a kind calling for review. Nevertheless I must call attention to the controvers: aired in its pages relative to the Bavarian remainders now being offered by Philip Kosack, Berlln, the noted dealer. He obtained a certificate from the Bavarian postal authorities certifying to the genuineness of the Kreuzer remainders sold him by the Bavarian Post Office Itepartment. But collectors were suspicious, nevertheless, and the Bavarian. Philatelic Society appointed a conmittee to investigate the matter. Their report is too lengthy to reproduce here, but the long and short of it is that, supported by official records and former certificates. they cause to the conclusion that, notwithstanding the assertions of the Bavarian officials, the Kreuzer-stamp "remainders" sold to Kosack and now of fered by him are nothing but reprints. Because of dhe prominence of the parties concerned and the value involved the matter is creating a good deal of fuss in German philatelic circles. It will be interestiug to see the reply made by the postal officials to the report which brands their certificate as a fraud.

Counterfeits and Their Detection. By R. R. THIELE.
(Contintued).
United States. Mr. Brodstone has lately sent me a number of counterfeits of U.S. Newspaper and Periodicol stamps. Some others of like nature were already in my possession and it may be well to describe the entire lot for the benetit of collectors. several of them are not apt to mislead experienced collectors, but may prove dangerons to a beginner: others are splendidy executed and would mislead even collectors of experience. All of the lot beat the word "Fac-Simite" or "Falsch" surcharged somewhere in very small type, (they were made in Germany, hence the " H alsch"), but as the specimens before me show this is easily obliterated by an imitation ink cancellation, or removed by an imitation of the punch canceller often used on these stamps.

The tirst of the lot are the three large statilps of 1885,5 , the 5,10 and 25 cent. 'lake the 5c tirst: here is where you want toget your millineter gauge, for its size gives this forgery a way for What it is. It is not quite 93 mm . in length as against not quite 95 mm . of the gentine; in width it measures $50 \%$ mun. as against $51 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$. of the genaine. This applies to the size of the impression of the sc with white border.

The genuine stamps of this set are typurraphed, the colliterfeits are probably lithographed. The beantiful line work of the bust of Washington is but infperfectly reproduced in the forgery, which fact is especially noticeable in the hair, though the differences are not such as could be described ill worts. The fine lathe work aruund the center of the design has especially bothered the counterfeiter. for it is almost impossible except by
photographic processes to reproduce the lacelike work of the machine lathe, for which reason our trovernment uses it so extensively on its paper-moner. Unfortmately it is equally impossible to give any adequate idea of the differences in words, because of the intricity of the design. The forger has made all the lines of the lathe work too thin, and has omitted some of them, so that his lathe work looks much darker than the genuine, in which there is much more white. In the genuine lathe work there are sixteen diamond shaped openings in the upper lathework semicircle and two half diamonds, one at either end. In the forgery there are seventeen such openings, but the lines are so confused that it is hard to commt them, whereas in the gemmine they stand out very distinctly. The circles containing the large Roman $V$ at either side are not distinctly out. tined on the genuine stamp, ouly on the inner side of each, towards the head there is a blue border line, where. as on the outside the circles are brund. ed only by a white line into which the lines of the lathework disappear with. out dividing line. On the forgerya distinct blae line borders these circles all around. Over the rightham $\backslash$ there are 12 horizontal blue lines in the circle on the genuine stamp; on the forgery there are only eleven such lines. Each corner of the stamp is tilled by an arabesque ormament. On the genuine stanp the main line of this ormament is almost as heary as the two white border lines which it conmects; on the forgery it is mach thinner than these white lines. The upper left corner of the upper left figure 5 on the forgery points directly into the central indentation of this ornament, while on the gremine it points somewhat above it.
(To be continued.

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PHILATELIC SOCIETY.
I larfe exhibit was held by the Eablers of the Coatsville Philatelic Eviet!. The exhibit was held in the CI. C. A. buiding where the Club Fins it meetings on New Years day. The stamps were shown on large wite carthoards; each mentiber exhibtery the stamps of two countries. In this way all of the large comntries of tep world were shown and you saw the rety hest stamps ith each ones collecfon and were not bothered by looking arer a lot of common ones.
Many countries. especially the Eumeal combries, were shown neatly mplete. In case where a country ted isuled only a few stamps, several muntries were assigned to one exhibthinn.
Resides this a sheet was arranged thwing all the prominent men and whmen of the world. with their names. d:. Another called the "Zoo" was an ehhihit of matural history showing diffrenent hirds and amimals. The thire thwed sencraphy and different fammats of scenery shown on stamps. A fourth :howed liistory pictured on famps. Another illustrated how the pritical changes in a country may be followed through its stamps. Another thoned various ondities and curiositips, wel as inverts. misprints, etc.
In this way the exhibit was made much more interesting to ontsiders. and several new converts were added mar hohby.
Streal prominenthtsiness men who
 Inting as at waste of time and money. ame to allmit that it was on the conlmary quite all interestinig and helpful study.
Several men visited the exhibit who bad been stamp collector: when boys. ind a conple of them went over the stampand puinten out those varieties
which they had had in their collections. many of which were compartively common then are now quite rare.

The new 13c attracted considerable attention.

More than F 00 visited the exhibition during the one day on which it was open, and several members of the Clib were there all the time to explain the exhibit to non-collectors. The Club received congratulations, from several out of town visiting collectors as well the local newspapers. The exhibit was considered successful everywhere.
G. Covell Dary, Pres.

## CHIPS.

## By E. R. Steinbrueck.

'The 25 pfennige of Germany 1900 as well as the $2 \mu$ of the same issue are the scarcest of the pfennig denominations. The 3 pfennig is not quite so rare. Senf has been asking his correspondents in every isste of his journal to mail their letters to him with a 2 and 3 pf stamp. and every registered letter with 25 pf stamps. He was well aware of the cause of his request. They say "watch the host at the table of which dish he partakes you do too, it is the best." Stamp dealers are hosts at the philatelic table.

Have you got any Argentine Republic stamps of high values with holes punched throukh them. Do youknow why or how that hole got there? By punching. I supposel Yes. but what for? Let me tell you. In Argentine Kepublic newspapers are delivered at the postotice for distribution in large bundles. are weighed and the bulk postage is paid in stamps by the puqlisher. The postofice punches these stamps, and returns them to the publisher. At first the punch consisted of several parralel short horizontal lines, later a romind hole. a star or some other punch
mark and the latest punch is the word "inutilizado," as much as "cancelled," or "uade useless."

In Spaill a certain Society has adop. ted a similar scheme to the Belgian of 1893 , giving the writer of a letter the liberty of having his mail detained from delivery on Sunday. In the place of the label attached to the Belgian stamp of 1893, officially issued, this Society houoring the third commandment, distrib. utes privately a special stamp or rather label, smaller than the regular postage stamp, bearing a swallow for its design. with a ribbon on which are the words "no reportir en doningo," which means "not to be deliveredonSunday." This label is eventually posted alongside of the regular postage stamp.

Some Cuhan philatelists have written to me "en espanol" in Spanish, and I must confess the whole proceeding appeared rather "Spanish" to me. But shows the confidence of a philatelist. I suppose they expect other philatelists to be posted in all foreign languages. Well-it may come to that, at present I think our Cuban brothers in philately should try to learn U.S. first and we will follow their good example by and by and learn Spanish.
'The other day a Portural 5 reis black surcharged "Maderia" stole a laurh on me. The surcharge of the right bar of the "A" just struck the nose of the King in such a fashion as to picture the effects of too much "Maderia."


Who is fixing the prices on stamps? The stamp dealers?-Not alone. It is the rarety of the stamps and the de-mand-consequently the collectors on the other hand. Why is it that some shades in colors of a limited number of stampsare of a higher value in the catalogue lists? Because there is a partial recognition padito some stamps
of some conntries and not all stamp, of other countries by the same equal right. Unobserved they are neglected and forgotten.

According to the frequent auction sales it seems.that many collectors of bygone times became tired of the hobby and have decided to retire into obscmr. ity, or the pressure for money compels them to sell. This example is somewhat discouraging to others, if they do not know how to make up and follow their own mind. On the other hand it gives fresh collectors a chance to secure rare old stamps at a mominal price. Stamps always can be had and apparently never will rise any higher in value, than at present figures, or they may never decline.

## A DIVIDED PAIR.

Stamp Collector's Fortnightly.
Mr. Colman C. Starling tells us of an extraordinary coincidence. Two unused id red stamps of the 1857 issue which he purchased as single specimens in 1896 and 1902 respectively, prove in be a divided pair, The letters $\mathrm{K} \cdot \mathrm{E}$ and K.F show them to hade been nextdoor neighbors on the original plate. and a peculiarity in their perforations (these being cut instead of torn apart in the usual way) practically proves that these two identical labels were printed side by side on the very samic sheet of stamps. Mr. Starling has, kindly shown us the stamps, which have also been submitted to many philatelists of his acquaintatice; and are agreed that the stamps are, so to say, a "relnited pair." Considering the matny millions of these red penmy stamps printed and circulated, the coincidence of these two coming together again, the one being purchased tive years after the other is certainly re. markathle.

## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

Counterfeits and Their wise they are identical. Detection

$R R$ THIELE

## STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

(Continued.)
There are two different counterfeits of the lesagonal 30 cents (Scott Type A5. Sos 16 and 50 ) in my forgery collection, but hoth are so heaviiy "cancelled" in important parts that I cannot well desribe them properly. The 32 cent red oange (No. 17 and 51) is also rtpresented by a counterfeit and not a bad one at that. The 3 and the 2 of 32 are bsh unfortunate in having heads too :mall in size as compared with the orig. inal fipures, which are both rather big. beadel. The chin of the portrait of the Queen is rather weak and receding on the forgery, whereas it is fairly well accented on the genuine stamp. The white space in the center of each of the corner ornaments is too large and for this reascn the arms are too short and the whole ornament looks squat and pud!! The E of Postage is too wide and therefore comes too near the end of the label, instead of leaving a considerable spare there. These are the chief differences describable in words.
Sext comes a counterfeit of the 96 cents olive gray of this type (Nos. 18 and ?2), but this likewise does not reyaire detailed description for the reason that here also the forger has slipped up on the corner crnaments. He has reainel those of the 32 cents for his die of the 96 cents, but these ornaments on the genuine 96 cent stamp are entirely difteren! from those of the 32 cents. They consist of two interlaced links, panited at the ends, while those of the 3 lents are a kind of reclining Greek coss. I have two of these forgeries on the yellowish paper already described, Wheother on better white paper, other-

All these forgeries are "cancelled" with an imaginary postmark consisting of four paralell bars above and four below, growing shorter the farther from the center; between the two pairs of bars, there are five pairs or brackets, like this:


No such mark was used at Singapore or other Straits post offices. Many of my Straits stamps are cancelled with a frightful dauber consisting of a large round arrangement of square dots. Others have a mark made by a dauber consisting of twelve narrow bars, like this;


Then again there is a dauber formed of heavy bars, something like the one formerly used iu this country and also in Great Britain Date stamps of Singapore are of frequent occurrence; one of the older ones consists of two concentric circles with Singapore between them in large letters but on none of my stamps is there a date in the inver circte. A later datestamp has only a single circle with Singapore in thin letters around the upper part on the inside and an ornament along the lower part; the date is in the center Rubber stamp cancellations are frequent; they are private marks put onto prevent the stamps from being stolen off the letters and sold again by dishonest native employees.
(To be continued,)

M. R. Moore, Equality, III., I can't do without the WEST and don't want to miss a number.


Tolay I can confidently present to my reaters a new provisional much talked about in the past. but the copy now in the writer's possession is the only one known of the "Yandyke Bitters Co:"
It is rather smaller than either of the two illustrated in the August 1912 num-1 ber.of the WEST; lout hails from the sause city viz: St. Louis. The text is's identically the same as the Anti Kamnia Co's and that tused-hy the Lambert Pharmacal Co. showing conclusively that the wordingoof these certificates was dictated by the government's C . S. Internal Key. ©ollector stationed at St. I.ouis.


The l'andyke provisional measures 1 inch by $11_{2}$ inches and is printed ijo bilue ink'oul blísh paper, hence it does not reproduce as'clearly as if printed in black on white. The conbony has surcharged this stamp with the words "Vandyke Bitters. Cn" in a circle, and the date "July 15-1898"' in the center in red ink. How many were so used it is not possi-
ble to state now, but it its safe to say) souse were used from July lst to the $15 \mathrm{th}_{4}$ as the stamp is.a hand stamp, permitting dates to be easily changed.

Mr. Benjamin Sigall of $12+\mathrm{I}$ udiow St . New lork sends ne a sample of a lot of 'Porto Rico, stamps, which he is willing to dispose of very cheap. The sample enclosed is riband shaped and measures 5 by $1 / 2$ inches. It is the 3 ct printed in blue on white paper and bears the inprint of the American eagle and shiell in the center. It also has the worldsengraved ' "Internal Reveque Island of P'or. to Kico", Although the letters V S are absent it has a very American look so much so that I dare not reproluce it.

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I want to call uny readers attention to a certain fact. Recently in several drus stores in rifferent parts of the country sheets and parts of sheets of cancelled proprietary' stamps have been found in uniused condition, notably Dr. Kilme, \& Co. and Dr. L). J. \& S. (Jayné \& Sun). It seems these firms occasionally selt out stanips to be affixed to their goods. when the price charged included the ('stamps' affixed") item, and which by some inadvertence were omitied. I ad. vise my readers to look for Ibr. D. J. \& $S$. in red surcharge, any valtie, and the 4 ct brown in black particularly.

A notable auction of C..S. Revenues was held in Chicago on Jan. 31st by our friends Wilseifer \& Massoth. Many notable staups were up for sale. Eiven some of the great varieties were knocked dow: at surprisingly good prices. Some of these brought even more than catalogue and the general run was very high. 1 append a few of the most interesting with catalogue and the purchase price.


## IHLATELTC ITEST AND CAMERA' NEHS

 Nach \& Medicine bring compathatitely ${ }_{2 s}{ }^{5}$ high prices at 'an aurctiont as' any first class line of adhesives!


The first lut of civil. war .stamps that reached the public made their appeata ance on Nov. 17th, 1862. They thad heen promised lhe public, for seneral months prior to this and the first weeks aale was enormous. Unly. ane, andit uas the first of the private die stamps: rer issuerl hy this country via; Herrieks pills and flaster stamp was among then lit. The list is quile interesting and is givell as follows: . \&

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On the Classification of lllustrated Postal Cards.

I have recently received a number of letters in which the following question is asked:
"Can you tell me which is the best manner of classiffication for illustrated postal cards?"

It is not easy to reply, because all styles of classification are good, providing they are established so one can at pleasure and without difficulty find any card wanted. There are many albums and I have seen very beautiful ones of German make (which does not imply that our own country could not produce equally beautiful ones), but these albums are quite expensive and contain only 200 or 300 cards each, which makes their use rather onerous for a collector who has several thousand specimens.

I have theretore sought for a less expensive way of keeping them, and here is the one I have finally adopted: I have had made small boxes of light boards (similar to those used for cigar boxes) having an interior measurement equal to the height and length of the largest postal cards. Each box is capable of containing about 500 cards which permits easy handling and transportation, considering their light weight.

As to classification, this is my way of proceeding:

1. Cards trom America. II. Cards from Europe. III. Cards from Asla. IV. Cards from Africa. V. Cards from Occania.

Under each continent the cards are classified by countries in alphabetical order: for instance:
kUROPE.
Belgium.-France-Germany.-Rus sia. Under each country they are classified by cities, villages and local-
ities, always in alphabetical order, for instance:
FRANCE.
Amiens. - Angers. - Boulogne. Chenonceau.

To separate the continents, the countries, the cities, I cut sheets of cardboard exactly of the size of the postal cards. These sheets are of three colors: green, blue, red (but this is of little importance).

One each green sheet (five in num. ber) is written the name of a conti. nent.
(To be contiaued.)

## From a Philatelists Standpoint.

ByERSTEINBRUECK
An opinion from a stamp collector about our new issue of postage stamps I heard the other day filled me with wonder. He said "the United States rith their frequent changing of stamps lately must appear to the outer world as bad as those little Central and South Averican republics drawing a good revenue from their everlasting new issues." When I told him I thought we were fully entitled to a change, the old designs having become very stale, he oh. jected by naming the Columbus, the Omaha and Buffalo issues. But these were special, commemorative issurs while the general official issue was still surcharged and in use. Our new issue will bear the number of the year of issue and as we have many heroes to here. membered and honored by the present generation and generations to come. it seems to me but proper to bave a new issue with a change of old time laces every few years that people might study the biographies of and the history connected with the great men of ourgrat republic. Let not but a few occop! a conspicuous place at the neglert of ethers just as great.

## PICTURE POSTCARDS

Philatelic Journal of Great Britain
The fact remains that thousands of educated men and women set great store on these memorials of travel from all parts of the earth, and the fact also remains that of late months these productions have, beside their local interest, a rery fair artistic value. Whether they are Pure Philately or not is quite another matter, and we would humbly suggest the question as a subject for a paper to be read before the London Philatelic Societr. We venture to suggest a title: "spots on I'hilately" or "Cards vs Collectors!"

## DO YOU THINK SO?

## Philatelic Journal of Great Britain

One of the greatest pleasures of the stamp collecting exists in exciting the enve of a brother philatelist when showing one's greatest treasures; no one can get the full measure of delight from the pursuit who never has the chance of showing his collection to others as ap. preciative as himself.

## "ANOTADO" OF EXICO

The Stamp Collector
All the values of this issue, says Majut livans in his "Philatelic Handbook," may be found with the word "Anotado" printed upon them in black. This may be either a surcharge. or merely a species of oblitera ion applied to the stamp upou regist red letters. Certainly, I wuld be of the latter opinion, because "Anotar" ill Spanish is "to note." Anotaln (the past participle) would simply mean toted, as applying to all Registered matter; the Euglish "Annotated" being a relation to the Spanish word.
This seems to be the correct meaning. and Dr. Mosehkatu has in his Handbook a foot-note explaining that stamps with the black over-print, "AnMado," were for a short time used oll Registered and on value declared (in. surd) letters. Quite another explanativil may, by the way, be noted here. M: Lietzow, in Heitmann's Cata. lugue, expresses his belief that the regdar stamps (without overpriut) were reisutel in 15 il bearing the overprint in yntstimb, aml as the next issue came out iin lxiz, they are thus considerably high. et in value.

## DEPARTMENT OF INQUIRY

## Conducted by

L G DORPAT, Bx.37, Wayside, Wis

Questions relative to stamps will be answered in this column free of charge to subscribers. All questions must be sent to the above address. and a 2 c stamp must accompany each letter con. tainitg questions. When stamps are sent for examination. return postage must be included besides the fee above provided for
90.-What is Harden-Hickey noted for in philately? He claimed possession of a small island, called Trinidad, off the coast of Brazil and tried to establish a state there of his own. In order to raise the necessary funds he offered bonds for sale as well as "postage stamps." Neither had any value. Great Britain and Brazil nearly got into aquarrel about the island and Harden. Hickey had to give it up to Brazil. It is inhahited by birds, and tortoise only. The whole affair looks more like a joke than anything else. Haci stamp collectors not been warned in tine-who knows! -tliey might have supplied him with funds by buying his stamps. The island must not be confounded with the West Indian Trinidad.
91.-What is the history of M. de Mayrena and the Ledang stamps? He, in one of his wanderings about the globe, proclaimed himself king of the Ledangs, a people living between Siam and Anu. ann, and in order to fill his newly creat. ed royal treasury he conceived the idea that stamp collectors might help hini doing it. He issued decrees and stamps ( 7 I think) and sold quite a mumber of them at from 10 to 25 francs a set. Whell the French Government took possession of the Ledang territory and ended his royal career. The stamps were never recognized in the mails, and probably never used anywhere, except as a means of exacting money from collectors.
92.- What may be said about Torres and the Mellila stamp? Placido Ramon de Torres was arrested at Malaga for

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 'He had beet atréterth snine years before
 Lipanish stamps. He or his accomplices manturtured the Millala stamps to de. frand collectors. For further particulars see Mekeel's Weekly No. 175 , page 3.
93.-What stamp is the followitig? . et large $T$ in a rectangle on a groundwork of horizontal lines, promental borders at the sides, "Falta de Porte" : y rectangular space at tóp, and * 20 cts in, a like space below. Color red on biue, peri 11? This and quite a number of similar stamps come fron various cities in Mexico. They were said to be due stamps, but it seeus they were of a private, speculatory origin, made especially for collectors. They weie much in evidence during the first part of the last decade, but have now well nigh disappeared. I do not remember having seen an exact history of them, and would be pleased to have it.
94.-What are type-set stamps? They are not engraved. but printed frow a form, which was set up from some type font. Any type:setter might construct such a design from the ornaments and letters whien are otherwise used to form fancy advertisements; Examples: British Guiana 1862. Reunion Tripaid 1887, Confederate Locals ete.
95. - What is the use of stamp exhibits? The same as other exhibits: Stimulation of interest and consequent improvement, forming of acquantences, trade connections and education in a special line.

96 - What is the following? A circular hand stamp inscribed: ${ }^{-\cdots \text { Wilmington }}$ NC Paid 5 " withils a one-lined circle,
 is probably no more than a paid-stamp, i. e. a mark applied to a letter after the postage for carrying it was paid in cash. Similar paitl:stausps were in use in this and in some other conntries previous to
differ front provisional locals in theirbeing applied after payment of postage on a letter aligady mailed, while the locals were sold for the fature use of the buyer on angilettest that' he might write, just the'satue as "úr regidar postage stamps now. Ingther words; The paid stamp was neverisold, being only a mark or menforanduun of the postmaster on letters entrusted to hifn'. 'The locals on the other haud were sold to private persons and were good for postage to the amount of their face. In some cases the painstamps, diff 'perfisps allso the date stamps, nay have been used to print provisionals from them but in that case something must haye been added to distinguish them as provisionals, as for an instance, the signature of the postmaster, in which case they'must have been canceled when they were used in the mails. Therefor any stamp resembling a provisional ever so much, if not can celed, can hadrdly be tákell for a proris. ional, unless there be some other prool to establish the provisional character A collection of the , old paid-stamps would he quite interesting, but there is no fixed value on any of them.

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## Philatorian?

Weekly Hhilatelic Era
The regular meeting of the Bridgep rit Philatelic Club was heid Wednesday evening. The subject selected to be discussed from a philatorian's point of view was the "Hawaiian Islands".

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If • ath Whaha, Neln, is a mative of the b: $:$ uive state and lived there until abou: four years atgo, when he moved to So. Smaha to be comected with the Pack: Natll Hank of that place.
Mr. Trumble las been a collector for arer tell years athe has a collection of oser to00 warieties.

He has lately organized a Company in So. (mmala known as the Nebraska stamp Coand is always slat to meet collectors and always ready to cho business in the stamp line.

MR. HIENRV LAMOTTY
12 ;ue Clande Vellefat, Paris, Framer. who advertises in the Wlist and whose photo we publish was born in latis in 1865. Atl ready master in a very important hosiery manufacture, when the conseription called him to be it subdier.
Recitue in a very short time ser सtall-major and was hamed officer before leaving the arms-mow captain of the Army of Jeserve (arme'e territorialde). he is president of one of the most important societies of ancient soldiers in Patr.
It was only in l89+ that Mr. Lamote went into the stamp business and fontuled in I'aris a capitol firm for the sale of ordinary stamps. He went very tuick and three years afterwarts his tirm became one of the first in France for this specialty.
lie has the reputation to be a real gentleman in business and all those whohare dealt with him are pleased turecusize his probity and integrity eitacr in his bnying or selling. We are very much pleased to publish his photo in the WEs'r.

## GEN. II. BUSH

ī Mamhattan St.. Rochester, N. Y. An "uthosiastic collector of stamgs
and souvenir pest cards. Begaty $\begin{gathered}\text { dal }\end{gathered}$ lecting card; in Wet. 1902 now has a the collection from nearly every combtry in the world, always slad to exchamre. Healso collects photos of his lemale $f$ iends

Was born at Chicaro, 111. in 1s39. Has been in this business several years and carried on a larse manufacturins business at one time. The Star Woorl puny was sold over the $\mathcal{X}$. W. He used to make fown and over per rear as weli as wind mills. ail kinds of boats from a cange weighins 1 ll per foot and יIp at that time. The firm name was Powell © Douclis.

He sold one Argonant Argo :Paper Nalltilus) about + weeki aco for =+11,111 probably about as moch money for one shell as has been paid in 0:.

This shell he fonmel 11 at Jupiter Ifight Ifonse. Fla., and by the way this light house has a history in the late war with spaill fur there is where the oregon received its orders to wo tor Cuba. Jupiter is a signal station. He has a latge business in assortments of sea shells. They are put up in qoon poportion for the retail clealer. also sell a great number of Ciabinet Collections $\$ 10.00$ and upwards. This last year he had sliells at ove. 1sin Comity and State Fairs. Send for his list.'

## E. C. EISENGART

Was born in Germany and came to this conntry when gtite :otng. Has been employed as Plate Nill Roller in A. A. Hyers \& Co's mill for the past 23 years. Is a church going man ant holds the position as Treasuter in the chureh.
Is an excellent mosician and a lover of frood music. He started in the coin collecting business about is year: ago





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athe wathered so many duplicates that he was induced $t$. sell them and fonad it not only a pleasure in buying and selling coins but protitable as well. lle is qloing an excellent business in that limeand has taken his 2nd rearly ad contract with the WEST.

## IR. J. M. MROOKS

Was born in lllinois in 1kr", was reared on a farm in Sontlwest Missouri, whither he moved with his patrentsin lx-

After completing hish silool and academic courses of instraction. lie bergan teachings school.
lle sraduated from the Medical Dept of Washington I'niversity of St Eonis, Mo. in: 1NG. Soon after locater in Gulden dity, Mo., where he now is ensared in the practice of medicine. Whell a boy on the farm be began the collection of Indian relics anal has pursued it with enthosiasm up to the pre-
sent time. Ilis collection is limited to the Prehistoric relics of his own bo. cality-honthwest Missoturi, llis collection numbers about 3000 specimens. The chipped "hlints" you see illustrated. The latge specimen in centre is 10: ${ }^{2}$ inches in length. He also has some tine polished specimens and He. mattitis.

Next to Archacolory. his next pref. erence is stanp collectihor-!aving about 5000 varieties $w h i c h$ is a deneral collection. He does quite a lot of exchambing having correspondents all over the combtr. Among the side lines to his stamp collection is almost a complete set of the varions latesand types of the rare Dr. K. \& Co provisionals and a large collection of precalledled. Ile atso has a somall entlectimo of paper money dud coins.
de is not a dealer but simply coliects for ammsement and instruction when time amo opportmity a fo:chs.

We wish to see photosraphis of other collectors, stampe, coins, cumos and relics.

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## Curiö Notes.'

(By Roy Farrell Greene, A. S. of 'C. C.) The dreat bthlk of chalk is composed of eight different species of tiny shelts, bit nearly three hundred kinds have been found in $\mathrm{jt}^{c}$. ${ }^{\circ}$ : 1 . $\mathrm{T}^{\mathrm{T}} .$.
l.ord"Ranfurly, of New Zealand, is an ardent ornithologist and sometime agu presented the London Museum of Sanural History with a valuable collepion of antipodal birds.
The ink plant of New Granada is a surisity. The juice of it can be used as ink without any preparation. At firis the writing is red, but after a Irw hours it changes to black.
Sume of the finest opals in the wirld are now being mined in Washagton. Oregon and Idaho. In the last nmeal state some remarkably beautiiul spesimens have been obtained trum a bel of volcanic ashes, near Yiscow. and thousands of dollars' surih of the gems have already been ulien ont. The precious material is sipposed to have been deposited by hiser when the rocks were still hot, an.l masses ot cinder when broken 0 en reveal the stones, many of which are the qiality linown as "noble" opal. This kind of opal is whitish, transincti! sh it through with small and triliant gleams of all the colors of the rinabsw.

Henry Post of Gilman. Hiinois, not ray amp purchased a tract of land in

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Stone county, Missouri; and obtained
an abstract of title dated June 18. 1793 . A favorable opinion was attached as to the validity of the title. sign.ed, by Daniel Webster and Rufus Choate. Now, wouldn't the possession of this; make some of our autograph collectors happy?
ri'lt may" be of interest to mineralrogists to know that splendid copper rore is found in the Philippines. In the: prowince of Lepanto, near Mount Data, P'. I.. deposits of copper have been worked by the Igorrotes since before the Spanish discovery of the archi;elago. These barbarians, who are heathens, living in squalor, have deve oped industriously to a surprising high point, and the skill they extilbit in the extraction and working of meials is extraordinary. They turn out copper liettles no less than three and a halt leet in diameter, and als, make numerous linds of implements and overcuats out of the same metal. Wouten't our friend. Rev. E. C. Mitchell, of St. Paul, like to have some of these native copper gew-gaws?

About fifty miles east of Butte, Viontana, in the canyon of the Jefferson. on the line of the Northern Pacific railway, what is believed to be one of the largest known natural caves was discovered a tew months ago. An explcralion party going from Bucte si, ent soveral days in the cave. going

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over an area of ten miles and to a depth of nearly a thousand feet. A large river, with a cataract of about 100 feet. was explored for a distance of several miles without discovering its source or outlet. A few articles of stone and copper utensils, and some bones believed to be human bones were also found in one of the large apartments of the cave. There were other evidences that at some time in a prehistoric period the cave was inhabited. It is believed that an earthquake closed the entrance to the cave and killed its inhabitants. The formation of stalactite and other natural decorations throughout the cave is re ported to le most bealitiful.

An interesting Washington relic was discovered some months ago in the rains of an old house at Big Island, near Goshen, N. Y., by James H. Vail of New Milford. While digging abeat in the riins Mr. Vail found a copper card-plate, prolsably hidden there more than 100 years ago, bearing the legend:
G. WASHINGTON

Made by Ftollison, Sculpt and $I$. Reid.
New York, 1793.

It is a remariably fine piece of werl. There are a nimber of incentaticns, die. no doubt, to careless hondling. The poate was purchased $b_{i}$ Clinton W. Wisner of Warwick, who in ends having it repaired and mace reare:" to print from.

Very few colestors have in their cabinets specimens of the granite and marble found in Oregon. Miny even do not know that such specimens are to be found in the far Northwest. For the information of the mineralogist it may be stated that fifty miles east
of Albany, Ore., directly on the line of the Cornvallis \& Eastern Railood, is one of the largest deposits of gran. ite in the world. It is of bluishgray colon and very pretty. There is good marble in Baker County and both marble and granite in Wallowa county.

The finest basket makers in the world are in the far West, principally in California, though there are a few Aleuts on the Aleutian islands who make exquisitely delicate work. But the Pomas and Yokuts of California, the former living near Ukiah, in the North, and the latter near Porterville in the southern portion of the state, are the highest specimens of the art. Besides these there are Indians, who live in many small villages in South. ern California, such as Cahuilla, Agua Caliente. Mesa Grande, etc., and there are many good basket makers among them. In the Sierra Nevadas, are the A.onos, and, on the eastern slopes in Inyo county, the Shoshones and Pail. tis. Further north on the eastern slopes of the Sierras, near Carson City, are the Washoes, one of whom, Dit-s:-la-le, makes baskets valued at $\$ 500$ and $\$ 1,000$.

Dr. J. J. Lafferty of Richmond, Va. posseses a remarkable cane At the time of the burial of General Stonewall Jackson someone planted a twig upon the grave. It grew to be a sapling several inches in diameter. Then triends of the Jackson family had it removed. They found that the root ol the saphing had entwined itseff alout his skeleton. It was taken up and a cane was made of a part of il. rhis cane was artistically carved and given to Dr. lafferty.

How many curio collectors havo a

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specimen of mercury or quick silver in their cabinets? There are only three sections in the world where it is found-Spain, Austria and California. The Almetan mines of Spain are the oldest mines known, having been successfully worked 400 years before Christ. The California mines are called the New Alamedan, and are located about 115 miles northeast of San Francisco in the Coast Range Mountains. Every collector should make an effort to secure a specimen.
Frederick V. Colville, botanist of the deparment of agriculture, has discovered that the Klamath Indians used something that might have been called a "breakfast food" in aboriginal times. So modern American manufacturer lived then. though to exploit its merits through newspaper advertising. Mr. Coliile says the Kllamath Indian food was more palatable and nutritious than many of the patent foods now in 43 e . It consisted of prepared seeds of the wocas, a kind of water lily. The seels were taken from the hull and pasted. and they tastel, it is said, mall like popcorn mixed with hickory nuts.
In a cherry tree on the farm of Henry Deltche in New London, Oneida counly, New York, is a scythe that has bung there since 1812 . The rusty blade is imbedded deep in the limb, orer which a hired man hung it when he leit the field one morning to enlist in the second war against England. It was learned sometime afterwands that he was killed. The scythe lif a time was forgotten, and when tuanu it was imbedded in the tree to such a depth that the owner of the Erm. Joseph Miller, decided to let it remain there. Mr. Deitche purchased the farm lour years ago and refuse 3
to move either the scythe or the tree.
Collectors of gem-stones may be interested to hear that the time may come when the ruby will take precedence over the diamond in point of value if rarity makes the value, for the glowing stone is becoming more and more scarce. India, China and Ceylon furnish the most beautiful rubies, and, in the states of the Grand Mogul, no rubles can be exported without first being subjected to the inspection of the sovereign.
"The Devil's Tea Table," an old landmark of the Muskingum valley, has become an object of interest to geologists, and others, within the past few weeks. The "Devil's Tea Table" is a wedge-shaped rock of queer formation, the base being of shale rock and the top of sandstone. It stands twenty-five feet high, and is $33 \times 20$ feet across the tops. which is flat. At the foundation it is but four leet thick and seventeen feet long. It stan's on an eminence 300 feet above and overlooking the Muskingum river. L't a few miles from McConnellsville, the county seat of Morgan County, ?n! tor many years people have trave'ei hundrels of miles to see it. It It has besome of greater interest lately because the action of the elements has made it rapidly waste away at the base and it seems a question of only a short time until this mighty monument of the glacial epoch will totter and fall into the river below.

Mrs. Leland Stanford but a short time ago presented to the Stanford Mise im a large collection of Egyptian relics which have been placed in cases and are now on exhibition. Among these relics might be mentione a pair of color paintings on wood of a very ancient date. representing the profiles of a man and a woman whose

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Teätures ${ }^{7}$ are strongly Jeiwish. One "toltiflet years trom the swamps of hundred tases are devoted to an exhaustive collection, of gold embroideries, the ${ }^{\text {sin }}$ work of women $\mathrm{in}_{9}$ a great harem at Cairo, Near them are a large number of anoientedotms ${ }^{\prime}$ vases and lanips. the materiat befng gold. ${ }^{9}$ ! stiver and brass ${ }^{n}$ Fromithe rulns of ${ }^{9}$
 osities surpassed In completemess and lideeds for' all time to come. the very Interest only by the Esyptian icollection. The maforlty of these are colms, 1 leadss pottery speqimens, statuettes and bas reliets. The oldest, and trom The archieologists' standpoint the most interestinum then additionsusis © the colection of W. M. Flinders Petrie, ! it being the partial result of the fund. raise:l tor Egyptian researeh in 1894.5 .1 The objects were unearthed lar up The Nile and fifteen miles from the river. Water jugs, pots, drinking ves-i sels and jars. rude of workmanshipand dating in some cases as far back ${ }^{4}$ as 3001 B . C . are here in profusion. Libyan pottery of the same period is also representea. A finte series of flint beads is ranged In order in the some room, the donation of $\mathrm{H} . \mathrm{W}$. 'eten Carr. Mrs. Stanford while traveling in the Orient two years ago also canse:l to be brought together an elaborate colestion of Japanese relics. 'trophies and curios. These articles have also been place:l in cases, the entire left wing or annex. 250 feet in length, having been appropriated to their use.
I The remains of another mastedon were found revently by laborers dig. ging muck and marl from ${ }_{\mathrm{i}}$ : a small swamp near Newburg. Orange county, New York. This part of the Hudson river valley on the west shore,. just $n$ rth of the Highlands, appears to hive been a favorite habitat of those gigonitic animals, for three skeletons of mastortons have been unearther in
deeds for' all time to come. the very Qranger Coxtinty? 'The idest find dif. fers from the others in that the bones. insterad of lying flose together at the spot where the monster had become enmired, were fyund' scattered over about 1,000 square feet, at depths varylng from two to eight feet.

Cheops was the builder of the pyra. mide which bears ins name, and, as if stones and brkeks of which it is com. pased $\mathrm{d}_{\mathrm{r}}$ are stamped with - ohis name. Cheops lived about 2,500 years ago. his 10:30 Odkgc.itismi mo em oem de great 'pyramide Being' an antiquity in the idays when the great nations of gld yere in their youţh. and yet ye of this twentjeth century can have the statisfaction of fooking upon the very ring he woré'sol proudly upon his fingar.fu The hiegoslyphics on the ring are miuntely accurate and beautifully executer, ihe ring itself being of ftnestifoild and weighing nearly an ounce:... The oval signet bears the asame:rof Cheops, which is in hiers. glyphics in , perfeat accord with the s:omp on the Lriclis of the great pyramitd. This remarkable antiquity was tomed in a tomb at Ghizeh. It now neudses in the miselm of the New York Historical Society.
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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The american Society of Curio Co!lentors has started the New Year with spencid prospects for increased useminess. and the only fly in the ointment is the fact that quite a number of members are still delinquent. which keeps the treasury short of fintres and: precludes the possibility of issuing a Year Book until more dites are taid and a larger tund is created for the printlng of such a wok. It may not be generally known by metnters that the cost of jast year's book exceeiled $\$ 100$, which debt wibh the printer your presinent ass'me!. and after all receipts for adrericing and sales of copies had been G'extel in there was still a $\$ 30$ def. ieney which your Iresident paid out at his own pocket. The Society treasir. ondy comtributed $\$ 15$ to the book's eryense and that was for the payment a poitag. an one free copy of the Whe to eath member. The President is porle:tl: willing to spend his time ant eaerg; in arrenging. printing and aginst frulds, and the promotion of gosd fellowship am ung members. How many members are willing to pay 502 a pear for these increased advantage:? Piease drop the President a pastal.
mailing of another Year Book this spring, and will gladly take the thme from his other work to look after this work, but he does'rebel at paying out $\$: 0$, or in tact any part of such a deficiency in printing. again. The money must be on Kand before the work is attempted this year. The dues are so insignificant not a member should le aggard in the payment. - The Society is coming to be known widely abroad 1 andi it is an honor to beoong to it. It ought to..cost $\$ 1$ a year. and indeed there is a strong sentiment among cer$t$ in members right now, to double the yearly dues, making them 50c per year. This would doubtless cause some members to drop out of the Scciety on account of the extra expense. but it seems as though a collector who would not be willing to pay a little oier four cents a month for the privilege and benefits of a national society has no business being a member anyway. With the dues doubled the So--iety could have a fund on hand to issire a splendid quarterly m?gazine. at least, containing a wealth of inter esting mater such as fil'ed the last Year Book, and conld give far more atfention to the warning of collectors
card expressing your views for or against the plan.

One of the West's firm friends, W. S. Preston. of Winchester, Indiana. writes me to warn colectors against dealing with $W$. Geo. Lemar, whose former address was Box 96, Reed City, Michigan. but who is now thougit to be somewhere in or near Sagin :w. Mich. It is understood that this tellow is a fralud, and wholly unsquare in his dealings. He beat Mr. Preston out of two autographed letters, one of Oliver P. Morton and one of Patrick Henry. He was posing then as an autograph collector and solicited goods on approval which he never returnea. It is said that he used to operate from some town in lowa, beiore going to Michigan, and there is no telling where he'll "bob up" next. Watch out for him. He seems to like stamps, coins, and curios in general as well as he does autographs, providing he can get them on the same terms.

The H. O. Rose Commercial Agency of Chicago, is authority for the announcement that the Royal Curio Co. of El Paso, Texas, which has been doing quite a bit of advertising, can: nnt ke located in that city and there seems to be a "nigger in the woodpile" In their case. Watch out for ihem! I wish all collectors who have c'zims against John H. Clay of Marieity, Georgia, who applied ior memter:hip in our Society, was given n mber 428 , and was expelled from membership last month after an inve=tigation, would send all such cinims to me together with correspondeane that passel between them. It will no doיibt be necessary to put all s -ch matters into the hands of U . S . postal inspetors in order to proceed norninst Cliv for mis-ise of the malls. Let me hear from all collectors.

> ROY F. GREENE.

Report of A. S. C. C. for February.
FELIOW MEMBERS:-In aecordance with the call for an election of officers for the A. S. C. C. for the ensing year, the following officers were elenterl, to-wit: For Presilent, Roy Farrel Greene of Arkansas City, Kan.; for Vice President, Jacob

Weigel, New Brunswick, N. J.; F. May Tuttle, Osage Lowa; Guy Bogart, Brookville, Ind; for Secretary and Treasurer, Wm. Warner, Jr., East SL. Louis, Ill.
T. L. Elder of Pittsburg, Pa., received the highest number for Vice Presi. dent, but having tendered his resignaLion before the election the same were not counted.

In behalf of myself, I wish to thank the members of the A. S. C. C. for the honor conterred on me. While there is no salary attached to the office, there is considerable work to be done, but this I cheerfully do to help the cause.

For if I mistake not the A. S. C. C. will some day be a recognized factor in the world, being yet in its infancy it has made wonderiul strides and in a few more years will become a leader of its kind.

In order to make it a continued success let each member do all they can towards securing new members. Applications can be had from the Secretary for the asking. Begin now and at the close of this year our member. ship roll will have far eclipsed itself.

I am glad to state that a great many of the old delinquents have paid their dues, but there are yet a number behind. If those who know themselves to be delinquent do not wish to re main members of the A. S. C. C., would it not be more business like to pay up your arrears and then tender your resignation? Think this over, for the society does not want to force any nember to remain on the rolls.

## NEW MEMBERS.

456. I. E. O'Hail, Wooster, Ohio. Coins, paper money, stamps.
457. H. E. Nomyer, Klamath A.gency, Ore. Baskets, head work and Inuian relics.
458. Jas. T. Byrne, 867 Hayes street, San Francisco, Cal. Stamps, shells, curios, etc.
459. Robt. T. Gentry, Sonora, Ky. Cuins, paper money, Indian relics, etc.
460. W. M. Semans, Delaware, 0. Stamps.
461. L. E. Hills, Marion, Ia. Fos. sils, crystals, arrow points, pipes, shells, etc.

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Hiti. Isaac N. Vail, 411 Kensington Place. Pasadena, Cal. Fossils, minerals, Indian relics.
flit. H. M. Kull, Latrobe, Pa.
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THE A. S. OF C. C. ROUND TABLE.

Charles E. Briggs (No. 116) is a monument dealer in his home city of Listhon, [owa.
C. E. Jenney, (No. 214), of Fresno, Calii., is quite well known in Western lierary circles. He is not only the author of a charming volume of verse, but is also one of the trustees of the Fresno Public Library.
R. Dana Goss (No. 3), one of the sodey's most valued members, whose home aldress is New Sharon, Iowa, has been spending the winter in the Gouth tor the beneft of Mrs. Goss' hellh. He writes from Birmingham. Ala.. that collectors are few and far hetween in that portion of the South. and he has seen very few collections of note.
One of the society's Vice-Presidents, Jacob Weigel (No. 177) has lately moved from New Brunswick, N. J., to Sorih Pasadena. Calif., on account of the !oor health of Mrs. Weigel. It is to he hoped that the move will bring hellth ansl happiness.
ds if to compensate Mr. Weigel's old town for his loss, F. W. Coning, (.Yo. i2), the Society's former Secre. (2r", gave up his residence in Marybille. Temn., and located in New Brunswick. N. J. Rutger's College is situate in New Hrunswick, the museum of whill will be remembered through pisures which appeared in the Scfielt:s Yeir Book and in The West.
Giy J. 13:gart. (No. 358), of Brool: tille. Indinna. one of the members of the "ociet 's Recruit Committee. has ten tearhing school, and at the same lime stulying for the ministry. He is a student who knows the value of bro! worl and the good wishes of his brothers are with him in his laudable malersplind
Chories Coke Woods. (No. 388), of Horthinson. Kansas. is the pastor of the Firsi II. F. church in that city.
and a nature-lover whom it does one's soul good to know and talk with. He is a frequent or regular contributor to a dozen of the best religious weeklies and monthlies of the West, and has a literary style that is as entertaining as it is instructive.
W. A. Laughlin (No. 154) of Sanborn, N. Y., is another minister-member of our Society, and a gentleman of rare literary ability talent as we!l. Many of our early members will recall with pleasure his charming essay in the old Curio Monthly.
J. Leonard S. Strong, (No. 385), of Brantford. Ont., Canada, is very much interested in Indian pipes and would like to hear from members with a like lancy.

Henry W. Grout, (No. 139), of Waterljo. Lowa, is a traveling man who spends most of his time "on the road" in the interests of a large sewing-machine company. In his travels he gets to glimpse many a fine collection.
M. B. Denny, (No. 376), of Manbeck, Lowa, is one of the Society's members who never tails to send the Curio editcr interesting notes, clippings, etc. pertaining to collectors. It is to be hopel other members will follow his lead and send in jtems of interest.
C. R. Orcutt (No. 197) of San Diego, Calif., has returned from a several months' trip through Mexico. where he colleated snealmens by the wholesole. He brought heme with him a nice colection of jade jewelry, thousands of sea shells, more than 20.000 specimens of cacti and a collection of more than 100 curious copper, brass nd silver religious metals such as the Mexicans wear, no two of these being a!ike. This latter collection Brather Orcutt sent to the U. S. National Minseum.
T. O. Young, (No. 71), of New Haven. N. Y., was last November ree'ected to the office of School Commissioner in his home county. He is now serving his third term. Each term lists three years and the office pays $\$ 1.200$ per year.

Rutert Snyder. (No. 47). of New York City, is at the head of a firm of nugruers which makes a specialty of high grade work. such as book-plates. designing and diesinkins. steel and conpo:-p'ate engraving illuminating, st miping and embossing.

## PHIL'A'TELAC‘!WES'「'AND C'A'MERA NEWS

Andrew G. Akin. (No. 181), who for sometime attended the University of Arizona at Tucson. and last summer and tall accompanied a surveying party over a good portion of that territor. , is now located, for the present. at leist. up in York state. and is getting his mail at Canton, N. Y. Whether he will return to the West later on is problematical.

Allert Carter. (No. 202) of Los Angeles. Calif., has been spending some time in Colorado. developing a recent invention of his having to do with the me!ting of ores through heat furnished by the sun. It is called the Mexican Solar Furnace and has a company back of it with a capital of $\$ 3,000,000$. Brother Carter is the company's manager.

Clarence Young (No. 123) formerly of Lawrence, Arki., is now attending the Barnes Medical College in St. Louis, and for the time being the collesting hobly is a secondary consideration with him.

Erother Oreutt of San Diego. Calif. (No. 197), would like to receive from Cociety members samples of spoduthene, amblygonite. and lepidolite ir:m all localities where these min. erzis occur in large quantities, accom ponlei with analysis and price per ton where possible.

## Applications.

465. Mary L. Page. Olympia. Wash.
466. Roy H. Cockburn, Sturgeon Falls, Ontario. Can.
467. Chas. A. Snow, Genca, Ill.
468. Wm. H. Hyatt, Marion, Ia.
469. Oito B. Lowry, Grimes. Ma.
.470. Ray L, Jewell, Henry. Squth Dakota.
470. Le Roy F. Spurlin. Iowa Falls. lowa.

## Changes in Address.

127. Raymond Harmon. trom Mt. Vernon. Ill.: to 707 Summit Ave. East st. Louis. III.
128. Ben J. Witt, to Box 464. Houstan. Texas.
129. Andrew G. Akin, from Tucson, Arizona. to Canton. New York.

Dropped for Non-Payment of Dues.
2f2. John F. Fargo, M. D.. Los Angeles, Calffornla.
39. V: H. Chase, Wady Petra, llinois.
53. Edwin Werner, 1132 Otto st. Chicago, 111 .
13. John B. Halliman, 227 Scot St., Bowling Green, Ky.
33. J. C. Montgomery, 368 Abbott St.. Detroit, Mich.

Old Delinquents Prior to January 1 st, 1903.
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With reference to the Nos. 2 to ist. 1 merely publish them to call your attention to the fact that your dues are now due and nayable for the ensuing year. and we will need funds to deday the publication of the Society's Year Book. which is now heing ore$p^{\wedge}$ red tor the press. and which will be a valuable source of information to all the members of our society. Kindly send your dues at an early hate and oblige.


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## WhichPays Best? BY CHAS R WILLETT

During the winter months business with the mail order man, stamp and curio dealer is generally on the increase. As a natural sequence every hustling dealer has fond hopes of capturing his share of the circulating coin, but the old maxim, "How will ye do't?" alurays confronts him. But again the "how" stands in his way, what method will you use in applying the ink? There are many ways. The magazine and circular are most commonly used, though that is your choosing.
' Which pays best'' the magazine or the printed circular for the mail order busintess. I, for one, take sides with the magaziue. In the circular-though well printed-the matter will perhaps be read, usually once; in a magazine the ad is read, cast aside. resurrected and read with the results of getting the peo. ple to knowing that you mean business and will in the end bring you orders that you could unt possibly get otherwise. When the circular alights in the waste basket it is never taken out again to be studied. In this day of great competition and extremely low prices the dealer is either forced to advertise or to fall out of the ranks of those who do things. Take for instance the stamp man; he must have a medium for his goorls. He must have hearers to his prices or his ad is a failure, and his business will be a failure also. I have known men who were too busy to take their meals on time. yet they invariably found time to read monthlies which came to them, or to some nember of their families. A nice, clean well-written ad com. mands attention no matter in what publication, though in the circular it is fre. quently thrown aside and never even gains the attention of the person to whom it is addressed. The writer bas bat a varied experience in the a vertising business aud knows-partly-whereof he speaks on the important subject. If you are realing in anything take my advise and advertise-once, thrice and all the time. Success will crown your efforts.

## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

## Some Archaeological Field Notes.

(Arthur B. Coover, Roxabell, O., Superintendent Dept. of Archaeology for the American Society of Curio Collectors.)
Amateur collectors frequently find new village sites, graves and caches of fine implements. but fail to keep an accurate record of the circumstances in which they were found, thus greatly depreciating their scientific value.

As an aid to science, collectors should keep an accurate record of all specimens tound. and report in full the finding of village sites, groves and rare specimens to the nearest scientific institution having a department of archaeology. Information thus gained from the amateur collector often lead to great results in archaeological research.

The following is from my field notes of 1897 which were reported to and was followed up by the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society with three seasms work with wondertul results.
Camp Baum, Monday, .sug. 2tth.
Having secured permission from the owner of the land to make some excavaticns in a previously little known village site, with the assistance of a couple of local collectors, our camp was pitched under a large sycamore tree which stands nearby. After look. ing the ground over carefully for surface fin:s a place was found to start a trensh where a large quantlty of pot:ery fragments had been turned up by the plow. Finding bones and potsherds plentitul we widened the trench to include a space eight by eighteen feet and to an average depth of two feet. At each end of the ex.
cavation we found (what was to us a curiosity) a pit containing ashes-the dimensions of the pit was about two feet in dlameter by four feet deep. In the ashes we found numerous pieces of broken potiery and a lot of animal lones, the sides of the pits were burned to a red color in places, show. ing the ashes had been placed in the pit while hot.

Betwene these two pits were found three or four bone awls made from the tibiotarsus of the wild turkey. arrow points of stone and several tips of deer horn which had been dressed to a sharp point and a hole driled at the base for fitting a shaft-we call them "Bone points." A number of bone beads. scrapers made from the ieg bones of the deer, four pieces of horn amout one-half inch in diameter and from two to two and one-half inches long, ronnded at both ends. $\lambda$ bone polisherd and drilled for s!spension, a part of which is missing; two pitted stones. a mortar and a large pile of bones and fragments of portery completed the finds of our first day's work.'

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25.
In walking over the ground a place was noticed where ground mice had burrowed and thrown up a quantity of potsherds and burnt earth, so we conelinded to try a new location. At the depth of about eighteen inches a large number of boulders were found. My first impulse was to throw the:" out. but on second thought concluded to examine them as to their position by working carefully with trowel and lroem. I tound that the stones lay as if arched over something. the longest way north and south, and the pile measured thirty by eighteen inches ascoss the top. After phothgraphing

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the pile of stones in their original position I proceeded to explore the interior. keeping account of the number of stones in the heap, which was sixtysix, some of which were nearly round and all of them showed signs of intense heal. Under the boulders was a solid bed of pure white ashes in which were intermingled bones, pottery fragments and a carred and pictured stone four and one-fourth inches long, three and one-half inches wide and one and onehalf inches thick at the center. The stone appears to be a close grain. pd slate and has been badly burned. At the upper right hand corner of the stone is the picture in outline of a human eye rudely carved, directly bedeath the eye is a turtle, at the lower risht band corner is a fox or a wolf head, to the left of which is a row of rigzag marks and dots. Under. neath all the above runs a line which may represent a trail or a stream. Sear the heap of stones were found a number of bone awls, scrapers. beads, bone celt, perforted mussel she!l hoes, deer and elk horns and a perfect thone fishhood.

NEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26.
$A$ few leet south of the pile of boulders arranged in a quarter circle lay the slinlls of two deer, two elk and the shull of a back bear, bone beads, awls, strapers and shell hoes lay near by. A large he,ip of animal. bird and fish bones were placed in the pit and reburied with the boulders. Not belag usel to such work our hands became blistere: from using the trowel and work i:scontineled for the day.

THIRSDAY. AUGUST 27.
Owing to our blistered hands which sere very sure. and the hot sun which Wlisterel whr backs, very little work was dime.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 28.

A few strokes of the pick brought to view the bones of both feet of a human skeleton, which was carefully uncovered and photographed. It was that of a man about five feet and nine inches in height and lay at length on its back, with head to the north. This skeleton lay so close to the surface that in plowing the field the face had been torn away. Under and near this skeleton lay a number of bone beads, perforated elk teeth, owls and the usual amount of animal bones and pottery fragments. The excavation was continued south for a distance of ten feet. finding all along the way large quantities of ashes, shelsl, bones, etc.; when at the depth of two feet we came upon another skeleton which lay with the head to the north, but unlike the first skeleton appeared to have had large pieces of charred wood placed around the head. There were no ornaments with this slieleton, but near by were found several shell hoes, perforated animal teeth, the skull of a wild turkey with two holes drilled in the ton and the edges nicely dresed.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29.
As the owner of the land was breaking up the ground preparatory to sow. ing the same in wheat, our work came to a close.

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## Lamp Oil for Spiders.

Spiders are met with in the forests of Java whose webs are so strong that it requires a knife to cut through them, we are told. A Texas spider weaves a bal. forn four feet long and two feet wide, which she fastens to a tree by a single thread, then marches on board with her half dozen little ones, cuts the thread, and away goes the airship to some distant point on the prairie.

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1 am glad to report that there has been a little more interest shown in our society the past month so I have more to report. But there are still quite a number of members who have not paid up their dues for the year 1903 and I would like to hear from them soon for I shall soon write you a personal letter.

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I would like to see the names of more Kansas collectors presented fur membership as there must be more in our state. Who will send in some more. Both applicants this month come throngh Mr. Brodstone's efforts through the WEST.
F. A. Jilly, Secy., Sabetha, Kans.

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Notes on Coins.
(By Thomas L. Elder, A. N. A.)
The holiday season had the usual depressing effect on coin collecting. The scarcity of money among the boys just prior to Christmas time contributes to the lack of interest at this time, but of course the festivities of the season have to do with it also. After January 15 there will be an awakening anoong coin collectors the country over and the prices of the well known rarities in the United States series will begin to soar. Just now the proof 2 c piece of 1873 , of which none were coined for circulation, seem. with the minor proof set of 187 T , to have the call. The writer was fortunate enough to lately secure five sets of the former and three of the latter at a price that, on this market, would be termed reasonable, and he has already had many inquiries regirding them. It seems remarkable to think that single pieces of the minor proof set of 1877 , namely the 3 and 5 c piece, are now brining nigh to $\$ 5$ at anction sale. The $2 c$ piece of 1873 even is bringing up to $\$ 4.50$ at auction sale in New York Clity. The prices just named are hints.

At the last Low sale in New York City there was a collection of some 2.000 Swedish and 1,000 Russian csins sold. The writer understands a single dealer got all of these lots, so this dealer has likely "a corner" on these issues. Remarkable among the Swerlish lots was a collection of some 600 Baron de Gortz dalers all struck between the years 1715 and 1719 , during the reign of Charles XII. These dalers have never been very common and this lot evidently was imported in a bunch by sumeone.

A scarce coin nowadays is the United States gold dollar. The deal-
ers seem to have them but they will not let the commoner dates in fine condition go under 5 each. The writer remembers that less than two years ago these could easily be purchased for $\$ 1.50$ each. There would be many taliers at this price just now.

A word regarding the Jefferson and McKiniey gold dollars. The "powers that be" are doubtless going to find an elephant on their hands in these coins, as no one wants to pay any $\$ 3$ for a gold dollar unless it be a rare one. There is no doubt that consider. ing the way the Lafasette dollars have been selling that inside of a year these new loulisiana Purchase gold coins will be bringing at auction sale not more than $\$ 2$ each. Dealers are shy of them: they know more about such things than the people who are issur. ing them and they are aware also that the opportunity given to coin collectors and souvenir hunters of payins \$:3 tor $\$ 1$ will not find a multitude of sucker's. The Latayette dollar was a $\$ 1$ 1or $\$ 2$ proposition, and not much of a go, and the $\$ 1$ for $\$ 3$ one will likely be a tailure. There is no reason why csin colectors should be imposed upon, but there is an imposition being tried on them in the matter of the Jefterson and McKinley gold dollars.

An interesting lot of silver coins were recently sold in New York City. They did not sell for high price, but histurically they were of deep importance, being no less than the reals and half reals of Charles \& Joan. of mexico, being coined in the City of Mexico between 1525 and 1535 and $15: 36$, and are therefore the first coins of any kind ever struck in America. The writer got nearly al of these. The half real has two crowned pillars and PLVS VLTRA and the arms on the reverse, of course not dated. The reals bear the names of "Charolds ET JOHANA." crowned pillars. and on the reverse the arms, etc. The workmanship shown on these coins does not seem to be typical of the " $s$ i) 'endor of the ancient cont of Castile.

Editor, F. J. CL V1 E. Jan Francisco.



INTERESTING AND USEFUL EXPERIMENTS.
(By' Bernard C. Roloff, Milwaukee, Wis.)

Those who are averse to working xith poisonous chemicals will find below an excellent formula for intensiling solution:
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If freferred. the darkening may be produced lyy immersing the negative in a a per rent solution of silver nitrate. Then refix and wash. The first namerl is rery, simple, and will be found satisfactory in the majority of rasps. Copper chloride may be used istead of sulphate if preferred.
The alove chemicals may also be osed jor other interesting and useful esperiments. One is to tone prints on dereloping paper. To do this, bleach the print as was done with the negalive and continue the same treatment the plate roreived. The result is a ine brown or sepia tone.
Amother use for the chemicals is giv.
en. Reverse the order of the above procedure. This method is to tone blue prints to red, the only successful method yet found of toning such prints, and it is used by some process workers to secure copies. Place a well-washed blue print in the solution of silver nitrate until it bleaches, wash well and then place in the copper chloride solution until the print develops a sepia tone.

Use your camera as you would a friend. Do not ask it to do imposaible things. Do not blame in for your own shortcomings. It will alwase do your bitding if you will but respect its capabilities.

Do not use a small focusing cloth. Get a good big generous article and experience the pleasure of having the right kind. You will never use the common "hard square" again.

The negative should be left fully five minutes longer in the fixing bath than is necessary to dissolve out the white bromide of silver from the back of the plate.

Various developing agents give different resnlts. Pyro in combination with a catbonate gives strong, vigorous negatives. Eikogen and Metol vield soft, delicate negatives. Mydroquinone added to either of the above produces more contrast or greater strength.

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## State Capitol Prize Contest

We wish to spcure good Photos of State Capitol Buildings to reprodued the "WEST'" with a few lines of inf mation describing same. giving sth size, height, cost of construction. ? any other unteresting points Historic) otherwise. Fine the first received of esg suitable for reproduction, with fest tion we will give a fre memhership! the society with all its adranages. clacling year's sul, to "WFST
the one sending Photo and description is already a member of the society or a subscriber of the "WEST," we will extend their membership and subscription one year. We will also exchange a fine lhoto of our Conn. State Capitol at llartford for all other Capitol Photos received.

No. 56. Mr. Leo. F. lFagan, 924 N. 3rd, St. Springfield, Illinois, is awarded the prize for Ill. Capitol, Photo which we reproduce this month.

We hope to receive Capitol Photos at once.



## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SOUVENIR CARDS? IF NOT, CAN'T WE INTER. EST YOU?

In many countries there are Souvenir Card Societies whose members number into the thonsands. With rour and we can stcure at least one thousand menn-hers-will you jois us?

Nany have also writtell asking where they could get a few cards made from interesting subjects in theis locality. the cost of same, etc. We will answer these questions in a general way as follows.

We have a plan which, if you accep. you can secure an extensive collection of cards at a very low rate. Send us one dollar and fifiy cents and any good photo with interesting description of same, and we will get a cu: (that costs us a do!lat and fifty cents) and also give you

A free membership in our society with al its advantages for the privilege of run niag the cut and your description in the WEST. We will also mention in yon? free ad you have souvenir cards anc photos to exchange, and this will makt an extencive ad for you. As soon as thecut is run in the WEST, we will prompt. ly mail it to you and you can take it tc any printer in your city and get a hundred or thousand fine souvenir cards printed at a small cost after you have the cut. Take the cards you get and exchange or sell them as you prefer and you will soon find you have an extensive collection of valuable and interesting cards at a very low rate, which all will agree are far superior to anything else you could collect at any where near the same cost.

By so doing we can increase our metn bership and you can exchange or sel thousands of photo prints and cards to good advantage.

During the last few months we have received letters nearly every day fron those residing in all parts of the country inquiring if we could furnish various Photos or Souvenir Cardis. illustrating some other section. Historic sul ject! heing especially sought for. We shal try and make a special effort this yearto induce all such, to join the society, and list their wants, and what they can furnish.

## MEMBER'S MONTHLY DIRECTORY

No. 58. Gto. H Bush. 75 Manhattar St., Rochester, N. Y'. Sourenir card: bought, sold. and exchanged

Members interested in sour cards wil do well to correspond with Mr Bush a: he has the finest assortment we havi seen.-The Secy.

No. 59. Seward S. Spencer. Erie. Pa. wishes all kinds of interesting pictures also would like to exchange lanier slides.

No. 60. Merchant's Gargling Oil Lini ment Co. Lockport. N. I'.

We would especially call the readerso the MEST attention to the remedie manufactured by this Co. which hav stnod the test of nuer 68 years We mos heartily recommend them as the fines thing for man or beast.

No. 3 Geo. F: Moulthrope. Bristol Conn., has a large Portrait l,ense $h$ would be pleased to exchange for a print ing press. or a type writer. Send 12 c fo a package of circulars and papers ever menth for one year.

# The Nebraska Camera Club 

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# FOUNDED JANUARY 1898 <br> President Miss L. Tillotson, 8+3 Park Ave Omataa Sec'y.-Treas. L. Brodstone, Superior. Neb. 

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L. Brodstone of superior wishes to exchange sonvenir cards and prints with members.

Do not expect clean, 'aralthess negatives to come out of dirty developing and fixing solutions and trass.

## Spots on Developing Papers.

In the use of gas-light developing paperi, now so pmpular, trouble is often experienced from the presellt of mamerous small round spots on the paper. which after developing and tixing, are caused by minute air bubbles on the face of the paper when it is first im. mersed in the developer.

It is obvious that an air hubble will protect the paper it covers from the action of the developer, and therefure


## present.

If the print to be developerd is the face up by the thumb and forctinge of both hands and quickly pasoo throurh the developer and nack agai when tirst immersed this tronble wi almost always be averted.

Air bella, or bubbles, are much las likety to :appear under this treatued than if the print is placed in the dere oper face down.

Another methor that finds favor wid many in the haucling of these pape is to immerse the print in water hefi, placing in the developer. The shit objection to this method of prowedu lies in the fact that the power oflt developer is reduced by the water in ried to the surface of the paper wit the immersion of each new primuthe developing bath.

It is important that enough desely ing solution is used in all cases to wf cover the print.

## Sensitizing Postal Cards.

To semtive postal cards, vou can real Iv obtain good results as follows: Sond 25 grains of gelatine in 2 ounces on wat for ath hour; then add 15 grems of th ride ammonium, and place the tor containing foregoing in hot water. What thoroughly dissolved and misel. fille and with a camel hair brush coat event, the number of cards desired.

These will keep any lengtn of tug when dry. To sensitize, brush on io lowing solution:

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# Anseuers 

Queries should be addressed to Fayette J. Clute 16 Marye Terrace, San Francisco, California
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C.M. B.-Prints on Celluloid.-Coltiachtoride prints can be transferred celiuloid films which have one side mat follows: Immerse the print for a monte in a solution of 30 parts ramplior ayll parts alcohoi, and bru: h the mat arface over with the same solution. beprint is then stueegeed onto the Yithoid and afterward placed in a dish waltule hot water is poured over it. Prepaper can soon he stripped off, and farimuln coating removed with a soft reh.
R.f. II. A Gom Acid lixing Batlı. Fruur parts of citric acid are added to Darts of a 24 per cent solution of hy0. and the liguid is then filltered. This firmain clear for a long time, and
the strength can be kept up by adding fresh hypo occasionally.

## The Swingback.

Not enough attention is paid to the use of the swingback in the photographing of tall buildings and architecturai subjects, the lines of which without its use will seem on the ground glass or finder, and subsequently of course in the finished print, to be coming together at the top of the picture, giving to the buidings a wedge-like appearance that spoils what otherwise might be a pleasing subject.

In all cases where it is impossible to get the entire building on the plate by raising the front board, the cameras shou!d, if provided with a swingback, be tilted upward slightly and the suing operated to throw the bottom of the plateholder away from the lens just encugh to make the plate absolutely perpendicular.

The position of the lens with relation to the plate need not be considered, but * the plate itself muat be parallel to the lines of the building if distortion is to be avoided. As most buildings are perpendicular it follows that if the pate is the same the lines will be true. It is well in using the swinghack to arrange the composition amd obtain a focus on the principai points of the building with a fairly wide open stop and then to substitute a smaller diaphragm before making the exposure, as in this way greater depth of focus will be obtained and bet ter defintion secured over the whole plate.

No light is perfectly "safe." fiven that coming tinrough a combined ruby and orange window or lamp will slighty fog a rapid plate if given time. Yunt only safety is in using care to expose the plate as little as possihle.

## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

Notes from the lllinois College of Amando Cespedes M., San Jose, Costa Photography.
The Photographic Art Club was pleasantly entertained Tuesday before Curistmas at the home of President Bissell and wife. A very interesting photographic and musical program was rendered and enjoyed by all present.

We are pleased to note the return of Prot. Raymer to his department, from which he has been absent owing to the serious illness of his boy, Felix, Jr.

The winter term has just opened with an extraordinary attendance, representing almost every section of our cotintry. In one day. three foreign stutents enrolled; one from Western. Canada. one trom Honduras and one froin Swetlen. Many of the old studegnts who had discontinued in the fall have returned to finish their courses.

Ot the many. responses to a recent announcement of an increase in tuition 'ees lor the (w.) and three years nourse or lite scolarship to $\$ 250$ and eventually to $\$ 40 \%$. Mr. Bissell receivel a congratulatory letter from Mr..F. Dundas Todd, able editor of the Photo Beacon, as follows: "We congratulate you on the fact that financial conditions are such that you are abie to make this stand, one that we consicier is bound to redound to the ultimate advancement of the art."

We note that Mr. Clifton E . Herman ol St. Louis, who was on the faculty of the I. C. P. in 1900, has organize! a Photo Art Negative Co. in that city. We can predict some fine negalives, as Mr. Herman is a gifted worliman.

We irequently encounter the names of our studeats as the authors of mag. a\%ine articles. but the first important literary production of a student that has come to our notice is one from Mr.

Rica. (Mr. Cespedes in secretary of one of the clubs making West its official organ.) The book is in Spanish and shows great taste and care in its composition and publishing.

The College Camera Club, recently organiezd among the students, promises to be a very helpful institution for tinose who wish to spend their spare time improving their knowledge of the work. The qualifications for membership are few and simple, merely that the candidate be a student of photography and a good fellow. It has besome popular with the students and is progressing finely. They have a well equipped studio with all necessary accessories, and on all possible occasions. arrange for talks by the faculty and all who are competent on such practical subjects as studio advertising. buying and keeping material, etc. It is entirely independent of the college and the students take considerable pride in their club.

## MOUNT-CUTTING

Many amateurs find it diflicult to cut out mounts for photographs owing to inability to get the edges of the opening to a true bevel. This may be obvated in the following way: Prucure a piece of hard no d about one and one-half mohes wide and \$s inch thick. The length must be sufficient to cut any size opening reguired. This ruler must be planed perfectly smooth and straight, then one edge must be carefully beveled to the slope to which the mount is to be cut. Now purchase a joiner's chisel, not less than + inch wide, if wider, up to one and $1 / 2$ inches, so much the better. This chisel must be kept ground to thin edge. and well sharpened on the oilstone. After lightly marking the mant to he cut. lay the straight-edge on it with the bevel edge to one of the lines, then. with a that side of the chisel pressed to the bevel. cut the card through. Take the other sidies of the opening in succession The corners will need special care, but with a little practice it will be easy to make perfectly cut monnts by the aid of these simple tools.

## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

## Photographing Oneself.

Miith the coming of winter we find kx interest in indoor photography inrasing. and most of us are constantsearching for new ideas. After exgning both patience and ingenuity posing the baby, the cat and the \% an equally interesting and posas difficult a subject for the mira may lee found in oneself.
Ptotographs of ourselves we may Efe in plenty. but there is a peculiar yije and pleasure in exhibiting to cis frieuds a more or less truthful bapss of a painfully conscious inridlual "as photographed by myself." To make it entirely original there Wll be no other assistant that the Ghlul canera and a good mirror. Of prte a ripod is a necessity, and a Fing camera is more convenient F he snap shot variety. though
ai a little different manipulation valy le used. The mirror may any style available, though if you gna a arge picture a full lengith one leiter. The mirror on a dresser wh rery well. the dresser lending GN is decoration in the form of treps statuary, or photographs of enls.
Hy experimont was marle with a ling camera and focusing cloth. tit riporl and camera in readiness, the canera box a little lower than Fhead. I pinned a calendar on the Fte of the mirror so it would hang wh where I meant my pictured face obe. Then I tocused the caleqdar, ting in the frame and the outlines the ilresser. adorned with a pot of Fine ihrysanthemums. removed the hi aljusten the shutter and struck withon liefore the mirror. with one th lirown up and aronnd my belovfemera box. my head leaning Find it mu righi hand, containing
the bulb hanging before me and below the dreser top. Then I fixed my mouth and looked at myself in the glass. It is astonishing how nervous one will get about this time; and how strained and anxious the expression will ap. pear! Posting before a professional for a picture to send to one's best beloved is no comparison to this for the racking of the nerves. Consequently I took a vacation to smooth the lines from my forehead; did what I could to improve my lighting, realized that the light. should be as soft and evenly dis:ributed as possible, and went back. to my camera. By this time I was able to smile at myself in the glass, and while 1 pressed the buib and cointed mentally I managed to keep my expression comparatively natural and unchanged during the trying process. The result was a very natural likeness, and while 1 had to cut out. in the print some of the details of the nerative, there yet remains enough of the picture to warfant my satisfaction in the experiment.

Now I wish I could tell those who wish to try it something about lighting. leng:h of exposure etc., but I can't. This all depends on the room you have to work in, (as to some extent also does the perfection of the picturel. the mirror and the camera; but at least 1 can guarantee you sufficient entertainment in the working out of the idea to justify you in risking a plate or two upon it.-Maude E. Smith Hymers, Pontiac, Mich., Camera and Dark-Room, New York.

Every subscriber is invited to send us fur publication in any department photo, short notes of personal exprience boiled down as miluch as pussible. say about a hundred words or less, but not su short as to impair the flavor of the article.


The proposed re-organization of the G. Cramer Dry Plate Co. has led to the erroneous impression in some quarters that tite business has been sold to a syndicate. To correct this as well as to reply to the many inquiries received from the many friends of the firm. thes have gotten out a circular letter to the photographers explaining their proposed reorganization. Briefly: Of the $\$ 1.000 .000$ capital, the present stockholders retain $\$ 550,000$. Stock already subscribed for by individual photographers reduces the stock now offered for sale to a little over $\$ 300.000$. The shares are $\$ 100$ each. . 1 r . Cramer will retain the presidency and general management of the new organization. Messrs. Streus, Stein and Steffens will act as directors until the new subscribers choose the officers at an early election. All shareholders will be giv. on full trade discounts on the goods manutactured. as well as sharing in the profits of the company. The new plan will make it. through co-operation, a business enterprise of photographers by photographers for photographers. We believe it a wise move on the part of the Cramer people and wish them all the surcess possible.

Cameda and barlifoom is published at luk Fulton street, New York. Write them for a sample copy and see what a good value that boy Pierson is getting out for one dollar a year. ' The iflustrated article in the January issue. the first of a series by Louis Allen Os. borne. This series should be in the hands of every amateur who sincerely desires to improve the artistic qualities of his work. Mr. Oshorne is thoroughly compeient to teach on this important subject, having not only a thorough art training, but what is of more value in trying to instruct the novice, a thorough knowledge of photography and the scope of the average amareurs work and materials. The article we clip tor the page just turned over is a sample of the contributions sent in by their readers. The more important articles are all too long or too fully illustrated to make their re. production in our own pages feasible.

Our leatler this month is from the pen of Mr. Bernard C. Roluff of Milwauliee a thoronghly practical man. one who has enriched the literature of the photographic art by his contributions thereto for several years. We hope to secure from him other prac. tiral articles as the months pass. Mr. Roloff in a rerent letter assures us of nis high apprectation of the "West." ard from one who is himself closely associated with the publishing inter. ests of his own city, this is indeed praise to be proud of. Though his contribution is brief, its value makes :1! for the sparing use of words that is so characteristic: of the good writer.

## Single Toner for Matt Papers.

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## Stamps|Free.

2 Guatemala Jubilee Band's Cat. 3oc, for the names of two collectors and 2 c postage.
5 Guatemala 1902 ..... S. 15
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New Issues.
11 Japan 1900 ..... 10
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6 Honduras 1898 ..... 15
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Packets.
Animal Packet No. 1, contains 10 animal stamps, camel, giraff, etc., only ..... 10 c
40 Japan postage and revenue stamps mounted, very pretty, only ..... 10 c
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Price List Free. We want to buy a large quan-tity of common U. S. 3c green, 2c claret, etc.
Wholesale! Wholesale!
100 Cuba 5c 1891 unused.... 5.10 ..... 10 Honduras 6c 1898 cat $4 c \quad .10$
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10 " 10 c 1896 cat 5 c . 10 10 " 20 c " cat 6 c .15
10 dime albums ..... 50
10) Favorite Albums ..... 1.25
10 blank app. books ..... 15
50 approval return blanks ..... 12
100 Cuba 5c 1896 ..... 10
10 Nyasse giraffe $21 / 2$ ..... 05
10 Mexico 12c 1890 cat 30c .....  60
10 Netherlands 1899 20c cat 5 c ..... 10
10 Postal Tel 1901 cat 3c.. ..... 05
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12 Wholesale Lists FREE.
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5 dif. large. cents priur $1815: 30$
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Costa Rica 1889, 1-50c

* Ecuador Jubilece compl 7 var Labaill $189+$ a 24 c complete I, abuan $189625 \mathrm{c}, 50 \mathrm{c}$, 1d之ㅊo. Borneo $18941-2$ te 9 var * Nyassa 1897 10-300r 11 var

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$18851 p$ rose
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" $3 p$ violet
" 4 p blue
" 1 sh green
1887.922 p olive bistre
" 2 sh 6 p yellow
" 5 sh steel blue 1894-95 $1 p$ rose, shafts
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*Unused. Postage extra.
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Station A. Richmond. Va

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To all sencling for a selection of our stamts on approval and enclosing 5 c in stamps, we will send as a prize two bands from Guatemala catalogued at 30c and a coupon which is good for 5 (c) worth of stamps from our stock. Address at once.

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## CATALOGUE. <br> Republica de Colombia

I am compelled to give up the stamp business. But I want to realize on some of my stock. I find my stock of Colombian Reptbific contains a very fine assortment of low and medium priced stamps. To close them out quickly, I have put them up in packets, and will sell as follows:
15 varieties, catalogue 50 c ..... 10c
25 varieties, catalogue $\$ 1.00$ ..... 20c
35 varieties, catalogue $\$ 200$ ..... 40 c
50 varieties, catalogue 3350 ..... 80 c

## WHOLESALE.

I also have several thousand stamps from Colombian Republic, just as they were imported, cataloging ic to 10c each. It is a very fine mixture, but havent the time to sort them. So will offer as follows:

Packets containing 12 varieties, per 10 packets 60 cents.
Get your orders in quickly. Stock wont
last long. Can you afford to miss such bargains.

## C. C. DeSelms, Richmond. - Indiana.



## Buy Now! Prices Unapproachable

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. 01 Telegraph ..................... . 05
. 02 Playing Cards blue ......... . 08
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. 03 Proprietary . .................. . . 06
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. 05 Agreement .... .............. . . 01
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. 10 Power Atty. .................. . . . 01
. 10 Foreign Exchange........... . . 15
25 Insurance ..................... . . . 01
25 Band........................... . . 05
. 25 Life Insurance . . . . . . . . . . . . . 07
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U. S. POSTAGE ETC
1852 2c Black ..... 02
24c Lilac Gray ..... 15
1867 15c Black ..... 35
1869 2c Brown .....  04
1879 30c Black ..... 04
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1890 90c Orange ..... 20
1893 15c Green ..... 12
30c Orange Brown ..... 17
1895 50c Orange ..... 04
1.00 Black ..... 20
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10 d Kings head ..... 04
1 sh ..... 02
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Mexico 1890-12c New o.g. ..... 06
1899-7 var. for .....  0 S
Cuba 1899-5 var. for .....  0 S
Venezuela 50c surcharged 1900 ..... 04
WHOLESALE! WHOLESALE!
U. S. REVS. 1898-1902 ETC.
Per 100 Per 1000
81. Green uncut...... . . . 20 ..... $\$ 1.25$

1. Green cut ..... 10 ..... 55
2. Gray cut ..... 10 ..... 50
3. "cut ..... 10 ..... 60)
4. "uncut ..... 70
5. " uncut ..... 1.00
6. Black and gr. cut. ..... 45 ..... 4.00
7. " ".. . 45 ..... 4.01
8. Red ..... 60 ..... 5.00
9. Brown cut ..... E. 15Per 103 Brown uncu
5 Orange uncut ..... 6030

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Spring bargains can be had by sending for a selection of our fup to date stamps on approval. We carry the ${ }^{8}$ most pleasing variety of $\$$ stamps and can fill your Guants in very prompt orGder. We have two linesf (5of approvals, one at 50 ) Sper cent off and the otherst fat 75 per cent off. Weft Ghave a fine premium for ${ }^{2}$兵every answer to this ad Price list free. Address

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Send for our $\$ 1.00$ mixtures on approval Collectors
See ad in Feb. No. and notice the following:
186915 c und slightly off center o g 31.75 Blocks aud pairs, same rate.
All of these are on original checks:
2c Certificate Imp Blue
8 c
2c " Perf " . . 25c
2c Express $\quad$ " - $\quad$ - c
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2c U. S. I. R." "

## FOREIGN

*Shanghai 1893, $1 / 2-1-2 \mathrm{c}$ set - 3c
*Guatemala 1900, 1-2-5-6-10-20 set 12c
*Nyassa Giraffe 21/2 to 50 - 12c
Dutch Indies figure 1-2-3-5 - 2 c
Bulgaria 1901, 1.5-10-15-25 - Sc
Bahamas 1901 Picture 1 penny 3c
1902 Kings Head 1 penny 3c
Postage extra on orders less than 25 c .

> Central City Stamp Co., 232 West Castle St., Syracuse, N. Y., U S A

I can use in exchange all kinds of due stamps U S A, all postage stamps of Hawaii, Haiti, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Philippines, Canada, Southern and Central America.

Fiscals US A 5 and S10(uncut), Hawaii, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Southern and Central America, any quantity.

Old Paper Money (no coins) at cheap prices.

I can send you in exchange
Nice stamps of Holland dues, queen, etc. Dutch Indies, surcharges, dues, King's and Queen's lieads.
Sheets, 40 fields, 30 c a bundred $\}$ postBooks, 240 " \&1.50 a " $\}$ paid

$\square$tate what you want.

All letters registered. My References
Mr. W. T. Gregory, Nassau St, N. Y. Quaker Stamp Co., Toledo, Ohio.
Mr. W'm. v. d. Wettern, Baltimore, Md. Mr. Publisher of this Paper
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Amsterdam, - Holland, Europe

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$2 \mathrm{c} \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6 \cdot 8 \cdot 10 \cdot 15 \mathrm{c}$
Chicago, undated at $1 / 2$ face.
Sc Martha Washington .............3c
51 green, 51 red, 51 gray, 51 bl $\&$ gr5c

\$10 black . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 30 c
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1c to 10c Buffalo....................... . . 12c
sole 1895 orange . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5 c
We want to buy small job lots and accumulations write or send it. If we can not use it, we return it; our reference Brodstone.
C. W. Arndt \& Co., उ32 Sark 7 \#e.,

## FOREIGN <br> REVENUES <br> WANTED!

Ad space in leading stamp papers for foreign revenues, any number.

Cash for grood lots.

## E. H. WILKINSON, 2825 harles <br> OMAHA, - - . NEBR.

Look here boys, here's your chance.
NO 'TWO ALIKE-POSTPAID
50 all diff for stamps cat 2 c each 45 c


50 " ${ }^{5}$." ، $\quad$ " 5 c " 110
50 " " " " " ${ }^{5} 6 \mathrm{cc}$ " 1.25
Ask for my approval sheets at 60 per cent off.
E. R. Steinbrueck,


## Fetch- Qualing ${ }^{\text {itites }}$

1. Large variety, tastefully arranged in big books.
2. Priced net, from $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ upward.
3. Stamps priced according to condition. and one can ofren get an acceptable space filler by buying a slightly damaged rarity at a nominal figure.
4. Several collections and the accumulations of duplicates of four collectors are on sale in my Big Books and afford exceptional opportunities for adding to your collection at small expense.

All this refers to Osgood's Fam= ous Bix Selections, quite the best approval system now in vogue. Reference required if unknown to me. A trial is all I ask:

## Precancelled Stamps.

lam the leading dealer in this fascinating side line and am prepared to send selections on a pproval.
Write me if interested.
I BEY Precanests, no matter how small the quantity.
If not a collector in this branch start now:
25 varieties precancels........ 25 c
59 ". ......... $\$ 1.00$

## Price Lists Free.

D. W. OSGOOD,

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The "Shoenbrun Wonder" Packet

It contains 204 different postage stamps
-from-
Venezuela, Victoria, Portugal, Natal, Belgium Packet Post, Colombia, Brazil, Mevico, Canada; NewfoundIand and the United States.

It is a bargain, try one, they are only 25c

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That is where the Edua Brown stamp Chain went and brought stamps from every country to aid an invalid girl. For sale now, unassorted U. S. and foreign, at 50cts per pound. Discount on large lots. Order at once. Postage prepaid. idress,

Meta E. Garman,
Kaneville,
III.


## Civil War Revenues

It will pay you to write me about the ones you want. I can please you. Condition is fine.
31.60 Second Issue, perfect cat $\$ 14$. Do you want it?

## Mexican Revenues

Also a tine line of Mexican Revenues at about one-fifth catalogue. Write for a selection. Yon will be surprised at their variety, odd sizes, bright colors. interesting designs, high values, up to 1000 pesos. Anything else?

ELMER SMITH, Colusa, III.


## Free!

500 hinges with every 25 cents worth of stamps bought from the following list of U . S. stamps.
40 var U S. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 08
$50^{\text {" } 6 ~ . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ~} 10$
100"، "4.................................. 35
150، " $\quad$.................................. 100
200" " $\quad$.............................. 300
1898 doc $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 90 c 11 var............. 10
" Prop 4 var unu..................... 04
4 old revs . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 02

$\$ 1$ green, $\$ 3$ brown, $\$ 5$ red doc rev cat 42 cents

12
I send out approval sheets of U. S. and foreign to all sending good reference. Postage extra on orders over 25 cents. I buy stamps. Send what you have with lowest cash price and I will send money by next mail or return stamps. Ref. Fairbury Savings Bank

## Harry P. Letton, Fairbury, Nebr.

## Patent Infringement Notice Legal Notice To Collectors and The Trade

It has been brourht to my notice that one Win. B. Hale. Williamsville, Miss., has made and placed on the market and is selling what he terms "Improved stamp Cards". I hereby give notice that such Card or any Card used for the purpose of holding stamps is an infrimement of my Patent No. 577998 rranted March 2nd, 1897, for Wolsiefler's Approval Cards, and that I will claim all protection such Letters Patent afford me.

It is an infringement to make, offer for sale, or have in your possession any Card for holding stamps that does not bear the inscription

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[^7]P. P. Mckeel, Cadillac, Mich. My small ad brought me sales as soon as the FEST was out and I had to decline other offers.


Five good Foreign stamps ta all sending for our 1903 List.

Special 60 day offer.
1000 varieties Foreign Stamps ard 1000 hinges for $\$ 3.50$, prepaid *Nnrth Borneo 1901 set of 10

## A. A. HYDE,

 1030 Elamar St., Sherman, Tex.

Nepture Co., Philadelphia, Pa. Our small ad paid very well.

## This Months Premiums

Fret with Packet No. 1, containing fifty good diff stamps, a 2 c Certificate imp
Price of Pkt .......12c

Free with Packet No. 2, containing one hundred good diff stamps, a 500
U. S. 1895 orange

Price of Pkt
22c
Free with Packet No. 3. containing one hundred fifty good diff stamps, a $\$_{5.00}$ grey Rev

Price of Pkt
35c
Cash with order anc satisfaction guaranteed.

## Edward N. Roberts, 218 Nielsun St, Utica,

## SILKS FOR STAMPS ?

For: 3 compl. sets Buffalo stamps in good condition or: 75 good stamps from Canada. New foundland, Cuba, etc. etc. I send 12 ROLLS SEWING MACHINE SILK in finely assorted colors, super. quality (each roll 53 yards) No common stamp accepted. Best references.

Address:
HENRY HOFMANN, Wetzikon, Switzerland, Europe.
(Entered in The Bazaar Reference Register) London, W. C.

Look here boys, here's your chance.
NO TWO ALIKE-POSTPAID 50 all diff for stamps cat 2c each 45c 50 " " " " " 3 c " 65c 50 " $4.3 \quad$ " $\quad$ " 4 c " 90c 50 " " " " " "5c " 1.10 50 " " " " $5 \quad$ " 6 c " 125 Ask for my approval sheets at 60 per cent off.
$\underset{\text { Mandan, Steinbrueck, }}{\text { E. }} \underset{\text { R. }}{\text { R. }}$

Clipping from St. Croix Avis, dated February 11. 1903

TRANSLATION.

## Notice to the Public.



FOR the time being, the Post Offices in St. Croix will admit the use of tcents postage stamps cut in half diagonally for the prepayment of postage, say in those cases where the amount of the postage is covered by the payment of two cents or less.
The correspondence thus prepaid should be handed over the counter, and not dropped in a letter box.
The use of postage stamps thus cut rill be disallowed, as soon as 2 cents stamps have been received, about which publication will be issued.
Goverument, St. Croix, the 10th Feb., 1903.

> P. G. V.

## LIMPRICHT.

We have been informed that these rere in use only 8 days. We have a few on original cover which we will seli as follows:

1 for 35 cents
10 for 32.50
An early order is neccessary to obtain these.

## One Sixth Catalgue.

Closing out all my duplicate stamps at above rates. Send 25 c for $\$ 1.50$ worth of stamps catalogned from 1c to 10c. Money back if not satisfactory. 20 varietics Precancelled for 10 c .

Postage extra.
J. D. Hubel.

525 Sixth St.
Detroit. Mich.


## COLLECTORS

Exchange unused and used, catalogue not less than two pence each. Send 50-100, regristered.
JAS. W 玉LSH,

39 Rowe Street, North Fitzroy, Victoria, Australia.

## Australian Commonwealth

All varieties of Australian Stamps. 33 per cent, 50 per cent less Gibbons. Packets 12d 1|- to $\$ 5|-|$.. Picture Tasmania 1d 2d 35c a-100. Small $1 / 2$ grn Vic 50c-100, others ${ }^{0}$ qually cheap, postage extra under $\$ 21-$, kindly remit P. C. O. over 25c|-ERSIUHGESS. 253 Nelson Place. Williamstown. Victoria, Aust.

1900 Revenues at Whotesale
Per 10 of each. ist price for cut. 2nd for uncut
$\$ 3$ brown sorange .......... $25100 \quad 3 \cdots \ldots{ }^{2} 50750$

 $\$_{3}$ \& $\$ 5$ gray.. $25 \quad 200 \quad \$ 1 \& \$ 2^{\prime \prime} \cdot " 00040$ Dollar values and up assorted per 1000 \$100 Special prices for higher values $\$ 30$ and upward stamp \& Coin exchange. 33 Ann St. N YCity

Relf, Decorah, Iowa. I received more replies from ad in WEST than half a dozen other papers combined.

Ray Jewell, Henry, South Dakota.
My ad brought a lot of replies that tripled the price I paid for the ad.
L. Wheeler, Rochester, N.I. WEST is the best paper I ever saw and my small ad brought a lot of replies.

Davis Bros., Diamond, Ohio. Our ad keeps us hustling to keep in stock the goods we have ads of.

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Has a most beautiful stock of medium used and unused stamps, as well as a splendid assortment of first class rarities of all countries. Only sells guaranteed originals in fine state at bona fide prices.

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Has a most important stock of surcharged and unsurcharged French Colonials and will send out approval sheets according to list of wants. American visitors to Paris are respectfully requested to pay our offices a visit. English, German, etc. spoken on the premises.

## Fust Offire: Silauritius

I recently bought a unique letter stamped with the Red and the Blue Stamps. The photograph together with a price list of bargains priced in Amcrican currency and in English will be issued in March and posted free to all requests.

Any amount of collections, parcels of stamps and Government stock bought for spot cash.

## nealers

Th. Lemaire has bought the entire remainder of government stock of Venezuela all issues between 1893 and 1900.

State Your Wants.


## One Pound Mixed Stamps

 48 c Post Paid 6 Poundsfor \$2This is a good lot and have never been picked over. They will run from 5000 to 10,000 to a pound.

## Other Bargains

1000 fatultless stamp
$\quad$ hinges............... $\$ 0 \bar{\sigma}$
5000 faultless stamp hinges.
20000 faultless stamp hinges.
100 blank approval sheets 19
Duplicate stamp album 05
100 var foreign stamps 07
1000 "، ${ }^{\text {". }} 375$
2000 " " $4 \quad 1600$
1000 mixed " $" 19$
1000 "' U S stamps
Scotts 1903 Catalogue.... . 58
Scotts 1903 Catalogue ...... 58
20 diff stamps papers....... 10

## Everything Post Free

Stamps on approval at 50 per cent discount.

Stamps and collections purchased for spot cash at all times.

## Price List Free

I have several thousand stamp papers to trade for stamps, or in fact for anything else of value.

> Shirley E. Moisant, Kankakee, Illinois.

Ref:-Publisher of this paper.

## SPECIAL OFFER IN SETS



7 Abyssinia 1894 complete, used or $\$ .30$
7 Abyssinia unpaid complete, used
30
4 Austria $190035,60,1,2$ krona ... . 06
6 Austrian Levant 1890-92 8 paras- 5
12
9 Bosnia 1900 I, 2, 3, 5, 6. 10, 20,
.18
10 Bulgaria 1889 1- 1 leva .......... . 15
3 " 1896 unpaid complete ... . 08
10 Corea 19002 re-20 ch. . . . . . . . . . . 50
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1996, 51) green and brown .......... 03
1 gul brown and olive ........ 06
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1880, 2c pale yellow
green ............ 1890, 12c puce brown 24

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QThe interesting article by Ernest R. Holmes in this number was written for Success, the well known New York Monthly, with which publication Mr. Holmes is connected, but experienced the same fate as much other good MSS. does and was crowded out for lack of room.

II might stop long enough to tell you something that you may not know-that the WEST keeps pretty well posted on what "outsiders" say about "us" by the hundreds of clippings furnished weekly by the press clipping companies. Everything bearing on stamps, no matter how remote, is cut out and goes inte the editor's scrap book-or waste basket.
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©Henry Wattermau, formerly United States Postmaster at Millberry, Mass., who claimed the distinction of having issued the first postage stamp used in this country, is dead, at the age of 86 years. Mr. Waterman's prominence as postmaster came in 1839 when he had made and first used, as postmaster at Millberry, the now famous Millberry stamps which today, according to the catalcgues of stamp collectors, are valued at from $\$ 800$ to $\$ 1,200$ each. When Mr. Waterman was appointed postmaster, letters were cancelled by the postmaster writing his name accross the envelope with the amount due. He conceived the idea of having a stamp and drew his design. He procured a die from Boston and his stamps were made. His example was followed by others.

LPostage stamp collecting is a disease, according to Postoffice Inspector Michael H. Boyle. He says he suffered from the malady himself for several years and he ought to know. 'reople get nutty about stamps just as they do about playing the races, Wall Street and a lot of other thingrs," deciared Mr. Boyle the other day. "I was a stamp fiend for about twenty years, and I began to think I had about the finest collection of pasters that ever came down the pike. I had about 15.000 of 'em, all told." "A few years ago there was a convention of stamp cranks uptown and of course I went. I found out a few things the first day, though, and that night I got out my albums and did a little figuring. I found there were some stamps I didn't have and it would cost me a little over S80,000 to cemplete my collection." "The next day I took my albums under my arm and I went to the convention hall. There was a lame little woman there from Ohio, who said she was trying to get together a big collection to sell for a home for her cld mother and herself. I fouvd her as soon as $I$ could and dumped the albums into her lap." "There, take'em, said I. They'll do you more good than they will me." "She was so slad to get those stamps," said Inspector Boyle "that she crie', and I was so glad tu get rid of 'em that I went out and had a drink on myself. That was the last of my stamp collecti.1g."

IIt a recent "demonstration sale" the J. W. Scott company of New York found that United States stamps are in the most demand, then come British colonials. United States envelopes, postal cards and South Americans seemed to have the least demand.
-One of the Associates.


During the month I have received from F . A. Andrews of 65 Ewing St., Trenton, N. J. a fine lot of Phillipine Rers, dating from 1846 up to the American occupation. Each year is represented except 1856 and ia a note accompanying the stamps he says; "There was five of us soldiers that were stamp collectors, and had collections of these revenues and we searched over 100,000 documents for this date but none of us found it, which seems strange, though some of the other dates are extremely rare." Fach year in rotation up to 1897 is represented in this great collection and Morley who has lately been exploiting these Spanish revenues will certainly have to look to Andrews for the rarities. They are extremely interesting, and though the first issues are unques. tionably from wood blocks and lithographs, they are all very beautiful, the engraving and coloring being uniforaly good. The last number of Morlev's magazine illustrates some Philopino revenues with the words "United States Internal Revenue'" upon them. I will give cuts of them in next number.

Mekeel's Weekly of March the 7th contains a letter from A. Preston Pearce the English Philatelist in which he commends very strongly the study and collection of U. S. Colonials. Mr. Pearce is an ardent Fiscalist and he writes entetainingly of the rays when Scott listied Match and Medicine in two papers only, white and pink and on turning to the not very ancient catalog, the fifty-
third edition (1893) he finds them in old silk, pink and watermarked. The letter is long but breezy, entertaining and packed with solid and instructive suggestions. He predicts a boom in foreign revenues.

In respect to the 2ct ultramarine of the 6 th issue playing cards stamp, which is priced oniy as rouletted, I wish to say that it is proven beyond a doubt that it exists in both perforated and imperforate state. A prominent N. Y. collector whose name I aw not at liberty to divalge has sent me this week a mint block of four imperforate, Scott lists it but does not price it. The price in this case was $\$ 20.00$ for the block. As to the perforated variety no less than three collectors report it. In each case they were cancelled "U. S. P. C. Co. 1902" or "A. P. C. Co. 1902'". The imperforate "Cancelled 8.8-95, N. Y. C. C. Co.

Since we have seen the collecting of "Precancelled Postage" and "Cancelled Proprietaries of the '98 series" become immensely popular much interest has been revived in the collecting of Carcellations of the Civil War series. I mean the provisional substitutes for the private dies not at first in use but which in time were made and afterwards used by certain firms. At Wolseifer's Jan. 31st sale there were ten lots of these stamps and in every case the stamps brought more than catalogue. Uf course they were the surcharges of well known firms such as Kensett, Lee \& Osgood, Hoyt, Burnet, Father Matthew, Tetlow, Van Duzer and others equally famous.

A Denver collector who is disposing of his collection had among his revenues a 6c orange proprietary cancelled with the words "Charles Osgood'" in a circle and date "Dec. 3. 1850'" in centre. He also had a 6 c blue of the 1878 issue with iden-
tically the same cancellation. I believe very few medicines in those days sold for 31.50 per bottle and of the 6 c orange proprietaries I have seen cancelled all bore this same name. Osgood manufactured a syrup called "Indian Cologog" so if my readers know of any drug stores that have been doing business for twenty five years or so, they are liable to get a rarity by getting the drug man to look for this remedy. "Swains Panocea" also had a $6 c$ orange but of his own private die which is also immensely rare.

I will present my readers of the WEST next month with a cut of the new Australasian revenue with King's head. It is not a pretty stamp but is printed in bluish purple and green which gives it a very striking appearance. Also some cuts of Phillipine ress.
F. W. Keid has gone into business here. He carries an immense line of Australians having been in business in Sidney the last five years.

From the "El Paso News" I clip the following notice: Mr. George Griggs of El Paso secretary to the Governor of Lower California has sent to the fair what is accounted the finest collection of Mexican Revenue stamps in the world. Mr. Griggs made the collection while acting as secretary and during his term as postmaster of a Mexican City. He has received a medal of award from the Directors of the fair. He is also author of a "History of Mexican Revs. Published in the WEST a few years ago.

I will also illustrate next month the new 'King's Head' design in the Englisin Revenues. This one penny duty stamp is printed in purplish blue and green and is very brilliant though not strikingly handsome. In iact it is to be hoped England will soon give us anoth-
er portrait of Edward VII as the present profile is anything but a natural looking effigy.

## Nere Zealand Stamp 3n Notes. 3n

The Post and Telegraph Department has accepted a design for a new penny letter card which is to replace that at present in use. The design is by Mr. G. N. Sturtevant, of the Government Printing Office. On the address side are the royal arms, and the words "New Zealand Letter Card." The stamp at the right hand top cornet is of plain design. On the bottom and left hand is a typical stretch of New Zealand beach, with Maoris and a canoe, a clump of Nikau palms, and cabbage trees appear at the side. On the back of the cards are vignette pictures of Ner Zealand scenery and genre. The card will appear some time in February.
The N Z Co. has forwarded us a copy of a Special Delivery Stamp just issued for the Colony of New Zealand. This stamp which is apparently of 10 cal design, is similar in size and shape to the $1 / 1 / 2$ d. stamp, and is watermarked single-lined N. Z, and Star. The inscription consists of the words "N. Z . Post Ofice Express Delivery 6d. Secures immediate delivery at a Special Delivery Office"; and is printed in mauve on white, the figure of value being printed in red. The design is comprised of Maori carving and New Zealand Ferns.

In August 1902 a shop in Chancery Lane, Christchurch, occupied by Messrs. C. G. Fryer \& Co. as Stamp Dealers was entered and stamps to the value of about $£ 200$ taken. Until lately the police were unable to obtain suf.
ficiently conclusive eviderce as to who ras the thief, but in Decembrr last $s$ man named Walter E. Rose, occupying adjacent premises to Fryers, was arrested. The trial before Mr. Jistice Demison came off on 10th. February 1903, and a fter a long trial lasting over 4 days, the accused was found guilty, and sentenced to 12 months imprisonment. Mr. Fryer was in the witness box for over 14 hours, and amongst other witnesses for the prosecution пere Messrs. W. L. Hooper, H. W. Mackisack, and S. T. Mirams, all of Dunedin, and Messrs. H. B. Oakey and K. S. Williams, of Christchurch. Judge Detmiston in sentencing Accused said that the fact that he had always been on most friendly and confidential terms with Fryer, and had then taken adrantage of this confidence to rob the shop.
One witness having said that if there ras an error in a sheet of stamps that stamp would be worth more than all the rest of the stamps on the sheet together, the Judge seemed rather amused, and remarked that apparently if the printers were a little more careless the wealth of the country would be greatly increased.
We have to thank the New Zealand Stamp Co., Dunedin, for above notes.


NEW SOLTH WALES, Official current set punctured O. S. N. S. W. itl two lincs giving a quite moth-eaten appearance.
nest alstraina. More woe, a new set of fifteen in contemplation, starting from $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$. value but denominations and desigrs not definately decided upon.
mju. A new set of eleven, King's
head, DeLaRue type of British Colonials, London print.
$1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ green $\quad 5 \mathrm{~d}$ lilac $\&$ green
ld blk on red 6d "A carmine
2d liiac \& orng 1 |-gr \& carmine $21 / 2$ " \& blue 5|-gr\& black 3d lilac $\quad 20 \mid$-black \& blue 4d " \& black

Regarding the Australian officia, stamps, S. \& G. Letd., London, so assiduous in finding varieties for collectorsl are reported as tabooing these punctured unfortunates, likening them to the precautionary perforates of private firms, -opinions differ on this matter, but as the puncturing is done in the same department as the printing and before issue to the State Governments, who have no voice in the method, it seems reasonable to accept them however unlovely; specialists should anyhow, or some day they may have the melancholy satisfaction of reading a notification to the effect that in 1903 punctured stamps were issued by the Australian Commonwealth and for those collectors who desire specimens of "holey goods" we can furnish a few etc. etc.

## Do You?

The process of printing and engraving stamps is such a delicate operation, and admits of such numberless variations, that errors and departures from the original very frequently oc. cur. Some of these are great and some are ao exceedingly small that they are entirely overlooked, often by the most expert specialist. It is an especial pleasure to the young philatelist to find any of these in his possession and the joy of discovery is greatly added to by the fact that a minute error or departure will often convert one of the commonest of stamps into a decided rarity and greatly advance its nature. If the collector does not study his stamps with an eye to these minor varieties more than likely the will let many a valuable find slip through his fingers.

# Notes From Europe 

By JCAUFDER HEIDE $\boldsymbol{O} \boldsymbol{H} D$
Amsterdam, Holland. Eutope

II)r. Happe, a former Clerk of mine, who has been with me about 7 years, has opened a stamp shop in one of the busiest parts of the town. He sells only stamps, catalogues and albums and further Collectors Assessories.

This is the second stamp shop opened in Amsterdam in the past three montbs and from this fact is to be seen how stamp collecting is prospering in our little country. Local business, as this is known in other parts of the world is not possible here, and besides their shops the dealers want to have customers in the country.

There are now four stamp journals in Holland and I have been told another will soon be edited and published by a lady dealer.

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A great rumour is made in the Furopean philatelic press by Mr. Chelins, president of the Bavaria Philatelic Society, which acenses Mr. Philip Kosack, the well known German dealer, of selling reprints of the lst issue of Bavaria. We do not believe Mr. Kosack does this.

Senf is going to publish a new handbook in the German:language, for philatelists which is presented to all subscribers of his paper.

The Christmas number of De Postzegelgids, 12 pp . was_quite a success and brought many a new subscriber.

Many stamps were ordered from the cheap advertisements which I made in it and I think the Christmas number of this year, although we have still to wait some days!!!, will be double the size of the issue of 1902.

As there is 5 per cent duty on postage stainps in this country, many troubles occurr. when the officials find a parcel is declared too low. And as the officials do not know anything about stamps, parcels containing thes 2 are looked on with distrust.

A large penalty must be paid if it is impossible to the receiver to prove that the officials are wrong.

Some weeks ago I bought Andrew Carnegie's Book 'The Empire of Business' and an now trying to make uy philateiic business as successful as Mr . Carnegie's steel business!

Mr. Beebe of 'Yonkers was so kind to send me, the first copy I saw, of the Sc Martha Washington stamp. I find it a very beautiful and fue eugraved stamp and think it will briug many new men. bers to our hobby.

A great auction was held here on the 26th of last January in the Caie Kraruapolsky, the greatest Koffeehouse of our city by the auctioneets Mrs. Van Dicten and Van IIoek of Roterdam. This aucticn contained only stamps of Holland and Colonies, used and unused, curiosities, pairs, blocks, strips, rare perforations, etc, etc. Some common postage due stamps of the series of 1881-87, type IV, perforated $111 / 2$ brought 100 guilders ( $\$ 120$ ). The Holland 1867, 15 cent perforated $10 \frac{1}{2}$. brought 210 guilders ( 584 ) the 20 cents green of the same edition, also perforated, brought 105 guilders (\$42) and so on. I do not remember that I ever saw such high prices paid for mitior varieties.

I should like to receive, and I offer to send good stamps for them, some good photographs of Indian life. Who of the readers of the WEST can and will please send me with these?

## e e CHIPS. e e

By E. R. Steinbrueck.

The new U.S. stamps follow the example of other countries, for instance Spain, Spanish Possessions of old, now annexed or acquired by U. S. on moth hemispheres, in giving the year of issue. That is a good idea and worth ixitating, though it may hurt our windbag to follow instead of to blow our trumpet in the lead of all things.

Allegorical figures and ornaments alrays express a deeper meaning. Put your Cuban stamps present issue face down in your benzoin cup and develop the allegoric figures hidden in the watermark deeper.

There are two decidedly and distinctIy different colors, not shades of the two centavos Cuba, Cuban issue viz. one is carmine, one is red. And no subterfuge of chemical alteration by light or darkness. All watermarked USPS in the sheet.
I have seen a new map of the U . S . lately and probably so have you. In little apartmeats in the corners you find:
Philippine Islands ceded by Spain 1899.

Hawaiian Islands annexed 1898.
Guam (Mariana group) ditto 1899.
Wake, Howland Midway Baker Isles acquired 1900.
How is that for Monroe doctrine for you? They are all annexations, no matter under what expression. As the lattet are on the Western Hemisphere, no barm done to the Monroe doctrine. You cannot get the Philippines on the Western Hemisphere though. Spain bas been forced to cede for keeps and that is the same thing as conquered and captored.
I don't mean to call the divers Exposition stamps advertising mediums,
though they are to a certain extent. They may be called commemorative stamps-"after the ball is over." And then they are called in and disappear and so does the commemoration cease. It be then the Philatelic albums, which keep faithful remembrance, telling to posterity of the great events. But there are some advertising stamps. Going over my collection it just struck me the idea. There is Great Britain advertising her might and her wealth on the Canada map stamps with red paint and bragging inscription. There are further the Panama map stamps, which by a mark where by rights in their estimation the Istbmus ought to be dug. And Morgan is fighting for the desire of that country the $\mathrm{E}^{\circ} \mathrm{S}^{\circ}$ de Panama. pertaining to the Republic of Colombia.

The question "In what way to write for the phitatelic papers'" has been asked once and again. Philatelic papers ought to be written in a language, easily comprehensible by the younger and less learned class of collectors, in an every day language. Highly scientific phrases and terms remain too often mysterious problems to solve for the younger and less learned. Again this class is the Grand Army of stamp collectors, the contingent of our fighters for the promotion of science the pillars of Philately in the future and this class has to be regarded first and prominently and is to be educated. This class has to be instructed gradually and brought to a higher grade of knowledge in Philately by easily digested language.

A philatelist is justified in my own opinion in collecting anytbing touching postage, even curios as for instance the so called "Zion" label. Not so all labels as for instance the Omaha, Buffalo, Paris or St. Louis Exposition labels. That sounds strange and contradictory, doesn't it?

## PHILATELIC WEST

## On the Classification 'of Illustrated Postal Cards.

(Continued from last number.)
The blue cards bear the names of countries, the red ones those of cities.

The inscriptions are placed near the top in the center for the continents and countries, thus:
europe france.
On the sheets used to separate the cities. I write at the left the name of the country, at the right that of the city, thus:

## ENGLAND. <br> LONDON.

In this manner it is very easy to find any card wanted at pleasure, thus: To find a card from Madrid, look for the green card bearing "Europe." the blue card bearing "Spain," and under "Spain" find Madrid at the letter M.

At the end of each country it is well to add some cardbaords bearing the inscription:

Portraits-Artistic Cards (Fancy Cards.-Varions Cards, etc., etc.

This is the mode of classification which I have adopted and which I recommended to collectors, both for its simplicity and for its low cost. (The boxes may cost 20,25 or 30 cents each, according to the wood used.) This classification is, to my mind, much preferable to that in albums which presents many inconveniences, e. g.:

1. Cards are often damaged in placing them in albums.
2. Albums cost $\$ 1$ to $\$ 2$ each.
3. They hold only 200 or 300 cards each, which for a collector with 5,000 or 10,000 cards necessitates a considerable number. Then they must be stored and for their storage a bookcase is necessary; consider the expense!

To sum up. I will say that albums are all right for amateur collectors
who seek quality and beauty in cards rather than number, but for serious collectors their use is entirely impracticable.

We do not see how the use of bores should be useful, similarly to that of card catalogues in business houses. Their handling is difficult, the box is clumsy and the general aspect not aesthetic. For the card collector noth. ing can surpass a good album, well bound, easily handled, where the cards can be arranged harmoniously on sheets permitting historical notes and other desirable information to be written on the margins, with an index to facilitate finding. Nor are we of the same mind in saying that ama. teur collectors seek quality and beauty in cards; rather should one say the serious collector. Only children and beginners, ignorant of our science, seek to gather many cards; that is done with deplorable ease and little in. telligence. Only the true "cartophile" is on the look-out for rare, hard-to find, unique pieces, and has the inner culture necessary to appreciate the beauty of these miniature works of art.
The proposed system of classification is logical and well-developed. Nevertheless I have preferred a geographical rather than an alphabetical arrangement, the former permitting a general view of the whole of a country. This is, for instance, how I proceed for France:
Province.-
Arms.
Costumes.
Historical Cards.
Department.-
Prefecture.
Under-Prefecture.
District Seats.
Other places.
Again I subdivide:
Prefecture.-
Arms.

Historical Persons.
Historical Views.
General Views.
Honuments.
Monuments might be classed by beauty or historical importance; this is a guestion of appreciation and value.
This is surely an interesting and instructive labor. I proceed in the same manner for other countries, following the political divisions: Germamy, e. g., is divided by Kingdoms, grandduches, principalities, free cities. Switzerland by cantons. England by countries. Russia by governments, etc.
As regards fancy cards, their classification is more complicated. I seek here also as much as possible to arrange them in sections under various heading, such as: Sports, caricatures, Christmas or Easter cards, etc., etc. Nor must we forget a special album for original cards, designed and executed by hand, and an album for commemorative cards.

## Mail Man's Souvenir Cards

Mr Hennesey of St Louis, Mo has sent out an excellent set of cards published by the name of Couth Souvenir Card Club of St Louis, a company consistting chiefly, we beleive, of mail carriers in the St Louis post office. The set is entitled "The Ten Ages of a Letter in the World's Fair City'. This set has been and is now advertised in this paper.
No 1 shows the three boys of the Postmaster at St Louis-fine sturdy little men-depositing the letter in the mail box.
$\therefore 2$ shows the mail men taking the letters from the box.
No 3 shows two modes of transporting mail to the main office: one is the fourwheeled mail collection wagon with driress on the seat and the carrier standing on the step behind, the other is the elec-
tric mail trolley car extensively used in St Louis. It resembles the usual trolley car but in the center there is a door opening at either side with steps for the convenience of the mail collector.

No 4 shows carriers and clerks are shown facing and assorting stacks of letters at the main office preparatory to canceling them. A bewildering array of mail bags is around them.

No 5 shows an "international'" electric canceling machine, and on another view two of the machines in operation with clerks supervising the lightning like passage of letters through them.

No 6 shows the long rows of pigeon boles before which busy clerks are distributing the letters for City distribution to the various stations.

No 7 shows a St Louis and Suburban trolley mail car approaching a sub-station with the mail clerk standing in the open side door ready to dump out the mail bag, much as is done on the railroads.

No 8 shows the carriers at the station busy sorting the mail for their routes. On a large parcel in one of the pigeon holes one can distinctly read the address of one of the large stamp firms of St Louis (All the views: are reproduced from photographs taken by one of the carriers.)

No 9 shows the carriers loaded skyhigh, leaving the office for delivery; two special delivery messenger boys have crowded in by way of adder ornanent.

On No 10 a smiling young lady is descending the porch steps of her home to receive the letter held out to her by a handsonte mail carrier.

By the expression of her face the letter seems to be an expected one and pleasantly anticipated at that.

The set is really interesting and may be recommended to collectors. Over 4000 have been sold in six months. They may be obtained of E P Hennessy, Carrier No 42, St Louis P O, 1618 North 19th Street. St Louis, Mo; who will be glad to quote prices. Notice his advertisement in this paper. He is also organizing a stamp society for mail carriers ${ }^{-}$If you are a mail man be sure and write him.

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REVIEN OF FORFIGN PAPEKS.

A1thougli El Coleccionista de Sellos of Madrid, Spain, is already in volume IV, yet No. 30-31 of that volume (January 1903) is the first to reach the review desk; I hope to see it oftener. Sr. Ceballos, the publisher, has just bought out a catalogue of the stamps of Spain and Colonies, comprising 3000 varieties on 200 pages of text, with copious illustrations. It costs 50 cents postpaid. In No. 30-31 there is reproduced in facsimile a letter from that foremost philatelist of Spain, Dr. Thebussem, highly commending the catalogue, so that it ought to be worth purchasing.-In this same number there are some highly interesting photographic reproductions of two entire sheets of the 1883 sircharged issue of Cuba, one 5 and one 10 c , both sheets with double snrcharges. They are veritable curiosities, showing extreme carelessness in the surcharging; it is also interesting to trace the way in which the types of surcharge (Scott a, $b, c$ and $d$ ) are all mixed on the same sheet. Only three such entire sheets are known to exist (i. e. with double surcharge) and the price is apt to be gilt-edged. I hope to be able to secure the plates of these illustrations for the WEsT.

The January number of the Schweizer Briefmarken-Zeitung reproduces the call of the Swiss Federal Council for designs for a monument commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the foundation of the Uuiversai Postal Union to be erected at Bern. The competition closes Sept. 15, 1903. $\$ 3000$ are offered in prizes. If any of the read-
ers of the WEST have artistic inclinations, I shall be pleased to give them further particulars.

No. 3 of De Postzegelgids has a long and interesting article on the Chinese treaty ports, but as they are no longer on the stamp-issuing list, I shall not reproduce extracts here. There are thirty-two of them; fortunately for us only twelve had a chance to issue stamps before they were shut off.

Our esteemed , contemporary gives the WEST a most appreciative review, especially calling the attention of its readers to the unparalleled advertising carried by the WEST. It is no doubt calculated to fill the average European philatelic publisher with envy to hear of a stamp paper averaging one hundred pages monthly. We extend our thanks to the Postzegelgids and wish it similar (and deserved) prosperity.

The fiscals issued by the Notarial College of Barcelona still hold forth in No. 29 of El Filatelico Espanol and another installment is still to come. If one single little known set of fiscals furnishes the material for so much documentary research, what would it be if all fiscals could be treated in this manner? The task is fairly appalling, though.

From No. 62 of Le Timbrophile Belge I quote the following of interest:
" We have been asked how it is that " the series of stamps and cards with " the inscription Reichspost is still in " use in the German offices in the Le" vant, in China and in Morocco.
" The reason is simple. First, these " stamps which cannot be used in Ger" many do not fall under the terms of " the convention with Wuerttemberg " which caused the change in the " whole set; moreover the offices in " foreign countries are under control " of the Imperial Post Office and the " title Reichspost is more exact applied

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"to them than the title Deutsches "Reich, which means 'German Em" pire.'
"We have lately seen the legend "Republique Francaise replaced for "the foreign offices by Poste Fran"caise, so as to a void hutting anyone's "feelings. On the same idea there "was no occasion for altering the leg"end on the stamps of the German "Orices, rather than the contrary."
From the continuation of the article on the stamps of IIamburg I quote the following tests for genuine stamps of the first issue:
" 1 schilling brown.
a. In the a of Hamburg there is a dot under the crossbar.
b. Under the horizontal stroke at the left top of $m$ in the same word there is a tiny dot.
c. Over the letters ur of the same word there is a distinct horizontal stroke.
d. At the right of the third turret, it and the vertical lime separating the arms from Schilling, there is a dot.
e. There is a dot at the left of and under the upper horizontal stroke of the $p$ in Postmarke.
f. The horizontal stroke at the base of the $t$ in Postmarke ends at the right in a wellmariked stroke; at the left there is only adot.
1 schilling red.
a, Over the lower seref of the right leg of the $h$ in Hamburg there is a small dot.
b. On the left arm of the $U$ in Hamburg, just under the seref, there are two small inclined dashes at right and left.
c. At the left of the first 1 of Schilling and under the seref at the top there is a dot.
d. Over the ng of the same word

Better compare your stamps carefully; the number of forgeries is legion. Also look out for stamps of the next (perforated) isstue clipped and parading as such of the first; the margins are often quite large even then.

The January number of the "Australian Philatelist" presents some items of interest. One relates to postal fiscals of Tasmania; the Superintendant of the Tasmanian G. P. O. writes to Mr. Hagen:
"In reply to your letter***"I beg to "inform you that 3d platypus, 2sh 6d
" St. George aud dragon, 10 sh St.
"George and dragon and 20sh Queen's " head were surcharged with the word
" 'Revenue' and were on sale and " available for postage for about four-
" teen days in November 1901 (signed) Henry L. D' Emdes." Scott lists only the 3 d and the 2 sli 6 d of this set; Stanley Gibbons all except the 10 sh.

Another matter of interest is the exposure of a Sydney dealer who has for several years been selling (and probably producing) faked Australian stamps, chiefly with counterfeit perforarions. The following list of his fakes may be of interest, as in a letter that was produced in evidence he alludes to the good market for these wares in America.

NEW SOUTII WAI,ES.
Dradem, perf 12: 3d (rare shade), 8d.
1870-80, Small Crown: perf. 10: 4d. lsh; perf. $10 \times 121 / 2$; 5d. 8d; perf. $121 / 2$ : 2 d ; perf. $121 / 2 \times 10$ : 3d.
1880-87, Large Crown: perf. $121 / 2 \times 10$ : 2d; perf. $111 / 2 \times 10: 2 \mathrm{~d}$; perf. 12: 1d; perf. $12 \times 10$ : 9d; peri. $12 \times$ 11: 2d.
WMk. 10, perf. $11 \times 10$ : 10 d .
Offictal Stamps, Smali Crown: perf. 121/2: 2d; perf. $10 \times 12 \frac{1}{2}$ : 2d; perf. $121 / 2 \times 10: 3 \mathrm{~d}$.
Large Crown: perf. 10: 2d; perf. $111 / 2$ x 10: 6 d ; perf. $12 \underline{1} / 2 \times 10$ : 2 d ; perf. 11/2: 5d.
5sh. Mars: perf. 10 , perf. $11 \times 10$, perf. $10 \times 11$.
Fiju. perf. $10 \times 121 / 2$ : 1d. 2d; perf. $12 \times$ 10: 1d, 2d; perf. 10: 4d, 5d. 5sh stamp cleaned and regunimed. (Figi list is incomplete).
Tasmania.
1864-70: perf. 10: 2d; perf. 121/2:2d, 4d, 6d, 1sh.
New Zealand.
1878: perf. $10 \times 121 / 2$ : 1d, 2d, $6 d$ (incomplete).
QueEnsi,And.
Perf. $9 \times 12$ : 1d, 2 d (two plates). 1 sh .
South Australia.
Roulette and perf.: 1 sh ; first star, Perf $10-1 d$ perf $10 \times 111 / 2-6 \mathrm{~d}$.

I have received No. 1 of a new comer: the porto rica stamp exchange, bailing from San Juan. P. R. It is partly in Spanish and partly in English and quite a creditable first attempt. The articie of chief interest is one describing a provisional issued at Ponce in early days of American occupation. It is a circular hand stamp lettered POSTAGES (sic) above CORFOS below and 5 c in the center. It was issued by the City Council of Ponce for service locally and to the surrounding cities, before use each letter also had to be stamped with the seai of the Alcalde, showing the Spanish Arms. The issue was proposed by R. U. Colom, Mayor of Ponce, and approved by Maj. Gen. Wilson, as shown by documents reproduced by our colleague.

Roty's graceful "Lower"-the new design for the French stamps-has set the French collectors digging into the past for her ancestry and in No. 7 of $\mathrm{L}_{\mathrm{a}}$ Cote Reelle M. Lemaire illustrates a medal struck under Louis XIV., about 1680, which exhibits a male sower, who might well pose as the igrandfather of Roty's maiden.

In Nos. 7, 8 and 9 of this paper there is a comprehensive article on the stamps of Chile, incorporating the late discoveries in the first issue and illustrating the composition of the plates of the postage due stamps.

Of greater interest is the plate with No. 9 illustrating the entire cover lately purchased by M. Lemaire and bearing the first one and two penny of Mauritius both used together on a letter addressed to Bordeaux. This pair was bought by M. Lemaire for forty thousand francs ( $\mathbf{8 8 0 0 0}$ )! This makes the thirteenth Id and the ninth 2 d known, also the fouth and fifth copies handled by M. Lemaire -more than by any other dealer. Eleven are in France, nine in England, one in Russia, one in Germany; our millionaire collectors haven't succeeded in luring one over here as yet.-The paper gives a detailed history of each copy known and illustrates quite a number of them; but as I reproduced part of a similar compilation a while ago, I shall not do so with this one. See his ad on another page.

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In No. 10, La Cote Reelle is fortu. nate enough to illustrate a die proof taken from the unfinished die of Roty's "Sower." The space for the value is as yet blank and the whole is not yet fully developed. In its present state the design is rather disappointing. The figute is fraceful, but the background is very monotonous. Oddly enough, all the shadow of the figure is on the side toward the rising sun and, what is equally incorrect, she is sowing against the wind. I am afraid you will all be disappointed with this design also.
I find the surprising information that in 1904 there is to be an Exposition at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in honot of the cession of Louisiana to the Uinited States, that there is to be a set of stamps and that Napoleon I. is to appear on one of them. Surely one bas to go far from home to hear news.
Szekula Briefmarken-Verkehr No. 19 informs us that the French Colonial Ministry is just getting ready to issue a ner set of stamps for Madagascar. The design was made by the unfortunate painter Merwart and the die has teen engraved by M. Damman (the same artist who engraved the French Congo Bet $!$ !!) The desigu comprises a tree named ravenala; beneath it a zebu and on one of its branches an AyeAye, a curious nocturnal animal of the monkey tribe. A veritable work of art, no doubt.
Dr. Szalay writes irterestingly on the subject: "What one should know about a stamp," and proves that one could easily write a thirty-page monograph on any given stamp. You will understrnd this when you hear that he tequires you to know:

1. Why the stamp in question was issued (historicrl, postal, etc.)
2. Designer and engraver.
3. How the stamp was printed: typo-
graphed, lithopraphed, line-en graved, etc.
4. Whether there are type-varieties in the plate.
5. Whether the impression is clear, greasy, blurred etc.
6. Whether the printing was done in one or more operations.
7. Number of stamps in sheet atid arrangement in panes etc.; whether perforated at edge of sheet or not.
8. Watermark in margin of sheet.
9. Distance between the rows (to detect clipped stamps).
10. Paper: chalk, tissue, wove, granite, etc.; thickness and texture.
11. Color of paper.
12. Laid and ribbed lines in paper.
13. Gloss of paper (to detect repairs).
14. Gum and its qualities.
15. Control marks on back.
16. Watermark.

And there is more to come. I see our collectors posing as walking cyclopedias, but there is much in this for the beginner to ponder upon.

Six pages of fine print in No. 2 of the Vertrauliches Korrespondenz-Blatt are barely enough to recapitulate the present condition of affairs in the absorbing question of Bavarian reprints which has divided the followers of PhiJately in the Fatherland into two warring factions. I should much like to give extracts, but the matter is so involved that they would be of little use. The question is not yet definitely decided; momentarily the champions of the originality of Mr. Kosack's purchase seem to be in the advantage.

In the matter of the late socalled "reprints" of the first Moldavian issue, which raised so much dust lately. the balance of evidence is strongly turning against them; it seems proved almost to evidence that they are process reproductions from real reprints made in black ink in 1890 by M. Gorjan, who was P. M. G. of Rulimania at that time. M. Moroiu, who is offering these late "reprints," has rather an unsavory reputation, anyway, and his goods seem to be no better.

## A Country of Rarities.

 (By Frank C. Young.)
## (Continued from last number.)

The fourth issue, 1856 , was another locally produced provisional, made to fill a vacancy pending the arrival of a supply from the mother country. It was printed from type set up in the office of the Official Gazette at Georgetown, an ordinary newspaper cut of a ship being used for the central design, and consisted of 1 c and 4 c values, which were initiated before being used.

It has been stated that this issue was in use for but one mail, but this seems improbable, at least for the $4 c$ value, as it has been found on four distinct varieties of paper. The 1 cent of this issue is the rarest known stamp of government issue, but one copy being known, that in the collection of M. Phillpp La Renatiere (Herr von Fewary) of Paris. It is described as a very poor copy, somewhat rubbed, initialed E. D. W., and dated April 1, year not legible. The value of this stamp cannot be estimated, but it could likely be sold for $\$ 10,000$, poor copy though it be.

Commencing with the year 1860 we enter a seeming labyrinth of issues, starting with the engraved issue dated 1860, which was broken by another provisional emission in 1862 , type set and locally printed like all previous provisionals, and initialed this time by the Acting Receiver General of the colony The design is among the most crude and poorly printed of any officially issued postage stamps, consisting of the words "British" 10 the left, "Guiana" at the top, "Postage" to the right and the value at the bottom, surrounded by a fancy border, also of type. The stamps were printed in sheets of 24 and not enough border
of one kind being at hand to set up the entire sheet, several kinds were used, sometimes two or three more on the one stamp. In most of the types an inner rectangle was formed by lines. Rouletted; two values, 10 and $4 c ; 24$ types of each value.

Another provisional of local manufacture was resorted to in 1882, again in black ink on colored paper, in ic and 2 c values. These have a fancy type-set border, as in the 1862 issue, with newspaper cut of a ship as the central design and $1-8 \cdot 8-2$, one figure in each corner. Instead of being initialed as a preventative against fraud, each stamp was perforated with the word "specimen." These are not of as great variety as previously issued provisionals.

Perforation was commenced in 1860 and was changed so frequently as to make a large number of varieties not otherwise distinguishable. The date, 1868, given by Scott for those perforated 10 appears to be too late, as the Stamp Collectors' Magazine noted February 1, 1867, that the 1c, 2 c and 12c of this colony "now apear to be perforated with fewer holes than formerly," which would seem to fix the date as the latter part of 1866.

While all the stamps of this colony are not classed as rarities, very few, even among the more recent emissions, are common, and used copies in fine condition are well worth preserving. A Georgetown correspondent of the writer says in a recent letter: "There are not many philatelists (in the colony) and British Guiana stamps are hard to obtain here, especially the higher values, as they are used more on parcels to foreign countries. I am sure that if stamp catalogue publishers knew how hard it is to obtain used British Guiana stamps they would have priced them much higher."

In conclusion let us suggest "Damus petimus que vicissim," the colony's motto, which may be freely translated "We give and take by turns." as a guide for the West readers, that each might in turn add his mite of information for that which he takes apay, thus adding much in the total to the study of philately.

# DEPARTMENT OF INQUIRY 

conducted by LGDJRPAF, Bx 37, Wayside, Wis

Questions relative to stamps will be answered in this column free of charge to subscribers. All estions nust be sent to the above address. tod a ac stamp rust accompany each letter conminidg questions. Whel stamps are sent for eramination. return postage must be included tesides the fee above provided for.
9.-WHO CAN GIVE INFORMATION kGGRDING STATE RFVENUES? Thein. formation desired is: What states have issued revenues? What denominations? How many? For what purposes? Where they may be ubtained? Who collects them? Of course, date of issue and time of use, or any other item is welcome. The more detailed and defisite the better.
98. WHATARE THE DIFFERENCFS OF THE TYPES OF THE 15 CRNTS U. S. 1869? Type 1. has three paralell brown linea :ust around the space for the blue picture, the middle one being the thickest and forming a diamond at the top. Within the space for the picture are diagonal brown shading lines extending along the bottom and up the two sides. Type II. is without the brown frame lines and shows a small white space in place of the diamond. The browushading lines within the space for the picture are horizontal. Type III. has neither the brown frame nor the brown shading lines. It belongs to the reissue of 1875 . The blue lines are the same in all 3 Types.
99. Mr. R. H. Edwards states that "in a whole bundle of circulars which I sorted every one had the same stamp imperforate TOP AND BOTTOM, precanieled Chicago, over 40 of them". How can this be accounted for? When a single stamp appears so, the probability is that the perforation has been cut
off, but in so large a lot that explanation is unsatisfactory. When a stamp is imperforate at one side and at top or bottom only, that is easily accounted for by the way whole sheets of 400 are cut into post office sheets of 100 , or by the way stamps are cut in the stamp books; but this will not explain why a whole lot of stamps are imperforate TOP AND BOTTOM. Who can explain?
100. Sometimesin an issueof stamps which is supposed to be printed on wa. termarked paper, a specimen may be found apparently without watermark. Examples: Bavaria 1881-1888, present U. S., etc. Should these be collected as separate varieties? Nobody should be commanded what to collect or what not. If it can be proven that in a whole sheet of watermarked stamps, one or more watermarks have been left out, then the particular stamp on that unwatermarked piece of paper might be considered a genuine error. If, however, the watermatk is indistinct and hard to find, or if the watermark has disappeared in course of manufacture and handing of the stamps, the specimen would stand in the same line with poor impressions, damaged specimens and the like.
101. WHVAREU. S. REVENUES WHICR ARE PKINTED ON BANK CHECKS AND OTHEK DOCUMENTS NOT LISTED AND PRICED THE SAME AS THH ADHESIVES? The only apparent reason seems to be this, and nobody has as yet undertaken the task. They are quite as well worth being collected as the adhesives, but they are much rarer and it may be nearly impossible to get a full collection of them now, or even a full list and history. If anyone having such desires I shall be glad to see and describe them. If possible leave the document uncut and entire!

# Notes for USCollectors <br> E Aldrich 

Painesville is now represented in the precancelled column by the one, two, four, five and six cent stamp.

Up to date I have noted the new Gsue precancelled Chicago 3, 5, 8. 1c isttica, Minneapolis, St. Paul, to West Arove, 5c Providence, 8c Scranton.

The new two cent stamp since its appearance does not seem to receive as many complimentary remarks as the design did when its adoption was announced. One paper says "The father of his country looks more like a rummy old tavern keeper than the distinguished statesman and general that we have been accustomed to regard him." Another refers to the portrait as "looking like sonte old colonial sot." Washington was far from being a teetotaller but he never lowered himself to merit the remarks the new stamps are bringing forth. An eastern daily truthfully remarks that it even takes fifteen of them to look likethirty cents. The muddy appearance of a few of the first ones I saw made the stamp worthy of adverse criticism, but later copies have looked much better. As long as dostal regulations call for a red stamp, fastidious critics will say abusive things for red ink and damp paper will not do really fine work.

As yet I have not seen a new 2 cent envelope but letters from those who have prepared me for a monstrosity on a par with the Indian native state home prints. One correspondent says "It takes a magnifying glass to find the embossing and a microscope to find the likeness to anyone in the features. It might be Cornwallis or Burgoyne, or Howe or some forgotten tory camp follower of the British, or it might be intended for Wayne, Prescott
or Green of the patriot army. Who the draughtsman was I dont know but he should enter a primary class in the kindergarden and learn to draw. If it isn't wood block it ought to be."

## Counterfeits and Their Detection. By $R$ R Thiole (Continued from last number.)

U.S. On the genuine stamp the vertical white lines between the letters of NEWSPAPERS and PERIODICALS and the two flame like extensions at the top of each pair of lines are not really lines, but are formed by tiny kinks in the wavy white lines forming the background for these two words; on the forgery this has been very poorly imitated and the white vertical lines are really continuous lines. On the genuine the word AND is enclosed in a very thin double white frame line the outer one forming a loop at either end; on the forgery there is only one white line around the word. The letters of NEWSPAPERS are well shaped on on the genuine; on the forgery they are not so well executed and not all of the same height; for instance the first $P$ is smaller than the $S$ just before it, and the last S is larger than the R before it. The $\mathbf{N}$ of AND is set higher than the $A$ and $D$, thus $A^{N} D$. The letters of the smaller inscription inscription sec. 38 , ACT OF CONGRESS apPROVED MARCH 3d 1863 are all poorly drawn on the imitation-too tall and thin, and almost all of them SANS-sERIF type. On the genuine they all have distinct serifs and hairlines; these details give the letters on the genuine rather a blurred effect, eg the A's are nearly all white triangles. On the forgery the A's are all distinctly crossbarred. Likewise the S's of CONGRESS on the genuine look almost like figures 8, while on the forgery they are quite open. The minute inscription at the extreme base of the stamp, National bank note company, new
work, in spite of its small size is on the genuine stamp perfectly legible, rhereas on the forgery, by reason of its lithographic execution, this inscription is usually quite illegrible.
These are differences enough, apparent to the experienced collector, but with the overprint "Fac-Similie" obliterated by a fake canceliation, these forgeries would easily impose on begimners or collectors who have no getuine stamp with which to compare. In our next installment I shall de. scribe the 10 and 25 cents of the same set.

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Australian Notes
 AUS:RALIA. Referring to a pragraph in the WEST of December doubting the reports made by contemporaries of the printing of other than the 1d and 2d Tasmanian Pictorials on $V$ and crown paper. I am in a position to state authoritatively from personal inquiries at the Victorian Government Printing Office from whence they issued that only those values had been so printed $u p$ to February 6, 1903. Fixing the date may imply the probability of other values later and I believe a "Registered" stamp or similar stamp for similar paper for Tasmania is in contemplation. Another paragraph relating to the presentation to the postmaster General here by a firm of London engravers of a handsomely mounted complete series of the first stamps issued in each of the Australian states (a contributed clipping from the Melbourne Argus) reads like a fairy tale, but the Argus is a daily which wots not of stamps. Mr. Drake who doesn't share the Victorian's interest in Philately, but is apparently a good judge for all that, quickly made another presentation, and the connissure as the Argus terms him can view the exhibits in the public library, but one look is enough, he doesnt want to gloat, they are die proofs in black, some cut to
shape and mounted, almost as interesting and valuable as a similar se ${ }^{t}$ cut from an illustrated catalogue.
Ex. Min. 1. Commonwealth of Aust. Post-Master General's Dep't.

21st January, 1903. NEW SOUTH WALES.
HIS Excellency the Governor-General in and over the Commonwealth of Australia, by and with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, has approved that, in accordance with the provisions of the 30 th Section of the Post and Telegraph Act 1901, the sale of postage stamps of the denominations of $51 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. and $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. at present in use in the State of New South Wales, be discontinued.

> JAMES G. DRAKE.
> Postmaster-General.

Surcharged Australians should be garnered, they are doomed, the $71 / 20$. and $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. New South Wales have been withdrawn by Gazette notice (forwarded herewith) some earnest workers in the philatelic vineyard didn't get enough and are squeaking. The surcharged O. S. stamps are also to go and will probably be punctured instead, like the Victorians. The Postaid Telegraph Act Apparently prohibits the surcharging of stamps, a very good thing too, they get so tiresome, sometimes you find it upside down, in arother fellows collection, which is annoying. Who wouldn't like to meet a North Borneo official and surcharge him in black and blue for instance.

South Australia. Type of high values 1887 , with altered inscription, The series now includes $3 \mathrm{~d}, 4 \mathrm{~d}, 8 \mathrm{~d}, 9 \mathrm{~d}$, $10 \mathrm{~d}, 1|-2| 6,5-$ and $20 \mid$.

New Revenue 1d; long rect., serrated green and purple, King's Head in oval. rather taking stamp.

Tasmania, new Revenue, 3d slate, platypus, surcharged $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$, large figures covering almost entire stamp, first batch went off like hot cakes.

Western Australia, $2 \mid 6$ value adopted from Victorian die 5 d current issie. 10p adopted from the Victorian die 1d green 1885.

## WASHINGTON NOTES. (C. M.)

The law forbidding the illustration of United States coins, which interferes so much with publications relating to the collection of them is an Act of Congress dated February 10, 1891. This act is extremely broad and forbids the making of any die, hub or mold, either of plaster or any substance whatsoever in likeness or similitude as to the design or description thereof, etc., etc. This absolutely bars the making of any electrotype which of itself might possibly, though it is hard to say how, be used to produce a counterfeit of the coin illustrated. A bill introduced in the first session of the present Congress by Mr. Penrose of Pennsylvania (Senate 5536), to permit the use of illustrations of coins, will die in committee. The Act of 1891 was purposely made stringent in order that the possession of any such electrotype or imitation should be illegal. This severity greatly simplifies the work of the secret service officers in the prosecution of counterfeiters. As the possession in itself is sufficient to sustain the criminal action it is not necessary to prove that the dies or imitations were intended to be used in counterfeiting.

The protection of the integrity of the United States coinage is of course paramount to the interests of those who collect coins for a hobby. The cuts which are occasionally seen in newspapers and more rarely in catalogues are illegally published and when the attention of the Treasury Department is called to:such cases, a warning is sent to the publisher as to the criminality of the act.

Those who are inclined to think this needless caution should inspect the museum of counterfeiting appliances seized by the secret service officials
and note what crude and faulty imitations of coins and paper currency have passed. The imitation currency used in business colleges, though hardly resembling a bank wote in any respect except as to size, has passed current until it has reached a bank.

A bill therefore to permit such itlustrating has no chance of passing.

The postal check bill has been reported favorably by the House Committee to which it was referred. It will not be passed this session as the time is too short, but the prospects for it next December are bright. It provides for a blank space on all paper currency on which an endorsement may be placed restricting payment to the endorsee, the payment to be made by any posmtaster at the place indicated on the endorsement. Atwo-cent stamp is to be affixed as payment for the trouble involved.

The new penalty envelopes to be used by the different government departments are to have the seal of the department impressed in the upper right hand corner. The one for the Interior Department has been seen, and looks very much like an oval stamp embossed on the envelope.

On the third of March the President signed an act to provide certain souvenir medallions for the benefit of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Association. The purpose of this organization is to erect in Washington a statue of the signer of the Declaration of Independance. The medals are not to exceed in number one hundred and fifty thousand, are to be made from silver or bronze, and the material is to be furnished by the association. They will be struck at the Philadelphia Mint.

An order of the Postmaster General provides that all parcels post conventions with the United States shall include the Philippine Islands.

## AND CAMERA NEWS.

A rumor that the pennies of 1902 contained by mistake a small quantity of gold, and therefore were worth 15 cents has been responsible for a great deal of interest being taken here by newsboys and others in coppers having that date. It was groundiless but the boys, while it was in circulation, worried everyone for these coins.
The chiefs of the Insular Bureau of the War Department have received from the Philadelphia mint the first specimens of the new Philippine currency. It is of peso value, simple and beautiful in its design. On its face is an emblematic female figure representing a Filipino working out the destimies of her race on an anvil (a delicate allusion to the fact that the woman does the work in savage countries). Behind her is the smoking cone of a rolcano and around the picture are the mords "One peso" "Filipinas". On the reverse of the coin is a slightly modified representation of the United States coat of arms with the words "United States of America".
The islands will be supplied with these about July 1.
The officials of the postoffice are hardly pleased wiih the reception accorded the new issue. The only denominations about which no complaint comes are the 8 and 13 cent. All the others are condemned in one quarter or another. The reason for this is that the two values approved are the nearest to black in the series so far, and the designs are approved when printed in black: it is difficult to forsee the general effect of a proof in black when printed in color. And colored inks are harder to handle anyway, especially the red of the two cent value.
The 57th Congress adjourned without passing any of the bills in which philatelists are interested. The postal check, one cent postage and second class mail restriction legislation all died a natural death.

ondon boasts of 144 stamp dealers, more than any other city in the world.

Portugal is introducing penny postage in its colonies, the single letter rate being reduced from 50 reis to 25 reis.

The 1863 issue of France was a commemorative one. The laurel wreath was added to the head of Napoleon because of his victories in Italy.

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Corn appears on Roumanian stamps, grass on the jungle stamps of Perak and the maple leaf on the stamps of Canada.

The rose, shamrock and thistle may be seen on various stamps of Great Britain, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British South Africa.

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The prince of Wales and the earl of Crawford were among the exhibitors at a recent exhibition held by the London Philatelic society.

The Birmingham Philatelic society has a counterfeit collection of 1,700 specimens.

England has a philatelic lecturer, F. J. Melville. Among his subjects are "Stamps with Stories" and "His Majestie's Mails."

## Inscriptions on Stamps <br> $\mathbf{B} \mathbf{Y} \quad \mathbf{L} . \quad \mathbf{G} . \quad \mathbf{D} \mathbf{O} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{T}$

AFGHANISTAN. I have not a single copy of the stamps of this country and do not remember having seen any either. To decipher the inscriptions the cuts in the catalogues must serve as subjects of study. We shall take Scotts' 1903 as the standard, though it might be a little more exact in regard to its cuts.

Letters are the Arabian, the language is the Indo. Persian. We berin with the characters of value on page 73 and 74. The first is the most regular form for ,SHAHI," the other four are corruptions. In the last one of the dots in the ,,SH'' is accidentally left away. In the second line, ,SANAR" is correct, and the two forms of,,ABASSI' too. How in the world one is to read , 6 SHAHI out of the last conglomeration I do not see. I would read "YAKRUPIA" 1 rupee. The first character on the fourth line on the contrary is not 1 rupee, but,,SHASH SHAHI:' 6 shai. The rest $I$ take to be correct, though I do not know what ,,one half" is in Persian. In the cuts $\Lambda 2$ to A 6 the value is indicated in the center over the would-be tiger's head. A4 seems to be inverted, but the value is in a correct position at the lower part of the center; shash shai (shash is expressed by the numeral figure). The legend in the surrounding circular band is in all these types the same, to wit: ,,maHsoor, i CaApark. hana dar oos surtaneti kabool" ie income of the postoffice of the Sultanate of Kabul (Afghanistan. Kabool is composed of two characters resembling a capital English J and an inverted $R$. Hetween Mahsool and Kabool we have the figures denoting the the year 1288, 1289, 1290, 1292. Cuts

A7 to S11 seem to have substantially the same, but partly very indistinct. The value of these in script just to the left of the figures of the year. In all these the base of the letters is toward the outside. In cuts A12 to A15 the base of the letters is toward the inside, reading " 8 TIKAT-9-I-DAR-OOS-2-SUL'TANAT-1-I-LABOOL' ie Ticket (stamp) of the Sultanate of Kabul. with the figures of the year 1298 in. serted between in inverse order. The value is in the center. Commence at the top and read to the left, until you stop at the right; use a little imagin. ation and yon will get it all right. Now to cuts A16 to R S 1, we start in the right upper corner. Here we have in all seven: "MAHSOOL," A20 and A21 being plainest. Then in the left upper corner we proceed with, "KAGHASI DAK KHANA.' 'The very long stroke passing accross the whole middle of the stamp is "lat" of "DEVLdT," "day" being expressed by the two comma-like letters at the right. "AF. GHANISTAN" is in A19 in the right lower corne, in A20 and A21 in the middle of the lower line. In S19 we we find, ,MISCAL"' after, in A20 and A21 above Afghanistan. In cuts Alf to A 18 we read the same, but arranged along the outer line of the stamp, like this:

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In the eenter is "MISCAL" and the value in words: What Miscal means I do not know. Otherwise the inscrip. tion means: Income paper of the post office of the kingdom of Afghanistan. for the numeral words see the article on Persia.

COLLECTING MANIA MADE EDUCATIONAL

By ERNEST R. HOLMES
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The collecting fever shown by almost all children from six to fifteen pears of age is a natural instinct which, if properly directed and encouraged may set childish minds information serking, and yield much permanent benefit beside the lively pleasure of collection.
Left to itself, it is apt to spend its erioris on trivial things, or at least to waline itself to mere gathering of objects, with but little inquiry ints their meaniug. Usually elders look with suparior indulgence on the whims of the youngsters in gathering cigarette pictures, tobacco tags, birds' eggs or butterties thinking they "will get over it," as they do measles, not distinguishing in any way between the forms of collecting. The cigarette matufacturer has a keener insight into boy nature. He knows that boys mill collect pictures of handy size and mfractive subjects, perhaps the more tagerly if verging on the indecent, and that from collector of cigarette pictures to buyers of cigarettes and of the particular brand that has the most ittractive pictures, is a short step. No thoughtful parent or teacher can see any benefit to come to boys from possession of portraits of stage beauties and ballet dancers, or from intimate dsociation in any way with the tobaccobusiness. Since the boys will collect something, and Dr. G. S. Hall fond only nineteen out of 229 Boston bogs who did not, the wise part is to get them interested in a pursuit of more beneficia ${ }^{1}$ nature. Statistics show that 34 per cent. of boy collectors are interested in tobacco. pictures and
stamps, (why they should be coupled is not plain) and 32 per cent. in gathering objects of nature. About one third of the boys, therefore, of their own motion start to collecting stones, shells, leaves, plants, birds seaweed, eggs and so on. Everyone of the classes of objects can be made instructive in science and natural history. The boy collector left to himself will be content with the possession of a certain number of curious and pretty things. Only the more observant will seek to know much about the things collected, and without adult assistance will find inquiry baffling. With that assistance, a little mineral collection can be made to yield a very fair notion of geology and the history of the earth's formation. Its gathering will cause healthful rambles on hillside and mountain, investigation of strata, and observation of quarry methods. Leaves may lead to identification of tree and plant species, a innowledge of structural botany, plant economy and habits, and a trained observation that will be useful in any pursuit.

Collection which destroys life, as that of eggs and birds, may well be curbed, as there are resultant evils, and cruelty should not be encouraged. Carefully done, however, by removing only one eggं from a nest, egg collecting is not very objectionable, and it appeals to many boys very sirongly. Much knowledge of birds and their habits is almost forced upon such a collector, but intelligent direction will vastly increase the store of information gained.

No prettier objects than shells are collected, and their forms and colors are a delight to the artistic sense. Besides this, however, a whole department of scientific knowledge is opened up if the young collector is guided past formidable names and classification.
(To be continued.)
 By R R THIELE. (Continued)

0n the face we find tro registration marks. One has previousiy been described; it is dike this:

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## St Petersbourg

This is impressed by a rubber handstamp and bears no number; it is the regulation foreign registration mark. The other one is a printed one, it is like this:

| $\rightarrow$ | No. 958 |
| :---: | :---: |
| $<$ | C. nerepaypib |
| $20-k$ контора |  |

The border and the large figure are in red, the rest is in black, the number also typeset. The large figure is not a 3, but a Russian letter $S$ the initial of the word SaKasnoe, meaning Registered. The small inscription under "St. Petersburg" means "20th Office" (i. e. branch office). This registration label should really be used only on domestic letters, the international agreement calling for the letter R as shown on the hand stamp as described above; but it seems to have served through to the destination of the letter, as the only other registry number is the one of the New York office, impressed in blue by a numbering machine.

Every collector of experience has gathered some of this experience in foreign exchanging. It is fascinating and sometimes profitable, often quite the contrary. If it is your luck to re-
ceive your letter back, that is annoying, but no doubt less so than eever to hear from it at all. Both kinds of luck have come my way and some of the returned letters are quite interesting in themselves.

For instance, here is the envelope of a letter sent by me to a certain ex. change friend of mine at 17 Rue Hy . perides, Athens, Greece. It was registered and left here on Nov. 4th, 1901, as shown by the Manchester postmark Next comes the registry postmark on the back of the letter:

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\begin{gathered}
\text { NEW YORK, U.S. A. } \\
11-7 \\
1901 \\
\text { FOREIGN }
\end{gathered}
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in a double oval, the inscriptions between the two ovals, the date in the center. On the face of the letter there is the international adhesive registration label:

|  | United States of America. |
| :---: | :---: |
| NEW YORK, N. Y. |  |
| No. 18872 |  |

printed in red with blue figures inserted with a numbering machine. The date of its arrival at Athens is not shown, nor does it bear any transit postmarks, but on the back it bears the large manuscript figures 215 , evidently added in the Athens office, to judge by the ink, which is the same as that used for the remarks to be de. scribed later. When the letter was to be delivered, someone made a mistake and read Hyperides as Euripides, the name of another street; the mistake is intelligible, considering that Hyperides in Roman capitals (as written by me) looks something like Euripides in Greek capitals. So the letter carrier took it to the latter street, of course without success, as is shown by his manuscript notation on the back of the letter.
(To be continiued.)

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## the Zoology of Philately

Ashort time ago an article appeared in the Philatelic Journal of India, under the above heading accompanied by a list of the various animals depicted upon stamps, which is, we think, of sulficient interest to be repeated here. This should open the eyes of a great many to the infinite variety there is in stamps designs and the possibility of bililding up a collection upon almost anty lines. A zoological collection would be a novelty, and at the same time of great interest to anyone taking up the task, while the field to be covered is sufficiently extensive to give zes: to the hunt, without destroying the hope of success. Here is the listdrgus. Pheasant-Laubaun, North Borneo.
Bear, Honey-Nanbinan, North Borneo Beaver-Canada.
Bison-United States, Uruguay.
Camel-Soudan, Obock, Gibouti.
Cattle-United States, Cuba.
Cod-fish-New foundland.
Crocodile-Laubuan, North Borneo. Dog-Newfoundland, United States.

Dragon-China, Shanghai, Tasmania.
Dromedary-Nyassa.
Eagle-Bolivia, Columbia, Hungary, U. S. A.

Elephant--Sirmoor, Straits Settlements Congo, Siberia, Uganda.
Emu-New South Wales.
Frigate Bird-Cook Islands.
Giraffe-Nyassa.
Goose-China.
Hippopotamus-Siberia.
Horse-Barbados, Brazil, Crete, Ger. many, Formosa, Tasmania, Greece, U. S. A., New Zealand.

Huia-New Zealand.
Kaka-New Zealand.
Kangaroo-New South Wales, South Australia
Leopard-Congo
Lion-Uganda, British East Africa
Llama-Bolivia, Pertu
Lyre Bird-New South Wales
Mule-Mexico, US A
Orang outong-Laubuan. N Borneo
Osprey-Japan (45 sell 1845)
Parrot-Tonga
Pheasant-Japan
Pigeon-Siberia
Platypus-Tasmania


he above cut represents a 5100000 display of Indian Bead Work in the Mineral Palace at Deadwood 1901. L. W. Stilwell, Deadwood, S. D., has been in the business 18 years. He wholesales Indian Indian Baskets, Elk Teeth, Bird and Animal Claws. Minerals, Fossils, Arrow Heads, Etc., dealers. Send to him for price lists. For collectors he has a 40 -page retail catalogue of over 100,000 specimens, for5c in stamps.



Rare Covers taken by E. Chandlee.

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Miss Humble, whose fair profile is proof evidence that she is just the opposite from what her name implies; is a fair flower of the "Sunflower State". She proudly proclaims her typical Kansas spirit by being born in Independence in '83. She became interested in stamps and is now identified with the Western Stamp Co. She is a graduate of the St. Joe High school 1901 class and is a talented woman with a natural business ability.

Howard S. Dickey Mgr. of the West. ern Stamp Co. is herewith presented to our readers. He is also a native production of the "Sunflower State." He is an ardant collector of both coins and stamps and lias been actively engaged ill promoting the interests of philately since 1893 having added many recruits to philatelics ranks He expects his natural fondness for the "wee bits of paper" to which we all pay tribute will continue in spite of all obstacles or reverses. He is a member of the Kan. Phil Society and is a staunch friend and firm believer in the WEST and the principles which its editor advocates. We propose the toast to Mr Dickey Ad Astra Per Aspera.

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Charlestown S. C. Paid stamps
VanBuren Ark. Hand stamps

Pocotalico S. C. " "
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Batesville Ark.
Sandy Point
Sulphur Kock Ark. " ". "
Hazlehulst Miss.
Pendleton S. C.
Murfreesboro Tenn" "
Pendleton S. C. " "
Athens Tenn.
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We want Photographs with short mention, of stamps, covers, coins, curos and relics of your collections for the WEST. Prefer mounts on alussy paper makes the best cuts and be a good big ad for $y$ su and your collection.

## Early Roman Coins.

Two early Roman Coins of exceptional interest have been tumearthed in connection with the making of a new sewer under the premises of Messrs. T. and J. Bayley, Downgate Hill. They were found embedded in the soil twenty Ge feet below the surface. One of them is a silver token of Domitian, A. D. 81-96, the head of Cosar in bas relief, and the figure of a Roman warrior appearing thereon. It is in a splendid state of preservation. The other is a brass coin of Trajan, A. D. 98, and is also well preserved. It bears the head of the Em. peror, who, it is said, built the first wall round London. On the other site of the coin is the figure of a Roman soldier, mounted, and carrying a spear.




IIn the November issue of the WEST, in this department, the Curio Fditor, mentioned a kind of tree in Australia which emits a disagreeable odor, and which when touched stings one like a hornet. What our authority was for this statement has escaped us, as the Fditor jots down in his note book bits of information here and there, out of magazines. pipers, from personal letters and various $o$ her sources, and makes up his department from this book. Whatever our source of information about this Anstralian tree it is certain that no name was given it else we would have "jotted it down." Now comes a letter from a WEST subscriber, Mr. John Resuggan, of Avoca, Victoria, who says that "born and raised in Australia I have never come across such a tree," and he kindly asks the Editor to name it. We can't do it, Brother Resuggan! Can anyone else? If they can't we'll have to admit that there's a strong suspicion of our baving been wrong. Of course Australia is a large country, and there's a possibility that such a tree might grow somewhere over there and our correspondent not know about it, just as there ate miny natural curiosities to be found in Arizona that the collector of Maine has neter heard of. We wish that our friend Resuggan would clip out or copy the item in the November WEST and send it to a Melbourne or Sydney newspaper with the inquiry as to whether such a tree grows anywhere in Australia. Really, Brother Resuggan, we are interested now and honestly want to know. If any other reader has information we would
be glad to have it. Meauwhile we thank our Victorian correspondent for calling our attention to the matter.

The rarest sea shell in existence is one known as "The Cone of the Holy Mary." A specimen in the British Museum was valued, a few years ago, at some $\$ 5000$.

An important archaeological find was recently made on the farm of Henry Hendricks near East Alton, Ills. It seems that Mr. Hendricks was grading on his farm, and was leveling a mound that stood near his house. The farm is said to be dotted with mounds of the same kind, and the new owner had determined to level off his recently purchased real-estate. About six feet below the top of the mound his men uncovered a portion of earth stained a greenish tinge, and the curiosity of the graders was aroused. Mr. Hendricks proceeded with the search and found two copper axes, a copper wedge, three broken hard stone implements and a large chunk of the red-stone paint which the aborigines used in decorating their works of art and in doing some of the ineffaceable painting which they say is found on the smooth surfaces of the rocky bluffs near Aiton. All efforts to rub out the marks made by the red-stone paint proved useless. The old copper axes and the wedge are about 4 inches in length, and vary in width from 2 inches to $31 / 2$ lnches. All the imple. ments are heavy and bear marks of having been subjected to vigorous use before they were buried in the mound. They were evidently made by a skilful artisan.

What are probably the largest and smalest books in the world have rested side by side for many years in the British museum. The largest volume measures 5 feet 10 inches in height bs 3 feet 2 inches in width. It is held together by great iron clasps, and required eight different skins for the binding. It was presented to the nation by King George IV., in 1823. The smaller book is only three-fourths of an inch by one-half inch. It is called "Schloss' English Almanac of 1838," and was published in honor of the accession of Queen Victoria to the throne.

Many beautiful and really wonderful concretions are found in the clay beds of the Connecticut valley. A recently published description of them says that they appear in four principal types-disc shaped, cylindrical, grape clusters and imitations of animal forms. Fach bed has a form peculiar to itcelf.
M. Leon Liniewita, a curio dealer, who died a short time ago in St. Petersburg, leaving an estate valued at over four million dollars, partly to Catholic monasteries and partly to perfect strangers, is said to have lad the foundation of his fortune by selling to a well-known curio-dealer in London, for $\$ 15000$, an antque bronze chest which he had bought for about $\$ 15$. He also sold to one of the Rothschild's for $\$ 30000$ a pair of Sevres vases which had only cost him \$2.50.

The scales on the wings of butterflies and moths are generally considered only of ornamentaf importance, but in a re. cent paper Dr. K. Gunther expresses the opinion that they must have to some extent a sensory function, as their roots are sometimes in contact with processes emanating from special cells of the bypodermis, into which fise nerve endings pass.

It is reported that the skull and antlers of a magnificent specimen of the extinct great Irish deer was recently found in a bog near Limerick. The horns measured 9 feet 6 inches from tip to tip. and the head is the finest ever diccovered

A snare drum that was captured from the British army at Bunker Hill was recently presented to the G. A. R. at New Bedford, Mass., by Israel Smith. The drum had been in the possession of the Smith family for many years. Its original owner was Levi Smith, and the historic character of the instrument appears to be well authenticated.

The pen with which President Roosevelt recently signed the Hawaian fireclaims bill has been given to Mr. J. G. Pratt of Honolulu who will take the pen to Hawaii's Capitol and there have it preserved in a museum. The pen was made by Mr. Pratt from an eagle's feather which he obtained from Ex. Gov. Richards of Wyoming, now Land Commissioner at Washington. The feather was of some interest before being made into a pen for the President's use, it having been removed from the war-bonnet of an Arapahoe Indian Chief.

Museums are said to be much in favor in Russia. Even in Siberia nearly every town of 10,000 inhabitants has one.

At the auction rooms of Christie, in London, on the 19th of last month bidbers thronged the rooms and fairly fought for the privilege of paying $\$ 1.000$ to $\$ 15,000$ an ounce for rare pieces of old silver. Chief interest centerfd, however, in what is known as the West Malling Jug. This is a trophy which was originall: unearthed in the foundations of West Mailing church. It being unfit for church use, being unquestionably a sackpot, the vicar and wardens had it put up at auction. The jug is of Elizabethan make, and is of fulham delft or stoneware, splashed with purple, orange and green in the style of the old Chinese.

The body is enclosed by four vertical straps, richly and quaintly chased with finits and leaves. A caryatid in relief at the neck is engraved with festooned drapery. The bidding on it stopped at $\$ 7,395$. In the way of old silver a James I standing-salt, dated 1613, and weighing sixteen ounces seven pennyweight, sold for $\$ 5.750$.
At the Field Columbian Museum in Chicago one of the largest specimens of fossil animal that ever lived in the history of the world is now being restored. The creature is known as the upper Jurassic dinosaur of the genus Brontosaurus. It was discovered near Fruita in the western part of Colorado. According to Prof. O. C. Farrington the possession of a brain in the pelvis is one of the very peculiar attributes of this huge dinosaur. The animal had two braius to direct its movements. Professor Farrington says: "The small brain in the dinosaur's skull was not sufficient to serve as the clearing house for all of its impulses, therefore, another brain consisting of a huge enlarkement of the spinal-cord was prorided in the pelvis. The Colorado dinosaur, according to Prof. Farrington was about seventy feet in length, its hind legs were something like twelve feet long, and the front legs two or more feet shorter. That part of the tail which is preserved is about eighteen feet in length, although several of the swaller vertebrae have not yet been placed in position. The total weight of the dinosaur is estimated to have been 19 tons. When completed the specimen will have cost the museum authorities at least 35,000.

This same Professor Farrington recently found a meteorite in Saline County, Kansas, which contains the only natural phosphorus on record. "Heretofore," says the professor, "phosphorus has only been known as the product
of the chemist." Tie presence of it in the meteorite, according to the professor, proves that a meteor, as has been supposed by many, is not hot when it strikes the earth. It shows also that it could not have been formed upon the earth for no free phosphorus could long remain such if it had been part of the earth. Free oxygen was evidently not present where the meteor was formed, as its presence would have changed the phosphorus to phosphoresic acid.

Now that a Revolutionary snare drum has been discovered in Massachusetts, which we have mentioned in another note, we must not allow New England all the honors so are forced to recognize Kentucky's claim to the possession within her borders of a bugle which led Washington and his troops to many a victory, or at least such is the claim. Perry Rogers of Nelson County, Kentucky owns this valuable relic and the old instrument's record is well authenticated. John Lawson, the original owner of the bugle, according to a tombstone in the old pioneer cemetery at Bloomfield, was born in 1761 and died in 1845. The stone also chronicles the fact that he figured in a number of Revolutionary engagements, aroong them Long Island and Princeton. Lawson came to Nelson County from Pennsylvania shortly after the close of the Revolution. He was a bachelor and lived alone. The bugle he prized above all his worldly goods and at his death presented it to Charles Lee, a faitbful and favorite slave. After passing through several hands it fell into the hands of Philip Sbaw, a colored blacksmith at Bloomfield. The old horn had suffered neglect, become corroded and the mouthpiece was lost. Recently Mr. Rogers purchased the bugle from Shaw. The old instrument is a unique affair, twen-ty-eight inches in length, not allowing for the convolutions, and the flare is about seventeen inches in diameter. It is made of copper and is very heavy.

Our attention has been called to an article which says that many an English and American collector with more money and enthusiasm than knowledge of entomology, has in his cabinet specimens of beetles which are beyond anything that nature ever attempted. They are the victims of a "beetle-faking" industry which turns out annually thousands of the fraudulent bugs and manages to sell them in this country and elsewhere to young colectors at high prices, and the dupes show them proudly to their friends as extremely rare insects, as indeed they are, for they are like nothing else in the kingdom of "bug-ology." The manufacturer of beetles does not confine himself to giving to his specimens rare and strange colorings, but he makes them up from fragments of other beetles in the manner which strikes his fancy, and this fancy is often very whimsical indeed. Nature, especially in the tropics, produces beetles of strange form, but never so strange as those which come out of the shops of man. Auction sales of damaged colections of specimens of beetles are attended and the collections bought for almost nothing. These injured specimens are dismembered and their various parts put together again at the fancy of the fakir. He takes a beetle's body, and from a collection of several parts of beetles before him, spread out on a white paper, he deftly affixes a head here, a wing there and a leg or two where he thinks they will look quaint. He works rapidly, using a clear liquid glue, the composition of which is a secret of the trade, and which joins the various parts immediately so that they cannot easily be pulled apart, and so closely that even with a magnifying glass it is difficult to see where the joining is done. The col-
oring and imitation markings are done with small brushes, and are made permanent by plunging the built-up insect' into a bath of some secret solution. When the work is completed only an expert entomologist, it is said, can detect the fraud, and sometimes even an expert is fooled at first and thinks he has stumbled upon a new specimen of coleoptera.

WALCOTT, Ia., Jan. 25, 1903.
To the Editor of the West:
Dear Sir: In reading of Big Injuns and Bix Axes in the January Vol. XXII, No. 1, 1903, issue, I will report an axe in my possession not quite finished: Length, $131 / 2$ inches; width, 6 inches; thickness, $31 / 2$ inches; weight, full 18 pounds. I am of the same opinion as Prof. Brower, as I have traveled nearly all parts of the United States and have never found any below the Mason and Dixon line. This is pretty good evidence that those heavy axes were used for reaching water through thick ice. The indians used large round pots for cooking and should they attempt to melt snow or ice in same, this unglazed pot would invariably crack and especially in winter time I have known the ice to be forty-eight inches thick about Moline, so Mr. Indian would have to work over and hour to get to water. This work generally falls to the oldest squaws of the family, who are called wood and water keeps, for they must see to it that there is always dry timber and cedar bark for to start a fire with. This custom is kept up to this day. The above axe was found at Hampton, 14 miles above Moline, Ill., on the Mississippi River. Besides this I have 100 axes. The smallest axe measures 2 inches and weighs just 4 ounces.

I am yours truly.
H. SCHUMACHER, M. D.

A Trip Around the World.

You need not become frightened at the prospects of having to accompany me on this trip, even if your purse should be slim, for this trip shall not cosi you any great amuunt of money (even the pennies make dollars), for what we do spend will mostly be spent in pennies, so you may not feel the expense. We shall not imitate the most modern fad in touring and get aboard our automobiles for our trip around the world. No chauffeur is needed for our vehicle. We shall call ours a "Cartomobile," if you wish, for Te are going to make this trip by means of our view card albums, and risit the countries, cities and scenes illustrated by these entertaining messengers from afar. You will then understand better the charm there is in coljecting these tokens; your view may be broadened, your taste cultirated, your sympathies widened, your knowienge increased by the study of distant countries and peoples through this medium. So, then, all aboard for our trip around the world inside of our albums!

A prophet is not accounted much in his own country, and likewise every collector, be it of stamps, of cards, of relics, or of curiosities, has a hanker. ing preference for the strange, the foreign, the distant, more than near the well known, the common, and as in the saying, "distance only lends enchantment"; so again, "Absence makes the heart grow fonder." Hence, viewcards from abroad are in a way of special interest and we shall not delay on our route to view the various cards from clties between Chicago and New York, nor those from New York itself, for though Gotham lies a thousand miles to the east and 'Frisco
two thousand miles to the west. the American, with a glow of pride, calls all this vast land still Home. Let us therefore begin our foreign trip with the card showing a steamer outward bound passing the Goddess of Liberty on Bedloe's Island. The torch of the statue throws its rays far out; as to many a refugee from oppression it has shown the first light of the land of freedom, so we shall watch it lovingly for its last adieu, until it sinks beneath the horizon; then we pass out through the Narrows, past Sandy Hook lighthouse, the screws begin to throb faster and faster and we set our faces eastward, to the other lands and other scenes. A scene in mid-ocean is shown on our next card. It depicts the steamer Northland of the Red Star line Antwerpen New York, plowing its way through the mighty ocean; waves are seen foaming and splashing, glittering and sparkling in the glimmer of the moon (for the card shows a mighty scene on mid-ocean), the water looks bewitching even on the card, showing the reflection of the moon most beautifully; a scene never to grow tired of. The steamer looks massive, though somewhat in the gloom and background, yet plainly seen. It needs no strong imagination to imagine ourselves thus aboard on mid-ocean, on the very steamer on the card. The card was mailed by a sister of mine when aboard on the Northland, shortly before its arrival at Holland, saying, "Tomorrow we will land. We had a few stormy days, otherwise a pleasant voyage, yet we are anxiously looking for land." I can hardly imagine any one tired of water, there heing such great charm about it, especially a large body of water. Yet we leave it to those who have apent a
(To be continued.)

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ill honest collectors, whatever be their chosen branch of collectitig, except stamps. are invited to join. We do not solicit stamp collectors as members as there are so many good philatelic societies now in existence. but collectors of stamps who collect aloug other lines also are invited to become meinbers.

Free Identification Bureau for naming and classifying shells, minerals, fossils coins,etc. for members only, in charge of a competeut superintendent, will examine and name doubtiul specimens submitted to them by me:nbers. A list of superintendents is given above, with whom members can communicate direct.

Many otherbenefits accrue to collectors through membership. Address the Secretary for an application blank and fuller details or write to the President or any of the following members of the Recfuit Bureat for blanks and information: Howard E. Bishop. Sayre, Penn: F. G. Hillman. Sew Bedford, Mass. Basil G. Hamilton. Moose Jaw Ass'n Ont. Canada: A. W. Conner, 640 N. Clark St., Chicago Ills.: Oswald A. Baver. Piermont. N. Y.: w. G. McLait. Edison, Ohio: w. C. diken, Ankwin. Calf.: Archibald Crozier. 810 w . 5 th St . Wilmington, Del.

## President's Report.

sINCE my last report I have received perhaps fifty letters from members who are in favor of the Society's dues being raised, and increased benefits, such as a quarterly magazine and a year book being issued by the Society with the money received therefrom.

Most of these members suggest the dues being placed at fifty cents a year, and the initiation fee fixed at twentyfive cents. Some suggest $\$ 1.00$, but this rate is perhaps too high, and I think the proposition to make the dues 50 cents per year will be the one members will be called on to vote for or against within a month or so.
For the time being the matter of a year book this spring is held up. Will every member willing to place an advertisement in the "Year Book," which will help to pay for its issuance, or willing to help in dollars and cents otherwise, please write me and let me know to what extent. If receipts will justify it I will issue the Year Book about May 15.

Roy Farrel, Greity.

## The Year Book. Thomas G. King

It seems to me strange that our Society of $4 \overline{7} 1$ members cannot support a year book, and that our president must stand good for the loss on an investment of $\$ 100$.

If collectors join the Society solely to avail themselves of the facilities offered by the official organ and take no interest in the organization itself, we might as well disband at once. If over 35 per cent. of members are in arrears for dues-and dues only 25cwe either have some very "light weights' enrolled on our lists or else there is something radically wrong.

A past experience with several similar organizations ( 1885 and 1890) would lead me to offer the following suggestions:

1. Raise the dues to $\$ 1.00$. Collectors who cannot raise a dollar in a year are unworthy members. This will weed out the something for nothing fellows. Better 250 workers at $\$ 1.00$

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than double that number of irrisponsibles.
2. Appeal to the 25 most responsible members to advance $\$ 3$ each to assure the publication of the book at once.
I shall be glad to contribute $\$ 10$ to this fund if the other members will raise 575.
3. Drop all who do not pay promptly. Quality rather than quantity is needed.

Yours truly,
Thomas G. King.

## Report of ASC C

FELLOW MEMBERS: I submit you the following report for February. An error was made in Feb. WEST t62 Isaac N Vail 411 Kenningston Place, Pasadena Cal should have had No 463 and D L Ziegler Deleware O, coins, should have had No 462.

## NEW MEMBERS.

Mary L Page, Olympia Wash Gen'1 tow Koy H Cockburn, Sturgeon Falls Ont. Can. Ind and War Relics, curins, Shells.
thi Chas A Snow, Genoa, Ill, Archaeology, Geodes and Fossils.
the Wim A Hyatt, Marion, Ia, Coins, Indian Relics
t6) Otto B Lowery, Grimes, Md, Ind Kel, Fossils, Coins, War Rels, etc.
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## Changes in Address.

15 BG Hamilton from Winnipeg, Man Can to North Portal Aassa Can
to E I, Warner from Pablo Beach Fla to Jacksonvillee Fla
174 H N Dennis from Nomence Ill to S630 Ingleside ave Chicago Ill
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473 Mrs S G H Chemault, 461 N Limestone st, Lexington, Ky.
474 Roscoe $O$ Boinsteel, Hagerstown, Md.

475 R E Kendall, LeRoy, Pa.
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480 Chas O Wilson, Anna, Ill.
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## A VISFT TO A LIMESTONE REGION. <br> (F. E. Halbert, Dover, N. H.)

The writer once visited two sections of a limestone region and was astonished to see the great number of fossils to be seen in this kind of rock. They consist mainly of marine animals and plants. Occasionally there are tracks of some gigantic quadruped, or some enormous reptile. In one place, on the brow of a high hill, there was a large round flat rock which resembled a huge pie. It was cracked in just about the same manner as you would cut a pie. One of these wedgeshaped pieces was gone, just as if some one had swiped a lunch from it. The whole rock was about fifteen feet across and abobut two feet deep. None of the loose rocks near it looked as if they had ever fitted into the vacant space mentioned. What had become of it? Surely it must have been there at some remote time. How could it have been removed, and for what purpose? Right through the middle of this "pie" were several holes which resembled very much the tracks made by a cow in walking through a snowdrift.

You could not pick up a plece of this limestone as big as your head that did not contain a number of fairsized fossils. Some of them were so twisted and distorted as to be beyond any power to classify, or even place them in their proper element. Yet some were just as perfect as could be.

These fossils afford an interesting study aside from the fact of their being the remains of a prehistoric age. Here are found evidences of sudden changes which took place upon and within thls earth's crust before the advent of man. In one instance a man, after building himself a house,
wished to have an appropriate doorstone which would represent the fossiliferous rock in that vicinity. So he selected one that showed a large snake in the act of swallowing a toad. Every line and marking that could possibly appear in a fossil was to be plainly seen. Many geologists wanted to purchase this wonderful petrifaction, but the owner would not part with it at any price. It seems strange that whenever fossils are to be found at all, there is always an immense quantity which vary in size from microscopic objects to the mammoth and such terrestrial natives.

Along the eastern and northern side of the limestone belt of New York state there are numerous mineral springs, no two of which show the same analysis.

Our common lime, or, as it is sometimes, called, stone-lime, is only calcined limestone. In examining some of the material that was ready to be roasted, the writer found one chunk of rock that had a peculiar vein of white frost-like substance running through it. This substance was not flbrous like asbestos. We broke off a small piece and showed it to several well-Informed people, but none could name it. These crystals were quite soft and could be easily scraped with the finger-nail; yet they seemed to be able collectively to support a great weight in a direct line to their plan of crystallization. In a mill close by the lime-kiln they were reducing limestone to an almost impalable powder, which was to be sold as fertilizer.

A good collection of fossils is one of the most interesting things collectable in nature. What a vast scope for the imagination, study and research. As we look at some of these extinct remnants of early animated nature we
cannot help but wonder now long after they ceased to play tag in their native element did Mother Eve bang out her first family washing. Again, as I look upon an enormous petrified tooth which contains no gold filling, and which once made beautiful the mouth of a colossal manmal, I can see him with my mind's eye sitting down ou his haunches with a satisfied grunt, after swallowing a cocktail and an acre or so of palm trees and such snall undergrowth. While he calmly contemplates the scenery he is picking his teeth with a telegraph pole, and wiping his broad brow with a tree-top in lieu of a handkerchief. Perhaps while he watches the playful antics of a megatherium, he hears the distant rumble of an impending earthquake. Young Dame Nature is in one of her playful moods and is about to kick a goal. So down comes the mountains, engulfing all living things, which are to be excevated thousands of years later in a petrified form to adorn our curio cabinets and stock our museums; and supplying the inquiring minds with thought material and keep our playful college professors out of mischief.

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I regret having but little to report this month. A fef have sent in their annual dues and saved me writing
them a personal letter-would like $t$ o hear from a few more very soon. I can report two new members this month
53 K E Smith, 147 Wabash Ave., Chi. cago, Ill.
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We would be glad to receiee a rew more applications as we need more members. As all dues shall be made to come due the first of the year. 25 cents will pay all fees to the end of 1903 if sent in soon.

Let me hear from you with a new member.
F. A. Lilliy, Secretary

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## A Lesson in Arithmetic.

If to an "ad" you add an "ad" You multiply your gains, Subtract from those who do not "ad," And a dividend remains.
The greatest common "devisor"
Is one whose "ad" will tell
A hundred thousand people
Of goods he has to sell.


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AUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT, S. C. P. A.
In this issue of the WEST appears my 2nd sale. 1st sale was very satisfactory I trust I will not be dissappointed in this. I hope every reader will send me at least one bid. Anything not satisfac. tory may be returned within three days after recejpt.

I will also be glad to receive lots for next sale. Forward them in time to reach me by the 20 th of March so that they may appear in April number of WEST. Joel H DuBose, Auc. Mgr., Huguenot, Ga.
SALES SUPERINTFNDENT'S REPORT On hand Jan. 10,14 books, value $\$ 80.38$ Received since 13 " 50.81

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3 more books received but not yet put in circulation on account of being marked up at cat rates instead of net prices. I received several responses to my pnrchaser's list. I could still use to advantage a dozen more. I have some good books on hand and feel confident of receiving regular additions. Rememher books are free and will be cheerfully forwarded without any expense to you. Joel H. DuBose,

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A Huffurann of Denver writes that he thanks the society for helping him get his claita settled which he was unable to get.

Slade of Detroit. Mich, who the WEST reported several months ago we see mentioned now in other papers and Smilh of Cincinnatti, Ohio who gave first mention says to send all complaints to P 0 Department.

There has been a complaint on Jose Garcia and R Febles of Camajuani, Cuba by Steinbrueck.

Also by same party E Mangoulas,

Smyrna, Turkey and Howard Emerson, Washington, D C. Mrs Bushlell complains of Curio $C o$ of Detroit,

We offer for sale acct Marshall Stamp Co of Chicago, Frankheim of N Y City, Hulis of Indiana and there has been several complaints of Ussher, Secretary of the International Society, are there any others.
When you send in complaints don't forget to send postage for same.

## CALL!

Coderstanding that a number of stampmen have been shaved lately by a certain party calling himself $R$ W E Elkhorn of North Henderson, Ill. I wish to enter communications with these victims of good faith in the honesty of men, for the purpose of hunting down the fraud, comparing notes. Also Howard Emerson of Washington, D C. E R Steinbrueck, Mandan, N D, L Box 93.

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## Some Rare Minerals.

Below are described a fer species of minerals which have some peculiar characteristics and are therefore worthy of a special study. I have just recently been giving them some attention and have collected some of their more typical varieties.

First let us take a look at the socalled "flexible sandstone" or tacolumyte, which so far as now known is found in only two regious of the world-India and the state of North Carolina. Thus it will be seen, to use a well known term, that "America is a competitor in everything." The Indian sandstone, however, is somewhat more flexible than the American, from a close comparison of both. The stone in both cases is a very light material comparatively, and white in color. A thin slab of each when taken between the fingers and lightly pressed can be seen and felt to bend appreciably. The Indian sandstone possesses peculiar black hieroglyphics-like markings on it's surface.

Flos-ferri is a peculiar formation of the variety of limestone called aragonite. It is found usually in a twining white mass on a brown matrix. The twining has the appearance generally of a number of white cords of various sizes thrown together in a confused mass. Flos-ferri is found abundantly at several places in Austria. It is a notable example of some of the peculiar variations of nature, to say the least.

Very recently there have been found in the coal shales of Illinois what are known as "pyrite sun dises." They are so named from the appearance of the round, flattened disc of a bright pyrite color, on the backgruund of black shale. The discs are mostly crystallized in the form of pyrite,
known as marcasite. They have been eagerly sought for and much valued by colectors and dealers alike and indeed I have not found anything recently that was more pretty or showier. The supply at present is, how. ever, pretty limited, and high prices are the result.

In the gypsum fields of Kansas are sometimes found queer crystals of selemite or crystallized gypsum, which on account of the weathering have taken the shapes and outlines of leaves and are therefore called "leaf gypsum." Something similar to them is also found in the section of Montana where I live and westward from here for some distance.

In parts of Iowa is a species of fossil coral called. "bird's-eye limestone. This limestone will take a high polish and is much used in ornamental slabs. A polished surface of it shows an aggregation of round spots with lines radiating out from these spots, as centers; hence the appelation of "bird's eye." Iowa is noted for her fossil coral districts. The "bird's eye" stone is light yellowish to gray in color. At Bisbee, Arizona, from the famous old Copper Queen mine are produced light green stalacitis of many forms and sizes which owe their greenish tint to a peculiar property. Occurring as they do in the copper workings, the action of the water during ages not only formed the stalacitis, but also dissolved some of the copper, and it is the copper which has given the green coloration to the stalacites. These specimens are also becoming rare.

From Madagascar are coming specimens of translucent rock crystals which have fine hair-llke needles of rutile running through them. These needles cannot be seen by a casual glance, owing to their light color, but when a specimen is held up to a strong light, the fnterlacing and crossing needles of rutile can be plainly seen.

More descriptions of rare minerals will probably be given later.

## FOREST GAINES.

A. S. of C. C., Glendive, Mont.

## Reminiscences of so 34 A Coin Collector

So, I made rubbings on tissue paper and sent them, with a stamped addressed envelope to the dealer (who was the wellknown Lyman H. Low). He very kindly wrote me quite a long letter and correctly attributed all the coins of which I have sent rubbings. One of them read Aug. III, El. Sax. Rex Pal. 1755. That was a coin of Poland, struck by Augrustus III Elector of Saxony, King of Poland. Another had a monogram of W. L. with the letters $Z . \mathrm{H}$. on either side. This was attributed to Hesse-Cassel. The monogram read W(iliam) I,(andgraf) $Z(u) H$ (essan). The date was 1751 .
Mr. Low very kindly supplied the full inscription wherever abbreviation occurred, and his kindness was an incentive to me to write him again which Idid very shortly, gettlng more coins and more information. He sent me my first auction catalogue in 1885 and I sent him some bids, some foolishly high and some ridiculously low. I was delighted with the results. I desired some ancient coins and obtained several. The first one was a second bronze of Vespasian on which my bid was \$1. Mr. Low obtained it for me for 31 cents The second coin was a ffrst bronze of Faustina Senior, on which I also bid $\$ 1.00$ and which was sold to me for 37 cents. The last lot was a big one and would have staggered me financially if I had obtained it at my maximum bid. It consisted of 28 small bronze of the later emperors of Rome, Gallienus. Clandius Gathicus, etc. I bid 25 cents each and obtained them at $101 / 2$ cents.
I still have all of these Roman coins, and although I have handled several thousand of Roman coins since I have never bought any in as good condition for lower prices.
The acquisition of the Roman coins leal to a good deal of reading and study I wanted to know all about Vespasian, $I$ remembered something about him in my History of England but I had never heard of Faustina and was shocked when I read that this beautiful matronly looking woman had not one redeeming virtue, although her great and good husband, Antonius Pius declared
her a goddess after her death.
dbout that time I had the good fortune to obtain a book which aided me very materially in attributing the small bronze coins and that was a "Catalogue of Coins ih the Cabinet of Yaie College'" edited by Jonathan Edward beginning with the time of Gallienus (A. D. 253-268) and until the coinage of Diocletian (A. D. 284). Many of the legends on the coins are very difficult for the beginners to read, especially on the coinage of Claudius Gathicus and some of the Usurpers, Tetricus I and II, etc, the letters are most rudely formed and frequently indistinguishable from one another $A$. N. H. D. R. and M. are so much alike that any one of them might easily be taken for any one of the others, even V cannot sometimes be told from $A$, $C$ and $Q$ are exactly alike, etc. However I managed to classify all these pieces properly and I made a catalogue describing each piece and laborıously printing out the legends or inscriptions just as they appeared on the coins In looking over this catalogue, after 16 years, I am pleased to find that these attributions were all correct and the inscriptions nearly all exact and as I would read them now.

From 1885 to date with an interim between 1891 to 1897, I have kept adding to my collection. Sometimes my fancy would turn to one class of coins and again to others. There are many fields to occupy the numismatist's attention. I made a good collection of the large silver crowns of Europe and sold them. At another time I occupied myself solely with modern coppers and sold the entire collection, 5477 pieces. Collections of cents, half dollars, etc., went the same way, but I never could part with my ancient coins the collection grew slowly all the time, covering a wide field and entailing more study. Now I have some 3000 varieties of Greek, Roman Republican, Imperial, Colonial and Byzantine, covcring over 1200 years of time from about 550 B . C. to 650 A . D. and embracing some of the most interesting of the period in history.

Through the kindness of the editor, I shall have the pleasure of describing in subsequent notes some of the most interesting of my coins and some of the things I learned about them.

## Trein Skinflints.

By George J, Remsburg.

It is an old saying "A Dutchman for luck!' Near my home lives a German boy-Joe Bruker, by name-who is remarkably lucky at finding Indian relics. Possessed of that natural enterprise so characteristic of the average Teuton he has an "eye to business" and generally aims to "kill two bircls with one stone." He has an old fashioned "Zalu"' gun and during the hunting season devotes most of his time to hunting rabbits which he sells at the local markets. While looking for the "bunnies" with one eye, his other eye, if there is no snow on the ground, is scanning every likely spot for the flint missels, or weapons, hurled at the prehistoric "cottontails" and other game, by some red skinned hunter who preceded Joe to these happy hunting grounds.

In the summer season he works in the field, but, unlike the "rude swain who turns with his share and treads upon" unconsciously and unnoticed, the relics of other days, Joe's Argus optics scrutinize every clod for the stray arrowhead and hap-hazzard tomahawk.

It is not infrequently that Joe comes in with a pocket full of "Indian rocks," as he calls them. He forthwith brings them to me and I pay him a stipulated price for the same.

A singular incident, or rather a coincidence, recently occurred in connection with Joecs prowess as a hunter. On Jantary 6th, of the present year, he brought me an Indian knife, or "skin-flint as I have seen fit to name it in the caption of this article. A few days later he returned with another specimen almost identically the same as the first one. This at once suggested to me that perhaps Joe had stumbled onto a couple of "strays"
or exposed members of a cache, which is often the case in looking for relics, especially where a bank has caved off, or the ground has been washed by a freshet.

The striking resemblance of the two implements in question, certainly suggested a close association, or that they had been made by the same artesian. Imagin my chagrin, however, when Joe informed me that they were found several miles apart. One is a trifle longer than the other but this difference is scarcely noticeable, and sonearly alike are they in shape, color and general appearance, that their discovery by the same person, in localities so remote from each other, is anomalous. The workmanship on each knife displays about the same degree of skill, the material is the same, being the greenish-colored chert such as exists in the nodules of the limestone rocks of this region, and both specimens belong to the leaf-shaped type figured in plates 2, 3 and 5, pages 61-62 of the U. S. Geographical Survey west of the 100 th meridian, Archeological Section Vol. 7, 1879; and also in Hon. J. V. Brower's "Kathis," page 70.

## Redeeming Hatuaitan Money

Financial Age, Marrih 2, 1903.
The first instalment of United States silver coin which is being shipped from the San Francisco Mint has been re. ceived by the First National Bank of Honolulu, whice will begin at once to redeem the Hawaiian issue of $\$ 1,000,000$ coined in 1883 during the reign of King Kalakaua. Dollars, half-dollars and quarters will be exchanged for United States coin, but the dimes will be allowed to circulate. As there are about $\$ 200,000$ of this denomination, the total amount to be redeemed will be about $\$ 800,000$.

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I am personally acquainted with Mr . Waring, our Sales Supt. and to those of our members who have not aiready made his acquaintance $I$ can commend him as a responsible business man and a philatelist of many years experience and it is a pleasure to do business with him.
He has been re-elected as Sales Supt. for several years which is a sufficient guarantee of his able management.
It will be to your advantage to enter
into business relations with Mr. Waring either as buyer or seller. I hope to see our society make great gains this year and I shall be glad to hear from you at any time and I remain Fraternally,
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The above applicants will be admitted to membership in $\mathbf{3 0}$ days if no objections are filed. I am glad to see so many new applications this month. Send for application blanks and join a good society. Members should not forget that dues for 1903 should be paid now. We need the money. Respectfully,
W. P. Kelley, Secy-Treas., 3324 Peery Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

An immense mounted specimen of the harpic eagle which was killed by President Zelaya of Nicarauga war last month presented by the Central American President to President Roosevelt as a token of good will and friendship. The specimen will be placed in the dining-room of the White House.

## A Magnificent Collection.

(By Oswald A. Bauer, A. S. of C. C. 325.)

Nowhere in this country is amassed such a magnificent colection of minerals as in the American Museum of Natural History, in New York City. Every conceivable shape, form, color, and variety is here presented to the spectator's view. A detailed description of the various groups would be an impossibility so numerous are they.
Of course the sulphurs, golds and coppers present the most striking forms and of these the museum has some of the finest specimens ever brought together. A piece of azurite from Bisbee, Arizona, is especially interesting. It closely resembles the flower called cox-comb, rising as it does in tufts. Another specimen of malachite from the same place is equally peculiar. It resembles a large number of elongated globules twisting about over the main base of the mineral. There is one large block of azurite, weighing, I should venture to say, nearly a ton, which strikingly exhibits the place of colors peculiar to this mineral. There are some excellent specimens of gold and some very exceptional ones of native copper. The sulphurs from Italy are equally remarkable for their beauty. The calcite collection contains perhaps the most varieties of any single specimen. Every conceivable form and color of this mineral is represented. A description that would do it justice is impossible, it must be seen to be appreciated. The Barites, remarkable for their beauty and crystalization, Rhodonite from the celebrated New Jersey zinc mines, Aragonite in striking forms and hundreds of others that nature manufactares in her anequaled
laboratory are given full justice in: this magnificent exhibit.

Another very interesting feature of the collection is that of the collection of cut and uncut gems presented by Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan. This collection was on exhibition at the Paris exhibition where it excited much comment. In it are many choice gems, prominent among them being an elegant cut topaz, the number of carats in which numbers well into the hundreds. Besides there is a large assortment of fresh and salt water pearls, several fine specimens of the veryl and blue sapphire. Many others are cut in the form of figures and ornaments, exhibiting wonderful workmanship. Mr. Morgan has also presented the Bement collection of meteroites and minerals to the museum and this acquisition undoubtedly places the mineralogical exhibit far ahead of any other on this continent.
A day, two days, or even a week is not too much to spend in observing it and observing it with care and a view to the acquisition of knowledge. For the mineral collector there is a fund of knowledge here and he should not lose the opportunity to avail himself of it. It is possible to learn more in five minutes from a collection of this kind than from a month's study of text books. If any member of the A. S. of C. C. has an opportunity to to visit New York he should not fail to give part of his time to the museum. He will not regret it.

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Minutes of last meeting accepted as read.

H S Foster. Lawrence, Kansas and Frank Root, Glenarn Hotel, Denver, Colo were elected to passive membership

Chair appointed Bescher, Hurst and Maurer to provide some kind of entertainment for next meeting Mar 13, 1903.

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## A Rare Coin.

An interesting Gold Coin has recently been placed in the collections of the Hull Municipal Museum by Mr. J. ${ }^{\text {W W. }}$ Webster. It was found at Fasington on the beach a few weeks ago, and had probably been washed from the cliffs. It is in an exceptionally good state of preservation and about the size of half a sovereign. On the obverse is a figure of St. John the Baptist standing surround ed by the inscription $S$. Iohannes, $B$. On the reverse is the Lily of Florence, (from which the coin derived its name of forin) surrounded by the letters " C . Dph. Viens." These stand for Guigues VIII., Count of Alby and Dauphin of Vienne (France) A. D. 1319 to 1333. The legend in full would be "Guigo Dalpinus Vienensis." The coin is of the type first coined in Florence in 1252, and rapidly spread over Eastern Europe during the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries.


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## The "To Hanover" Medalet.

This well known medalet was struck in 1837 on the accession of Queen Victoria, and was intended to satirize the Duke of Cumberland, the Queen's cousin who it is said had pretentions to the English Throne. The Duke was very unpopular at this time, and when he appeared in the streets of London the populace cried out "To Hanover." On the reverse of the medalet he is therefore seen taking this advise and is represented as riding to Hanover.

The Queen could not succeed to the Hanoverian possessions, so they passed to her nearest male relative who was the Duke of Cumberland.

In reply to an inquiry from G. T. Littell of Fithian, Ill., I vould say that the owner of a coin sustains the loss if it is mutilated or under weight. If he cannot sell it he can return it to the mint at Washington or Philadelphia, where it will be appraised as bullion and its exact value will be returned to him. The officers of the mint receive thousands of dollars every year in coin from individuals who are unwilling to send them through banks, but the easiest and simplest way for people who have mutilated coin is to deposit it at its weight value at the nearest bank. Nearly every bank doing a large business accumulates underweight coin and ships it to the mint for redemption at reguiar intervals.

Mutilated currency is redeemed at the treasury at Washington for its face value, provided more than half the bill is returned. Millions are sent in for redemption every week by the different banks throughout the country which are carefully examined for counterfeits, then credited to the banks which send it and a corresponding amount of nem notes returned. The redemption division is one of the interesting branches of the treasury. Several hundred people are employed there. After the money is redeemed it is destroyed by a machine which cuts it into pulp.Chicago Record Herald.

# "The Change of the Times" 

A Remarkahle Painting
That Has Deceived Thousands.
By HERMAN W BOERS

DETROIT. "The Change of the Time" is the title of a painting by John Haberle of Newark, N. J. which has been on exhibition here for a number of years, it can be termed as fine a piece of painters art as ever executed with a brush as far as imitating is concerned. Displayed in a handsome gilt frame is a painting about $18 \times 30$ inches in size consisting of reproduction of coins, stamps and paper money these are all promiscuously scattered about in such a way that it attracts attention at once. The money imitated is that of the Old Post Office Currency dated 1776 with lettering on'so plain and perfect that any one can read it, a Es.00 and $\$ 50.00$ Confedsrate bill with Jeff Davis portraits, 25-50cts Script issue bearing Lincoln's portrait, and a $\$ 5.00$ Gen. Grant all so cleverly executed that upon a glance one would not think them painted, but the genuine pasted there in place. Even the serial numbers all show in regular colors. The coins of which there are a number are so finely imitated even raised so as to have every appearance of being tacked on a board. There is a 1776 English penny, several large U. S. cents, a silver 3 cent piece, and hard time tokens, one in particular is painted at the bottom of the case so as to appear to have fallen from the affixed place. Then arranged about the frame are the stamps, here is the 1847 Franklin, 5 c blue Garfield, 6c Agricultural, 1863 3d scarlet, 1869 15c, 1872 lc Canada,
badly mutilated, yet can be recognized, 2c U. S. rev. and three ditferent issues of Confederate bearing the familiar face of Jeff Davis and a 2 c entire $\mathrm{U} . \mathrm{S}$. Envelope 1872 issue, full size and color, this is postmarked
New York, April 19-11-88-
A small portrait of the artist by the artist, is painted at one side of envelope. These stamps are all full perforation, true in color and regular size, so finely are these imitations that they oftentimes have caused hot arguments. Finally Prof. Griffith of the Art Museum was called upon and he wrote the following statement which is pasted on the inside of glass so as to prove it being all done by the brush.
"Having known Mr. John Haberle and his work, I think him one of the best. His ability to imitate small objects in a manner that deceives the closest observation is such that one marvels at the patience and skill displayed."

Signed A. H. Griffith, Director Detroit Museum of Art.

It is worth anyone time to see this wonderful piece of art. It has attracted the philatelist, the Numismatist, the artist, and the public as well at the Philatelic Convention held here some years ago. The collectors who saw it expressed themselves as its being the finest they ever saw. Surrounding all this are the Presidents from Washington to Harrison painted in the same manner.

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THE A. S. OF C. C. ROUND TABLE. ROY F. GREENE.

Ellis M. Chandlee (No. 38) of Augusta, Georgia, in a recent letter written from Roanoke, Virginia tells us that the famous or rather infamous Robinetts of Virginia and Tennessee were recently arrested by Government agents, presumably for fraud or mis-use of the mails.
L. F. Moore (No. 385) of Moorefield, Arkansas, is Sectetary of the Arkansas Investment Company wich is offering splendid investnents in the way of Northern Arkansas zinc lands to those wisbing to place Capital.

Thomas F. Kenealy (No. 159) of 164 W. Harrison St, Chicago, is a Civil Engiveer by profession and spent a large portion of last year in Kansas City, Omaha, Denver and Los Angeles on big contracts taken by the firm which employs him.

If the Editor is not greatly mistaken Will E. Crane (No 342) who resirles at Tarrytown, N. Y. and has an office in Room 803, 18 Broadway, N. Y. City is also a Civil Engineer of much renown in the metropolis. Brother Crane is a general collector who seems to sligbt none of the branches.
A. L. Hopkins (No. 156) of Oakdale, Neb. is a pleasant gentleman who has passed his seventieth year but who is just as enthusiastic a collector in the lines of geology and archaeology as the sprightliest young collector in bis 'teens. Brother Hopkins runs a popular hotel in his home city.

Herman S. Reed (No. 290) of Redmond, Wash, is another popular hotel man. His hostelry is a famous rendervous for hunters and fis!ermen in the open season and Brother Reed grants special favors to those inclined toward out door sport.

Mrs. Estella Bachman Brokaw (No. 348) of 270 E. Villa St, Pasadena, Calif, is the pard working Secretary-Treasurer of the Bachman Gold Dredging Co. which Company is organized to build
and operate a plunger pump, the ouly one on earth, 'tis said, that pumps gravel, sand, gold and other granular matter. Mrs. Brokaw is an enthusiastic collector and a splendid correspondent on these subjects.
G. G. Welsh (No. 75) is the one cf the "horrid octopuses" in the Citizens National Bank of Greensburg. Indiana, his home city. This is remarkable, because very few collectors seem addicted to the banking habit. Come to think of it, though, F. R. Stearns, (No. 216) of Sac City, Iowa is connected with a bank and so is Robt T. Gen$\operatorname{try}$, (No. 459) of Snora, Kentucky, one of our new members. It makes us proud to think we have a few bankers among us:
N. W. Lermond (No. 235) of Thomaston. Maine is the National Secre-tary-Treasurer of the Industrial Brotherhood, a society whose creed is "The Brotherhood of Man,' and which has such distinguished personages as Prof. Frank Parsons, B. O. Flower, Prof. George D. Herron and Miss Helen M. Mason as its Advisory Couscil.
A. I. Fisher (No. 143) of Elkhart, Ind., is a prominent physician in that city with whom the collecting of old fire arms is only secondary to his profession. His collection of ancient pistols, particularly, is said to be very fine by those who have had the pleasure of glimpsing it
A. C. Hunter (No. 131) of West Branch, Iowa, besides being an active collector of coins and paper money is an enthusiastic lodgeman and a a hard worker in the local camp of. Modern Woodmen.

Henry C. Woehlke (No. 352) of 915 Corinthian Ave., Philadelphia, besides being an energetic collector of things curious is a $p$ harmacist of great ability and the proprietor of a pharmacy in the West End of that city.
W. A. Shaw (No. 244) is connected with the Dunlap Tire Co., makers of the famous Dunlap Detachable Tires, Toronto, Canada.


# PHOTOGRAPHING INTERIORS* * * 

By GRANTKENNEDY Pittsburg, Pa.

T"he whole secret of success in photopraphing interiors is in securing the right exposure. Nine out of every ten negratives of interiors are defective from this lack of correct exposure. Of course there are other things that should be given attention, but with the most ordinary display of care and thought, coupled with a correct exposure, a picture that will be pleasing alike to the maker and the persons interested, will result.
The reason so many fail in correctly estimating the exposure required in individual cases is they fail to take into consideration the great influence the color of the walls, carpets, and curtains have upon the exposure required. It is hardly believable but I am sure that a room could be so papered, carpeted and curtained as to require four cimes the exposure under the same conditions otherwise as it would demand were the same furnishings of a more photographically suitable tone ir color. This factor of color is so litthe regarded in outdoor work that one is sure to give it but a fraction of the attention that it demands in interior work if it is recugnized as a possible factor in the calculation at all.

The best plate for interior work is
no doubt the non-halation or backed plate. If one can use isochromatic plates to advantage, they should be employed. The double-c sated isochromatic plate of the Cramer brand is just the thing. Any camera will do. The lens you have may be of too long a focus to include more than a part of the room but do not let this deter you. Simply assure yourself that you must spend a few minutes in tetermining the best pussible portion of the room. This will generally be some favorite corner, window seat, work table or writing desk. If care is used in the selection, such portions will be better as pictures than wide angle pictures which iuclude the greater part of the room.

In lighting, try to have the light come as much as possible from the sides and back. If windows are directly in front of the camera, for a portion of the exposure, walking over and raising the shades for the latter part of the exposure can safely be done without risking the shaking of the camera by putting on the cap. if one takes care not to stand in one position too long. In developing, one should work for detail first and secure density later by placing the plate in a full strength developer. I find a good way to secure well balanced megatives is to start them in normal developer and as soon as detail starts to come ont, remove the plate to a tray of water and allow it to soak for some time. A negative of an interior that has had to be forced in the development is never satisfactory. For printing there is nothing that quite equals platinum paper. My own preference is for that made by Bradley of Philadelphia. It seems to give an added charm to a good piece of interior work.

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## The American Historical and Natural History Photo Society.

Will be pleased to publish sketches, and cuts of its members at any time, also to receive sugeestions from all for the improving of the Society.

This month we have the pleasime of publishing a few remarks from
The Pioneer Photographer of Living Wild Createres
who can make the followins statement regarding his photograpliy of living forms, to-wit:
"It is now nearly twenty years since I turned my attention to this class of of photography. Having been vorn and bred a naturalist I had prior to that time laborously illustrated all of my popular and scientific works with my own drawings or with water color sketches.

But I came early to learn the great value of the photographic camera to the working naturalist, and soon was trying my best to master its secrets. At the time to which reference is made


DR. K. W. SHUFELDT, Member So. 5 .

## AND CAMERA NEWS.

I was serving as post sergeon at the military station of Fort Wingate, New Mexico, and my first attempts there, about 1884, were more especially devoted toward the photography of the representatives of the various tribes of Indiansin the neighborbood, the Izturis, the Apaches and the Navajoes.

Of these I made quite a number of pictures, as well as their games, pottery, fabrics and customs. Thus I came in due course of time to be master of the camera. I have never used a very small instrument, nothing less than a $5 \times 8$ plate, and my lenses and apparatus have always been the best I could buy in the market.

Fron the Indians I soon passed into more congenial fields, and being a a maturalist in heart and soul from boyhood, I quickly directed my attentention to the photography of all manner of creatures, both in the nature haunts and in the studio. While at Wingate I photographed a number of animais as badgers, squirrels, rodents of allied genera and others. Birds also came in for a large share of my attention, and I was the first to photograph Aiken's owl, certain hawks, and many of the smaller species.
Likewise I secured the first good photograph of the then much dreaded Gila monster, o:ir big black and yellow lizard of the Southwest, still claimed by many to be the only poisonous reptile of the kind known. In those days very few artists in general, or naturalists in particular, had turned their attention to the use of the camera in zoological work, indeed, some went so far as to state that it would never be very extensively employed with advantage in the field of natural history or biology.

Very, very few good photographic pictures of living animals were out at that time, and hardly any of them had come to illustrate zoological literature; still the possibilities appealed to me very differently, and for nearly twenty years I have continued to demonstrate
the use of photographs throughout the entire realnn of science and literature.

I did this from the first and $I$ am rather proud of the fact that my prophecy has been far more than fully realized. The works of science in all its branches are now elegantly illustrated by means of half-tones or other reproductions made from the photographs of the subjects, be what it may, from moon to mice. The difficulties in securing acceptable photographs of living animals are both many and extremely varied. These difficulties depend upon circumstance under which the photographer makes the attempt.

To photograph a humming-bird as it is engased in feeding among the honey suckles is one thing, and to photograph a bass as it rapidiy swims about a layge aquarium is another. It might seem difficult to make a photograph of a number of black-tailed deer in the open and at only one-hundred feet distant, but in the matter of difficulty it cannot compare with the photographing of an old red squirrel, just captured and turned loose in a small room.

I have made several hundred photographs of living creatures under the most trying conditions, and have published a very large number of results, and really one would be surprised to learn the class of subjects that have caused me the most trouble, and after all the most difficult to obtain.

Sometimes one can make a very beautiful photograph of an animai in a few moments, while again only failure follows upon hours of patient labor. To overcome difficulties requires no end of tact, an unlimited amount of patience, considerable ingenuity, a thorough knowledge of the habits of all kinds of animals, their psycholozy and ways; great kindness, and gentleness on the part of the operator, and withal an extensive and practical knowledge of photography, with full control of the particular instrument he may be using.

61 -Mr Louis C Wheeler, 230 ScioSt, Rochester, N Y wishes to exchange souvenir cards, comic or views of any kind with all honest collectors.

62-Mr H Martin Vail, 318 Primrose St, Syracuse, N Y, U S A wishes to exchange view cards.

63-Mr Josef Brunner, Naturalist, Flatwillow, Montana
$5-\operatorname{Dr} \mathrm{K} W$ Shufeldt, Naturalist. 502 W 142 nd St, New York City, N Y is our first renewal, we trust all members will please kindiy renew their membershipinour society as fast as their time expires.

Secy.

## State Capitol

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For the first received of each suitable for reproduction, with description we will give a free membership in the society with all its advantages, including a year's Sub. to WEST, free ad etc.

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Miss A. K.-Protecting Prints from Water.-In answering your query, the following will provide a print with a fine enamled surface capable of withslanding any amount of washing. This may be done by squeegeeing the print while wet immediately after its final washing onto the surface of a thin sheet of transparent celluloid. It is important that the celluloid be carefulis cleaned before the print is squeegee to its surface, and that all air bubbles be worked out with the squeegee. A print treated in this way presents a surface which is fully protected by the celluloid and is ready to be framed without glass.
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W. M.R.-Developing Photox Prints. -From the print you send me I should say you are overprinting and depend-
ing on the fixing bath to keep your prints from going too dark. Don't do it. You must give all these papers the right exposure if you wish good results. A correctly exposed print will not develop too far. It will come up to the right depth and then stop, or almost so. Too strong a fixing bath or too great a variation in temperature between it and the wash water will cause blisters.

## Pointers for Street Work.

Tro points need careful attention in street views, which include figures, groups or action. The first is that the photographer must learn to work quickly; the second is the necessity for a certain amount of secrecy. This is merely a matter of practice, and those who want to succeed in street work should put themselves through a systematic course of drill. Learn the working of all parts of your camera. how to level it quickly in approaching an object; how to "find" and adjust whatever you want on your plate, and how to make the exposure the moment you have what you want before the lens. Theway in which most amateurs ostentatiously or nervously display themselves when photographing on the streets is often ludicrous in the extreme, and necessarily fatal to the purpose they have in view.

## Writing Titles on Negatives.

Take dextrine or gum arabic, 6 grains; ferro-cyanide of potassium, 12 grains; water 1 dram. Mix these and write with the solution as with ink, being careful to maintain a full pen. The image will grow paler where the marks are made. Let the lettering dry thoroughly, and then place the negative in a dish and flood it with a 10 per cent solution of hypo, which must be kept in motion or the lines will spread. When the lettering appears to be quite transparent, wash well and dry.

Notes from the Illinois College of Photography.

mr. Mike Dolan of Bissell, IIl. has accepted a position at Savannah, Ga. Mr. Dolan is a most earnest, able photographer and will make a valuable acquisition to any studio.

Miss Jennie Leutwiler of St. Jacobs, Ihl. and Mr. Rod Johnson of Patchogue, I. I. have returned to the college after an absence of several months. They will remain and complete their courses.

Recently a letter was received by one of our English students addressed "Mr. Henry Foster, Illinois College of Photography, U. S." The letter had not been delayed; coming directly to the college.

We have received letters from both Miss Ruth Elliott and Mr. Wm. Kneier who graduated in October. They have opened studios and are well pleased with their success. Students who were here contemporaneously might be interested in knowing that Mr. Archibald Burnham, in partnership with Mr. Emil Metterhausen, is conducting a studio in Chicago. These students are located quite near each other, and will doubtless often find occasion to renew old intimacies and tender recollections of I. C. P. days.

Owing to the unusual large enroll. ment of students during the past month, it has been found necessary to enlarge the capacity of the carbon and retouching departments.

A new and ingenious flash light machine has been kindly donated to the College Camera Club by it's inventor, Prof. Charles Nichols, for use in their studio rooms.

The students were recently favored with a very interesting and instructive demonstration from Mr. Hedges, the
efficient demonstrator for the Ameri. can Artist Co. They will look forward to his future visits with pleasure.

When Freddie Brighan accepted the office of Referee of the Effingham Young I adies' Basket Ball Club, the malicious winked and smiled; but Freddie was young and susceptible and could foresee nothing but lioniz. ing and adulation to the end of the chapter; and so it was for six short, happy weeks. Nor did the approach. ing "Charleston Varsity Game" give him any apprehension. Nevertheless, when the young angels had pretty thoroughly bruised up the floor in the second half, and the score looked bloomier every minute, "plain duty" and "benefit of doubts to the visiting team"' did not seem to be quite the right sort of return for the honor and obedience they had always so cheerfully accorded the ingrate. Freddie is now bewildered to learn that he is "easy," "a mark," and "not fit to referee a dog fight." Such is life.

## FROM THE DEAN OF PHOTOGRAPHY

Professor David J. Cook, principal department of Negative Making, Illinois College of Photography in the first of a series of books, "More Light in Negative Making" gives a thorough analysis of the chemicals, plates and materials used in negative making. It is eertajinly full and should enable the would be learner to understand what he is using and why!

One of the detriments to photography's advance is the slip shod manner in which the materials are used by a host of the fraternity. Here is an opportunity to study-up and practice with intelligence.

The engineer must build the fire and learn its effects before he assumes the handling of the lever.

Abraham Bogardus.

# Sentiment In Photographs 

Edward Ye. Netucomb,

IUith a violincello an experienced player can make his audience laugh orcry at will, but be he ever so experienced a camerist, he does not do pictures which will have those effects. I do vot say he cannot because I see no reason why he should not, but he does not just now.
The sentiment in a picture is the first thing looked for by the public, tis the whole soul of the thing and is a ronderfully subtle matter, it is the organizer of the picture that produces anything effective. The slightest pressure on the 'cello string makes light into shade or darkness into a glonious sunrise, so the very smallest rariation of alkali or acid in the developer will produce the most remarkable results on our print. Some persons obtain these results by accident, but hor shall we designate such workers? d real photographer knows what he is trying for, knows what he expects and works on those lines to a finish. I see love, mirth, doubt. commercial life, sleepy country life, joy, sorrow, death, in my everyday walks-so does every-body-why can I not portray them so that my pictures are of high value? Perhaps the fact that they can be duplicated militates somerthat against their ralue. Still, I don't know about that; plenty of photographs which really appeal to the sentiment of the public have sold at a high price for rears and years and are still selling. Itell you it's all in the sentiment, get agood st:bject, produce a decent piece of composition, make good prints and the public wants your work. Or, if fou have no work to exhibit to the poblic, I tell you still, that once you trike some bit that appeals to your onn sentiment you will find that the
secret of its success. Perhaps this is all worthless information to you, perhaps you know, as I do, that 'tis sentiment which affects the value of a pic-ture-that the meanest kind of a picture of the place where you proposed to your girl, or where you were born, or where you did this or that important matter, is one of your best pictures no matter if not technically excellent'tis all sentiment, take it as you please, and, 'cello in hand, I will play my impression of this glorious day as I fear I could not photograph it. Go and get mental, photographic or musical impressions, but get 'em, cultivate impressions, of nature of course. -Photo American N. Y.

## The Stripping of Films From Glass.

The negative being finished and dried in the usual way, the film is cut through with a sharp $k$ nife close to the edges. The plate is then soaked in a bath compounded of 200 cubic centimeters of water, 10 to 15 c . c. of caustic soda solution 1 to 3 , and 4 c . c. of formaline. In five or ten minutes the plate is washed with water and placed in dilute hydrochloric acid, whhere the film soon loosens, and an edge being detached the film is rolled up like a blind. If it is to be transferred to any material which cannot be immersed in water without damage, the rolled-up film can be unrolled on the new surface; any necessary adhesive being of course laid on first. Air bubbles may be expelled by covering the film with a piece of waterproof cloth, and using a squeegee in the usual fashion.

## Yellowed Platinotypes.

Mr. Parker of the Willis \& Clement Platinotype Paper Co. gives the following formulae for bleaching old platinotype prints which have turned yellow:

Soak print in solution composed of
Water ...................... . . 50 ounces
Soda Carbonate ........... 1 ounce
Chloride Lime............. $1 / 2$ ounce


0ur leader this month is from the pen of an amateur who knows whereof he speaks. Such of our readers as have had experience in the line of work in which he seeks to give a few words of advice, will appreciate the truth of his statements and the value of his advice. Will a few more of our readers come forward with the results of their experience? Do not be afraid that they will not be of value. You can hardly be so inexperienced but that some other person just starting out to use a camera will be still more so and capable of profiting by your advice and encouragement.

The Photo-American, Bible House, New York; furnishes us with the article on the preceeding page. It is from the pen of its editor, Mr. E. W. Newcomb. I understand Mr. Newcomb dashes these things off while waiting for a large kettle full of his Backing Compound to come to a boil. Of course this may all be a mistake, but he certainly gives the manufacture of his several specialties, close personal supervision. They are all most excellent and the above magazine which he so ably edits does not in any way suggest negligence on his part. Write for a sample copy before you forget the matter.

The April number of Camera Craft is an Industrial Number and is of more than usual intereat. It contains a complete and critical article on all of the new cameras and photographic apparatus to be marketed during the coming
season, several interesting articles on the manufacture of various important photographic instruments, a series of portraits of the leading manufacturers and page after page of valuable infor. mation for the amateur, the profession. al and the dealer.

The usual features of the Magazine are not neglected and although the size of the issue has been greatly increased, the price remains the same, fifteen cents a copy.

## The Importance of Trimming.

It matters little how well composed a scene upon a photographer's negative may be, nor how fine or highly expres sive a print may be; it matters not what message of beauty or realism it may be intended to convey, all merit may be lost and all interpretation fail of delivery if proper attention be not paid to the trimming, mounting and framing of the print. These, by many, are considered unimportant, or at least subordinate accessories to the completed picture, but a photograph is seldom so complete and finished that its surroundings or manip. ulation may not enhance or mar its beauty. Everyone has caught a glimpse through window, door or forest opening of some charming vista, something that would have passed unnoticed otherwise. The reason it attracted attention was because it was properly trimmed and framed.

## Developing Paper Prints.

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