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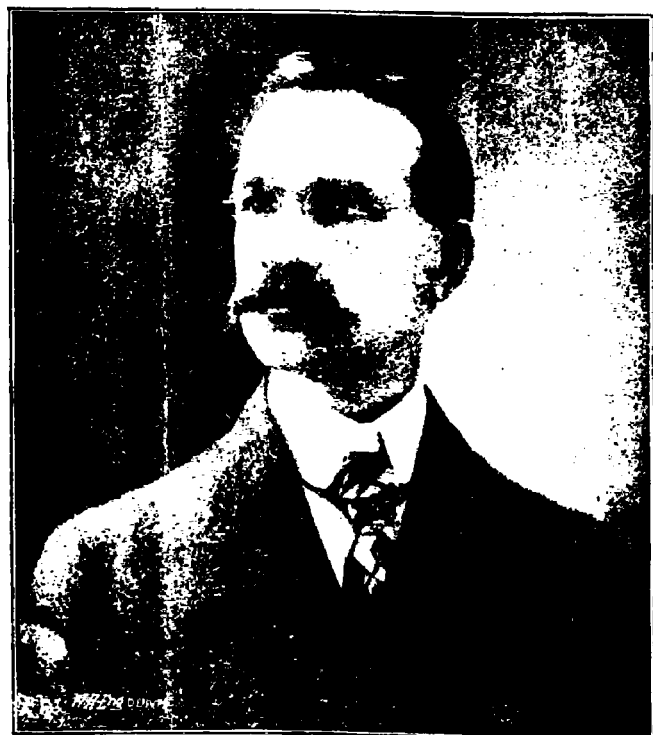
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 1802 over 1800 U. S. ½ cent, very fair, rare . . . . . .60  
 About 1650 Armata & Morea, 1 soldo, very good, rare . . . . . .10  
 1625 Augsburg, ½ shilling, octagonal, fine, scarce . . . . . .15  
 1810 Barcelona, 4 Quartos, very fine, rare . . . . . .20  
 1490-1516 Bohemia, silver penny of Wladislaus II fine, scarce . . . . . .10  
 1778 Bologna, 1 Quattrino, fine . . . . . .10  
 1743 Braunau, Square Necessity money for 3 Kreuzers, lead, very  
 good, rare . . . . . .35  
 1004-1020 Verona, Concave Obolus of Henry II, fine, scarce . . . . . .15

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Coin Co.



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St. Louis, Mo.

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United States				Venezuela			
No.	United States	Catalog price	Our price	No.	Venezuela	Catalog price	Our price
1	1861 10c green	15c	7c	21	1899 5c green	3c	1c
2	1862 2c black (Jackson)	6c	2c	22	" 10c red	5c	2c
3	1879 5c blue (Taylor)	6c	2c	23	" 25c blue	3c	1c
4	1882 5c brown (Garfield)	4c	1c	24	1900 5c green (Scotts no 130)	4c	1c
5	1887 3c vermilion	10c	3c	25	" 25c blue ( " 132)	5c	1c
6	1888 5c blue (Garfield)	4c	1c	26	" 50c orange ( " 152)	8c	2c
7	War Dept 1c red	5c	1½c	27	" 5c green ( " 154)	3c	1c
8	" " 3c	"	1c	28	" 25c blue ( " 156)	5c	1c
9	" " 12c	"	8c	29	1903 50c orange ( " 162)	2c	1c
10	" " 15c	"	7c	30	1904 5c on 50c gr'n ( " 191)	2c	1c
11	" " 30c	"	16c	31	" 5c green ( " 207)	2c	½c
<b>U. S. Revenues</b>				32	" 10c carmine ( " 208)	3c	1c
12	2nd issue 10c black and blue	4c	1c	33	" 50c plum ( " 310)	5c	1½c
13	" " 20c	"	7c	<b>Venezuela Official Stamps</b>			
14	" " \$1	"	3c	34	1898 5c green and black	10c	4c
15	" " \$3	"	45c	35	1900 5c	"	2c
16	3rd issue \$1 black and green	6c	2c	36	" 10c rose	"	3c
17	" " \$3	"	55c	37	" 25c blue	"	3c
18	" " \$5 red	"	27c	38	" 50c yellow	"	4c
19	1898 ½c orange Documentary	10c	4c	39	1904 5c green	"	3c
20	" \$3 brown (uncut)	15c	5c	40	" 10c rose	"	4c
				41	" 50c claret	"	10c
				42	" 1B	"	12c

Order by number.

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Reference:—Publisher.

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150 " " ".....	.10
200 " " ".....	.15
300 " " ".....	.30
400 " " ".....	.50
100 " Austria.....	1.25
24 " Bosnia.....	.35

Your name on rubber stamp 15c. Send for catalogue.

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### BARGAINS IN U. S.

Only one to a customer.

Scott No.	Cat price	My price
291 1898 30c Omaha.....	30c	14c
238 1893 15c Columbian..	30c	15c
239 1893 30c " ".....	40c	20c
240 1893 40c " ".....	50c	60c
260 1894 50c orange.....	35c	19c
574 " 6c Treasury.....	10c	06c
3052 1900 \$10 Documentary	40c	25c

Want lists a specially. Postage stamps not accepted. L. V. Spencer, 105 Bank St. Batavia, N. Y.

## COLLECTORS WE HAVE THEM

The stamp you havn't in your collection though you need them. We give 50 per cent commission. Write us. The Ontario Stamp Assn., 3 Summit Ave., Toronto Canada.

25 diff Wuerttembg.....	30c
25 " unused.....	35c
30 " Belgium.....	15c
25 " Bavaria.....	20c
40 " English Colonies.....	25c
25 " Germany 1900-02....	20c
60 " Germany.....	50c

*R. Thomas, Box 236 Chicago, Ill.*

I am a subscriber to over a dozen collectors papers and WEST is best of all of them.—C. Scott, Richmond Canada.



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	Pieces or Sets	Per 10	Per 100
5 kronen		28 00	252 00
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Em 1900 1 heller, incl. 1 krone		8 00	72 50
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4 " " U. S. Tel cat 20c.....	2c
4 " " Guatamala cat 50c....	6c
5 " " Phil. Is. cat 16c.....	2c
2 " " Salvador cat. 12c.....	2c
7 " Nicaragua cat 44c.....	5c
10 Venezuela cat 38c.....	5c

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Denver

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CHAS. S. Rybolt,

"Relic Man and Stamp Fiend"  
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# A Clean Up

of most everything left over. I have mounted my net stock and my 60 percent discount stock in neat little books and am sending them out at 60 percent to clean them up. You are liable to find most anything and they are full of bargains. Inclose 2 cent stamp and get 1000 "Perfect" hinges absolutely free.

## The 2c Sets

I offer in the "WEST" for March went like wild fire. If you did not order look them up again but be sure and send a supplementary order as a few are old out.

- 1000 hinges .....10c
- 3000 " .....25c
- 10 approval books 60 spaces.....15c

Remember my address and Ketch my name right.

**H. V. Ketchum,**  
**Chester, Neb.**

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FINE GOODS IN FINE CONDITION!

	Cat. price	Our price
*Costa Rica 1892 1p.....	\$ .20	\$ .05
* " " 2p.....	.35	.10
* " " 5p.....	.50	.15
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*Johore Scott's No 27.....	.60	.15
* " " 28.....	.35	.15
*Seychelles Scott's No. 30.....	.50	.20
*Venezuela Scott's 136-144.....	1.12	.25
*Nyassa 1897 complete (grand).....	1.93	.90

\*means unused full original gum. Orders under 50c postage extra.

If you collect U. S. postage, revenues, cut square envelopes, M & M British colonial or foreign stamps try Buffalo's Stamp man for approvals.

**Wendelin Weber,**  
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# SUMMER BARGAINS!!!

I believe in TAKING THE LEAD, so here I am with my first list of SUMMER BARGAINS—and it is certainly a "hummer." A customer asked me the other day how it was I could sell stamps so much cheaper than the other fellows." I told him. Send me an order from this list, and I will sell you all—there are several good reasons for my ability to SAVE YOU MONEY. The following is a list of SNAPS IN SETS AND SINGLE STAMPS

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25 different stamps, all from the Philippine Islands (our "bone of contention")

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Cat. value \$1.38, price only 35 cents.

### HONDURAS!

1865 Honduras' first stamps (unused) the complete set of two var. only..... .05  
 1896, 1,2,5,10,20c, 5 var..... .08  
 1898, 1,2,5,6,10c, 5 var..... .08  
 1903, 1,2,5,6,10c, 5 var ..... .08  
 1898, 1,5,6,10c on laid paper, rare... .30

### BELGIUM POSTAL PACKET!

1902 (bicolored) complete set from 10c to 3 fr. 14 for..... .50  
 (includes the scarce 15c)  
 Same, short set of 6 var 10c to 1 fr .05

### CUBA!

1899, surcharged on U. S. 1,2,3,5, 10c unused o. g. .... .30  
 [A few sets, two stamps having one straight edge..... .25  
 [A few sets, each stamp having one straight edge ..... .21  
 1899, regular (pictorial) issue 1,2,3, 5, 10c complete..... .06  
 Guatemala 1900, 1,2,5,6,10c only.. .12  
 " 1882, 10 & 20c birds " .08

### OBSOLETE HUNGARY!

30 diff 1872 to 1898, nothing later .10

### OBSOLETE HUNGARY!

30 diff 1862 to 1897, nothing later .12

### OBSOLETE JAPAN!

16 diff postage only, (no revenues) 1876 to 1892, nothing later..... .12

## SINGLES!

BARBADOS 1861, 1p blue old and scarce..... .05  
 BAVARIA 1900, 80pf. lilac, cat 8c .. .02  
 BOSNIA 1879, 1n gray- lilac, scarce .10  
 (This will fill that hole in your Bosnia set)  
 CANADA 1859, 10c red lilac or violet .15  
 (Don't miss this rare old 'Canuck' at 1/2 cat)  
 CANADA 1868, 6c br. or yellow-br. .10  
 " 1897, 10c Jubilee unused og .15  
 CHINA 1904, postage due, 1/2c blue .01  
 COREA 1903 Jubilee, 3ch orange... .10  
 " 1903 3ch on 50p purple . . . .50  
 Madagascar 1902,5c on 50c und, og .08  
 " 1902, 15c on 1 fr " " .05  
 " 1902, 15c on 75c " " .09  
 Orange River Colony 1868, 1p, br. .02  
 (The very first stamp of the old Orange Free State)  
 ZANZIBAR 1896, 3 rupees, very fine .90  
 " 1896, 4 rupees, very fine 1.20  
 " 1896, 5 " " 1.20  
 " 1898 4 1/2 annas, cat. 60c.. .20

### HAYTI!

1882, 20c red-brown unused o g.. .50  
 1891, 1c purple..... .04  
 1893, 1c lilac ..... .01  
 1893, 2c blue ..... .02  
 1893, 20c brown..... .10  
 1896, 1c blue..... .01  
 1896, 7c gray, unused o g .. .03  
 1896, 20c orange unused o g ..... .06  
 1898, 2c on 20c or. " " .04  
 1898-99, 1c ultramarine..... .01  
 " 2c orange..... .01  
 " 4c red..... .03  
 " 7c gray..... .04  
 " 8c carmine..... .04  
 " 10c orange-red..... .02  
 1899, 1c green..... .01  
 " 2c lake..... .01  
 " 5c blue..... .02  
 1902, 1c green (surch)..... .01  
 " 2c lake " ..... .02  
 1904, 1,2,5, and 10c..... .05  
 Assorted, 6 var..... .05

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 A better packet than is usually sold at this price, no Trash or torn Stamps.  
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 Our Special, we will offer 60 stamps mounted in books. Will catalog from 1 to 5c and over, while they last... .25  
 Send an order To-day. Ref. requested.

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	Cat	My
	price	price
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" C.....	2.00	.12
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" D.....	5.00	.60
" E.....	10.00	1.25
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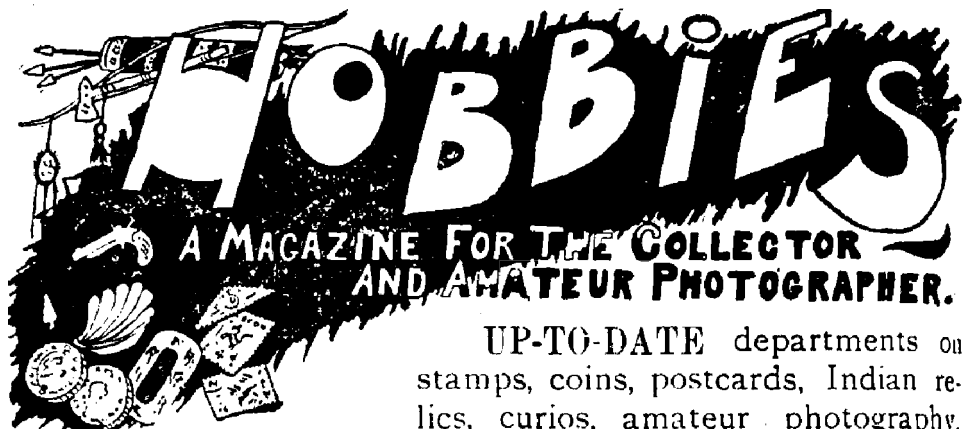
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25 " " " " " .....	1.50
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500 " " mounted in books ready to price and send out .....	1.1
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R. THOMAS

Box 236, Chicago, Ill.

## LAWRENCE THE

### REVENUE MAN.

has just issued a new price list of U. S. Revenues. It gives catalogue prices and in most cases his prices for first and second quality stamps. His first quality stamps are fine, his second quality are not torn or damaged and are as good as those seen on most 50 per cent sheets. These are as low as good stamps can be sold at as wholesale prices are ruling high this season for stamps in good condition. Get the list and note the prices and terms. A postal will do it. I buy revenues for cash. W. C. Lawrence, Greenville N. H.

-(4-2)

Australian stamps, fifty different, 25 cents post free. Unused stamps of any country taken. Albert Jenkins, Warrnambool, Victoria, Australia. 4-3

## CLOSING OUT

Packet cat over \$1.00, 10 cents while they last only 1000 left.

Gate City Stamp Co.

3603 Morgan St.

Keokuk

Ia.

Wanted to purchase Mexican Revenues also U. S. State Revenues.

## Brewster C Kenyon,

Long Beach,

Cal.

Collector's Attention—Have just started in the stamp business, although New-In The-Business I am an old collector. Just to get in touch with you I will send a package of stamps cat'd \$1.25 for 25c. Stamps taken. Good approval sheets, 50 percent discount. Give me a trial order. E. J. LINSON, Mgr., Standard Nov. Co., Kingston, N. Y. [3-6]

Exchange wanted everywhere on approval or Foreign countries. Send 50 to 300 mixed.

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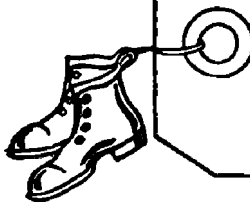
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55	" " 1901 5s on 3s bistre brown.....	.05	.02
56	" " " 10s on 50s green.....	.06	.03
73	" " 1903 10s on 15s lilac rose & gray blk	.04	.02
79	Servia 1904 5p "Death Mask" unused .....	.04	.02
80	" " 10p " " " .....	.06	.04
216	Philippines 1899 5c on U S .....	.05	.02
217	" " 10c " " .....	.15	.08
219	" " 50c " " .....	.60	.25
236	" " 1903 50c " " .....	.35	.23
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104 3p " "	" .62	25c	17c
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110 1p " used	[S G .04]	2c	2c
111 2p " "	" .08	4c	2c
112 3p " "	[not priced S G]	6c	6c
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"	15c black	2.00	95	" 15c L of variety	1.50
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"	5c Type III	2.50	1.15	1870 1c grill	25
"	10c green	.35	10	" 2c "	02
"	12c black	1.25	50	" 3c "	03
"	24c lilac unused	6.00	2.00	" 6c "	1.25
"	30c orange	6.00	2.25	" 7c "	1.25
"	90c blue	30.00	12.00	1871 1c ultram	05
1861	1c blue	.06	02	" 7c verm	30
"	5c buff	7.00	3.00	" 10c brown	05
"	10c green	.15	06	" 15c violet	20
"	12c black	.50	25	" 15c orange	30
"	24c red lilac	1.00	45	" 24c purple	70
"	30c orange	.50	25	" 30c black	15
"	90c blue	3.50	1.70	" 90c carmine	55
1862	2c Jackson	.06	03	1887 3c vermilion	05
"	5c black brown	.60	25	1888 5c indigo	02
"	15c black	.50	25	" 30c orange	20
"	24c lilac	.40	20	" 90c purple	55
1868	1c grill 11x13 M	2.00	80	1890 15c or 30c	04
"	2c "	.20	10	90c orange, beauties	30
"	3c "	.04	01	1893 Columbian 15c for 12c,	
"	10c "	.75	30	30c for 20c, 50c for 30c,	
"	12c "	.50	25	\$1.00 for \$1.40	
"	15c "	4.00	1.50	" Columbian \$2 to \$5 unused	
"	1c " 9x13 M	.75	25	at face.	
"	2c "	.10	05	1895 50c orange	15
"	3c "	.05	01	" 1.00 black	23
"	5c "	4.00	1.75	" 2.00 for 95c, 5 00	
"	10c "	.60	25	for \$1.60.	
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"	15c "	1.00	40	" " 50c for 14c \$1 for 75	
"	24c "	5.00	1.75	1902 Pan American complete 12c	
"	30c "	3.50	1.50	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	
"	90c "	12.00	5.00	1902 1 2 3 10 50c unused o g fine cat-	
1869	1c Franklin	.60	25	alogue value \$1.35 complete for 25c.	
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No. 1 Die cut 9x17 millemetres per M	8c;	5M	35c;
" 2 " " 12x18 " "	" "	10c;	" 45c;
" 3 " " 14x21 " "	" "	14c;	" 60c;
" 4 " " 16x23 " "	" "	15c;	" 65c;
" 5 " " 18x31 " "	" "	20c;	" 85c;

The last two (numbers 4 and 5) are the finest peelable hinges made. Special prices for larger quantities.

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100 " .08;	" " .65	1000 varieties \$3.75;
150 " .10;	" " .90	2000 varieties \$15.50;
200 " .22;		

Above are all foreign, no U. S. nor revenues amongst them and a very Superior assortment. Continentals, 1000 for 16c.

We also have a fine line of sets at 5 10, 15, 25 and 50c each.

Collections of any number of varieties, mounted to order at reasonable prices. Also we are always open for exchange, especially for adhesive cut sq envelopes, revenues, locals, match and medicine departments etc. and for rare foreign. We especially desire. entire envelopes or rare adhesives on original covers, also precancels and are always willing to give good exchange. Give us a trial. (Postage extra on all orders under 50c).

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- Argentine ..... 10 var
- Bosnir ..... 5 "
- Brit. Nor Borneo ..... 3 "
- Columbia Rep. .... 5 "
- Dutch Indies ..... 6 "
- Finland ..... 4 "
- Greece ..... 5 "
- India ..... 10 "
- Peru ..... 7 "
- Servia ..... 1 "
- Turkey ..... 5 "

Send for our list of 5 cent sets.

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*O. A. Bauer,*  
Piermont, N. Y.

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	Each	per	per
	10	100	1000
Panama Reg. 1904, Scott's No. 386.....	\$.03	\$.17	\$1.50
*Peru Telgh. 50c; fine seller, cat. 10c .....	.03	.17	1.50
*Honduras 1878, 1c .....	.01	.06	.50
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	3	10	100
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Ecuador 1895 (Telgh.-Post) No. 517, cat. 75c.....	.20	.45	1.10
China 1898, \$1.00 rose.....	.30	.75	
*Libera 1906, 10 var., 1c-75c, per set.....	2.90	8.25	

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160 C. St.

Ciffin, Ohio.

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1 pound of U. S. and for stamps \$ .28  
 5 lbs mixed U S & for. " .....1.25  
 1000-3c green, all good..... .35  
 1000-2c green, all good..... .25  
 1000-2c brown, all good ..... .25  
 1000-all foreign, all good..... .25  
 1000 mixed foreign over 100 var... .15  
 10-entire 3c unused P. O. envel .20  
 100-2c due stamps 1895..... .17  
 1000-mixed U. S. or foreign..... .12  
 1-1c buff 1851..... .15  
 1-1c buff 1879 unused (no gum) .45  
 25-nice U. S. revenues all diff.. .10  
 2c blue playing cards 1st issue .06  
 5c red " " " " .25  
 10-1c green o g surcharged I R .10  
 5-2c red o g surcharged I R.... .10  
 10-2c lake 1890 ..... .10  
 100 var U. S. and 100 var foreign .25  
 100-\$.1.00 documentary uncut .... .20  
 100 2c vermilion 1875 to 1879.... .20  
 50 var envelopes cut square and  
 to shape ..... .15  
 10 grilled 3c green 1870..... .10  
 10 grilled 3c red 1867..... .10  
 10 6c dull pink 1873..... .10

A man walked past a lead nickel which was lying on the side walk, and was arrested for passing counterfeit money. If you pass these bargains, you are due at the asylum.

cat. val.  
 Costa Rica 1892 10 var \$2.84 \$ .29  
 Ecuador 1875 Int 7 " og 56 .19  
 Persia 1902 10 var 1c to 10kr inc  
 cat value.....1.36 .41  
 Dutch Indies 1892-97 6 var .20 .06  
 " 1899-00 6 var......28 .08  
 Ecuador 2c-15c og..... .60 .12  
 Fiji 44-6p rose ..... .85 .28  
 Peru 115-1 sal o g ..... .30 .09  
 " 12c-50c o g......40 .11  
 " 351 o g......50 .09  
 Venezuela 8 o g......25 .07  
 " 50 o g......25 .10  
 " 51 o g......25 .10  
 " 52 o g......50 .18  
 " 77 o g......12 .04  
 " 142 o g......25 .07  
 " 352 o g ..... .15 .04

All postage paid. Jerome Taylor, North Sutton, N. H.

E. C. Dodd, Ashland Ave. La Grange, Illinois.

*Bargains*



**Cuba**

	No.	Cat	Price
1855 2r red	4	\$ 30	\$ 10
1857 1/4 red	15	2 50	70
1866 20 green	25	40	15
1866 4c rose	26	5 00	1 75
1870 5c blue	46	3 50	85
1878 5c blue	76	2 00	80
1879 5c black	82	50	15
1881 20c brown	99	40	20
1883 surcharges 20c brown type e	120	2 50	1 00
1883 2 1/2 lilac	124	15	05
*1889 2 on 2	222	08	04
1889 5; ecial Del		20	05
*1900 Complete		37	25
" " "		16	05

Collection of 25 revenues prices

**Original Covers**

1855 2r orange red	\$ 10;	1883 2 1/2c lilac	5c
1855 1/4 No6 or ge red	1 25;	1898 1m brown	3c
1857 1/4r blue	02;	1899 U S-Cuba 2c	3c
1857 1r green	06;	" " " "	5c 4c
1857 1/2 red	1 00;	" " Cupa 5c	4c
1869 5c rose	2 00;	" " 10c brown	10c
1870 5c blue	1 70;	Postage Due 1c	3c
" 10c green	06;	" " 2c	5c

**Curiosities**

Covers prior 1854.

1853 1 1/2 Real	40c;	1853 1 Real	35c
1850 1 1/2 "	45c;		

**Cuban Post Cards**

1 dozen colored 40c mailed 12c extra.  
**Spain**  
 War stamp 5c green error 5c blue 1-35

**Cuban Envelopes**

1900 1-2-5 unused 15c  
 1-2-5 double 15c

**Original Covers**

Postage Due 5c 6c  
 " " 10c 12c  
 Special Delivery 10c orange 10c

**Surcharges of Puerto Principe**

Scott from No. 176-220

No. 180 3 on 3	\$1.50;	No. 190 5c on 1/2m	\$4.00
" 192 5 on 1/2m	4.50;	" 193 5 on 1/2m	8.00
" 194 3 on 1m	12.00;	" 205 A	4.00

**Original Covers of United States**

No 116 6c-10 yellow 55c; 1870 3c green 2c  
 1870 10c brown 10c; 1894 50c orange 20c

**U. S. Bargains**

Executive Dept 6c carmine "a" 15.00 \$2.50  
 " 1c " 8.00 2.00  
 " 2c " 8.00 1.50

**Fernando Poo**

1900 No 86 5 on 10 85c

**Great Britain**

\*1847 1sh green new cat \$40. a Bargain in \$9.50  
 Cuban cut diagonals stamps half value used.  
 Complete line write for price in original cover or cut square paper.  
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1862 2c dark blue.....	.35	.12
1869 1c bistre.....	.06	.02
" 2c blue.....	.25	.08
" 5c black.....	.75	.15
1878-80 Rouletted.		
" 1c bistre.....	.05	.02
" 2c blue.....	.12	.04
" 5c black.....	.25	.06

### Shanghai Postage Due

10, 15, 20c.....	.60	.15
Siam 1883 1c blue.....	.15	.05

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Humboldt

Tenn.

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# Good Stamps At Right Prices

	Cat. No.	Cat. Price	Our Price
U S 1890 2c lake .....	219b	5c	1c
" " 2c cap on left "2" .....	220b	8c	2c
" " 2c cap on both " .....	220c	12c	3c
Above three stamps.....		25c	5c
Canada 1893 50c blue.....	7	30c	10c
C. of G. Hope 1865 1s gr .....	19	50c	12c
Hawaii 1864-71 18c rose ....	14a	50c	30c
Nova Scotia 1850 5c blue (on original cover).....	10	30c	20c

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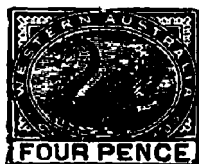
Canada Jubilee--		1000 different foreign only no United States	\$ 70
1/2c used or unused	\$ 13	2000 " "	9 00
6c " "	35	3000 " "	32 00
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\$1 \$2, \$3, \$4, \$5, No 2 quality	20	" "	10
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Canada--	7 50	" "	2 25
1852 3py red	20	10 " " Argentine	05
" 6py violet	2 75	" " Hawaii	40
1855 10py blue	5 00	" " "	20
1857 1/2py pink	1 75	*25c 1903 Hawaii violet	65
" 7/4py green	8 00	*10c " " black	70
" 1/2py perforated	4 25	*12c " " mauve	25
" 6py "	17 00	10 different Luxemburg	2 75
1859 12 1/2c green	35	15 " " "	06
1863 2c green	12	" " " official	20
" 6c brown	18	*3 " " Samoa	10
1869 1c yellow	35	*5 " " "	06
" 1c orange	35	5c different Africa only	15
*8c registration	1 75	100 " " "	30
5 different Newfoundland	10	100 South and Central America	45
10 " " "	10	10 different Uruguay	07
30 " " "	1 00	" " " [fine lot]	25
35 " " "	1 50	" " " "	1 00
1c and 2c Jubilee	03	" " " Serbia	05
20 different Spain	03	" " " 1904 mask	15
50 " " "	09	" " " 1905	40
40 " " Japan worth \$1.00	02	" " " Greece	15
15 " " "	02	" " " "	05
50 " " Australia	13	" " " Liberia	75
20 " " "	05	*8 different "	20
100 " " "	70	*19 " " "	65
200 " " "	3 00	" " " British Guiana	10
14 " " Sweden	02	" " " China 1/2 to 10c	10
30 " " "	10	" " " Bolivia	07
10 " " Canada	01	*19 " " "	18
25 " " "	07	10 different Chili	07
40 " " "	60	" " " "	75
1 2 5 7 10 20c Canada King	08	<b>BELGIUM PARCEL POST.</b>	
50c United States 1895	04	1896-1902 different cat \$1 09.	30
\$1.00 " "	22	1902 30, 40, 70, 90, cat 63c	20
50c " " 1893	04	1903 8 different cat 35c	09
\$1.00 " "	19	1903 Complete 14 different	50
10 different Straits	05	10 different Costa Rico	10
5 " " King hd	08	30 different Dutch Indies	20
50 " " French colonies	35	50 " " Asia only	20
40 " " Hayti	1 00	100 " " "	90
10 " " Brazil	05	" " " Tunisia	10
25 " " "	25	" " " Seychelles	12
50 " " British colonies only	06	" " " Soudan Camels	10
100 " " "	40	" " " Nyassa 1901	15
500 " " "	8 00	" " " Switzerland	60
100 " " foreign [no United States]	03	" " " Shanghai	07
200 " " "	10	" " " Peru	18
400 " " "	50	" " " Paraguay	07
			15

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300 " " " ".....	2 50
100 " " " Spain and col.....	80
500 " " " ".....	2 00
100 " " " Mexico.....	60
250 " " " ".....	2 50
120 " " " Great Britain.....	40
250 " " " ".....	3 00
180 " " " Argentine.....	1 50
150 " " " British Col.....	80
350 " " " ".....	3 00
150 " " " Austria Hun.....	50
50 " " " Italy.....	30
50 " " " Brazil.....	40

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o - unused.

\* - cancelled

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## CURACAO,

- |                                    |         |      |
|------------------------------------|---------|------|
| 1873, 3c bistre o                  | .....\$ | 75   |
| “ 2g50c bistre & purple o          |         | 2 00 |
| 1889, 1g 50c light and dark blue o |         | 1 35 |

## DUTCH INDIES,

- |                               |       |      |
|-------------------------------|-------|------|
| 1864, 10c lake*               | ..... | 75   |
| 1868, 10c lake*               | ..... | 1 50 |
| 1892, 12½c gray o             | ..... | 30   |
| 1902, 20c dark green o        | ..... | 35   |
| 1904, 10c on 20c dark green o | ..... | 15   |

## HOLLAND,

- |                             |       |    |
|-----------------------------|-------|----|
| 1852, 15c orange*           | ..... | 30 |
| 1864, 15c orange*           | ..... | 25 |
| 1869, 1c black* (o 65c)     | ....  | 25 |
| 1896, 5gld. green & brown * | 1 25  |    |

## SURINAME,

- |                              |      |
|------------------------------|------|
| 1873, 2g50c green & orange o | 1 50 |
| 1885, 1gld. brown & gray o   | 85   |

And many others in stock.

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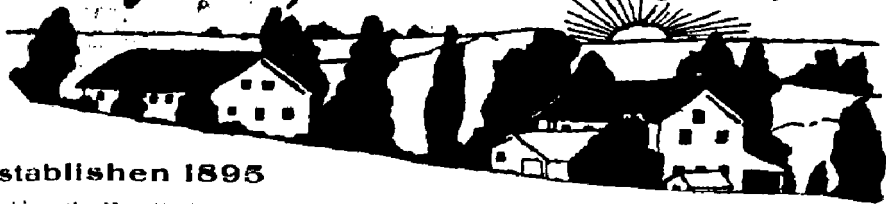
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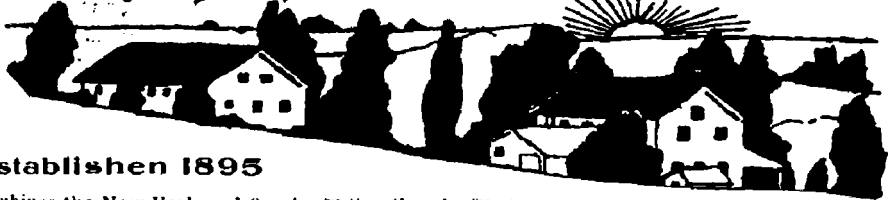
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I sincerely hope that China will one day wake up and see her danger. I shall find some correspondent for you and renew our exchange when the Exclusion Act is settled.

Yours sincerely, Lim Siow Tong."

Mr. Schellenberg writes as follows concerning the above:

"In order to show readers of the WEST the sentiment of educated Chinese regarding Americans I herewith enclose a copy of a letter sent me by one of my correspondents.

I have for the past three or four years been on very friendly terms with this correspondent, our exchange being mutually agreeable and beneficial. Besides merely exchanging stamps we have discussed vital topics from time to time, but have never referred to the Exclusion Act. Therefore, it was rather a surprise to me when I received the enclosed letter.

Mr. Clute writes from 416 J. Street, Sacramento, that he lost everything at his office except a few books, and nothing but a trunk was saved from his house. Mr. Clute displays the same remarkable patience and determination to never say die that is so noticeable among the San Franciscans. The quake had not yet ceased when he and his neighbors set to work with a will to repair their lost fortunes and to build up a mightier city than ever was before.

## *Shows Stamps to Enthusiasts*

***Henry J. Crocker Exhibits Rare Hawaiian Collection Before Sending to London. One Is Worth \$4000. Two Cent "Missionary" Has Only One Counterpart In World***

About thirty of the best known stamp collectors of San Francisco gathered at the residence of Henry J. Crocker on Wednesday evening to view his collection of Hawaiian stamps, which ranks as the finest in the world in point of rarity and value, and which he is about to send for exhibition in the third International Philatelic Exhibition, to be held in the Horticultural Society's Hall, London, England, beginning May 2. It is safe to say that it will bring to its owner on returning the first gold or silver medal. The collection has already won first medals at several Philatelic displays, in America and Europe. The Prince of Wales is the patron of the London exhibition, which will be supported by the philatelic societies of the world. Mr. Crocker is a member of the committee, in company with many collectors of the world wide note.

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This display of Hawaiian stamps, which is a part of Mr. Crocker's collection of general stamps, which ranks as seventh in the universe, is catalogued

at \$42,000 and when consigned to the care of the express company for its long voyage will carry an insurance of \$30,000. The gem among the Hawaiian copies, and over which every guest lingered most lovingly, is the early 2-cent missionary stamp of 1851, which occupies the place of honor under glass in the initial page of the first book of the exhibit. Of this particular stamp, which sold at auction for \$3,750, and which Mr. Crocker sought to purchase for two or three years before finally securing it, only two copies are known, the other appearing in the Tapling collection in the British Museum. It is now valued at about \$4000, and, apart from the unique 1-cent British Guiana of 1856 which exists only in the collection of Ferrari of Paris, is probably the rarest stamp in the world. It is also interesting from the fact that the day after its issue the Hawaiian postoffice burned down. Another stamp in the exhibit has the honor of being the only one of the sort in the United States. It is the one cent Hawaiian, which is valuable among the error stamps in that it is without the "1 cent" at the bottom. The only other known stamp like this is in Hawaii.

#### EARLY MISSIONARY STAMPS.

There is also in the Crocker collection a set of all error stamps of the Provisional Government, worth over \$100 each. Among other rarities are a strip of three 5-cent ultramarines, imperforated horizonatally, worth \$300; a 2-cent black numeral tete beche and a 6-cent green of 1864, imperforated in pair.

Other stamps dear to the heart of the collector are ten of the early 5 and 13-cent missionaries, a strip of three 15 cent missionaries being unique and especially interesting in sequence and arrangement are eleven complete plates of the Hawaiian numerals, now exceedingly rare. A number of the missionary stamps appear on the original letters on which they were sent and range in value from \$1000 to \$1500 each. There are some fine ones among the surcharged issues. Mr. Crocker is the recognized authority on the stamps of the Hawaiian Islands, having written several important articles on the plating of the numerals. Altogether the collection is one that will give the collectors of the world a rare treat when seen at the London Exhibition.—Taken from a San Francisco paper.

Government Uses Precautions in Gumming Postage Stamps.—When you stick a postage stamp you do not give the slightest thought to the great care taken by the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing in the gumming of the little piece of paper. Postal gum is the best quality on the face of the earth. It is derived from dextrine, product secured in the process of making starch from potatoes, corn, and the cassava root. The starch from these vegetables is treated by roasting at a temperature of about 300 degrees at the first stage, causing it to turn to dextrine. Further changes make possible gum, and if the changes were carried to the limit the result would be grape sugar or glucose. The best postal gum is that which contains the least unconverted starch and little glucose. When the material for making gum reaches the Bureau of Engraving and Printing it looks much like flour except in color. It comes in sacks of 200 pounds each, and every consignment from the contractor is carefully inspected before using. It is subject to microscopical examination and to chemical analysis, and all this is followed by a practical test.



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In No. 3 of the Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift Mr. L. Harold Kjellstedt describes a hitherto unknown variety of the Turkish Newspaper stamps of 1892. It is to be found in the surcharge 1M. RIME; he describes it as follows:

"I found that I had in my collection all values on which the rectangular frame measured 15 mm. in width and 19 mm. in length, while the word IMPRIME was 17 mm. long and 22½ mm. high. Besides these I had the 10 and 20 paras and 1 and 2 piastres on which the frame was only 14 mm. wide and 18 mm. long, while the word IMPRIME was 16 mm. in length and 2 mm. in height. The size of the last named surcharge is the same in all respects as that of the surcharge on the 1891 issue, so that it may well be assumed that the smaller size was the one first used on the 1892 issue and later succeeded by the larger size."

These variations have not heretofore been noted in any catalogue: the Scott Company, to which the varieties in question were submitted, declared them unquestionably genuine and intimated that they would be included in the next edition of their catalogue.

In No. 3 of DeNederlandsche Philatelist a short review by B. Halberstadt of the Charity stamps already issued by various governments winds up with the proposal that the Dutch government should issue similar stamps for the assistance of consumptives' sanatoria, the stamps to bear the portrait of the Queen Mother Emma, and to be distributed through the postoffices. There is no philatelist who would object to so laudable a project, providing the stamps are not made of postal value. This idea is being overworked a trifle just now.

The monument lately erected at Paris to the memory of the aeronauts who risked their lives in establishing postal connection between Paris and the outside world during the siege of the city by the Germans, in 1870-71 gives occasion to Le Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste in No. 305 for an interesting article on that service, illustrated with numerous facsimiles of photographic pigeon dispatches and other mementoes of that time.

The letter rate within Hungary has been raised from 10 to 12 heller and the postal card rate from 5 to 6 heller; consequently some changes may be expected in the stamps of that country.

On April 16th France reduced the internal letter rate to 10 centimes per 15 grams. The change would not have necessitated a new design, but the opportunity was improved for making certain alterations in the Semeuse (Sower) type now in use. The sower is now shown against a clear sky, walking towards a hilly country rising to the left, while the sun now rises in

front of the sower, so that the shading of the figure becomes more logical. The change was about the last official order of M. Georges Trouillot, post-master-general in the now retired Rouvier cabinet; the design for the changes was drawn by M. Dujardin-Beaumetz, under-secretary of state for Fine Arts, after consultation with Messrs Roty and Mouchon, the designer and engraver, respectively, of the present type—at the same time a noted painter had submitted two designs to the French post-office department, one bearing the Gallic cock and the other a head of Liberty; we are assured that they will be engraved and tried out by the department. The cock is to serve for the values from 1 to 5 centimes and the Liberty type for the values from 10 centimes to 5 francs. This perpetual tinkering is becoming a little tiresome: I would suggest that our French friends apply to our Bureau Engraving and Printing or to the American Bank Note Company for a suitable design decently engraved.

Haiti, after April 1st computes the foreign postage on a franc basis, 25 centimes per 15 grams. More new stamps, a flood of surcharges to begin with.

Indo-China is to have a new set of stamps. Each value will show the picture of a different tree sheltering a female, also different. The racial mixture of that corner of the globe will admit of a long set. Let us hope for something prettier than the present set, whose graceful design is spoiled by poor engraving and dreadful color combinations.

Le C. de R. T-P. also illustrates the two new designs adopted by the Swiss federal council. They are something fierce and I do not wonder at the howl of indignation that went up at them from the Swiss press. The design selected for the 2, 3 and 5 centimes is the work of an artist named Albert Welti at Muenchen; it represents a very small boy supporting a very large crossbow; as M. Maury observes: "if it falls over, it will surely crush him." The design for the 10, 12 and 15 centimes is the work of Professor L'Eplattenier of La Chaux-de-Fonds. It exhibits a female head of such terrifying mien that it is apt to scare the Swiss men into remaining bachelors, if the Swiss girls really look like that—which the Swiss papers indignantly deny. The value from 20 centimes will remain of the present type, Helvetia standing. The new stamps will not appear for a year to come; for so much, thanks.

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Cuba Filatelica, which has not favored us with a copy for some time, shows up again with Vol. II, No. 1. It still contains its valuable catalogue... of the stamps of Cuba; just now it is dealing with the telegraph stamps of the island—unfortunately there are no doubt but very few collectors of telegraph stamps in this country.

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Speaking of telegraph stamps, one often sees the large and very finely engraved telegraph stamps of the second issue of Bavaria in small collections. I should like to direct attention to a highly interesting article on the telegraph stamps of Bavaria in No. 2 (Vol. V.) of *Le Journal des Philatelistes*.

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The stamps of Siam must be greater favorites in Europe than here, to judge from the attention given to them by British journals. Both the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* and the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* have

for some time past been running excellent articles on these intricate issues, the former by Mr. Poole, the latter by Mr. Meville. The latter series is to be reprinted in pamphlet form. It is gratifying to note that both writers quote extensively from our Mr. Holland.

The Berliner Briefmarken-Zietung now in its second volume, is already taking high rank among the Continental papers. It brings valuable original articles in every number. In No. 7 I note one on the 20 para provisional of the British occupation in Crete (the so-called Herakleia provisional, Scott No. 1). These were issued by the British officers in charge of the province of Candia; they were produced by Mr. Berinda, Austrian Vice-Consul and postmaster at the Austrian Post Office at Candia, by means of a handstamp, to the extent of 3000 copies; the handstamp was destroyed Jan. 20, 1899, on the arrival of the second issue, which was printed at Athens. About 1500 of these 3000 were bought for speculation. 1000 of them by the captain of the British man-of-war "Thetis." Another purchaser later also acquired some of the genuine postmarks (handstamps): they bear the British flag and the name of the office in a large circle. Some of the speculator's stock may now be expected with 'original' postmarks; but the stamps themselves are genuine originals, no reprints being possible.

In the same number there is a detailed description of the new Grecian Olympian Games stamps. They were designed by Professor Gillieron; the designs are taken from antique coins, decorated vases and statues. The 1 and 2 lepta show Apollo throwing a discus, taken from a coin of Kos from the fifth century before Christ. The 3 and 5 lepta bear a jumping athlete, taken from an ancient discus. The 10 lepta show a seated Nike (Victory) taken from a coin of Terine. The 20 and 50 lepta show Herakles bearing the heavens and Atlas offering him the apples of the Hesperides, taken from an antique vase. The 25 lepta shows the fight of Herakles with Antaios, from a vase. The 30 lepta bears the picture of a wrestling match, from an antique marble group; the 40 lepta the genius of the games, represented by a winged youth holding a cock upon his hand, taken from an antique mirror. The 1, 2 and 3 drachmai show three runners, after a vase, and the 5 drachmai shows Nike, three torch bearers and priests offering sacrifice, also from a vase. The stamps are of various sizes, some upright, some transverse rectangles; they are being engraved in London, which promises good work, to judge by the last Cuban sets.

Bavarian provisionals! That sounds queer, but No. 8 of the same paper illustrates two of them. They are split provisionals: half (diagonally cut) of a 2<sup>nd</sup> pf. used together with a 2 pf. as 3 pf., and half of a 20 pf., used as 10 pf. Both were thus employed at the small postoffice of Speyerbrunn, the stamp of the values in question being exhausted. The official attests are reproduced, but the postmaster in question no doubt received a reprimand from his superiors, as split provisionals are forbidden in Bavaria.

The German papers review a new color handbook by Captain P. Ohrt, Duesseldorf.\* It contains about 2000 color shades on 33 plates and is said to be exceedingly well executed by one of the foremost printing firms of Germany. The value of all color handbooks is problematical, to be sure, and all previous attempts in that direction have achieved but slight success, but nevertheless every step towards the solution of the color problem must be

welcomed. The price of this handbook is a trifle steep—15 mark—but no doubt warranted by the expense of production.

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No. 40 of Friedls Briefmarken—Offertenblatt is the first to illustrate the new pictorial set for Bosnia and the Herzegovina—at least the 2 heller value. They bear views of noted landscapes of the two provinces, except the 5 kronen stamp which bears a portrait of the emperor. They are being engraved in taille-douce at the Austrian State Printing Office and promise to be quite an artistic set—which is more than could be said for any Austrian or Hungarian stamps heretofore. They are to appear about August 1st.

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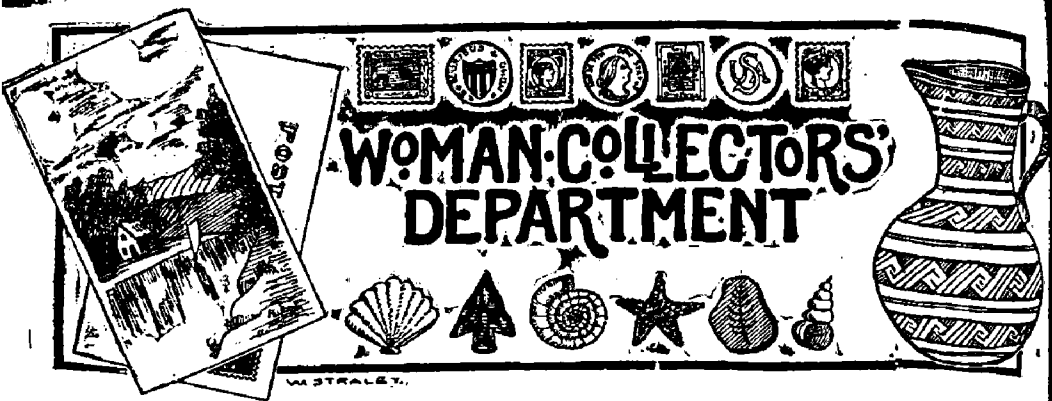
No. 3 of the Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidskrift brings enlarged reproductions of the two designs which won the prize in the late Norwegian competition. As they have already been described extensively, I shall not enter upon details. The first prize design depicts flying sea gulls, the second one a viking vessel. To my mind the second design is by far the more appropriate of the two, but both are queer products, indeed. The 'new art' is producing some exceedingly curious things—more curious than beautiful, by far.

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Look out for exceedingly dangerous forgeries of the early Spanish issues which are now in the market! No. 2 of the Vertrauliches Korrespondenz-Blatt warns against them. They are produced by a photographic process: the maker sells them as facsimiles, but the next owner is usually less exact about describing them.

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As explaining the significance of the markings on the envelopes that conveyed soldiers' and flag-of-truce letters during the civil war, and the presence, in some instances, of both United States and Confederate stamps on the same covers, we take the following quotation from the report of the postmaster-general of the United States for the year 1863, and append to it the statements of a writer of former years. "By reason of the continued suspension of regular postal communication with sections of the country under insurrectionary control, a considerable number of letters, amounting in the aggregate to 23,314, found their way by various channels, to the dead letter office. Of this number 3,312 were foreign and returned to the countries where they originated. Those originating in the loyal states were turned over to the military authorities and after examination, most of them sent by flag of truce to their destination." "Letters sent from the northern of United States to prisoners or others within the rebel lines were not permitted to exceed in length one page of a letter sheet, and were allowed to relate to merely personal and domestic matters, and had to be signed by the writer's name in full. It was compulsory to send letters with five cents (in coin) enclosed, if addressed to Richmond, and ten cents if beyond that point. Such letters were required to be sent enclosed to the commanding general of the department of Virginia, at Fortress Monroe, marked on the outside, 'For flag of truce', and left unsealed. If not directed according to these regulations, these were returned to the dead letter office." Letters sent by southern soldiers incarcerated in northern prisons were forwarded, after having been examined and marked officially.



BY VERA WESTON HANWAY.

The Call of the Road—In the Collectors' Paradise.

"Oh, the wild joys of living! the leaping from rock up to rock.

The strong rending of bows from the fir-trees, the cool silver shock  
Of the plunge in a pool's living waters, the hunt of the bear

And the sultriness showing the lion is crouched in his lair.

How good is man's life, the mere living! how fit to employ  
All the heart and the soul and the senses forever in joy!

Few can read Browning's soul stirring lines without an impulse, a longing,  
for the woods, the fields, the streams. Least of all the naturalist collector.

At this season of the year, the spring-time, will feel a vague unrest. It  
is the call of nature—the call of the road.

There it stretches before us, a long white trail, just visible with the  
rising of the eastern sun. On and on over the distant mountain, and then a  
silver thread stretching into the Red God's Country.

In olden time it was said, "all roads lead to Rome." Now all roads  
lead to Paradise, to Health and Happiness—that is if you are searching for  
them. Listen to the call of the road, and some fair morning, as the sun  
rises follow the trail.

Always with the beginning of Lent there comes to near overwhelming  
longing for the mountains, the roads and the fields. The air seems to be  
exuberant with the perfume of those heralds of spring, the trailing arbutus  
and the violet.

And with the perfume of the flowers comes the memory of a sweet,  
grave-faced, gray-eyed nun attempting to initiate a class of frivolous school  
girls into the beautiful mysteries of the flower life. Again I see those eyes,  
otherwise so calm, lighting up with all the passion and pride of the collec-  
tion as she exhibits volume after volume of a collections gathered from every  
land and every clime. Pointing out one rare variety after another.

Then it is that I put on my boots and follow the trail, along the road,  
through the fields, over the mountains. The call of the springtime, of the  
road is in every breath of the exhilarating air.

The love of collecting and the love of nature runs riotous in my veins.  
The woods, the dells are full of the things dear to collectors. Rare varieties



of fern and flower. Curious bugs to delight the collecting senses of the entomologist.

From the fields comes the "Who-o! Ho!!" of the "man with the hoe," or rather the man with the plough. As the plough turns up the moist, brown sod I follow the furrows, and occasionally pick up some long buried implement of our native Indian—Sometimes an arrow point, sometimes a greater find.

Here and there along the road one finds an old ruin, an abandoned farm-house. These offer up many possibilities. In several I have found old letters and papers to add to the collection. Once a comparatively rare envelope to place among my entires. And if nothing else may be found the ever ready camera is called upon to take a picture as a remembrance of a pleasant jaunt.

Sometimes one happens upon on an auction sale while following the call of the road. Did you ever attend a country auction sale? That dear old woman with the snow white hair may be a picturesque addition, but she is never a pleasnt one. You long to go to her and tell her of the sympathy you feel, but instead you stifle the impulse and bid in her old china, all the while haunted by those white hairs, those sorrowiing eyes.

Among the accumulations of household effects, there is sometimes offered a really old piece of furniture, whose value is oft times hidden by its shabbiness. But will not the restorers' art make it a thing of beauty and of joy.

Perhaps the greatest obstacle a collector has to contend with is the natural affection people have for their old furniture, books, pictures, china. There are some things which money cannot buy. One occasionally finds a person, poor and obscure who displays a fine instinct in keeping his or her heirlooms intact, thus proving themselves really well bred. For is not pride in the family honor and traditions the root of all breeding

One afternoon while on a jaunt into the country I passed an ivy-covered homestead. Feeling somewhat thirsty I stopped and begged the sweet faced old lady who came to the door for a glass of milk. She graciously gave me a chair, and brought some milk in a pitcher so rare, so old, so beautiful, that I cried out in admiration.

I offered her one price after another for it, and at last emptied the contents of my purse. She answered me with such a beautiful look on her face as she gazed at the pitcher that I stopped my remonstrances with a feeling very much like awe. "No, my child" she said, and then told me the history of the pitcher. I do not repeat it. It is too sacred, too utterly beautiful. I returned home that day no wiser in a collecting sense, but infinitely richer in heart and soul.

The autumn winds carry the call of the road as well. After the birds have flown away I answer the call. From every variety of tree I gather the nests. I have gathered much pleasure from this modest collection, and a great deal of knowledge as well.

This ruminatiou lists but few of the things to be seen and gathered along the road. These and much more you will find for yourself. They all possess that personal fragrance, the perfume of memory so dear to the truis—the collector.

You will find health and strength; strong, beautiful is the muscle; rosy

cheeks and a merry heart, as well.

There it stretches before you, a long white trail, just visible with the rising of the eastern sun. On and on over the distant mountains, and then a silver thread stretching into the Red God's Country.

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#### THE PICTURE POST CARD ANNUAL

and Directory. The Philatelic and Cartophilic Printing Co., Rotherham, England. Price sixteen cents post free. Any addition to the hobbyist modest library is always welcome. The "Annual," a well printed book of some one hundred pages, is a quite valuable addition to the picture post card collectors' library. It not only contains an index of reliable exchangers gathered from every quarter of the globe, but a list of rareities, dealers, albums, and a pleasing review of some important emissions of the past year.

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### *Notes of Interest to Philatelists and Collectors*

A stamp exhibition is on. Nearly a year ago the idea of this exhibition began to assume definite form although for two years past there has been a sentiment in favor of an exhibition. An interim of seven years has elapsed since the Manchester exhibition in 1899. The London (1906) exhibition makes the third one having been held in London in 1897, and will be opened on Wednesday, May 23, 1906, in the Royal Horticultural Society's Hall, Vincent Square, Westminster, S. W. The hall is eminently suitable for the exhibition, being lofty and with a ground area of about 140 feet by 75 feet. There is ample light through a domed glass roof, which can be screened from the sun's rays when necessary. There are two recesses 50 feet by 25 feet each, on a slightly raised level, available for dealers' stalls and a tea room. There is also a raised bandstand. On the first floor of the main building there is a lecture hall with three other rooms available for exhibits. The building is of fireproof construction and equipped with all requisite fire appliances. It is situated within seven minutes' walk only of Victoria Station and Westminster Abbey, and five minutes from the Army and Navy Stores in Victoria Street and St. James's Park Station on the Metropolitan Railway. The exhibition will comprise British, Colonial and foreign postage stamps, British telegraph, railway letter fee and college stamps, together with objects of interest in connection with philately, the manufacture of stamps, and the postal service. A special feature will be the formation of two championship classes, where exhibits that obtained gold medals in London in 1897, or at Manchester in 1899, must be entered for competition; but the classes will also be open to other exhibits and exhibitors. All stamps will be exhibited under glass in locked and sealed cases. Night and day watchmen will be employed, and every possible precaution will be taken to secure exhibits from damage or loss, but no actual personal responsibility will be undertaken by the Committee. Arrangements have been made for insurance against risk of loss by fire or theft, further particulars of which will be found in the prospectus. Philatelists and collectors throughout the world are cordially invited to exhibit, and it is especially hoped that the leading collectors in the British colonies, on the Continent and in all foreign countries will

send exhibits, so that the exhibition may be thoroughly representative and international.

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A proper step would be the issuance by each country in the Postal Union of a double stamp to be sold at 10 cents—one part similar to the 5-cent or its equivalent current issue of each country, and the other representing the international return stamp, having the same design and color for all the countries, unlike any other stamp in use by any country. For instance, a design representing the world, surcharged in red in large letters, "United States," "England," "France," "Germany," etc. By being compelled to buy two stamps or double the usual amount, the speculator would have to invest a large sum, and then having to sell at a discount at least one of the stamps, there would be no profit for him commensurate with his trouble. According to some views, the only drawback in the scheme is that certain countries, for instance the United States, would sell more stamps probably than all Europe combined, for the reason that we have more foreign population than any other country, and then again in the United States 5 cents is easier to obtain even amongst the poor people than it is amongst the poorer classes of Europe. If the stamp was issued most of them would be sent by people here to their relatives across the sea. This would give to the United States a fictitious revenue to the detriment of other nations, but by having the International Bureau at Berne acting for the countries as a "clearing house." It seems that the difficulty would be overcome and each country would get credit for the postage on mail matter going through its offices.

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Among the recent finds of uncatalogued South Carolina Confederate Provisional Postmaster's envelopes of 1861 the Pendleton is perhaps peculiarly interesting. In the quiet up country village of Pendleton, Anderson County, the "Courthouse" of what was formerly Pendleton District, Calhoun, the statesman, was born. The Pendleton is similar to the Spartanburg Postmaster's envelope, Pendleton and Spartanburg being neighboring village. Both are located in the picturesque and productive Piedmont region, whose rich recently discovered deposits of the rarest and most valuable minerals and of the most precious gems have attracted widespread attention and are just now beginning to be exploited. The Pendleton ought easily to rank with the Spartanburg and the Selma, Ala., which it much resembles.

The specimen at hand is on buff paper. It has in the upper right hand corner the hand-stamped word "Paid" in a quadrant curving from right to left: beneath this, an Arabic figure 5, having the same slant, both evidently produced by the same hand stamp. To the left of this is the date postmark, curving from left to right: "Pendleton, July 5, 1861," encircled by a single line ring. The print was evidently made with a second hand stamp. Both impressions are in cobalt blue.

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The House Committee on Library has thus far taken no action on the matter of the Gardner Bill, which appropriates \$20,000 for the purchase of the Deats collection of sketches, proofs and essays of the revenue stamps of the United States, although some consideration has been given to the matter by the members of the Committee.

# Reprint Stamps of Porto Rico, Phillipines and Fernando P. O.

By Mario S. Roig, Havana, Cuba

Only some reprints are well known in the issues of Porto Rico. The first was a reprint in the issue of 1898, 20c red \$2 50 Provisional issue, the other was in the issue of 1899 Caomo, 5ct black and the paper is whiter than in the original and no period is after cts as in this sample. It is not an error but a reprint one. In the issue of 1898 current occurs same as in Cuba have been reprinted the first in 1868-73, stamp of various issue with surcharges. "Habilitado feor la Nacion". The types are very bad and not clear as in the originals. The second reprints are in issue of 1881, fiscals stamps surcharged for postage the only values reprinted are 2, 2½, 8 cents. The third is in the issues of 1882, various types postal and fiscals used for postage. Some other values of 1888-89-1897-1898 have been reprinted. But the best reprints made is in the stamp of 1898 2 cts blued green surcharged as follows:

CORREOS
5 CTS
COAMO

This type is of the reprint. In this reprints are executed with care, but are irregular the letters of the word "Resellado" those are all the reprints of Porto Rico, Fernando P. O. The reprints of this country are only in two emissions in 1896-99. On fiscal stamps of 1896-97. The reprints one have a period in the termination of the word centavos as follows

C.
1898
RESELLADO
1899
T.

CENTAVOS. This is the type of the reprint surcharge. The other is in the issue of 1900, and occurs same as in the other with the word centavos written, with period at end of word.

## FAC-SIMILES OF U. S. STAMPS ON PICTURE POST CARDS DANGEROUS PROPERTY.

Acting on advices received from the United States Attorney's office, Post office Inspector O'Connell and United States Secret Service Agent Thomas Foster seized seven souvenir postal cards from a street vender, C. L. Albert, doing business in the doorway of a saloon on the corner of Seventh and Stevenson streets, near the entrance of the new postoffice building. The post cards have printed upon them fac-similes of one, two, three, four, five, eight, six, ten, thirteen, fifteen and fifty cent stamps, and also \$1, \$5 and \$2 and special delivery stamps.

The maximum penalty for possessing these cards, upon which are representations of Uncle Sam's mailing stamp, is fifteen years' hard labor or \$15,000 fine, but the Government is not disposed to prosecute in cases where the souvenir postal cards are willingly and voluntarily delivered up. Secret service agents have a list of stationery dealers in San Francisco who keep these cards, and would prefer that they surrender them, in the new post-office secret service office, rather than wait for seizure proceedings. The postoffice inspectors have received orders from Washington to prevent these cards from being sent through the mails.

The souvenir cards are made by Otto Zieher, at Munchen, Germany.—San Francisco Post.

# *The Philatelic Dictionary*

*Edition One*

*by*

*R. E. Ramsey*

This is intended primarily for beginners and others interested.

Philatelia has many friends, I will not state young for I might not be telling the exact truth and then if there were any of the older class and incidentally the other sex with us it might be embarrassing, has an indirect bearing with Philadelphia. They both claim Greek parentage and have landed here to stay even tho the the former has a troublesome minor variety and the latter "bosses". You see their first syllables are somewhat alike. First cousins I presume. One is brotherly love and the other stamp love.

Ye who claim to be immunes of Cupid and have a stamp collection are fooling yourselves for you see you are in love.

You are informed that the "Grand old stamp of Philatelia" is a N. S. W. stamp. Now, that N. S. W. does not mean North-South-West but New South Wales.

Chalk surfaced paper is but the new name for skinning stamp collectors. We next expect multiple wmk, chalk surface rainbow shaded Colonials.

Among other things that we did not receive this season was an Ideal Catalog.

The Minor Variety is (for those uninitiated) a stamp that looks just like its brother except in price and is really worth but minor mention.

A man died the other day. Of course that is nothing new but this man had his portrait on the stamps and so we may look for a new issue.

British Colonials, you are respectfully informed, are stamps that change their watermark often, and paper every now and then.

The Prince of Wales Stamps.—The Prince of Wales has been busy in keeping up his interest in the curious fascinations of philately. His Royal Highness has put together a unique series of examples of the postage stamps of the Indian Empire, including many which are no longer current. Some of these have been presented by enthusiastic collectors among the native Princes, who have studied the fads and fancies of the Royal tourists to a nicety. Again and again they have shown their astuteness and tact by an offering of postage stamps, bazaar curios, or other reics, trifling in themselves, but all the more welcome because of the fine spirit in which they were offered. The Prince will place his collection—in this and other branches of interest—on public view as soon as possible after his return.—  
"Modern Society "

## OUR ILLUSTRATIONS

F. W. REID, the Denver dealer who has located in N. Y. City was born in 1871 in the great metropolis where he received his public school education, starting his boyhood collection at the age of 14. In 1888 he issued a price list of U. S. stamps and kept a full stock of general issues and departments, not so very difficult, however, in those days, as Mr. Reid remembers buying at the Sterling sale about 1887, a set of 1857 complete in pairs unused for a sum between four and five dollars. About this time his advertising was appearing regularly in the various stamp papers and he considered himself at the age of 16 a full fledged dealer.

He went west in '89 and dropped stamps until 1893 when the Columbian issue inspired new interest. Taught music and again dealt in stamps as a 'side line' 1895 to 1897, advertising from Phoenix, Ariz., in WEST and other papers. Mr. Reid went to Australia in 1897 and started into the stamp business to which he gave all his time and which has since been his life work. Returned to Denver Colo., 1903 (January) and opened former store (stamps only) the same month. He was one of three organizers of Denver Stamp Club last year. The club now has over thirty adult resident members, over twenty members, being present at last meeting. This is a good record for a city the size of Denver in which Mr. Reid feels there is a good opening for some one. His own business has proven satisfactory but he prefers to live in New York.

He has the best of trade relations in Australia and aims to keep a good stock of medium and cheaper stamps of all Australian States. Mr. Reid has opened up in New York and will lease an entirely new place if unable to buy out some other dealer's location. While making a specialty of Australian he has a good general line of everything in stock. He is a member of the Am. Phil. Ass'n, and others. See his ad in this number.

L. H. LEDERER was born on a farm in old Illinois in 1874, came west as a youngster. Always had a craze for relics and collecting, but not active philatelist until 1892, since which time have made a special study of stamps and delights in philatelic knowledge. Good collection but not in great numbers. Was in County Clerk's office for four years, where he started a stamp biz, but organized Norfolk Stamp Co. in January, '06, and is manager of said Co. at Norfolk, Nebraska. See his ad in this issue.

W. B. LONGSTRETH was born in Pataskala, Ohio, in 1871 and now resides with his parents in the little village of Gratiot, Ohio, 42 miles east of Columbus on the old Cumberland or National road. He is a collector of stamps and post cards (view) and desires to exchange with other collectors in all parts of the world. He has an ad in the WEST, which by the way, he thinks is the best collectors' paper published. By occupation he is a dealer in fresh and reliable garden and flower seeds and stationary and job printing. He is a leading member of the M. E. church at Gratiot, being one of the church officers and secretary of the Sunday School and is a member of the I. O. O. F. lodge. He also has a small collection of autographs, one of which he prizes very highly as it is the hand writing of our lamented President McKinley.

DON R. DAVIS has a collection of over 1500 picture postal cards and is a collector of stamps, Indian relics, arrow points, postmarks, minerals,

bird eggs, and buttons. He has lived in Lowell all his life and belongs to leading card and stamp societies. See his ad in this number.

REV. EDWIN EWELL, Anoka, Minn., was born in Wyoming, N. Y. in 1859. He has been pastor of Congregational churches since 1891 and has spent two vacations in post graduate work at Chicago University. When a boy he made a collection of stamps which was lost. About ten years ago he began again, thinking it would be a pleasant diversion and now has a fine general collection of some 7000 variety. For the past five years he has bought, sold and exchanged with collectors and dealers in many countries. He is always glad to hear from lovers of our hobby and correspondence and exchange is solicited and answered as promptly as the nature of the same will admit.

MRS. BAUM of Paterson, N. J. is reported to have the largest souvenir post card collection in America and we have used many illustrations of her collections. She says she is a regular collecting fiend and collects all sorts of thing stamps, old china, cactus, medals, buttons and post cards, anything curious and believes she is one of the first post card collectors in this country but not by exchange, they were sent to her by friends especially from Germany. The oldest post card she has is from the Chicago World's Fair. It is only two years since last February that she joined an exchange club and this was in the WEST and is now a member of several clubs and has over ten thousand cards from all over the world, some are rare ones and she prizes them highly. She has one beautiful card in commemoration of the returning of the German soldiers from China at the closing of the war of those countries. One showing the welcome Germany extended to two thousand Japanese soldiers made prisoners by Russia and returning to Japan per Hamburg from Russia. She has some fine Queen Victoria cards and of the silver wedding of the German imperial couple and many others too numerous to mention. Her cards afford her much pleasure and she would not part with them for love or money. She is expecting in a few days a visitor from Japan, a real Japanese gentleman is coming to see her all the way from Japan and this through card exchanging.

Mrs. Baum likes to collect curios and thinks she has a few things which are worth having. There is an Indian rattle which you see in the Indian pitcher on the picture. This rattle was given to her by Chief Red Cloud now dead. He used it to beat time as he was dancing and singing for her at the time she paid him a visit. This rattle he had made himself when he was fourteen years old living then in Louisiana and thinks he was nearly ninety years old when he died. Next to it is a sandal once worn by a Hindu prince, it is inlaid with silver. The Buddha is a genuine bronze from Japan. There are Pompeian and Etrurian vases, Indian and Mexican pottery, ivory and ebony carvings from Samoa, mummy beads, etc. She has picked up shells most at the seashore resorts but some have been sent to her from different parts of the world. Mr. Alverson the naturalist of San Bernardino has sent her many beautiful specimens. A very fine shell is the spined oyster (*Spondylus princeps*) it is of deep red color and comes from the Gulf of Mexico. The pearly nautilus (*Nautilus pompilius*) from East India. The Scorpion (*Pterocera chiragra*) Philippine Islands. She has also a number of small shells from the Sea of Galilee. Beautiful Habitus or Ear shells, corals, etc. She has over a hundred different specimens including sea stars, sea urchins and many other curios of the Ocean. See last two No's. for Ill.

# *Mexican Fiscals*

*By F. A. Broten*

(Contribution Federal concluded)

1902-03, 22x42 mm. arms in centre; 153-1c orange; 154-5c ultramarine; 155-25c brown; 156-1p olive; 157-5p green; 158-10p dark blue; 159-50p brown.

1903-04, 21x42 mm, lighted torch; 160-1c ultramarine; 161-5c brown; 162-25 green; 163-1p; 164-5p dark blue; 165-10c blue green; 166-50c brick.

1904-05, 167-1c; 168-5c; 169-25c; 169-25c; 170-1p; 171-5p; 172-10p; 173-50p.

Derechos Fiscales—Fiscal Duty Issued 1880, large oblong 20x67 mm. bordered by double lined frame, Mexican arms in center to the left. Derechos Fiscales in two lines, to left value in words, likewise in two lines, back on plain white paper, background of colored scroll work imperforate.

1-1c black and yellow; 2-1½c black and blue; 3-3c black and green; 4-10c black and red; 5 1p black and gray.

I would like to have some of our friends who collect Mexican Fiscals to give a list of all varieties with color and value for the 1904-05 and 1905-06 issues.

I will try to have a list of The Hilaza Y Tejidos (Dry Goods) for next issue.

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Stamp Collectors Meet.—The Kansas City Stamp Club held a special meeting last night in the Jenkins building, thirteenth street and Grand Avenue. The object of the club is to bring all stamp collecting enthusiasts together to discuss and trade stamps. Regular meetings are held on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. The collection of W. Fishman, consisting of 6,000 American and foreign stamps, were displayed last night. In the collection are several original envelopes posted before the United States had an official postage stamp. One of these, a letter written to a woman in Spencer, Mo., was posted December 29, 1840. On it was written in long hand by the postmaster, "Paid three cents." Frank Bescher, an honorary member of the club, has a collection of more than 15,000 stamps for which he refused \$10,000. The club has twenty-two members and ten corresponding members. On the fourth Friday of each month the club has a stamp auction. Fred Goldstandt is president of the club. Kansas City, Mo.

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It seems almost an almost incredible thing among the nations, France has steadily refused until the present year to grant her people the full blessing of penny postage. Until now the inland letter rate in France has been 1½d. (15 centimes), but on and after April 26th this will be changed. A 10-centimes stamp, from that time forth, will frank a letter not only from any part of France to any other part, but also to any portion of the French Empire (if we may venture to call it an Empire!) oversea. In future the commonest French stamp will be the 10 centimes.

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If your capital is small and you wish to reach a large circle of readers, write out your story and send it to us. Don't try to crowd a whole circular into an inch ad. Don't pack your words in like sardines. Give a little room for thought. We make a low rate, 1c a word in the WEST.



# *The Stamps of Great Britain*

*By Narcissus*

Any earnest student of Philately would naturally be interested in the stamps of this the first country to adopt postage stamps. The oldest Philatelic country, the one whose stamps are entirely free from surcharges or provisional issues for financial reasons; in whose history there is not one "glorification" issue. And yet! and yet! I have actually met people, citizens of this far-reaching country who collected stamps and left out Gt. Britain; why or wherefore could never find out, but strange as it was, such was the case, and it shocked me not a little. I should expect from her honoured position in Philately, to find her leading the van in most albums; but alas! in many she is given an obscure place as one of little or no importance; well, put her where you like, but for pity's sake don't leave her out.

In tracing the history of the stamps of this country, we can see the progress of art and utility in the line of adhesives specially brought out. The first issues of 1840-1 in the black brown, orange red and rose red one penny, and the two penny blue, with its interesting shades of intense colour, form an engaging study of the early stages of engraving and colour printing. A page of the five issues in all their varying shades makes one of the most striking in an album, for although many of the later issues are much more artistic, yet to me, for real beauty, these old issues have never been surpassed. Next we have the three embossed stamps. One shilling, green; ten pence, red brown; and six pence, violet. These while being among the most simple and unpretentious of any, are yet marvels of good taste, and compare very favourably with many of the gaudy daubs of some more pretentious countries. In cut square these are becoming very rare, and good copies are increasing in value. Then follow at odd times various issues of one or more stamps at four pence, six pence, one shilling, three half-pence, and nine pence, all adhesives, simple in style and colour, with no pretense of artistic merit. Among these irregular issues are some very rare stamps that are hard to get; notably the 2sh. pale brown of 1880 catalogued at \$35.00 unused and \$16.00 used. The 8d catalogued at \$25.00 was never placed in use. The higher values of 10sh., £1 and £5 of 1878-84 maintain their high catalogue value and are difficult to get hold of. In 1883 the first set of stamps with anything like uniformity of design was issued; being a set in two colours, part in lilac and part in pale green; not a successful set for the different prices in same colour made it hard to distinguish the one from the other notwithstanding a difference in design. So in 1887 a very pretty and artistic set was issued of all values from 1½d to 1sh. each one being of a distinct colour and most of them of two colours. This was the last issue with the Queens head and was replaced in 1901 by an entirely new set of similar design bearing the head of King Edward; these last two are very pretty sets and the only ones where there has been any evident effort at artistic effect.

The rarest stamp known is the 1 ct. of British Guiana, only one specimen known to exist at the present time. No value has ever been placed upon this stamp.

# *One Solution of the Stamp Button Question*

*By A. W. Wheeler*

The popular philatelic opinion is in favor of adopting a universal stamp button. That this is the predominating sentiment of stamp collectors I believe needs no further comment. But, that phase of the stamp button question which does call for discussion is the kind of a button to choose and how the philatelic world may be made to adopt it. The object of this stamp button is for the advancement of philately. The principal benefit being in philatelic identification. The numerous plans which have been advanced during the last few years seem not to have been practical, although they have done a valuable service in keeping the question alive. It now appears that the stamp button question can not be decided until some united action is taken. In this matter as well as in any other organization seems to be essential for the best results. Some writers in treating this subject have compared stamp collectors to an order such as the Masons. I cannot appreciate this comparison. For instance, if the Masons desired a new emblem they would be able to reach each and every member of their order by a message from the head of the order. In philately there is no fraternal head, for philately is not an order. My comparison of philately would be to the FORM of religion.

The great institution in religion is the church, while the great institution in philately is the association. There are many people with religious beliefs similar to those of the church, who are not, however, members of the church, and so it is in philately. The doctrines of the philatelic associations are upheld by many who never have associated themselves with these societies. There are those with religious beliefs which compared with those of the church are decidedly antagonistic. Again the comparison is true in philately where peculiar philatelic views make the viewer directly in opposition to the association. In religion if a movement is successfully started and satisfactorily finished its origin is usually traced to the church. The church has both unity and influence. It is therefore easily and effectively appealed to. People look to the church for an example. In philately it is the association which acts as an example. Like the church it has unity and influence. It is the associations which are doing the great philatelic work. Advancing education and securing new members is their untiring occupation. The present International Philatelic Exhibition has its influence as well as the various other features of the association.

## MY PLAN.

Since the association is the most important and influential institution in philately my plan is to first appeal this question to them. Having appealed this, my plan of action for the societies is as follows:

1st. For the various associations to discuss this question at their fall conventions.

2nd. After having come to some definite conclusion as to the design, size style and price of the button to appoint some one of their members to represent them at a general convention of representatives of stamp associations.

3rd. At this later convention of representatives to discuss and to

determine by vote on a suitable stamp emblem.

4th. The number of votes of a member to be decided by the number of members he represented.

This then constitutes my plan for the introduction of a stamp button to collectors. Which plan, if once adopted, would effect in time all earnest collectors. The expense of its establishment would be eclipsed by the resulting benefits. There would also be an opening for a financial gain to the societies both directly and indirectly. It would no doubt take time to secure the success of this plan. But most of the great accomplishments of this world, as well as the small, take time for their realization.

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## *Charade*

*By Neil Stowe*

All o'er the wide world, I have traveled you bet  
From pole to pole of the earth;  
And in the same business, I'm going it yet,  
On my mission of joy or of mirth.

In the last sixty years, I have helped a great deal,  
To enlighten an ignorant world;  
And still will help on, with most untiring zeal,  
As around the country I'm whirled.

On St. Valentine's day, I am used by the score,  
To speed the sweet message of Love;  
And when Easter comes round, I am used all the more,  
For the message from Him up above.

And also on Christmas I'm used a good deal,  
To carry good news to the people;  
And on New Year's I'm out, with the bells merry peal,  
As they ring out the chimes from the steeple.

Now my first is an object, familiar to view,  
In every fence corner you'll find it;  
And my second, its visit does each day renew,  
Though by coming so oft, we don't mind it.

And my last is that which gave birth to this poem,  
But for it, this had ne'er seen the light;  
With my last, but one guessed, you're certain to know 'em  
All, if you're anyways bright.

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Proof and Specimen Stamps.—The collecting of proof and specimen stamps has become very interesting. In many cases these stamps are much scarcer than those used for postage. A few years ago they could be picked up at low prices. A collection of these is very beautiful. They are commonly printed on thin card board, and sometimes on India Paper.

POSTAL CARD DEPARTMENT



Covers & Envelopes

## Observations on Some Original Covers

By R. R. Thiele

(Continued.)

Brother Brodstone has sent me an envelope of which he ought to be proud even if it did cost him ten cents postage due. It came from a correspondent at Rosario de Santa Fe, Argentine Republic. Just what the sender was thinking of when he placed one 1c green and two  $\frac{1}{2}$ c brown of the current Argentine set on a sealed letter and expected these to carry it to the United States without further payment, is a puzzle to me. The face value of the three stamps is about two thirds of a cent; hence it is small wonder that the large black T, the international symbol of postage due, adorns the envelope. By rights it must have been impressed at Buenos Aires, but there is no postmark to show it. At New York, that legend dear to our hearts was impressed in black

### COLLECT POSTAGE 10 CENTS

The missive being sealed, cost letter postage, and five cents were collected by way of fine; the stamps on the letter, being less than a cent in value, were no doubt disregarded. But this is not the point where Brody pats himself on the back. No, that comes in on the address, for the letter is simply addressed

"The Philatelic West and Camera News,"  
Nebraska  
Estados Unidos."

Behold, how the "WEST" is known the length and breadth of the land! True, some clerk at New York let others wrestle with the problem; all he added to the letter was the postmark on the back of the letter

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all in black in a single-lined circle. The one who first discovered the absence of the town name was a railway mail clerk, for the next postmark is this one on the back of the envelope

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in black in a single circle, with the familiar R. M. S. "Killer" beside it. The train number is illegible; W. D. presumably stands for "Western Division," that is, west of Buffalo, I suppose. Now if that clerk had been a philatelist, as he ought to have been, the letter would not have been delayed; but as it was, we find this postmark next, struck in violet aniline ink on the face of the letter, evidently with a rubber stamp:

DEFICIENCY IN ADDRESS SUPPLIED BY CLEVELAND, O., P. O.

all in a single circle. There are two initials below "Supplied by", but they are too blurred to decipher; I suppose they are those of the clerk who supplied the address. If Brody only knew his name, he would surely give him

a year's subscription free, for here was a man who did not have to look in the Post Office Guide for information; no, the fame of the "Philatelic West" had already come to his ears and he needed no further indication; "The Philatelic West" and Superior, Nebraska, are they not one and the same thing? So he took his blue pencil into the manly right and in bold letters marked this legend across the face of the letter

"Superior, Neb."

And the letter went its way rejoicing, arriving at Superior on the 23d of November. And now who would say that the "Philatelic West" is not famous? Mail a letter in farthest Africa and address it "Philatelic West, America," and its dollars to doughnuts Brody will get it with trifling delay even if he should have to pay postage due on it. Well, the advertisement is worth it.

(To be continued.)

## *A Portrait of Washington for \$1.00*

The United States Government has issued a fine steel engraving of Washington at a great expense. We have procured a hundred of these engravings and are selling them at \$1.00. This is considerably less than they cost us but we are doing this to introduce our other goods. Send us a dollar bill and we will express you the portrait, and also a copy of our large catalog. We want you to look this over and send us an order.

A Supply Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Covering a full page of one of America's largest philatelic weeklies was this ad. Roberts wondered why they should insert an ad like that in a stamp paper, but he read it over. Now a good etching of Washington was just what he needed to fill a vacant space in his album, so he thought he would send for it. He thought over it for a while and the more he pondered the more he wanted it. He showed it to several of his friends and they said they wanted one also, so he wrote for five of the engravings. After waiting for a few days he received an express package containing his steel etching made by the government at a great expense, five present issue two cent U. S. stamps.

Canal Zone Provisionals.—Just as we go to press, news from Panama is to the effect that the Republic of Panama is short of stamps and is having difficulty in supplying the Canal Zone (U. S. Territory) with the stamps necessary to conduct the postal service. It will be recalled that when the use of U. S. stamp surcharged Canal Zone was discontinued, it was agreed by U. S. Secretary Taft, of the War Department, that stamp supplies from the Zone should be purchased at forty per cent of face value of the Panama Republic, such stamps to be surcharged "Canal Zone" and thereby become U. S. postage value in gold. The tremendous demand for stamps to handle the U. S. mails has exhausted the lower denomination and in the emergency the following provisionals were issued: 2c on 1 peso March 16. The latter is not on Panama No. 82, as has been announced, but upon the Columbia-Panama No. 21, the whole surcharge being in black. Supplies of these provisionals are hard to get.—Mekeel's Weekly.

## Short Notes

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By L. G. Dorpat

The "Seebecks" recently gaining in favor, even with those who a few years ago were quite averse to them. They argue: These stamps are stamps, and we as stamp collectors must have them unless we prefer a big blank. So the boycott is declared off.

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Some collectors have been getting these stamps right along. Especially in Europe they are sought and bought very nearly as much as any other class of stamps. We can not advise a scramble for them, but we would not burn any that come our way.

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The new designs for the Swiss and for the Norwegian stamps are so odd that the comment on them differs widely. Their novelty no one can dispute, but their beauty is less evident. How they will wear time alone can show.

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A true collector will always be collecting, if not stamps, then facts, or coins or something else. It is the natural inclination that drives him to accumulate and classify whatever falls into his hands. Reason must control and direct this instinct.

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Canada is not yet to have Rural Free Mail Delivery. The cost of opening and maintaining rural routes over vast stretches of sparsely settled districts is too great to be borne by the Canadian postal system at present. There are, indeed, a few districts the population of which is dense enough now to justify rural free delivery there, but the greater part of the Dominion is not yet ripe for the innovation. As the population increases, the demand will also increase, and the time may not be so very far distant after all, when Canada will follow the example of ole Sam.

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The U. P. U. convention was opened at Rome on May 7, and may be one of the most important ever held. One of the topics under consideration is the "international stamp." It is proposed in the form of a return-letter or return-envelope similar, somewhat, to the return cards now in use.

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Charity stamps are multiplying. According to the *El Coleccionista* of Bogota, Argentina is coming forth with an edition of 500,000 two centavo stamps for a beneficiary fund. Holland is also expected to make a similar issue, and if indications are true other countries will soon follow. These stamps form a class by themselves and will make a pretty collection. It must be remembered, though, that not all are good for postage and hence, that some of them are out of place in a postage stamp collection.

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Public libraries and museums are beginning to give more attention to postage and other stamp collections than they did until the example of some of the greatest institutions of the world taught them better.

# *Does Publicity Pay the Collector?*

*By Robt. E. Ramsey*

Well, I think it undoubtedly does pay, and will cite a few instances where it has paid and how it may help our hobby in the future.

We find on every hand that the greater publicity a thing is given, the greater success it attains. The much heralded Uneeda biscuit, while not much, if any better than other brands of the same product, has, through publicity gained an almost international reputation. Certainly, when some of the leading philatelists of the country started the National Stamp Committee, they knew that it would pay. The effects of this campaign are noted in an unexpected result from across the pond—a late number of a publication from the British Isle gives quite a sarcastic paragraph about the campaign. Possibly they are sorry that they did not conceive the idea before we did. Another example of publicity is the proposed International Philatelic Exhibition now under elaboration in London.

But does publicity, although it may pay collectors as a body, pay the individual collector. In many cases it does, but, like every good rule, it works the other way and sometimes does him no material good.

I will first give some personal experiences in which publicity has not been profitable to me. Several months ago I made a certain free stamp offer in a few stamp periodicals. I exhausted the supply and since then have nearly discontinued stamp dealing but up to the present time I still continue to get pestersome letters from persons who evidently think that if they get my address, they have a coupon for some free stamps. Another: A few months ago I changed my residence and, of course, had my change of address sent to the society to which I belong. As a result, I have received numerous unsolicited approval selections from parties who no doubt, find my name in that column of the official organ.

However, let us look at this thing from a view point that about balances all other objections—the isolated collector. Few persons can better understand this position than myself, having as yet to personally meet a fellow collector, or to look over the collection of another. To an isolated collector, publicity with the resulting correspondence, is a blessing. One can make friends, compare notes and spin yarns, all through the medium of the post.

The mere publishing of your name a few times will give it a limited publicity and get you in touch with men from all states and they become your friends. At least that is the way I look at it. I consider a collector with whom I correspond, a friend, until I find him to be otherwise. I am glad to state that, though I have corresponded with numbers, I have found few "bad eggs."

If you have stamps that you do not need, you can, by publicity, find a man in the same fix and "swap."

Surely no person wants to live his entire philatelic life in his own garret, so the sooner that he decides it will pay him to come forth among men of his own kind, the greater will be his enjoyment.

As a friend of mine, by correspondence only, has said, "you get in touch with a fine set of fellows." That is it.

# Norway from the Beginning

(Continued.)

Design.—Head of King Oscar I. to left within a circle of beads. At top, "Norge," at the sides "Frimaerke," at foot the value of the stamp in words, with a numeral of value in each of the bottom corner of the stamp.

Printing Paper, &c.—The stamps were produced by typography, in sheets of 100 stamps (ten rows of ten), the paper used being a handmade "wove", white to yellowish, and varying in thickness. The gum is sometimes white, sometimes yellow.

Perforation 13.

Watermark.—Strictly speaking, the stamps are unwatermarked, but there was a watermarking of the margin of the sheet in the form of a double frame the whole sheet, with a lion in each of the four corners. Occasionally, a stamp from the corner of a sheet may be found showing a portion of the watermarked lion.

Varieties.—The issue is remarkable for its immunity from errors and varieties. The 4 skilling stamp has been catalogued without perforation, and though many single specimens are known in this condition, it would be more satisfying if one could see an imperforate pair. So far as we are aware no such pair exists.

Again the 4 skilling value is said to have been cut in half, and each half used as a stamp of 2 skillings, pending the issue of a regular stamp of that value. Nothing could be more feasible than this, but one would like to see a postmarked specimen on the original envelope. Three varieties which would appear to be above suspicion are the following:—

3 sk. without the stop after "Skilling."

4 sk. with an apostrophe after "Fire."

8 sk. without "I" of Frimaerke" at the right.

The first of this is chronicled by Mr. B. W. H. Poole; the others by Mr. A. H. Harrison. With regard to the first named stamp the curious fact must be mentioned that in the 2, 4, and 8 skilling stamps the white stops, or dots, before and after the white stops, or dots, before and after the inscription of value, are placed on a level with the center of the lettering, while in the 3 skilling stamp they are level with the bottom of the inscription. There are certain very minor varieties to be found in the formation of letters, and so on, but these are mere defects of printing which one must hunt for with a microscope. The most interesting variations that the issue can offer are those of colour. There is a fine range of shades to be found, especially, in the 3 and 8 skilling stamps. It is well however, to make sure that "shades" and "fades" are not confounded.

As a postscript regarding the second Norwegian issue (the head of King Oscar I.) it may be well to say a word as to postmarks, as these so frequently have an important bearing on the subject. In the beginning the Norwegian postal officials were ordered (by a decree dated January 15th, 1855) to obliterate the stamps on envelopes passing through the post by means of a fluted cancellation impressed in black. This appears to have been unsatisfactory, for a little over a year afterwards—i. e., on January 26th, 1856—an order was issued that all cancelling stamps then in use should be returned to headquarters at Christiania, and new ones would be supplied. Pending the



delivery of the new postmarkers, the stamps were to be cancelled by means of date-stamps. Thus it happens that the stamps of the first two issues of Norway are to be found obliterated in one or other of the following ways:

- (a) by a fluted cancellation;
- (b) by an ordinary date stamp, or
- (c) by the new form of cancelling stamp (a number within concentric circles) supplied to the postmasters at some time during 1856. The strip of three 8 skilling King's Head stamps illustrated this week show the last described cancellation very clearly. The figures "25" would represent the official number given to some particular Norwegian post office, it being laid down in the regulations that there should be a distinctive number for each post town or postal district. We hope at some future time to complete our enquiries as to the places these various numbers referred to. In some of the smaller post offices in Norway this form of postmark is in use down to the present day.

### THE THIRD ISSUE (1863-66).

The Norwegian people, never very much in love with the idea of the dual kingdom, were not at all unanimous in approving the stamps bearing the head of King Oscar I. Demands for a design typifying Norwegian nationality were frequent, and when the issue of 1863-66 came to be ordered the authorities bowed to the wishes of the public and reverted to the "arms" type of postage stamp. The design chosen, however, was a very much better one than that used for the first issue. The name of country, "Norge," was introduced at the head of the stamp, the arms of the country being more boldly presented.

In the block of four 24 skilling stamps of this type, it is not possible to point to the minor varieties of this series. For this purpose enlarged illustrations would be necessary. There are four distinct types of each value of the set; but before describing these it will be as well to give the following particulars of the issues as a whole:

Date of Issue: August 31st, 1863.

Design: A portion of the arms of Norway on a shield; at top of stamp, "Norge"; at bottom the value, with numerals of value given only once; at left side, "Frimaerke" reading upwards.

Values and Colours:

- 2 skilling yellow, pale yellow.
- 2 " orange yellow, deep orange yellow.
- 3 " grey-lilac (shades).
- 4 " blue, light and dark, milky blue, ultramarine.
- 8 " rose, carmine rose, pinky rose.
- 24 " brown, light and dark; chestnut brown.

Paper: A hand-made wove.

Printing: Lithography.

Perforation:  $14\frac{1}{2}$  horizontal,  $13\frac{1}{2}$  vertical.

Now to properly explain the types of this issue it is necessary to give details of the method of printing. The firm entrusted with the work (Schwenzen's Lithographic Works, Christiania) printed the stamp in sheets of 100 specimen, the design being transferred to the lithographic stone in blocks of four.

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## *The Fetching Fad of Stamp Collecting*

When a hard-headed business man invests a million dollars in thirty years in a collection of postage stamps, he gives that enterprise a standing entitling it to serious consideration. And when such personages as the czar, the Prince of Wales, the crown prince of Sweden, the queen of Italy, the king of Spain, the Earl of Crawford, to say nothing of Rudyard Kipling and scores of other distinguished people, who find entertainment in collecting stamps, or "philately," the pastime clearly proves that the term "stamp craze" is now obsolete.

Stamp collecting seems the most permanent of its class. From time to time new collections spring up, having a few months, or years of popularity, and fade away, but stamp collecting, like the brook goes on forever. Not long ago an effort was made to take the philatelic census of the world. It was found that more than two million persons are engaged in collecting stamps.

In the United States and Canada there are believed to be 525,000; in Germany, 500,000; in Austria-Hungary, 125,000; in Russia, Scandinavia, Spain, Portugal, Italy and the Balkan States combined 75,000; in Great Britain, 375,000; in France, Switzerland, Belgium and the Netherlands combined, 350,000; while the rest of the world, including Mexico, Central and South America, Africa, Australia and Asia contributes 75,000.

In Germany the national pastime is stamp collecting. A census of students in a German College show that the majority of them are philatelists, and the proportion among instructors is equally large. Great Britain, in proportion to population is but slightly behind Germany. London is the philatelic metropolis of the world.

A Boston collector who was recently in this city remarked that as a boy he had been an ardent philatelist. As a young man, actively engaged in business, he had been obliged to lay aside his collection. One evening however, while at the home of a friend who brought out an album of stamps for his edification, the old fever boke out; he could hardly wait to get home and institute a search for the laid-away collection. Its discovery brought him greater joy, he said, than the finding of a package of government securities. Forthwith he plunged into the enterprise again spending money freely to obtain stamps that in the ordinary course he would have secured during the years his collection was out of commission.

Dealers tell of instances where dealers, hard pressed for funds, or who may have for the moment lost interests in the hobby, have offered them for sale, but at the last moment when viewing their philatelic treasures, have recanted and submitted to other deprivation rather than part with their stamps. Often incidents connected with the obtaining of a stamp make it especially precious too tthe owner.

Stamp collecting appeals with special force to the persen of studious bent. Every stamp stands for something in addition to its face value, if unused or the mere fact that it has performed postal duty, if used. Our two cent stamp bears a perfect portrait of the father of our country, and gives the date of his birth and death.

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## *Some Philatelic Pick-ups*

*By Dixon H. H.*

The condition of the government postal service in the fifties is well instanced by an advertising card of the well known local mail concern of Blood & Co., of Philadelphia, which says:

“Though Bloods, the passage,  
The only way  
To send a message  
Three times a day.”

Not only did the government delivery service give less frequent service but the collections were not handled with anywhere near as much promptness as were those of the local post. This is testified to by another of these slips which says:

“Postage was good  
Dispatche was better,  
It was through Blood's  
I sent my letter.”

An eastern dealer recently offered a specimen of the Nova Scotia, one shilling at \$22. As the catalogue value is \$100, it would seem from this and other recent quotations that the stamp is overpriced.

In this connection the thought also occurs that with the spirit of fadism that there seems to be in philately of recent years that with the increased demand for “King's Heads,” the desire for the older issue of colonials may have fallen off. Ten years ago from \$75 to \$90 for a Nova Scotia shilling was a common auction price. A specimen in Drew's auction of March 25, 1895, realized the latter price.

An exceedingly scarce reprint of the Mulready envelope exists, which was made in 1869. No value appears on it, but instead appears, “Impressed from original brass block, 1869.”

A new design in the insurance stamps of New Zealand, has appeared. The letters V. R. have vanished, the lettering, “Life Insurance,” is larger and the design has been redrawn and shows out bolder.

The new Grenada stamps of the one penny value, come in sheets of 120 stamps, in two panes of sixty, while the  $\frac{1}{2}$ d, 2d and  $2\frac{1}{2}$ d values come in sheets of sixty only, ten rows of six stamps being a sheet.

Medals for London Exhibition.—The Prince of Wales has offered two medals, one of gold and the other of silver for the best exhibits by ladies at the London Philatelic Exhibition to be held the last of May. The “official” medal will have upon one side a portrait of the Prince of Wales and upon the other the arms of London. With the arms will be allowed space to insert a name of medal winner and class entered. Indications point to a very successful affair.—Stamp News Weekly.



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 2c stamp must accompany each letter containing questions. When stamps are sent for examination, return postage must be included beside the fee above provided for.

**By L. G. Dorpat, Box 37, Wayside, Wis**

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You would look them up in your catalogue and there you would find that most of them were marked at 1 to 5 cents each and a few only 10c to a dollar. Upon closer inspection you would see that your catalogue lists varieties of several of them at twice to ten times the price of the common stamp. Would you not gladly accept the distinction your catalogue makes? And would you not forthwith go to work to see how many of these scarcer varieties you could find? And suppose, in looking for the catalogued varieties you would find some other varieties among your stamps quite as marked as those which the catalogue mentions but of which the catalogue told you nothing. Would you not at once claim the discovery and try to make as much of it as you could? Well, that's about the way the thing goes. If you don't find that supposed letter file, you may buy an old collection or a pound or two of "unpicked" stamps, and there you may go on a hunt. That old collection is a queer thing, though, and if you do not look out you may get a couple of counterfeits into your own good and new collection without knowing it. To guard against these it is a good plan to study all varieties of genuine stamps; that will do a great deal in helping to prepare you for detecting counterfeits. But, of course, if you have not the time for all this, or if you do not like it, there is no power in the philatelic or any other world that will compel you to do it. On the other hand, if one would start out running from dealer to dealer in order to bring together as many varieties of a stamp, catalogued or uncatalogued, as may exist, paying any price the dealers may ask, and if he would do that without a very good general knowledge of stamps; then we may predict with pretty good certainty that his collection will never amount to very much and whenever he will try to sell it, he will find that there is not much of a market and that many a penny has left him which he will never see again. In short, please yourself, but do not blame others, if you are too lazy to think what becomes you best. Do your own reasoning and let others do theirs. Buy that only, the value of which is well established, but if you have anything which you think is rarer than the common price suggests, keep it, and see what the future develops. What is good for one, may be bad for the other; therefore, know yourself and know your stamps: then the reasons will appear of themselves. If posts count for anything, we may consider the way some of the most celebrated collections were made, the Toppling collection and the collection of Count Ferrary, for instance. Both have more than one stamp of a kind. They have many used and unused, and there are varieties that are catalogued and some that are not. In some cases there are perhaps a dozen copies of the same stamp, each differing in some particular from all the others. Mr. Toppling however was, and Count Ferrary is of great wealth. Where we common collectors have to look to the penny, these men could spend a dollar

or a pound. Another instance is Mr. Andreim's collection that has recently been sold at auction in New York. This, too, was rich in varieties and by no means limited to catalogue numbers. When a collection like that is sold, it brings a pretty big sum, but it cost a good deal too, and not money only, either. The owner is a careful student of stamps, and in forming his magnificent collection was careful to weigh the reasons in each particular case, whether it was worth while to get this or that copy of a stamp. We may be pretty sure though, that neither of these men began collecting with minor varieties. The natural way to proceed seems to be this: First get one stamp of a kind and, after you are somewhat advanced, then add varieties and subvarieties as circumstance may suggest. I have answered this query at length, because I think there is a good deal that may bewilder the beginner, if he will not try to see both sides and consider them from his own standpoint. I admit though, that I have not exhausted the topic, and I think it can not be exhausted, except by individual treatment from all collectors.

274. What are chalk-surfaced stamps?—The recent issues of British stamps are so designated, also some of the old Russian and old German stamps and, I think some of the old Belgians. Whether the process of making them is quite the same in all cases I cannot tell, but the effect is essentially the same. Before the stamps are printed the face of the paper is coated with a layer of chalk and glue soluble in water. The color will therefore, not adhere to the paper, but to the coat of chalk and any attempt to wash the cancellation from one of these stamps after it was used, will result in washing the whole stamp away, i. e. the stamp design, leaving the paper blank. Great care must be taken when paper is to be soaked from the back of such a stamp. The way to do this which I have found best is this: Lay your stamp face up on a piece of wet blotting-paper and hold it down with a piece of dry blotting-paper. After the paper on the back is sufficiently moistened, bring the stamp face down on a dry smooth surface—a china plate will do well or a piece of glass—then take a smooth-edged knife and carefully scrape the paper from the back, beginning in the center of the stamp and working outwardly to the edges. Be careful, lest any moisture come to the face of the stamp, or let the stamp be soaked too much as to loosen the layer of chalk and glue from the paper of the stamp—else you may lose your stamp. Many a nice specimen, no doubt, has been spoiled by throwing it into water. The same process as for these stamps may be recommended for all stamps which are printed in fugitive or soluble colors, because they all lose much by soaking. We might say they are hydrophobic.

275. A collector "of moderate means" is horrified at the high prices of some U. S. stamps—the 1 cent type I. of 1851, the 90 cents of 1857, the whole "first issue" of 1861, some embossed stamps and the "reissues" of 1875—and desires advice how to proceed best, so that the unattainable stamps may not bother him and that he may, while leaving them out, yet enjoy the collection of U. S. stamps. What is the best way to proceed?—Collectors "of moderate means" are most of us; there are very few who can or will invest thousands upon thousands of dollars and few who will invest hundreds or even tens; most of us are content if we have a nickel, or a dime occasionally a dollar to give away for our hobby. Hence the above question concerns most of us. Besides that some of the stamps mentioned are so rare that there are not enough to go around, even if we all had plenty of money to pay

for all of them, and there surely is plenty of enjoyment in collecting the common stamps of our country of which there is quite a number.

One difficulty arises from the printed albums and catalogues, which number or provide spaces for the rare stamps as for the common. Is there any reason why a collector should become the slave of his album or his catalogue? I think not. It is all very well that such things as the three types of the 1c 1851 are mentioned, and it were a good thing if more was mentioned than what there is, but it is not at all necessary that we should follow the plans mapped out by others and that we should feel unhappy, if we see we cannot. The spaces in our albums which are provided for the very rare and costly stamps may as well be filled and occupied—at least temporarily—by fine specimens of common ones. We may pick out the several shades, select some especially clear cancellations, or adopt any stamp, that appears to differ from the others of its kind, for a space filler. If later on we happen to get one of the rarer stamps, placed in its proper position. The distinctions as made in the catalogues are by no means the only ones that can be made, and the catalogued rarities are not the only ones either. For instance, in picking over a lot of a thousand or two of the 3c green 1870 to 1882 we may not only find the National prints embossed and without embossing, the Continental prints and the American prints. There are varieties of embossing, shades of color, varieties of paper and some differences in the engraving (possibly due to the wearing of the plates) which are marked enough to merit attention. Taking all into consideration we may find some 15 to 25 stamps of this one value and one design of which no two are quite alike in all details. When a large hinge is used for fastening the stamps, short notes as to the character of the stamps may be made on the hinges. Such a collection will no doubt prove interesting to the philatelist, and when it comes to the consideration of value there will be something in it too, perhaps more than was expected. With the 1c it is about the same as with the 3c, and 10c is also prolific in minor varieties. In fact, any stamp that was printed and used in great quantities will show differences, because in time different plates, different printings, different inks, papers, workmen, etc., become necessary in their manufacture, and there is more pleasure and credit in detecting these than in worrying over unattainable rarities. With most of us there is the fault of longing for that which is far off and neglecting that which is near at hand. My advise would be: Look over your common or cheap stamp and see what you can make out of them, specialize them and find as many minor varieties as you can. Possibly in a year or two your minor variety, which you got for less than a cent, may be catalogued at a dollar. Then you will be glad that you have it. If not, nothing is lost. Your spaces were filled, your book looked better and you had pleasant employment whilst you were learning to know your stamps. On the other hand, if you let others do the work for you, you will have to pay them for it—and who knows—the stamp that today is listed as a valuable variety may next year be dropped from the list, and, if you have bought it, you will think you were abused. Years ago much was made of the stamps of Belgium with the country's name misspelled "Belgique" or "Delgique" for "Belgique" and a dollar each was asked for these "errors"; today they are nearly forgotten, and prices for them are rarely quoted.

(To be continued).

# *Some Hints to Young Collectors*

*By Mario S. Roig*

To Develop Watermarks.—Some methods exist to develop watermarks, the commoner is by benzine cup but such watermarks as those of Hungary and of any stamps heavily cancelled it is not sufficient to use the benzine cup to develop. The better method consists of obtaining a photograph of same. All necessary for it is a printing frame, usual photographic paper and bright sun. Place the stamp, preferably face downwards, on the paper in the frame, expose it to the sun and the portion bearing the watermark being thinner allows the rays of light to penetrate more rapidly through the sensitized surface and a distinct photograph of watermark is the result.

Of course there will be no necessity of wasting time with stamps whose watermarks can be seen with the naked eye or by ordinary aids.

How some stamps become valuable: Tears do not make any stamp valuable. An example of this is in the stamps of Great Britain 1840 1 penny red. This is a common stamp because it was in continuous use for several years and millions of them were printed. A case such as this occurs in some stamps of the U. S. of the second and third issues.

Stamps whose issue have been limited as to number and time of service are naturally scarce and become valuable for the simple reason that there is not enough to go among all stamp collectors in the world. Some stamps that for some reason are withdrawn soon after issue is sure to become valuable, as an old one in the stamp of Cuba of 1878-79 and 1880 10 centavo are very valuable.

Something about essays: The very definition of essays is "The essays in property defined as a stamp not accepted by the government for whose use it was designed. But it is not a truthful definition, because the regular issue of stamps of "United States" printed by "the Continental National Bank" are catalogued by some firms and for sale as regular issues. We cannot see exactly what position these kind of stamps occupy. They were rejected for a permanent issue, some thousands of each was returned to this government, sold through the Washington post office and used. These can't be considered as ESSAYS. They are as regular as ever was made, minor varieties perhaps, but never essays. I have already said that such could not be considered as essays and not exist. The entire issue was sold and used.

But the American Banknote Company may have had a lot of them on hand to turn over to the government and these may have been given to some one at a later date, but it only occurs in the 90 cent 1869 inverted, and exists, and some have called it an essay.

Cuba 1899 2c United States surcharged for Cuba for same value number 222. Some collectors asked me about the varieties that exist in this stamp I have to say that some catalogue editors number three (3) varieties. a. 2c on 2c red. b. Cupa. c. surcharge inverted, but exist two more varieties. 1c period between B. and A. and pair one without surcharge. This last is one of the more scarce variety in Cuba.

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The nine stars on the stamps of Bolivia have a significance. Each one stands for one of the nine states of Bolivia.

## *Fiscal or Foreign Revenues*

I have been requested to write something original. My line is foreign revenue stamps, used with a firm cancellation, if possible, otherwise the best I can get hold of. Do not imagine they are so very easy to get. The average dealer does not handle them, so you have to strike out on your own account. It is a stand off between revenues and postage. Both have been issued in plenty. Scarce ones you find in either kind. But I guarantee that those which are rated scarce now in the revenue line will be a good article in time to come. Foreign revenue collecting is gaining friends every day. I have inquiries in plenty about them. Take a hint. Start a collection of them. Some are in beautiful designs, colour, etc. By them you can study a nation's welfare. The taxation imposed on all kinds of material and for diversified purpose to grind out income for the running of a government's various departments.

Nearly all of them have heraldic emblems and also a closer native appearance. Very often you are at a loss when this particular fiscal was issued, except you know the monetary system of the different countries.

Languages come also into play. You know what snuff, matches, beer, etc., means in the English language, but how about in Russian, Spanish or French, etc. Enough has been said. Think it over and become another collector of foreign fiscal stamps. By the way, U. S. revenues will be on the list too. A postage stamp is in some sense a tax. Without the payment your letter would not go very far in the U. S. Revenues are very close connected. They are simply used for other purpose. The income goes to the government in both cases. You find postage stamps made into revenues and vice versa.

It is also interesting to note that a good many surcharges come on revenues giving often a guide to detect counterfeits.

The first revenue stamps, like postage stamps, were already used over 200 years in England. These were the so-called deed-stamps and were used first in 1694. They are original in the make up. They had a piece of lead in the center impressed, covered with a stiker showing the initial of the King.

The high price paid for revenues and telegraphs are founded on the real scarcity. Of some are not many known. Should revenues boom, they could not be had at the price of a British Guinea, 1850 4 cents yellow.

The nature of the thing, revenues cannot be so plentiful as postage, also some are common enough. But I doubt very much if they will be ever sold by the pound, like the common under the name, "Continental."

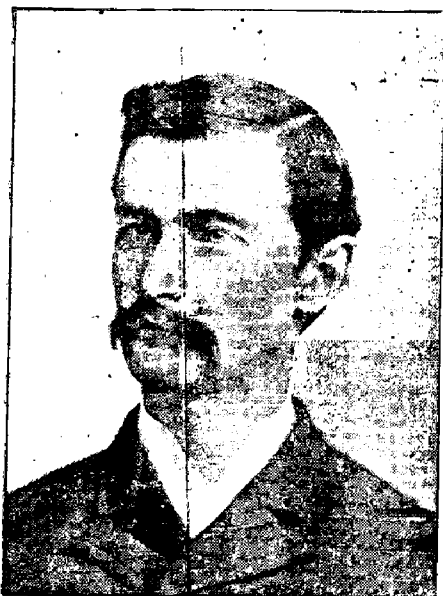
Interesting are the provisionals Class-Sothringen. The French revenue of that time with a round surcharge covering 4 stamps. Remember, special issues telegraph stamps are nearly a closed chapter. About a thousand in all to make a collection complete. Why not try?

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Collectors will be afforded a rare opportunity by the decision of Turkey to withdraw from circulation over a million and a half of the Thessalian stamp of reds, blue, green and other colors. According to the *Figaro*, the ambassador of the Porte of Vienna has received instructions to place the whole collection on sale, the price placed on them being only 1,600 pounds.







Rev. Ewell, Anoka, Minn.



L. H. Lederer, Norfolk, Nebr.



W. B. Longstre,  
Gratiot, Ohio



Small collection of Shells.



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Don R. Davis, Lowell, Ark. Mrs. Geo. Baum, Patterson, N. J.  
Two large card collectors, Mrs. Baum having largest in United States.



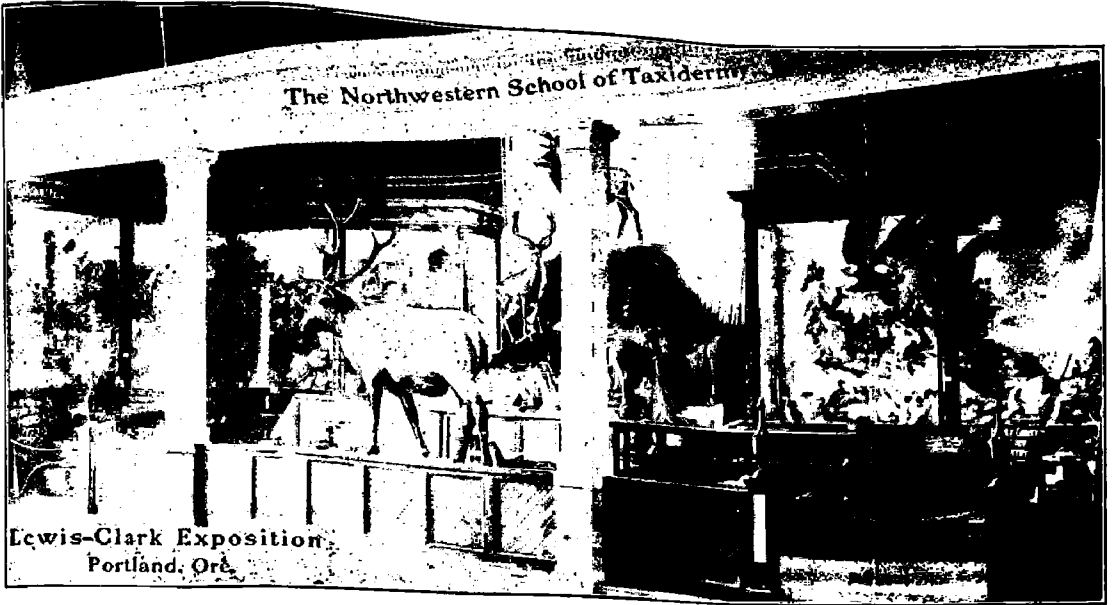
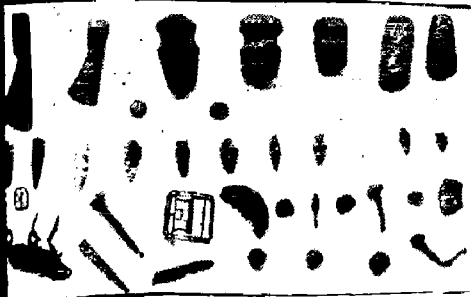


Exhibit of Northwestern School of Taxidermy, Omaha, at Portland Exposition  
 Won first prize of all other similar Exhibits.



found on one Indian Mound in New York.



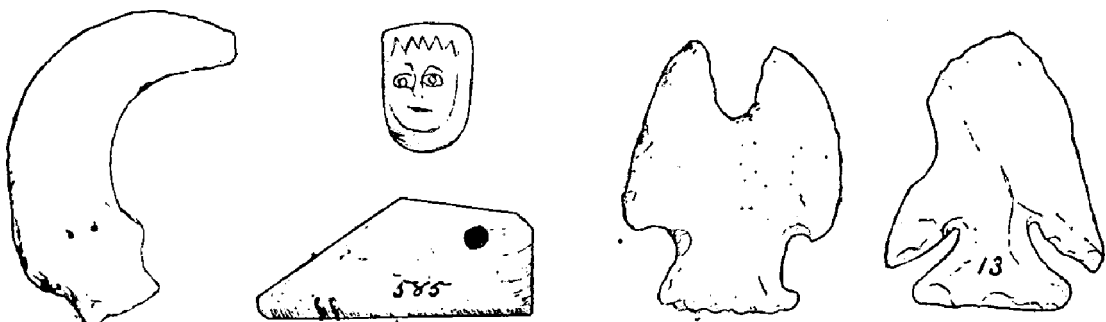
See Article on The Buffalo 42 years ago, in this issue.

Old rare Chinese coins. see last number.



Collection of Mrs. Geo. Baum, Patterson, N. J.

Geronimo, noted Chief of Arizona Apache Indians  
Reported to be dying in Oklahoma.



Taken from a page of Moorhead's Prehistoric Relics.



# CURIO DEPARTMENT

By ROY FARRELL GREENE.

Dr. W. J. Holland, director of the Carnegie museum in Pittsburg, Penn., who was appointed some weeks ago to arrange for a preliminary meeting of representatives of all the museums of importance in both North and South America, has announced that the meeting will be held on May 15, in the American Museum of Natural History, New York City.

Mrs. John A. Logan, some months ago addressed Gov. Deneen, of Illinois tendering her valuable historical collection, now in her home in Washington, D. C., to the State of Illinois. Gov. Deneen wrote a letter of thanks to Mrs. Logan for her generous offer, and told her he would try and induce the next legislature to vote funds and authorize the building of a permanent home, by the state, for the Logan collection.

**METEORITES**—Meteorites are pretty evenly distributed over the earth's surface, though more of them fall near the equator than elsewhere, and the largest have been found in tropical countries. Meteoric dust can be found on many mountains.

**PLATINUM**—The platinum bed in the Ural Mountains are the only ones in the world in which that mineral is found in grains. In several places it is to be found imbedded in the hard, serpentine rock, but only in the Ural region is the mineral found in grains.

Prof. C. N. Gould, of the Territorial University, Norman, Oklahoma, recently purchased, for the university, the McGee geological library, consisting of about 1,500 volumes, and the books have been installed at the university. The library was the property of H. C. McGee, one of the members of the United States Geological Survey.

George R. Gillispie, of Mississippi, visited in Oklahoma City, Okla., a few weeks ago with his brother, J. W. Gillispie, according to an Oklahoma City daily paper, and during his stay he made his brother who is a collector of coins, a present of a couple of Georgia \$2.50 gold pieces. The coins had been dug up by a negro in Mississippi, about two months before, while preparing a bed for asparagus. George R. Gillispie purchased the coins from the negro, having in mind at the time their presentation to his brother in Oklahoma. The latter after keeping the coins for a fortnight sold one of them it is said, to B. N. Brooks, of Washington, D. C. for \$150. A short time later F. E. Ellis, representing the St. Louis Stamp and Coin company, ar-

rived in Oklahoma city, having heard of the coins, and the daily paper says he made Mr. Gillispie an offer of more than Brooks paid for the remaining coin, an offer which the owner refused to accept. The newspaper further adds that Mr. Gillispie is arranging to go to Mississippi to search for more of the coins, expecting to unearth a buried treasure.

Botanical Department of Carnegie Institute.—Dr. Daniel Trembly, of New York, accepted a few weeks ago the appointment as director of the newly created department of botanical research established by the Carnegie institute of New York City. To accept the position he resigned as assistant director of the New York botanical gardens. A desert reservation in Arizona, which is attached to the Carnegie institute, is to be the field of Dr. McDougal's work and immediately after accepting the position he went there to remain at least until the the first of May. Godfrey Sykes, a civil engineer of Flagstaff, Ariz., was made superintendent of the desert reservation and extensive scientific investigations are to be there conducted, by the director and a staff of assistants that will probably extend over several years.

The Colorado School of Mines, located at Golden, Colo., is, from newspaper reports, to maintain in the future a department of research. Among other things the new department, the first at any American mining school, will take up the study of the rare metals found in the state, will investigate Colorado coals with regard to their ability to stand shipment, will study the Colorado clays and their relation to the pottery and cement industries, will investigate the tensile and crushing strength of all Colorado building materials, and will take up, as well, the work of geological survey in various undeveloped sections of the state.

Kansas Mastodon Remains.—Prof. C. H. Sternberg, of Lawrence, Kansas, acting for the American museum of natural history, of New York City, purchased last month the mastodon remains which were discovered and exhumed near Buffalo, Kans., in August, 1904, by A. N. Eagle. The specimen is said to be the finest yet found in Kansas, the bones being in a good state of preservation. The lower jaw, which is thirty inches long, show the teeth in process of shedding. The tusks are about nine feet long, having a compound curve up and out, and are eight inches in diameter at the middle. Prof. M. E. Canty read a paper before the last meeting of the Kansas Academy of science, giving a full account of the mastodon find. It was largely through his efforts that these fossil remains were put in a museum where they will receive proper care.

New Zealand Specimens.—The government of New Zealand not long ago made a present to the United States government of twelve of that country's most interesting birds, and four rare lizards, which specimens reached the United States on the steamship "Sierra," landing at San Francisco some weeks ago, and were from there forwarded to Washington. According to newspaper report the gift of New Zealand included four kiwes, four Maori hens, four Kea parrots, and four tenatara lizards. All the specimens are peculiar in New Zealand, it is said, and for this reason, if no other, will be prized by the government curator.

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Trade Dollars—Trade dollars were authorized February 12th, 1873. They weigh 420 grains and are 900 fine. There were 35,965,964 coined. Coinage was discontinued Feb. 22, 1878.

# CAUTION!

By *E. R. Steinbrueck*

"Lost Art Found is Lost Again," in "WEST" of April 30, 1906 calls for a comment. The art of making flint arrowheads is not lost. I know a gentleman who can make arrowheads in the same manner, as the Indians did. The Indians used flat bones, bones split for the purpose and softened in hot grease. We call such bone implements "chippers". I know exactly how flint arrowheads made, but won't tell, because there are too many Indian relic fakes now in circulation, although there is, as I understand, a U. S. fine on imitating Indian relics. The Smithsonian report of 1864 or 1885 gives a description of the ancient manner of breaking, splitting and shaping rock or pebbles, preparing them for the final chipping. After the chips are shaped they are chipped by the use of a piece of hide and the softened bone chipper, of which I have a quantity to sell. They are all Mandan Indian make from the time 20 to 40 years previous to Lewis and Clark's expedition. I won't buy or exchange or accept any Indian relics from any body, unless from reliable men. I even know of Indian relics made in our own town. The Indians do the tanning of the cow, or dog, or horse hide and that's all. The white woman does the sewing and the "Indian" beadwork. And these articles are sold to trancient tender-feet for the genuine article". It's the same or similar way the world over.

All the western Indian relics either in my private collection or hoarded up for the State Museum at Bismark, N. D., have been dug by myself or under my supervision at the ancient pre-historic Indian village sites in the neighborhood of the Heart river, called in Indian, and by Lewis and Clark "Chisshetaw" which means heart, because the Indians thought here were the centers or the heart of the world.

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## *Making Salt Among the Indians*

By W. H. Plank.

Scattered through the various low spots of Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky and southern Illinois are found salt springs or salt licks of the pioneer.

When Daniel Boone first came to Missouri he found in Cooper, Boone, Saline and St. Louis quite a number of the "licks". Here, at early dawn, concealed in the thick underbrush lay the hunter waiting for the deer or bear to come for his taste of salt. He rarely failed to get his weeks supply of game.

But the hunter, and the hunted were not the only ones to seek this most desirable of all minerals. The early Indian not only knew of these springs but he made a particular vessel for the evaporating the water from the salt. The pans were very large—some 24 inches in diameter and shallow. They were made both plain and decorated. Fine specimens of these vessels may be seen in some of the natural history museums in St. Louis.

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Indian Medals.—Mr. C. L. McClung possesses one of the seven medals given to the chiefs of the Seven Great Indian Nations by the government during President Madison's administration. It is valued at \$1,200.

# *The Buffalo 42 Years Ago*

*By T. S. Hitchcock*

As regards the photo of the monument to the departed buffalo, I will give you a short sketch of my trip up the Missouri river in 1864. I went by steamer from St. Louis to Ft. Berton, which the pilot said was three thousand and two hundred and sixty miles. We were three months on the river, owing to low water and accidents.

Sioux City was the last town north on the Missouri river. It had only one street, and most of the houses were on the west side, and not more than twenty or thirty of them. On the opposite side was one drug store, a meat market and a church, but the only use made of the church was for the quartering of General Sulley's soldiers, who were preparing to go up the river overland on the east side. We were there three or four days.

The town was of no importance except as a trading post.

Gen. Sulley told us we had better wait till he was ready to go, as he had been informed that the Indians were trying to stop all white men going to their country and killing all of their buffaloes. But we did not wait as we were told it would be two or three weeks before they started. Our next stop was at Ft. Randall on the west side of the river. Yankton was an Indian agency, with a trading store and a small stockade fort. I think the townsite for Yankton was being laid that spring or possibly the year before, 1863. This was in April. The weather was warm and pleasant. After we passed Ft. Randall, we commenced to see buffalo. They commence to go north from their winter home down in the Indian Territory in February, and journey along by slow degrees till they reach their summer home to breed. In passing through Wyoming we saw thousands of them, still traveling north. Sometimes we encountered such heavy droves crossing the river above us we would have to stop the boat to let them pass, as they would not turn aside for no steamboat. They owned the right of way. On one such occasion we dropped a rope from the bow of the lower deck over the head and horns of one and hauled him on deck. At another time we captured in the same way a calf weighing 300 lbs—he was good eating.

We shot one bull buffalo which measured from the bottom of his fore foot to the top of his hump 7 feet. I measured him with a pocket tape line I carried. He was the largest I ever saw, and I saw many thousands.

The Bruile Siouxs at Ft. Berthold made boats of the Buffalo skins—I saw hundreds of them. Their best tepees were made of the hides also. The Indians depend more on the buffalo for their sustenance than all other animals. He furnishes food, clothing and shelter, and it is no wonder he wanted to keep the white man out.

I saw one grand sight I shall never forget. It was late one afternoon of a bright clear sunny day. The sun had just gone down behind a high range of mountains just south of the Black Hills in Wyoming, leaving the eastern side in shadow. Up the easy grade could be seen a long line of buffalos. On the crest of this, wholly denuded of timber, there was a gap. It must have been a narrow one, as but one animal at a time was seen going through. The grand sight was to see each one silhouetted against the bright



red sky beyond the mountain, in the sunset land. Each one as he passed through looked as large as an elephant.

We arrived at Ft. Benton on the 20th of July, 1864, three months on the Missouri river. It was a good summer outing. We hunted and fished to our hearts content—buffalo, elk, wolves, bighorns, (mountain sheep). Indians we did not hunt—they hunted us, but they did not get us. All there was of Ft. Benton was two stockades of the two fur traders, Shoto, and LaBarge, of St. Louis. A steamer came up every spring when the water was highest, and carried away the peltry, all kinds of skins that had been brought in during the year past. Shoto and La Barge were rivals, but the former had the most money and won out.

All hail to the Bison, though his glory hath departed, he still holds a place in the memory of those who have seen him on his native heath. He was the true son of the far west, and was not so easy to bring under subjection as the red man.

The monument shows the white man on top, who has driven out both the bison and Indian.

#### SIC TRANSITA, GLORIA BISON.

P. S.—Much more might be written, but this is enough for this time. A wild ride through Nebraska 50 years ago, next.

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Famous Franklin Portrait Reaches American Soil.—The portrait of Benjamin Franklin, from the famous gallery in Dorchester House, London, at present the residence of Ambassador Whitlaw Reid, which has been restored to the United States by Earl Grey, the governor general of Canada, arrived April 15 on the American line steamship St. Paul. The tin case containing the canvas was placed under the personal care of Thomas Kinsey, the purser. It was addressed: "To the Hon. President Theodore Roosevelt, Washington." As the picture came from this country originally there was no duty paid upon it, and in the letter from the steamship company to the purser, it was stated that its value was beyond count because of the sentiment attached to it. In view of the bicentenary Franklin celebration soon to be held in Philadelphia, Earl Grey, who, with Countess Grey, recently was entertained in this country, thought it fitting that the picture should be restored at this time. The portrait went to England during the revolutionary period, and became the property of a great-grandfather of the present earl. It was taken from Franklin's home in Philadelphia. The painting has been cleaned and revarnished, and is in excellent condition. It depicts Franklin at an earlier period of his life than the generally known pictures show him. It was forwarded to Washington without delay.

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Picture Postcards.—A point for senders of pictorial cards to Holland to bear in mind, is the fact that any addition to the card forbidden by Dutch regulations. Powdered glass, say added to a snow scene to give effect of frost, or feathers gummed on to the pictorial representation of a bird, to make the plumage realistic, and such like. Cards which have these additions are detained and do not reach their destination. The Dutch authorities have just issued a notice calling attention to this fact.



# PHILOCARTY



POST CARD

*P. C. Collectors  
The World  
Over.*

BY MISS MADELINE KELLER.

Taking a Cartemobilne trip to Germany we find ourselves landed at Bremer-haven from where we go on to Berlin and to any city in Germany or the other countries as they chance to turn up. Our first view is one showing the new cathedral at Metz. The chief door has the figures of apostles and prophets, upon it was a model of the Kaiser as the prophet Daniel. The ornamentations are very elaborate. The parish church of Wilhelmshohe the favorite summer residence of their Majesties, there is a window with the Empress' picture as St. Elizabeth. The new cathedral at Worms is seen on one card, and one view card shows the stained glass windows containing figures of the Kaiser's seven children as cherubs. The artist used photographs of the children when about six years old. When the Kaiser was asked to give his permission, he is said to have done so hesitatingly saying: his children were far too bad a lot to be displayed as cherubs since there was nothing cherubic about them, but if the Empress would consent he had no other objections.

From Greece, Athens, we see a fine card depicting the Temple Troezen, named from the King of Troezen. Many Greek legends are connected with this temple, so called pillard temple (so called from its many pillars). It is entirely surrounded by pillars, which are less immortal than the men whose memories make the soil of Athens a famous ground. Some few views depict monuments of a magnificent past scattered along Athens' modern streets. Athens is certainly a shrine of pilgrimage for the cultured of every land and every card collector should obtain cards from this historic city.

Tho' Plato declared the Greeks to be, or were but children in comparison with riper civilizations, yet these were very interesting people, and we have learned many things that were dark to the wise men of Athens. Its civilization is indeed old, and strange immutability seems to possess the land. It is this antiquity that lends a mystery to the people of the Nile. On one card we see a pyramid, on another a solemn temple, a next shows the Sphinx strung out upon infinity—all these affect us with the same awe that arouses

the wonder of ancient travelers. The placid reiterated forms of sculpture show long enduring time. Everybody knows how careful the people were in hewing or building tombs—the Pyramids stand as witness to this. These tombs Diodorus informs us, “they call eternal habitations and is why the spared no magnificence in their construction; but they called tthe houses of living innc, to be inhabited only for a short time and took small care to a dorn them. These people believed in a sort of double man which hovered near his dead body and recieved food which was offered up by the man’s relatives in the tomb. All this while the actual soul of the man was supposed to be going a journey down a mysterious river that flowed through the regions of death as the Nile flowed through Egypt. On the way he had to meet all sorts of devils and monsters who attempted to seize him, and to escape these it was necessary to repeat certain magic formulæ. These were collected in the so-called “Book of the Dead,” a copy of which was commonly buried with the corpse to refresh his memory during the journey. At the end of the journey the soul entered the great hall of judgment where before Osiris and 42 judges he must give an account of his life, where in some way he became forever more identified with the god Osiris. Our stay at Athens is but limited, so we find ourselves on the Austrian Lloyd steamer waiting at the Piraens, the seaport of Athens, to take us to Constantinople. Constantinople—a name to conjure with! There is not one imagination one would think, that would not be fired by its mention. For 15000 years it has been one of the focal points of the world and today all eyes are again centered on it, for every well informed person knows that all the squabbles and revolutions on the entire Balcan peninsula are but moves in the irresistible advance of Christianity against the stronghold of Islam. The Turk must go from Europe sooner or later; but at present he is still at Constantinople and there we shall now visit him. Many fine cards are seen from here. The Black sea and the Marmora is seen sparkling at her feet. Chicago, New York. Rome and Constantinople are situated upon the same parallel of latitude. Romance and mystery attach to the very word Constantinople. The mere mention of its name evokes a mirage of associations. Under its domes and minarets and mingle legends and fables as extravagant as the tales of the Arabian Nights” in the ancient world. This City was reckoned with Jerusalem, Athen and Rome. The Thracian Bosphorus, on whose banks she rose. One grand view card shows Constantinople from the Bosphorus. Here are seen the entire cluster of cities and villages lying in the vicinity of the Bosphorus. No language can do justice to the beauty and magnificence of the site which Constantinople occupies. He who has seen it on view cards only, can never forget the sight. He to whom it is most familiar will find it impossible to describe. It is a scene of infinite variety. The frowning Turkish fortress of the seven towers and the many walled seraglio of the Sultans. Also the spots are seen where stood the barracks, the mosque of the janissaries. Another card shows the bustling railway station, where arrive and whence depart the trains in direct communication with Vienna and Paris. One card shows an ancient fountain where a Turk is seen partaking of a fresh drink. One card shows the interior of the Mosque Ohmed. For the devotions of the people there are mosques of every rite for the fold of Islam is rent by factions like other faiths—churches of many sects and synagogues for each ism.

(To be Continued.)

# *Hints to Buyers of Oriental Antiquities*

*By C. W. Anderson-Neary*

(Continued).

For the same use apparently were the small figures of Horus standing upon the crocodiles but protected by the small scarab on his head, the hawk upon his shoulders, and the goddesses Isis at his back, and Nephthys and Bathir upon his sides. Another class of interesting objects are the models of toys placed in the tombs of children to ensure their happiness in the other world. Hollow porcelain balls in two colors of enamel are perhaps the most notable of these. Egyptian weights are also of interest; they were made of various shapes and materials, usually square, round or oblong pieces of hard stone, but sometimes the heads of oxen were represented. In Roman times bronze came into use as a rule for these weights and many animals were then represented, frequently a dog lying down curled up flat on the base. Wooden pillows from the tombs are also found and of the same general shape as those still in use in the Soudan, China and Korea. Mummies of animals, fish and insects are discovered in great numbers and in most interesting wrappings for from the appearance of the mummy bundle you can tell at once what is contained inside as the best preserved were so carefully and artistically wrapped that they actually represent the fur of the creature preserved. These symbols were of the most diverse forms. For instance, Osiris was supposed to dwell in a post and the Symbol of this post became annulled now popularly known as the "Key of the Nile," other gods were believed to inhabit animals or to take the form of animals and to reveal themselves in this form and it is to this belief that we owe the preservation of so many animals which lived so long ago. Thus cows, bulls, rams, gazelles, crocodiles, cats, dogs, lions, jackals, frogs, ichneumons and monkeys, the silurius and bennu fish, the ibis, hawk, falcon and even the scarabs were made into mummies when they died and many of them had coffins specially prepared and of a proper shape to contain them after being wrapped up. Vases with suitable head-shaped covers were sometimes used to contain the bird mummies but the wrappings are more often decorated with pieces sewn on representing the mummy within. The crocodiles' backs are formed of pieces of mummy cloth folded and woven together thus making a fair imitation of the rough scales of the real animal. There were sorts of cemeteries in the different Nomes where the sacred animals were buried at Onibos the crocodiles are found while cats were buried at Bubastis, Senni-hassan, Etc. The ibis graves are at Ashmunen and near Abydos. Mummy fish are found in the Fayorun and dogs and wolves are still to be obtained in the old rock tombs in the mountains near Assiout. Sometimes decorated masks belonging to mummies of dogs are found while no collector would wilfully neglect the kittens and puppies, each carefully wrapped up and often buried with their mothers. The exquisite little perfume boxes and spoons which turn up now and then form very curious cabinet pieces. The former vary in shape and often have attractive designs. Some are in the form of ducks, the wings of which can be raised and the pomade placed therein, others are formed as fish with hollows to receive the perfume, these are of alabaster which turns black with age.

(To be continued).

# *An Odd Relic*

*By E. J. Dietrich*

While I and two companions were enjoying an outing trip in the vast forests of central Wisconsin, in the autumn of 1904, we chanced to strike an old, broken down Indian wigwam, as they were inhabited decades ago. I concluded to stop and rest a short while, also hoped to be able to take a photo of the old ruins, for they are getting rather scarce in this section; but on account of the dim forest light and the lengthening shadows, it was impossible to take one.

When investigating the site closer I noticed something lying in the brush which I thought to be one of the familiar Indian troughs, made of birch bark. However, I was quite mistaken, for on closer inspection it proved to be a whittled seat or chair as we call such things. Now, I had never longed or cared for Indian relics before, but this odd looking, peculiar object approached my desire in such violent manner that I decided to take it with me. The taking did not bother my conscience in the least, for I knew it did not have any owner since a long time. I cleaned the moss and old rubbish off and took it as best I could catch hold. It was no envious job to carry it, besides rifle and hunting ax, for miles through the woods back to camp. Oh dear! how I was mocked and jested by my companions, for the old thing was mouldy and soaked from its exposed position in the woods. Soon I had to shoulder it, then change to left, then under one arm, next under the other and<sup>so</sup> on, to it came the undesired fact that it grew rather dark. However, all evils have an end once. I slept so much the better on my balsam boughs that night

Now it is dried out, of clean appearance and occupies a place in my den where everyone who associates with me can see it and in every case admires it. To give a description of its form: Originally it had been a rock elm block 37 inches long. This they hollowed out leaving only a 2 3 inch shell, the rest is 19 inches and the back 18. The diameter at the bottom is 15 inches, six inches up it is but 13 inches, where the elevated band runs it is again 15 inches, six inches, up again but 13 and at the seat 15. The band is 3 inches wide highest in the middle, sloping both ways, it runs all around the chair. The seat is from another piece tightly fitted into the hollow. The back is very thin, hollowed out just to fit, all whittled inside and out. At the center they had to patch it once, which they done in an awkward style using big nails and splitting the main piece. But that does not mar the curio very much. Where the bark extends off from the seat there is a grip, which gives a firm hold in moving the chair.

The whole chair is so perfectly systematic and accurately whittled that one cannot but admire the skillful work, which to perform must have taken months of careful labor. The chair fits perfectly, and the comfort and ease felt when sitting in it cannot be excelled by the most expensive rocker of modern time. In fact, it serves me as a rocker, of course it rocks only sideways. How fine a specimen it would be for an Indian corner or any prehistoric collection. Doubtless I am envied its fortunate possession as much as I am proud of owning such a rare curio.

# MINERALOGY

W. STRALEY, D.

**EDITOR'S NOTE**—Our readers are invited to contribute interesting items, articles, etc to this Dept. Also reports of new discoveries of mines and minerals. All letters addressed to the editor at Glendive, Mont., will be answered as far as possible in this dept.—Forest Gaines!

The recent investigations by the U. S. Geological Survey of the black sands of the Pacific slope, have added greatly to the production of the rare metal, platinum, in this country. The department sent out bulletins, asking for samples of black sand and several hundred were received with the result that several new localities of the metal were discovered.

Until these localities were discovered, platinum was becoming very scarce in this country. Formerly, most of the supply of the metal came from Russia, but the recent war in which Russia was engaged with Japan, tended materially to reduce the exports of the metal. Consequently we see the reasons for the investigations undertaken by the U. S. government. The increase in this country in the annual output, is from 110 ounces in 1903 to 200 ounces in 1904. The average price was about \$21 per ounce, making this metal more valuable than gold.

The supply of platinum in the U. S. all came from the states of California and Oregon, as operations have been suspended in the Rambler copper mine in Wyoming. The imports of platinum into the U. S. during 1905, showed a decline of more than 8000 ounces, due to European control of the supply. The metal is used in various chemical operations, and it is not affected by acids.

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Vessels which recently arrived in Galveston harbor report that an immense lake of oil is found about fifty miles off the Texas coast. The ships in question ploughed their way through the floating oil for three hours. The stratum on the surface of the Gulf was about two inches thick and covered an area of several miles. The oil seems to be gushing up from some subterranean source. Mining experts who have examined the fields, adhere to the theory that the original lake under Texas and Louisiana has found an outlet through the Gulf. An essence of truth may be applied to this supposition from the fact that the productions of oil in the fields has fallen off nearly one million barrels in the last sixty days, despite the sinking of many new wells. The passing of time may throw further light on the mystery.

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A stock company of capitalists in Ohio and Kentucky was recently formed to excavate for diamonds in Elliott county, Kentucky.

Mr. David Draper, a diamond expert, who made a fortune at Kimberly, South Africa, states that he has found unmistakable traces of extinct volcanoes in various sections of Kentucky. He believes that far below the surface, the diamonds will be found in the necks of these volcanoes. When we were visiting in Southern Ohio several years ago, preliminary talk of this move was frequently to be heard. At least there is nothing to show why the theory should not be feasible. Success to the promoters!

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## *Another Indian Mound Opened*

By F. C. Allen.

A short time ago Mr. Al Cartright and Mr. Redman of Marengo opened a mound a few miles east of here, near South Aurora. The mound was situated on one of the bluffs that line the Iowa river and about one-half mile from it. It was a small mound and they supposed it to be one of the regular burial mounds that are often found. On opening it they discovered an unusual find in the method of burial and the number of skulls. As the mound was small they were not long in making their first find; which was about three or four feet from the surface. Carefully scraping the clay away, they exposed a rude circle of six skulls placed with the bases up and the faces turned towards the east. Beneath the skulls were found some arm bones. Nothing else was found in the mound. The skulls and bones were badly decayed; but several jaw bones were quite perfect. The peculiar circumstance of the skulls being placed up side down and in a concise position, together with the fact that only arm bones were with them form an inexplicable problem.

Then another peculiar circumstance was that the skulls were placed on the original level of the ground and the mound formed over them, as the soil underneath the skulls was the same as the earth about the mound, while the mound itself was composed of a colored clay only found in a bluff about one-half mile away.

There is another mound some rods distant from this one, which Mr. Cartright intends to open this spring hoping it may have some connection with the other. It is a much larger mound and has a good sized tree growing on it, which makes it difficult to explore. Mr. Cartright thinks it may contain the rest of the bodies. This may have been the scene of some pre-historic battle as the number of skulls buried in one mound would indicate their all having been killed at the same time.

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Souvenir Illustrated Postal Cards.—Undoubtedly there is no other pastime so educating, and covering such a vast and interesting field, as the collecting of Souvenir Post Cards, and you well know there has been no other social fad to meet with such a decided success. The WEST is aware of this, and is publishing each month a list of reliable card collectors and wants your ideas and suggestions how to help each other more. The Card Clubs in the WEST promote mutual relations and interchange among collectors, thereby enabling members to exchange and secure cards from all parts of the world through readers whose names the Club furnishes.

# Terry and the Post Cards

By Walter S. Bradford

Well, Mister Casey, an I do be after wonderin' the rason why the postman do be after stoppin' at yure door ivery thrip he be making in his rounds.

Hooligan, me frin' an its me son Terry an a foine bye, he is an ivery wan else are gone crazy intirely o'bout he collectin' iv Soovenary Postal Cards an now for iver so long Terry do be gettin' his.

But what are soovenary postal cards, Mister Casey?

Allowin', Mister Hooligan, that you niver had the advantages iv the cases, it is well that ye may ask, what are soovenary postal cards, an' it will be a bit iv plazure to enlighten yure moind. Soovenary postal cards, Mister Hooligan, are postal cards with a picter iv the poleece coort or a picter iv the city jail or a picter iv the Niagerry Falls be moonlight.

Pictor post cards, Mister Hooligan, were first discovered be an Irishman be the name ov Flynn. When all the people saw the butefui picter an the man in the drugstore, didn't have anything "Just as good." So they put in a supply an now ivery wan wants them.

Iverywhere, Mr. Hooligan, ye do be findin' iv the soovenary postal card, the people do be callin' it the "Popular Craze" an from sich furrin countrys as New Jarsey, an Arkansaw, we see the picters it the butiful buildin's an Jarsey cows an other wild animals an the biggest saloon in Hot Strings. From Chicago an other sayport touns come foine views iv Washingtons Monymint and the Coort iv Appeals.

An from dear ould Ireland, Mister Hooligan, Terry, me bye, has received from his frins' some foine cards bein' views iv the ould country. The castles an the mountains, the ripplin' an the meetin' iv the waters an the green fields, when, Mister Hooligan, me bye lays the treasures on the table, me heart swells with Irish pride as I see the scenes an haunts iv our forefathers.

There is Conagher Farm, where the good Prisident McKinley's ancestors lived an the ould Blarneystun an the folks a kissin it, an the Irish spinnin' wheel an a rale ould Irish jounting car an a bye like Mulany an a gurl like Nora O'Grady a kissin the "rale Blarneystun."

(Thanks to Miss Woodside, how about the Irish Hug.)

An Mister Hooligan, from ivery country they do be sendin the cards, the Tower iv London, the streets in Paris an the harum iv the Sultan iv Turkey, the Custom House at Shanghai, an other picters iv the haythen critters. There's views of the savage Fillypeenos from our grand an glorious acquisishun, the Fillypeen Ilans. An the far away Terry del fu a goat, which ye recollect Mister Hooligan is where the roaring Atlantic ceases to roar an the aisy Pacific runs in it.

But Mister Hooligan, in our own native land, we do be after havin joine cards an the Statue iv Liberty, the post office buildin' an city hall park is there with "Subway Lights" an "Comin' thro the Rye."

An Patsy O'Neil, sint wan to me Terry from the sayshore an it says "Were havin' a Divil iv a toime" an shure they was, for nixt day their ould man was locked up.



From the Swate Sunny South, Mister Hooligan, the land iv sugar cane, Swanny Rivers and Sojer songs, which ye'll be recollectin, is south iv the coast iv Penselvanny. There's t he view iv the battlefield iv Chicamauga, where they fit about a chicken an wan side got the best an the other got "defect". An in Floriday we see the Natives gathein' fine apples in the Shadow iv the Pines."

An theres a cottonfield with a gang iv dirty nagurs a pickin' an a melon patch an a gang a eatin which say "Lawd, Lawd, honey, dis is when a nagur do live."

Mister Casey, is all the nagurs made in the South?

No, Mister Hooligan, some iv thim be maids in hotels an sassisity folks houses.

From the West, Mr. Hooligan, comes the cards iv the Great Rocky mountains an Injuns a campin on their trails. Settin Bull' an Runnin Bear an Shot Horse in all their ball dress an the Teddy Injuns with the kid Injuns.

An there are other cards—, what Mister Hooligan, ye are not goin so airly?

Yes, Mr. Casey, I do be afther seein' the doctor for a pill against this Soovenary card fever.

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## *The Grooved Stone Axe*

*By Wm. P. Arnold*

Under this head are properly grouped, the entire line of grooved stone implements. The grooved axe in weight is varying from eight ounces to 15 pounds. The blade is usually polished well from long usage, the pol. is seldom polished. Some axes are very broad, (hoe type) especially Illinois and Indiana, while some are of the longer type. Those of this type are usually of the three quarter groove. The pol of this type of axe is usually more rounding. There is the hoe type, and the hoe type usually more flat. The material of the axes varies much according to locality where found, but a favorite stone seems to be a green stone, or dark gray. Good hammers are usually made of the same material and like the axes, vary in size, from very small to very large, and from a rounding to a flatish surface. Good war club heads are usually much longer than the hammers and more pointed. These Indian implements are made from the most rude to the finest workmanship, and represent some of them, days and weeks of work from taking the crude stone to turning off the finished implement. This implement was the one the ancient man of this continent must use to fashion his tepee, his dugout, canoe and a thousand and one things. It was one of his most important tools. Next hunting implements, these implements are found on a broad expanse of territory, in fact about everywhere that the ancient Red Man was wont to stay. Handles were fastened to these implements by the means of thongs. They are getting scarcer every year, and rare specimens of large size readily bring a good price.

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Three very large spades were recently dug up in western Pennsylvania, the measure of these spades was 12, 12½ and 15 inches. The finder values them at \$20.00.

# *Vulcan's Stronghold*

*By George Maclaine Collins*

When we think of the rich mineral deposits and the magnificent waterways with which some sections of this broad land are favored, it would seem that Dame Nature is indeed very partial in her bestowal.

The Monongahela River in southwestern Pennsylvania, presents, commercially, numerous points of interest to the traveler as it winds its way majestically among the hills; those natural elevations which, although of no great height, contain valuable and extensive tracts of coal, sand, oil and gas.

The presence of these deposits so near to river manufacturing sites has induced capitalists, many of them from far distant states, to remove their steel-works, foundries and glass furnaces to that district, and at the present time all available sites are taken up to within forty miles of Pittsburg, making an almost solid chain of industries many of which work night shifts as well as day. As the valley is noted for its diversity of manufacture the output of these many mills has a marked influence on the various markets of the world.

The river is not naturally of sufficient depth to insure the draught necessary for large steamers and to overcome this The Monongahela Navigation Co., was formed over half a century ago, and only after many financial difficulties, four huge dams and locks were placed across the river at various points about ten miles apart; Lock No. 1 being located near Pittsburg.

Later, four more were placed farther south but nearer together owing to shallow water; extending navigation to the Pennsylvania-West Virginia state line, and in 1897 the property was sold to the government, thereby making the system free from tolls at any time. These locks, now fifteen in number and furnishing an excellent waterway 125 miles long, are operated in the same manner as the famous "Soo", Lake Superior's outlet; but unlike the "Soo" the Monongahela's freight traffic originates in her immediate vicinity and not at distant points.

Bituminous coal is one of the products most extensively shipped by water, the greater part being consigned to New Orleans and other southern markets. The coal barges or boats are rectangular in shape and are lashed compactly together in one tow or fleet, and then are usually pushed by steamer to their destination. An ordinary sized steamer can tow twelve to fifteen of these coal boats, which, if compared with trains, would require about 500 cars or six long trains.

Although the river is an important factor in maintaining the valley's supremacy, the valley also has two modern railway systems, equipped with the latest improvements, furnishing additional transportation facilities. Both railroads follow the river's course until near the state line when they enter virgin fields of coking coal comprising thousands of acres of mining property.

Many of the newer towns clustered around the large steel plants were built and thickly populated in a remarkably short time; beautiful residences and up-to-date business blocks, all standing as a lasting monument to the business enterprise and shrewdness of their promoters.

The older inhabitants of the peaceful valley of fifteen years ago stand

almost in awe amid the hum of the motor, the whir of the wheels and the roar of the furnace of today, as they contemplate the wonderful strides toward perfection made by the industrial world in the last few years. The busy hive of industry and commerce, as viewed by the writer in a daylight trip up the Monongahela, are a series of interesting sights and are constantly visited by people from all parts of the world.

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### *Tibetan Curios for Public Museums*

Before their distribution to various museums in this country and in India, a large number of Tibetan curios, collected during the recent expedition for the Government of India by Colonel Waddell, I. M. S., have been arranged at the Indian Museum, Calcutta.

Buddhistic books, manuscripts and pictures form the most important part of the collection, many of the manuscripts being beautifully written in gold characters on black leaves manufactured from the bark of a Himalayan shrub. The wooden covers of most of the books are carved to represent scenes from the life of Buddha. A commentary on the sacred writings extends to 225 volumes, and there are many manuals of worship. Some books on Tibetan vocal music show the method of musical notation employed by the Tibetans a succession of short wavy lines which rise and fall to indicate the various modulations of the voice, the words of the songs being written under the music. Other works in the collection include the Sutras, or sermons of Buddha, a mathematical treatise, a book on poetical language or metaphors, a book of synonyms, biographies of kings and lamas, and a huge wooden-bound volume narrating the history of the death of Buddha, named "Nyang-de" (passing out of misery.)

The pictures are painted on cloth, silk, or parchment, and the most valuable of them are half a dozen very old pictures of Buddha and his 16 disciples, which were obtained with some difficulty from Dantse. Collections of lamas' robes and of images and of many miscellaneous articles make up the exhibition.

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Cartophilists share with philatelists the privilege of claiming that the most exalted personages in the world are devotees of their hobby. The collecting of cards by the youthful members of our Royal House is of course well known, but it is less a matter of common knowledge that His Majesty King Edward VII. is also in the habit of buying cartophilic souvenirs of current events. However this is so, and we learn that during a recent walk through the streets of Biarritz he purchased a great number of cards representing incidents in the meeting of King Alfonso of Spain and Princess Ena. Furthermore the Queen-mother of Italy has evinced her interest in the hobby by organizing a competition in connection with the forthcoming opening of the Milan Exhibition for the best post-card design to commemorate the initiative of King Victor Emmanuel in creating an International Agricultural Institute.

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The half-cent piece was a coin of the smallest denomination ever made in this country. It enjoys the distinction also of being the first coin issued, and also the first whose denomination was discontinued.

# *Indian Baskets*

*By M. Jean DeForrest*

One of the most interesting hobbies is collecting Indian baskets. Not many collectors care to invest so much in a collection as the prices of the baskets range from three to two or three hundred dollars. The highest priced basket that I know of is the Salinan make, triple size, basket in the Comstock collection. This is possibly the highest priced and rarest basket in the world.

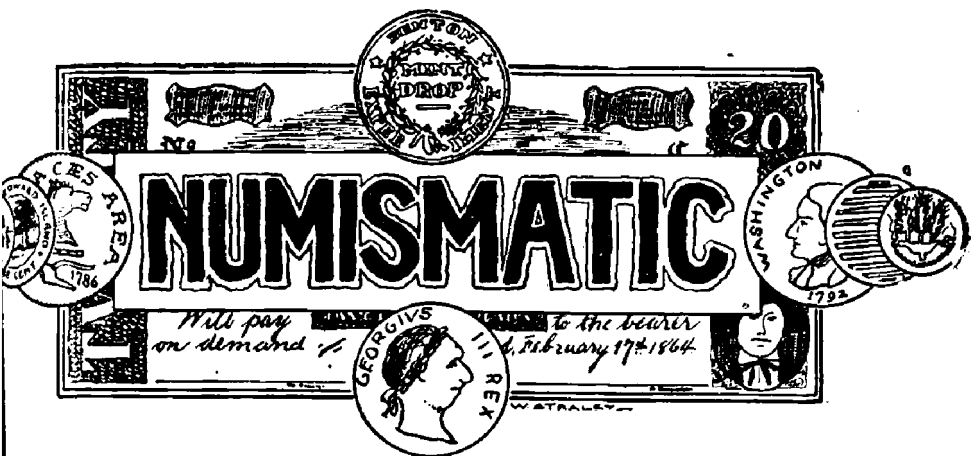
Tourists traveling thru the West pick up a basket here and there to take home as a souvenir of their trip, not caring what make it is or how rare it is. All they require is that the design be pretty and odd, and the price cheap. When they find one that suits them they buy it and in many cases a rare specimen is lost to collectors. Very seldom do you find a collector interested in baskets for their own sake, they usually want them for souvenirs.

During my trips through the west it has been my good luck to run across several rare specimens of an extinct tribe formerly found in Mexico. I was stopping at a hotel in El Paso, when a tourist came through the lobby bearing a basket that he had bought for a song from an old Indian woman. He allowed me to examine it, and as it was different from any that I had in my collection, I bought it from him at about five times what he paid for it. On arriving home I compared it with the others in my collection but it was entirely different in design and workmanship from any that I had. I wrote to a friend of mine who was living among the Indians in Old Mexico, and he took the trouble to inquire among them concerning it. He found it was the work of a tribe that had died out or disappeared in some manner, but had lived, years before, in the locality of Mexico City. Money could not buy it now.

But all collectors are not so fortunate. Many in beginning their collection are hoaxed by dealers into buying machine made baskets. While in New Mexico, I will not name the town or store, I noticed in the window of one of the largest curio stores in the city, a basket of peculiar design. I did not have one like it in my collection and bought it, paying a neat little sum for it. I put it in my collection and told my other collecting friends that I had found a rarity. While one of them was examining it he discovered the label of a large basket firm in the East. The laugh was on me. I now use it for a waste basket.

Possibly the largest and most complete collection of baskets owned by one individual is the collection of Mrs. Dr. Comstock, of Ventura, Cal. Most of the baskets in this collection were made by the Salinan Indians. These Indians are known for their excellent workmanship, and are found around Kentura and Santa Barbara, Cal., but are now fast becoming extinct. Their baskets are exceedingly hard to get and for this reason, and the quality of the baskets, they demand a very high price.

Baskets are now being made by several large concerns and sold as genuine. Imitation copies of the rarest designs are made by hand and it is nearly impossible to tell them from the genuine. The young collector should be careful in buying baskets as he may get these imitations. The best thing to do is to buy one of the several good books on collecting and follow it's advice.



## Rare Coins Up in Price

Over  $\frac{1}{2}$  of this collection was bought by western collectors.

The high prices paid for rare United States coins at the auction of the collection of the late Harlan P. Smith, show that great interest has developed in recent years in the collection of coins, particularly those of the United States.

At an auction of old coins in 1851 ten cents was paid for a 1793 chain cent. A cent of the same variety of the same year, but not in as good condition, sold two years ago at the Mills sale for \$225.

At the same sale in 1851 the buyer of the cent was laughed at for paying \$5 for a proof 1838 pattern dollar. At the sale just closed \$205 was paid for an 1838 pattern dollar. At the 1851 sale the purchaser of these coins also brought two proof dollars of 1836 for \$1.62 each. On Thursday a specimen of one of the varieties of that year sold for \$100. The 1839 dollar brought \$49.

The record figure of the Smith sale was \$2,165, paid for a five dollar gold piece of 1822, and yet this is the first time that this coin has sold for more than \$1,000. This coin sold for more than \$1,000. This coin sold for \$900 at the Parmelee sale in 1890. It was bought by a Chicago man.

In 1876 a half dime of 1802 in fine condition, of which there are only sixteen known, sold for \$70. One at the Parmelee sale went for \$40. In 1890 this coin brought \$170, while a specie at the Smith sale of the same date brought \$290.

The 1815 half eagle, which brought the second highest price of the sale, \$1,050, has gone up in value rapidly. In one sale in 1883 a good specimen brought only \$54, while at another the same kind sold for \$300. Another of the same kind sold for \$235 when the Parmelee collection was dispersed.

For a quarter of 1823, the rarest of coins of this denomination, \$360 was paid at the recent sale. A specimen in fine condition sold in 1876 for \$55.

In no series of coins have there been more rapid or greater advances in value than in the list of half cents. A specimen of any one of the proof half cents dated from 1840 to 1849 could be bought as low as \$4.50 in 1876. At the Smith sale a fine specimen dated 1836 brought \$55; one of 1840, \$55; 1841, \$36; 1847, \$6; 1848, \$60; 1849, \$57.50; while the rarest of this period that dated 1842 brought \$80.



The 28th regular meeting of above named Society was held in their rooms, 1123 Masonic Temple, Friday evening, May 4th, with Vice President E. C. Verkler in the chair. The Executive Committee reported that the renewal of leases for the rooms for the coming year had been made.

Two aluminum Masonic medalets were received from Wm. Poillon.

DeWitt S. Smith and O. H. Granberg were elected to membership. A lot of 41 priced coin auction catalogues were donated to the library. Magazines received during the month were The Numismatist and The Numismatischer Verkehr for April. Auction catalogues were received from Adams, Green, Hirsch (Germany), Low and Mehl.

Mr. Brand exhibited a 5 pound gold proof of Victoria and a doubloon with a curious counterstamp.

Various numismatic subjects were discussed.

Adjourned to meet June 1st, 1906.

Ben G. Green, Secretary.

The Rice sale of coins held by St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co., in Society rooms brought over \$6000 in two days sale April 13 and 14th. A half dime of 1805 brought \$6.70. Dime 1804 brought \$49, quarter dollar of 1823 brought \$67.50, half dollar of 1797 brought \$77.5, 1838 dollar brought \$190. Set 12 paper copper nickel cents 1858 brought \$15. No Date New England shilling brought \$45. large cent 1793 brought \$55, a 1796 cent brought \$23, 1799 cent brought \$220; 1804 brought \$115; half cent 1786 brought \$47; 1838, \$50; 1836, \$45; 1842, \$53; 1845, 61; 1843, 51; 1846, \$46; 1847, \$51; 1852, 50. It will pay all coin readers to send \$1.25 for priced catalogs, giving fine illustrations of many coins worth the price alone. Think this was the largest sale held in the West. Chicago buyers are getting to be known as the largest buyers and have many coins no other one has, except the mint. We hope to give further particulars in the next number and trust we can give some illustrations of the same.

A small collection of coins that had belonged to the late General Louis P. di Cesnola formed part of a coin sale held in New York by Mr. Lyman H. Low. Good prices were realized. A thirty shilling piece dating from 1619-25, sold for \$60, and another, 1605-12, for \$45, these being the two highest pieces of the Di Cesnola coins.

In both collections were some rare coins. A piece minted in the fourth year of the reign of Simon Maccabaeus, B. C. 138-137. There is also an exhibit from the reigns of Cleopatra and Ptolemaeus VIII or IX., B. C., 116-81.

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"The fashionable method of correspondence is by Picture Post cards."

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The Souvenir Post card originated in Europe, where it has been recognized for more than fifteen years. The American people were not long in taking it up and now it has developed into a habit, effecting all classes in every walk of life. At the present time, it is almost considered a breach of friendship, when writing to your friends, family or sweetheart to use other than a Souvenir Post Card.

# *Nebraska Philatelic Society*

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We hope that we can hold a meeting this coming summer like we used to have and we expect if each member will do his part to do so.

Mr. Lederer of Norfolk has kindly offered to take charge of sales department and trust he may make a big success of same.

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Fellow Members of N. P. S.:—

### AUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT.

I beg to call your attention to the auction department which is now in full working order and is ready to supply your wants whether you desire to buy or sell. We are selling some very fine stamps through this department and would be pleased to hear from all who are interested.

We would also, caution the members against dealings with Erie Stamp & Coin Co., Erie, Pa.; Borough Stamp & Coin Co., N. Y. City; and O. Stenerson, Los Angeles, California, claims now being in the hands of attorneys against these parties.

Resp'y yours, H. A. Whipple.

## *CANADIAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY*

ORGANIZED SEPTEMBER 1898 AS THE LEAGUE OF CANADIAN PHILATELISTS

### OFFICERS FOR 1905

President—O. W. Barwick	17 Tara Hall Ave., Montreal, Quebec, Canada
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Executive Committee—GEO. VAN GUILDER, J. E. WARRINGTON, Montreal	
Official Organ—The WEST	

### Sec'y.-Treas. Report.

Applications for Membership.—392. Gustav Schmidt, Giessen, Germany, Ref. L. T. Brodstone. 392. A. E Tuttle, 722 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa., Ref. R. R. Bogert, H. Smith.

Change of Address.—383. A. Harold Brown, 111 Howland Ave., Toronto, Ont.—Yours very truly, F. B. Archer, Sec'y.-Treas.

My Experience.—I received a pictorial postal card from Natal, South Africa with one penny postage and some correspondence on the address side. Here I had to pay six cents postage due. Natal is one of the countries permitted to have correspondence on the address side in order to leave the picture undestroyed on the reverse side, which regulation is very sensible.  
—E. R. Steinbrueck.



# Union Souvenir Card Exchange



America's Largest Card Collectors' Club. Organized April, 1904

**OFFICERS**

President—Earle K. Bryan, 275 Cottage Lane, Dallas, Texas  
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 Secretary—J. Park Graybell, 1113 E. Alameda Ave., Denver, Colo

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 DUES: United States and Canada, 50c per year; Mexico, \$1.25. (Mexican); Foreign, 75 cents, 3 shillings, 4 Fr., 3Mk., 4 Lire, 1½ Yen; To PHILATELIC WEST subscribers everywhere 25 cents.  
 Address all communications to the secretary, excepting new memberships which should be sent through your nearest Representative. Application Blanks and particulars furnished free upon application to any of the Officers or Representatives.

MAY 1906.

**A SICK BROTHER.**

Member No. 37, Mr. Kisuke Yamada, 140 Motomachi 6-Chome, Kobe, Japan, has been and is still very ill and it will be several months yet before he can resume active exchange.

**A BARGAIN.**

Member No. 400, Mr. E. Durand, 5 Passage Savier, a Malakoff, Seine, France will mail beautiful cards of Seine stamped on view side, to all Union members at 25 cents per dozen. Remit by postal order, no stamps accepted.

**MAY ROLL OF HONOR.**

139. W. H. Maerckneine. 356. G. F. Philleo. 362. M. A. H. Spencer.  
 (2). 509 Mrs. E. E. Sitvernaile. 524. Mrs H. E. Ashbury. 532. Walter L. Miller. 534. W. D. Hamilton.

Numbers following name indicate number of times name has appeared on the roll of honor.

**NEW MEMBERS.**

540. Joseph C. Parker, 1858 Fairfax Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio. 541. Jack L. Walker, Box 631, Ardmore, I. T. 542. T. H Bowsard, Searl St., Pettershan, Sydney, New South Wales. 543. Miss Ella Rodger, District Survey Office, Wellington, New Zealand. 544. Miss L. Mait, 120 Denison Road. Lewisham, New South Wales. 545. A B. Harding, Hobart, Ovla. 546. P. Hardwick, 89 William St., Albany Court, Regents Park, London, England. 547. Roy Kimber, 277 High St., Fremantle, West Australia. 548. Miss Lillie Ruth Ashborry, 1122 Mosher St., Baltimore. Md. 549. H H. Ashbory, 1526 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Md. 550. Miss Jane Schranz, Fleming Station, Alexandria, Egypt. 551. Miss Orah Glann, Station E., Toledo, Ohio. 552. Alex Anderson, R. F. D. No. 1, Scranton, Kansas. 553. Chas. F. Ochsner, Hermann, Mo., (Views only). 554. Miss Leora Wight, 30 Crocus Place, St. Paul, Minn. 555. Wm. A. Semple, 44 West Avenue, Norwalk, Conn. 556. Mrs. F. C. Greenleaf, Warren Park, Waterbury, Conn. 557. Miss H. L. Brown, c-o L. & A. Babcock, Norwich, N. Y. 558. Floyd Way, 4130 11th Avenue, N. E., Seattle, Wash. 559. Miss Helen A. Goodrich, Mionok, Ill. 560. H. W. Little, 160 W. Winter St., Delaware, Ohio.



561. Miss Leile Means, 515 Twentieth St., Moline, Ill. 562. Miss Jessie M. Crofton, Box 564, Lincoln, Nebr., (No comics). 563. Miss Roumell A. Rich, 288 South Marshfield Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 564. George H. Taylor, P. O. Box 184, Springfield, Mass. 565. Miss Flora John, 2431 Cold Spring Avenue, Milwaukee, Wis. 566. H. Merbam, 32 Clinton Ave., West Hoboken, N. J. 567. F. Waldo Dodge, Melrose Highlands, Mass. 568. J. D. Schroeder, Baton Rouge, La. 569. Miss Matile Smercina, 1435 South Ninth St., St. Louis, Mo.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

315. Mevr. I. G. M. deBruijn-Brinkman from Kelzersgracht 717, Amsterdam, Holland, to Huize Valkenheining, Loenersloot, Holland. 362. M. A. H. Spencer, from Charles, Georgia, to 39 Church St., Greenwich, Conn. 426. C. Ed. Peterson, from 2229 Frankford Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., to 21 E. Russell St., Philadelphia. 432. Milton M. Herr, from 518 W. King St., to 452 W. King St., Lancaster, Pa.

#### FOREIGN EXCHANGE ONLY.

The following members desire to hereafter exchange with foreign collectors only: 400. E. Durand, 5 Passage Savier, a Malakoff, Seine, France. 471. Willard H. Loud, Everett Station, Boston, Mass. 523. Miss Mary E. Bart, 142 June St., Fall River, Mass.

#### COMPLAINTS.

348 against 339; 362 against 257; 400 against 283, 333; 446 against 303, 329, 337, 367; 371 against 370, 417, 423; 483 against 374, 319, 257; 519 against 216; 521 against 20, 375, 384.

#### COMPLAINTS WITHDRAWN.

394 against 272.

#### EXPIRED MEMBERSHIPS.

166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185. Memberships 1 to 185 inclusive and 231 to 249 inclusive, have now expired. You should not send cards for exchange to any of the members as they have either given up collecting or renewed their memberships; in the latter case you will find their names under a new number and their old number should be discarded and the new one recognized.

#### RESIGNED.

334. Alton Miles, P. O. Clerk, Lincoln, Nebr. 394. Anton Spies, Main St., Oneonta, N. Y. 441. James Vogel, 649 Cleveland Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 518. G. Thornton Doelle, 1059 Sixth St., Las Vegas, N. M.

When a member resigns it is usually because he receives more cards than he can handle or is financially unable to continue the exchange or, sometimes sickness is the cause. Therefore, when a resignation is announced it means that all members should immediately stop sending the party cards for exchange.

#### EXPELLED.

339. Miss Nellie H. Loewe, 129 14th Ave., Melrose Park, Illinois.

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The biggest leaves in the world are those of the inaj palm, which grows on the banks of the Amazon. They reach a length of thirty to fifty feet and are from ten to twelve feet in breadth.

# THE KANSAS CITY STAMP CLUB

The only stamp society in Kansas City. Regular meetings second and fourth Fridays of each month at 7:45 P. M. in Room 37, Jenkins Building, Thirteenth and Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

President—Fred Goldstandt  
Secretary—Arthur L. Nelson  
Treasurer—Wm. Fishman  
Librarian—Arthur L. Nelson  
Sargent—Graham Jarboe

Officers for 1906

2500 E. Fourteenth street  
1823 W. Prospect Place  
820 Penn Avenue  
1823 W. Prospect Place  
1311 Tracy Avenue

Official Organ—The WEST

## Secretary's Report, May 21st, 1906.

Mr. Paul Luther, 306 E. Thirtieth Street, admitted to the club at the meeting of April 27th, 1906. Mr. Murray tendered his resignation which was accepted with regrets at the same meeting.

The nomination of officers to serve from June 1st to December 1st will take place at the meeting of May 25th. The election will take place at a special meeting on June 1st. The prize consisting of one dollar silver, and a twenty dollar conveyance will be awarded at the same time to the one who has secured the most new members for the club during the past half year.

A philatelic spelling match will be one of the features of the meeting on May 25th. Eight prizes contributed by some of the members will be awarded to our best spellers.

It has been decided to hold contests of a philatelic nature, at which prizes will be awarded regularly once each month in the future. Hereafter, notices of all special and regular meetings of the Kansas City Stamp Club will be found in the daily paper on the Thursday preceding the night of the meeting.

Mr. Jarboe requests that members reading items about stamps and stamp collecting and especially notices about the club in the daily press will preserve same and turn them over to him for the club's philatelic scrap book which was recently begun. By so doing, the members will find many interesting items which Mr. Jarboe would otherwise be unable to secure and it is therefore to be hoped that all will comply with his modest request. This book when filed will be placed in the club's library and it will doubtless be very interesting when it is completed.

Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelson.

## Librarian's Report, May 21st, 1906.

Two more magazines have been subscribed for since my previous report, viz., Gibbons Stamp Weekly and The Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser. Two valuable little books have also been added: "The Postage Stamps of the United States" and "The Stamp Collectors' Annual." The publishers of the following philatelic periodicals have each kindly donated subscriptions to their respective papers for the benefit of the club's library: The Dominion Philatelist, The Time and Tide, and the Conwago Curio.

Mr. Nelson and Mr. Broeesky have made contributions to the library.

The following is a list of the periodicals which the club is receiving regularly: Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, Gibbon's Stamp Weekly, Stamp Collectors Fortnightly, Philatelic West, Philatelic Inter-Ocean, Philatelic Advertiser, Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser, West End Philatelist, Dominion Philatelist, United Stamp Journal, Columbus Philatelist, Time and Tide, Conwago Curio, Juvenile Philatelist, Youths Realm, Lodge Record, Exchange, Chicago Stamp News, and Die Nederlandsche Philatelist. Total twenty.

I request that every one having copies of philatelic literature which they do not wish to preserve, will let me know and I will gladly make arrangements toward securing them for our library. Will you give us your help?  
Respectfully, A. L. Nelson, Librarian.

Treasurers Report:—April 1, 1906, on hand .....\$1.44  
 Received for dues......90  
 Total.....\$2.34  
 Disbursements .....56  
 May 1st, 1906 on hand .....\$1.78

Wm. Fishman, Treasurer.

## THE ATLANTIC SOUVENIR CARD COLLECTORS SOCIETY

*World Wide Exchange for the Card Collectors.*

—OFFICERS.—

President—Mr. Harry W. Frister . . . . . 2425 No. 4th St., Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Vice-President—Mr. L. T. Brodstone . . . . . Superior, Nebr.  
 Secretary-Treasurer—Mr. James Wilson, Jr. . . . . 2723 C. St., Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Official Organ—The WEST.

OBJECTS.

- To encourage the collecting of Souvenir Post cards.
- To publish a monthly list of members and wants.
- To prevent unfair exchanging between members.
- To enroll members from all parts of the world.
- To publish lists of reliable collectors of Souvenir Post Cards in all parts of the world, who are members of this society, and will exchange with the other members.

To maintain a Bureau of Translation, for the use of those unable to translate any foreign communications which they may receive.

ADVANTAGES AND BENEFITS.

Each member receives monthly our Official Organ, THE PHILATELIC WEST, the largest collectors' paper in the world; five fine unused souvenir post cards: Certificates of Membership; Complete List of the Members of A. S. C. C. S., to date; has his name printed in our Official Organ and all future lists of members, and has free use of our Bureau of Translation.

JOIN NOW.

All readers of this paper can join our society by sending 25c in Postal Money order or Coin with your application blank fully filled out. Blanks can be had from any of the officers.

We are getting many members from Europe and Africa. We will publish names of all members in next report. Write to our secretary concerning your business, etc., he has something good in store for you.

Notice: Write us now and join. Special inducements to the first 300 answering this report.—Very Respectfully, James Wilson, Jr., Secy.

Post cards for Princess Ena.—A scheme is on foot to make a present of a very unique kind to Princess Ena. This will be a collection of post cards from the whole of Spain, with "piropos" dedicated to Her Royal Highness. A "piropos" is a short phrase eulogizing the beauty of women. The cards will be arranged in special albums, with artistic bindings, one for every province in Spain.

LARGEST STAMP SOCIETY IN AMERICA

# Stamp Collector's Protective Association of America

ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 3, 1899.

President-- E. Chandler..... Roanoke, Va.  
 Vice-President W. P. Kelley..... Kansas City Mo.  
 Secretary-Treasurer--L. Brodstone..... Superior, Neb.  
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 Attorney--H. Swenson..... Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Trustees--Wilkinson, Brown, Hopson..... Omaha  
 Official Organ, The WEST.

We have several complaints that will be published in next No., if not heard from.

Following are new members:—A. W. Wheeler, Sterling, Ill., 501 N. 3rd st. J. V. Nelson, Seattle, Wash., 46 Terrace St. W. D. Groff, Bloomfield, Ont., Canada. G. Bliss, P. M. Canal Zone, via N Y. N. Wood Hamilton, Ont., Canada, 68 King St. C. M. Baker, Graniteville, S. C. R. J. Beck, St. Paul, Minn., 403 W. Central Ave. L. Vocell, Cincinnati Ohio, 909 Bank St. C. J. Gready, San Francisco, Calif., 1631 Geary St. V. L. Young, Joplin, Mo., c-o Miners Bank. Galwesky, St. Helena, Calif. L. A. Rynning, Chicago, 4 N. Calif. Ave. O. H. Wolcott, Akron, O., 724 Crosby St. N. J. Cadorete, Fitchburg, 285 Water st. J. Wight, Knoxville, Ia., Bx 166. J. Dalton, Wellsville, Ohio, Bx 202. L. A. Beebe, Yonkers, N. Y., 802 N. Broadway. Prof. W. T. VanBuskirk, Peoria, Ill. I. Christensen, Longmont, Colo., Bx 354. J. W. Miller, Ste Luce, Ramouski Co., Quebec, Canada. J. E. Muller, Brooklyn, N. Y., 352 Graham Ave. P. J. Lynch, Comanche, Tex. R. Argmer, Natural Food Co., Niagara Falls, N. Y. F. Bean, Detroit, Mich., 89 Trumbull Ave. J. Manchester, N. Y. City, 32 Nassau St. A. Petitclerc, Purser Rich & Ony Co., Quebec, Can.

## SALE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

I am pleased with the encouragement I have received towards the success of the Sales Department. Every member should give the department their hearty support. You are missing many good opportunities by not sending your name in for an approval circuit. You will be surprised to see how reasonable stamps are priced. Write me today and have your name put on the list for a circuit.

You can also sell your duplicates or collection through the department. A commission of 10 per cent is charged on sales and one per cent on the net value of all books which is held in trust as an Insurance Fund against possible losses. Blank department books are 3c each or 30c per dozen.

W. A. Imbler, Sales Supt.



## St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society

President	H. A. Diamant
Vice President	Otto Patschke
Secretary	T. C. Mann
Treasurer	F. R. Corwell

The thirty-third regular meeting of the society was held May 15th, thirteen members and one visitor being present. The following were admitted to membership: John A. Francisco, 5964 a Bartmer Ave., St. Louis; and Thos. Hubert, 1412 Necter Ave., E. St. Louis, Ill. After the completion of business, the usual auction was indulged in, and some fine stamps, notably some early U. S., knocked down at a sacrifice to members.

Respectfully, T. C. Mann, Secretary.

# *The Canadian Post Card Exchange Club*

## *For Collectors of Pictorial Postcards*

President--Miss Madeline Keller Chief Sec. Treas.--Mr. C. A. Hives. Assistant Secretary--Miss M. Street Chief English Secretary--Miss F. E. Goodwin Ontario Secretary--Mr. J. H. Alexander Maritime Prov. Secretary--Miss M. DeWolf Acting General Secretary for U. S. A.--Miss Street Quebec Secretary--Mr. M. L. Wishart New Zealand Secretary--Miss A. R. Brown	Juneau, Wisconsin, U. S. A. 297 Spence St. Winnipeg Canada Box 137, Orilla, Ont., Canada Ightham, Sevenoaks, Kent England Amherstburg, Ont. Canada 166 North St. Halifax, Nova Scotia Box 235 Valleyfield Que. Bush Rd. Mosgeiel Otago New Zealand
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Other Secretaries will be appointed in England and U. S. A.  
 President's Motto: "The Postcard is a hobby both pleasurably and practically. Join one and all."  
 All members will receive official organ monthly.  
 Club subscription 35c per year, 20c for 6 months, or its equivalent in other countries. All collectors are requested to send subscriptions to nearest local secretaries at once, or to Mr. C. A. Hives, 297 Spence St. Winnipeg, Canada to whom all letters of inquiry should be sent.

### NEW MEMBERS

202. Miss B. Sands, Upper Loch Lomond, St. John Co., N. B. 203. Miss G. E. Comerford, Eldorado, Ontario. 204. Mr. G. E. Hicks, Tweed, Ontario. 212. Mr. D. Moonhouse, Brockville, Ontario. 213. Mr. J. Corrigan, Brockville, Ontario. 214. Mr. E. R. Foxton, Box 712, Brockville, Ontario. 205. Willie J. Morgan, c-o Cradock-Simpson Co., Montreal, Canada. 211. Clarence B. McMasher, Plattsburg, N. Y. 215. Mr. J. C. Parker, 158 Fairport Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio. 219. Mr. W. L. Miller, 306 Purcell Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio. 216. Mr. H. Beeding, 125 Green Ave., Benton Harbor, Michigan. 217. Mr. J. C. Buckman, 115 E. Gacond St., Washington, N. C. 218. Miss I. Longmore, 417 City Road Birmingham, England. 209. Mr. C. F. Ochsuer, Hermann, Missouri. 210. Mr. Wm. Schwartz, Jr., 216 Bridgett, Maryville, Wisconsin. 219. W. L. Miller, 306 Purcell Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio. 220. E. C. Cleveland, 203 Burrell St., Milwaukee, Wis. 222. Rolla A. Dobson, 105 S. Main St., Janesville, Wis. 223. Mr. J. S. Rock, 405 Houser Bldg. St. Louis, Mo 224. C. Eanderson, 520 Hoss Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. 226 Mrs. F. M. Kellogg, 107 Davies St., Syracuse, N. Y. 225. Miss H. C. Carey, Ferryland, Newfoundland. 221. Miss B. Ovas, 305 Surby St., Winnipeg.

### CLUB NOTICES.

Change of address: No. 167 has removed to 17 Duke Street. Kindly note member No. 61 has withdrawn, and members No. 9, 10, 1, 143, and 130 are no longer members of our Club, their subscriptions having long since expired. No. 518 announced last month should read, Miss I. Rothwell.

Member No. 130 of Minneapolis, is on a trip to Europe, so will be temporarily removed from the club by her special request.

To all members who have any sympathy for Miss Kyle of San Francisco, Calif. Member No. 103: Miss Kyle barely escaped from the recent disaster and lost everything, including her collection of Post cards which were doubtless very valuable to her. Shall be pleased if all members will send No. 103 three or four cards each without the expectancy of a return of the favor, to enable Miss Kyle to get her collection started again.

### NEW SECRETARIES APPOINTED.

Mr. J. E. Mueller, 352 Graham Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., representing New York State; Mr. R. B. Patt, 62 Catawba St., Roxbury, Mass. representing New England States; Mr. S. C. Bushnell, Box 1204, St. Louis, Missouri, representing Illinois and Missouri.

I am going to require other Secretaries for the States, and also Lady Secretaries for the cities such as Chicago, Minneapolis, San Francisco, and all similar cities. I also require good secretaries in all foreign countries—especially France, Holland, Italy, West Indies, and Africa. Then I hope to have one of the largest, if not THE largest, Exchange Clubs in existence. This can only be accomplished by every member helping in the work. Next month I hope to issue a full list of members to date, it being our first year of existence.

“Join one and all” is our President's motto.

Yours very truly, C. A. Hives.

## *Central Souvenir Post Card Exchange*

### OFFICERS

President—Dean Donaldson	Lincoln, Neb., Box 12
Vice President—Asa Ghambers	River Bend, Ont., 1315 K. St
Secy. and Treasurer—Cozette McMangiel	Lincoln, Neb., 1059 Sixth Ave
Mexican Representative—G. Thornton Doelle	Las Vegas, N M
German “ —Carl Kolb	Au der Cleter, Hamburg
Canadian “	

### DUES.

United States & Canada, 35c a year including the “Philatelic West,” if already a subscriber of the WEST dues 15c a year. Address all communications to the Central Post Card Co., Box 706, Lincoln, Nebraska. Application blanks furnished upon request. Foreign dues 50c a year.

### OBJECT.

- To encourage the collection of Souvenir Post Cards.
- To prevent unfair exchanging.
- To publish a list monthly of members and wants.
- To enroll members from all parts of the world.
- To secure 1000 members, year 1906.

### ADVANTAGES AND BENEFITS.

Each member will receive monthly, the official organ, “Philatelic West” a large collectors' paper, complete list of all members all over the world and your name printed in the “WEST” to be sent to other members. List of members will be published in July issue—too late for June.

China's New Coin to be Like Western Money.—The Coin Cabinet says: The proposed change in the Chinese coinage is a further sign of Celestial progress. The old bronze coins with the square hole in the middle are to give place to copper coinage similar to that used in western countries. On one side of the new coins the designation will be in Latin letters, and the value will be written in Arabic numerals. The inscription will also be in Latin characters, thereby considerably assisting those who are not familiar with the mysteries of Chinese script. On the reverse side the value will be set forth in Chinese characters and numerals, with the name of the province in which the coin has been minted. Machines for minting are being made in Germany and will displace the old system which was nothing more complex than a series of hammers which beat out the curious old coins and strung them on string.

# *With the Old Cherokees*

**By W. H. Plank**

Their Familiar Trees and Plants.

To one who walks the streets of any of the progressive towns of the Cherokee nation in the Indian Territory today, cannot help but note the progressiveness of the more civilized of this race of Indians. True, the half breeds and full bloods have but little advanced. They are by far the most intellectual of the various tribes that inhabit the U. S. Before being placed on their present lands in the territory, they inhabited for a number of years the northwestern part of Arkansas. But their original home was in the mountainous regions of our southern states. It comprised all of Kentucky, part of West Virginia, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee. As fast as the country was settled their territory was cut down until their home was confined to the Northern part of Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama and the southern part of Tennessee. Here, today, we find town after town bearing the name given by its old occupants, the Cherokees.

In this article I will only write of their knowledge of some of the more important trees and plants, as the Cherokees were naturally an agricultural class of people. The most highly prized of all the plants was the maize or Indian corn. It occupies the most important place among the folk-lore of nearly every tribe of Indians. It was the Indian who taught the Pilgrims the use of corn, and how to grow it. The Indians, too, were the first to use fertilizers and showed the white man that by dropping a dead fish in each hill of corn increased the yield wonderfully.

Tobacco was the next important. The original home of the tobacco plant was in the West Indies—the island of Tobago.

The common bean was also highly prized and carefully cultivated.

The much advertised ginseng was gathered in the deep woods and sold to the white traders. The mistletoe—so dear at Christmas time—which as we know is a parasitic plant, was called by a name which denoted it was married to some other tree.

Every boy and girl has gathered a bunch of wild violets, and sat under the shade of a large tree, and fought the battle of violets. So, too, the Indian children knew this game, for the Cherokee word means "they pull their heads off." They say of our white clover the "plant that follows the white man."

The cedar tree which covers the mountains of their old southern home was held sacred.

To make fishing easy, the bark of the walnut tree was pounded up and thrown into the water. This seemed to stun the fish and they were taken out in great numbers.

The cane was highly prized for blow guns, baskets, etc., and long trips were made to the "brakes" for them.

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Numismatists are offering \$1,000 apiece for silver dollars of 1905. This isn't strange for the season. Any man possessing a solitary yen of any old year can get bids on it.—Coin Cabinet.



# ..Camera News..

Editor—F. J. Clute, Sacramento

## *"Expose for the Shadows"*

By F. M. Howard, Cleveland, O.



In more than one place have I seen the beginner advised to "expose for the shadows, and let the high lights take care of themselves." To say the least of it, such advice is incomplete and injudicious. The term "correct exposure" is merely a relative one, and really means that with a certain method of development such an exposure is capable of producing monochromatic effects of light and shade on the photographic plate which will produce on the finished print the most effective picture possible.

Correct exposure by no means implies recognizable details over the whole from every picture. It wholly depends upon the aim of the operator, and in quite a large number of instances it would be absolute folly on the photographers' part arrange for an exposure of such duration that details become prominent, or even visible, in the deep shadows. If the bulk of a picture is composed of shadows—containing, perhaps, a good many subtle variations in tone, but shadows none the less—with, perhaps, a contrasting foil of some what brilliant light, devoid of delicate gradation in such a case it might be the correct thing to give an exposure of ample duration, practically ignoring the high light. But take, as another example, a subject possessing precisely the opposite conditions—say, for instance, the fine east window of a cathedral, and include a portion of a well lighted chancel—the main interest to consist in these two chief details. In such a case the utmost delicacy of detail is to be dealt with, and it is to the window and the more subtle high lights in the chancel one looks to yield effect.

Now there comes a period of exposure at which these extremely delicate light portions are quite at their best; if the exposure be prolonged beyond this definite period in order to gain the impress of a few extra details in the dark roof or sides of the cathedral, in direct proportion will the tout ensemble most certainly suffer. But only if the whole picture is composed of the two main objects mentioned. By which qualification reader will realize that no definite rule is advocated, nor indeed, is any possible. Treat every subject entirely by judging of its own peculiarities; if its main characterizing details are light, expose for them and ignore the shadows. If a skillful photographer aims at securing the best that is possible in the way of negatives of distant mountain scenery or cloud effects, he does not "let the high lights take care of themselves," because it is in them in which he seeks to show that marvelous subtlety of rendering of which photography alone is capable. Look after main effects, therefore: and adjust exposure for them; depend upon it, results will not then suffer.





# A N S W E R S

QUERIES SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO FAYETTE J. CLUTF.,  
—416 J. ST., SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA.—

**T. A. A.—Yellowing of Edges:** Aristo-platino paper, after long keeping will sometimes produce prints with a perceptible tinge of yellow around the edges. This is easily prevented by adding a little ammonia to the fixing bath. Add just enough to give the bath a faint odor of ammonia. The edges will turn yellow in the toning solution, but will come out of the fixing bath in the toning solution, but will come out of the fixing bath clear and white.

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## - HOW TO MAKE POST-CARDS DRY FLAT.

By John Mallia.

Everyone who has printed post cards knows the inconvenient way they have of curling when dry. After many experiments I have succeeded in drying them almost flat, and as the process employed requires no expense, skill or trouble, I trust it will prove of interest to printers of post cards. The procedure is as follows: Two pieces of wood are traced on a piece of board four inches apart (preferably putting a sheet of blotting paper under, so as to absorb the water that drains from the post cards). When the post cards are washed, take them out of the final water and place them one by one between the two pieces of wood in a curved way, film upwards. Allow them to stay so until thoroughly dry, then take them off, when they will after a little while flatten themselves. If they are wanted quickly, put them under some weight, say between two books. I have dried post cards more or less flat in other ways, but this one has proved to be the simplest and cleanest.

## CARBON HINTS.

Here are a few hints for carbon workers which are worth making a note of. Sensitive tissue should be kept flat and under moderate pressure, and in as dry a place as possible. Prints that are not to be developed soon after being taken from the frame should be stored in a calcium tube. This arrests the light action, which would otherwise continue. Blistering or frilling during development may be caused by air imprisoned between the tissue and transfer paper. The tissue and transfer paper should be brought together under water and squeegeed into contact as soon as the tissue is sufficiently limp. Etching and drawing paper should be soaked in cold water half an hour before required. With these papers very firm queegeeing is necessary. Prints should not be allowed to dry for more than fifteen minutes after being squeegeed into contact.—The Photographic News.

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## EDITOR SAYS

### To Develop Under-Exposures



I have recently seen the results of some experiments that were more than ordinarily interesting at this time of the year. A series of negatives were exposed on some river scenes, all practically the same in character. The first exposure was developed in the ordinary way and was found to be so underexposed that it was useless. Going over the notes another was selected that was judged to have stood the best chance of being fairly well exposed, owing to the open nature of the view. This was found to be also badly under-timed. The remaining plates were then soaked in a weak solution of formaline for fifteen minutes, and well washed. Development was conducted by using a metol formula well diluted, and the temperature raised to about 120 degrees Fahrenheit. The result was a series of negatives of good average density, and with all the detail that it was possible to secure. There was of course not the same amount of gradation and detail as could have been wished, but the resultant negatives were all capable of producing good prints, and prints much superior to those obtainable from the best of the two exposures developed in the ordinary way. In transferring the negative from the warm developer to the washing water or fixing bath, care must be used to see that there is not too great a variation of temperature or blisters will result. Aside from this, and the avoidance of any unnecessary exposure to an unsafe light, no precautions are required. It is evident that this method of forcing will develop up any slight action of an unsafe light in the form of fog over the plate, but the danger is not as great under ordinary conditions as that arising from an attempt to force development in the ordinary way, which so often results in chemical fog.

#### ANOTHER WAY TO MAKE A FLASH.

It is sometimes desirable to produce a flash when only magnesium powder is at hand and there is no suitable lamp available. At other times the matter of expense may be an item, and for that reason the following plan, which is both cheap and effective may be of use. Soak some thick blotting paper in a saturated solution of salt peter and allow to dry. One then only to place a small piece on the top of a piece of a piece of tin or other safe material; place a little magnesium powder in the center and fire by applying a match to the corner. The lighted match can be held by making a split in the end of a long pine stick or lath. The length of the flash is much less than secured with an ordinary blow-through lamp, particularly when the powder is in a thin layer. Heaped up, the powder required longer to burn, but there is some waste. Spread in a train, the time is extended, and a larger amount of light is secured from a given amount of powder than when it is heaped up. The plan is entirely satisfactory and there is less smoke and smell occasioned than with many of the expensive compounds offered the worker.

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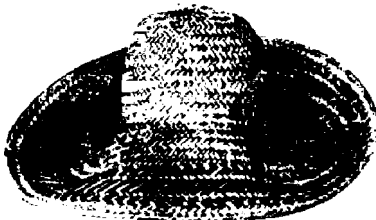
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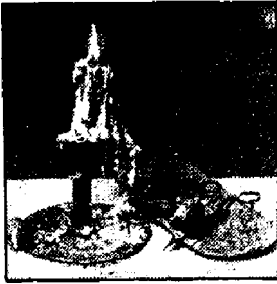
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5 Asiatic coins " " "	19
5 nickle coins, retail value 50c for	21
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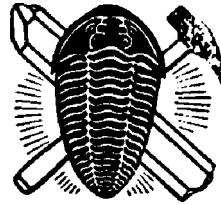
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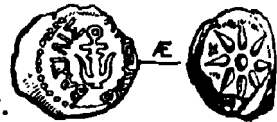
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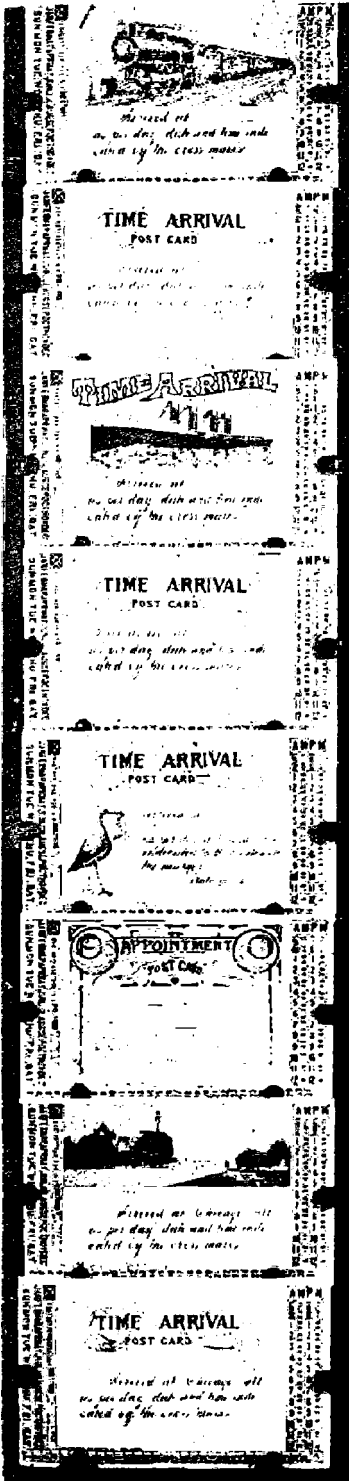
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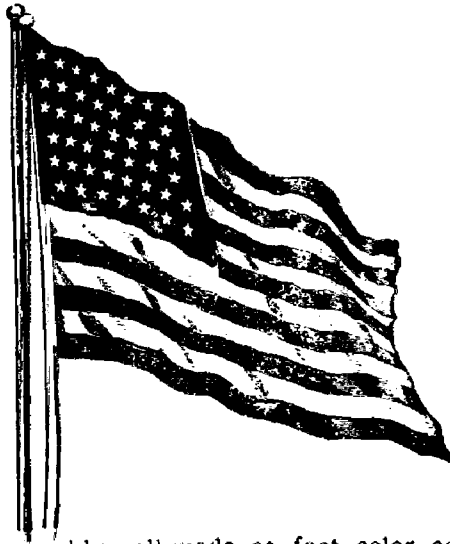


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45	Barbados	3 00	1 00
	St. Helena	3 00	1 00
15	St. Lucia	2 00	80
61	Natal	1 35	40
5	Mautserrat	40	10
16a	Niger Coast	60	25
24	Newfoundland	60	25
1	Swazieland	15	8
95	Transvaal	75	50
138	"	10	3
21	Neirs	1 00	30
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Cat. No.	Description	Cat. Price	My Price
42	2p green	\$0 20	08
44	6p rose	85	25
44	6p rose, pen canc		10
45	1sh brown, pen canc		18
50	4p violet	50	10
50	4p violet, pen canc		05
52	½p slate or gray	04	02
55	1p black	12	06
56	2p green	05	03
58	1p lilac rose	05	02
61	1p violet and black	02	02
62	2p violet and orange		03
66	6p violet and carmine		10
67	1sh gr & carm pen canc		06

## NEW SOUTH WALES

10	1p red	2 50	1 75
11	2p blue several shades	50	30
12	2p blue	85	45
13	2p blue stars in corners	4 50	2 50
14	3p green	4 00	2 00
16	6p brown	12 50	7 00
23	1p orange	1 00	65
24	2p blue	50	20
32	1p orange	1 00	50
32a	1p red (S. G.)	1 25	60
33	2p blue	25	12
35	1p red	50	25
35a	1p orange	1 00	50
36	2p blue	50	25
37	3p green	60	40
37c	3p green wmk 6	1 00	60
40	6p vio(S Gibbons cat 25)	15	10
40a	6p violet	4 00	2 25
42	1sh rose	1 00	60
42	1sh rose, pen canc		20
46	2p blue	50	25
47	1p red	15	08
48	2p blue	03	02
48a	2p blue, wmk 1	60	30
49	2p blue (S. G. 50)	30	20
50	4p red brown	50	25
52-53	1p red, 2p blue each	05	02
54	3p green	50	35
55	4p brown	35	25
56	5p green (S. G. 75)	30	25
57	6p lilac	10	08

## NEW SOUTH WALES—Continued

60	1sh black	35	25
61-62	1p red, 2p blue each	01	0½
63	3p green or yellow gr	06	03
64	4p red brown	20	12
65	5p green on blue gr	10	05
66	6p lilac	10	08
69	1sh black	25	12
70	1p red, wmk large N. S.		
	W. only	25	10
71	2p blue, wmk large N.S.		
	W. only	20	08
72	5sh gr & vio rev canc		60
76	10sh carmine & violet	2 50	1 35
77-78	1p lilac 2p blue each	01	0½
79	4p red brown	03	01
80	6p carmine	05	02
81	8p red violet	40	15
81a	8p red lilac	50	20
82	1sh violet brown	05	03
85	1p vio, wmk large N. S.		
	W. only	12	06
86	2p blue wmk large N. S.		
	W. only	85	40
87	20sh ul ramarine	3 50	2 00
88	5sh violet	3 00	2 00
88	Same fine lightly pen canc		60
89	2½p ultramarine	03	02
92	½p on 1p gray unused	08	04
92	Same used	04	03
93	7½ on 6p brown	25	15
94	12½ on 1sh red	50	20
95	½p slate or gray	01	0½
96	9p brown and black	35	18
96a	9p orange br & black		18
96a	is quite different from 96, same as 104a		
97	10p purple		25
98-102-103	1p red ½ green, 2 blue each		01 0½
98a	1p rose, die 1	05	02
99	2p deep blue	04	02
100	2½p purple	12	06
100a	2½p purple	12	60
101	5sh red violet	1 00	80
104-104a	2½p blue 4 or br ea	02	10

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Cat. No.	New South Wales-Continued	Cat. Price	My Price
105	6p green (S. G. \$1.00)	60	40
105	Same heavily cancelled		15
106	6p orange	10	02
107	1sh 6p green		25
108	6p brown and blue	12	08
201	1/2p green, used or unused	04	02
202	1p green, unused	06	03
202	1p green, used	04	02
201	2p green unused	25	08
203	2p green used	06	02
204	3p green (see errors in prices cat)	12	06
205	4p green	08	04
206	6p green	25	15
207	8p green		35
201	to 305 prices according to condition		
312	1sh black	08	08
313	1p red unused	50	15
313	1p red used	08	04
314	2p blue unused	12	06
314	2p blue used	08	03
315	3p green	25	15
316	3p wmk sideways 63b with O. S.		35
317	4p red brown	08	06
317	5p green rare, not priced		1 50
318	6p lilac	12	08
319	8p yellow	30	25
320	1p red	25	12
323	1p violet	03	01
324	2p blue	08	02
325	3p red brown	02	02
326	6p carmine	08	05
327	8p red lilac	35	20
330	1sh violet brown	06	06

**NEW ZEALAND**

10	2p blue	1 25	90
24	2p blue	25	18
25	3p lilac	40	25
44	1p brown	50	40
45	2p orange	60	40
46	6p blue	50	35
51	1p lilac	04	03
52	2p rose	03	02
55	6p blue	25	15
56	1sh green	1 00	45
59	4p lilac	4 50	2 50

Cat. No.		Cat. Price	My Price
99	1p carmine	06	02
99a	1/2p green	08	03
100	1p carmine	02	01
101	1 1/2 brown orange	06	04
102	1/2 green unused	1 00	50
103	1p carmine	04	02
104	1/2p green, unused	05	03
105	1p carmine, unused	05	04
107	1/2p green, unused	03	02
108	1p carmine unused	04	03
111	2 1/2p blue		0
112	3p orange brown	06	04
113	4p brown and blue	08	05
114	5p red brown		06
115	6p rose	08	04
116	8p blue	25	15
117	9p violet	25	18
118	1sh red	15	08
353	1/2p rose	02	01
354-355	1/2p black, 1/2p rose each	01	0 1/2
356	1/2p black	01	01
551	52-53 1/2p. 2p each	03	0 1/2
602	1p green and red	0	02
603	2p green and red	06	03
605	4p green and red		10

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8	2p blue	2 50	1 75
14	2p blue	1 00	75
15	3p brown	3 50	2 25
19	2p blue	2 50	1 25
20	6p green	2 00	1 25
22	2p blue	50	30
23	4p lilac	75	45
23a	4p slate	2 00	1 01
25	1p orange	40	25
26	2p blue	20	12
26a	2p pale blue	30	15
27	3p greenish brown (S. G. \$1.25)	75	50
27a	3p brown	2 00	1 25
27b	2p olive brown	2 00	1 00
38	1p orange	60	30
39	1p rose	2 00	90
40	2p blue or deep blue	15	08
41	3p brown	75	40
42	6p green	75	50
43	1sh violet, lightly rev cane		25
44	1p orange	25	10
45	1p rose	2 25	1 25
46	2p blue	35	18
46a	2p deep blue	50	20
51	4p yellow	2 50	1 25
52	2sh blue, very light rev cane	50	30
53	2sh 6p vermilion, cancellation	1 50	85
54	5sh orange brown	3 50	2 25
57	1p scarlet	08	05
57	Same, pen cancellation		02
58	2p blue	10	04
59	4p yellow	70	40
60	6p green rev cane	20	10
61	1sh lilac	1 70	60
61	1sh lilac, unused, no gum		65
64	1sh violet rev cane		1 25
65	1p vermilion or rose	08	04
67	2p blue or ultramarine	05	03
68	4p yellow	10	05
69	6p green	06	03
70	1sh lilac or violet	10	05
74	2sh ultramarine, rev cane	25	08
76	5sh carmine	20	10
77	10 sh brown	75	45
78	1/2 green	1 25	65
79	2sh ultramarine	10	05
80	2sh 6p red	10	08
81	5sh carmine	20	12
82	10sh brown	1 00	60

61-62	1p rose, 2p violet each	01	0 1/2
63	3p yellow	04	03
64	4p green	04	02
66	6p brown	04	02
66	8p blue	25	15
67	1sh red brown	06	04
65	2 1/2p ultramarine	05	02
69	5p gray	10	05
70-72	1p, 1p and 2p, each	02	01
73	2 1/2p blue unused	15	10
74	2 1/2p blue	10	06
75	3p orange brown	15	07
76	4p rose	10	08
77	5p red brown	20	10
78	6p green	15	12
81	1sh red	45	30
81 1/2	1/2p green, 1p red, each	02	01
86	2p violet, Queen	10	05
87	2p red violet, "View"	10	02
88	2 1/2p blue	05	04
89	3p orange brown	10	04
90	4p brown and blue	08	05
91	5p red brown	12	06
92	6p green	1 00	60
93	6p rose	10	05
94	8p blue	30	20
95	9p red violet	30	20
95	9p red violet unused	35	25
96	1sh red	20	10

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1895 50c	08
1898 4c	02
" 10c	02
" \$1	60
1901 4c	02
" 8c	04
1888 4c new	\$ 07
" 30c (rare)	25
1890 2c lake	02
" 30c	06
1893 \$2	1 25
1895 \$5	1 50
1898 8c	05
" 50c	20
" \$2	1 75
1901 5c	03
" 10c	03

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 Or 50 Foreign Stamps for names and addresses of two collectors. Enclose 2c stamp for postage. Try my approval sheets at 50 percent discount.

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40 different Austria	
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35 " Germany	
20 " Netherland	
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13 " Bowasia	
10 " Bosnia	
30 " France	
25 " Hungary	
25 " Russia	
150 " Postage Stamps.	[2c

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#### WEST AUSTRALIA

1882 3p red brown cat. 50c.....	10
1890 5p bistre, cat 8c.....	03
1890 1 shilling olive green cat 15c..	07

#### NEW SOUTH WALES

1882 3p green cat. 6c.....	02
1889 8p red violet, cat 40c.....	14

#### CHINA

1885 1c green unused cat 8c.....	03
1885 5c greerish yellow cat 25c....	09
1898 50c yellow green cat 25c.....	09

#### CUBA

1869 40c dull violet cat 50c....	12
1881 2½c olive bistre, unused cat 15c	05
1888 10c blue unused cat 12c..	03

#### UNITED STATES

1856 1c blue cat 15c.....	05
1869 2c brown, horseman, cat 18c..	06
1895 50c orange cat 18c.....	07
1862 \$5.00 Charter party cat 25c....	08

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1900 1 krone, rose; 2 kronen, lilac.

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1903 7c King's head.

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1901 1c olive; 1902 10c slate.

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\*1879 5 pa brown; 1884 10 pa green.

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1898 ½p., 1p. brown and blue, 2p.

1900 2p violet, 2p. red violet (cat. 10c.)

1901 ½p. green (cat. 8c), 1902 1p. carm.

1902 2p violet.

### Philippines

\*1892 newspaper ¼c green.

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\*1906 1c portrait type, just issued.

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1882 14k. blue and rose.

### Each stamp 1 cent

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\* means unused

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\*1890 ¼c on 12c black surch.

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\*1886 50c verm cat 12c; 1897 100c.

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\*1906 1c regular, 1c "O. S." (elephant).

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\*1906 1c on 20c orange.

\*1898 2c greenish black.

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1898 15c lav and claret.

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1894 postage due 15c ult.

### Portugal

1895 200r red lilac.

### Spain

1895 official 15c yellow; 1896 off. rese.

### Switzerland

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 Box 254, Lead, So. Dak.

**BARGAIN LIST FOR JULY**

1000 mixed foreign over 100 var \$	.15
10 entire 3c unused P. O. env.	20
1000 mixed U. S. or Foreign.....	12
1-1c blue 1851.....	15
1-1c buff 1869 unused no gum...	45
1-1c buff 1869 used.....	17
10-1c green o g surcharged I. R.	10
5-2c red o g surcharged I. R....	10
10-2c lake 1890.....	10
1000 var U. S. 100 Foreign both...	25
100 \$1.00 green doc.....	20
50-2c vermilion.....	10
50 var envelopes cut square and to shape.....	15
50c Columbian used.....	23
15c unused o g.....	23
15c used.....	15
30c used 1888.....	18
12c used 1871-3.....	25
12c used 1869.....	25
\$ 3 Charter Party fine.....	05
5 " " " ".....	10
10 " " " ".....	35
10 Probate of Will.....	33
10 mortgage.....	35
50-3c blue 1869.....	30
Postage all paid. Jerome Taylor, North Sutton, N. H.	

# Snaps For You.

Cat Our price

Mozambique 1892 40 Reis.....	6c	2c
China 1898 10c green.....	6c	1c
Tasmania 1900 2c violet.....	3c	1c
Labuan 1899 4c brown and black	4c	2c
Iceland 5c green 10c red.....	6c	2c
Hawaii 2c brown.....	5c	2c
Cuba 1878 25c green.....	3c	1c
Set Persia 1, 2, 5 & 8.....	20c	8c
" Honduras Official 1890.....	68c	25c
U. S. Revenues \$2 Mortgage....	15c	5c
" " 50c Surety Bond	10c	3c
" " 70c Foreign Ex	12c	4c
\$2 Blue and black 2nd issue....	60c	25c
Unused set Columbians Face \$16.38 o. g. mint condition Bargain, only.....		\$15
U S postage 1c brown 1869.....	60c	25c
" " 6c blue 1869.....	65c	30c
FREE. 6 varieties Cuban revenues for applicants for our unequaled approval sheets at 60 percent discount.		

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# Free

# Free

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Canada Jubilee		1000 different foreign only no United States	\$2 70
½c used or unused	\$ 13	2000 .. .. .	9 00
6c .. .. .	35	3000 .. .. .	32 00
8 to 15 20c .. .. .	80	4000 .. .. .	58 00
50c .. .. .	15	ABOVE ARE GRAND COLLECTIONS.	
\$1.00 .. .. .	70	10 different Turkey .. .. .	03
\$2.00 (1102 48c)	49	20 .. .. .	10
\$1 \$2 \$3 \$4 \$5 No. 2 quality	5 75	50 .. .. .	50
Same, extra fine copies	7 50	75 .. .. .	1 25
Canada--		10 .. .. .	05
1852 3py red .. .. .	20	40 .. .. .	40
6py violet .. .. .	2 75	8 .. .. .	20
1855 10py blue .. .. .	5 00	16 .. .. .	65
1857 ½py pink .. .. .	1 75	*25c 1903 Hawaii violet .. .. .	20
7½py green .. .. .	8 00	*10c .. .. .	25
½py perforated .. .. .	4 25	*12c .. .. .	2 75
6py .. .. .	17 00	10 different Luxemburg .. .. .	06
1859 12½c green .. .. .	35	15 .. .. .	20
1868 2c green .. .. .	12	5 .. .. .	10
6c brown .. .. .	18	*3 .. .. .	06
1869 1c yellow .. .. .	35	*5 .. .. .	15
1c orange .. .. .	35	5c different Africa only .. .. .	30
*8c registration .. .. .	1 75	100 .. .. .	1 50
5 different Newfoundland	03	100 South and Central America .. .. .	45
10 .. .. .	1 00	10 different Uruguay .. .. .	07
30 .. .. .	1 50	20 .. .. .	25
35 .. .. .	05	40 .. .. .	1 00
1c and 2c Jubilee .. .. .	03	10 .. .. .	08
20 different Spain .. .. .	03	15 .. .. .	15
50 .. .. .	09	25 .. .. .	40
40 .. .. .	02	6 .. .. .	15
15 .. .. .	02	10 .. .. .	05
50 .. .. .	13	50 .. .. .	75
20 .. .. .	05	*8 different Liberia .. .. .	20
100 .. .. .	70	*19 .. .. .	65
200 .. .. .	3 00	10 .. .. .	10
14 .. .. .	02	6 .. .. .	10
30 .. .. .	10	10 .. .. .	07
10 .. .. .	01	*19 .. .. .	18
25 .. .. .	07	10 different Chili .. .. .	07
40 .. .. .	60	10 .. .. .	75
1 2 5 7 10 20c Canada King .. .. .	05	BELGIUM PARCEL POST.	
50c United States 1895 .. .. .	04	1896-1902 different cat \$1 09 .. .. .	30
\$1.00 .. .. .	22	1902 30, 40, 70, 90, cat 63c .. .. .	20
50c .. .. .	04	1903 8 different cat 35c .. .. .	09
\$1.00 .. .. .	19	1903 Complete 14 different .. .. .	50
10 different Straits .. .. .	08	10 different Costa Rico .. .. .	10
5 .. .. .	08	30 different Dutch Indies .. .. .	20
50 .. .. .	35	50 .. .. .	20
40 .. .. .	1 00	100 .. .. .	20
10 .. .. .	05	10 .. .. .	10
25 .. .. .	25	4 .. .. .	12
50 .. .. .	06	4 .. .. .	10
100 .. .. .	40	7 .. .. .	15
500 .. .. .	6 00	13 .. .. .	60
100 .. .. .	03	15 .. .. .	07
200 .. .. .	10	7 .. .. .	18
400 .. .. .	50	10 .. .. .	07
		10 .. .. .	15

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5 var Peru cat 17c..... 3c  
Cuba No. 38 cat 50c..... 9c

**\$500**  
in face value of  
U. S. Rev. (3 kinds)  
8c

6 var Guatemala (cat 56c)..... 8c  
100 unused Cuba (3 kinds).....15c  
\$1. cat value Peru.....10c

**1-9 Cat**  
40 var South and  
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\$2.60 for 33c, some cat  
as high as 25c each.

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Cat Our  
Cat. No. Price Price

**UNITED STATES**

31 1851	..... 1c	\$ 40	\$ 15
71 1861	.....30c	65	20
76 1862-6 Unused, no gum	5c	4 00	1 10
90 1867	.....12c	50	20
149 1870	..... 7c	75	30
153	" fine.....	24c	1 50 30
"	".....	24c	1 50 75
521 Interior.....	24c	75	27
523 "	.....90c	2 50	75
3a C of G H 1853 1p fine....	1 50	90	
5	" " 6p.....	2 25	1 50
19	" 1869 1s.....	50	12
52 Gt. Britain 1867 9p heavy			
cancellation.....	1 25	40	
4 Hong Kong 1862 18c.....	75	25	
16	" 1363 30c.....	50	20
14 Lubeck 1864 1¼s fine....	1 00	40	
5 Maderia 1858 100r unused			
no gum.....	8 00	2 50	
28 Mauritius 1860 9p.....	75	25	
40 Natal 1869 6p.....	1 25	60	
36 New South Wales 1860 2p	50	25	
12 Nova Scotia 1860 10c fine	1 50	75	
27 Portugal 1867 20r.....	2 50	1 00	
23 Queensland 1866 4p.....	75	25	

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100	Fine U. S. stamps, all diff cat over..	\$3 00	only 45c
30	“ “ “ “ “ “ “ “	2 00	“ 30c
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50	“ “ “ “ “ “ “ “	1 00	“ 23c

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	Cat price	Our price
*50c deep blue.....	\$1.00	\$.68
50c " ".....	.30	.18
*20c current issue.....	.30	.22
20c " ".....	.12	.08
10c " ".....	.05	.03
9c Canada all diff.....	.20	.04
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Look up our Column of Bargains on another page in this issue.

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Galveston,

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240 varieties U. S. postage, department, dues, etc., mounted in an approval book. These stamps are in average good condition and will catalogue over \$30.00. This is a decided bargain for some one. \$5.00 takes it.

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1851 10c green cat. 75c.....	.25	" 5c " " " 4.00 .....	1.25
" 12c black.....	1.00	" 15c " " " 1.00.....	.35
1857 3c outer line cat 25c..	.10	" 24c " " " 5.00 .....	2.00
" 5c type I, red brown		" 30c " " " 3.00 .....	1.25
cat \$6.00.....	2.50	1869 1c,6c or 12c each.....	.30
" 5c type I brown cat		" 15c brown & blue cat 1.50	.60
\$4.00.....	1.50	" 15c " " variety	
" 5c type III cat 2.50	1.00	cat 3.50 rare.....	1.50
" 12c black.....	.60	" 30c blue & carmine cat \$3	1.10
" 24c lilac.....	1.75	1870 24c purple.....	.70
" 30c orange unused 4.00		" 90c carmine.....	.50
used .....	2.60	Interior Dept 1-90 complete for	2.50
1861 3c pink extra fine cat		Navy " " " 9 00	
7.50.....	3.00	P. O. " " " 3.25	
" 5c bluff " fine cat \$7	3.00	War unused " " 1.75	
" 12c 15c or 30c each .....	.25		
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1868 1c grill 11x13 cat 2.00..	.60		
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" 2	"	12x18	"	"	"	10c	"	45c
" 3	"	14x21	"	"	"	14c	"	60c 10 M .95
" 4	"	16x23	"	"	"	15c	"	65c " 1.05; 25 M 2.20
" 5	"	18x31	"	"	"	20c	"	85c " 1.50

The last two (numbers 4 and 5) are the finest peelable hinges made. Special price for larger quantities. Blank approval sheets, fine quality, 50 sheets (sample dozen for 6c) 100 for 25c; blank approval books to hold 60 stamps 10 for 15c; 15 books for 60c; 100 for \$1.00; blank approval books to hold 100 stamps 10 books for 25c, 50 for 95c, 100 for \$1.50. Ruled in 2 colors on finest quality bond paper.

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100 varieties	.08;	" "	for .65
150 "	.10;	" "	for .90
200 "	.22;	500 varieties	\$1.05; 1000 varieties \$3.75; 2000 varieties \$15.50

Above are all foreign, no U. S. nor revenues among them and a very Superior assortment. Continentals, 1000 for 16c; Postage 2c per 1000 extra.

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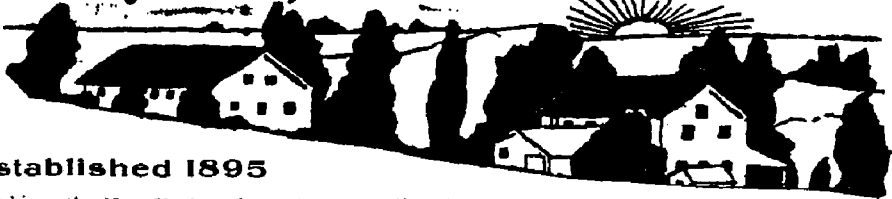
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C. R. Thayer, Everett, Wash., says replies keep coming in and the majority of them are purchasers, and as soon as his present ad contract expires he will take double the space he now uses in the WEST.—R. Williams, Roxbury, Mass., reports most of his customers to his sales come from the WEST and pays best of all papers.—C. S. Rybolt, Mulberry, O., states that he got over 1000 different orders to his ads in the WEST. He says it pays best, 3 to 1, of all other papers.

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Stamp Collectors Meet and Compare Figures of Their Collections. The Kansas City Stamp Club held its regular monthly meeting last night in the club rooms on the third floor of the Jenkins building. The club was organized two months ago. It has over forty members. The members of the club who have the largest collections of stamps are Frank J. Bescher, 15,000 varieties; A. L. Nelson, 3,000; William Fishman, 6,000, and M. Q. Canfield 8,900. W. P. Kelley, a member of the club, who died a few weeks ago, left a collection of over 15,000 varieties. The WEST expects to give an obituary of Mr. Kelley in the next number. He was an officer or member of most of the leading collectors' societies in the United States. Kansas City lost one of their best and leading collectors when they lost him.



## BOILED DOWN

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### WANT LOWER POSTAGE.

Many associations of business men in different parts of the country have lately passed resolutions for lower postal rates. The Postal Progress League, with headquarters in New York City, is advocating the Parcel-Post for our own citizens. Under present conditions a citizen of Germany may send a four pound six-ounce package to any part of the U. S. for 38 cents, but it costs an American sixty-four cents to send a four pound package to the next town. Postmaster General Cortelyou in his last report recommended that third and fourth classes be merged and the rate made one cent for two ounces.

### COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS FOR JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

Late newspaper dispatches bring the surprising information that a set of stamps are to be issued for the Jamestown Exposition to be held in 1907. As reported, the set is to consist of only two values—1c and 2c denominations. A little over a year ago, when the officials of the Lewis and Clark exposition endeavored to have a series commemorative of that event, the post-office department decided that the matter of special issues had been overdone and announced that no more would be issued—at least, not for some time to come. Now that Jamestown stamps are assured, can we rely on the "decisions" of the department. Possibly, the intimation of the newspapers that "the east has a bigger leverage than the west at the postoffice department," is well founded.

Previous to this commemorative series have consisted of several values. Very likely the small size of the issue asked for by the exposition officials was to a great extent responsible for the favorable decision.

### MARKS ON FOREIGN MAIL.

The official language of the Universal Postal Union is French.

Mail from foreign countries often bear marks in the form of letters which the receiver is unable to explain. These letters are the initials of French words. The letter "T" means that the postage is not fully prepaid. An "O" means that the stamps are not receivable for postage in the country where the article was mailed, postage to be collected at the destination. An "R" sometimes printed on a label and stuck to the mail, means that it is registered.

### GET A HOBBY.

President Flavel S. Luter of Trinity College, in an address delivered a few weeks ago on occasion of the second annual dinner of the men of Trinity Parish, gave the following advice which is interesting to collectors and other hobby riders. Dr. Luter advised his hearers to get a hobby. He said that there comes a time in the life of every man when he becomes dissatisfied with what he has chosen as a life work and broods over what he might have been if he had acted differently at different stages of his existence. The feeling, Dr. Luter said, is a morbid one, and should be checked, but it is wide spread. If the work that a man does is all of one sort he wearies of it in some degree and becomes jaded. How shall a man keep himself alive, his sensibilities fresh and his employment keen? The answer is, get a hobby.

# *Kim Bloodso's Stamp Scheme*

*By Sam'l Bud Cook*

"What's the matter with this stamp?" asked Billie Jones, a bell boy, from his friend Kim Bloodso, as he entered the lobby of the Calver Hotel at New Brunswick, Maine. Kim took the letter which bore the stamp in question, and looked at it closely, as he sat down. A crowd soon collected around Kim wondering what he was scheming about.

"Nothing the matter with that stamp," volunteered a drummer, "it is a new Pan-American two-center."

"Isn't that a queer design for a stamp?" queried a bystander.

"Yes," replied another, "they say the Central Express Company paid thousands dollars to our government in order to have the privilege of putting their train's picture on those stamps."

"And it is all a blunder," said Kim, who was the only one to realize why Billie Jones thought the stamp queer.

"Why!" shouted the crowd.

"Because they have the train up-side down," answered Kim calmly.

"I never noticed that before," said the drummer. Drummers are generally sharp and slow to acknowledge others superiority; but in this case little Billie Jones proved that the Jones' are not only present, but are intellectually not dead.

"That's a daub on the Pan-American Exposition," the crowd declared.

"You bet," said Kim, keenly, "I doubt whether the government will pass a letter with such a reverted stamp: they are perfectly worthless! What will the Government come to? It is always making blunders. Here Billie, take the thing and burn it."

Billie of course took the envelope whereon was the reverted stamp, but snugly placed it in his pocket for a curiosity. The throng dispersed, some not thinking further about it, while a few tried to recall some of the Government blunders, adding "that's just like the d— Government and concluded with the plebian phrase "that if they had the reins in hand things would be so and so."

While some people talk and abuse, others act and amuse. Kim watched his chance, got up from his chair, went to the Post Office and asked for \$5.00 worth of Pan-American two-cent stamps, which were placed before him; but he noticed that only 50 reverted stamps were among the bunch.

"O! I am a little short of change," he said, "I'll just take 50," and laying down \$1 00 he grabbed up the 50 reverted two-centers.

He gazed at them smilingly while the Post Mistress replaced the rejected as she said, "I hope I never will be done that way!"

"How?" asked Kim deeply absorbed in his scheme.

"Rejected," of course, replied the maid wittingly.

"By-gum, you stick," said Kim before he noticed it, as some of the stamps adhered to his fingers.

Finally, blushing, he held up his find and asked: "Have you got any more just like these?"

The lady at the delivery window looked critically at Kim, for they had been great friends ever since they first met at the New Brunswick Merry-

meeting Park.

She had heard of Kim Bloodso schemes as he traveled about the world, and thought it silly for him to ask such a question. She did not know, as yet, that the greatest achievements come through silly idioms mastered, or that the most beautiful flowers grow from the rot of a tree.

Sarcastically she said "I just handed you some like those. What do you mean Kim? I wish you would not bother me so; your worse than a country-green," and then shoved out several dollars worth of the straight Pan-Americans.

"Yes," said Kim, coolly, as he laid the sheets side by side for comparison, "but have you not detected that these are reverted and those are not?"

"Reverted how?" demanded the lady embarrassingly.

"Why, the steam engine, track and whole train are averse to the number two and scroll design," Kim replied laughingly.

"Well, it beats me," affirmed the lady, "I had not discovered that."

Then scanning all the sheets over quickly, she said: "That's all we have, but I am positive I sold similar stamps this morning"

By that time the Post Master came in. He had heard some of the stamp talk down at the hotel and recognizing Kim's face and shrewdness he realized that Kim had made a bargain for a fortune, for whatever was branded with Kim Bloodso meant success. After finding out how many of the stamps Kim bought, the P. M. said:

"I'll give you \$20.00 for each of your reverted stamps, to add to my private collection."

Quick profit and sudden transformations were no strangers to Kim and never made him nervous, but in this incident he gasped and hollowed:

"One thousand dollars for the bunch?"

"Yes," replied the Post Master, demurely, "that's correct, according to my mathematics."

"Hugh!" said Kim with a husky voice, as he shrugged his shoulders, "that's \$988.00 profit in about a total of twenty minutes of scheming; but I believe I will wait—perhaps I will get even more than that."

"Peradventure," said the Post Master, ironically, "but I doubt whether Uncle Sam will allow letters to be mailed under such blundersome stamps."

"But one should endure its own mistakes," said the lady wisely for Kim.

"Yes, thank you," said Kim as he walked out knowing he had a rich thing. for he soliquized:

"If a man, or firm, make a blunder they lose; but if Uncle Sam enacts a misque it is generally worth that much more for the reason, perhaps, that a Nation's blunders are rare."

After Kim was gone the Post Master delivered a terrifying harrangue on the lady "because she don't watch her business."

Kim went to the hotel and wrote a large, but true report: how a new Pan-America two-cent reverted stamp was discovered by poor Billie Jones, how Kim Bloodso got most of the stamps thus reverted, from the Post Mistress, and what he was offered. He sent it to several Philatelic papers, with photos. for which he was handsomely paid.

(To be continued.)

# *The Stamps of New Brunswick*

*By Narcisus*

The study of the stamps of British North America is a most interesting one, and they are always eagerly sought after by most collectors. The history of the issue of the maritime provinces of Canada is very similar, especially is this so of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Like the other colonies the latter colony was given control of its own postal administration by the Imperial Government by what is known as the Post Office Act of 1851: but owing to many delays, this act did not come in force until early in 1851.

The first issue of stamps consisted of three values: three pence red, which was for the local rate of postage; six pence, yellow, for the rate to the United States and Newfoundland; and one shilling, violet, or lilac, or purple or mauve (according to the estimate of colour of the various catalogues) for transoceanic postage to the United Kingdom or the British West Indies. If however, a letter was marked via New York because of quicker service the charge was fixed at one shilling and five pence halfpenny, which was very awkward to prepay in stamps.

The stamps were diamond in shape and represented a rose, thistle, shamrock, and mayflower, with a crown in the center.

They were secured through Mr. Trelayne Saunders, a London Stationer, from Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., the printers, and were issued to the public on Sept. 6, 1851. They came one hundred sixty to the sheet, on bluish paper similar to that of the first issue of Nova Scotia. Only one lot was ever printed so there is no difference in paper, and any difference in shade is accounted for by exposure to damp or sunlight or other conditions prevailing since the issue of the stamps.

There were no remainders to this issue, for the report of the Postmaster General for 1851, states, "The principal part of those remaining on hand are unfit for sale, having been damaged by being stored in the vault of the Post Office at St. Johns, which was so damp as to cause them to mould and the colors to run."

This was a blessing to collectors in after years.

Following the example of the Dominion and Nova Scotia, the parliament of New Brunswick on April 9th, 1866, enacted a law changing to the decimal system of coinage, which made necessary a new issue of stamps, and the Postmaster General, the Hon. Charles Connell made arrangements to procure the same from the American Bank Note Company. The issue included one cent, five cents, ten cents, twelve and a half cents and seventeen cents. The one cent was brown violet in colour and adorned with a railway train; the five and ten had portrait of the Queen in green and vermilion respectively, the twelve and a half cent was blue with the picture of a steam ship in full sail, and the seventeen cent was black with a portrait of the then Prince of Wales as a boy in Scotch costume, and which is thought by many to be one of the prettiest stamps ever issued. Later in 1861 a two cent was issued in orange with a portrait of the Queen exactly the same as the five and ten cent. Mr Connell however, made one error of judgment in selecting the design of the five cent, owing to his self-conceit, in putting his



own portrait on that stamp, a proceeding that had no precedent among post-masters of that day or any other. This coming to the notice of the Governor General, the issue was stopped but not before they had been printed. This stamp is very scarce and highly prized on account of its romantic history. Mr. Connell retired to private life after this, as well he might.

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## *U. S. Notes*

*By E. R. Aldrich*

Among recent quotations made by various dealers are card board proof set to 1882 one hundred and seventy-two pieces for \$19.95, the recently discovered pale ultramarine variety of the special delivery stamp for \$5.00. An unsevered pair of o. g. 3c 1816, brown red at \$90.00, \$10 black and green revenue \$4.00, \$30 revenue, uncut \$6.50.

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While quoting prices I might note that an eastern dealer offered a damaged set of official stamps, except the dollar value states for \$67.25, not quite 25 per cent of catalogue value. Some of the stamps in this set are said to be not damaged, while others are repaired.

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C. A. Nast announced the discovery of an 11c provisional proprietary used during the Spanish American war but yet no particulars have been given either as to by whom used or on what preparation.

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It may be that some of the readers of the WEST have noticed that there are different letter carrier trimmings on uniforms. This is explained by the following quotation from the postal laws: Letter carriers who have served five years shall wear a mark of distinction, upon both sleeves of their uniform coat, three-fourths inch above the braid on cuff of sleeve, a half chevron of black cloth one-half inch wide, extending horizontally from seam to seam of coat sleeve and sewed in seams of sleeve. For every additional five years of service another stripe of the same material and style as the first one shall be added. All stripes to be edged with white stitching and to be one half inch apart. A carrier who has been re-instated shall get credit for the full term of his actual service, but not for the time he was out of service. Time spent in the substitute service shall not be taken into account.

Substitute Carriers.—As a distinction between a substitute letter carrier and the regular letter carrier who has not yet received his first stripe, all substitute carriers will wear on both sleeves, three fourths inch above the braid on cuff of sleeve, a plain letter S, 2 inches high, made of black cloth, edged with white stitching.

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The Swiss daily *Zuricher Nachrichten*, does not seem to appreciate the designs for the new Swiss stamps. Twenty-four designs were submitted to the Bundesrat, and two of these have been selected. The first design is for the values of 2, 3, and 5 centimes and represents the son of William Tell holding a cross-bow in one hand and the historical apple, pierced by an arrow, in the other. The second design, intended for the 10, 12, and 15c values, represents Helvetia with the cross on her breast and her hands on the hilt of a sword.

## *The Varied Issues of Cuba*

The distressful island of Cuba, the "Ireland of Spain" as it was once described, takes up a great deal of room in the philatelist's album. Its postal issues have been many and most varied, from the first issue of 1855, with head of Queen Isabella of Spain, down to the present time. Cuba, of course, was one of the discoveries of Christopher Columbus, and thus fell under the sovereignty of the country of his adoption, Spain. In common with all other Spanish dependencies, however, the country grew discontented and rebellious; and throughout the latter half of the nineteenth century the history of Cuba was one long story of internal dissension. When America came to its rescue in 1898, in a spirit of chivalry not altogether unmixed with commercial ambition, some of the leading patriots of Cuba accepted their "liberation" from the yoke of Spain somewhat sulkily, viewing their American champions with no small degree of suspicion. In the hearts of the Cuban race, where the hope of absolute national independence had been nonrished for generations there was a fear that the tyranny of Spain would be followed by the over lordship of the "stars and stripes.", and Cubans had no wish to see their country become a mere colony of the United States. Fortunately, the good sense of the American nation overcame the ambitious scheme of the Jingo party, and in 1900 it was finally settled that Cuba should enjoy the full freedom of an independent nation subject to the merely nominal suzerainty of America in regard to her external affairs. Thus to all intents and purposes Cuba is a free republic, and as she has contrived to exist until the present time without a single revolution, and without even killing a President it is fair to assume that this hitherto unhappy island has entered upon an era of peace and prosperity. These facts have little connection with the study of Cuba's stamps, yet they tend to show what a fund of historical interest attaches to the subject.

In 1885, when Cuban stamps had their beginning, the twin Spanish colonies of Cuba and Porto Rico were closely associated for administrative purposes, a fact which serves to explain why the issues from 1855 to 1873 were for the common use of the two islands.

### THE "Y $\frac{1}{4}$ " MYSTERY.

At the beginning of its philatelic history Cuba presents us with a problem which has, at various times, provoked a spirited controversy among stamp collectors. We refer to the surcharge "Y $\frac{1}{4}$ " upon the 2 real stamps of 1855. Why was this surcharge applied? Was it, as some contend, to supply a value of 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  reals, the "Y" being simply the Spanish form of the word or was it intended that the "Y" should stand for the word "Interior," sometimes rendered in Spanish "Ynterior"? Many leading authorities on the stamps of Spain and Colonies favor the latter theory, and hold that the stamps were surcharged simply to supply a low value label for use on letters despatched from Havana and other coast towns to the interior of the island. It is a question which has never been positively settled one way or the other, and the fact that the stamps surcharged "Y $\frac{1}{4}$ " are still listed in certain catalogues as being of the face value of 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  reales shows that the "And  $\frac{1}{4}$ " theory still finds many adherents. The earlier issues of these surcharged stamps are scarce, and one has to be chary of buying specimens without a personal guarantee of genuineness, since the overprint has been frequently

counterfeited. There are, by the way, at least two very distinct varieties of the "Y $\frac{1}{4}$ " surcharge—one showing a broad "Y" and a short fraction bar to the " $\frac{1}{4}$ " while the other has a narrow "Y" and a much longer fraction bar. Specialists of these stamps, however, have discovered no less than four distinctive types and a minor variety chronicled some years ago as existing in a famous American collection has no fraction bar to the " $\frac{1}{4}$ " at all!

In 1857 the 2 reals rose-red of that year received the "Y $\frac{1}{4}$ " overprint in the same manner as the previous 2 real stamps. This, however, is comparatively common. One may distinguish the stamp, not only by its colour, but by the absence of watermark. The stamps of 1855 had a watermark of loop, and those of 1856 a watermark of crossed lines, but for subsequent issues the watermark was abandoned.

#### A SPANISH PORTRAIT GALLERY.

Cuba and Porto Rico remained partners in postage stamps until 1873, when the first stamps "for Cuba only" made their appearance. A curious feature of many of the Cuban and other Spanish Colonial issues is the insertion of the date of issue as a portion of the design. This is a custom that is still retained for the stamps of Fernando Poo and other remnants of the once mighty Empire of Spain, though it has long been abandoned by the Mother Country. From 1855 until the last of the "Spanish" issues the stamps of Cuba form an interesting portrait gallery of the reigning monarchs of Spain—Queen Isabella, King Amadeus, King Alfonso XII., and his son, the present Alfonso XIII. In 1883 there came a series of curious surcharges, consisting mostly of numerals within various ornamental frames. The "Habilitado" surcharge of 1868, and the further series of 1898-99—the last stamp of Cuba prior to the American regime—are quite a study in themselves abounding in type varieties and errors of printing. To grapple with Cuba in its entirety, however, is becoming an expensive and difficult pursuit, as the stamps of the island have enjoyed a considerable boom since the period of the Hispano-American war, and many varieties are now hard to get either in used or unused condition.

#### ISSUES OF AMERICAN CUBA.

The stamps of American Cuba, if one may use that term to indicate the Cuba of the past six or seven years, form a section of the subject that the young collector might well take up with profit and pleasure. On the termination of the war a "stop-gap" issue was provided by surcharging the then current stamps of the United States with the name "Cuba" and the value in "cents de peso," which must not be confused with the Spanish "cents de peseta". The present currency of Cuba approximates as closely as may be to that of the United States, the "centara" equalling the American cent, and the "peso" the dollar. Regular stamps for Cuba, bearing appropriate pictorial designs, made their appearance in 1900. Of the 2 centavos stamp varying shades of colour, from carmine to scarlet, may be found. A curious error of spelling occurred in connection with the issue of the Special Delivery stamps of 1903. The stamps being supplied from America, it is not perhaps astonishing that the Spanish word *IMEDIATA* was misspelled with two M's—*IMMEDIATA*. This remained unnoticed for some little time, when the misspelling was brought to the notice of the administration, and the die corrected.—From an English Paper.



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The "West End Philatelist" is printing quite a long series of articles by the editor, Mr Bertram Poole, on "Things Worth Knowing"—philatelically speaking, of course. In the last two or three numbers Mr. Poole deals with a feature dear to my heart—marginal plate numbers and marginal control numbers, though, unfortunately, he confines himself so British and British Colonial stamps. The same article is continued in No. 27, dealing with control number on the sheets, e. g. those of Labuan, Borneo, Queensland, Southern Nigeria, Hong Kong, New South Wales, South America, Australia, etc. In the latter case the sheet numbers are impressed before the printing and each value has a separate series, but the paper is not always used in accordance therewith, for I have stamps printed on paper intended for other values. I should recommend these little side lines to collectors who want to stray from the beaten path; they will find them very fascinating, though a trifle more expensive than the ordinary run of collecting.

In No. 9 of the Berliner Brief marken-Zietung Dr. von Biasini, the noted expert on the stamps of Panama, explains why the stamps of Panama have not yet appeared in the new currency nominally established by the republic on a gold basis, the balboa being the unit. The long and short of it is this that the republic has no money—that is it would have money enough to procure the stamps, but not money enough to buy gold and introduce the new coinage. Until now Panama is still on a silver basis, while the Canal Zone of course is on a gold basis. The silver peso is worth less than half as much as the gold dollar. Panama is now treating with American bankers for a large loan; if it secures this, the new coinage will be introduced and with it new stamps; until then, provisionals without end. By the way, it throws a curious light on the stamps of Panama that Dr. von Biasini, who is an acknowledged expert candidly confesses that he knows less about these stamps now than he thought he knew a year ago.

Another set for German East Africa is a possibility. The new heller currency is causing great dissatisfaction and the new German East African rupee has a forced circulation only in the colony, while even in nearby Zanzibar it is refused. Hence it is probable that the government will have to introduce the German currency and with it new stamps also.

I have before referred to the exhaustive article in the Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung on the reprints of the 1½ and 2½ sch., of Hamburg. It is too lengthy to condense it here, but for the benefit of the small collector I wish to call attention to the information given in this article as to the row-counters in the margins of original and reprint sheets. On the original sheet the row-counters on all sides of the sheets are of equal size, not very

large, and decidedly italic; on the reprint sheets the row-counters are all upright and on the sides of the sheet much larger than at the top and bottom.

In connection with the London Stamp Exhibition—which by this time, to be sure, is long past—the genial Mayor Evans gives voice to the following sentiment in Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal: "Stamp talk! A pleasure which those unfortunate non-philatelist can neither understand nor appreciate, but which can be enjoyed by the humblest collector as well as the owner of a safe full of stamp albums."

Isn't that just the beauty of stamp collecting? Why, the veriest beginner could enjoy a stamp talk with a Castle or a Ferrari or an Avery or an Elster or a Breiffuss and all the rest of the philatelic nabobs and there would still be enjoyment on both sides. Too bad that so many of us collectors can so seldom enjoy this solace of an exchange of views with kindred spirits! An exhibition like that at London no doubt causes a vast amount of this stamp talk; Why cannot America have one for once which we could afford to attend? Surely there are not a few collections of that class in this country; why must they always go outside to win medals.

The same paper quoting from *Le Moniteur du Collectionneur*, says: "A rumor is current to the effect that the original plate of the ten cent of 1852 of Luxemburg has passed into the hands of a party of so-called 'philatelists' who propose to produce reprints from it, which will be more dangerous on account of the fact that the same persons possess over a hundred sheets of the watermarked paper. Fortunately the plate was defaced in some way, when the Government parted with it in 1863 and, as one contemporary remarks, it remains to be seen whether the defacing lines can be sufficiently successfully removed or cancelled."

Mr. Oldfield in No. 190 continues his valuable article on the stamps of Servia. The 1869 issue (the first one bearing Milan's portrait) comes in for some attention because it can be divided into two sets, which are listed by some of the European catalogues, but are dismissed by Scott with the remark: "The margins on this issue vary considerably." Mr. Oldfield divides the issues by this last characteristic. The first one is set 2 mm. apart in the sheets, the other more widely spaced: 3, 3½ and 4 mm. This can be recognized even in single specimens. When you take into consideration that these sets come on thick, thin, oily and toned papers and with perforations 9½, 12, and 9½x12, also with a multiplicity of shades, you will, I am sure, realize what it is to specialize a country. These issues are all cheap at that.

In the same number Mr. Philips in an article on the stamps of Bosnia and the Herzegovina makes the astonishing statement that the first issue of this country was lithographed instead of engraved; I am sure I would not have imagined it from the appearance of the stamps. Two dies exist for each value except the ½ Kr., which exist only in the second type; the 5 Kr., come in three varieties: A.—the lowest eagle in the right hand part of the shield on the breast of the eagle is clearly drawn, as well as the whole design; B.—There is a line through the same eagle and the whole design is very poorly drawn; C.—like A, but the tail of the eagle is better drawn and does not touch the frame below.

(To be continued.)

## *Colors and Sunlight*

Here is an interesting experiment to test the permanency and peculiarity of colors used in stamps.

Let the collector prepare a page of common stamps of different countries and of various shades, pasting a small flap of opaque paper at the side of stamp so that it will cover about half of it and may be turned back like a door so that a view of the whole may be obtained. Place this sheet in a frame or under a pane of glass and expose in direct sunlight for several weeks, examining and noting the changes every few days.

The changes that will take place are surprising. The flap of opaque paper will protect the portion of the stamp that it covers and the observer will thus be enabled to compare the changed shade with that of the original color.

You will gain much practical knowledge by personally trying this experiment. For those who are unable to do so, I will give a few of the changes and results.

Some reds will fade away entirely. Others will turn to various shades of brown and gray-brown. Certain dense reds turn to orange or bronze-red.

Dark blues usually retain their color very well. Light blue changes to gray or fade away entirely. Violets and purples often change to grays and browns. Lilacs and lavenders show a decided range of shades. A few retain their colors but the majority fade to different pink, blue and gray tints, others fading out to white.

Greens as a rule, maintain their color very well. Light greens sometimes change to blue or grey.

Because of the wide range of shades in browns, the changes brought about by sunlight are numerous. Chocolate, purple-brown and other dark shades usually turn to gray-brown and black. Light browns fade to lighter shades and to orange.

These are some of the changes to be noted in a few of the colors. The origin of the pigment or pigments composing the color, determine its manner of change or its light-resisting qualities. Very often, colors of nearly the same original shade will, under the sun bath, change to colors differing widely. Mineral colors resist the action of the sun's rays to the greatest extent. Vegetable and animal colors are next in permanency. Animaline colors, now frequently used in stamp printing, are perhaps the most fugitive.

We are not greatly in favor of that very minute and microscopical form of specialism which has been described as dotty Philately, but possibly there are many readers who will be interested in a 5d. New South Wales stamp recently sent us by a philatelic reader. Its only peculiarity is the fact that it has a full stop after the inscription New South Wales, and in all the specimens we have been able to get together at short notice this full stop is conspicuous only by its absence. Perhaps some other reader is in a position to say at what period of the long life of this venerable stamp the full stop was first used in the position referred to.

The collector who is the happiest and really gets his money's worth out of our pastime is he or she who collects stamps for the sake of the fun there is in it.

## *Sweden's Stamps*

Recent political events in Northern Europe will without doubt shortly (if they have not already done so) exercise their influence on the stamp market. Indeed, we gather that the large dealers in Stockholm are buying the stamps of their country at prices much in advance of those until recently ruling. We may not expect to see new issues yet awhile; but stamp collectors are gregarious animals. So soon as general attention is directed towards a country by political events, hey, presto! off run all the collectors together and make a boom in its stamps. We have already witnessed this in South Africans, in Spanish issues, and Australians.

Sweden's stamps are not uninteresting, but they do not seem hitherto to have received very much attention. Commencing in July, 1855, with the now familiar crown-and-shield issue we find many varieties of shade. In the unused state this issue is comparatively rare, although prices do not rule high. The second issue (1885) on change of currency, consisting of six stamps, also has many varied hues, and the prices are (or were perhaps) cheap, the used state being easy of acquisition. There were three supplemental labels of this series with large-type values and of these the 17 ore grey is alone expensive, although still probably under-priced. The 1872 labels—circular band in centre—give us opportunities of comparing perforations.

The later issues, commencing with the King's Head stamps of 1885, are straight sailing. It is worthy of comment that shortly afterwards (1889) the series of 1872 provided us with Sweden's two provisionals, both the 12 ore blue and 24 ore yellow being surcharged in blue with "10" in each upper corner and value in words at the foot, the old value in circles in the centre being cancelled by a fancy circular design, also in blue. The stamps of Sweden were not watermarked until 1891, the issue of that date and subsequent emissions bearing a crown in the paper. The unpaid letter stamps and the oblong official series are well known, two of these latter being surcharged in 1889 for use as 10 ore.

Hitherto these stamps have not received the attention they deserve, despite an excellent handbook by the Swedish Collectors' Society. This treatise is about to be published in English, and this coupled with the present popular enquiry into all things Scandinavian, should do much to arouse our interest. Those collectors on the lookout for some new thing are, we feel sure, bound to attract Swedenward.

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Postage Stamps Worth \$5,000,000 on Exhibition.—The exhibition of postage stamps just closed at the Royal Horticultural Society's building in London has proved a great success because of the interesting specimens exhibited. The Prince of Wales, who possesses the most expensive collection of stamps in the world has lent it to the exhibition, and in this collection is to be seen the famous Mauritius Island stamp for which the Prince paid \$7,250. Another important collection exhibited is that of the Earl of Crawford, which contains all the stamps issued in the United Kingdom. Another remarkable collection is that of Baron de Worms, which is composed of all the postage stamps of Ceylon. Prince Edward of Wales has exhibited a complete collection of the postage stamps issued by France and her colonies and also a group of Liberian specimens.

## OUR ILLUSTRATIONS

MR. W. W. WORTHINGTON has been an active field collector and Taxidermist for over 25 years and has been interested in stamps nearly as long. He has made extensive collecting trips (Natural History) to Texas, Mexico, Florida and other points, both in the interest of other parties and for himself, and many of the larger museums and private collections contain specimen of his handiwork. He has had the honor of having one species of bird named for him—Worthington's Marsh Wren (*Felmatodytes palustris grisens*). Mr. Worthington is now collecting in Florida, and is always ready to exchange nicely prepared Natural History specimens for good stamps. Anyone wishing to add specimens to their collections from that region, either by exchange or otherwise, cannot do better than correspond with him at Fernandina.

PROF. R. L. DOAK was born in the Buckeye state in 1882. Became interested in stamps in 1890 and since that time has formed several valuable collections. Having served in the capacity of editor of Ohio Philatelist for over one year, during which period Mr. Doak made many friends in the philatelic field. Mr. Doak has spent the past four years as Professor in the schools of Ohio and at the present writing is now working as a detective. His collection of stamps is fine; having many rarities in his possession.

MARIO S. ROIG, Havana, Cuba, began to collect stamps in 1898 and has 5500 varieties and 260 varieties of Cuba and a complete stock of Cuban stamps. He has been a dealer since 1900, and has written many articles in WEST and other philatelic papers. See his ads in last three numbers.

J. H. ALLEN was raised near Plain Dealing, La., and have collected stamps since when a small boy. Has quite a good many U. S., both postage and revenues, also has a collection of foreign postage mostly adhesives. He has been collecting post cards for a year and a half and has quite a number of them. Is also a post card dealer and amateur photographer. He also has a collection of celluloid buttons and quite a few arrow points. He makes some photo post cards and would be glad to exchange with other amateurs.

BASIL PERRY was born in Cool Spring, Delaware July 22d, 1887 and received his elementary education in the graded schools of that city. He began active collecting of stamps in 1900 and became a dealer in 1904. He began publishing the American Monthly, a philatelic monthly in 1905. He was appointed sale manager of the Independent Collectors' Union in 1906 and has a large collection of U. S. and foreign, both used and unused, also has a small collection of foreign revenues. He also sells classified addresses of all kinds also novelties and will send his catalogue free to anyone that request it. He thinks the WEST the best of collectors' papers and looks forward to its coming every month.

F. A. LONGSHORE states that if God is willing he will be in Denver August 15 to 20th to attend the Elk meeting. He was born August 9th, 1866 and has lived in New Orleans since 1876. He is a confidential book-keeper and margin clerk Longshore & Co., father of Ulyssess and Russell Wells Longshore, married Miss Camilla Dugas. Sweet Home Plantation Bayou LaFourche and has five children. He belongs to N. O. Lodge No. 30 B. P. O. Elks, Crescent Encampment No. 1 Knights of Temperance, Claiborne Benevolent Asso., Young Mens' Gymnastic Club, Tulane Club, Society



for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Stamp Collectors' Protective Ass'n., American Society of Curio Collectors and others. He expects to live and die in New Orleans. While in Denver he will be at the Lewis Hotel and would like to see stamp and post card collectors and also persons desiring agents and business representatives in New Orleans. He may go on to California from Denver. Look up his ad.

## *Mexican Fiscals*

*By F. A. Broton*

Hilaza Y. Tejidos.

1893-95, perf 12, talon to left, inscription and value in black.

No. 1, 5c black and yellow; 2, 20c black and green; 3, 1p black and salmon; 4, 5p black and light blue; 5, 20p black and light brown.

1894-95, 40x22 mm., perf 12, talon at top.

No. 6, 5c violet; 7, 20c brown; 8, 1p blue green; 9, 5p rose; 10, 20p light blue.

1895-96, 40x30 mm., perf 12, talon at top.

No. 11, 5c yellow green; 12, 20c red; 13, 1p pale blue; 14, 5p grey; 15, 2p orange red; 16, 100p yellow brown.

1896-97, 45x30 mm., perf 12, talon at top.

No. 17, 5c orange; 18, 20c olive; 19, 1p violet brown; 20, 1p blue; 21, 2p brown; 22, 100p pale rose.

1897-98.

No. 23, 5c violet; 24, 20c grey; 25, 1p red; 26, 5p bistre; 27, 20p pale green; 28, 100p pale green.

1898-99.

No. 29, 5c brown; 30, 20c violet; 31, 1p dark blue; 32, 5p yellow green; 33, 20p vermillion; 34, 100 sky blue.

1899-1900, 42x29 mm., perf. 12.

No. 35, 5c red; 36, 20c blue; 37, 1p orange; 38, 5p yellow brown; 39, 2p green; 40, 100p green.

1900-01, 30x40 mm., perf 12.

No. 41, 5c green; 42, 20c dark brown; 43, 1p red; 44, 5p blue; 45, 20p yellow; 46, 100p red brown.

1901-02.

No. 47, 5c vermilion; 48, 20c blue; 49, 1p gray; 50, 5p bistre; 51, 20p yellow brown; 52, 100p green.

1902-03, 27x40 mm.

No. 53, 5c yellow green; 54, 20c bistre; 55, 1p vermilion; 56, 5p blue; 57, 20p lilac; 58, 100p rose; 59, 500p gray green.

1903-04, 24x44 mm.

No. 60, 5c dark blue; 61, 20c red; 62, 1p brown claret; 63, 5p; 64, 20p; 65, 100p; 66, 500p red.

1904-05.

No. 67, 5c, 68, 20c, 69, 1p, 70, 5p, 71, 20p, 72, 100p, 73, 500p, all red.

1905-06.

No. 74, 5c, 75, 20c, 76, 1p, 77, 5p, 78, 20p, 79, 100p, 80, 500p, all red.

# *How to Hinge a Stamp*

*By E. J. Post*

I have read several articles about how to hinge stamps and to remove stamps from paper on which they are stuck. Of course everyone has the best but I defy competition, there may be others equal to but they can't excell mine. First about hinging stamps I moisten about  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the length of the hinge and stick it on the stamp so the top of the stamp comes  $\frac{1}{2}$  way of the length of the hinge, then bend the hinge so it will come even with the end of the perforation then moisten the lower half of the hinge that is folded and fasten in place. Then if you want to turn the stamp over to look at the back just catch hold of the bottom of the stamp and pull down slightly as you turn it and it will not bend or injure the stamp. This leaves the middle half of the hinge not fastened.

Now about removing paper from back of stamps. The hardest stamp that I have ever had to deal with about fading is the current U. S. postage due. If you dampen your fingers in handling them the color will run. Take a piece of blotting paper, always use white for some of the colored fades, lay the stamp with face down, take a dish of clean water, you can use cold, luke warm or as warm as you can bear your finger in it does not make any difference except the warm water strikes through the paper quicker, dip your finger in the water and rub over the back. After that soaks in wet again and continue till the paper is soaked through then remove stamp and lay it with face down again on a dry place. Hold the stamp firm with one finger and dampen with finger of the other hand and wash off the mucilage, then wipe off with a dry cloth and lay stamp in a large heavy book between fly leaf and cover till thoroughly dry. This is quite a slow process but you can put half a dozen or more to soak at once.

Now for a quick process where you have hundreds and stamps that do not fade, take a wet cloth 3 or 4 thicknesses and spread the stamps on it, then put another wet cloth over them, then run through an ordinary clothes ringer and you can pick them off. There are some stamps that are very hard to deal with in removing the mucilage such as Italy, Austria and Japan are the worst that I have ever had experience with.

Now I want to ask a few questions: 1st What is meant by right and left cap on the U. S. 2c pink; 2nd Is there any way to tell the plate number of the English 1 penny by the letters in the four corners when the stamp is cancelled over the number, is there more than two of the same plate number in one sheet? We will leave these to our Query Editor, L. G. Dorpat.

Washington press dispatches say that the designs for the new Philippine stamps have been formally approved. At present the bureau of engraving and printing are at work on the first order. The series will consist of thirteen values, twelve adhesives and a special delivery stamp. The values, colors and portraits in the series are as follows: 2 centavos, green, Rizal; 4c red, McKinley; 4c violet, Magellan; 8c brown, Legaspi; 10c blue, Lawton; 12c carmine, Lincoln; 16c lavender, Sampson, 20c brown, Washington; 26c black, Carriedo; 30c green, Franklin. The remaining four—one, two, four and ten pesos—all bear, in place of a portrait, the ancient coat of arms of Spain, with the castle and the lion—standing for Castile and Leon.

## *Universality*

The idea of making the best thing the only thing is very prevalent today. Christians are putting forth their best efforts to spread the gospel, the publisher of the WEST is doing his utmost to enlarge the circulation of the "Largest Collector's Magazine", collectors are laboring to make their various hobbies world wide and manufacturers are working night and day to introduce their several productions to all nations.

The Universal Postal Congress is endeavoring to pave the way for universal penny postage, and have recently been considering a plan for a uniform stamp for international mail. The only obstacle in the path of this commendable project seemed to be the difference in the monetary standards of the countries in the postal union. For example,—the twenty pfennig stamp used on Germany's foreign mail is equal to \$.048; the twenty-five centimes value of France is worth \$.0475 while England and the United States use a stamp worth \$.05. There seems to be but one way to overcome this difficulty, and that is to establish a universal monetary standard.

And, why not? The Metric system of weights and measures so exclaimed against at first is gradually working itself into use in this country and firmly established in almost every other except Great Britain. A universal monetary system, while solving the international stamp question, would also serve to simplify commercial transactions and eliminate the trouble of exchanging one's dollars and cents for pence and shillings, pfennigs and marks, francs and centimes, etcetera, when traveling from one country to another. Such a system, we believe, could be founded on the decimal scale and, in time, become universal without causing a serious revolution in the business world.

Passing from this suggestion let us consider the crowning achievement of the friends of universality and progress. Doubtless many of the readers of the WEST have heard of "Esperanto, the New Universal Language, the Language of Hope", perhaps some are already studying it.

There have been many attempts to introduce a universal language but all have failed because of their complexity, but now through the efforts of Dr. Zamenhof we have the most simple of languages before us.

Anyone who has studied Latin or German or even our own precious language will appreciate at once the wonderful simplicity of Esperanto. A few weeks of diligent study will suffice to obtain a knowledge of this language equal to several years study of any other.

To illustrate,—we are all familiar with the irregular manner of forming the English feminine and plural. In Esperanto you simply add "in" to the masculine to form the feminine and "j" to the singular to form the plural. All nouns end in "o", all adjectives in "a" and most adverbs in "e". There is no troublesome indefinite article. You are always certain where to accent a word. Each letter has only one sound and is always sounded; hence the difficulty as to whether a letter is long, short or silent is never met with.

There are at present over 250,000 people studying this language, and in Europe several journals are printed wholly in Esperanto. Every collector of foreign stamps or souvenir cards should make themselves acquainted with it, for, through such a medium, correspondence with persons speaking different languages could be easily carried on.

# Cosmopolitan Correspondence Club



The object of this club to which the publisher of the WEST, Mr. L. T. Brodstone, and the editor of the Dept. of Inquiry, Rev. L. G. Dorpat, belong, is to offer to all its members connections in all parts of the world for any legitimate or honest purpose. Members are classified as follows:

Class I. For collectors (stamps, illustrated post cards, curios, coins, book plates, insects, plants, etc.)

Class II. For improving one's knowledge of foreign languages. (There are several Esperantists among the members of the club, and about 50 other languages are represented.)

Class IV. For the exchange of information relating to business, social or private affairs. (There are some members who are willing to correspond on any topic.)

Class V. For pastime or mental recreation.

Class VI. For the exchange of literary efforts or for assistance in scientific researches. (Amateurs as well as professional men in this class are ready to co-operate with their colleagues in all parts of our globe.)

Class VII. For Amateur Photographers.

Class VIII. For chess Players.

This classification alone shows the wide scope of possibilities that are opened to members of the club. The following lists of countries in which the club is represented by members will illustrate this further, to wit:

**EUROPE:** Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Italy, Ireland, Luxemburg, Malta, Netherlands, Portugal, Roumania, Russia, Servia, Sweden and Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, etc.

**AFRICA:** Algeria, German East Africa, German West Africa, Portuguese East Africa, Cape of Good Hope, Griqualand, Ivory Coast, Egypt, Canary Islands, Kamerun, Madagascar, Morocco, Mazambique, Natal, Nigeria, Orange River Colony, Reunion, Senegal, Transvaal, Tunis, Maderia etc.

**AMERICA:** Argentine, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Columbian Republic, Cuba, United States, Gautemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Danish West Indies, British West Indies, (Cayman Island, Jamaica, Barbadoes), Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Porto Rico, Uruguay, Venezuela, Falkland Islands, Newfoundland, etc.

**ASIA:** Ceylon, China, Cochin China, British East India, Netherlandish, East Indies (Sumatra, Java, Borneo, Celebes, Madura,) Sarawak, Japan, Persia, Asiatic Russia, (Siberia, Manchuria, Trans-Baikalia,) Asiatic Turkey etc.

**AUSTRALIA:** South Australia, West Australia, Queensland, New Caledonia, Tasmania.

**AUSTRALASIA:** Hawaii, Tahait, New Zealand, etc.

Efforts are continually made to extend the membership further and so to increase possibilities to the present and future members. Care has been taken not to admit everybody indiscriminately and to guard against the entrance of dishonest individuals, no one being accepted who is not recommended by a member of the club or otherwise able to establish a good repu-

tation. The seriousness of membership is secured by the payment of an annual membership fee of Two Dollars, in consideration of which every member receives the club quarterly "Globe Trotter", 40 to 75 pages 80 first class print with fine illustrations, free. This magazine contains lists of all members and their wants or offers and forms interesting reading in itself. The main object of these lists, however, is to enable members to pick out those with whom they may wish to enter into closer relations. Then there are a number of letters and a collection of original articles which can not be found anywhere else.

To facilitate intercourse and exchange the club has a Code for Illustrated Postcard Collectors, a Code for Stamp Collectors and an issue of International Currency. This International Currency comes in denominations of 5 cents and can be bought from the Secretary, Mr. H. C. Shultz, 1st Assistant City Clerk of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at the price of 50 cents for 10 stamps or coupon. The Club redeems the currency by accepting it in payment of membership dues. By means of this currency members may remit small amounts without the necessity of buying postal money orders, as for instance, the return postage for a letter of inquiry to any foreign country.

There are now over 2000 members, which means that nearly \$8000.00 are yearly expended to insure to each member the best facilities procurable at that price.

Members may however reduce their own dues or in other words earn part of the money expended by procuring new members whom they know to be honest and trustworthy people. For each such new member procured the club allows a credit of 50 cents, and any member procuring 50 good new members thereby earns a life-membership which exempts him from all further dues.

It is hardly necessary to add any comment in regard to the usefulness of this institution for all kinds of collectors. If, however, any of our readers desire any further information they may address Mr. H. C. Schultz, Milwaukee, Wis., or Rev. L. G. Dorpat, Wayside, Wis., either of which will gladly answer all questions regarding the club, if the writer will not forget to enclose return postage.

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Stamp Sold for \$98.— In Washington a \$5 green revenue stamp was sold the other day for \$98. The stamp, issued in the 70s, is rare. It was only a few years ago that collectors knew of the existense of this stamp. Twenty-four specimens were found in a London warehouse, pasted on barrels of bay rum. The bay rum had been brought from Jamaica to the United States, stamped and transferred to London. These stamps have sold as high as \$300. The stamp is printed in black and green, with the portrait of George Washington in a small oval. Two kinds of paper were used in printing, violet and green, and only 74 violet and 50 green ones were issued. Revenue stamps now embrace some 300 varieties. The most valuable Government stamp ever issued is the \$5,000 stamp issued during the Spanish-American war, when the Union Pacific Railroad was sold. Two \$5,000 stamps were issued. One was placed on the original document and is now in the office of the President of the Union Pacific Railroad, and the other is in the Government's stamp collection.

# Norway from the Beginning

(Continued).

It thus happens that there are four types of the stamps, and that these are distributed in equal numbers on each complete sheet printed. The best way of making this absolutely clear would be to give a numbered diagram showing the "make up" of the sheet, but this would occupy rather more space than can be spared.

To fully describe the types would also occupy an unconscionable amount of space, so beginning with the 2 skilling, yellow, we will rest content with just one point of difference, which, with the aid of a millimetre measure, will enable any reader of the WEST to sort out these varieties for himself. The point of variation in question is the size of the wreath to the left and right of the shield.

In Type I. the wreath, both at left and at right, measures  $10\frac{3}{4}$  millimetres from outer frame line to the top of the wreath. On the left side the top of the wreath reaches a point opposite the centre stroke of the diphthong  $\text{Æ}$  of "Frimærke." On the right it reaches the beginning of the "A."

In Type II. the wreath at either side is  $10\frac{1}{2}$  millimetres high. At the right the top of the wreath reaches the centre of the "A" of the "Æ" diphthong on that side of the stamp.

In Type III. the wreath on the left measures 11 mm, on the right only  $10\frac{1}{2}$  mm.

In Type IV. the wreath on the left measures  $11\frac{1}{4}$  mm., on the right  $10\frac{3}{4}$  mm.

We have taken these details from the history of these stamps written by Mr. A. H. Harrison, a well-known specialist of Norwegian stamps. The same gentleman mentions a curious perforation variety of the 2 skilling, yellow, stamp. This is perforated  $14\frac{1}{2}$  on three sides, and  $13\frac{1}{2}$  on the fourth!

Consideration of space will not permit of our giving a full description of the four types of each value of the 1863-66 series. They are all capable of ready classification by means of the varying sizes of the wreath to the left and right of the coat-of-arms. In the case of the 4-skilling blue (the value most commonly in use at that period) it became necessary to use a second plate, and of each of these plates there are four distinct types. Thus the third Norwegian issue represented in a fully specialized collection by 24 varieties of types alone, to say nothing of the very numerous varieties of shade, &c.

We have described a curious perf. variety of the 2-skilling yellow. In the 4-skilling blue, Plate II. Mr. A. H. Harrison mentions a variety with double lines of shading on the left side of the shield. On the whole, however, the third issue of Norway is one singularly free from minor varieties apart from the types we have referred to and the many gradations of colour.

A word as to the current value of these stamps. Contrary, perhaps, to one's natural expectations the 24-skilling brown is far commoner than any of the other values in unused condition, though in the used state the 4-skilling is necessarily the cheapest of the series. The explanation of the low value assigned to the 24-skilling stamp in unused condition is afforded by the one word, "remainder." The small stock of government remainders of the other values of this set was probably long since exhausted, but of the

24 skilling there were left on hand more than half a million specimens, and there must still be a huge stock of this value in the hands of the Norwegian officials to whom was given the privilege of selling these official remainders to the stamp trade. Moreover, in attempting to account for present catalogue quotations (which are not invariably a sure criterion of value) the collector has to remember that these stamps appeared at different periods between 1863 and 1866, approximately, as follows:—

- 2 skilling, yellow, 1865.
- 3 " lilac, 1866.
- 4 " blue, early in 1864.
- 8 " rose, August 1863.
- 24 " brown, August 1863.

It will be seen that the 8 and 24-skilling stamps were the earliest to appear, while the 3-skilling lilac, was not actually issued until 1866, and thus had a shorter "life" than any other value in the set (except, perhaps the 2-skilling), being superceded by the 3-skilling of the 1867-68 series in May, 1868.

The Fourth Issue.—The stamps of the fourth series of Norway (1867-1868) are substantially the same as those of the third issue in design, the only outstanding difference being the repetition of the numeral of value after the abbreviated word, "skill." That is to say, the value at foot of the stamp appears as follows in the 3rd and 4th issues, respectively:—

- 3rd issue: "4-skill."
- 4th issue: "4-skill 4."

A new value was introduced in connection with this fourth issue by the provision of a stamp of the value of 1-skilling, but the total of values remained the same, as the new issue included no stamp of the value of 24-skilling. The following summary contains all the essential facts regarding the issue as a whole:—

Dates of Issue: 1867 and 1868, as follows:—

- 1-skilling, grey-back; dark grey, May, 1868.
- 2-skilling yellow-orange, orange June, 1867.
- 3-skilling lilac, red-lilac, May, 1868.
- 4-skilling blue, dark blue, early in 1867.
- 8-skilling rose (shades), October, 1867.

Design.—Portion of the Arms of Norway in the centre; at top of stamp, "Norge"; at foot, the word, "Skill." with numeral value on either side of same; at each side "Frimærke."

Printing.—The work was carried out by Messrs. Peterson, of Christiana, the stamps being lithographed in sheets of one hundred (ten rows of ten).

Paper and Watermark.—The paper differs in thickness, there being thick paper and thin paper varieties of all values. There is a watermarking around the margin of the sheet for the 2 and 4-skilling stamps, as in the second and third issues, but in the common acceptance of the term the stamps are unwatermarked. The 1, 3, and 8-skilling stamps have no watermarking on the margins, and this applies also to the 4-skilling on thin paper.

Peforation.—A uniform  $14\frac{1}{2}$  by  $13\frac{1}{2}$ .

This is an issue of which no varieties worthy of the name have been recorded. The stamps are believed to have been produced from a single die, the consequence being that there are no variations of type as in the third issue.

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# *Stamp Hunting*

*By Leon V. Cass*

There are many pleasures derived from stamp collecting and none are greater than hunting for old issues.

No true collector ever lets a chance pass by for looking over old correspondence or documents. There are many old revenues to be found on the back of old photographs. One collector of my acquaintance found a 3c proprietary part perf. Cat. \$15.00 on an old photo, and I have found several of the cheaper varieties of the three cent 1861 issue on photos. Another friend of mine got a fine lot of civil war revenues from the documents of an old lawyer, giving the lawyer two dollars for them and selling the duplicates for a handsome profit after adding several varieties to his collection. Old medicine bottles and pill boxes to be found in many long established drug stores often yield fine and scarce private proprietary stamps.

When on your vacation don't neglect any opportunity to get a chance to look over old correspondence.

Back country postoffices often yield us some rare old issues at face value.

Less than half a dozen years ago a friend of mine in Southern Pennsylvania obtained half a sheet (50) fine well centered 15c 1870 issue embossed, Cat. \$25.00 each at face value.

The same party also obtained several scarce dies of obsolete envelopes at the same Postoffice.

Great finds of course are scarce, but there is much pleasure derived from stamp hunting even if the stamps found are of little value.

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## *An Interesting Fad*

*By Virginia Baker*

Those who have tried collecting letter heads have found it an interesting fad. Colleges, historical societies, patriotic associations, and many other organizations use stationery stamped with designs which illustrate their origin, the nature of their work, or something of the like, and the beauty and variety of such designs are only appreciated when a number of them are compared together.

Many letter heads show fine cuts of buildings, others are ornamented with seals, or mottoes or handsome monograms. Coat-of-arms or crests figure conspicuously on many, and there are numberless unique designs which come under no special class heading.

The color and texture of the paper and the size and kind of type used add greatly to the individuality—if I may be permitted to use the term—of letter heads. Even the color and quality of the printer's ink have a value, as regards beauty or ugliness.

Much may be learned from certain letter heads. Historic interests cluster thickly about many of the design that ornament them. The collector who mounts his specimens in a album, placing beneath each one such items pertaining to it as he can gather, will find himself the possessor of a unique volume—unique in more senses than one. He need not fear to boast of his little book, even in the presence of stamp and post card collectors.



# Denver Notes

By August H. Hoffman

The Denver Stamp Club now organized five months, has sprung from an original membership of 13, to 32 members, which was the total membership at last meeting of the club.

## DENVER MINT BEATS SAN FRANCISCO.

After having made a test run of the new Denver mint for the month of April, it demonstrated a capacity of turning out \$6,095,000 of which \$45,000 was in silver and the remainder in gold coins. A test run of the San Francisco mint in March showed a capacity for only \$4,000,000.

We now have three new hobby papers published in Denver: The Western Stamp Collector, and The Juvenile Philatelist are stamp journals and The Collector is a paper devoted to souvenir card collecting.

Farran Zerbe, the well-known coin collector and vice president of the American Numismatic Association is in Colorado studying up the early coinage of this state.

In the Pike's Peak district he picked up some valuable specimens of \$2.50, \$5, \$10, and \$20 gold pieces, made by Clark Gruber & Co.

I am glad to note that the International Postal Congress at Rome have approved the British proposition to raise the weight of letters to one ounce, which has heretofore been  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounce.

A French delegate proposed Madrid for the next congress, which after the usual balotting was adopted.

## Our Science

By C. E. Swope

Our science I consider best  
'Mongst all of those I know,  
And hope that her good influence,  
Still steadily will grow.  
She always keeps me busy,  
As busy as can be,  
For she is always my delight,  
My dear philately.

I think of her when I'm awake,  
I dream of her when sleeping;  
And in the Mirror of my brain,  
Her face I'm ever keeping;  
The portals of my heart are locked,  
She only has the key,  
My dear old chum and comrade,  
My friend--Philately.

Your image haunts me when at work,  
And also when at leisure.  
You're much to me of hope and joy,  
Of happiness and pleasure;  
I think of you continuously,  
And trust that you may be  
A constant joy to everyone,  
My blest Philately.

And now to close the subject  
(But not that it's a bore,)  
For I'm never tired of praising  
The science I adore,  
I'll say to you with all my heart,  
In the words of "Nancy Lee,"  
The best of all the friends I know,  
Is old Philately.

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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 2c stamp must accompany each letter containing questions. When stamps are sent for examination, return postage must be included beside the fee above provided for.

*By L. G. Dorpat, Box 37, Wayside, Wis*

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Thus it will be again and again with special varieties that are found. It is a bad policy to buy them, but a very good policy to find them and use them as space-fillers for a time. Occasionally you may also find a rich man who has not the time nor the inclination to hunt for minor varieties, but who is willing to pay a handsome price for any variety that he lacks, especially if that variety is not listed in any catalogue. Pairs, strips and blocks of stamps will, as a rule, not show well in a printed album, but it is worth while to keep them intact. There are some collectors who look for them, especially where imperforate stamps are concerned.

276.—Are there any grilled or embossed stamps in the U. S. issue of 1895?—Yes and no, as you will take it. As issued by the postoffice there are not, but as you find them on letters that have gone through the mails there are. The electric cancelling machine will occasionally impress a grill on the stamp or on the letter, but this is different from the grill of '69 and '70, the points being coarser and wider apart, and the impression is quite accidental. It belongs neither to the stamp nor to the cancellation, but to the freak of the machine. Creases, tears, etc. are about on the same line.

277.—What is the best album?—For the beginner the cheapest is the best, because after a few years of collecting he will wish to transfer his collection and get one that provides spaces for new issues. For the possessor of 4 to 8 thousand varieties any one of the standard makes will do, provided there are stubs in the back of the book, plenty of blank leaves and the whole binding, material and workmanship good. On account of the great number of stamps now issued (about 20,000) the permanent album should be in two volume, at least. Better than any printed album is the blank album, be it with movable leaves or solidly bound. If it is bound solid it should have stubs to prevent bulging and to facilitate the insertion of additional leaves. It should be bound in leather, and the best of it. The volumes should not be over 2½ or 3 inches thick at the back and it is desirable to have a separate volume for each continent, to wit: North Am., South Am., Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, and another for Islands, odds and ends etc., 7 volumes in all.

278.—Which stamp hinges are the best?—I am not acquainted with all makes, and it would not be proper to mention any names in this connection, unless there were some one who offered an article superior to all others. I may state, though, the properties a good stamp hinge should have. First of all the paper should be thin and yet stiff and tough. The gum should stick, lest the stamp which it is to hold in place get loose and be lost. At the same time the gum should not be so sticky that it can not be separated from its hold; it should be peelable. Many a good stamp has been spoiled by the attempt to separate fast-sticking hinges from its back, and sometimes as

many as three or four are found clinging to a stamp. Finally the hinge should be large and have clean-cut edges, for, if the hinge is too small or narrow, it will not hold the stamp firmly, while, if large enough it will, and may at the same time afford a space for short notes about the stamp held by it. Hinges perforated like postage stamps are not to be recommended, because the little tongues between the perforations tend to stick too firmly.

279.—What is the best way to keep duplicates?—If the duplicates are more than 25 of each kind, the best way is to bundle and tie them and to keep them in any suitable box or series of boxes; cigar boxes will do. If the duplicates are less than 25 of each kind they may be kept in envelopes or in a "stock-book." If kept in envelopes they should be assorted by countries or better still by issues and each country or issue kept in a separate envelope, on which the name of the country, and the year of the issue should be marked. The envelopes should be all of the same size and should be kept arranged like a card index, so that any issue may be easily found without shoveling over the whole pile. If the duplicates are single stamps only, they may best be fastened to the blank pages of a stock-book, but peelable, really peelable hinges must be used in this case, or they may be stuck into the slips or pockets in patented stock-books or approval cards. The employment of the latter is a little expensive, but otherwise quite recommendable. For common duplicates, of which one has 3, 6 or 12 copies and which are intended to be put on cheap exchange sheets, it is good enough to have a series of boxes or drawers with the price of the stamps they contain marked on them, one box marked 1 cent, the next 2 cents, 3 cents, and so on to 5 or 10 cents. Still another, and perhaps the very best plan, if there are not too many duplicates, is to keep them all nicely mounted in approval books or on approval sheets. This should be done systematically, either all the stamps of the same price kept together to facilitate the picking out what stamps one may want. Sheets should be kept flat between boards and in such order that it may be easy to find what may be desired. Order is of the highest importance no matter what system may be adopted, because disorder wastes time, threatens good temper and disgusts the beholder.

280. What is more profitable, the collecting of high priced stamps, or the collecting of low-priced stamps? The collecting of high-priced stamps is usually more profitable, but not always. If you look for profit, then you must first of all consider condition and take the cleanest and most perfect stamps that you can get. The next thing is to try and get these as far below catalogue quotations as you can. Common stamps, especially if bought in large lots may be had for 1-10th catalogue price, or even for less than that. Stamps catalogued from \$5.00 to \$10.00 each may be had for  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1-5 and sometimes even for 1-10 their catalogue price. Stamps over \$100.00 each can rarely be bought at less than half price, if in good condition, and the great rarities worth a hundred dollars or more usually keep pretty near their catalogue quotations, unless there is some fault in their condition. Catalogues alone will however, not always indicate the true value of a stamp. The speculators will have to look out for those stamps which are scarcer than their quotations suggest. To find these requires study and experience. So far we have considered monetary profit only. If we look for enjoyment or pleasure, or the acquaintance with stamps, the common or low-priced ones

are what we should turn to first. They can readily be had in greater numbers and hence give more employment or pastime. Buy them by the pound or by the 1000 varieties and pick them over. Then add to your collection whatever may be wanting there and use the rest for exchange or to make friends. I would call this a better profit than the profit of so many dollars.

281. What is a perforation gauge?—A card with a series of dots so arranged that 5, 5½, 6, 6½, etc. to 16 and or 17 will come to the space of 2 centimeters. By holding the perforations of a stamp to these dots we ascertain how many holes of it come to the space of 2 centimeters.

282. Should we not collect "cash permits" which are now printed on 3d class mail matter in lieu of stamps?—That depends upon the basis we take for the building of our collections. The Germans distinguish between "Briefmarken" and "Postwertzeichen." The former means letter-stamp, the latter postal-value-mark. If we intend collecting "stamps" only, taking the term in its commonest meaning, adhesive stamps or letter-stamps, then of course we shall have to exclude "cash permits". But, if we collect Postwertzeichen, that is, all value expressions on postal stationary or applied to postal matters by order of the post, then these "cash permits" will have as much right to our attention as, for instance, the postal card, postal note or postal letter sheet, penalty envelope or official envelope. In so much as the "cash permit" indicates the prepayment of a certain amount of postage, it ranks far above the last named as well as above the post office seals, which do not indicate any value in any way. The early Barbados and some of the Corrientes stamps have no value expressed in figures or letters, but still they are real stamps, because their colors indicate certain values. The "cash permits" might be ranked nearest in order to British "stamped-to-order" stationary, the main difference being that the British post applied regular stamp dies to unofficial paper, while in case of the "cash permits" the U. S. post gives a private party authority to print a representation of prepaid postage on private matter complying with certain postal rules.

238. Is the 15c yellow Spain 1889 an error?—No, it is an official stamp, catalogued by Scott under No. 361.

284. What are Seebeck's?—They are stamps issued by Honduras, Nicaragua, St. Salvador and Ecuador under a contract with the late Mr. F. N. Seebeck of the Hamilton Bank Note Co. in the early nineties. The sets are large and the stamps are rich in color, filling several pages in the album. They were actually used, each set for a whole year, and therefore they are all enumerated in the catalogues. The objectional feature is that each year, when the new issue was placed on sale, the remainders of the old issue were turned over to Mr. Seebeck for sale to collectors. He got these as payment for the manufacture of the stamps. Of course he would see to it that a plenty of stamps were printed so that large remainders would be left for him, besides that the plates were also thought to remain in his possession so that he might print a new supply of "remainders" in case the true remainders lacked in quantity. Had it been known how large exactly the editions were, and had the plates been destroyed after the known quantities had been struck off, then there could not have been much of an objection. All the stamps of these issues actually sent to the countries where they were to be used are real stamps. But any that were held back by the printer, or made after the issue had become obsolete, are no better than printer's waste or reprints.

(To be continued.)

# *Chinese Post*

*By L. G. Dorpat*

As railroads are built and the steam-ship multiplies on the many rivers of China, as Europeans and modern institutions get a foot-hold in the great Mongolian empire, Sir Robert Hart, the successful director of Chinese imports is building up a modern postal system for his adopted country. Since 1861 he has been laboring for this purpose, but not until 1896, after 35 years of effort, did he succeed in getting it finally established. It is yet in its infancy, but shows a sturdy growth. The old Mandarin post established 3000 years ago for the forwarding of official matter, works with deficit. The many private establishments similar to our express companies form a very strong competition. Some of them having quite monopolized considerable districts, but Sir Hart seems to be the right man in the right. He does not try to annihilate these private posts, nor does he try to compete against them; what he tries to do, is to incorporate them into his own system thereby making the best possible use of all existing facilities. He is thus enabled to reach nearly all parts of the empire if not by railroad or steamer, then by sail or row-boat, by riders or footmen. His post routes now extend over 33,000 miles. In 1904 he obtained a government subsidy of 720000 Hkm. Tael and forwarded 66 million pieces weighing nearly 6 million pounds. Though this imperial Chinese post is yet an inland-post it has treaties with Japan, France, Hongkong and British India and thus is enabled to reach also the Universal Postal Union countries. By joining this world-institution it might get rid of the numerous foreign offices (English, French, German, Japanese, Russian and U. S.) scattered among the ports along the coast and extend its own usefulness at the same time.

The system is said to work admirably now and to be gaining favor very rapidly, thefts and defraudations being very rare exceptional occurrences. If Sir Hart lives and remains in favor and health he will no doubt within the next 10 or 15 years develop the system to wonderful extent and efficiency, and even should he die or retire his disciples will now be able to work ahead on the lines already laid out. For further particulars see *Der Philatelist* No. 336, from which most of the above dates are taken.

The Chinese stamps from 1878 to 1894 were issued by the import tax office of which Sir Hart is the head. They were however, used also on matter carried for foreign legations by the messengers of this office. The locals up to 1895 and 1896 are issued by private companies. From 1897 on we have stamps of the Imperial Chinese Post (Scotts' numbers 18 to 206).

**The Rarest Stamps.**—A French newspaper reader, who had requested the infallible Paris editor of his choice to indicate a few of the rarest stamp in the world, has received a response which, though it will doubtless be trite enough for collectors, may be of sufficient casual interest for the ordinary reader, if only as indicating the preponderant position occupied by British stamps among the tit-bits of philately. Out of twelve stamps quoted, seven are of British Colonies, four of them heading the list. The seven are: Guiana, 1856 1 cent red; Guiana, 1850, 2 cents, rose; Mauritius postoffice, 2d. blue; Canada, 1851, 1s, black; New Zealand, 1872, 1d., brown flligree; Natal, 1857, 9d., blue.

# *The Philatelic Circus*

*By Chas. S. Lewis*

Behold! It is Liberia that now doth need the "dough,"  
So she sets out to give to us a grand philatelic show,  
Which would outshine e'en Barnum in palmiest days of yore  
For it contains most everything the children so adore.

Its raiment is bi-colored and in all the brilliant hues.  
What need now will we have for any circus or zoos?  
We've but to take our albums down and turn its pages o'er,  
To see more strange and wondrous sights than e'er we saw before.

For on the first, a one cent stamp, a lordly beast is seen  
Surrounded by a border black—an Elephant in green.  
Next, on the two, a head we spy, done in a carmine hue,  
Of Mercury, the letter god, with somber circle too.

But what is this upon the five, in darkest black and blue?  
It isn't Mac, it can't be Pat, it surely isn't you?  
Oh! it is a Chimpanzee! Well, howdy friend Jim! I say  
How are you and the folkses, and where did you get away?

And is this next another friend, this Ten, in deep maroon,  
A Plantain-Easter circled with the color of a "Coon"?  
Or this fifteen-cent, in purple, with border of dark green,  
Which has upon its face an Agama lizard now I ween?

The Twenty orange, has also a likeness of a bird,  
The Great Egret, vignetted black, it is upon my word!  
And on the next a "Two-Bit" stamp, a coin has been impressed  
In Chinese blue, with gray vignette, unlike most all the rest.

The thirty is in violet and of lathework design,  
But yet it isn't quite "the end," as most of you'll opine.  
And as we pass on to the next we all will heave a sigh  
Of deep regret and wish that this was all we'd had to buy.

The Flag of the Liberians is on the next one shown,  
Though not in its proper colors, as all of us will own.  
For dark green it has been printed and framed in nightly black.  
This Fifty-cent is one which quite a few of us will lack.

The Seventy-five cent chocolate is the next one of the set,  
And has a Hippopotamus upon its face, I'll bet.  
Which, like most all the others, is surrounded by a frame  
Of black, which does its beauty much enhance, or so they claim.

Upon the Dollar stamp appears the head of Liberty,  
'Tis printed in a color pink and claims supremacy  
O'er all the others for the excellence of its design;  
Surrounded by its gray vignette it certainly looks fine.

As we pass to the next one we will note upon its face  
A number of the inhabitants, of the Mandingo race;

Who appear to be quite happy, though colored a dark green;  
While the old sable border, also "Dollars Two," is seen.

Upon the last, the "Five-Spot," they have given us a view  
Of their ruler, "Mistah" Barclay, the house he lives in, too;  
Which are in a maroon color, and really, we must say,  
This stamp appears quite pretty with its border of dark gray.

And this completes the features of this Liberian zoo,  
Though they put out a "side show" of "O. S." attractions, too;  
Which has more varied colors, though it cannot be denied,  
Most of us with this "Big Show" will be more than satisfied.

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## *The Stamp Collector's Dream*

*By Neil Swope*

While sitting at my desk one day,  
I fell into a doze,  
And then before my tired brain,  
A pleasing vision rose.

I dreamed I had an album fine,  
All bound in black and gold,  
And on its pages was a mine  
Of treasured stamps so old.

Rare local stamps were there by scores,  
And a Brattleboro' true,  
And all the old provisionals  
Were represented too.

Department sets were quite complete,  
And all unused beside:  
There are no prettier lot of stamps  
Than these ranged side by side.

And while I turned the pages o'er,  
Finding many a treasure,  
A voice broke in upon my dream  
And ruined all my pleasure.

"I want a dink o' water pop,  
I want a dink o' water."  
These were the words that greeted me,  
From Grace, my little daughter.

How quick the change—I looked to see  
If the album still was there,  
But nothing greeted me, except,  
My darling's face so fair.

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The British postal department will not transmit mail (postcards, etc.) enclosed in transparent envelopes with the address written on the contents. Such mail is too difficult to sort. The practice has been greatly in vogue in Canada, and has been prohibited in the domestic mails there, also.

## *Notes About Stamps*

In these days of "big things" the one-time scoffed at stamp collector is keeping pace with the swiftly moving procession, if, indeed, he is not setting the pace.

In testimony to this statement witness the sale a few days since in London of a portion, only, of the collection of W. W. Mann for the sum of \$150,000 spot cash. When it is considered that this stupendous sum was planked down for the European section only of Mr. Mann's great collection, which of itself comprises nearly 100 large volumes or albums, some slight conception of what the entire collection must be may be obtained.

It is understood that close to \$100,000 cash awaits the decision of Mr. Mann to part with the volumes containing his Australian stamps alone, and the balance of his collection would undoubtedly bring more than twice as much, giving the entire collection a cash valuation of approximately \$500,000. That this aggregation of stamps did not cost the owner such an amount goes without saying. The tremendous increase in values of stamps during the last score of years has netted Mr. Mann several hundred per cent profit on his investments.

Many large sales of stamps have been made in the United States within a dozen years. One of the first large collections sold was that of F. De Coppet, whose holdings were sold under the hammer in New York in 1893. This collection was so large that eight nights were required to dispose of it and the total received was about \$30,000. This was regarded as a big figure in those days, although nowadays stamp collections of that size are sold without exciting great comment.

In 1896 a Boston firm bought a collection from N. C. Nash of that city for which more than \$30,000 was paid and in 1897 the same firm paid William Thorne of New York \$45,000 cash for his collection. At that time this was one of the largest and finest collections in the United States.

F. F. Olney of Providence, one of the leading philatelists in this country, and president of the American Philatelic association, owned a fine collection, composed chiefly of unused stamps, and sold this collection for \$30,000 cash in 1900. In 1903 the collection of the late William A. Smith of New York was sold at auction in that city for \$30,000 and the collection of Mr. Hunter of New York sold at auction for \$27,000. Numerous collections have been sold at auction in New York, Chicago, Boston and Philadelphia at prices ranging from \$3,000 to \$10,000.

In 1900 a Chicago man named Burton, who had previously obtained a good deal of newspaper notoriety by exchanging a valuable hotel in Wisconsin for a collection of stamps, sold a portion of the collection at auction for upward of \$10,000.

The largest single stamp purchase made in the United States was the sale less than two years ago of the famous Ayer collection, known to philatelists all over the world. This collection was made by a wealthy lumber dealer by the name of Ayer residing at Bangor, Me. Mr. Ayer became suddenly seized with the stamp collecting fever, and became so engrossed in the fascinating hobby that he devoted a large portion of his time and spent vast sums of money in his effort to complete, so far as possible, his collection. He wrote to dealers and collectors in all parts of the world in his endeavor



to obtain certain stamps necessary to complete certain countries. He accumulated one of the finest collections in the world. Having completed the collection for many countries so that there was nothing further to seek he lost his interest to some extent and sold his holdings to a Boston firm for about \$100,000. Mr. Ayer is a shrewd hard headed business man and he is reported to have said to a friend who questioned him that he made a handsome profit on the money he had put into the collection, to say nothing of the great pleasure its accumulation had given him. It is said Mr. Ayer has now started another collection, which will be confined to stamps of certain countries only. He says it pays better than any government bonds.

Several collections of stamps from single countries have changed hands in the United States at surprising figures. It seems almost impossible that a man could accumulate a collection of the stamps of one country valued at thousands of dollars, but such cases are numerous. Specialists not only strive to get one stamp of each kind, but they try to get various shades, varieties<sup>in</sup> printing, sheets and blocks. Ordinary collectors are satisfied to have one specimen of each stamp issued.

Recently M. S. Lombard of Boston, sold his collection of French stamp for only about \$10,000 and Mr. Crehore of the same city sold his collection of the stamp of Hawaii for about the same figure. H. J. Crocker of San Francisco values his collection of Hawaiian stamps, which is the most complete in the world, at \$35,000. A Boston firm not long ago sold a single Hawaiian stamp on the original envelope for \$5,000, which is the highest price any stamp ever sold for in the United States. Sales of stamps at from \$1,000 to \$4,000 have been made in this country and there are hundreds of stamps that have been sold in the United States for upward of \$100. The record price is held by a stamp of the land of Mauritius, for which the Prince of Wales paid nearly \$7,500 less than two years ago at an auction sale, although the British Guiana stamp on wrapping paper owned by M. Renotiere of Paris, would sell at a much higher price if put upon the market.

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The London Philatelic Society's exhibition closed on June 1. The prince of Wales opened the exhibition May 23; the following day a lecture was given by F. J. Melville, the president of the Junior Philatelic society. On May 25 the judges and vice-patrons had a banquet at the Imperial restaurant. The social feature the next day was a trip on the Thames. Other events planned for the entertainment of philatelists were a trip to the British Museum to view the Tapling collection, under the guidance of E. D. Bacon; another lecture by Mr. Melville and numerous luncheons and drives.

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The Hired Girl's Stamp—Every hired girl in Germany has a little blank book, wherein is pasted every week a stamp worth about five cents, the gift of her mistress. The government, the all-doing government, will redeem these stamps at face value. If the hired girl falls ill, her stamp book will help pay her expenses. Or she can keep it as a provision for her old age.—From "Everybody's," Dec. 1905.

# *The Fetching Fad of Stamp Collecting*

(Continued.)

The likenesses of many of our greatest men have adorned postage stamps and much of our national history is depicted in the commemorative stamps of the Columbia, Trans-Mississippi, Pan-American and Louisiana Purchase series. The locomotive and steamship, marvels in their day, were depicted on our early stamps. The 24-cent denomination of the series of 1869 has for its central feature a magnificent reproduction of the "Signing of the Declaration of Independence," the painting which adorns the rotunda of the Capitol. Even on a postage stamp the design is so clear that features of the signers can be recognized through a ten cent magnifying glass. This is a high priced stamp, unused, but every collector aspires to get it because of what it stands for.

In the Senate wing of the Capitol hangs an oil painting by one of the masters: "Columbus Recalled." During sessions of Congress a crowd will often be found standing about it with upturned faces. The 50-cent stamp of the Columbian series, an exact reproduction of this painting, exquisitely cut in steel, doubtless accounts for much of the interest in the original.

Every few years the Post Office department goes to large expense in giving the people a new series of stamps to say nothing of the numerous commemorative series. Artists and engravers exert themselves to produce designs of historic value. Apparently the philatelist is the only person who fully appreciates the stamps. He will tell the names of all the distinguished persons whose likenesses have appeared there since 1847, naming the colors. The average person could not name four stamps, offhand.

Philately has an extensive literature. Scores of weekly, monthly and semi-monthly periodicals devoted exclusively to stamp collecting, furnish news and technical articles. Some years ago a daily paper was published nearly a year at St. Louis. One Londoner cabled his subscription.

Recently the Prince of Wales read an important philatelic paper before the London Stamp Society of which he is president. Last year he paid \$7,500 for two used postage stamps. The Queen of Italy finds great profit in her fine collection of stamps.

One of the finest, if not the most complete collection, in the world is that of M. Renotiere of Paris. This has cost him a million and a quarter dollars and the services of two secretaries are constantly employed in arranging and taking care of the scores of albums containing it. Although he possesses nearly every postage stamp that has ever been issued, it is doubtful if he gets any more pleasure out of his collection than the boy who has hustled among his friends for old stamps, "traded around," and built up a collection worth a hundred dollars.

Although the United States is classed as a Christian nation, it is notable that since the foundation of our postal system there has not appeared upon any of our regular postage stamps a single symbol of a religious character, except the figure of Father Marquette, as a teacher of the Indians, which was depicted on the one-cent stamp of the Omaha Fair series of 1898. On the other hand the stamps of Abyssinia all portray the cross.

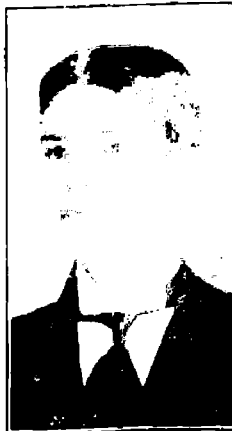
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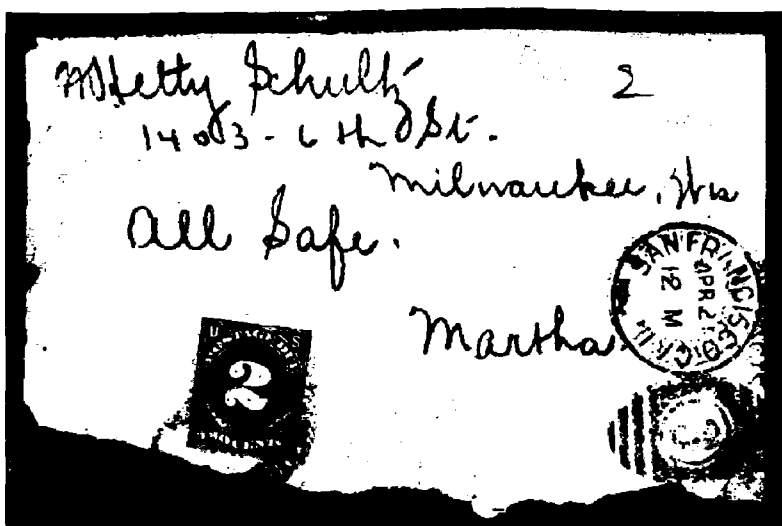
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Cool Spring, Del.



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The above slip of paper without stamp or envelope,

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English Style of keeping Post Card Collections.



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Collection of Indian Relics for sale by Coburn Co.,  
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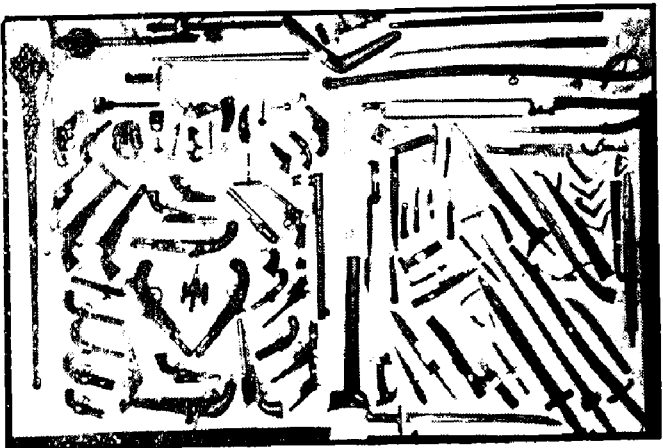
NOAH WELLS LONGSHORE, New Orleans, La. Post Card Dealer.

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Collection of guns for sale by J. B. LEWIS, Petaluma Calif. More of his illustrations & writeup in next issue.



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A four page list of members in the next number.

Some late novelties in cards is one I have seen called Time Arrival and Departure Card. It gives the date of year, month, day, hour, minute, with space left for an extra message and the words, "Will arrive at—as per day, date, and time indicated by the cross marks."

It shows that something new is always bound to crop up in the Card novelties, and room left for lot of more bright ideas, tho it does seem as tho they would be exhausted, and nothing new left in this line, but our publishers are forever alert for some new catch. Look at the advertisement in the WEST "The Simplicity Co., Chicago, Ill." Also note the "Fernd Ingold Publ. of Monroe, Wis. U. S. A., who have gotten out some fine new cards. One I've noticed is that of a beautiful maiden face with a head of real hair. It gives the whole a live like appearance and the tiny blond curls cluster about the head naturally, even a small coil of hair is seen on the top of one head. This hair is fastened to the picture card in a dainty style and is covered with a thin sheet of celluloid to protect same and giving it the effect of being framed. They are just the cards some of our gentlemen exchangers want, for their sure to get them any color of hair they admire or their Sunday girl has. Same Company gets out swell flower cards the natural colors of flowers being made of colored velvets pasted on the cards to suit the style of flower printed on the card. These make a rich pretty card and loved by any one fond of flowers. How many have received "Frisco" cards with sights of its various appalling scenes of destruction. These are nice cards to add to your current event collections. I wish all our Collector friends success and hope they will find the Philatelic WEST a suitable official organ as it naturally will, since it has always been an old stand by and one of many different Exchange Societies.

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# CURIO DEPARTMENT

BY ROY FARRELL GREENE.

An Indian Curio Dealer—Dr. John War Eagle, and his wife, paid a visit to Perry, Okla., recently, according to the Perry Republican. The paper says that they were engaged in the traffic of selling Indian relics and bead work, supplying over one hundred stores with their wares. Dr. War Eagle was educated in Scotland, and is a graduate of McGill Medical University, of Canada. His father was a wealthy Hudson Bay trader and his mother, a member of the Chickasaw tribe. The doctor has grown quite wealthy and has real estate investments in several states. His wife is a member of the Caddo tribe and has an allotment near Anadarko, O. T.

Autographs—A letter written by Abraham Lincoln in 1418, relating to political affairs in Illinois, one of a number of autographs collected by Mrs. George M. Moulton, of Chicago, sold at auction in New York city, some weeks ago for \$100. An autograph poem, and signed by James Russell Lowell, brought \$23 in the same sale. A one page letter signed but not written, by George Washington, February 20, 1790, sold for \$28.

Illinois Collector's License—Charles Clendennin, of Sangamon county, obtained the first license issued in the state of Illinois, permitting the taking of ornithological and oological specimens. The license was issued on January 20, under the Illinois law that lately went into effect, which provides that "the applicant be a man of good character and well fitted to collect birds their nests and eggs, purely for scientific purposes." Bondsmen are required, and should the person licensed, violate the law the bondsmen become liable for prosecution under the game law. Clendennin is a taxidermist, residing in Bloomington.

Oregon Fossils—Prof. Handel T. Martin, museum assistant in paleontology at the University of Lawrence, Kansas conducted a fossil hunting expedition last summer to the Oregon fields and returned with one of the best collections ever added to the Kansas museum. Prof. Martin's work was done in the John Day formations, and he secured more than 150 fine specimens, fifty of which were first class skulls, representing all the material to be found in the formation through which the researches were made. A small party of assistants and students accompanied Prof. Martin on his trip, and the rest of the party, after Martin returned home, went to the Newport fields and secured some zoological material for the Kansas university museum.

Studying Indian Customs—Prof. James Mooney, of the chair of ethnology of the Smithsonian institute, at Washington, has been spending the past winter in Oklahoma, and it is given out that he will remain indefinitely among the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians, studying their ancient and modern customs and characteristics. Before going to these tribes he spent some time studying the Kiowa tribe of Indians in Oklahoma.

Monstrous Pre-Historic Animal—At the Peabody museum, of Yale university, New Haven, Conn, an interesting experiment was made a few months ago to ascertain the original weight, when alive, of one of the great saurians, the fossil remains of which were found in the Bad Lands of Wyoming by the late Prof. O. C. Marsh. An exact model on a small scale was made of the saurian, based upon the skeleton, and using the displaced water test, and carrying out the computation the original weight was ascertained as about 77,000 pounds, or 38½ tons. The Peabody museum owns the complete skeleton specimen of the hips standing to a height of sixteen feet, and the saurian being, from tip to tip about seventy-three feet in length. The museum also owns part of a skeleton of a considerably larger specimen.

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### *Postcarditis*

If you're going on a journey to the mountains or the coast,  
Send a post card.

If you're torn away by duty from the one you love the most,  
Send a post card.

If you're aimlessly a-wander through the country here and there,  
Seeking pleasure, seeking money, seeking muscle, seeking hair,  
Keep a list of all the friends that you have cherished everywhere—  
Send a post card.

If you're summoned on a jury, if you must defend a suit,  
Send a post card.

If you're touring through the country of the Blackfoot or the Ute,  
Send a post card.

If you've got a message write it, drop a line from day to day;  
Send the little post card picture if you've not a word to say,  
Think of blonde and think of brunette, think of bad and think of gray—  
Send a post card.

Though it's gay and you are gloomy, though it's glad and you are grim,  
Send a post card.

If you want to tell your enemy just what you think of him,  
Send a post card.

You will find the habit growing, till from every side the call  
Will resound, though you be dining, dancing, sitting in a hall,  
At a funeral or wedding—it's the word that grips them all,  
"Send a post card!"

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There is a letter in the British Museum more than 3,000 years old. It is written on papyrus from Rameses in Egypt. Most all of the characters have been deciphered until the students in that line of work can read nearly all of the letter. It is mainly a description of the city of Rameses, its people, occupations, etc.





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The thirty-fourth regular meeting of the Society was held May 29th, thirteen members being present. A collection of 6,000 varieties which had been shipped to the Society for sale, was inspected by the members. Among other things exhibited by members was a strip of four \$1,000 00 revenues, 1898 issue. The usual auction sale concluded the evening's programme.

T. C. Mann, Secy., 1416 Hickory St.

**Indian Baskets.**—Every family of Indian basket makers uses a distinct pattern (never copy) make their dyes of minerals, bone and berries. At certain seasons the inner bark of cedar trees, roots of spruce trees and grasses are secured, buried to bleach, colored and woven into wonderfully pretty designs, using fingers for needles, and teeth for scissors. Washington has more tribes of native basket makers than any other state.

**Warning to Collectors.**—There is in a dingy house, not a stone-throw from the British Museum, a collection of "Old Masters," waiting for the appearance of some millionaire collector—American for preference—who would be willing to fill the walls of his mansion with spurious works by Raphael, Raeburn Gainsborough, and other giants of the brush, which are to be given away by their German owner for \$200,000.

Dealers need not apply—they know too much! The circumstances under which this fine collection is thrown on the market are interesting. A month ago it belonged to a wealthy amateur who had to meet heavy losses in "Kaffir" on the Stock Exchange, and was therefore reluctantly forced to sell his treasure. He evidently succeeded. For since then the pictures appear to have changed hand.

They now belong to a Russian nobleman, who has sent them to London to be privately disposed of. But—a curious coincidence!—they are still in the same dingy abode near the British Museum.

**Coin Notes.**—The oldest bank note is in the British Museum. It was printed in China in 1368 or over 100 years before it is supposed printing was invented.

The smallest coin in actual circulation is the Maltese "groin." It is of bronze, and about the size of the top of a pencil. Its value is about one-fifteenth of a cent.

National bank notes are about one-sixth of the money in circulation.

The first U. S. mint was established in 1792.

Trade dollars were discontinued in 1887.

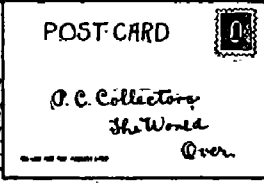
The first paper money to be issued in this country was in 1723 by Pennsylvania. There was \$225,000 of this money in that year.

The origin of the U. S. dollar dates July 6, 1785, the weight was fixed the next year. The first dollar issued by any country was coined at Joachimthal, in Bohemia.

Eagles were discontinued from coinage in 1805 to 1837.



# PHILOCARTY



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The World  
Over.

## *How to Arrange Picture Post Cards*

*By Madeline Keller*

I trust most of the readers of *Hobbies* have begun a collection of Picture Post Cards and the question arises what to do with it, how to store it; and this question is ably dealt with in an article by E. Richardson, Editor of the *Picture Post Card*, London, England. If a thing is worth having it is worth caring for. Picture post cards can be most easily stored and kept in albums for all round general convenience and display. An album should hold from two to three hundred cards so as not to become too bulky or unwieldy to handle. These are sold in a variety of style and prices so that one can get the exact article she desires without trouble.

Now for the arranging of the cards: Mr. Richardson said, "if one collects art cards, fancy cards, etc., one would naturally group them in a class. Again reproductions of pictures would form a class by themselves, subdivided into sections for each great master or living artist. One would hardly mix up a Correggio with a Tom Brown, or put a Raphael's Madonna next to a poster girl or Dudley Hardy, both would lose by inappropriateness of contiguity."

Commemorative cards would naturally be placed in their order of date and if one has a large collection a separate album would be assigned to those of different countries. The view card in general forms the basis of most collections, and in my opinion, the geographical order is the best. Mr. Richardson has a good idea as follows: "Take any country you collect, begin with a portrait post card of the rulers or King and Queen, then the cards bearing the arms of that country and follow with views of the capital, in the next place views of the big towns and cities with their principal monuments and buildings." If one is a lover of art let him have a special collection of all its great masters, and reproductions of their works. Costumes and types of the people of each country is another special branch of collecting, and one of the most instructive. In this form of arranging the specta-

tor cannot but gain some idea of the various countries their inhabitants, costumes, architecture and arts. Certain boxes and cabinets are now in use for cards made specially holding from 200 to 400 cards. Then there are the post card cabinets with from 8 to 10 drawers with labels to indicate the contents of each drawer, there is a great deal to learn before one becomes a cat-ophile. Simple though it may at first appear, there is a great deal to learn the same as in postage stamp or coin collecting. It would take no end of space to describe the immense hold the picture post card cult has now taken upon the people of this country, and all other countries, or to enumerate the kinds of cards published and the names of the firms issuing them. Many firms both here and abroad have difficulty in keeping up with the demand for particular cards that take the public eye. Many governments now issue picture post cards. Greece is said to have made it a state monopoly to issue officially stamped view cards, and allows no one else to do so in the Kingdom. The first issue of a governmental post card belongs to the colony of Queensland some four years ago or more. Little value can attach to an ordinary picture post card, yet those bearing the local stamps and postmarks must increase in value as time goes on. A few selected figures may show the magnitude and commercial importance of the new postal hobby. A consular report shows that 13,000 men in England are engaged in making cards, and the annual output of the country is over 84,000,000 cards.

### *His Studio a Den for Cats*

Cats and mirrors nearly fill Jan Van Beers' studio. The wealthy artist has opened his atelier on the Champs Elysees to visitors, who are simply amazed at it.

When a certain American society woman entered the studio she gasped, then exclaimed: "The apotheosis of pussy cats!"

Painted cats peer down from all the walls, china kittens collected from all over the world repose on the brackets, living Angoras purr by the fire place, on every chair and lounge yellow eyes stare

The effect of the cats is intensified, multiplied by Van Beer's other mania, that for mirrors. The walls of the salons are lined with mirrors, so that the house is more like a crystal maze than a private residence. Mysterious corridors hung with huge looking glasses open a seemingly endless vista.

The dining room is a triumph of spectacular effect. The table is made of a huge glass slab, which is illuminated from below by a myriad of electric lights, which, however, throw the rouge powder of the feminine guests into glaring relief.

"How can you live in such a glittering labyrinth?" an intimate friend asked the artist.

"I am only indulging myself in harmless hobbies," Van Beers replied. "Don't be alarmed about me? I have a few comfortable rooms hidden from profane view where I live."—K. C. Star.

Some of these picture postcards have a highly educational value. What started out as an absurdity may develop into a potent factor for our national welfare. The picture postcard has advertised the beauty spots. It has developed art and has created a new industry. It teaches us both history and geography.

# *From My Botanical Scrap Book*

*By Elma Iona Locke*

The number of plants known to botanists is 100,000. But there are many unclassified. Man does not use more than 3,000 plants, and of these about 2,500 are cultivated in America. The varieties used for food do not exceed 600.

There are as many as 4,000 known species of grasses distributed over the world. Of these 589 North American species have been catalogued.

The toadstools and mushrooms of the world have been catalogued by a scientist in London, and it is found that there are 4,600 species known to science. But of this number not more than five per cent are definitely known to be edible, while from 30 to 100 are positively asserted to be very poisonous.

The National Herbarium at Washington contains over 25,000 specimens.

There are 412 different species of trees in the United States, sixty of them belong to Florida. Sixteen kinds will sink in water, the Florida black ironwood being the heaviest.

New South Wales contains more flowering plants than all Europe.

Vegetation is retarded four days for each 100 yards of altitude.

The oldest horticultural association in Europe is the Royal Society of Agriculture and Botany, of Ghent, established in the year 1808.

When the tulipomania raged in Holland years ago, as high as \$2,000 was paid for a single bulb.

The Strawberry was introduced into England from Flanders in 1530. Persimmons were first spoken of in print by Capt. John Smith, who classed them among Virginia plums.

The Saracens introduced the sugar-cane into the islands of the Mediterranean and old Spain. Hence, it was conveyed to the Canaries and the West Indies.

The lily is of Persian origin; it is also a native of Syria and Italy. Some varieties of it were brought to England before 1460. The Guernsey lily came from Japan, the red-colored from South America.

The celebrated "Apples of Sodom" which grow on the shores of the dead sea are a species of fungi similar to our "puff balls."

The largest known flower is the Rafflesia, a native of Sumatra. It measures three feet in diameter, weighs fifteen pounds and has a calyx holding six quarts. The odor is very offensive.

A high red cypress tree gave its name to Baton Rouge, La.

The odorous matter of flowers is inflammable, and arises from an essential oil. The Fraxinella takes fire in hot evenings by bringing a candle near its root.

The intensity of color in any given species of flowers increases with altitude, or with an advance northward.

In Mexico there is a petrified forest covering 300 acres.

An apple in perfect preservation, altho 96 years old, is in the possession of a gentleman in Ulster county, N. Y. As it rounded up from the blossom of the parent stem a bottle was drawn over it and attached to the branch, and after the apple had ripened, the stem was severed and the bottle sealed tightly. It looks as fresh as when first plucked.

# *Beetle Collecting*

*By L. R. Reynolds*

The study of insects is an exceedingly large subject and to be successful it is necessary to confine oneself to one order, after a general idea of all insects has been obtained. This should be followed in all branches of collecting as one to take up a single branch will find all the work he can do.

Whatever you take up get all the books and papers you can pertaining to the subject, and your enthusiasm and learning will grow accordingly.

Beetles are easily recognized from other insects they having a horny or chitinous covering protecting the wings when at rest. In most beetles this covering covers the entire body but in some it leaves a part of the abdomen uncovered.

When collected they should be thrown into a vial of alcohol with the exception of lady-birds and some others which spread their wing covers, and these should be killed in a vial lined with blotting paper and having a piece of cyanide of potassium attached to the lower part of the cork with tacks.

Beetles will be found in every inconceivable situation, under the bark of trees, running over the ground, and under stones. Many species will be found under partially dried manure, as the tumble bugs. A dead snake or mouse will attract some of the handsomest species if left in the field. Large numbers can be taken in the summer with a stout net swept over herbage and bushes, the insects falling into the net as they are knocked off. They should be searched for at every season of the year as during the winter many rare species are to be found under bark of trees and among dead leaves. Moist dead leaves and old moss that have laid till rotted should be sifted through an old flour sieve. As a matter of fact the diligent student of these insects will be continually surprised at the great variety of places that his prizes are found in. Everyone has seen the whirligig beetles on stagnant ponds, but few realize the great number of other kinds lurking under the water plants.

In the United States and Canada alone are found some 12000 different species, which will show a young collector, that a whole life devoted to the study of these insects will leave much to be still accomplished.

Beetles should be pinned through the right wing cover with good black enameled insect pins. These should be permanently placed in tight boxes or cases lined with cork.

I would advise every student of insects to get a copy of Comstock's "Guide to the Study of Insects". A large number of the works on beetles are rare and out of print, and a student to a considerable extent is obliged to send his specimens to specialists to be named.

I will gladly aid any collector whose interest is more than a passing one.

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Historical Newspapers.—Cecil C. Camp, of Texas City, Illinois, is the collector of papers containing only historical events. He is the possessor of papers containing the news of the blowing up of the battle ship, Maine, the shooting, death and burial of McKinley, the illness, death, burial and life history of Queen Victoria, the Coronation of King Edward and of many other events.

# *Iroquois Pottery*

*By Oswald A. Bauer*

Among the tribes of North American Indians none stand more pre-eminent than the Iroquois, or six nations. Their chief remains are in New York but so powerful was their influence that from Hudson's Bay to the Gulf on the south and to the Mississippi in the West their strong arm was felt. The most important remains left of this once powerful people are their work in clay and this, chiefly pottery. Among other nations we find the vessel to be the chief feature of the pottery remains but among the Iroquois it is different. The art of making the tobacco pipe was with them a great feature as well as the manufacture of vessels. Life forms seldom attempted by the surrounding tribes were freely employed by the Iroquois. The materials used were usually clay mixed with some tempering material of a silicious nature. The Algonquins used pulverized shell and so did the Iroquois very often, but their preference lay toward pulverized rock of crystalline nature. The walls of a vessel were built up of bits and strips of clay welded together with the fingers and worked down with scrapers, paddle and polishing stones. The surface of the body of the vessel was sometimes finished by tapping with a textile covered paddle or by rouletting with an implement wrapped with cord. The rim was next added and was then squared or rounded on the margin and polished after which the design was worked in. The paste employed for large vessels was often coarse but for pipes and small vessels only the finest material was used. The baking was conducted in shallow pits and no great degree of heat was employed.

The Iroquois did not color their ware and wherever found vessels are of the color of the clay when baked; where it is unchanged by use or age, yellow and reddish greys approaching a terra cotta are observed. As to size of the vessels a general uniformity prevails, there being few small and large vessels. The average is about 12 inches in height or diameter. In form the vessels are marked by their extreme simplicity. Unlike the pottery of the Southern provinces the art among the Iroquois must have been very near its origin. The narrow limits of the forms are shown by the great rarity of bottles, plates, bowls, animal figures, handles, feet and pedestal additions.

The decoration of Iroquois ware is very simple in execution and very limited in subject matter. Forms of Tobacco pipes are however often interesting and graceful nearly all being modifications of the trumpet shape. The ornaments consist chiefly of ridges, nodes or medallion-like heads mostly of men. Owing to certain differences between the two it is surmised that the men made the pipes and the women the vases. The decorations are in strong contrast with those of the South and West. Textile texturing was not uncommon and in many cases the entire body of the vessel is covered with impressions of cords or coarse cloth applied by some method of imprinting. The skill shown in the use of the decorating tools in the making of pipes is exceptional. In some instances the decorating tools took the form of small stamps, the figures being squares in relief made by cutting cross grooves on the end of a stick or the face of a paddle.

It may here be mentioned that perfect specimens of pottery are scarcely usually the remains being but fragmentary. This is particularly true of the

Iroquois. Their remains are found from Maine on the north to Maryland on the south and as far west as Lake Huron. In many instances traits and characteristics of the immediate localities are observed in the remains.

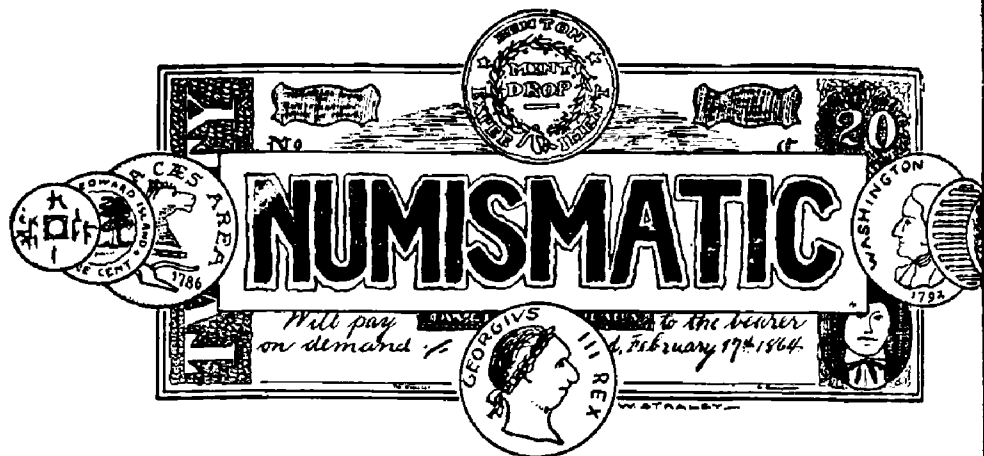
Preeminently the Iroquois were pipe makers and in this art they excelled all other peoples both in number and in quality. With them it seems to have been an independent art. That pipe making was contemporaneous with vase making is shown by the repetition of decoration in both. In the manufacture of pipes by the Iroquois fine clay, pure or mixed with very finely comminuted tempering ingredients was used. So far as observed pipes were never artificially colored by the Iroquois. The simplest form is a straight tube with sufficient opening at one end to admit the tobacco. Others were trumpet shaped and so many modifications of this are there that no description could convey an idea of them. The latter form is the most general.

Authorities are agreed that pottery making is not one of the earliest arts of primitive man. Its beginnings make a step from savagery to the lower stages of barbarism. From the depth of certain accumulations, the successions of strata it would seem in most localities that many centuries had passed since the origin of the art. It is probable that in some districts owing to the unfavorable conditions that might have been practiced a thousand years. The general simplicity of form but careful execution of the few details would seem to an extent to suggest this view as regards the Iroquois.

## ***Great Ancient Cemetery***

***By C. Hope, A S of C C 528***

An ancient burying ground has been discovered on the Arkansas river near Webbers Falls, Ind. Ter. This burying ground is about two miles in length and probably contains the remains of many thousand people. About forty years ago the ground where these remains of human beings are now being found was covered with a heavy undergrowth of cane, but in recent years the timber and cane have been cleared away and the land put in a state of cultivation. In digging wells and other excavations human remains have been unearthed for several years past, causing little comment, as they were thought to be those of Indians. Cultivation of land on the beach near the river bank, followed by heavy rains, caused washouts to occur frequently, when human remains were brought to view in several localities, widely apart. Investigation shows that this burial ground runs for two miles along the banks of the river, the graves being in regular order, about four feet apart and corresponding with the points of the compass. All of these people were buried facing the east. With each was found an earthen bowl, inside of which was a mussel shell, the bowl in every instance being in the curl in the right arm, which enfolded the same, which was no doubt a religious rite. In most cases the bones crumbled to dust when exposed to the air, but some were in a fair state of preservation. In one instance only was a war implement found, and that was a spear head about nine inches long, in the grave of what appeared to have been a giant, while the others appeared to be below the average man of today. The skulls are unusually thick, some of them half an inch or more in thickness, with receding foreheads, and heavy black heads, being very wide in proportion. A report of these discoveries has been sent to Washington. It is believed that it is the burial ground of a prehistoric race.



The Publisher is anxious to get Plates, Items and Articles on Coins, Paper Money, Medals, etc.

## History of Country Told by Its Money

"It is astonishing how the study of numismatics may be made to read the history of a country," said Farran Zerbe, vice president of the American Numismatic society. "I have just come from the Mormon Historical society building, and if nothing but their collection of coins existed, we could read their history in them.

"I have just come from San Francisco, where I hurried to see what could be saved to history from the wreck of the almost priceless numismatic collection. They had completed a beautiful and very valuable cabinet just before the fire, and all is lost.

"My residence is in St. Louis and in the interests of our society I have traveled much. I am here to look over Utah and see what the Mormon church has in the way of coins. The Mormon officials coined their own money, beginning in 1850, and continuing till 1896, and the coins bear the date and name of the president, so that a student, a thousand years from now could form a fairly full history of general incidents from a collection of these coins.

"Now in the case of California see how fully we could write her history from her coins," saying which he opened a roll of cloth and took out five \$50 slugs of the octagonal shape, and three \$50 slugs of the circular form. "These octagonal coins were made in San Francisco from 1851 to 1862, and the circular ones from 1852 to 1855. You can see from the dates and inscriptions that no State Government existed, and that—when we take in consideration the coinage of the United States at the same period—strange and extraordinary need existed for their coinage.

"It is just so in all collections we have. We can furnish a fairly complete history of any Government whose coinage we possess."

"The American Numismatic society covers the whole country, and its officers are scattered all over the States. A. R. Frey of Brooklyn is our President, and his daily vocation is to value imports of foreign coins for the Government. So expert has he become at this work that he can tell the true rate of exchange for any number of any foreign coins. It would interest the layman to watch Mr. Frey as he counts over all sorts of coin and gives them their true value.



"Most coin of foreign countries varies in its value according to its date, having graded degrees of fineness, hence, it is important that a student of numismatics should be on hand to give correct valuation.

"I am, or was, superintendent of the foreign coin department of the St. Louis fair, and there had a good opportunity to see how extensive and far-reaching are the facts to be gleaned from a study of them.

"The study of numismatics is not appreciated by the people at large, but I look to see the day when it will be taken up as a factor in education, and find its place in the curricula of all grades of schools, just as economics does now. The study is, in fact, a branch of true archaeology, and in time will be an elective study in the higher schools.

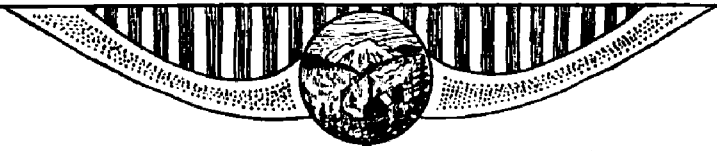
"Here is a curiosity," said he, bringing out an odd looking gold watch and chain. "This watch was made wholly by hand work, more than 200 years ago, for the British Government, to be presented to Admiral Jervis of the British navy. See how fully I could trace goldsmithing by a study of its workmanship. This chain was the property of a 'forty-niner,' who dug the nuggets himself, and had them fashioned for his brother." The watch and chain cannot be purchased.

"I go to Denver to inspect a collection in the new mint there, and then on to Philadelphia, where the largest and most valuable collection of coins in America is kept at the mint."—Salt Lake paper.

The Craze for "Antiques."—There is scarcely any one now who, having any pretensions to fashion or culture, does not consider it also necessary to assume a taste for the antique, and the craze is fast bordering on the ridiculous and tiresome. Why it should be thought that the selective capacity in this case should be a natural instinct any more than it is in the collection of other things, say, of Egyptian antiques; and why should every novice in the subject should consider himself fitted to judge at a moment's notice of the claims to age in china, pewter, oak, embroidery, brass, leather, enamel, and paste, each requiring, as it does, years of special study, it is impossible to imagine \* \* \* Any amount of money is being wasted daily by ignorant people in the pursuance of an assumed taste for that about which they know nothing, encouraging fraud of various kinds in a whole class of "fakers" who live by imposing on the ignorance of those who well deserve the treatment.—M. R. Conder in the "Leads Mercury."

Prince of Wales Collects Picture Post Cards.—The eldest son of the Prince of Wales is said to undoubtedly have the largest collection of picture postal cards in the world. The collection contains cards from every country in the world and they are classified so as to tell a story of the nations they represent. The cards now number more than 100,000. One of the most interesting albums in the collection is the volume containing the cards sent him by his parents during their recent trip around the world. There is some space saved for the present trip to India, but this will be taken up as soon as the prince and princess return from Asia. The collection of picture postals is more of a craze in England than anywhere else Germany being second and France third. When the English warships recently visited Brest the French postoffice profited by more than 12,000 francs from the stamps sold for affixing to postals to friends and relatives at home.—Gilbert N. Gunderson in the "Boys' World."

# MINERALOGY



(EDITOR'S NOTE—Our readers are invited to contribute interesting items, articles, etc to this Dept. Also reports of new discoveries of mines and minerals. All letters addressed to the editor at Glendive, Mont. will be answered as far as possible in this dept.—Forest Gaines)

The scientific world was lately shocked to hear that Prof. Curie, one of the discoverers of radium, had met with a tragic death at Paris. He was run over by a wagon and killed on April 9th. By his death science loses one of the greatest men of the present generation.

Prof. Curie was born in Paris on May 15th, 1859, and was the son of a physician. At about twenty years of age he began his chemical experiments being aided by a young Polish student whom he later married. They lived very simply that they might have means to continue their experiments. After long and continued patient investigation, radium was discovered in 1898. A short time later they were awarded the LaCaze prize of 10,000 francs. In the year 1903 they received the much coveted Nobel prize for chemistry and soon afterward, in recognition of their services to science, 60'000 francs, which was part of the French Osiris prize.

A quantity of radium, although it is sending forth its shower of emanations continuously from year to year, does not grow appreciably less. The most sensitive balance has not yet succeeded in showing any change of weight. Mme. Curie has found that the element polonium is a constant companion of radium mineral pitch blende. The fact seems almost a certainty, that some of these elements will later be subdivided into still simpler elements, having entirely different characteristics. Science has but begun its investigation of pitch blende and other associate minerals.

Messrs. Guntz and Roederer have given a summary of their researches upon the preparation and properties of the metal strontium to the Academie des Sciences. The properties of this metal are but little known up to the present and seem to differ according to the authorities or who treats the question. The preparation used by the authors contains 99.43 per cent of the pure metal. It was of a silver white color and crystalline in form, but tarnished almost instantly when in contact with the air. It melted at about 1800 deg. C. and volatilized at a higher temperature. Dry carbonic acid gas had no action upon it in the cold, but at a red heat this gas was absorbed with formation of a carbide and also of strontia. Benzine and ether had no effect on the metal, but absolute alcohol dissolved it easily, giving off hydrogen. Water was also decomposed by the metal, forming strontia, which was

dissolved. During the text which the gentlemen made to find the heat caused by the oxidation of the metal, they found that this lies between the figures for calcium and barium, as the chemical analogies would lead us to suppose

The minerals strontianite and celestite are the chief sources of this metal. The former is the carbonate and the latter, the sulphate of the metal. The chief deposits of this continent are found at Put-in-Bay on Lake Erie. Various preparations of the metal have been much used by manufacturers in the preparation of fireworks. It is certain that numerous other industrial uses will be found for this metal in a short time. Strontium belongs to the calcium and barium groups of metals.

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## *Postcards as School Books*

Much success has attended the interchange of letters and postcards between pupils in the London County Council schools and those in schools in our colonies.

London boys and girls are put in communication with children in the elementary schools in any part of his Majesty's dominions from which applications are received. Already there have been many cases of interesting and instructive correspondence. The county Council pays the postage on the letters. Canadian and New Zealand school boys and girls are the most prolific correspondents.

One feature is the interchange of pictorial postcards which invariably results. The scholars engage in this on their own initiative. A suggestion is thrown out that the postcards might be made as instructive as the letters. There is nothing in the regulations to prevent London headmasters from adopting this course if they see fit.

At the Ostend public schools collections of all postcards of instructive value, such as views of towns and districts and photographs of national costumes and scenes of current events, are exhibited in the class rooms, and are discussed between the children and the teacher. Two or three times a week the selection is changed, and when during the lessons any topic arises related to views in the school collection, these are shown and explanations given.—London Daily Mail.

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## **SOUVENIR CARD TAKES LONG TRIP AROUND THE WOLRD FROM RAVENSWOOD, W. VA.**

Dan B. Fleming started a souvenir postal card around the world, October 5. He sent it to the postmaster at Madrid, Spain, with a request to forward it to some other office farther East, thence to be continued on its way around the globe to him. From Madrid it was sent to Yokohama, Japan, and arrived here December 9, making the journey in eighty-five days. Another card started west the same day has not arrived.

On the same day he sent a card to a friend at Marietta, with a request to send to some one else and thus be kept going for thirty days to be returned to him. It made nine stops and was returned to this office from North Dakota, with signature of each one receiving it.

# *Another Interesting Collection*

*By Helen Cavanah*

Most collectors have more than one collection though there is usually one that has his closest attention. At different times I have had various collections, stamps in small quantities, souvenir spoons and a few curios gathered here and there during western travels. While souvenir postals are my latest, I am still true to my first hobby, I dislike the word but it saves repetition that of uniform buttons. It is interesting and instructive too though many think it foolish. But those people usually think that of all collections and often of the collectors themselves.

I had a rather comical experience in getting one button. We were buying coal early in the fall of the Omaha Exposition and the old colored man who delivered it wore a blue coat with brass buttons. My collectors eye spied them at once. I became anxious and said, "I am going to ask for one."

My mother did not want me to but I could not let the opportunity pass. When he returned to the door I braced myself for the question. My mother censured me before him for asking. He was one of the good old time darkies and his reply was:

"Law, missey, she wants it for a purpose (?) and I only wants it to fasten my coat."

He would no doubt have made a good collector for he certainly had the feeling and sentiment of an earnest, appreciative one. I have always had a pleasant thought for that old "uncle". But I will tell of his button. I should like duplicates of it—for I have never seen another like it. On a U. S. army blue coat with the thirteen stars across the top, it must be some state button. There is the fallen enemy whose crown has rolled to one side while the man victorious stands with the left foot upon his breast and the right upon his left arm. The ribbon motto below is "Sic semper tyrannis." "Ever so to tyrants."

If any readers know of this button I should be glad to have them reply to this. I have many curious buttons and could look over them and pick out several with little items of interest concerning them. There's the British, the Spanish, and the queer little one from Manilla; also the little one taken from an Indian grave in the state of Washington, the Canadian and numerous kinds that have seen active service under our own stars and stripes as well as those of our retired soldiers in the several national homes.

Some collectors have only those buttons from the military and navy uniforms but I welcome them from all uniforms. I have them from the world over. From the army, navy, the states and the cities. Including the fire departments, police, R. R., street cars, lodges, banks, mail carriers, asylums homes, schools and colleges. It is a large field though sometimes rather slow, especially if one devotes himself to a certain class only. Where I have to of any for a mixed collection I shall then divide them into two distinct collections—Military, city.

Note—As sic Semper Tyrannis is the motto of the state of Virginia, perhaps my button above mentioned is from there. I should like to know.

# *Heterodon Platyrrhinus Not Poisonous*

By Guy Bogart

There is a wide spread and deep seated conception that the heterodon platyrrhinus (commonly known as spreading adder, blowing viper or hog nose snake is poisonous. Owing to the wondrous powers of mimicry developed in this species, it is not strange that this misconception should be adhered to by many.

We might quote from a number of authorities but two of the best American scientists, David S. Jordan and Edward D. Cope will be sufficient to settle the question. Dr. Jordan says (Manual of the Vertebrates of the Northern United States) in enumerating the characteristics of the family Columbridae, to which *Heterodon* belongs: "Both jaws are fully provided with teeth which are conical and not grooved; head covered with shields; no poison fangs, \* \* \* They differ from the Elapidae of the southern United States, in the want of erect poison fangs; from the Croalidae, in having both jaws fully provided with teeth, and the absence of erect poison fangs."

In describing the *Heterodon platyrrhinus*, Jordan concluded, "when angry it depresses and expands the head, hissing furiously, thus exhibiting a very threatening appearance, but it is perfectly harmless."

This country has produced no better authority on reptiles than the late Prof. Edward D. Cope. In a comprehensive volume on "The Crocodilians, Lizards and Snakes of North America, (Annual Report of Smithsonian Institute, 1898) Dr. Cope remarks as follows in regard to poison in the species under consideration: "The heterodon platyrrhinus when disturbed by man, throws itself into vigorous contortions, spread the anterior ribs and opens the mouth widely, after the manner of venomous snakes. \* \* \* I once observed the singular conduct of an individual which was kept in a cage with a water snake (*Natrix sipedon*) and a copperhead (*Ancistrodon contortrix*). Both of the harmless species were evidently greatly frightened by the introduction of the copperhead into the cage. The water snake sought the lowest spot in the sand, on the bottom part of the cage, and coiling up, kept close to the ground, not even raising his head. The heterodon, on the contrary, inflated his long lung, swelling the greater part of his body into the form of a cylindrical bladder. He at the same time extended the anterior ribs so that this part of his body resembled the thin blade of a paper cutter. He then plunged his nose into the sand and covered the top of his head with as large a pile of that substance as it would carry. In this disfigured condition he paraded slowly about the case in front of the copperhead. The latter moved but little and showed no disposition to provoke a quarrel with its singular companion."

I have verified this fact of the non-poisonous character of the heterodon platyrrhinus by personal observations and by those of the Indiana scientists with whom I have talked the matter over, particularly E. R. Quick, of Brookville, who is quoted in the report of Dr. Cope above referred to, and characterized as "an accurate observer of nature."

Souvenir Buttons.—These make a very nice collection and especially so when only the ones with the pictures of great men are on the face. A nice collection can be obtained from any button company who will supply you a nice assortment at a small figure.

# *Hints to Buyers of Oriental Antiquities*

*By C. W. Anderson-Neary*

(Continued).

The perfume spoons are in the shape of shells and the handles are composed of figures either male or female often in the act of swimming and pushing the floating shell in front. They are most graceful and the work usually carefully executed while the designs are in great variety. Incense burners are also found representing an ape holding a jar or long tube in front of him in which the incense was placed. Other pieces are the kohl jar in marble alabaster, hermatite, agate, ivory and porcelain of many shapes with covers and without and ornamented with lotus flowers and often with Cyncephaly apes in good specimens. Little tablets with two pits which were used for pallatts or for the red and black colour for eyebrows and cheeks can also be seen. It is not generally known that the ancient Egyptian male and female painted their cheeks red and darkened their eyes, though the latter habit can be observed continued today by the native men in the streets. The ancient Egyptian also gave his fiancee and received from her a highly ornamented bracelet to be worn as a symbol of their approaching marriage. These are found of three different metals, gold, silver and copper, beautifully wrought. The best work in the spoons is found in the thinnest pieces and often an alabaster piece is so fragile that its a wonder how it could have been preserved. Scepticism exists amongst some travelers as to the genuineness of the antiquities exposed for sale and it seems incredible that visitors who can themselves pick up from the sand surrounding the mummy shafts various bits of ancient relics such as beads, figures and ornaments which they know to be genuine should suspect as forgeries all the small stocks offered by the natives often for so little. Egypt is a land full of antiquities, its sands are filled with tombs and each tomb on discovery is a veritable storehouse of curios and when one begins to think of the vast numbers of people who have lived and died in Egypt during the past, at least 6000 years and realizes that nearly every one of these was buried in this land and according to his or her own religion—a religion of curios! Realize all this and place beside it the puny effect of a few excavators who work but two or three months in a year and who can't be said to scratch the surface of this vast cemetery of thousands of square miles and one can then see how unending is the task to uncover all the secrets buried so deep in the bowels of mystic Egypt, but it must also be taken into consideration that each yearly flood adds its layers to the soil and that ancient Egypt and its buildings in most cases are far beneath the surface where many are past all redemption on account of subterranean waters and Nile infiltration. Those too skeptical travelers don't know so much as residents but they can observe native quarters only 100 years old already many inches below the streets and near the Cairo copper bazaar was a 500 year old mosque already more than three feet below the level, while on the northeast corner of the old Cairo wall 16 feet must be cleared to see the original level—What then must have happened in 50 to 60 or more centuries of time. At Tunis excavators went below the surface and found five distinct cities, one below the other. The lower ones can never be successfully examined until means are found to prevent percolation of water through the subsoil.

(To be continued.)

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Next month we hope to have the call for officers and the time set of the meeting of next annual convention. We also trust to have report for new sales Supt., Lederer, who has an ad in this No.

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SECY-TREASURER'S REPORT—New Members: 311 R. L. Doak. Fresno Ohio

### President's Message.

It is with profound sorrow that I announce the death of our Member and Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. W. P. Kelley on June 2nd, 1906 at Kansas City, Kansas.

In consequence of the demise of our late respected friend, and in conformity with article 6 of our constitution, I will appoint next month men for Secretary-Treasurer, to fill the vacancy till the next election will be held.

Respectfully, Charles Roemer, President.

Postal Cards. :—The extraordinary growth in the volume of post cards and the necessity which has now arisen to suppress the indecent and obscene ones which have found their way into the mails has called attention to the sudden growth of this picture postal card fad. The thing has come up like a weed, for two years ago it was a business carried on in a small way, and unknown to the great majority of the people. Now in this country, and more so abroad, the hurrying tourists resort to post cards to relieve them of the obligation of letter writing. In one week recently 200,000 of these post cards passed through the New York Postoffice, and it is no uncommon thing for a foreign steamer to bring in 60,000 of them. In one bag which came in on a European steamship there were 15,000 which had been mailed to Americans from postoffices in Switzerland. At the present time there are three times as many postcards of this sort in the mails as were sent a year ago.



# Union Souvenir Card Exchange



America's Largest Card Collectors' Club. Organized April, 1904

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 Address all communications to the Secretary, excepting new memberships which should be sent through your nearest Representative. Application Blanks and particulars furnished free upon application to any of the Officers or Representatives.

JUNE 1, 1906.

A Letter from Representative Shaver:

To the Members of The Union Souvenir Card Exchange:

In acknowledgement of the very kind write-up our Brother and Secretary gave me in the April issue of the WEST, will say that I am very glad that I have been of some service to such an organization as the The Union Souvenir Card Exchange, and as to being loyal, I shall always remain so. Souvenir card collecting is becoming more popular every day and just such a Union as the U. S. C. E. is what every card collector should become a member of. I am very sorry to say that during the last year or more I have been unable to answer all the cards I have received as promptly as I would have liked to, but I hope that in the future I will be able to attend to my duties as a member and as Eastern Representative in a more thorough manner than in the past. My heart is in the work, and my thoughts are with you each and every one. I only hope that we may form a friendship that will be lasting. I beg of you not to ask an exchange of more than one card as my collection is not very large.

Yours for Success. Artuhr L. Shaver.

Changes Among our Representatives. Please be advised that Messrs. Anderson-Neary, Jones & Company have severed their connection with The Union for the reason that their business in other lines has become so extensive that they have decided to discontinue the handling of cards and can no longer act as our Representative, neither can they exchange cards with our members. We thank this firm sincerely for the careful and attentive ways in which they have handled the affairs of The Union and regret exceedingly that they can no longer serve us.

Mr. Charles Bertrand, formerly Algerian Representative will hereafter act as General African Representative, succeeding Messrs. Anderson-Neary, Jones & Company.

In India we have appointed Mr. P. Narasimha, 160 College Street, Mysore, to act as our Representative. He is authorized to accept memberships and look after the general business of The Union in his locality and will carry a stock of application blanks and Union literature on hand. There will be "something doing" in India before long.



June Roll of Honor. This month we have to thank the following members for the assistance they have rendered us in the way of securing new members: 261. Mr. Clarence C. Parks, (2). 532. Mr. Walter L. Miller, (2) 486. Dr. W. P. Taylor. 469. Mr. Nelson H. Brown. 564. Mrs. Geo. H. Taylor.

Numbers following names indicate the number of times they have appeared on the Roll of Honor.

Away from Home. Mrs. Geo. Dobson, 33 Hamilton Avenue, Paterson, N. J., is at present in Europe and will not return to the United States until about October 1st, consequently all cards sent to her must remain unanswered until her return on the date mentioned.

580. Mr. Ralph C. Browne, Box 128, Tucson., Arizona, has just advised the Secretary that he was unexpectedly called away from home and will be gone for a month or perhaps six weeks, therefore he too, will be unable to answer any cards which may be sent him for exchange until he returns to his home in Arizona.

The Philatelic West. It still happens that you sometimes miss a number of the West and a complaint follows. To obviate this, all who have not received the paper regularly should write the publisher giving their full name and address (by the address is meant either Street number or Post Office Box) and this trouble will end. We ask you to do this because it scarcely ever happens that a magazine or newspaper is delivered to the proper party when the address is incorrect or incomplete, and the reason some of you have not received the paper each and every month is because the publisher has not your full and correct address.

To All Members. Miss Violet R. Melles, whose name appears on our list of new members under number 600, formerly resided in San Francisco and reports that she lost her entire collection in the San Francisco disaster. Here is a chance for the Union to show its colors. Can we not club together and help her build up a new and better collection. The Management strongly urges that each and every member send her as many cards as he or she can spare without asking for any in return. You will not miss the card and will feel happy ever after. If any of our other Frisco or former Frisco members are in the same predicament we hope they will write us; we will help them also.

Desires to Resume Exchange. 94 Mr. Anton Spies, Lestershire, N. Y., advises that he is now ready to resume the exchange of cards again.

New Members. 570. Miss H. Beach, 124 N. 17th St., Portland, Ore. 571. Earl Underwood, 11 Howard St., Auburn, N. Y. 572. Y. Maimuru, 6-Ichome Yoshiokaetis, Yokohama, Japan. 573. Ealter J. Taylor, P. O. Box 1233, Springfield, Mass. 574. James S. Baker, 548 Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, Ill. 575. Frank B. Smyth, Williamsburg, Colo. 576. S. Sugiyama, 9 Yamabushicho, Shitaya, Tokio, Japan. 577. N. F. Staley, 222 Main Street, Monongahela, Pa. 578. Blye Preshler, Kentland, Ind. 579. L. B. Bibow, 638 Millard Ave., Chicago, Ill. 580. Ralph C. Browne, Box 128, Tucson, Ariz. 581. J. A. LaChaine, St. Martin, Que., Canada. 528. F. H. Bell, 126 Paris Street, Montreal, Que., Canada 538. E. J. Stanbrough, 3802 N. Ill. St., Indianapolis, Ind. 584. Miss Mary Polk, Box 337, Manila, Philippine Islands 585. Fred Kunkel, Jr., 533 18th St., Milwaukee,

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# *A Remarkable Collection of Wish-Bones*

## *The Queerest of All Hobbies*

Perhaps the most extraordinary hobby of any living man is that of Mr. Joseph Harkins, of Cincinnati, who for upwards of twenty-five years has been collecting wish bones. How many he now has in his possession he himself would probably find it difficult to say, but that the number runs into several thousands is certain. The writer was shown four large boxes containing many hundreds of wish bones, all carefully wrapped in soft blue tissue paper, and the collector acknowledged that he had several more boxes in storage all filled with the same remarkable mementoes of dead and gone birds.

"How I came to take up the hobby of collecting wish bones," Mr. Harkins said to the interviewer, "is rather an interesting little story, and one, I flatter myself, which is not altogether without a touch of romance. Twenty-five years ago—to be exact, on the 24th of March, 1881—I was invited to attend a reunion dinner party, and it was my good fortune to be introduced to a Miss Mary Thayne, a very pretty girl of not more than eighteen. During the interval before dinner we chatted on various topics, and I soon found that she was as sensible as she was beautiful, and when our hostess asked me to take her in to dinner and look after her I thought I was pretty lucky.

"Well, it happened that one of the courses provided for our consideration was broiled 'squab,' and, as luck would have it, Miss Thayne got the wish bone. She laid it on the side of her plate, and when the course was finished she transferred it to her serviette, declaring that when dinner was over I must pull it with her. She was full of fun and good spirits, and before the ladies left the table we pulled the wish bone between us, and I secured the lion's share. What I wished you may easily guess, for I was already head over ears in love with my pretty charge, and long before I said good-bye to her that night I had determined that if she were willing she only should be my wife. Well, I need only add that a year later I realized my wish, for the young lady said it would be a pity to spoil my faith in wish bones by refusing my requests.

"That was the foundation for collecting wish bones. The one that had played so important a part in my life I took home with me, and, being very sentimental at the time, I had the two fragments joined together with gold bands, and"—going to a small cabinet near the window, and carefully opening it—"here it is." The wish bone was a very tiny one, but it had been big with fate, and I did not wonder that Mr. Harkins prized it above all the rest.

"Since we broke that first wish bone," continued the collector, gazing at the little memento with real affection, "I have always taken a special interest in that part of a bird's anatomy, and whenever I or my wife got the wish bone of any fowl we kept it, polished it, and tied a label to it, giving full particulars of the circumstances under which we obtained it. Soon our friends learned of our hobby, and we began to get wish bones from all parts of the country. We considered it a joke at first, but when they began to arrive with the most interesting labels attached we commenced to take the greatest interest in our collection and to watch it grow with real pleasure.

"I believe my collection now includes wish bones of almost every kind of known bird, from the biggest to the smallest, and some of them are extremely rare and valuable. I suppose the biggest wish bones I possess are those of a couple of ostriches, which were sent to me from South Africa some years ago. The emu wish bones run them pretty close, but they are not quite so long. The wish bones of domestic fowls, such as turkeys, ducks, squabs, geese, pheasants, partridges, quail, snipe, etc., which I possess are, of course, interesting on account of the circumstances connected with them rather than their rarity.

"I have such wish bones from almost every important public banquet which has taken place in America during the last twenty years, each bone being labeled with the date of the function, the notabilities that were I present, and other particulars of interest. From my wish bones I believe I could write a complete history of the banquets which have been given in the States since 1885. The smallest wish bone I have in my collection is that of a South African honey-bird, which is so minute that it would take several hundreds of them to weigh an ounce

"This collecting of wish bones has not been without its educational side, either, for it has led me to take an interest in ornithology, especially its anatomical branch, and I feel confident that if you were to select any wish bone from my collection that you chose I could give you a half hour lecture on the habits of the bird to which it once belonged."

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Possibilities of Post Cards.—"The possibilities of the pictorial post card are beginning to be recognized in America for its decorative value in house interiors," said Frank Lavarbeau, who represents a large post card publishing house and is now in the city for a couple of days. "Those who live in America are just beginning to come under the influence of the pictorial post card of the better class. It has, unfortunately, been degraded by many very questionable designs, but there are pictorial subjects in colors which are of the highest artistic quality. These are the cards to which I have reference. The newest recognition has been given the pictorial card in the form of a screen which takes the place of the post card album. The screen is a continuous display of one of the collections in which each card is finely colored. The varied tints and subjects in a collection of the cards give unique results when they are arranged tastefully in the screen. The screen is so made that the cards may be removed and replaced easily with a constant change in the design as the new cards are received, and the collector may go in for photographs, patriotic subjects, Dutch prints of which there are many series to be had, poster style pictorial cards, reproductions of famous portraits, architectural interiors, portraits of stage celebrities, or a dozen other styles of post cards. The available supply of post card designs is illimitable as to quality or subject, and a decorative screen make one of the best possible locations for a display of a collection of subjects."

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We learn from our special correspondent at Cologne that Mr. Albert von Oppenheim's famous collection of mediaeval works of art has been purchased en bloc by Mr. Seligmann, the Paris and London art dealer. The collection was the finest of its kind in Germany, and is particularly rich in ivory and wood carvings, silversmiths' work and enamels.

(Union Souvenir Card Exchange continued from two pages preceding.)  
Wisc. 586. Miss Grace M. Jackson, 7 University Place, Winnepeg, Man., Canada. 587. Mrs. Mary Robbins, 23 Vernon Street, Plymouth, Mass. 588. R. B. Lawson, Esau P. O., Perry Co., Ark. 589. L. E. Gauthier, 2741 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo. 590. Miss Mark Bricker, Utica, O. 591. Miss Marguerite C. Manker, 222 S. Webb St., Webb City, Mo. 592. Miss Florence M. Manker, 222 S. Webb St., Webb City, Mo. 593. Miss Anna R. Corl, 210 S. Webb St., Webb City, Mo. 594. Geo. H. Chandler, 127 Main St., Oneota, N. Y. 595. Mr. Frank G. Johnson, 23 Gault Ave., Oneonta, N. Y. 596. Eldredge and Gardiner, 17 Jefferson St., Attleboro, Mass. 597. Wm. E. Taylor, 3857 Lowell Boulevard, Denver, Colo. 598. T. Yamamuro, 313 Minamigata, Okayama, Japan. (Manners and Customs.) 599. Miss Grace Fancher, 1026 West Governon St., Springfield, Ill. 600. Miss Violet R. Mellis, 1403 12th Ave., Seattle, Wash. 601. F. L. Gove, 1213 Chestnut St., Oakland, Calif. 602. M. G. Baretta, Cornigliano Ligure, Villa Serra, Italy. 603. L. A. Rynning, 614 N. California Ave., Chicago, Ill. 604. Joe Galewsky, St. Helena, Calif. 605. Clare M. Baldwin, R. F. D. No. 1, New Castle, Pa. 606. Victor Friend, 1845 T. Street, Lincoln, Nebr. 607. Carl J. Lundblad, Box 892, Huron, S. D.

Change of Address. Elsie Sullivan from Yuma, Colo., to 2443 Curtis St., Denver, Colo. 394. Anton Spies, from Main Street, Oneonta, N. Y., to Lestershire, N. Y. 423. Dean Donaldson from P. O. Box 7706, to 406 South 13th Street, Lincoln, Nebr. 464. Allen Bechter from Pierce, Nebr., to 501 4th Avenue, S. W., Independence, Iowa. 499. Herman J. Funk from 171 East 25th Place to 2623 Princeton Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Foreign Exchange Only. 404. R. V. McCallum, 9 James Street, Auburn, Me., wishes to hereafter exchange cards with foreign members only.

Complaints. 446 against 313, 337, 375, 389, 424. 551 against 419, 423, 436, 439, 357. It is gratifying to note the decrease in the number of complaints this month and we firmly believe that if all members will always place their full name and address and Union number on all cards sent for exchange we will have no further use for a "Complaint" section as investigation proves that most of the complaints result from the senders of the cards failing to give their full name and address thus prohibiting the recipients from replying and "the innocent must suffer for the guilty."

Complaints Withdrawn. 352 against 336 and 391.

Expired Memberships. 168, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217,. Memberships 1 to 217, inclusive, and 231 to 249, inclusive, have now expired. We recommend that you do not send cards for exchange to any of these numbers as they have either given up collecting or renewed their memberships: in the latter case you will find their names under a new number and the old numbers should be discarded and the new ones recognized.

Resigned. 297. Joseph E. Mueller, 352 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. 136. Anderson-Neary, Jones & Company, Alexandria, Egypt. 513. Mrs. C. E. Carr, 252 Jefferson Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. When a member resigns it is usually because he receives more cards than he can handle or is sometimes financially unable to continue the exchange, or possibly prolonged illness is the cause. Therefore, when a resignation is announced it means all members should immediately stop sending the party cards for exchange.

# THE KANSAS CITY STAMP CLUB

The only stamp society in Kansas City. Regular meetings second and fourth Fridays of each month at 7:45 P. M. in Room 37, Jenkins Building, Thirteenth and Graud Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

Officers for 1906

President— Paul Luther  
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Presidents' Notice.—The club is progressing quite rapidly and new members are being admitted at every meeting. There are several good prizes offered for the most new members secured during June, July, and August. I would urge all members to work hard as the prizes which are offered are well worth working for. We have very nice meetings now, about ten members being the average attendance. There are seventeen members enrolled in the books at present and we expect the list to double before September 1st.—Very truly yours, Paul Luther, President.

Secretary's Report, June 17, 1906. Mr. G. Churns, 1411 Belleville Ave., Kansas City, was admitted to the club at the meeting of May 25, 1906. Mr. Henry Smith, 1215 Reservoir, Kansas City, was admitted on June 1, 1906; Mr. Carl Bargaen, 2823 Forest Ave., Kansas City; Mr. F. Bescher, Kansas City; Mr. M. O. Canfield, Kansas City, were admitted to the club at the meeting of June 8, 1906.

The election of officers to serve from June 1st to Dec. 1st was held at a special meeting on June 1st, with the results as shown at the top of this page. Mr. G. Jarboe was appointed Sargent again by the President.

Librarian's Report, June 17, 1906. Our library has been greatly enlarged during the past month by donations from Mr. J. N. Burton, Mr. James A. Carr, Jr. and Mr. L. T. Brodstone. Mr. Burton has sent some fifteen copies of the Philatelic Star of which he is the publisher. Mr. Brodstone sends some twenty copies of the Philatelic West, or nearly two complete volumes. From Mr. Carr I have received 160 copies of philatelic magazines which include several complete volumes and in addition to these, two books: Scotts Catalogue and "Legrandes Manuel for Stamp Collectors." All the above have been placed in the club's library and members wishing to read any of them may do so by making applicatoin for them in the usual way.—Yours respectfully, R. L. Nelson, Librarian.

Treasurer's Report. May 1, on hand.....\$1.78  
 Received for dues and applicatious ..... 1.75

June 1, 1906, on hand .....\$3.53

Wm. Fishman, Treasurer.

Record Prices for rare coins.—At a sale of rare old coins Friday evening at the rooms of the Chicago Numismatic Society, 1123 Masonic Temple, the following record prices were realized: 1 cent, United States, 1793, \$25.53; 2 cents, United States, 1794, 86.00; \$1 (silver), United States, 1794, 82.00; 1/2 (gold), United States, 1870, 42.00; \$2.50 (gold), United States, 1829, 21.75; 1/2 (gold), United States, 1839, 205.00; \$50 (gold), United States, 1852, 250.00; 1/2 (gold) United States, 1879, 63.25. This sale shows Chicago is in line with New York and Philadelphia as a numismatic center.

## Caution

seems to me very advisable in setting down reports of supposed historical facts, which in later years may be taken for the truth and referred to by later writers. Telltale stories from lying Indians, told for the gain of a dollar or two or for a sack of tobacco, are not authentic. Still there are so-called historians, who prefer an Indian's doubtful story and accept it as gospel truth, where Indian history is veiled in mystery.

It may help some and is not entirely objectionable to consult and hear Indian tell about the past and about their forefathers' ways, customs and migration, but it is also not wise or correct to believe them unrestrictedly.

We have the old travelers reports to refer to and we have the remains of Indian habitations with their treasures of debris of all kinds, bones of animals, implements, ornaments, ceremonials and weapons of different shape, which minutely examined and consulted, tell truthfuller tales to the open-eyed and wide awake investigator. These three sources compared, combined and compounded, and afterwards washed and sifted in a careful and scrupulous manner, by the use of a clearly decisive brain may lead closer to the truth about things of the past, and to the true knowledge of prehistoric events, of which no sworn or testified record has been kept, and of which the Indians, who were not even born at the time of occurrence, know nothing definite as is the fact indeed.

I know of educated men of our times, who wrote false statements under erroneous impressions and conclusions and gave them to print and I know of a certain historical striver, who takes all the telltale stories coming from Indians for granted, no doubt, to have them printed. The ambition to appear as an author of some kind is alluring but lamentable for much mischief is done, misleading and embarrassing by rash acceptance of all kind of stories by any kind of source. To control Indian stories the old traveller and the present remains of Indian villages have to be consulted, in fact one of the three sources indicated has to be compared with the two others alternately. I know even of ancient maps reproduced, which are not correct, and consequently are misleading. This mistake can be proven by the condition of things as found today, and where a change of locality was impossible. All men are fallible, but recorders of ancient history should not jump at conclusions on doubtful testimony, and dish them out to the present and to the coming generation as the genuine article.—By E. R. Steinbrueck.

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Idol's Eye Now in a Museum.—In the Duke of Richmond's collection of jewels in London are gems that have helped to make history. One huge diamond once belonged to the founders of the Mogul dynasty in India, and one black diamond did duty for centuries as the eye of an Indian idol. Then there is a ring of Mary Stuart's, bearing her monogram, "M. R.," a pair of earrings that belonged to Marie Antoinette, and twelve splendid solitaire diamonds that once formed the vest buttons of Pedro, Emperor of Brazil. There is also a fine tiara of diamonds in the form of a round crown, besides many beautiful necklaces, brooches and earrings. These jewels are most carefully guarded, and the book that catalogues and describes them has 263 pages.—Chicago Record Herald.

# ***Button Collecting***

***By Mrs. Geo. Buam.***

To the collector of postals who is desirous of including something besides the ever interesting cards in his collection there is no more fascinating pastime than to collect souvenir, lodge, and club buttons and pins.

To the uninitiated this fad may seem limited. Such an impression soon gives way however, to the realization that the possibilities are unlimited. In every event of any public interest opportunities present themselves to enrich your collection. In fact, every walk of life makes its contribution. Municipal, state and national campaigns offer a rich harvest. The army and navies of all countries and the militia of the several states of our country, are bountiful sources of supply.

The police and fire departments of our cities present another field to the collector.

Those buttons which the collector will find it easiest to obtain are the celluloid variety of all sizes, made principally by Whitehead and Hoag, of Newark, N. J. They are both beautiful and interesting. In my collection can be seen the flags of all nations; the coat of arms of our state; pictures of political candidates, and of the rulers of all foreign countries; souvenirs of the great expositions; the emblem of the principal clubs, lodges and organizations of the world. In all I have succeeded in collecting 2500 different buttons, and the accompanying photograph will give an idea of the arrangement I make of them. To the beginner this may seem a large collection, but I now realize that it is only a start, and hope within a short time to more than double it.

Those who are of a progressive or ambitious turn can include medals and badges in their collection. The variety obtainable is remarkable. The police and constables of this and foreign countries all wear badges showing their authority. These are hard to obtain but how the possibilities in this line. There are medals given in the army and in the militia for proficiency in rifle and pistol shooting. Medals are also struck off as souvenirs of public event. In my collection are numbered some from the Columbian, Philadelphia and other expositions; the coronation, marriage and jubilee of Queen Victoria; and also I have three of which I am particularly proud. They are of silver and commemorate the Boer War. I have a Lincoln medal which is rare. Of this branch of the collection it may be said, more particularly than of the other, that age increases the value, for a medal may have its own intrinsic value and also be an antique. The celluloid buttons have only been manufactured about fourteen years, but medals for centuries.

Of badges the most plentiful supply is at the picnics and outings of societies and clubs. Badges are pretty and greatly add to the beauty of a collection. At the annual encampment of the G. A. R. which is to be held on the 14th of June this year at Patterson, N. J., I expect to add many buttons, medals and badges to my collection for at affairs of this kind they are always plentiful. See illustrations in the next number.

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**Remnants of Ancient Races:**—In the Caucasus are remnants of some of the race of prehistoric Europe that have nearly perished from the earth. Among these are Ud, and Kurin, the Avar and the Tushal speaking a different language and each unintelligible to the other.

# Universal Philocartist Protective Association

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## Secretary's Report.

Dear Fellow Members:—We regret very much that our reports and lists of members have been delayed so long, but it was unavoidable on our part. On account of the Post Card World, our former official organ, selling out we were compelled to search for another paper to take its place. After some deliberation we decided that the WEST would be the most suitable for the Association for several reasons. It gives us the most news and circulation of any paper and brings us in touch with more foreign collectors, which will help us to get more foreign members. You all want lots of foreign cards, don't you? The WEST is the pioneer post card paper as it was the first to start a department for philocartists and has encouraged the fad as much as possible ever since. The members who are already subscribers to the WEST will have their subscriptions extended to the time they are entitled to and those who are entitled to and those who are not subscribers to the WEST will receive it instead of the Post Card World.

The Secretary has a large supply of application blanks and booklets of the rules and regulations and will send a supply to all who request them. We are going to start a prize competition next month and also announce the premiums offered for getting new members. Mark your membership number on the back of all application blanks you send out and we will credit you with any members you get. All members you get from now on will count for the prizes.

All members are invited to send in any suggestion they may have for the improvement and advancement of the U. P. P. A. We want to make this the world wide exchange club and we cannot do it without your assistance. Foreign members are particularly desired, to try and get foreign exchangers to join.—Jas. J. Sheridan, Secretary.

## THE ATLANTIC SOUVENIR CARD COLLECTORS SOCIETY

World Wide Exchange for the Card Collectors.

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### Report from Executive Committee June 1906.

President's Report:—Any persons who wish to go on the Translation Committee send their name and address to me. We are going to have Translation officers, so write me and let me know what languages you can read and speak.

Secretary's Report:—I will have printed lists of our members and also representatives. Send for one. Would you like to take an honored repre-



representative position? Write to me and see if your state has a representative yet. We have new prospectus and application blanks printed. Did you get one? If not, write for one. The Secretary and Treasurer is going to Upper Canada this summer for a trip and he hopes to meet many of the A. S. C. C. S. members between Philadelphia the and the upper land of Canada.

Any persons who did not have any answer to their mail write me concerning it.

Write for new prospectus and the Secretary and treasurer wants your name. Receive fine post card free from him.

Executive Committee: All persons who are interested in any class of card collecting will send his name and address to the Secretary and Treasurer will receive a gift and some information to his advantage.

Write now and if you want to join ask for prospectus. We have formed classes for the different kinds of cards. What kind do you save?

We remain cordially,  
 Harry W. Frister, President,  
 James Wilson, Jr., Secy.-Treas.

LARGEST STAMP SOCIETY IN AMERICA

**Stamp Collector's Protective Association of America**

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Fellow Members:—I am sorry to say that not enough of you are showing an active interest in the Sales Department. Bear in mind that this department is at your service no matter whether you are an advanced collector or just a beginner. We have books of good stamps circulating that are marked from 50 to 75 per cent below catalog. You are missing some grand opportunities to buy stamps at money saving prices by not receiving some of the fine circuits that are going out. I want at least a portion of your patronage and I want you to write me today and have your name placed on my list for approval circuits. Don't wait; don't keep putting it off, get on the list right away. W. A. Imbler, Sales Supt., Compton, California.

The Philatelic Advertiser has a claim on Swope or the Falls City Stamp Co. They state that they inserted his ads without order and then want him to pay for them. It seems strange that the Phil. Ad Pub. makes such a claim as he has owed the WEST for over eight months for ads, and WEST is unable to get paid by him in full. Bishoff of Missouri complains of Levy of Hungary, any others? There has been several complaints made on parties and ones complained on say they are waiting for postage to return the goods and so wrote for goods sent on approval without postage or order, for it is best in all cases to send postage with goods. Would like to hear from all who have complaints on Spinony as there has been several but most have got their stamps back. H. Williams of Roxbury, Mass., has been appointed auction manager.

New Members:—P. Bergen, Denison, Ia.; P. Peterson, EauClaire, Wis.; H. Morgan, Victoria, B. C., Can, Box 553; N. Drago, Fairfax, Mo.; J. Lewis, Petaulma, Calif.; H. Whitney, Browntown, Tex., Box 560; W. J. Hallett, Merle, Calif.; D. A. Browne, Astoria, Ore.; L. V. Cass, Lenox, Pa.

We expect to call election in next issue and all should send nominations.



# ..Camera News..

Editor—F. J. Clute, Sacramento

## *A Few Timely Hints as to the Working of Bromide Paper*

Richard Hines, Jr., Mobile, Ala.



Bromide paper must be worked in a room from which all light is excluded. This will become apparent when one stops to think that bromide paper is only six times slower than the fastest dry plate on the market. This paper is probably more used for the purpose of enlarging than for contact printing, but if handled properly there is no reason why a contact print on bromide paper should not equal one made on regular "gaslight" paper.

Of course bromide paper has its disadvantages as well as its advantages. Among the advantages are the greater control over the image in development, the rapidity with which a batch of prints can be made, the faculty whereby errors in exposure can be corrected in development, and the extreme simplicity of the whole process when one has once mastered its details. Bromide can be obtained with any surface desired, from the very rough for broad sketchy effects to the semi-mat for portraits.

Any of the organic developers work well with bromide paper. Some authorities advocate the use of rodinal, others recommend amidol, while still others claim that Metol-hydrochinon is the best all round developer for bromide paper that has ever been discovered.

To make a contact print, proceed as follows: Retire to the dark room and place a sheet of paper in the frame over the negative. No other light must be allowed, except from the ruby lamp. After placing the balance of paper back in the envelope, turn up the light and make the exposure. For a negative of average density, the required exposure will be about two seconds, at a distance of twenty-four inches from a Wellsbach burner.

Now proceed to develop the print. Move the ruby lantern up to the tray, so as to get all the light possible, and proceed in the same manner as if you were developing a dry plate. A very strong developer is best when you wish to secure contrasty prints of the velvety black order. Here is the formula:

Water .....	6 ounces
Carbonate of Soda, 1 dram.....	30 grains
Sulphite of Soda, 2 scruples.....	5 grains
Metol .....	4 grains
Hydrechion .....	4 grains
Potassium Bromide (10 per cent) .....	10 drops

The image will begin to appear in about ten seconds if the proper exposure is given, and development will be complete in about ten minutes. However, if the print is under-exposed it may require ten minutes to bring the development to completion. When the image flashes out rapidly it indicates over-exposure, and if the print is to be saved at all the developer must be

poured off and the print flooded with water. Development may afterward be completed in a very weak solution. With small prints it is not advisable to bother with the developer in order to save the picture. Better throw the print away and make another exposure.

Prints on bromide are fixed, washed and mounted in the same manner as in other cases, only when fixing you must keep the tray containing the fixing bath well covered. After prints have been fifteen minutes in the fixing bath, take them out and rinse them for five seconds in clear water before taking them out into the light. The great variety of tones that it is possible to obtain on bromide paper, by simply modifying the strength of developer and varying the length of exposure, is one of the advantages that brings the paper into favor with advanced amateurs. For the slow development of bromide, and where the aim is to produce a soft gray tone, sodinal developer has no tendency to stain. By purposely over-exposing the print and then developing in a weak solution you can obtain a soft print abounding in detail. By giving short exposures and using full strength developer you obtain a contrasty print.



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QUERIES SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO FAYETTE J. CLUTE,  
416 J. ST., SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA.

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**W. K. F.—Faded Negatives:** It is hardly possible that anything will restore the negatives. You might try soaking them in water to soften the film and then immersing them in a bath composed of forty grains of Schlippe's salts to four ounces of water. It may not do much good but give it time to work. It requires some soaking to secure results, even where such is obtainable.

**L. D. H.—Are Iso Plates Advisable:** An ordinary plate is sensitive practically to blue and violet only an Iso plate to green, yellowish green and yellow, therefore it must render any subject with a variety of colours in it better. The term ordinary ruby light is about as definite as the proverbial lump of chalk, and this can only be determined by a spectroscopic examination of the glass or a practical trial, and the latter may be performed by placing a plate at the usual place of development, covering it with an opaque card, and exposing it in strips to the red light for various periods, say 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, and 20 minutes, then placing in an ordinary developer and leaving in the dark for 10 minutes, and then washing and fixing. If fog shows in strips, the light is not safe, but almost any dark-room light may be used if it is never allowed to shine directly on the plate but on to a wall and thence to the dish, and if the dish is kept covered during development and Watkins' time system of development adopted. With regard to the developer, we can only say that anything that will do for an ordinary plate will do for an ortho—they are not rare and unique creatures requiring special skill and special treatment.

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The reckless snapping of a shutter will never elevate the standard of photography. It is but the beginning and many fail to look any further. A man's work is as his mind, if one be deep and resourcefull, the other will be found the same.



# American Camera Club Exchange

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Secretary—L. T. Brodstone, Superior,  
Neb.

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# EDITOR SAYS

*With Earthquake and Fire*



A quarter past five is not my usual time for leaving my bed, but on the morning of April 18th I was awake and dressed but a few minutes later. When the house in which one resides starts to rock from side to side and then from end to end accompanying the exercises with the sound of falling brick and creaking timbers, even the most sound slumberer decides to forego the pleasure of sleep for the time being.

Finding that the family were unharmed and suffering only from fright, the next thing to do was to take stock of the damage. This resulted in finding nothing more serious than the throwing down of the chimney, a number bad cracks in the plastering and the destruction of a few dishes, vases, picture frames, and the like, which were had been thrown from china closets, side boards, dressers, mantles and walls. Later it was discovered that a large part of the brick foundation on which the house, a frame one, stood, had been thrown into the basement. The city Hall, perhaps the most badly injured building in the city, was but three blocks away.

Camera Craft office was located on the fifth floor of the Academy of Science building, some six blocks from my home. Few buildings on Market street showed much signs of damage. Here and there cornices and ornamental work had fallen to the street, but that seemed all. Entering the Academy of Science building by a key which unlocked the iron gates, I stumbled up the stairs which were littered with large masses of plaster work which had been thrown down. The building must have been shaken most violently. Entering my office I found a general wreck. Everything was covered with plaster, hardly a vestige having remained on the ceiling. Cabinets against the walls were thrown forward into the room. Typewriters, ink wells and the like were also resting on the floor, and in the rear room, where cuts, back numbers, stationery and files of papers had been carefully stored, nothing remained in place. The two dark rooms still further in the rear could not be reached on account of the mass thrown down and against the door. At this time I felt little fear of fire, but wishing to be on the safe side gathered together a few of the most important books and the subscription list and started for home and breakfast.

That afternoon we carried bedding and small trunk to Jefferson Square, about five blocks from the house and two above the wide Van Ness avenue across which it was thought the fire could not reach. That night, after trying in vain to engage a team, we spent the weary hours in watching the flames as they roared within three blocks on the east and less than a block on the south. A nearby pile of lumber in front of a house in course of construction supplied material, which in turn furnished the frame of a shelter to keep off the thickly falling ashes and cinders.

The night of that awful second day no one seemed able to say that any part of the city was safe. Thousands left home that were not burned, and it is safe to say that very few in any part of the city slept with any feeling

of security that night, excepting possibly those who were worn out and who were at such a distance that the fire would require more time than the hours between darkness and dawn to reach them. That morning, after trying several places in vain, I enlisted the services of my good friend, Mr. Kern, who had a horse and wagon at a stable near his home for the use of his employes. With this at our disposal, we transferred the bedding, trunk and few things which had been carried from the office, to the house of a friend on First Avenue, just north of the Casino in Golden Gate Park. Here we found others who had been burned out, enjoying the hospitality of a large camping tent in the garden in the rear of the house. This was done but an hour before the vast throng in Jefferson Square were ordered to leave for fear of the fire. At Union Square, in the down-town district, trunks and the like had burst into flames and been consumed by the great heat of the burning buildings which surrounded it. Jefferson Square did not suffer the same fate, and while many left they returned later and found their scant belongings safe as the fire came no closer than on the morning of the second day. The course of the flames could not be predicted for more than an hour at a time. A supply of water here, the use of dynamite there or the changing of the wind would set it off in a new direction at any moment. After locating ourselves well out past the entrance to the park, we took a climb to the top of Lone Mountain, which lay directly between the burning city and the house of my host. The sight of the burning city, particularly as night drew on, was one never to be forgotten. A wall of fire, blocks in extent, seemed to gradually creep westward along the northern part of the city, consuming in turn the residences on Russian and Nob Hills. Over to the right another long line of fire crept slowly toward us from the Mission district. Safe as we felt, with the bare slopes of Lone Mountain in front and the old Odd Fellow's Cemetery to our right, we dared only to express a hope that both of the advancing arms of the fire would be checked before either could reach us, the first from the left and the other, after extending beyond, from the rear. Our fears were not realized, as the use of explosives and the fortunate shifting of the wind brought the fire under control. The amount of destruction wrought by the flames has since been estimated as four hundred and fifty blocks.

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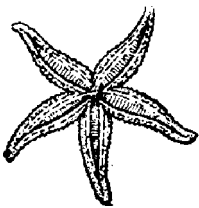
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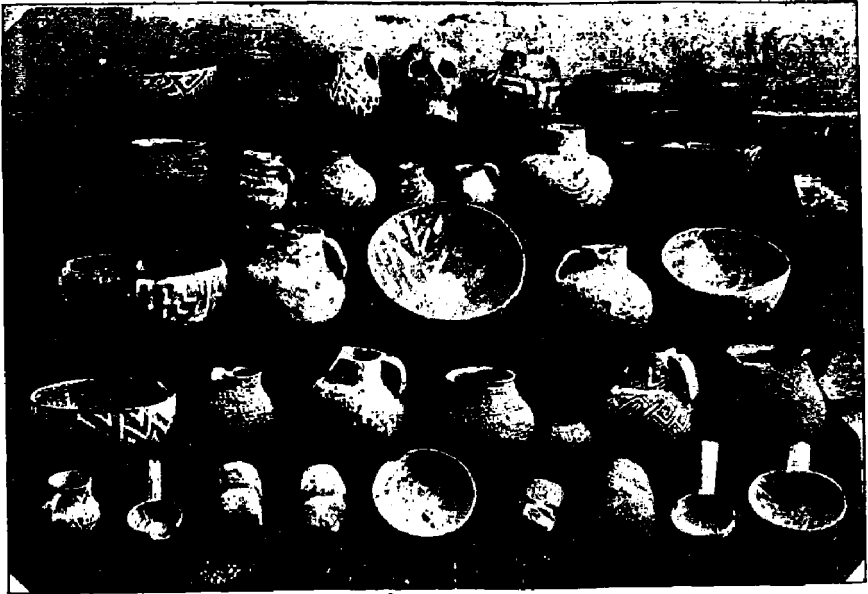
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I have lately become possessed of the Geo. D. Barnes collection of Stone, Bone and Copper, Indian relics, 30,000 pieces. I shall break up the collection and offer it for sale in large and small lots to colleges, schools, dealers and collectors.

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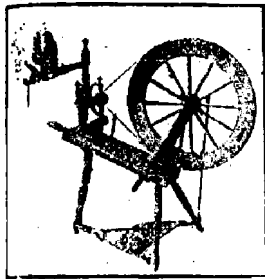
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Price \$1.00 postpaid.  
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North Dakota Capitol Building	3c
Set of 6 colored Flag Girls (fine)	15c
Frisco Earthquake views 6 for	10c
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10 articles each from different mound prepaid for \$1. Send for outlines and wholesale prices

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**A. E. Marks,  
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Now is the time to start a collection of old issues of U. S. Bank notes, before they largely increase in value. They are far more interesting than stamps, and never lose their value, because always negotiable. Write to

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Beautifully colored, each having the design of a Gypsy holding one of the court or suit cards used in a pack of Playing Cards, and each with an appropriate fortune printed upon it. For instance: The Ten of Clubs reads: "Some one is love sick over you." The Queen of Hearts: "An amiable blonde has enshrined you in her heart," etc., etc. Lots of fun, and you can play Euchre with them afterwards. A package of 50 for 30c. postpaid. No stamps, please. P. J. PLANT, 1928 9th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

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Omaha views in beautiful colors. 25 kinds	02½	\$1.75
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Six different souvenir postal cards of Pottsville and vicinity for 10c.

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Wanted to X souv post cards with everyone from anywhere I will X equal quality of those received. I will send 10 fine colored views of So Cal and vicinity for 20c or 4 10c postpaid any where in U S or Can. L. J. Packard, box 343 Pasadena, Cal.

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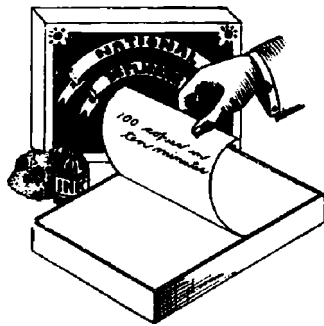
Would like to X post cards views of all State Capitol Bldg and with collectors of all foreign countries. W. M. Herr, 452 W King St, Lancaster, Pa.

I will X S P C's with collectors all over the world. No comics. Blye Pusher, Kentland, Ind.

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Exchange: I will give four-fifths cat from my five approval sheets for all stamps sent me cat 4c each or over. Alex Chappe, Hayward, Cal.

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Shells, various from	5 to 25c	
Arrow points from	5 to 15c	
Fifty small curios		\$.00
Drills, hammer, stones etc		.10
Fair collection of insects, pinned but not named		2.00
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Write me your wants, I can supply a great variety of natural history specimens, everything prepaid at above prices, every one a bargain. Address Forest Gains, Glendive, Montana. Head Minerology Dept., A S of CC Ref. Mr. Brodstone of the WEST.

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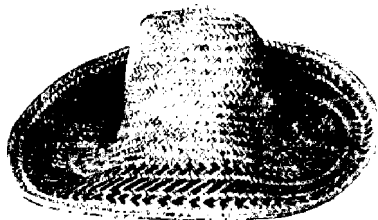
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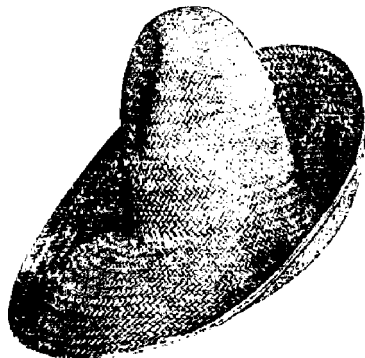
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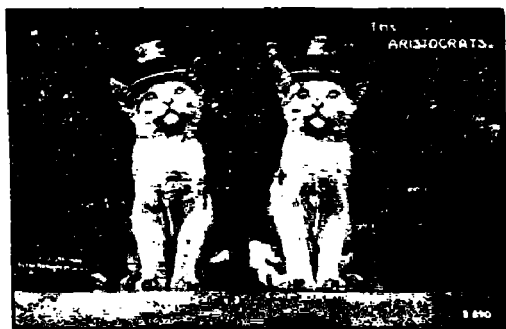
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"	2c red	.02	.18
"	3c red	.08	.70
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50 “ 1898 \$1 Doc uncut.....	1 00 20c
10 Baden 1864 3k rare .....	20 6c
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10 Brazil 1900 200r.....	30 5c
10 Cape of Good Hope 1898 ½p	20 5c
15 Fiji Islands 1893-96 1, 2p rare	75 28c
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10 Travancore 1893 ½c.....	80 15c
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10 New Zealand 1899 2p pict'1	1 00 10c
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Persia, No. 226.....	12	3c	
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	Cat	\$5 00	

My price Postpaid only \$1.00.

	cat our price		
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" " 34 .....	20		06
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" " " " " "	.25	.10
Proprietary " " " "	.20	.07
Agreement " " " "	.05	.02
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1000 2c Columbian .....	.18
1 set unused Buffalo stamps	.45
1 set unused St. Louis stamps	.30
1 set Columbian used 1 to 10	.10
1 set Omaha used. ....	.15
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1 set St. Louis used .....	.14
1-7c orange vermilion 1873. ....	.25
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15c unused o g Columbian ..	.23
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1000	" Austria.....	"	30c	5c
1000	U. S. Tel.....	"	10c	2c
1000	Salvador.....	"	25c	5c
1000	Nicaragua.....	"	30c	5c
1000	Venezuela.....	"	30c	5c
1000	Set of 5 Cuban Rev.....			5c
1000	Gum hinges, fine.....			8c

Send for list of other bargains and don't forget our fine 66 $\frac{2}{3}$  percent approvals.

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Hawaii	2c	1883.....	2c
"	2c	1889.....	2c
"	1c	1894.....	3c
"	2c	1894.....	3c
"	1c	1899..	3c
Hayti	2c	1899.....	2c
Panama	20c	1896.....	10c
"	20c	1896.....	2c
"	5c	".....	2c
"	2c	".....	2c
"	10c	".....	3c
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1000 different stamps..... 2.25  
500 " " ..... .75  
50 different Entires (finelot) .30  
100 " " (very fine lot) ..... 1.00  
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2000 " " " " .....	11 00
250 " " of France.....	1 25
20 " " Reunion.....	40
100 " " German States.....	25
300 " " .....	2 50
100 " " Spain and col. ....	80
500 " " .....	2 00
100 " " Mexico.....	60
250 " " .....	2 50
120 " " Great Britain.....	40
250 " " .....	3 00
180 " " Argentine.....	1 50
150 " " British Col.....	80
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100 " " "	20
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100 " " "	65
20 " New Zealand	10
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40 " Japan, worth 50c	05
10 different Turkey	03
20 " " "	09
50 different Turkey	45
75 " " "	1 00
*8 " Liberia	12
*19 " Liberia	60
10 " Panama	20
5 " " "	10
10 " India	02
15 " " "	03
25 different Italy	04
10 " Persia	09
20 different Persia	25
100 " Persia very fine set	2 40
30 " " revenues	1 00
6 " Mauritius	04
200 " Foreign only	12
300 " " "	25
500 " " "	75
1000 " " "	2 40
2000 " " "	9 00
No U. S. A. Grand Packet	
50 different French Colonies	35
5 " Newfoundland	03
10 " " "	09
30 " " "	1 00
5 " Siam	08
7 " " "	15
4 " Crete	04
4 " Fiji Islands	06
100 " British Colonies	45
50 " " "	06
14 " Sweden	02
30 " " "	10
20 " Norway	12
25 " " "	20
10 " Finland	07
7 " Iceland	20
10 " " "	30

## \*means unused

10 different Paraguay	10
15 " " "	18
10 " Argentine	06
10 " Brazil	05
United States 1895, 50c cat 15	06
" " 1903, 50c cat 15	06
" " 1903, \$1.00 cat 45	18
" " " \$2.00	1 00
" " " \$5.00	1 45
25 different Japan revenues	05
5 " Japan post cards	05
8 " Hawaii	20
10 " Luxemburg	06
50 " Africa only	30
100 " " "	75
50 " Asia only	20
100 " " "	65
200 " " "	1 45
10 " Servia	07
15 " " "	15
40 " France	10
15 " Russia	05
20 " " "	10
15 " Switzerland	07
10 " Peru	07
Canada Postage Due 1,2,5c	08
" Kings Head 1 to 20c	10
" " " 20c	07
" Jubilee 50c	18
" " " 6c	35
" " " 2.00	1 39
" 1893 20 & 50c	15
Russia 1890 3½ Rouble	80
" " " 7	80
" 1899 1 Rouble	08
France 1900 2 & 5 Franc	15
English 2-6 & 5 sh	15
50 different Greece	75
10 " " "	04
10 " Canada	01
25 " " "	09
10 " Strait Settlements	10
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25 " Brazil	25
1000 " Foreign	2 40
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"    15-30-50c.....	\$1.20	45c
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Pan American 1-10c .....	23c	9c
Set Honduras official 1890 .....	68c	25c
Philippines 4 var.....	13c	3c
U. S. Revenue 1c green small IR 15c	5c	5c
"    "    3c Telegraph green	25c	8c
"    "    2c playing card blue	25c	8c
Set Honduras 1-2-5 Pesos 1891	75c	25c
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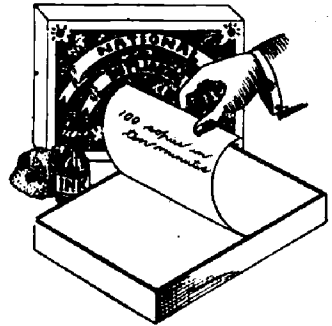
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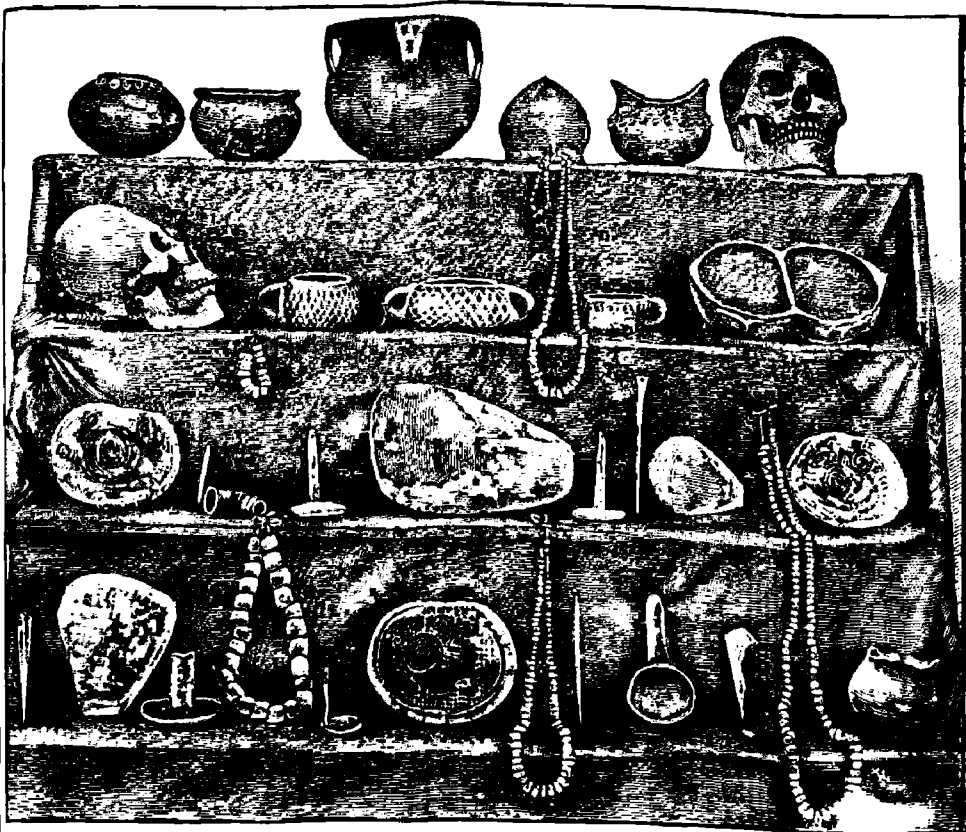
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 per 100 per 1000  
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 2c red " " " 5c 35c  
 4c rose red " " " 20c  
 5c lilac " " " 10c  
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## ORIGINAL COVERS

1855-1 rp.....\$ 10	1873 50c..... 10
1857 y¼..... 1 20	1874 25c..... 05
1866 20c..... 20	1874 50c..... 15
1866 40c..... 3 00	1878 5c..... 80
1869 5c..... 1 25	1879 5c..... 20
1870 5c..... 2 00	1880 10c..... 1 00
1870 10c..... 03	1899 10c..... 05
1870 20c..... 08	1900 1 on 3..... 10
	Special Delivery..... 10

## SINGLE STAMPS

†unused \*used

*1855 2r..... 30	*1870 20c..... 04
*1856 2r..... 25	*1873 25c..... 01
*1857 2r..... 08	*1873 50c..... 04
†1857 y¼..... 1 00	*1878 5c..... 55
*1866 5c..... 35	*1878 50c..... 03
*1867 40c..... 25	*1879 5c..... 09
*1868 20c..... 75	*1879 12½..... 09
*1869 5c..... 1 00	*1880 10c..... 1 25
*1870 5c..... 1 50	*1883 10c (e)..... 1 50
*1870 10c..... 02	†1888 2½c..... 03
*1898 4c..... 55	†1888 10c..... 12
*1898 6c..... 08	†1886 2½..... 08

### "CUBAN U. S."

*1..... 01	*2..... 02
*2..... 02	*3..... 06
*3..... 06	*5..... 03
*5..... 03	*10..... 05
*10..... 05	

1900

1,2,3,5,10..... 10	
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### "POSTAGE DUR"

1..... 02	2..... 03
2..... 03	5..... 06
5..... 06	10..... 10
10..... 10	

### "SPECIAL DELIVERY"

10c orange (1900)..... 03	
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PUERTO PRINCIPE

1899

### SURCHARGED

Scott No. *184 5 on 1m..... 6 00	
*185 5 on 2m..... 10 00	
*186 5 on 3m..... 15 00	
*188 5 on 5m..... 3 00	
* Au inverted surcharge..... 25 00	
*191 5c on ½m..... 10 00	
*192 5c on ½m..... 2 50	
*193 5c on ½m..... 8 00	

Scott No.

*213 5 on 2 E ents..... 25 00	
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ENVELOPES

1900

*1,2,5 25 Revenues †..... 10	
	25..... 10

WHOLESALE

1900

	per 10 per 100
1c green..... 01	10
2c red..... 01	08
3c purple..... 20	1 50
5c blue..... 20	1 00
10c brown..... 30	2 00

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1 stamp..... \$ 02	
2 "..... 03	
5 "..... 07	
10 "..... 12	
25 "..... 25	
100 "..... 1 00	
150 "..... 1 40	
200 "..... 1 60	
500 "..... 3 00	
1000 "..... 6 00	

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1857 y¼.....	1 20	1874	25c.....	05
1866 20c.....	20	1874	50c.....	15
1866 40c.....	3 00	1878	5c.....	80
1869 5c.....	1 25	1879	5c.....	20
1870 5c.....	2 00	1880	10c.....	1 00
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*1855 2r.....	30
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*1867 40c.....	25
*1868 20c.....	75
*1869 5c.....	1 00
*1870 5c.....	1 50
*1870 10c.....	02
*1898 4c.....	55
*1898 6c.....	08

### "CUBAN U. S."

*1.....	01
*2.....	02
*3.....	06
*5.....	03
*10.....	05

### 1900

1,2,3,5,10.....	10
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### "POSTAGE DUE"

1.....	02
2.....	03
5.....	06
10.....	10

### "SPECIAL DELIVERY"

10c orange (1900) ..	03
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### PUERTO PRINCIPE

### 1899

### SURCHARGED

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### PUERTO PRINCIPE

### Scott No.

*213	5 on 2 E ents.....	25 00
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### ENVELOPES 1900

*1,2,5	Revenues † ..	10
25	Revenues † ..	10

### WHOLESALE 1900

		per 10	per 100
1c	green.....	01	10
2c	red.....	01	08
3c	purple.....	20	1 50
5c	blue.....	20	1 00
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25 " British churches	.....	25
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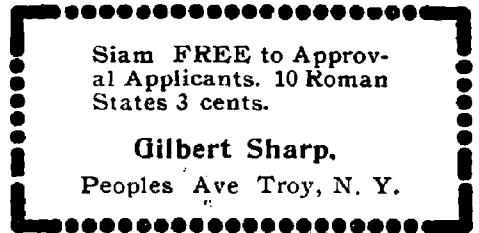
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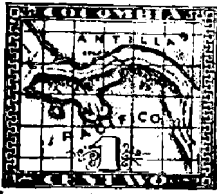
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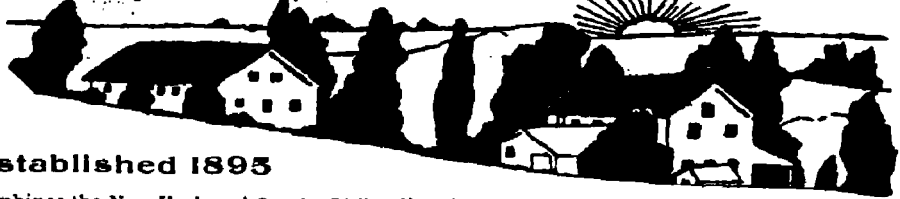
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"Seebecks."—Many of the younger collectors are at one time or another puzzled as to the meaning of "Seebeck" stamps, and for their benefit a brief description is here given. "Seebecks" are stamps that were furnished free to certain South and Central American countries by a Mr. N. F. Seebeck, of New York, in consideration of which he was to receive all the remainders, some cancelled to order and others unused, which he sold to collectors. As he furnished the various countries with a new issue every year, it is easily seen what a good thing Mr. Seebeck had. Following is a list of countries using "Seebecks," and the date of issue:

Bolivar, Columbia	1879 to 1885
Dominican Republic	1879 to 1885
Ecuador	1890 to 1899
Honduras	1890 to 1899
Nicaragua	1890 to 1899
Salvador	1890 to 1899

# *Notes for U. S. Collectors*

*By E. R. Aldrich*

Permit No. 1 of Unionville, Mo., is for one cent and comes printed in red and is used by the Monroe Drug Co., of that place in placing advertising matter for Putnam Dye.

Baltimore permit No. 36 is used on an advertising card of the Maryland Casualty Company and is a one cent value.

There were registered during 1895 at all postoffices a total of 15,106,336 pieces of mail matter, of which 12,123,961 were paid registrations and 2,913,975 were free or official. The fees collected on the paid matter amounted to \$975,388.88, which shows an increase of \$35,826 88, or nearly 4 per cent over the amount for the previous year.

Hand in hand today goes the extension of railway building and the expansion of the mail service. The new railway developments in the Philippines will mean new post routes and new post offices. In addition to construction of several hundred miles of railway line authorized under contracts awarded a few weeks ago, the Philippine Government has arranged for the construction of 100 miles on the islands of Negros and Panay, and 95 miles on Cebu, under contracts awarded to Solomon and Company, Cornelius Vanderbilt, J. G. White and Company, all of New York; Charles M. Swift of Detroit; the International Banking Corporation, H. R. Wilson and Heidelberg, Ickelheimer and Company. The bid provides for the guarantee authorized by Congress, on four per cent bonds for a period of thirty years, on 95 per cent of the cost of construction. It is interesting to note, in connection with the Government's activity with regard to railway construction in the Philippines, that a bill has passed the national House of Representatives at Washington providing an appropriation of \$50,000 for the purchase of certain coal lands on the island of Batan. The purchase was favored by Secretary Taft, presumably from motives of governmental policy.

An interesting and successful attempt was made during the year 1895 to extend mail service to the Upper Yukon river in Alaska, where the discovery of gold has gathered quite a village of miners and others. A post-office, known as Circle City, was established and a contract made for six round trips from Juneau to Circle City, a distance of 900 miles, five to be performed in the summer and fall of 1896 and one in June, 1897, at a compensation of \$500 per round trip.

In 1903 there were 19076 pieces of dead letter matter received at the postal headquarters of Porto Rico at the post office in San Juan.

It costs the government \$2639 to have mail transported by steamer from Duluth, Minn., to Grand Marias from May 1 to November 30 each year.

"Say George", said the three cent purple to the two center, "Why did you take the young cherry tree to cut down?" "Why" replied the red fellow, "because I knew you wanted to monopolize the Old Hickory."



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 2c stamp must accompany each letter containing questions. When stamps are sent for examination, return postage must be included beside the fee above provided for.

*By L. G. Dorpat, Box 37, Wayside, Wis*

(Continued from last number.)

Since the exact circumstances are not known, unused stamps of these issues are looked upon with disfavor. Genuinely used specimens on original letters are as worthy of collection as any other stamps and should command a good price. If certified particulars about the plates and returned remainders could be obtained, the unused stamps also might again gain favor. As it is, there is no basis for the calculation of their real worth, and hence many think it is equal to naught. The sets were usually sold for 35 to 50c, which is far below face value. It may be imagined how dealers and collectors were chagrined, after they had bought their supplies at face value from the respective government post-offices, to find the market flooded with these cheap sets of remainders, of which there seemed to be no limit.

285. What constitutes a "Complete" Collection?—In the fullest sense of the term such a collection would have to contain two copies, one used and one unused, of every stamp that was ever anywhere in the world issued to denote the prepayment of postage. A collection containing used and unused stamps mixed would be only relatively complete, and so would a collection of used stamps only, or of unused stamps only. The question of minor varieties would here interfere greatly with the understanding of the term. One collector would, for an instance, be content with one U. S. 2 cents of 1890; the other would want: 1. 2c lake, 2. 2c carmine, 3. 2c carmine with cap on right 2, 4. 2c carmine with cap on left 2, 5. 2c carmine with cap on both 2's. To these other shades may be added, so that a complete collection of this one stamp only might mean a collection of 10 to 20 stamps. On the other hand if a complete collection of but a part of the world be attempted, or if the term is any other way limited or modified, the task may be much simplified. For example a complete collection of the adhesive stamps of Poland would not comprise more than 8 or 10 stamps, minor varieties included because there was but one value of one type ever issued. It is for the individual collector to decide for himself what shall be his aim. If one decides to collect the 5000 commonest stamps, one copy or variety of each and no more, then his collection will be complete when he reaches that number. Thus many have no other aim than "to see how many different stamps they can bring together"; their collection is always complete and allows continual additions so long as the collector lives.

286. What constitutes a "good" collection?—The answer to this question again depends on the meaning of the term "good". A very small collection, if clean and well kept, may be called good, especially, if it consists of rare stamps. To merit the epithet "good" a collection should reflect the intelligence and industry of its maker. When a collector does as well as he can, then the result is always relatively good. To be accepted as good, a collection has to contain a large percentage of clean and perfect specimens



are for stamps, i. e., such as can not be picked up by anyone any where or bought for a quarter.

287. Is philately more expensive than photography?—That depends upon how both are practiced. You can start in photography with a \$1 kodak, and you can start in philately with a 25c packet, but that is a poor start in either case. You may on the contrary get a \$50 outfit to pursue either pastime and find it unprofitable, because you fail to make the best use of it. Again, after starting you may either go on spending money on your hobby almost without limit, if you have it, and it matters little what your hobby is. If you know how, you can make photography pay you not merely for your material, but as well for your work; and if you know how, you can do the same with philately. Finally, though, there is a difference. If you have spent say, \$500.00, for photographic apparatus, plates, films, papers etc. etc., and you wish to sell it, then you will find that most of it will be considered as "second hand" and will not bring any great returns: while if you spend the same amount on nice, clean and rare stamps, you can be pretty sure to get very nearly the full amount back whenever you wish to sell. That is one of the chief points in argument for philately—that rare stamps in good condition do not depreciate in value while many other things do.

288. What countries are most recommendable for specialization?—To any patriotic mind the stamps of one's native country are the most recommendable from a patriotic point of view. There are other views though. One collector is greedy for the gain of money, another is anxious to make a fine show, a third aims at completeness and a fourth may desire study and discovery, and still a fifth may wish to enjoy an easy pastime. According to the collectors' aim the answer to the above question will have to be different. I prefer those stamps that are neglected by others, because I like to go my own way and sport a little independance, because the neglected stamps are mostly cheaper than they should be, because when they do become popular they will rise in value, and because I have a natural inclination towards that which is slighted or despised by the masses.

289. What philatelic journal beside the WEST is the most recommendable?—Well! If I would name anyone I would offend all the others, some thing I shun to do! Besides taste has something to do with answering this question. What one likes is unwelcome to some body else. The best way to find out may be to get sample copies of all journals. For a few cents each they can easily be had. In some of them you will find press directories and advertisements of others, that will aid you to get acquainted with most of them. By the way, what do you think of a collection of philatelic papers, comprising a copy of each paper published? That would certainly not be as good as a complete pile of all papers, but in a way, it would be interesting and instructive.

290. What is the best paper beside the WEST treating revenues?—This I can easier attempt to answer, because there are few papers that really attempt to be good regarding the treatment of revenue stamps. The paper for revenues, as far as my knowledge goes, is "Morley's Philatelic Journal," published by W. Morley, 15 Brownhill Gardens, Catford, London, S. E., price 2s. 6d or 65 cents. All subscriptions commence with January. Sample copies 6 cents. It is a fine paper in every respect. But it has very little to do with postage stamps.

291. What is the difference between the 1871 and 1872 issues of Germany and what makes the former, unused so dear?—The difference is in the embossing of the eagle in the white center-piece. The whole drawing of the one eagle is different from that of the other, but usually the shield on the eagle's breast is taken as the most prominent part of distinction. The Shield of 1871 is very small, only about 3 mi. square, while that of 1872 measures about 6 mm. each way. The supply with the first embossing was very nearly used up, when the change was discovered; hence the supply of these stamps unused is small. Of the issue of 1872 there were ample quantities of remainders when the issue of 1875 was put into use: these were sold to dealers, and hence unused specimens of this issue (1872) are not as scarce as some of the values used. The 2½gr. and 2kr. orange and 9kr. brown are exceptions; of the 2kr. there were not many at all, and of the 2½gr. and 9kr. nearly all that was left was surcharged with large figures of value and so issued and used. With the surcharge these two values are common. Of the 10 and 30 gr. 1871 there were large remainders which also got into the hands of dealers far under face value.

292. What handbooks are there treating the stamps of the Phillipine Islands?—The latest and most up-to-date is that of S. M. Bartels, F. A. Foster and Capt. F. L. Palmer. A little older is that of Brewster C. Kenyon (1899). Mr. Bartels mentioned also a work of Mencarini (1896), but that may be hard to get. Finally Moens' and Maj. Rudolf Fredrich's works on Spain and colonies must be mentioned. For a thorough study the general works, as the Catalogue for Advanced Collectors, the Catalogue Officielle of the Societe Francaise de Timbrologie, etc., must be compared as well.

293. Are the "paid stamps" that were applied to letters in transit before postage stamps were used of any value?—I think we had this query before. As then, there is no fixed value for these postmarks. But this does not mean that they are valueless. They are interesting objects illustrating postal history and well worth preservation and study. As it happens, the April number of the "Philatelisten Zeitung" has a leading article about these post marks as far as their use in Great Britain is concerned. M. A. Maury in his work on French post marks lists and describes a great many used in France. The philatelic press in general refers to them from time to time. All that we used to establish prices, is a complete enumeration for all lands and then offer and demand.

294. Why do we collect registration stamps of one country Columbia, for instance and not of all countries?—In all cases where these stamps represent a certain value, prepaid postage or prepaid registration fee, they are included under the heading of postage stamps, Franks-tegen (Swedish) or Post-frie-marken (Germany). When the value is expressed on the face of the stamp it is easy to decide for its collection. In cases where there is no value expressed nor implied, we have nothing but postal labels that are on an equal line with any unstamped postal stationery. Who wishes, may collect them.

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Italy's new postage stamps were designed by the painter Michetti. All those of a higher denomination have a portrait of Victor Emmanuel.

At the regular April meeting of the Boston Philatelic society John N. Luff of New York exhibited his collection of reprints which is considered the finest in the country.

# *Counterfeits and their Detection*

*By R. R. Thiele*

(Continued.)

MECKLENBURG-SCHWERIN. While the 5 sch. blue of 1856 and the 2 sch. gray lilac of 1866 of this grand duchy are not rarities of the first water, they are nevertheless scarce enough to make them desirable objects for the counterfeiters. Thus both are represented in my forgery collection by nice specimens of the forger's art—dangerous enough to a novice, though not to the expert, possibly. I treat both of them together here, because the originals belong together, both being from the same original die, only the figures of value being inserted afterwards. The 3 sch. of 1856 is also from the same die, but I have no forgery of this stamp at hand. The two counterfeiters, though, are not from one and the same engraving, but differ considerably from each other. In one thing they are alike: both are somewhat larger in height and width than the respective originals; the measurements are: 2 sch. original 21 mm. wide and 21 mm. high; forgery 21¼ mm. wide and 21 mm. high. 5 sch. original same as 2 sch.; forgery 21½ mm. wide and 21¼ mm. high. The originals are typographed (being products of the Prussian State Printing Office at Berlin); the forgeries are lithographs. The crown on the originals is very clearly drawn, so that each pearl is clearly visible; on the forgery of the 2 sch. the crown is very poorly drawn, so that the pearls do not show separately; while the 5 sch. forgery is better in this respect, the pearls are not evenly drawn, some being rather larger than others, and there are too few of them, e. g. in the extreme right hand arch of the crown there are 11 pearls on the original, while the forgery has but 7 in the same arch; the others differ similarly. On the original 5 sch. the top of the little cross on top of the crown is almost a full millimetre below the horizontal frame line. but on the forgery the distance is less than ½ mm.; on the 2 sch. the difference is not so pronounced. On the originals the base of the crown is very slightly arched above the top of the shield; on the 2 sch. forgery the base line of the crown coincides with the top of the shield, both being entirely straight; on the 5 sch. forgery, on the contrary, the crown is arched entirely too much, there being quite a piece of color between crown and shield. The outer frame line of the shield is thin at the top and left, thick at right and bottom on the originals; the inner frame line is thick at top and left, thin at right and bottom. The 5 sch. forgery resembles this quite closely, but the 3 sch. forgery pays no attention to it, the two lines being of equal thickness everywhere. On the originals the small dots of the background of the shield are arranged in regular rows diagonally, the 5 sch. forgery makes a feeble attempt at this, especially in the right upper corner, but on the 2 sch. forgery the dots are without system. The head also shows points of difference, though they are difficult to describe. All originals of this type clearly show the ring in the nose of the bull, but only the 5 sch. forgery shows it, not the 2 sch. forgery. (This, of course, does not argue that there may not be other forgeries of the 5 sch. with the ring). On the originals the eyebrows of the bull begin at the lower line of the horns: on the 5 sch. forgery this is also the case, while on the 2 sch. forgery they begin with the upper line of the horns.

(To be continued.)



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C is the one called Type II by Scott's. The 1 kr. gray lilac of the first issue is thus described by Mr. Phillips: "The 1 kr. occurs with both perforations (i. e.  $12\frac{1}{2}$  to  $13\frac{1}{2}$  and  $11\frac{1}{2}$  to 12) in a grayish violet color. This was never issued to the public for use on letters, but was sold obliterated with blue pencil. It is met with postally used, with the blue line cleaned off. This stamp may be a color trial, but is more probably an unissued error of color owing to the ink having been wrongly mixed." The perforations of the other values, to be sure, are legion.

I quote the following from No. 6 of the Philatelisten-Zeitung: "An error of color of the German 5 pf. stamp is said to have been added to the German Imperial Postal Museum. It is a blue 5pf. stamp, which properly should be green. Through some mistake this error of color was made. The German Post Office Department was made aware of the existence of these errors through the reports of a New York stamp auction where two of these stamps were sold and fetched 85 dollars. Further investigations revealed that about twenty such stamps are in the hands of collectors, six of them in America. Thereupon the Department had a sheet of 100 blue 5 pf. stamps printed and turned over to the Postal Museum as a curiosity."

This sounds a trifle apocryphal. I do not remember seeing any notice of such an error anywhere; if it exists, it is extremely apt to be a chemical changeling. To be sure, I would not per se deny the possibility of the German Post Office Department manufacturing such errors to order; some queer transactions have come to light of late as regards the German Imperial Printing Office.

In connection herewith I would like to call attention to two other "errors" reported by the same paper; they are the current German 40 pf. stamps on the salmon paper of the 30 and 50 pf. stamps. Needless to say to say that these are artificially colored—not necessarily with evil intent, as the 40 pf. is largely used on money orders which are of a yellowish color and this discolors the stamps in soaking them off.

Le Journal des Philatelistes, in common with several other European journals, show the new French 10c stamp, issued April 15th, of which our readers may have seen illustrations elsewhere. It was a great surprise as it does not at all correspond to the changes in the design which were said to have been made by M. Roty and Mouchon. The background, instead of showing hills rising to the left, is entirely solid color, and the sun, instead of shining at the left, has disappeared entirely. 600,000 of the new type have been printed; it is looked on as provisional and the next printing will

show not even the small remnant of the Mother Earth now left visible under the feet of the sower.

Our readers are aware that a set of stamps inscribed Mauritanie is now appearing in the three types adopted for the French West African colonies (General Faidherbe, Dr. Ballay, palm tree). The joke is, according to the papers already quoted, that the officials of the Colonial Office at Paris do not know where to send all these stamps, as there is no such colony. Mauritania is an old name for that part of Northern Africa which contains Morocco, Algeria and Tunis; in Western Africa there is no such place. The other set inscribed Haut Senegal-Niger is also incorrectly inscribed. The official division of the French West African Colonies is as follows: 1. Senegal; 2. Guinee Francaise; 3. Cote d' Ivoire; 4. Dahomey; 5. Territoires de la Senegambia et do Niger. Mon will see how little this corresponds to the new stamps.

It may interest my readers to learn that the mosque shown on the low values of the new Tunisian set is that known as the Mosque of the Barber at Kairouan. It bears this name because it is the burial place of the eminent person who had the honor of shaving the prophet Mohammed. It is one of the great centers of Islam. The mosque was founded by Sidi Okba in the seventh century of our era; a Moslem legend relates that the stones of which it is built miraculously fell into place by themselves.

Two types of the 1894 issue of the Mozambique Company have lately been discovered, at least as concerns the values containing a figure 1: 10, 15, 100 and 150. The first type of the figure 1 has a long serif at the top, inclined downwards very sharply; the second type has a very short and nearly horizontal serif. So far as examined all the sheets of type 1 were perforated  $13\frac{1}{2}$  and those of type 2 were perforated  $12\frac{1}{2}$ .

The Russian offices in China have been reported closed; No. 308 of Le Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste says that they have been reopened and that the opportunity was embraced of equipping them with the entire outfit of Russian stamps, envelopes, wrappers and cards, up to the  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and 7 rouble adhesives, all surcharged as before. Oh joy! The Russian war losses will soon be recouped if we all now walk up and buy a full set unused.

The first item before me is not a paper but a book—not a very large one, but meaty and full of substance. It is none other than Fred J. Melville's "The Postage Stamps of the United States." True, it has been issued some months ago, but not until now did a review copy come our way. But good things do not suffer by waiting a little and the little book is just as well worth commending now as when issued. It is a neat little volume of 116 pages, embellished with 12 colotype plates and 45 illustrations in the text; the price of 1sh, 6d seems low compared with the beautiful plates.—The author—well, known as the president of the Junior Philatelic Society—has not attempted to go into minute details but has contented himself with giving a simple, straightforward account of the standard issues of the United States, basing his account chiefly on Mr. Luff's monumental work. It is just the kind of a guide book that I would like to place in the hands of a beginner for every country. It is hardly necessary to enter here at length upon the contents of the book, as it contains nothing new to American col-

lectors, but because of the concise and readable form in which it presents its information I would thoroughly advise every American collector to obtain a copy. A friend to whom I showed my copy immediately ordered two copies.

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Here is another pamphlet calling for notice: It bears the title "Verzeichniseuber die Postwertzeichen von Schweden. Marken. Stockholm." It is published by Sveriges Filatelist-Forening as a catalogue of Swedish adhesives; another part containing cards and envelopes is in preparation. The little book consists of only thirty pages (every alternate page is blank for notes), but within this limited space it contains a mass of information about Swedish adhesives—based upon the same society's "Sveziges Franko-tecken." To give the catalogue greater circulation it is published in German instead of Swedish: the price is fixed at 30 cents and it is procurable of the society whose address is Grefturegatan 24 A, Stockholm, Sweden. For each stamp the number issued is given and there are many details as to reprints and diverse varieties. As to the prices, to be sure, I am but an indifferent judge; one would naturally suppose that Swedish collectors knew something of the values of their stamps.

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I hail with pleasure the reappearance—Vol. X. No. 1, full No. 111, dated May 25, 1906—of our old friend the *Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina*. Its suspension left a sensible void in the ranks of the philatelic press and the other Argentine papers, though quite commendable in their way, still could not replace the *Revista*. I welcome it back to my exchange table, and with it a long and prosperous career in its second span of life. The monograph of Dr. Marco del Pont on the Argentine fiscals, which was interrupted by the discontinuation of the paper, is crowded out in the present number by the prospectus of the stamp exhibition which the Argentine Philatelic Society intends to hold from October 27th to October 30th at Buenos Aires. The classification is less specific than that of the late London exhibition; as a sign of the times I mention that one of the subdivisions of Class III provides one gold and two silver medals for collections scientifically arranged. In fact the medals are superabundant: 4 grand prizes, 20 gold medals, 52 silver medals! I hope some of our readers may share in the harvest. It is peculiar that view cards are also included. What have they to do with philately?

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Our readers are aware that the Pan American congress is in session at Rio Janeiro, but so far we had not heard of commemorative stamps in connection therewith—nor could we collectors see any particular occasion for them. Comes now M. Maury in No. 309 of *Le Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste* and says that we are not to escape this affliction after all, for a set of stamps commemorative of the event has been designed by the painter Bernardelli; as usual it is predicted that they will be something fine. No further details as yet.

The new Swiss designs do not have plain sailing; especially does the design for the low values, showing the little son of William Tell with a very big crossbow, come in for a good deal of ridicule. Moreover the Swiss Post Office Department has roused national feeling by ordering this new type engraved in Berlin; the matter has already been broached in the federal

Council. The second design with head of Helvetia but little resembles its former self; the commission now has this design in hand after its eleventh alteration!

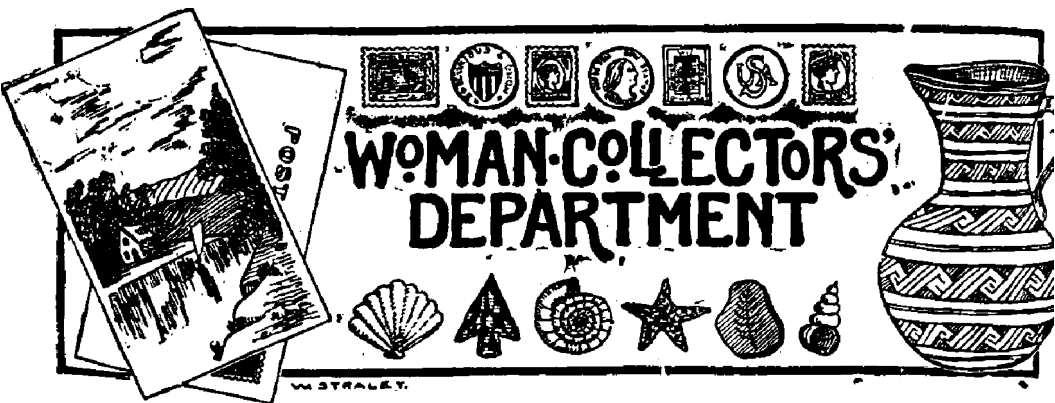
M. Maury gives interesting biographies of General Faidherbe and Dr. Ballay who figure on the new stamps for Senegal, Haut-Senegallet Niger, Ivory Coast and Mauretania. Faidherbe was born in 1818, served as army officer in Guadeloupe and Algeria and in 1854 became governor of Senegal, where he achieved wonders of development. He was recalled to France to serve in the Franco-German war, later became a senator and died at Paris in 1889. Ballay was born in 1847; he studied medicine, but went to the Congo with de Brazza; he became governor of French Guinea and later governor-general of all French West Africa, a territory fourteen times the size of France; his administration did much towards the development of the country. He virtually wore himself out in the service of the colonies and died in 1902 at St. Louis, Senegal.

The late Universal Postal Congress is apt to have some far-reaching consequences for us philatelists by its change of the international letter rate. In future the rate is 25 centimes (equal 5 cents) per 20 grammes and 15 centimes (equal 3 cents) for each additional 20 grammes. Great Britain and the United States were granted the privilege of considering the ounce equivalent to 20 grammes, as 20 grammes would be difficult to express in fractions of an ounce. But as the ounce is really equivalent to over 28 grammes, this gives these two countries a decided advantage and as a consequence France and Germany as well as other commercial nations will no doubt hasten to raise the unit weight to 25 or even 30 grammes. That all this will entail numerous stamp changes is evident. A sort of international stamps has also been devised in the shape of a reply coupon to be issued by the international bureau at Bern at the rate of 28 centimes and to be redeemed for a 25 centimes stamps—but, mind you, only in those countries which expressly accept this new arrangement. The international special delivery fee was fixed at 30 centimes (equal 6 cents): as a result one would suppose our domestic special delivery fee would have to be reduced, for it seems unfair that a European correspondent should pay less to have his letter delivered to us by special messenger than we must pay for the same service in the same city.

In the report for 1905 of the Chinese Imperial Customs there is a detailed description of the Chinese postage stamps by Juan Mencarini, illustrated by plates. From these it appears that China has a special delivery stamp hitherto unknown to collectors: it is green, bears the picture of a dragon and is of the value of 10 cents. The stamp is perforated into three parts—one presumably goes to the sender and one on the letter. Each stamp is numbered, the three parts having the same number.

(To be continued.)

I have several stamps which are not given in the Scott catalogue. Among these is a Grenada, Type A 2, orange yellow, surcharged in green with a crown and the words "One shilling." The postmark is quite clear, "Grenada MR., 17, 83. This is given in the Senf catalogue as being worth 75c. I have also seen other stamps of this issue not given in the American catalogue. Now can anyone tell me the value of "Hawaii No. A 12" surcharged "Provisional Govt. 18" instead of 1893."—H. F. Morgan.



## *Leaves from a Philatelist's Diary*

*By Verna Weston Hanway*

M ———, N. Y.

August 8th, 1902.

Did you think I was going to neglect you entirely, my dear Dairy? If you did, you see you were very much mistaken. I have been so occupied with my hobby, I scarcely have time for even my social obligations.

Since I last wrote you up my dear, my philatelic collection has grown enormously. I have added to it so many valuable stamps. For instance the other day while sorting over some old letters for father, I found a very valuable United States stamp. By exchanging I have also gained some stamps it would have been impossible to obtain otherwise. And then it has never been so possible to pick up rare stamps at bargains as it has been this season.

My friend abroad, the young consul, has procured for me some very valuable stamps also.

But my dear Diary you shall not be neglected again for all the stamps in creation.

I am going to Edith Osburne's dance this evening. She wants me to meet a wealthy young man, a Mr. Covenant, who has brought his sister here for the mountain air. She says he is "splendid!" I think I must go and meet this paragon, but Edith's swans very often turn out to be geese. I suppose he will turn out to be no more or no less than the average young man, painfully conscious of his good looks and his wealth.

I hear mother calling me. I also hear callers in the library. Oh Fudge! and here is a batch of the latest philatelic magazines just longing to be read.

M——. N. Y., August 9th, 1902.

I went to Edith's dance last evening. Mr. Covenant was there. I quite agree with Edith in her estimate of him, he is "splendid!" A tall dark, athletic looking young man. He is not exactly handsome, but is good looking. I have never met a man who had so much personal magnetism. We became very good friends in the course of the evening. He has traveled a great deal. When he mentioned the curios he had picked up in different countries, I told him I was also a collector, but instead of collecting curios, I collected stamps. "Indeed!" he said, "although I am a collector of curios I am also a philatelist." Then ensued a conversation on stamps.



Although I have met a great many well known philatelists, men who were well versed on the subject, I have never met a man who could talk so entertainingly about it. He told me little anecdotes of his experiments in collecting, and informed me on many subjects pertaining to philately into which I inquired, described his collection to me and in fact proved himself to be a first class collector. I expressed a wish to see his collection. He said if I would allow him he would call tomorrow night and bring part of it. I was only too pleased to have him come and so I consented.

He told me all about his sister's affliction. It seems when he was a child she dislocated a hip and has not been able to walk since. Poor fellow! He seems to feel so badly about it.

M——., N. Y., August 11th, 1902.

Mr. Covenant called last evening as he intended. He brought part of his collection, and we spent a very pleasant evening examining it. He has some superb specimens. The arrangement of his collection is almost faultless, in fact it could not be better. I have not changed my first opinion of him. My admiration for him has rather increased than decreased. Father and mother share it. They think he is almost a model.

He played and sang for us. I have heard some of the greatest musicians of today but I have never heard music to equal his. It was sublime. Mother, who as you know my dear Diary, is a great lover of music, shared my opinion. Our whole family sat spell bound until he had finished. Helen Moore spent part of the evening with us. Brother Ted said she acted as if she was "dead stuck on Covenant". Ted is the most nonsensical boy. He imagines because he is in love that everyone else is. I wonder if Mr. Covenant likes Helen. She met him some weeks before I did.

I asked him to call again. He seemed quite pleased.

August 20th, 1902.

Some days have passed my dear, since I last wrote you up. In the meantime Mr. Covenant and I have become very good friends. It is very seldom that a day passes without his dropping in. My collection is progressing very rapidly since I have met Mr. Covenant. He is helping me a great deal in telling me what stamps to buy and who is the best party to buy them of. He made me a present of a rare set of Mauritius stamps today which I have been coveting.

Edith dropped in today. She told me some things that Helen Moore has been saying about me. It was to the effect that I have been rushing Mr. Covenant for all there was in it. I cannot believe it. Helen has always been my best friend. I think there must have been some mistake. I do not see what occasion she would have for saying it anyway. Mr. Covenant and I are merely good friends, or chums.

Mr. Covenant has been asking me to call on his sister. I think I will tomorrow.

It is getting late dear, so I will put a "stopper" to it and say good-night. I hear Ted's voice at the door. What is it he is saying "Pleasant dreams of your Jack Magnolia". How absurd. I wish Ted would not be so full of nonsense. Once more good-night.

(To be Continued.)

## OUR ILLUSTRATIONS

J. B. LEWIS, of Petoluma, Calif., was born on Bacon Hill, Saratogo Co., N. Y., March 15, 1825. At 12 years old he went to Farmington, married and lived there till 1849 when he came to California and started the first dray there. In 1856 he purchased a 500 acre ranch at Lakeville and farmed it until 1900 when he moved to Petoluma and opened his museum of curios collected in his camping and hunting trips which he took for 18 consecutive years. His wife died in 1866 and in 1867 he took her remains east and remained there 7 years. He has the history of nearly everything he has. Owing to advanced age he is now selling off everything. See his ad in this issue. We will use more illustrations of his collection in the next number.

CALVIN K. RIEMAN, Ft. Wayne, Ind., was born in 1867 and began collecting while attending high school in Toledo, Ohio, in 1882. He has kept it up more or less ever since and has a general collection, although he has sold all revenues and also all postal issues issued since 1889. His collection numbers between four and five thousand. He is a prominent Knight of Pythias, officer in subordinate lodge and uniform rank, also member of the Grand Lodge of the state. He is a republican and served three years in the city council, having been elected from the 1st ward which had been going democratic by over 200 and now serving under a democratic mayor as Commissioner of Public Safety. His term expires in 1910. He is an enthusiastic wheelman—holding membership number 391 in the League of American Wheelmen having been a member for 21 years. Also holding No. 80 in the Century Road Club of America and being a former state Secretary-treasurer of that club. He was also a member of the P. S. of A., S. of P. and other stamp societies.

C. W. ANDERSON-NEARY, Manager of Anderson-Neary, Jones & Co., Alexandria, Egypt., importers and exporters, is an Irish-Canadian, but was actually born in Sligo, Ireland, 1866. Educated partly in Ireland, S. Africa and Canada for a military life. After serving in the British Colonial forces he entered the Italian Army and in 1891 tried the Egyptian Army and was several times in active service till wounds, especially the loss of an eye and a damaged right hand forced him into civil life. Having travelled extensively in Europe, Asia and America he felt a natural leaning towards ancient history and antiquities became his hobby, for ten years or so he has specialized in Egyptian and Holy Land curios which he handles as a side line to his main business of general trading. His curio line has now reached large proportions and he has agents all over the Orient to give news of finds and discoveries made by natives under the Turkish and Egyptian flags. His photo was taken on the Soudan Frontier some years ago in the costume and with the weapons of a friendly Bedouin chief. "Shillelagh Castle," Alexandria, Egypt, is his private residence. See his articles in THE WEST.

GEORGE WARD LINN, was born February 7, 1884 in Greenville, Ohio. After moving about several times he landed in Columbus, Ohio, where he first became interested in stamps in 1896. At present he is interested in the printing business operated under the firm name of W. M. Linn & Sons, one of the most successful plants in this city. Mr. Linn has been raised up in the printing business, practically born with a printer's stick in his hand as his father owned and operated a weekly newspaper when he was

less than 21 years old. It was therefore quite natural that being interested in stamps he should also publish a paper. The Columbus Philatelist was first issued in January 1901, when the publisher was but sixteen years of age. This first paper had a prosperous time for 13 months when Mr. Linn finally gave it up and went to West Virginia on a business trip for several months. After returning to Columbus he published one number of Philatelic Literature, this was his last attempt until finally in November of 1905 he again brought to life his first publication, the Columbus Philatelist, and has received a merry welcome from old friends and has made many new ones.

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## *The Hobby Horse*

*By Virginia Baker*

The Hobby Horse! The Hobby Horse!

Oh, that's the steed for me!

I scorn the dull, four-footed beasts,

Howe'er so swift they be;

The cycle and the motor car

My fancy please but ill,

And e'en the air ship lacks the power

To make my pulses thrill.

The Hobby Horse! There is no steed

That can with it compare,

It treads the earth or, at my will,

It upward soars in air;

It plunges to the ocean's depths,

Or skims its billowy breast,

It threads the deserts trackless sands,

Or vaults the mountain's crest.

How restful 'tis at eve, when worn

By labors of the day,

To mount my faithful hobby horse

And gallop far away.

It bears me to enchanted lands,

Where blithe and free I roam;

For there no carping cares intrude,

No worries make their home.

The Hobby Horse! Forever

Its praises I will sing;

I would not trade the matchless nag

For ransom of a king!

Each day, to me, it grows more dear,

Each hour its name I bless:

The wight who has no hobby horse

Knows not true happiness!

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Stamp collectors will profit by the separation of Norway from Sweden. All stamps bearing the portrait of King Oscar ceased to be valid July 30.

# *A Few Notes on Albums*

*By An Old Boy*

I suppose I am not alone in my experience. I want an album for my stamps and I have been looking in vain for one to suit me for the past five years. I only collect certain countries and my collection is not large—about 3000—and I find the dealers have in no way anticipated my case. There are the so-called albums for beginners holding about 3500 stamps with illustrations and other fancy printed matter defacing the pages; but in one of these I could not find adequate space for any of my favorite countries. If then turn to albums like the "Modern" or "International" with space for ten thousand or more and from 2,000 to 3,000 illustrations, I find my collection would be lost like a solitary sheep on the mountains.

Then I turn to the blank albums, but find alas that they are gotten up for the millionaire collector, with expensive binding, stubs, etc. etc., and at a price that is quite prohibitive to a collector of moderate means. What bothers me is, why cannot some one get up a neat blank album neatly and strongly bound to wear, with 50 to 100 pages with a neat border and quadrille background, to sell at about a dollar, and surely it could be done and would be a ready seller among the large number of collectors of from 2000 to 5000. I have failed to find such an album with all my searching and have been compelled to fashion one for myself which will answer my purpose as well as the best until I find the one to suit me or can afford the expensive kind.

I looked around until I found a blank exercise book with good quality paper. I reinforced the binding with a strip of this leather and stitched it through several times with a waxed thread and then I had a strong well bound blank book fit to last for years. Then I ruled it off into suitable spaces as I filled in the different countries, using different coloured inks and making the headings as artistic as my ability would permit. This allowed me to mount my stamps just as my taste and fancy dictated and not as the maker of the album ordered, and it was highly interesting doing so.

I have now an album which only actually cost me ten cents, not very grand looking certainly, but which answers my particular purpose admirably and shows my own individualism in its make up and arrangement, and which is a constant pleasure to me.

In arranging my stamps I can leave space for any stamps I may be able to acquire, and also new issues.

To any others who cannot get suited with the album they want, I recommend my plan. Look up Scott Co., Ltd., ad in this issue, you can secure albums of all kinds.—Publisher.

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I noticed an article in last month's WEST headed "Which Stamp Hinges are Best"? I have tried a good many kinds and am at present using a hinge gummed on alternate sides, thus eliminating the bending over process. This hinge is about two centimeters long by  $1\frac{1}{4}$  wide, in fact slightly smaller than the average stamp. It is gummed for about 1-3 its length on each side but at opposite ends. This enables the stamp to be perfectly flat on the page and it can also be lifted right off the paper without being separated from it. The large size of the hinge also allows room for plenty of notes. This hinge can be obtained from any German dealer, and I could advise all collectors who are particular about their stamps to get it.

# *Notes on Foreign Revenues*

*By Oscar T. Hartman*

An article by Wulbern in "die Post" has the following to say about Foreign Revenues and I shall attempt to give a brief write-up of same.

The field is as large as postage stamps.

What are revenue stamps, in what relation do they stand with postage stamps Very close. Either one represents a receipt for a certain amount paid to a government. May be to deliver a letter, pay a tax or license, or send a message by telegraph.

The best illustration you can find is stamps used combinely for postage and revenue; postage and telegraph. Then you can find either one surcharged with surcharges for other purposes. Interesting is it also that you can find surcharges like "Habiitado per la Nacion, the G. of Grigua land, V. R. Transvaal, etc., giving in many instances clues to detect counterfeit surchage on postage stamps.

The first revenue stamps were in use in England about 200 years ago. They were the so-called "deed stamps" in 1694 under the reign of William and Maria. Also those in Holland are since 1829 to be pasted on revenues in use. Postage stamps are really no invention, but merely making a principle practicable for another use.

The English deed stamps are original and unique on account of having a piece of lead imbodyed in the center of each stamp which was sealed on the back with a label bearing the initials of the reigning monarch.

The first revenue stamp of Germany was issued in Kurhessen in 1853 -telegraph in Prussia in June, 1864. France and Belgium had, and have albums and catalogues for revenues. Germany is beginning to pay more attention to them.

The present time is a favorable time to investigate and commence a collection of revenues. Revenues have known little booming, a special country, or to be issued just for the collector. They represent in most cases the need of the country.

The execution and details of revenues are often artistic, tasteful and over match postage, many times. The designs of Canada, U. S., Prussian Octogon are very fine. For the reason that the face value is much higher than on postage, A finer piece of designing can be often employed.

What is the special collective value of a revenue? If there was a fancy market or half the amount as there are stamp collectors. Some would be out of reach, those now high in price not obtainable. Maybe it is well that revenues are not collected so much. In the nature of the thing the most common revenue cannot be as common as the ordinary postage stamp. Nobody pays taxes unless compelled to.

You will never buy revenues by the pound like the common "Continental's". Germany, for instance, has issued issues for the Empire and also for Anhalt, Baden, Bavaria, Birkenfeld, Brunswick, Bremen, Coburg-Gotha, Alsace-Lorraine, Hesse, and Hessen, Mesclenburg, North German Bund, Oldenberg. Prussia, Saxonia, etc.

Brazil, Argentine, and Mexico have many separate issues for their states.

How about you? Are you going to collect revenues? It is a good policy.

# *The Fetching Fad of Stamp Collecting*

(Continued).

Many of the most beautiful stamps of the world have as their central figure some religious scene or symbol. The little island of Malta, now a British possession, upon which the Apostle Paul was shipwrecked—the island then being known as Molita. A series of stamps as large in size as two of our current stamps pictured the attack of the asp upon St. Paul. In the distance may be seen the wrecked ship; a fire by the seashore is so clearly brought out that the sticks forming the bonfire may be distinctly seen; the snake is raising its head; the Apostle stands with his arms outstretched toward heaven, all these features are expressed by the engraver with great clearness.

Perhaps the most elaborately worked out conception of a religious nature upon postage stamps was developed by Portugal. A special series was issued to commemorate the 700th anniversary of the birth of St. Anthony of Padua. That of the lowest denomination, of a value of about one-third of a cent, represents St. Anthony's vision, the child Jesus appearing in the clouds and the saint kneeling with outstretched arms. The second design which is used for five values of stamps, represents the miracle of the fishes. The story runs that the saint was once in the town of Arimini, where there were many heretics. Desiring to convert them, St. Anthony exhorted them to turn to God, but they stopped their ears and turned away. In disgust the Apostle went to the seashore, where he called upon the fish to come and hear him. Immediately thousands of denizens of the deep, in all sizes from whales to minnows, appeared, listening while he preached the sermon prepared for the conversion of the unbelievers. According to the legend, a few heretics who had witnessed the miracle, carried the news to town and all its people were converted. The stamp depicts St. Anthony, in ministerial garb, on the shore facing the sea, and innumerable fish with their heads protruding from the water.

A third design shows the saint ascending into heaven, accompanied by an angel on each side. The fourth design is a fine reproduction of what is said to be an authentic portrait of St. Anthony, as it hangs in an art gallery in Paris. His right hand is raised in blessing while his left holds a lily. A curious feature of these stamps is that a prayer in Latin, offering thanks to God for blessings, is printed on the back of each stamp.

One of the most beautiful stamps to be found in the album of any collector is the five-drachma of the Island of Crete, picturing vividly the fight between St. George and the dragon. Various types of crosses are common on stamps of Europe and South America. Portugal issued a stamp for the Red Cross Society. It was a black stamp with a red cross on a white shield. All the early stamps of Switzerland carried a white cross on a red shield as the central figure. On the Venezuelan stamp, commemorating the discovery of the mainland of South America, the cross has a prominent place, and it also appears on the stamp issued to commemorate the discovery of Brazil. The cross is found, too, on the stamps of British Africa, with the inscription: "Light in darkness." This serves to interpret the central design, which consists of a black shield, representing darkness, into which a wedge of gold standing for "light" is driving. Above both is a cross, in silver,

indicating the source of the light. The maltese cross, the badge of the Knights of Malta, is found on the stamps of the Island of Malta. This is said to have been made, originally, by placing the points of four spears together, the eight outer points forming the cross, and representing the Beatitudes.

The stamps of Turkey always bear the star and crescent. The star has been a Turkish religious symbol from time immemorial, and the crescent, since the conquest of Constantinople in 1853. Some of the large stamps of Afghanistan show the door of a mosque and underneath it two crossed cannon, which is perhaps the Moslem equivalent of "Trust in God and keep your powder dry."

Mythology is not without representation on postage stamps. The various gods and goddesses of the Greeks finding expression upon the stamps of modern Greece. Mercury, the messenger, has always been honored as the principal figure on Greek stamps. Both Austria and Uruguay have also taken kindly to the swift-footed Mercury as a feature of adornment.

Zoroaster's doctrine of fire-worship is depicted upon Persian stamps in the representation of a glorious sun shining through a magnificent Oriental window; similar designs are found in the stamps of Peru, whose ancient Incas worshipped the sun.

The chief feature of nearly all Chinese stamps is the dragon, in many hideous types. On other stamps are great pagodas and towers, it being supposed these sacred edifices guard the fortune of a place and so propitiate the good spirits and drive away the evil ones. The "Yellow Stork" pagoda is depicted on one of the stamps of Hankow.—P. M. Everywhere.

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Clever Forgeries of Stamps; Notable cases in which dealers have been victimized. A tiny "t" cost a stamp forger a pretty income not long ago. One of the rare stamps is the pink nine kreuzer stamp of Wurtemberg, which is worth about \$100 to collectors. A Paris dealer picked up seventeen of these stamps at \$40 each and congratulated himself upon his cleverness in obtaining them so cheaply. Not long after a collector who was approached by an English dealer who had also had the good fortune to pick up a number of these stamps at a low price discovered what the dealer had overlooked. In the forgery the name was spelt with one "t," as is the practice in England, in place of the German double, and then it came out that several hundred of these pink "finds" had been planted all over Europe. The forger took advantage of the fact that no dealer would admit having a number of the rarities for fear that the market would fall, and had placed a number with each dealer without exciting suspicion. Perhaps the most notable forgery was the "Sedang" issue. Sedang is an island off the China coast. The papers announced the arrival in Paris of King Marie I. of Sedang, and he duly appeared in the person of a former French military man. Soon thereafter sets of seven "Sedang" stamps were placed upon the market, some of them selling for as high as \$200 a set. Then it was discovered that the whole affair was a hoax and the forgers had fled.

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The H. J. Mandel collection of rare United States and colonials was sold at auction on April 23 by the J. W. Scott company of New York. The sale of this collection, which was so carefully made, caused quite a flurry in the stamp market.

# *In the Nick of Time*

*By E. L. Warner*

"How large a collection have you?" Inquired Blunt, the detective. "I have six thousand varieties, but my stamps were stolen or have disappeared, so now I have none. That is why I sent for you." "When did you see them last?" "I set my plug hat down on the album, lying on the library table, at high noon of yesterday; did this to aid me to remember to examine a certain page before leaving for the city; When I returned to the library after lunch, I found my hat but no album."

"Did anyone call during lunch?" inquired Blunt. "So far as I know by inquiry, no one," replied Dr. Earle. "How many servants have you?" "A cook, a maid, a secretary and a coachman." "Who answers the door?" "Oh I keep a bright darkey boy for that purpose; all agree that no one called while I was at lunch."

"How valuable a collection had you Doctor?" "I judge about eighteen hundred dollars' worth of stamps." "Could you identify your album?" "Yes, beyond a doubt." "Do you suspect anyone?" "No, not a soul," replied Mr. Earle. "Have you examined the library and any other room you were in during the noon hour?" "Yes, I looked for form's sake, but I remember well where I left the book."

"I see your library has two windows," said Blunt, "do you keep them locked?" "I try to." "Were they locked on this occasion?" "Yes, positively: a carpenter put on new fasteners and left them secure—I tried them in his presence just before lunch."

"Well, doctor, I will look the matter up and report ere long," said Blunt, taking a proffered fee and hurried departure. Darky Jim let him out. "I see you're a great stamp collector, Jim." "Golly, do I look that foolish?" said Jim. "Well, you have some approval books sticking out of your pocket." "You missed your reckoning, Mr. Constable; those are pressed buds from the woods over yonder," said Jim as he closed the door on the departing detective.

The secretary, Mr. Gale, met him at the gate. "I am going over to the city and will ride over to the depot with you," said Mr. Gale. "That's a pretty lively team of horses," said the detective, dividing his admiration between the straight, well dressed coachman and the blooded team." "Yes, we shall not miss the train."

When they were seated, Blunt said "I see some of the match and medicine stamps are becoming valuable now. Dr. Earle has knowledge of such values but I have to study much to acquire a knowledge of medicine; so have no time for fads".

As they were alighting, Blunt pretended to pick from the driver's seat of the coach a Newfoundland stamp. "Is this yours?" asked the detective of Blake, the coachman. "Most likely the doctors," replied Blake. "He has more stamps than patients sometimes." "Hurry, it is most train time," said the secretary.

Blunt, on arriving home assumed the disguise of a hungry tramp, and made his way in time to the back door of the doctor's residence. Bridget proved pliable to his oily ways and gave him a bite and some tea. The maid



passed through with a package under her arm, dressed for the street. "You must not let in strangers, Bridget, the doctor does not approve since he lost his stamp collection," said Jennie, the maid, flouncing past the hungry man and becoming entangled in a chair, shoved by accident or intention, in her path, by the hungry tramp; the maid fell to her knees and dropped her package which burst open and proved to be a dress waist. She soon had the package readjusted and departed.

As the tramp was leaving, Bridget remarked; "Mr. Detective, that dress waist made a deal of noise, when it dropped." "Do you think me an officer, Bridget?" "Sure, I worked for the doctor many years; I can tell a hungry tramp from an officer." She continued: "You see Mr. Officer, you look bad but you do not smell bad, as do tramps." "Well, good day Bridget,—as you say, that shirt waist made a deal of noise when it fell; I expect it was because I tipped over the chair at the same time."

So, Blunt the detective, walked swiftly towards the station and arrested Jennie, the maid, just as the train rounded the bend. The album of the doctor was nicely concealed in a dress waist.

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### *New Stamps Necessary for Germany*

As the *Vossische Zeitung* remarks Germany will need three new values to meet the demand caused by the recent resolutions of the Postal Congress at Rome. A single letter was heretofore 15 grams or  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounce. According to the new ruling it is 20 grams or 2-3 ounce. A double letter was 30 grams or 1 ounce, and now is 40 grams or 1 1-3 ounces. The rate for a single letter remains the same, 25 centimes, 20 pfennig, or 5 cents U. S. For a double letter 15 centimes only are to be added to the single rate, and 15 centimes only for any additional 20 grams. Fifteen grams are 3 cents U. S. or 12 pfennig German money. This is the value Germany lacks, and which undoubtedly will be issued. If this is done two more values will become desirable if not necessary, the equivalents for 5 and 10 centimes or 1 and 2 cents U. S., to wit, a 4 and an 8 pfennig stamp. At present the 5 and the 10 pfennig stamps were considered as equivalents, which in truth they are not. If these were to be retained, and 15 pfennig required as (an equivalent to 15 centimes the Germans would be paying 1, 2, or 3 pfennigs too much, as compared with Frenchmen and American. The new ruling may not take effect until 1907.

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Some figures relating to the total of varieties of the world's postage stamps were recently quoted. A French writer, M. Rene Adam has now figured out how many new stamps were issued during the year 1905. These amounted to a total of 697, made up as follows:—Europe, 151; Africa, 187; Asia, 93; Oceania, 68; and America, 198. Great Britain and the British Colonies were, between them, responsible for 140 stamps. Turning back to 1904 we find that the total for that was 766, or 69 more stamps than the total of the year that followed it. A very satisfactory falling off, many philatelists will think.

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A Scotchman has fashioned a picture entirely out of cancelled postage stamps. It shows a steamer at sea.

# Norway from the Beginning

(Continued.)

The year 1872 brought us the first of the "post-horn" issues of Norway, and stamps of this type, subject to occasional modifications, have remained in use from that time until the present day. Whether there will be stamps bearing the head of King Hakon VII. in the near future, remains to be seen.

**Fifth Issue (1872-75):** The stamps of this set are the last to bear values in "skilling," as in January, 1877, the Norwegian currency was brought into line with that of Sweden, and "ore" and "krone" were substituted for "skilling," but of this more hereafter. The stamps of 1872 not only bear a post-horn as the principal feature of the design, but are also watermarked with the same device. This watermark, however, was evidently applied to the paper by inexperienced hands, and almost invariably it is very difficult to locate on the stamps. The following is a general summary of the first "post-horn" series.

**Date of Issue.**—Although officially decreed for issue on January 1st, 1872, several stamps of the set did not make their appearance until the following year, and, in one case (the 6 skilling), not until 1875. This latter fact is readily explainable. The 6 skilling stamp was not included in the original scheme of this issue, but was issued in 1875 to supersede the 7 skilling, consequent upon a change in the postal arrangements. This will explain the use of the same colour for the two stamps. The following are the values, colours, and the dates of issues as exactly as they can be given:—

- 1 skilling green, yellow-green (1873).
- 2 " blue, ultramarine (1873).
- 3 " carmine, carmine-rose (January, 1872).
- 4 " purple (January 1st, 1872).
- 6 " red-brown (July, 1875).
- 7 " red-brown (July, 1872).

A notable "disappearance" from the list is the 8 skilling value, this being no longer necessary under the revised postal rates. Norway joined the Universal Postal Union in July, 1875, and one direct result of this was the substitution of a 6 skilling value, as already mentioned.

**Paper.**—The first three issues of Norway had been invariably on a wove paper of hand manufacture, but during the currency of the fourth issue (1863-66) a machine-made paper was introduced. For the issue now under notice the paper was all machine-made, and of varying thickness and colour. One may find very distinct variations in the shade of the paper, as white, greyish, yellowish, but in many cases the paper showing a yellowish tinge owes that colouring to the action of the gum on the back, which was often too lavishly applied. The post-horn watermarks we have already referred to. Mr. A. H. Harrison, writing on the subject, tells us that the postal authorities at Christiania have stated that this watermark was frequently impressed upon the paper after manufacture, instead of being produced by means of a "dandy roll" during the process of manufacture, which is, of course, the usual procedure. This, more perhaps than the theory of inexperienced workmanship, would account for the great irregularity in the positions in which the watermark is found.

**Printing.**—The stamps were printed at the Petersen factory in Chris-

tiana in sheets of 100 stamps (ten rows of ten) Size of each stamp: 17 by 21 millimetres.

Perforation.—As before,  $14\frac{1}{2}$  horizontally, and  $13\frac{1}{2}$  vertically.

Varieties.—The only catalogued minor variety of this issue is the 1 skilling green, with full point after the first ‘E’ of ‘EEN’—thus:—E.EN. In explanation of this and similar errors that may be found, it should be said that all the stamps of this issue were printed from a common matrix, with the exception of two portions of the design—namely, the numeral of value in the centre, and the word of value preceding the word ‘skilling’. These portions of the design were supplied by means of ‘secondary dies,’ and small variations would conceivably occur as the result of hurried or inexact workmanship. In the case of the 1 skilling stamp very exhaustive researches have been carried out by Mr. A. H. Harrison, who tabulates the following varieties in the dark green shade of this stamp:—

Variety I.—Eight stamps in the sheet (1 skilling, dark green) have a break across the lines of shading, giving them the appearance of having a white hair line passing from the oval band immediately above the second ‘E’ of ‘EEN’ to the break in the posthorn, and they occur in the

4th and 7th stamps in the 1st row.

3rd stamp in the 3rd row.

1st “ “ “ 5th “

8th “ “ “ 8th “

1st, 6th, and 10th stamps in the 9th row.

Variety II.—There is a dot, or full stop, between the first and second ‘E’ of ‘EEN’ on the stamp appearing the 3rd on the 5th row.

Variety III.—There is a dot, or full stop, after ‘skilling’ on the 10th stamp in the 9th row.

These three varieties also occur on the yellow-green and normal green shades of the same stamp, but in different positions on the sheet, proving that there was a second setting of the plate used in printing this issue. On the yellow-green and normal green stamps the varieties are located as follows:—

Variety I.—4th, 6th and 8th stamps in the 1st row.

6th and 9th stamps in the 2nd row.

6th stamp in the 4th row.

7th “ “ “ 6th “

10th “ “ “ 10th “

Variety II.—8th “ “ “ 2nd “

Variety III.—4th “ “ “ 1st “

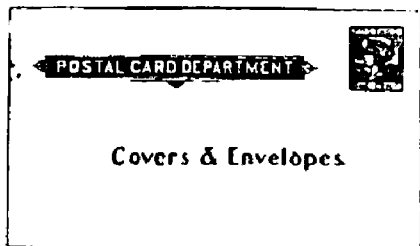
Some additional varieties, not to be found in the stamps of the dark green printing, are the following:—

Variety IV.—The 6th stamp on the 5th row had the corner blurred, and the ‘E’ of ‘NORGE’ badly defined.

Variety V.—The 7th stamp on the 5th row has a round white spot in the place of a pearl on the right-hand side of the crown.

Variety VI.—The 8th stamp on the 7th row has a thick white line passing from the first ‘E’ of ‘EEN’ to the outside of the oval.

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## Observations on Some Original Covers

By R. R. Thiele

(Continued.)

Several very interesting original covers have been submitted to me for description; they are the property of a youthful collector down in Florida. I think he will not take it amiss if I allude here to the fact that he is a "shut in", being confined to his room from childhood by a diseased hip. What a consolation his stamps must be to him? If anyone should like to cheer his monotonous hours by gifts of stamps, I shall be glad to furnish his name and address.

One of these original covers bears nothing more striking than one and two cent stamps of our current United States issue. The letter was addressed to "The Consular Agent, of the United States of America, Samara, Abyssinia, Africar." Samara is a small inland town of Abyssinia, east of Lake Tsana; I should have not imagined that it boasted the distinction of a consular representative of Uncle Sam. Doubtless our young friend—for he wrote the letter himself—had good reason for addressing his letter to this functionary, but in any case the latter never got a chance to see the letter, for by some mischance, although the country is plainly shown, the letter was miscarried to Samara, Russia, the well known city on the Volga river. The letter left Tampa, Florida, August 15, 1904, and arrived at Samara, Russia, On Sept. 24, 1904, as shown by a datestamp on the back; of course the difference in calendar must be taken into account here. Somebody here transcribed the address into Russian "Amerikanskoi Konsul, Samara", but here, for the postoffice failed to find him. This is shown by a slip of paper attached at one end to the back of the letter and bearing the following inscriptions, partly printed, partly in writing.

Printed heading: Spavka Samarskoi; Putsch.—Tel. Kontory.  
the meaning of which is: Correction. Post and Telegraph Office at Samara.

Then follow four dotted lines with this printed heading vertically at the left: Pritchina njedostarleniya.

The reason is given in writing as follows:

Amerikanski Konsul v Samarje nje yisvyestyen.—which, being interpreted, means literally: American consul in Samara not Known.—Next is the printed heading Utchastki, i. e. Districts following by numbered spaces for signatures, from 1 to 17, all but two with initials signed in them. The numbers evidently represent delivery districts and the initials are probably those of the respective mailcarriers who thus certify that they do not know the addressee in their district. The whole proceeding terminates with the printed note:

Provyeryad

P.—t., tchin 3 rasr.

Provyeryad means "examined"; P.—t. again stands for "post" and "telegraph"; Tchin. 3 rasr. is abbreviated for tchinovnik 3 rasr-yada, i. e.

'official of the 3d grade;' the official did not sign his name.

But the postoffice did not yet lose heart. True, an examination of the address would have shown the futility of the search by revealing the plainly written word Abyssinia, but a Russian official cannot be expected to do any such violent stunts of original research. Nevertheless they did some thing and this is shown by the manuscript note on the face of the letter:

Dla spravki Saratov  
Americkanskomu Konsulu.

that is:

For correction to Saratov  
to the American Consul.

No date stamp shows when the letter left Samara or when it arrived at Saratov. At the latter town the letter went through a similar proceeding as before; witness another slip of paper also attached at one end to the back of the letter and bearing the following manuscript notations:

Spravka v Saratovye.

Osnatchennawo Konsulstava V. G. (=Gord) Saratovye nyet,  
which may be translated: Correction at Saratov.

The consulate named is not in the city of Saratov.

This is signed, Potchauon Kirxeyev

i. e. Kiryeyev, Postmaster, and following this fourteen signatures, no doubt also those of mail carriers. So Saratov also gave it up and sent the letter to headquarters, as shown by the notation on the face of the letter

Dos. (abbreviated for Dostavit) Moskvu.

that is: To be sent to Moscow. The officials at Moscow do not seem to have troubled themselves further about the letter, but sent it on to this country I would like to know myself just where and when another printed label was affixed to the back of the letter bearing the words

Unbekannt.  
inconnu

the words in black, the border in green. Both words—one German one French—mean "unknown"; by the language one would suppose the label belonged to Germany, but there are no postmarks to show that the letter was in Germany. At all events it arrived at Washington Nov. 12, 1904, as shown by the familiar red circular hand-stamp of the Dead Letter Office and by its large index hand on the face of the letter directing it to be returned to the address of the sender as shown in the left upper corner. Finally after all its unsuccessful travels, the letter returned to Tampa, Florida, on Nov. 14, 1904, as shown by a machine stamp on the back of the letter. One often hears of the sagacity of the post office in unraveling queer addresses; here is a case where at least four offices failed to see the word "Abyssinia" written in large and plain letters on the face of a letter and exerted their ingenuity all for nothing in Russia. But that the travelworn envelope with all its directions and attachments forms an exceedingly interesting curiosity, there can be no doubt.

(To be continued.)

At the last meeting of the Boston Philatelic society a motion was made proposing that the society condemn the sending of unsolicited approval sheets. After some discussion the question was laid on the table. It will be interesting to see what future action the society will take, as this matter of sending out approval sheets when they have not been solicited has disgusted more than one philatelist.

# *Commemorative Stamps*

*By R. MacColla*

The question has often been asked, without any really satisfactory reply, whether commemorative stamps should be collected in a General Collection? As there is little doubt that most of them are usually issued especially for stamp collectors, the sale of which helps very considerably to fill the coffers of the country or state in question, at the expense of the Philatelist.

The chief thing noticeable about most of these stamps is their size and elaborate design. They are usually oblong in shape, and very often the design is a copy of some famous picture, industry or portrait.

The U. S. A. Columbus are amongst the most respectable and handsome of commemorative stamps. The Omaha issue, Pan American, Canada Diamond Jubilee, Newfoundland Cabot, the Olympian Games series of Greece, and Japan Wedding may also be included under the heading of "respectable," as they have done as much postal duty as any ordinary issue would have done.

The Columbus issue are very handsome stamps, depicting various events in the life of Columbus, after historical printings. The Omaha issue is the same size, but depicts various scenes in America, and the Pan American series is illustrating a liner, motor car, etc. In 1904, the St. Louis Exhibition stamps were issued depicting portraits and a map of the Louisiana purchase.

The prices of these stamps have not advanced very much, with the exception of the higher values, such as 1 to 5 dollars Columbus, although at the time they were printed they were expected to rise considerably, consequently everybody saved them, with the result that they are not at all scarce, and several have gone down in price since 1900, notably the 30c, 50c, 1 dollar and 2 dollars.

The Diamond Jubilee issue of Canada are very handsome stamps containing two portraits of Queen Victoria at different periods of her reign. The complete set, however could probably be bought for £2, used, from ½c to 5 dollars.

The Newfoundland Cabot celebration issue consists of 14 stamps with the 1c on 3c surcharge extra, and amongst them is a portrait of Queen Victoria as she was in 1897 (1c), and Cabot (2c); some of the other stamps illustrate views, animals, and industries of the country.

The Olympian Games series of Greece, issued in 1896, are unique as regards commemorative stamps, showing, as they do, various Grecian sports, such as Chariot Racing, Wrestling, etc.

Among the countries who have issued useless, and at the same time speculative stamps, might be mentioned Portugal, who in 1894 issued "Don Henry Celebration" stamps. These stamps marked the centenary of Prince Henry the Navigator. This country also issued another series in the next year (1895), "St. Anthony Celebration," to commemorate the 7th centenary of the birth of St. Anthony, of Padua. It was stated when they were issued that they would be available for one day only, but the issue luckily was not a financial success. The facial value of these stamps amounted to

400,000,000 reis, and seven eighths of the issue had to be burnt as there was no sale for them.

Portugal again issued another set of commemorative stamps in 1898 to the memory of Vasco de Gama. She also issued the same set for her colonies as well, in which the design is the same, with the exception of the name of the colony being substituted for Portugal. These useless stamps are still to be obtained at very low prices, and it is doubtful whether they will ever rise much in value.

Bulgaria issued a set of postal labels in 1896, to mark the baptism of Prince Boris into the Greek church, which, from a postal point of view, and also a collector's was quite unnecessary. In 1901, followed a couple of stamps to commemorate the 1876 Revolution, and in 1903 a set appeared in remembrance of the brilliant achievements attained in the Shipka Pass, showing a spirited picture of a fight on a steep mountain side. The Republic of Uruguay issued a series in 1896, to celebrate the inauguration of the statue of Don Joaquin Suarez. This issue was only available for a few days, but, in spite of this, are now worth very few pence.

A native of the Dominican Republic some years ago discovered some bones, which were declared to be those of Columbus. An ingenious postal official proposed to issue a set of stamps, which were soon afterwards printed, in order to raise funds to build a memorial, in the shape of a mausoleum, to receive the bones. It would take up too much space to describe all the various stamps issued solely for commemorative and mostly speculative purposes with which the general collector is burdened. Commemorative stamps seem to be more plentiful now-a-days than valuable, and although from an artistic point are generally more striking in appearance and design, they do not add much to the monetary value of a collection.

To this we may add that several stamps commemorate event only by an appropriate overprint. The majority are, however, of the pictorial kind, and in extenuation of these it must be said that, to a non-Philatelist viewing a stamp collection these label appeal most, and also that they generally convey some piece of information otherwise hardly taken notice of. Naturally it is left to every collector to include them or leave them out just as fancy dictates.

The following compilation is merely made to give a fair idea as to the extent commemorative stamps are used and at what occasion.

Argentine Republic,	1892.	Discovery of America by Columbus, 1492.
“	“	1902. Opening of Port Rosario.
Barbados,	1897.	Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee.
“	“	1906. Nelson's death at Trafalgar, 1805.
Belgium	1904.	Antwerp Exhibition.
“	“	1896. Brussels Exhibition.
Brazil,	1900.	Discovery of Brazil, 1500.
British Guiana,	1897.	Queen Victoria's Jubilee.

Collectors are warned against somewhat dangerous forgeries of the "Shipka Pass" (1902) stamps of Bulgaria and the Coronation, better known as the "Death Mask" issue of Servia. The high values of the King's Head stamps of Lagos have also been daringly faked by removing the tablet of value from lower-value stamps of corresponding colours.

# *Kim Bloodso's Stamp Scheme*

*By Sam'l Bud Cook*

(Continued from last No.)

Soon he received several offers, one being from the Numismatic Bank of New York, offering \$1,500 for the 50 stamps. Kim believed in not acting the pig too long, so he accepted the snug offer; but when he went to his room that evening to get the stamps and forward them, he was amazed to find them gone! He used his detective skill, but no clew could be found and he was so enraged that he felt almost like publicly declaring the postmaster as the thief.

As the stamps did not arrive in New York, the bankers feared trace might be lost of the valuables and wired an officer of \$2,000.00 for Kim's find.

Believing that silence is golden and delays and misfortunes trainers to advantage, Kim therefore kept still.

He hoped to recover them, but feared if he would tell the bankers that he no more had them, they would again increase their reward, and the person who had them might give them up—as secrecy could be kept of the transaction, or bankers claim stamps were from out of way persons, as similar stamps were afloat.

Ultimately the true facts became known. Within a few years Kim had become famous in his schemes and he chanced to again be at New Brunswick. He renewed his acquaintance with the postmistress, Miss Flora Paudaw, and they really fell in love with each other. One moonlight eve while out driving through the Merrymaking Park, their hearts evidently got merry, for Flora brought this subject before Kim which undoubtedly was a surprise:

"Several years ago you bought 50 reverted Pan-American stamps at the Postoffice!"

"Yes", said Kim agitated and evidently trying to evade his troubles, "but let us not talk about them, for I lost them and don't know how."

"But," she continued bravely, "would you forgive anyone guilty who brings them back?"

"Certainly", he replied, with no iota of immediate triumph.

Without further assurance Miss Paudaw said "Action tells if you are real earnest about it you may lift up my dress to my knee—"No further," Kim interrupted. "There you will find my garter-pocket-book."

She did not answer Kim's interruption, for no interference needs reply, neither did she say what he would find in the book.

Woman was made subject to man, but now-a-days he often must take the legal right to obey her. Kim daintily lifted the white lawn gown trimmed with lace and chiffon. How long it took him St. Peter only knows, but suddenly Kim cried:

"Where under the sun, did you get it—I mean them, those, the postage stamps" I bet they are mine."

"They are ours" echoed Miss Paudaw, with emphasis on the word ours!

"I will be frank with you", she said, "I know it was mean; but the postmaster was so displeased because I sold them to you, that he threatened to expell me. Therefore, I stole them one noon from your trunk and gave them to him so I could hold my position."



"Yes," said Kim, "it is a shame how many girls must submit to treatment of brutes in order to keep their work."

The wedding was arranged and the two were happily married and left for New York City where they disposed of the famous 50 reverted Pan-American two cent stamps, then went to Indiana to live, elated with love and \$3,000, \$55 of which was given to Billie Jones for the extra stamp he sent with them and his tact of discovery.

Now the people vow, "even in blunders riches are, if only properly unearthed and fostered."

Later: It has been discovered that Elora Pudaw is a male in disguise for many years. He got part of the money for the stamps and has left Kim. It is the only time Kim was outwitted, but he now has twelve more such stamps and expects to yet get a fortune for them.

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### ***"Brains won the Medals and not Dollars"***

These are the closing words of Mr. J. N. Luff's report concerning the recent London Philatelic Exhibition, as published in Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, and they are well worth remembering. Mr. Luff's report gives both a fair idea of what was shown and a valuable conception of how it was shown. The writer of these lines has for years urged the advisability of making notes. In a private collection they may be made, if they are short, on the hinge that holds the stamp. For exhibition the notes of course must be in view, i. e. above, below or beside the stamp, or they may be placed above a whole series or on the margin of the album leaf. Such notes enhance the value of a collection considerably, if not the dollar value, certainly the philatelic value. Friend R. R. Thiele is now arranging his entire collection after this plan, and it makes a splendid appearance. A non-philatelist on seeing the collection in its new form exclaimed "Now I begin to understand how stamp collecting may be called a science. In this form it certainly may be called so. "The London Exhibition contained many such notes, and it seems this was a special feature. It is highly recommendable. In museums we usually see every article accompanied by a card, which not merely names the article, but at the same time gives a short history of its origin or any other items of interest concerning it. Scientific collecting requires this. Why not apply it to stamp collecting? It will reflect credit on the collector.—Dorpat.

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An International Stamp Show.—Royalty and Americans have been comparing stamp collections in the international philatelic exhibition held in Westminster, where nearly three million dollars' worth of stamps are on show. The Prince of Wales was one of the largest exhibitors and there were valuable stamps from the greatest collections in England, America, France, Germany and Italy. The Prince of Wales, who has been an enthusiastic philatelist since he was a midshipman in the royal navy, sent the two most valuable stamps in the world. They are the penny and twopenny Mauritius, surcharged "Postoffice," and issued in 1847. The two penny stamp, which is an unused specimen, was bought by the Prince at public auction last year for \$7,250. Henry J. Crocker, of San Francisco, exhibited his unique collection of Hawaiian stamps, which were saved by a margin of two days from destruction by fire by being sent to this exhibition.

# *Why Not Better Support?*

*By C. S. Letwis*

Among the articles appearing in the columns of the WEST for April, 1906, was an article written by a Mr. Robert C. Ramsay upon the subject of "More Journals" which upon perusal, would seem to offer a solution of the problem that has for a long time been ever foremost in the hearts of all true followers of our hobby, and that is, "How can we bring about a true understanding into the aims and objects of philatelists in the minds of the general public?"

In the past, writers have gone to a great deal of trouble and devoted much time to successfully evolve some practical method of achieving this much desired result, but all to little purpose and, while not wishing in any way to disparage this theory of Mr. Ramsay's as a remedying measure to offset the condition as it exists at the present time, I am at least impelled to set forth what I consider the fallaciousness of the main position of his contention, viz: That the bringing forth of more journals would through the added publicity obtained reach out and expound more eloquently to the lay public the real status of philately both as regards a pastime and a science.

As we all know to our chagrin and sorrow a stamp collector is regarded by most people as a rather harmless sort of idiot who hasn't quite outgrown his "kid foolishness," and while they will admit, if close pressed, that a stamp album is a "thing of beauty," few will go the lengths of stating that it might become, by any possibility, a "Joy forever" to them.

To convince these people that philately really has definite standing in the ranks of the sciences, we have long endeavored through our periodicals and in various other ways but all to little avail. They glance at the majority of our "journals of Philately" and as a rule are impressed with but one very apparent fact and that is that they are all rather crude and smack strongly of "amateurism."

To be sure we have been often very ably represented in the past by some truly creditable journals and have several at the present time among them the WEST of which any hobby or even science might point to with pardonable pride but considering the amount of time and labor expended by their publishers the support which is accorded them by the stamp collecting fraternity is something we had best keep far in the rear when extolling their merits and the good they are seeking to and have accomplished.

The publisher of a philatelic journal, as a rule, sets out to give his fellow collectors the very best there is procurable of both stamp literature and news, and gives lavishly of his time and money to bring this about. All of us are bound to admit this fact. A publisher cannot be blamed for losing interest and finally suspending from his labors altogether when, after a twelve month or more of untiring and unceasing labor he realizes that his subscription list numbers at best but a few hundred names and that the income derived therefrom goes but a very little way toward meeting the expense involved in bringing out the publication with any degrees of regularity and "sizeability." When collectors themselves refuse to contribute even a mite towards the betterment of this condition, how can you expect a publisher to go on spending of his finances and laboring day after day to

reach an ideal, knowing that it will barely be possible that it will be appreciated when achievement is accomplished. Is it any wonder that most of our journals are of a "small size," as Mr. Ramsay complains? And as for "more journals" bringing forth more philatelic writers, how could such a thing be brought to pass if collectors persistently refuse to lend the publishers their support to his journals as they seem to do at present.

I haven't a doubt but that if the journals we have with us at the present time were supported by collectors in the manner in which they should be, their publishers would be more than ready and willing to accord to the philatelic scribes a more than just remuneration for their arduous labors and would be ever on the lookout to secure the very best of literary talent to contribute to the contents of their several publications. But as matters stand at the present time, why, it's up to the collectors, isn't it?

The cost of a year's subscription to most of our stamp journals is about 25c per year, (a few of the best charge 50c, and they are worth the money, too). And at even such a low subscription price the very best of them cannot show a subscription roll of 10,000 bona fide, paid-up subscribers who are members of the stamp collecting fraternity. If they exceed the 5,000 mark they are considered as phenomena. And just think! there is said to be at least 100,000 stamp collectors in the United States alone! How proud collectors should be of the fact that a good journal, giving full value for the money, and often more, cannot succeed in getting more than 10 per cent of the number upon his list of paid up subscribers at the very most! Isn't it something to be proud of?

Does it make you stop and think? Will it succeed in bringing you to a state of mind wherein you will resolve to do your best toward uplifting our hobby in popular estimation?

If all of us would do what we could and should do—subscribe to at least one good stamp journal—Mr. Ramsay's theorizing as to "more journals" being the remedy to efface the false impression in the public mind as to philately would soon be shown at its true worth and the real panacea for the amelioration of this evil would be shown to be—Better Support.

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**An International Stamp.** The International Postal congress which has long been perplexed over the demand for an international stamp, has at last voted in favor of a plan by which it will be possible to send return postage with foreign letters. The scheme, proposed by England, and adopted recently by a majority of one, provides for coupons sold in each country at the price of the regular foreign letter stamp, and exchangeable at the destination for the equivalent stamp of that particular country. The initial difficulty has always been that the international rates were not uniform, twopence halfpenny, for instance, not being exactly equal to 5 cents. With a single international stamp, speculators could buy in quantity in countries where this stamp was cheap and sell it in one where it was dear, making a possible profit of a dollar or more on every thousand. Apparently, though the details are not explained in the brief dispatches, the new plan is to issue in this country, say, a special 5c stamp for foreign letters to which is attached the return postage coupon. These exchangeable slips, therefore, can not be obtained except by using an equal number of stamps on outgoing matter, a requirement that would presumably make speculation impossible on any scale large enough to be worth while.—New York Post.

## *An Old Cover*

*By F. E. Halbert*

The writer intended to have only the centre of this cover photographed but the camera man thought it best to open it out to show a little of how letters were once fixed when envelopes had not yet been invented. The letter was from a schooner's captain to the representative of the owners. It was written at Havana and although plainly addressed, was sent to Hamburg, Germany. The dates show that the letter was nearly six months in reaching its proper destination. The upper right hand postmark is the Hamburg one and reads "Schief's Brien Prost, 4 Oct. 1834 Hamburg." The postmark at the left is a French quarantine mark. The first part of the message reads:

"Havana, 19 July 1834,

Enclosed I send the account of Mr. Heywood and 3 seamen. Cabel Mardan is Gr. to this pay bill ten dollars, and Nathaniel Kennard five do. I was compelled to pay this for them before I could get rid of them. I have nothing new to say. Beef goes off very slowly but there is none at first hands and the beef vessels will soon get thin, when I am in hopes to do better if no larger quantities arrive. It is very sickly here but my health and mate's is good. I am looking anxiously every day for letters but get none

Your obedient servant,

Eben Knight.

The second part shows that Havana was a hotbed for yellow fever until the "yankee hog" went down there and figuratively and literally "cleaned them out."

July 28, 1834

Dear Sir—

I received yours the 24th. Our crew consists of 3 men and mate all of whom have had the yellow fever or some other sickness nearly as bad. I should have sent the account of Richard Pickernell of York who died July 7, but have not got the Dr's. bill yet. Mate just recovering of a sickness of 10 days, and one man (the mulatto) turned to this morning who has been down of yellow fever 18 or 20 days.

Beef goes off slowly. My health was never better.

Truly Yours,

Eben Knight.

There are four colors of ink on the address side.

In making letters ready for the post the sides were first folded in and then the top and bottom; one of the latter folds being tucked under the other and then sealed with hot wax.

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Stamps to Build a Railway. The many valuable collections of old postage stamps which during the last fifty years have been allowed to remain undisturbed in the vaults of the General Post Office at Constantinople are to be sold by the Ottoman Government. The proceeds will be devoted towards the expenses of building the railway to Mecca. It is stated that religious reasons have hitherto been the cause for refusing many tempting offers for the collection.



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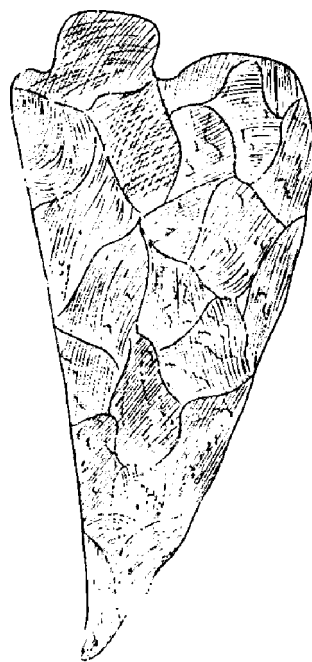




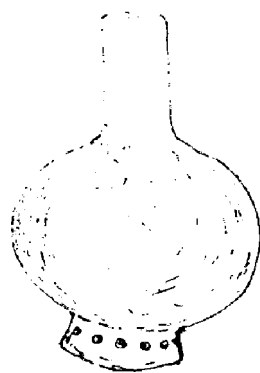
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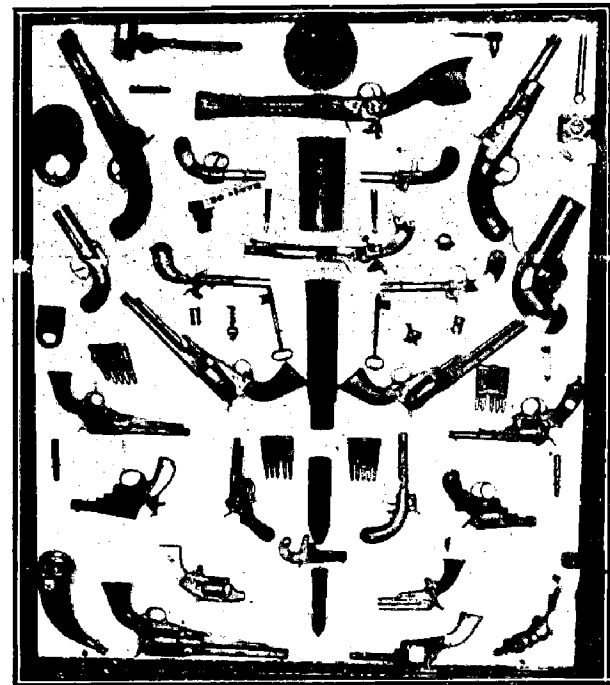
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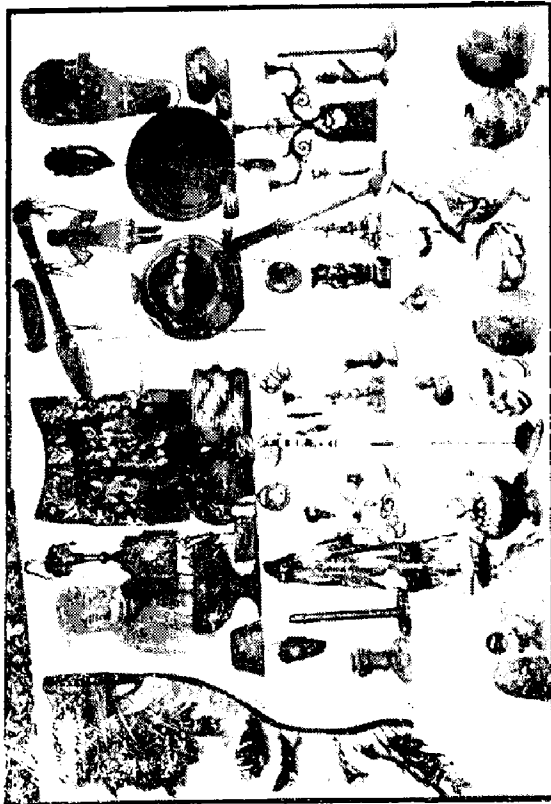
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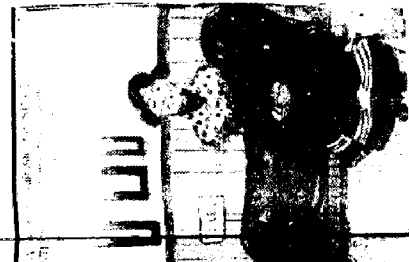
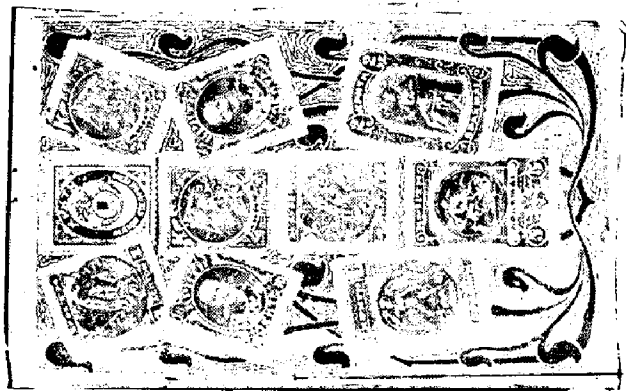




Collection of Guns of J. B. Lewis, Petaluma, Calif.



A Collection of Indian Relics of J. B. Lewis.



Souvenir Post.

Stamp & Coin Co.,  
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# PHILOCARTY



POST CARD

P. C. Collectors  
The World  
Over

BY MISS M. KELLER.

"The View Card Hobby both Pleasurably and Practically."

The post card claims and receives our constant care, and all other things which shall be added to our basis will only tend to magnify our original theme. The post card pictorially has a wonderful way of linking itself with a great deal of our lives. For even the dullest of minds must perceive the appropriateness of sending to, or receiving from, friend or relative a post card commemorative and illustrative of important and joyous occasions. We hear of a certain firm placing an order of one million cards of one design; and know of a picture costing \$7,000 being reproduced on a penny post card. The present and coming time boom in post cards is so great that it will need all our space to cope with all the demands of this truly interesting and delightful subject. One of the few things which connects people of standing and commoners is love of a common hobby; the knowledge of having a pursuit in common does more than anything else to make the hobbyists feel akin. Members of the Royal Family have indulged in view card collecting. Queen Victoria is said to have had a grand collection—that a whole article would not suffice to do them justice. Though bound together by such a tiny object as a postal card, the love of a common hobby is yet strong enough to form a tie between all sorts and conditions of people. Most of the Post Card papers and Philatelic papers, with a few pages sacrificed for the Post Card pad, are always delightful and charming, giving one a wide field of thought, the delight is almost illimitable. A certain French Countess, finding that her collection of postals was becoming large decided to present it to the directors of a school. Now the school walls are adorned with the Cartophilic trophies, from all parts of the world. Those who have the Post Card hobby will find, after all, that it is harmless, artistic and instructive; will find themselves abundantly catered for. Most specimens of colored cards are grand, and we thank artists, and students of the Photochrom Co., for the specimens of real art cards, which exert an educating and refining effect on those who see them. Accuracy of form is

ured by photography, both in color and technique the work is near perfection. There is a very large variety of these and we regret that our limited space will not allow us to do them justice. It is said that the French Minister of Commerce has allowed the circulation of picture post cards of similar type to those in use in Great Britain, half of the front side being reserved for the address, the other part for correspondence, thus leaving the whole of the other side for the picture. These may be sent at the usual rate of ten centimes.

The economical Scot no doubt uses a post card where an Englishman or Irishman would send a letter, but I cannot think he sends view cards which contain less writing space and cost more than plain cards, but yet we hear that the Scot uses pictorial cards as freely as an Englishman, and the practice denotes a sad deterioration of national thrift. We do not think that the proverbial economy of our Scotchmen would go so far in the way indicated. Yet it shows evidence of the all-subduing influence of the Post Card on its victorious march thro' the world. Those who can neither see use nor beauty in a view card will be surprised to know that we have as yet touched only the fringe of the infinite variety of purposes for which the post card may be and will be used. The range of subjects cover exceedingly wide space, and we are surprised at the many developments already made. It certainly has become a favorite and facile means of conveying in concrete form to distant friends or preserving the fleeting impressions left on the mind of the traveler and tourist. A very good way of sending post cards to keep them clean in the post is two cards stamped and enclosed facing outwards in an envelope out of which a small square hole has been cut on each side to allow the stamps to show thro'. The envelope is addressed, gummed and posted as a letter. The same system can also be used with single cards sent abroad as printed matter, tucking in the flaps of envelopes. The famous liners' series of post cards are very popular. They sell on board the ship, and everybody who has ever traveled, or who has friends who have been on board them naturally buys a picture of the ship he knows, or has heard of.

We can look forward with complacency to the time when the virtues of the picture postal will be acknowledged by every person of sense and education. The new year has opened with every prospect of being a very busy one for card producers and users. On every hand activity prevails. Posting foreign cards from abroad seems the collectors' summer bonum of joy. It gives them a chance to repay all those generous friends who have when on their travels have remembered our collections, and the necessity of communicating with one's family becomes a pleasure, for the post cards are such charming souvenirs of travel, so very cheap and handy and beautiful, so much cheaper than photographs; and the pretty pictures make up for one's lack of description when tired with travel.

My sincere and hearty thanks are due to a very large number of readers for sending me various pretty picture post cards. From all parts of the world they came, all colors and many sorts of processes. Some bear portraits of the senders. Some had photographs taken by themselves of picturesque places in their locality and some were ordinary view cards with greetings. Comparatively few except those from France, bore printed greetings. From India came two fancy post cards with greetings painted upon them, Pretty

cards with pictures of palms from Jamaica. From Greece came local views bearing pictures of local life and scenery. Others came from Tangier, Jerusalem, Morocco, and Tonbridge, all of which I should like to reproduce. Art and fancy post cards are not to be discontinued, for "Art is long," fashion is fleeting, and the non-view card post card is subject to change and caprice of the moment.

London has many firms devoting their energies to the production and selling of fancy post cards while every large art publisher now issues such. The hobby of picture post-card collecting has become an institution throughout the United Kingdom, as well as thro' our country. Traveling is the origin of post-card collecting, and not only are they published by the million, but the very modes of travel themselves are illustrated.

The subject of costume apart from fashion, is one not only of interest to lady readers, but masculine friends as well. The costumes shown on the various cards are some from South Beveland in the Province of Zealand thro' which runs the mouth of the Scheldt in the Dutch territory. The pictures are typically Dutch, for beside the costumes of the Dutch girls, it gives us a peep of Dutch scenery, and shows us the water, which is at once the enemy and the friend of Holland. The cards gain much by the coloring of the famous Flemish artist, H. H. Cassieers.

Some time ago a pretty poem on "A Picture Post Card in the Rockies" came to my notice from which I take the following extracts:

I watched from my old cabin door  
A horseman ride up from the West:  
He hung down the mail-bag he bore,  
Whilst I crowded around with the  
rest.

There's letters for Will, Dick and Joe.  
With tidings from over the sea;  
And now the bag's empty—but no!  
There's one picture post card for me.  
I gaze on the card in my hand  
While hot tears unbidden arise;  
A bit of my own native land  
Smiles back from beneath northern  
skies.

Yes! There are the woods that I  
know,  
The path leading over the hill  
The bridge with the streamlet below  
That flows by the old water mill.  
The present scene fades from my sight,  
Its canons and gulches so vast:  
While, lost in a dream of delight,  
I visit the haunts of the past  
Sweet voices re-echo once more  
O'er memory's deep flowing tide;  
And warm hands clasp mine as of yore.  
Tho' wild surging oceans divide.  
Tho' lonely the path I must roam

A sweet picture post-card from home.

Caricatures on cards, which were for a time very popular, were invented in 1756 by George Townsend. "Political Caricatures," which were probably Italian in their origin came into fashion in England during the South Sea panic. The latest novelty in menu cards is the detachable picture post-card. The names of the various dishes are written on one side only of the card, which is a folding one. The other half, on which is printed a beautiful picture, detaches by means of a perforated edge, and can be used as a post card. A Zurich firm have introduced a "life insurance" post card. You have only to buy one and address it to a friend—or yourself—to insure against accident while traveling for the sum of \$200, or during thirty days from the date of postage. In case of a non-fatal accident he receives \$2 a week during the time he is incapacitated from work.

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City members Will all members kind-  
ly cancel all previous lists. This is  
absolutely correct and up-to-date.—  
Yours very truly, C. A. Hives.

#### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

To Our EXCHANGE MEMBERS:—  
We wish to make the Canadian Ex-  
change Club a first class one in every  
respect. To this end we ask the sup-  
port of collectors who have the inter-  
est of this hobby at heart. The pub-  
lisher does not expect to derive great  
financial gain, but since we have so  
good an official organ we feel grate-  
ful to think what a great gain it will  
be to us all in furthering our list of  
new members and so all work togeth-  
er both pleasurably and practically  
as our motto reads, "The Postcard  
both pleasurably and practically."  
Every man or woman, boy or girl  
should join. The Club has its purpose  
the protection of members against  
frauds. the exchange of helpful ideas,  
and the putting of collectors in closer  
touch with each other. Each member  
should have the Philatelic West and  
so keep posted on the list of Club  
members and doings of Philocartie in  
general, in short to keep posted and  
get interested in the thing and derive  
full benefit. My heartiest wishes of  
good will is extended to all members  
both the present and "yet to be"

MADLINE KELLER

# Universal Philocartist Protective Association

ORGANIZED FEB. 9th, 1906

President, Robt. P. Miller	3603 N Ninth St., St. Louis Mo
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German Representative, Gustav Schmidt	Giessen, Germany

Secretary's Report: We regret to say that Mr. Brodstone inadvertently left our membership list out of last month's Philatelic West, but we hope the members will pardon him this time. You will find the list immediately after this report. We hope you all like our new official organ and would like the members to let us know their opinion of it.

We promised to announce the prizes which we are giving for getting members: The prizes are as follows: For one member, three St. Louis views, separately mailed, or five colored cards of different cities mailed under cover. For two members, twice the amount given for one; for getting three members we will give a set of ten St. Louis cards, each separately mailed, or twenty cards of different cities, or rubber address stamp of not more than three lines. These stamps are of small size, suitable for stamping on post cards. (We can make these stamps for any members that want them, for 10c per line.) For five members we will give 30 cards of different cities or four leather cards or a year's dues paid in advance. New members can join free by getting five others to send in their applications together. We will give special prizes to those getting over five members to join. You can take your prizes whatever way you like, by taking the prize for one, two, three or five members sent in at a time or letting the number you have sent in at a time or letting the number you have sent in be put to your credit until you wish a prize when you will be given the prize for the total number sent in.

As announced last month, we are going to hold a prize competition for a design for our trade mark, etc. The conditions are as follows: 1st, Competition closes Sept. 10th, 1906, prize winners to be announced in the WEST of Sept. 30th. 2nd, The design must be on the order of a coat-of arms, seal or monogram, the drawing to be not less than 4 inches square. If you cannot draw, a rough sketch will do, but draw it as well as possible. 3rd, All designs must be addressed to Jas. J. Sheridan, Box 1097, St. Louis, Mo. 4th, The prizes are as follows: For the design accepted, we will give 100 colored cards of different cities and designs; for the next best design, 50 colored cards, and for the third best design, 25 colored and 25 black and white cards. 5th, If no design is considered suitable for acceptance, a new competition will be held. 6th, All those competing must be members of the U. P. P. A. Yours fraternally, Jas. J. Sheridan, Sec'y.

## LIST OF MEMBERS, U. P. P. A.

1. John A. Gallagher, 4280 Evans Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 2. Louis F. Hudson, 1956 Sidney St., St. Louis, Mo. 3. Miss Mary Burns, 1520 Semple Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 4. Alois Vedernjak, 221 E. 85th St., New York City, N. Y. 6. Fred A. Schmidt, 1220 E. Delaware St., Evansville, Ind. 7. Maurice W. Holston, 733 Thirteenth St., Moline, Ill. 8. Chas. E. Spahn, 3658 Finney Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 9. George Godoy, (foreign cards only) Legacion Mexicana, Habana, Cuba. 10. J. E. Woodward, Box 884, Richmond, Va. 11. A. M. de Silva Rosarrio Box 127 B. Hong Kong, China.



(Do not send card to No. 11 until he sends first) 12. Miss Mary Coens, 91 Rue Lozane, Anvers, Belgium. 13. Albert H. Holcome, Box 27, Neshanic, N. J. 14. Walter W. Fritzsche, 106 S. Adams St., Burlington, Iowa. 15. Albert Berlin, Bonner Springs, Kans. (No. 15 wants foreign cards only) 16. Grace Cubine, Box 123, Coffeyville, Kans. 17. Oscar W. Miller, c-o. Creve Coeur Club, Peoria, Ill. 18. Chas. F. Oschner, Hermann, Mo. 19. Jennie Meyer, 2851 Paulina St., Roxbury, Mass.

20. R. B. Platt, 62 Catauba St., Roxbury, Mass. 21. Anson Lukens, Jr., 731 S. Front St., Hamilton, Ohio. 22. Harry S. Case, Bx 124, Toledo, Ohio. 23. Gertrude B. Kelley, Irving, Montgomery Co., Ill. 24. Albert Kleckner, 26 Blanch St., Mansfield, Ohio. 25. Bessie D. Soule, 28 Clinton St., Cambridge, Mass. 26. G. L. Snyder, 2663 W. North Ave., Baltimore, Md. 27. Putney Elbert Perkins, 1228 Gratiot Ave., Detroit, Mich. 28. Anton Spies, Box F., Lestershire, N. Y. 29. Don R. P. Davis, Lowell, Ark., (No. 29 wants foreign cards only.) 30. Chas. H. Hewett, 1345 Nelson St., Vancouver, B. C., Canada. 31. John H. Kern, Box 215, Fort Wayne, Ind. 32. David B. Hopper, 125 Haledon Ave., Paterson, N. J. 33. L. Blanke-meier, Temple Building, St. Louis, Mo. 34. Marie Gallagher, Barnards Crossing, N. Y. 35. Walter L. Miller, 306 Purcell Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio. (foreign cards only) 36. A. W. Holston, 532 Herman Ave., Norfolk, Va. 37. Sadie E. Jackson, (Foreign cards only), 69 Myrtle St., E. Somerville, Mass. 38. Emma A. Bachelder, 14 Franklin St., Haverhill, Mass. 39. J. M. Streckfuss, c-o Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo. 40. Henry E. Golisch, 539½ So. Flower St., San Francisco, Cal. 41. Miss Lena Runtz, 2625 Missouri Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 42. Rev. Dr. B. M. Skulik, La Salle, Ills. 43. Henry Berman, 12 Vienna St., Rochester, N. Y. 44. Samuel Rattberg, 206 W. Front St., Plainfield, N. J. 45. F. P. Fochs, c-o Citizens National Bank, Evansville, Ind. (No comics.) 46. Emil Anderson, Paxton, Ills. 47. Mr. C. Larson, 1427 Boyle St., Allegheny, Pa.

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Picture Postcard's Birth: A stationer in a French provincial town was struck by a great idea when a regiment visited his town in 1870. He produced a picture post card, and from this small beginning has sprung a great industry. Not until 1893 were picture postcards printed in this country, and yet in 1903 at least 450,000,000 pictorial cards were produced in Great Britain. In Germany 1,161,000,000 postcards were posted the same year, about four-fifths of which were pictorial. These were a few of the facts presented to an interested audience at the Society of Arts the other night by Mr. Corkett, who is connected with the firm of Raphael, Tuck & Co

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Congress has passed a bill authorizing the coinage of 100,000 medals to commemorate the centennial of the discovery of Pike's Peak. Director Roberts of the bureau of the mint has completed a design, and it is now in the hands of the engraver at Philadelphia. Upon one side of the medallion will be a profile bust, with the name Zebulon Montgomery Pike; upon the reverse will be an outline of the summit of Pike's Peak, with the inscription, "Pike's Peak, Nov. 26, 1806; Colorado Springs, Sept. 24, 1906."



# Union Souvenir Card Exchange



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 Address all communications to the Secretary, excepting new memberships which should be sent through your nearest Representative. Application Blanks and particulars furnished free upon application to any of the Officers or Representatives.

July 1906.

## JULY ROLL OF HONOR.

We most heartily thank the following members for the missionary work they are doing and hope that this will not be the last time we will have the pleasure of placing their names on our monthly Roll of Honor:

224. Miss Edena M. Carroll. 274. Miss Kate Dowell. 336. Miss Fannie Notley. 478. Mr. Lester J. Packard. 505. Mr. Floyd A. Green. 523. Mr. Walter L. Miller (3). 606. Mr. Victor Friend. 610. Mr. H. W. Baker.

Number following name indicates number of times name has appeared on the roll of honor.

## THE SUNNY SOUTH.

Mr. Don R. P. Davis, Lowell, Arkansas, will mail beautiful cards of Southern Scenery, rivers, bridges, noted buildings, etc., for 35 cents per dozen mailed separately.

## A NEW REPRESENTATIVE.

Mr. Erhard Rapprich, Neruda gasse 237, Prague III, Bohemia, Austria, has been appointed Austrian representative, and it is very safe to say that our membership in Austria will be rapidly and continuously increased. Mr. Rapprich is also an enthusiastic collector and sends the following notice for publication:

"I wish to exchange picture post-cards in heliographic, heliocolor or autochrom impression, when possible, with collectors in Africa, Asia, Australia and America. I prefer total views of towns, streets, palaces, churches, ports, monuments ships, or, aspects of mountainous countries. Printed matter is answered. German, English and French correspondence. Exchange prompt and real."

## NEW MEMBERS

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giac, Mich. 617. Mat. Cameron, 277 High St., Fremantle West Australia. 618. Maro S. Roig, Cerro 827, Havana, Cuba. 619. Erhard Rapprich, Nerudagasse 237, Prague III, Bohemia, Austria. 620. Leon L. Hines. Benkleman, Nebr. 621. Paul Henry, Box 305, Asheville, N. C. 622 Herman R. Yates, Longview, Texas. 623. E. R. Parker, Johnsonburg, Elk Co., Pa. 624. Arthur Bannister, Belize, British Honduras. 625. Frank Slageter, 516 Ringgold St., Cincinnati, O. 626. George Michailoff, Roustchouk, Bulgaria. 627. S. Crino, 15 Worth St., New York, N. Y. 628. J. Park Graybell, 1113 E. Alameda Ave., Denver, Colo. (Foreign only) 629. Miss Edna May Carroll, 714 Speight Street, Waco, Texas. 630. Miss F. M. Carroll, Camden, Polk Co., Texas. 631. Jacob Albert, 2550 Cuming Street, Omaha, Nebr. 632. Y. Kaneko, No. 2 Takeyo-machi, Azabuku, Tokio, Japan. 633. Dr. E. Duenas, 72 Artes, Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic. 634. Miss Nora Van Ess, 611 East Water Street, Milwaukee, Wisc. 635. Theo, Schilling, 904 First Street, Milwaukee, Wisc. 636. Chester L. Wills, Easton, Mass. 637. Mrs. C. A. Smith, 2232 Penna Ave., Denver, Colo. 638. G. Honda, 42 Miyamoracho Azabu, Tokio, Japan. 639. Geo. Robertson, c-o Gen'l Supt. C. R. I. & P. Ry., Topeka Kansas.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

387. Wm. C. Stephens, from Wells, Pa., to Seeley Creek, N. Y. 524. Mrs. H. E. Ashbury from 1526 Park Ave., to "The Walbert," Charles St. & Lafayette Ave. Baltimore, Md. 54. H. H. Ashbury, from 1526 Park Ave., to "The Walbert." Charles St., & Lafayette Ave., Baltimore Md.

#### FOREIGN EXCHANGES ONLY.

532. Walter L. Miller, 306 Purcell Ave., Cincinnati, O., and 598 Wm E. Taylor, 3857 Lowell Boulevard, Denver, Colo., desire to exchange with foreign members only in the future.

#### COMPLAINTS.

488 against 263, 304, 313, 329, 374 and 255. 520 against 445. 378 against 326, 429, and 299.

What the Secretary said last month on the Complaint question has been fully verified by the following paragraph, taken from a letter written by member No. 548, Mr. P. Hardwick "Since joining THE UNION I have received cards from 47 different members in the United States and have answered all but six, which came from different exchangers without name or address. Also have one from Brazil which I cannot answer for the same reason.

Again we respectfully call the attention of all members to the absolute necessity of placing full name and address and UNION number on all cards sent for exchange.

COMPLAINTS WITHDRAWN—578 against 429.

#### RESIGNED

332. Miss Rose Gilmore, General Delivery, Lincoln, Nebr. 452. Mr. L. Chapelle, 225 N. Broad St., Norwich, N. Y. 480. Laverne Mapes, Indiana Harbor, Ind. Do not send cards to any members who have resigned

EXPIRED MEMBERSHIPS—218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, and 224.

Effective at once the dues will be but 40 cts after the 1st year, so please give us your co-operation another year. Memberships 1 to 217 and 231 to 249 have expired. We recommend you do not send cards to them unless you find their names and addresses under a new number.

EXPELLED.—Willis E. Elliott, Niagara St., Buffalo, N. Y., on complaint of 446, 448 and 548.



## St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society

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Secretary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	T. C. Mann
Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	F. R. Cornwell

The thirty-sixth regular meeting of the society was held June 26th, with eleven members present. The exchange manager reported the completion of the sixth circuit with the usual good results. Thirty one books had been entered in the circuit, from which about 30 per cent was removed. The seventh circuit of the society was opened with nineteen books valued about \$400. A letter from an Australian collector, seeking admission to membership for the purpose of entering stamps in the society's exchange and sales department, was presented and became the basis of a proposition to admit non-resident collectors to membership.

After due discussion, it was upon motion unanimously agreed to so name the by-laws as to admit non-resident collectors to membership upon presentation of proper credentials and payment of the prescribed membership fee (\$1.00 per year). It was decided that such honorary membership should carry with it the privilege of entering stamps in the society's circuits. The belief prevailed among members that many out of town collectors, and particularly of foreign lands, would gladly avail themselves of such an opportunity to submit stamps to a responsible body of collectors and dispose of them to the good advantage, which, it has been shown, the society affords.

Collectors or dealers desiring information regarding the society and its works, are invited to correspond with the secretary for full particulars. Non-resident membership is henceforth sincerely solicited.

Respectfully,

T. C. Mann, Secy.

1416 Hickory St., St. Louis.

## ***Big Deeds of Small Insects***

***By Roy Hotchkiss Bullis***

It is wonderful what small insects can do and have done.

Mosquitos have been known to kill canary birds in Baltimore, Maryland. They attack them in the night and suck their blood.

Certain species of beetles have sawed off twigs as large as walking sticks, by seizing the twig in their deeply toothed jaws and whirling around and round until the twig is sawn entirely off.

The white ants of South Africa are so destructive to wooden ties that it is necessary to use steel ones.

Mediterranean moths have been known to close many large flour mills. The moths gather under the silk cloth through which the flour is sifted and form webs from one to three inches in thickness making it impossible to sift the product. They also eat the silk cloth.

Wasps once captured a church in England, driving the congregation into the school room, where they were compelled to remain for some time.

The common honey bee can carry double its own weight in honey.

Scorpions are the most pugnacious creatures in the world. If two were placed in a small box one would sting the other to death.

The worst famine which ever occurred in the middle states was caused by grass hoppers in 1874.

# *A Rare Flint Implement*

*By George J. Remsburg*

To Dr. Henry Milton Whelpley, dean of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy and editor of "Meier Brothers' Druggist," I am indebted for a handsome lithograph engraving of a mammoth implement found by Dr. Whelpley in Union County, Ills., in July 1899. The engraving shows its the implement in its natural size, which is 20 inches long,  $3\frac{1}{4}$  inches wide, one inch thick at center, and weighs 43 avoirdupois ounces. The material is a fawn colored flint, with reddish-brown spots and stripes. The description accompanying the lithograph says:

"This large pre-Columbian piece of Indian flint work must be seen to be fully appreciated. It gracefully tapers in all directions from the center to the thin cutting edge. The rich, natural fawn color is artistically sprinkled with light specks and various sized reddish-brown spots and stripes. This gives the implement a beautiful appearance, unequalled by any other large piece of flint I have ever seen. In this respect, each side seems more beautiful than the other, and grows on one like a fine picture. The thin ends and edges are quite thin and translucent. One side is slightly more convex than the other, and the edge has a graceful curve which suggests the type of so-called twisted arrows and spears.

The piece shows no evidence of having been worn by use. The thick (3-16 inch) portion of the edge, for about  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches near one end, is a peculiarity noticed in other large flint pieces."

Dr. Whelpley is an enthusiastic archaeologist. He is making a special study of articles made by the Indians out of hematite or iron ore, and is preparing a paper on this interesting subject. If any of the readers of the WEST have in their collections any ancient implements, or ornaments made of this particular material they will assist in a laudable enterprise and promote the science of archaeology by reporting the same to Dr. Whelpley, No. 222 South Broadway, St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. Whelpley is the author of several standard works on chemistry, microscopy and therapeutics, and has held many prominent offices in his profession, such as professor of materia medica and pharmacy in Washington University; professor of microscopy St. Louis College of Pharmacy and dean of the same; professor of physiology, history and microscopy and director of the biological laboratory and secretary of the Missouri Medical College; same of the St. Louis Post-Graduate School; professor of materia medica and pharmacy in the Missouri Dental College and many others.

**Leather Post Cards.** As all collectors are well aware of the pleasure and entertainment of collecting these cards, I will say nothing about that, but will content myself with saying a few words regarding the mailing of them. Most people regard them as an ordinary mailing card and only put a one cent stamp upon them before mailing. The result is that the cards are never delivered but are torn up or burnt. By a ruling of the P. O. Dept. it is made necessary to place a 2c stamp upon them before mailing. This explains why so many of them are never received.—Stephen W. Binnie, Laketon, Ind.

# *On the Banks of Lake Okeefnokee*

*By Glen M. Hathorn, A. M.*

On January 1, 1899 while tramping through the woods in search of birds for a New Year Bird Census, I came to a small marshy pond surrounded on all sides by deep woods and high hills, to which I gave the name of Lake Okeefnokee.

A more secluded spot could scarcely be imagined, and my thoughts led me to believe that this would be a particularly favorable spot for birds during nesting season, consequently I resolved to make the place a visit the following May.

My first summer visit to this pretty little lake was made on May 20th, 1899, and this delightful day's outing will always be fresh in my memory.

I arrived there in time to hear the first salutation of dawn by brown thrasher perched somewhere among the underbrush some thirty feet from the edge of the lake. Just where he was stationed I could not quite make out in the darkness, but he was a lusty old fellow, and sang so sweetly that I stood for some time and listened to his varied song.

Other birds soon took up the chorus, and as the eastern sky caught the first pink rays of the sun, the singers were so numerous that one could scarcely tell one bird from another. The underbrush was thronged with wrens, catbirds, wood thrushes, chewinks and brown thrashers, while from overhead came the notes of robins, flickers, wood pewees, woodpeckers, orioles and crows: and from the direction of the lake came the kon-keer-ree of the red-winged blackbirds, and the rattle of kingfishers. This grand jubilee chorus singing in the deep, cool woods in early morning, the dewy grass and particularly delightful odor of the moist, mossy earth, the beautifully tinted sky—ah! how enchanting! After listening to the bird songs for some time, I made preparations for my day's outing by pulling on my boots and getting my camera and outfit in readiness. This done, I started in.

I had gone but a short distance when I flushed a grebe from among the rushes along shore, but could find no nest, the bird was, no doubt, getting its breakfast.

Further on I found the nest of a red-winged blackbird in a willow patch, and after splashing through the mire to reach it, found it contained no eggs. Several times I caught glimpses of yellow warblers flitting about in the hazel brush, but did not take time to look for nests, as I thought it rather early for them to be breeding.

In an alder, close to the top, I discovered the nest of a rose-breasted grosbeak which contained eggs, but how many I could not tell, nor could I secure a picture of the nest on account of the size of the tree, it being scarcely two inches in diameter and about 12 feet high.—(Fell out of a tree once trying to do this, and learned a lesson).

Shortly after this I found another nest of a red-winged blackbird, and secured a picture of it as it was easily accessible. This nest held two eggs. While crossing a small neck of swampy land, I flushed a bird from its nest, securely fastened to a small shrub and very close to the ground. This proved to be the nest of a song sparrow, and contained five bluish white eggs, profusely spotted with brown, which were in an advanced stage of in-

incubation. These sparrows are very numerous in swampy places, and every locality of this nature rings with their pleasing little song. Many of them winter with us, and their song period usually lasts from early spring until late fall.

As the heat increased, the songs of the birds diminished, until they finally ceased about noon, but as the day wore on they started up again, and kept it up until late in the evening, the last ones heard being the metallic notes of the wood thrush.

Several of the nests I found during the day were empty, but I managed to get some good negatives from those that did contain eggs, and also had a very delightful day's outing.

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## *Ceremonial, a Charm Stone*

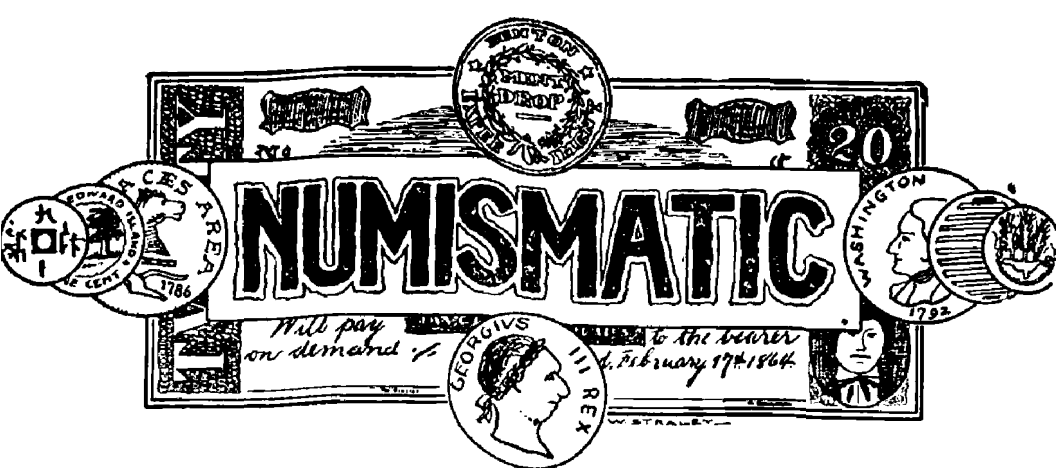
*By J. B. Lewis*

These stones are all found in a lake or pond which is a depression in the Sonoma mountain, and is the collection of the water of winter rains and nearly dries up in summer and is soon covered with high Tulies, and is the abode of ducks, geese and other birds in their season. In 1878 the lake was drained and put under cultivation. After plowing a couple of years these stones showed up. About 1000 in all have been gathered, of which I have about half. The others were procured by a surveyor in Santa Rosa, and all lost in the late earthquake and fire. My ranch being only 1 mile away, I got them as fast as found for the the last few years, but, few have been found—only three or four last year.

The old Indian and Spanish name is Lagoon De Tola. Tradition and history says this section was inhabited by a large number of Indians shortly after the arrival of Spanish Fathers. The small pox broke out among them and the few left fled away. In the early years I came to my ranch, many Indians passed my place on their way down to Midshipman Slew to gather their supply of fish, and when through returned around the Point and stopped for days on the shore of the Lagoon and they held some kind of a pow-wow and had a high time. I could hear them and see the reflection of large fires. We all know the Indians are very superstitious, and venerated the homes of their ancestors. The query is, did they meet there to perform some religious rite or ceremony and cast these stones in the lake to propitiate their Gods. These stones are not found anywhere else in quantities. See illustrations next number.

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About Sea Shells.—If you have never seen the beauties of the ocean and its many wonderful works of nature you have yet a rare and wonderful treat in store. Not everyone is privileged to visit the seashore and gather its beautiful shells and see its wonders at first hand. But, with my feeble help, you can have some of the beauties that our coast produces and feast your eyes on some of the rare and curious beauties of old ocean. No description can convey to you the least idea of their beauty and variety, but I have prepared a list of rare merit that has pleased thousands of my patrons over the United States and Canada.—Mrs. Susan M. Mohr.



## Rarest of Gold Coins

By Gilbert N. Gunderson

When \$2,165 was paid the other day for a five dollar gold piece of 1822, that coin took its place as the rarest of American coins, eclipsing the 1804 dollar, which for many years had that distinction. The price surprised coin dealers and collectors, for it exceeded by more than \$1000 the greatest sum previously paid for a specimen of this denomination and year.

A curious phase of the history of this gold piece is that even those well informed about coins did not know of the rarity of the 1822 half eagle until about 20 years ago. It is a matter of record that the last owner of the coin bought it from a New York dealer in old coins for \$6. Yet at that time only three specimens were known of.

No one knows why there are so few left, for the mint records show that 17,796 half eagles were struck in 1822.

One of the two other specimens is in the coin cabinet at the Philadelphia mint, while the private collection of Virgil M. Brand contains the third.

The half eagle is the most popular coin with the collectors of all the American series of gold coins, and it leads all the rest in the number of varieties. Some 250 varieties of this denomination have been issued. Of other gold coins there have been issued 177 varieties of the eagle 132 of the double eagle, 79 of the gold dollars, 65 of the quarter eagles and 47 of the three dollar piece.

The design of the rare 1822 five dollar gold piece was not different from the other dates of the period. The design on the obverse had the head of Liberty, of about the same character as that used on all the silver coins up to the time of the change of general design in 1836. A cap surmounts the head, on the band of which is the word "Liberty," while around the border are thirteen stars.

The first time this coin was offered at public sale was in 1890, when the specimen owned by Lorin G. Parmelee of Boston, brought \$900.

The half eagle is the oldest of the gold coins having first been issued in 1793, the second year of operation of the United States mint. From that



date it was issued steadily until 1800, in which year none was issued. Their coinage was resumed in 1802 and continued until 1816, during which year and 1817 none was struck. In 1818 their coinage again began, and they have been issued regularly ever since.

A great many varieties and dates of the half eagle are held in high esteem besides the 1822 issue. There were two varieties of the 1795 half eagle. Recently these varieties in superb condition brought \$160 each.

Three varieties were produced in the year 1797. Two varieties of this date sold not long ago for \$320, but they looked as if they had come direct from the coinage press, high accounts for the very high premium. Those in ordinary condition are worth a great deal less.

In 1815 only 635 coins of the five dollar value were coined, and up to the present time this piece has been regarded as the rarest of the gold coins.

The King of Sweden, who owns one of the world's greatest coin collections, made the record for this coin some years ago when he paid \$2,000 for a specimen to complete his series of American issues. At a recent sale \$1,050 was paid for a specimen of the same date, which makes the 1804 dollar now rank third in point of rarity.

Only five of the 635 coins originally issued are now known. The value of this coin also was not appreciated until recent years, for it was not very long ago that a good specimen could be bought for \$50.

A remarkable coin in the five dollar series is that of 1819. The mint records show that 5,173 were struck, and yet a single one brought \$550. The scarcity of this coin presents another problem hard to solve.

The 1821 half eagle has brought \$300, which is still another source of wonderment, for 36,641 were issued. Another rarity is that of 1826, which brought \$100, yet 18,069 were coined originally.



#### THE CHICAGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

The 29th regular meeting of the above named society was held in their rooms, 1123 Masonic Temple, on Friday evening, June 1st. President G. W. Tracy presiding.

A shield of fractional currency was received from the St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co.

The following gentlemen were elected to membership: Wm. A. Quayle, Howland Speakman, F. N. Massoth and B. G. Johnson.

On motion a committee was appointed to draw up resolutions to be forwarded to Senator Cullom, asking him to use his influence in a move to have the appropriation for purchase of coins for the Mint Cabinet largely increased.

Mr. Tracy presented a paper on the Russian coins of Peter the Great. Mr. Dunham exhibited a half dime of 1802, a dollar of 1804 and a half eagle of 1822, all being of excessive rarity. Mr. Leon showed a \$5.00 gold piece of Schults & Co., and Mr. Simpson several fine nearly United States dollars.

Spink's Numismatic Circular for May and catalogs from St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co., WEST Green and Elder were received since last meeting. Adjourned to meet July 6th.

Ben G. Green, Sec'y.

## *Etna Woman Has Money Issued Before the Revolution.*

In a recent publication in a New York paper the claim was made that it had the only specimen of Continental money now in existence. A photograph of the money was published, which was issued in the year 1755 by the House of Assembly of South Carolina, claiming it to be of great value pecuniarily, and also as the only one in existence.

Shortly after this statement appeared a letter was received from a gentleman in Denver, Colo., enclosing the picture of a piece of money that corresponded exactly to the one published. The first statement was amended so far as to say that those were probably the only two pieces, but if there were any others, they could not be traced.

This statement was seen by Mrs. J. R. Morgan of Etna, N. C., and she looked back through some curios that were in her possession and found the original of the picture accompanying this article. Comparing the note in her possession and the one printed in the New York paper, she found that the two tallied in every particular, with the one exception of the amount of the note. The one printed was for £60, while the one in her possession was for £50. This was the only way in which the notes differed.

Mrs. Morgan, when talking about the note, stated that she had come into possession of the note through an acquaintance with a Miss Clayton. Mrs. Morgan knew but little about the history of the paper, but said that as far as she knew the money came into the possession of the old lady by accident.

According to the statement made by Miss Clayton when she gave her the money, it was only one of a large number of papers belonging to the Clayton family, and that so little attention was paid to it that it was given to the children to play with, that she had saved it for no further reason than it was money. She stated that she had forgotten about it for years and chanced to find it among some old toys when a child. It appears from her statement that was given her grandfather for services rendered the state of South Carolina while he was Lieut. Governor of that state. The money does not state the name of the party to whom it was issued, but does say that it is to the Lieut. Governor of the state. The Clayton family was formerly from South Carolina, for many years living near Spartanburg.

As this money corresponds so nearly to that held by the New York paper, and as that was sent to Washington and compared to the records of the continental money kept there and found to be the same in every way, it seems that this is about the first continental money that was ever issued, and that it is the genuine article.

Apart from the pecuniary value of the money, which was about \$250, at the time it was issued, there is a value attached to it by collectors of curios. The one owned by the New York paper was valued at about \$1,000.

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In the Caucasus are remnants of some of the races of pre-historic Europe that have nearly perished from the earth. Among these are Ud, the Kurin, the Avar and the Tushall speaking a different language and each unintelligible to the other.

# Nebraska Philatelic Society

## Nebraska's Pride

ORGANIZED 1892. LARGEST STATE SOCIETY EXTANT.

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We hope to announce the date and time of meeting in next number to WEST. The Society meets at Omaha, and we trust all members will send in nominations at once for officers.

New Members: V. Friends, Lincoln, 1845 E. St. C. Well, Kalentine, Box 44.

Applications: W. F. Herren, Pender.

### SALES MANAGER'S REPORT

Having been appointed Sale Superintendent of the N. P. S. I shall use my best efforts to make this Dept. a success. I am pleased with the encouragement I have received towards its success, but I need the support of ALL the members. Let me sell your collections or duplicates. A commission of 10 per cent is charged on Sales. Blank books, 3c each, 30c per Doz. If you buy just send in your name for circuit. H. Lederer, Norfolk, Neb.

LARGEST STAMP SOCIETY IN AMERICA

## *Stamp Collector's Protective Association of America*

ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 3, 1899.

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Official Organ, The WEST.

No bad ones to report so far, but hope to give list next number. New members as follows: C. S. Scott, Kansas City, Mo., 2815 Wabash. P. Hoffman, Denver, Colo. 1219 S 10th St. C. P. Sutton, Box 109, Fairville, N. B. Canada. Dr. Herron, Pender, Nebr. H. E. Holinger, Akron, O., 166 Portage Path. H. V. Harlan, Deadwood, S. Dak., 52 VanBuren St. G. Fay, Grand Rapids, Minn. J. Stone, Middlebury, Vt., Box 6. J. Husson, Roxbury, Mass., 227 Roxbury St. F. A. Lilly, Sabetha, Kan. N. Morrill, Lynn, Mass., 21 Arlington. L. C. Barber, Auburn, N. Y. F. Brown, Worcester, Mass., 901 Main. D. Hatch, Oakfield, Wis. J. Prouty, Philadelphia, Pa., 620 Race St. C. Stevens, Fitchburg, Mass., 148 Main. E. E. Merrill, Huntington, Pa., Bx 12. T. Dillman, Norwalk, Calif. B. Buchanan, San Francisco, Calif., 143 Hancock St. E. T. Shepard, Ashland, Ore. F. Leaming, Little Rock Ark., 112 Faulk Bldg. W. Bodenferer, Muskegon, Mich, 1 Catherinee. L. J. Peters, New Orleans, La., 3014 Laurel. J. T. Sunday, Tompsonville, Ills. J. Smith, Amherstburg, Ont., Canada. T. W. Charlesworth, Bunyan, Ont., Canada. E. Miller, Wilmington, Del., 412 Queen St. C. Higley, Salamanca, N. Y. C. DeSims, Manila, P. I.

Note change of address of Sales Dept. It will pay all members to get on the circuit, as he has some of the best books and best department seen since the society was organized. It will pay every reader to make use of the Dept. Try it.

# THE KANSAS CITY STAMP CLUB

ORGANIZED FEB. 1905

The only stamp collectors society in Kansas City. Regular meetings are held on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at 7:45 P. M. in Room 43, fourth floor of the Jenkins Building, Thirteenth and Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Mo. Visitors are always welcome.

Officers for 1906

President—Paul Luther	306 East Thirtieth Street
Vice President—Fred Goldstandt	2500 E. Fourteenth street
Secretary—Arthur L. Nelson	1823 W. Prospect Place
Treasurer—Wm. Fishman	820 Penn Avenue
Librarian—Arthur L. Nelson	1823 W. Prospect Place
Sargent—Graham Jarboe	1204 Tracy Avenue

Official Organ—The WEST

Secretary's Report, July 29, 1906. No new members have been admitted since my previous report.

At the meeting held Friday evening June 27, it was decided to hold a club picnic at an early date. Messrs. Fishman, Nelson, Brocesky, Churns and Smith were appointed by the president to serve on a committee to work out the details of such a picnic and secure suitable refreshments. All members will be notified by postal of time and place and it is hoped that the members will turn out in full force.

The entertainment for the meeting of July 27 took the form of an exhibition of two fine collections. A general collection of over three thousand varieties, especially strong in U. S., Liberia and Uruguay was shown by our president Mr. P. Luther. A very fine collection including only stamps of the U. S. and its possessions was exhibited for the owner by his brother Mr. H. Poindexter.

The result of the stamp drawing showed that Mr. Fishman had drawn the stamp of the highest denomination. He was therefore awarded the prize, a three dollar lake U. S. revenue, 1900 issue.

Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelson, Secretary.

Librarian's Report, July 29, 1906. It gives me great pleasure to report that since my June report the club's library has been augmented by a donation of 952 philatelic magazines. These cover a period of eleven years and comprise sixty three different titles. Not only American papers are represented but there are also magazines from Italy, France, Spain, Canada, England, Switzerland, Germany and even from the island of Malta.

Ten complete volumes (1896-1906) of Mekeels Weekly, eight of the Philatelic West, three of Gibbons' Monthly Journal, two of the American Journal of Philately, besides many other complete volumes and scores of odd numbers, all these go to make what is by far the most valuable addition to the Club's library which it has ever received.

The periodicals comprised in the donation were the property of the late W. P. Kelley, one of the best known philatelists of this city, and they were given to the K. C. S. C. for its library by his mother, Mrs. Kelley. The members passed a unanimous vote of thanks to Mrs. Kelley, at our last meeting.

Several philatelic magazines were also presented for the library by Mr. Wm. Fishman. Mr. Nelson has given the book, "The Postage Stamps of Hayti."

By a fortunate exchange I have added sixty more magazines of the better class to the library. These were received in exchange for duplicate copies which had accumulated.

Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelson, Librarian.

# *Hints to Buyers of Oriental Antiquities*

*By C. W. Anderson-Neary*

(Continued).

Sceptics must therefore believe that people who live upon a mass of antiquities must be well able to produce real ones in abundance since it is merely a question of digging.

In collecting papi one has but small chance in Egypt nowadays to obtain good pieces. Occasionally a funeral roll can be had and once in a great while an important Greek piece may be found but these are snapped up by museum representatives the moment they are seen. The literary papi are usually considered important for historical reasons as frequently the writings mention some point or happening which gives date for chronology. The Cyprus papyrus plant of Lower Egypt produced the ancient parchment like paper. After cutting off the tops and roots the fine membranes surrounding the pith were detached and a first layer placed flat on a board and a second layer cross wise above the first and an unknown substance was used to glue these two sheets together. The hieroglyphics are usually in black and any vignettes which explain the text are often in colors, many of the specimens still retaining their original brilliancy. The characters are very frequently also in hieratic, demotic, Greek and even in Arabic, but of course the latter are much later. There has been found bits of limestone, pottery, and wooden boards which it is thought were used in every day life and by boys in school, the papyrus being too expensive for general use. A curious reason has been defined for the use of many fragments of stone which have been found covered with inscriptions. It is thought that a tale or short interesting sketch was prepared upon a stone and then broken, so that the spirit of the broken stone still bearing the imprint of the writing would accompany the spirit of the deceased person in whose tomb it was placed and in the other world he would thus be able to read for his own amusement, but as these broken pieces are seldom outside museums further digression is somewhat barred. It is to be hoped that the reader has noted how the classes of antiquities of the Orient have been described the idea being when starting collection of Egyptian antiquities that it is always best to confine one's self to one class of objects alone. Then begin to read up this particular class and subject and become more or less of an expert in this line and as the interest grows and the knowledge increases the pleasure also keeps pace and then it is time to branch out in other classes and by and by possess the objects really worth possessing. By this means a collection grows in intrinsic as well other value and a creditable collection may be formed.

## THE POST CARD MESSAGE.

Post cards now are all the rage

Among bright folks of every age;

North and South and all around,

The pretty pictures may be found.

And when you travel far away,

It's nice to send out every day,

To each kind friend you hold so dear,

A post card message of good cheer.

Absence makes the heart grow fonder

But if you'll just stop to ponder,

Don't you think remembrance best

As a sincere friendship test

The silent post card then will say;

"T'is you I'm thinking of today;"

When memory brings a friend to you

Just think of what a card will do.

—P. C. Monthly.

# ***Dartmouth College Gets Fine Fossils***

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**By F. E. Halbert**

T. M. Stoughton of Turners Falls, Mass., recently sold a large number of fossils Dartmouth, at what price we are unable to learn. Mr. Stoughton has an especially fine collection of fossils footprints which he obtained on his own place. His collection is considered one of the most valuable in the country. It represents the systematic work of years.

Yale also has quite a number of specimens from the same quarry.

These fossil foot-prints occur quite frequently throughout New England and some parts of New York state but large fine ones are hard to obtain.

Cornel University at Ithica, N. Y., has the largest the writer has ever seen. They were obtained from the Connecticut river valley.

Some of the prices in the Green of Chicago coin sale including the Scuyler Collection were:

1793 Chain Cent.	\$25.35
1804 Cent.	\$14.25
1856 Cent, Flying Eagle.	\$11.50
1794 Half Dollar, Ex Fine.	\$86.00
1840 Half Dollar. Reverse of '39.	\$6.25
1794 Dollar.	\$82.00
1836 Dollar. Flyng Eagle.	\$15.00
1852 Dollar.	\$44.00
1858 Dollar.	\$37.00
1824 Quarter Eagle.	\$20.75
1873 \$3 Gold.	\$60.00
1756 Half Eagle.	\$40.00
1829 Half Eagle. Small Date.	\$205.00
1830 Half Eagle.	\$30.00
1834 Half Eagle. With motto.	\$31.00
1853 \$20 U. S. Assay Office.	\$28.50
1852 Octagonal \$50 Slug.	\$250.00
1860 \$10 Pikes' Peak Gold.	\$40.00
1879 \$4 Stella.	\$63.25
Austrian Gold 10 Ducats.	\$35.00
3 Cent Encased Stamp. Weirr & Larminie.	\$31.10
90 Cent Encased Stamp. J. Gault.	\$51.00

Most of the postal card collectors at the present time are collecting more view cards than any other kind. The souvenir view card is usually beautiful. It gives some pretty, significant scene of the country from which it comes, as well as some wording of the language. It is a genuine pleasure to take out your card collection on a rainy day or night and study it over. View cards are instructive, others reproduce a noted river, city, park, monument, county or any other place where some important event has occurred. Join the WEST Souvenir Postal Card Club and get them from everywhere.



## St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society

President	H. A. Diamant
Vice President	Otto Patschke
Secretary	T. C. Mann
Treasurer	F. R. Cornwel

The thirty-ninth regular meeting of the St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society was held August 7th. In spite of the very inclement weather, a very fine attendance was enjoyed. A lot of cheap stamps, mounted in sheets, which were presented to the Society at the previous meeting, were divided among those present for gratuitous distribution among young collectors.

A very fine collection of about 10,000 varieties, particularly strong in all kinds of U S., was on display. This collection has been entrusted to the Society for sale and will be disposed of at auction at dates to be announced later.

Respectfully T. C. Mann., Secy., 1416 Hickory St.

### *An Arrow Point With a History*

*By F. E. Halbert*

This arrow point once caused the death of a man in northwestern Pennsylvania. Years and years ago when there were warlike Indians in that part of the country, two men who were hunting were ambushed and one of them received this fatal point in his breast. The other hunter escaped, but returned later in search of his comrade. He extracted the arrow and buried his dead partner in the loneliness of the forest. The arrow he kept as a memento of his friend.

Some years later his son removed to Wisconsin and when quite an old man gave it to the mother of the writer.

The name of the man who was killed we were never able to learn, and the other man's name I have forgotten. The shaft of this arrow was probably broken off in extricating it. This point is one of the very finest I have ever seen, in workmanship; and the material of which it is made I have seen nowhere else but in Pennsylvania. A glance down it endwise shows a most perfect twist or rifling. The extreme tip was broken off, probably in penetrating the unfortunate man's clothing. On one side are spots which resembles dried blood very much faded out. The narrow point is exactly  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches long. The amateur who took the photo said that he could not take it natural size and have it show up well. In fact a cut does not do it justice as it is.

One of the most sensible fads that has ever seized the people is that of the picture postal. It has an educational value, and it fosters the artistic taste. The fad has not by any means reached its height; collectors are eagerly seeking good designs and dealers are placing heavy orders, confident that the demand will consume the supply. Collectors are not content to have what they may pick up close at hand. There are lists of collectors published in various papers and magazines, but those of the WEST are rapidly forging to the front. Members are enabled to obtain at a small expense a handsome collection of illustrated souvenir postal cards.

# Central Souvenir Post Card Exchange

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United States and Canada 35c a year including the "Philatelic West," if already a subscriber of the WEST, dues 15c a year. Address all communications to the Central Post Card Co., General Delivery, Lincoln, Nebraska. Application blanks furnished upon request. Foreign dues 50c a year.

## OBJECT.

- To encourage the collection of Souvenir Post Cards.
- To prevent unfair exchanging.
- To publish a list monthly of members and wants.
- To enroll members from all parts of the world.
- To secure 1000 members, year 1906.

## ADVANTAGES AND BENEFITS.

Each member will receive monthly, the official organ, "Philatelic West" a large collector's paper, complete list of all members all over the world and your name printed in the "WEST" to be sent to other members.

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- Frank W. Weight, 110 North Mentor Ave., Pasadena, Calif.
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- Asa Chambers, Box 12, River Bend, Ont., Canada.
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# MINERALOGY

WATERBURY, 93



EDITOR'S NOTE—Our readers are invited to contribute interesting items, articles, etc to this Dept. Also reports of new discoveries of mines and minerals. All letters addressed to the editor at Glendive, Mont., will be answered as far as possible in this dept.—Forest Gaines!

A good story was recently related about the discovery of one of the principal mines in the Joplin, Mo., district. Late in the 70's a farmer came out on the porch of his house one morning before breakfast, and was provoked to see a family of strangers with a prairie schooner and a pair of emaciated mules camped in his front yard. He went down to order them to move but the stranger begged the privilege of staying a little while until his team was rested, because he had driven all the way from his home in Arkansas to gratify his wife and children, who were crazy to see a circus that was advertised to appear in Joplin. The farmer told the stranger that the circus would not be along for a month yet and the Arkansas was very much cast down at the discouraging information. He finally said that he had driven 200 miles so that his wife and children could see the show, but he hadn't money enough to keep them for a month and it was too far to go home and come back again. He finally "reckoned" that it was the best plan to stay in the neighborhood and look for work to support his family until the circus came. "Why don't you go prospecting for zinc like everybody else in this country" asked the farmer. The stranger reckoned that he might as well do that as anything, and the farmer offered to lend him the tools. "Where shall I prospect?" he asked. "You may as well begin here as anywhere," said the farmer. The stranger explained to his wife that it would be necessary to strike ore or there would be no going to the circus. A few days later this inexperienced, unsophisticated Wahoo found one of the richest pockets of zinc in all the world, and crowds of miners rushed to the place. The farmer became a millionaire and the Arkansas traveler is now one of the wealthy business men of the community and his wife and children saw the circus. The farm is occupied by a town of 1,500 inhabitants and they named it Oronogo meaning "Ore or No Go" to the circus.

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Consul Hunt of Tamatare, writes that there are bright prospects of gold being found in large quantities in Madagascar. He says that the exports of gold in 1903 and 1904 amounted to 4,211 and 5,432 pounds, respectively. The gold output of 1905 was 5,521.5 pounds, valued at \$1,477,500. Quite a large

number of persons are prospecting for gold, but some of them are men who have had little experience in prospecting. Experts are badly needed. Gold dirt has been found that yields \$34.70 per metric ton (2,200 pounds). Gold-bearing reefs and alluvial deposits have been found in various parts of the island and some have attracted a great deal of attention.

There has been a decided falling off in the diamond business in Amsterdam. A few years ago there were 13,000 cutters at work and now the number is only 8,000. The average now employed is about 3,500. The falling off is due to the competition of other European cities and New York firms. It is also due to the restriction of the labor unions, which several years ago limited the number of apprentices for the purpose of making labor scarcer and more valuable, but the consequence has been that wages have been reduced. Many establishments have removed to Paris, London, Brussels and Vienna, and there are now about 2,000 diamond cutters in the United States, most of them from Antwerp and Amsterdam. American dealers buy uncut stones to save the duty and import their cutters from Holland. It is undoubtedly true at the present time that the number and value of diamonds in the United States are now greater than in any other country in the world. Our people are just beginning to accumulate jewels.

## *An Immense Hornet's Nest*

*By Richard F. Miller*

Among the many curiosities in my collection there is none that I prize more highly than an immense hornet's nest which I collected on November 1st, 1901, at Frankford, Penn.

It hung from a horizontal black oak branch over forty feet from the ground and was carefully lowered and conveyed home in safety; where it now hangs from a hook in the ceiling of my den.

The nest is pear shape—in fact it resembles a gigantic pear, and as it has a "stem" the resemblance is still more remarkable. It is 22 inches in length and 11 inches in width, and it is 52 inches in circumference around the longest way and 34 inches around the middle. These measurements include the 3-inch stem.

It will be seen from these measurements that I do not exaggerate when I call it an immense nest. An average sized nest hanging beside this one looks very small indeed.

Several years ago there went the rounds of the press a short article regarding an immense hornet's nest found by two boys in Nevada county, California. This nest was also pear shaped, and according to a clipping in my scrap book, it measured 43 inches around the longest way and 34 inches around the middle. Its length or width is not given. It will readily be seen that my nest is the largest by studying the figures.

There may be larger hornet's nests than mine, but I have yet to hear tell of them.

A Henry VIII. farthing of the second coinage realized \$35 at Sotheby's salerooms recently in London.

## *Some Rare Indian Relics*

*By Mrs. J. M. Browne,*

Among my curios, the most highly prized is a Sioux Indian pipe of red Catlinite found in a burial cave in Texas, forty years ago.

It is a finely carved man's hand, on the palm of which sets the bowl in the shape of a small keg, which the fingers of the hand seem to hold in position, the wrist forming the stem of the pipe.

It is beautifully polished and carved, so well done that that some say no Indian ever made it,—but the man is still living who found it, and he is a man who took no interest in relics. There were many more in the cave, which he might have taken had he cared for such things. The pipe he only valued because he could use it for smoking, which he did for several years. Having heard of it through a friend I made haste to secure it and put it among my treasures.

The next most highly prized is a tube of gray sandstone  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches long with a flat base, on the oval top there are several cuts which no doubt meant something to the Indian when he inscribed it there. This was found on the camping ground of the Cherokee Indians who occupied this country over 100 years ago. I have a good many fine arrows and spears, knives, axes, celts, ceremonial stones and other things found on these camping grounds. One fine slate banner stone I have which was found on the battle field, when Whites and Indians fought in 1780. It is about 3 inches long and 2 wide, very thin and notched, though why it should be called a banner stone I can't tell. Another is of a very thin slate, of a triangular shape with the perforations, with notches on one edge—who can say what those notches mean, whether the number of battles fought, or the number of Whites the braves had slain.

My arrows consist of every color, shape and material, gray, red and brown stone, quartz and flint of various colors. Some are as clear as glass and beautifully chipped. In my collection I have some very odd ones, some beveled to the left and one to the right—one has a semi-lunar hole cut through it, and I imagine was worn as a chain or an armlet ornament. Some are in such odd shapes they could not have been used as arrows, but for some other purpose.

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Some fine specimens of Chinese sounding stones have been described by a late visitor at Ch'fu, the birthplace and burial-place of Confucius. An incense dish of shone rang with the bell-like tones of bronze on being struck with a stick. two pillars gave out a musical note on being struck at any point, and a large tablet—three by five feet in area and six inches thick—emitted a note varying with the point struck. These "stone gongs" are found throughout the country, having been known for centuries. The material is a greyish oolite limestone, and it is said to come only from occasional veins at a quarry a few miles from Ch'fu.

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In 1718 a French scholar named Henzoin published a work about giants, beginning with Adam, who he asserted was 123 feet 9 inches tall, Eve being only five feet shorter.

# *Some Landmarks of the Past*

*By Oswald A. Bauer*

If we dig beneath the surface of old mother earth in many places we find the remains of ancient cities intermingled with the bones of men and animals buried many centuries ago under accumulations of debris, river mud or sand. From these alone the earlier history of mankind of which there is no chronicle has been gleaned. Most of the bones found in deposits of this kind are of animals now living or at least similar. But in the more ancient deposits which are now consolidated into clays, sandstones etc., no indications of man are found and the remains of animals found therein are different from any now living. As in the course of many ages the mud and in which they are buried changes to rock so little by little the hard bony structure of these animals has changed into brittle stony material and in this form have been preserved to us that we might read in their remains of the earth as it was inhabited long ago. Earth history has been divided into many parts according to the evidence furnished by the rocks and the fossils contained therein. First the age of mammals before the coming of man, next the age of reptiles and still earlier the age when Amphibians and fish of great size held undisputed sway the latter not hundreds nor thousands but millions of years back as we reckon time.

Among the mammals we find first the *Tilauotheres* huge animals similar to the modern rhinoceros. These animals at first were of moderate size and without horns but gradually developed with time into increased size and large horns appeared upon their skulls. This animal was on the whole a hideous looking monster and armed as it was with horns and a skin akin to armor plate it must indeed have been a formidable antagonist.

Another large mammal was the *Uintatherium*. This was elephantine in size and armed with six horns on the skull in addition to two great sabre like tusks. These belong to the class known as *Amblyopods*. The *Condylarths* were more slender types and much more fleet. Among carnivorous mammals of this age none is more remarkable than the sabre toothed tiger. This animal had the upper canine teeth enlarged into curving flattened serrated fangs, terrible weapons indeed and very effective against the thick hide of the primitive pachyderms.

Among the ruminants the great Irish Elk is the most striking. Still further back in the age of Reptiles we find the *Dinosaurus*, and reptiles of enormous size. The Amphibious *Dinosaurs* were the largest of land animals ranging from sixty to seventy feet in length and weighing tons in their enormous bulk.

Despite their great size they were very unintelligent, slow moving creatures. An idea of their size may be imagined when it is stated that the thigh bone of a specimen recently found weighed in its petrified state nearly six hundred pounds. One of the best examples of the *Dinosaurs* was the *Brontosaurus*. Among the Carniverous *Dinosaurs* we find the *Megalosaurus*, bipeds with bird-like feet and enormous claws and heads, the mouth being armed with razor-like teeth of some length. Many were much larger than the modern elephant. The *Pterodactylis* or flying reptiles were perhaps the most extraordinary of reptiles. They were tailless with wings like a bat and

supported on the enormously lengthened little finger. The larger species had a spread of twenty feet from tip to tip of these wings.

The age of reptiles was preceded by that of the Amphibians when the chief animals were allied to the modern frogs and toads. Some of these had heads two feet long and a foot wide. Others resembled gigantic tadpoles. These amphibians are the most ancient of four footed animals.

The crocodiles, lizards, turtles and snakes are among the more fortunate than most other reptiles as they still exist to the present day, although much decreased in importance and numbers.

Perhaps the two mammals which science has managed to trace most effectively are the horse and the camel. Of the two a complete chain has been established showing their descent. The camel like the horse, gradually evolved from very small and primitive ancestors to large and distinct descendants. It is worthy of note that the camel and horse's former home was Western America but long before the advent of man they became extinct there and only have survived to us on the plains and deserts of the old world.

Fossils are found at present chiefly in the badlands of Dakota and in Wyoming. This is due to the peculiar conditions of the climate of these localities which serves more readily to lay bare the secrets of its rocks as well as to preserve the remains. To excavate a fossil without damaging it is indeed a delicate operation and often requires months. Science has however been so persevering that within the last few years many new discoveries have been made of inestimable value. As if to cap the recent climax of discoveries there now comes news of the discovery of the king of all prehistoric monsters, the Rexosarus, so called for want of a better name, and which in size and ferocity far exceeded all of its compatriots. It is the first of the kind to be unearthed, and strange to say, it hinged even in the fossil form with a gigantic Megalosaur in mortal combat, showing that these two rivals died together fighting to the last. A strange freak of nature, indeed. When mounted and complete this reptile will have added a valuable page to science.

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Leather Post Cards. Take 16, 20, or 25 leather post cards, perforate along the edges about one-half or an inch apart, and attach together by means of leather strips about the thickness of shoe strings, which can be procured at a saddlery shop. The back can be made of sateen in any color desired. Dark red is a very pretty combination. The cushion can be bound with red and brown cord or any other color that matches the back. In this manner one can preserve their leather Post cards and secure a very nice soft pillow.

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Souvenir postal cards are a great convenience. The hurried tourist may simply write a word or two and sign his name, and his friends will be delighted. Should he send an ordinary postal and write as tersely, it would seem discourteous. The souvenir may be sent to many acquaintances where regular correspondence would not be thought of, showing that the absent one has not forgotten the friends at home. If the truth were known, no doubt many a sentimental tale has been and will be developed by the same postals.



# ..Camera News..

Editor—F. J. Clute, Sacramento

## *The American and Camera Post Card Exchange*



You may not be a collector of post cards, but has it occurred to you how many of your friends are interested and how pleased they would be to receive from you an occasional post card with a print from some of your choice camera negatives.

Perchance you are going on a journey, naturally your camera goes with you, and how much more interesting to the friends at home would be a post card you had made yourself from a negative taken of the place that interested you than any ready-made, purchased card would be. Or, the other way round, brother or sister away at college or to a new home of their own, wouldn't a post card be treasured showing the old home, mother performing the familiar duties or father in his easy chair taking solid comfort?

With the variety of post cards on the market with such latitude in speed surface and finish, it is very easy to secure the best possible prints from your negatives and to show to advantage your camera proficiency to the friends away.

Membership in the American Exchange is open to all readers of WEST; simply drop the publisher a card signifying your desire to join and your name will appear in the next list. Fine Membership Card sent for 5 cents.

Members can exchange photographic post cards only, which are their own work throughout. To carry out the original idea and purpose of the picture post card, the subjects represented should, preferably, be something characteristic of the localities from which they are issued. Let us know if you prefer colored or photograph cards.—Western Camera Notes.

### GLOSSY SPOTS ON CARBON PRINTS.

When a carbon print has been developed and allowed to dry, there sometimes appears upon the surface a quantity of small glistening specks which are sometimes light and other times dark in appearance. The light airbells, for such they are, are in most cases caused by improper squeegeeing especially when rough surface supports are used, such as drawing paper; then supports should always be allowed to soak some time in water before mounting the print for development.

The darker specks are caused by the print having been over exposed and then developed in excessively hot water. These specks are impossible to remedy. The lighter ones are generally got rid of by soaking the print in a solution of glycerine, five parts water, thirty parts glycerine. This treatment will soften the hard glycerine which causes the silvery specks, and when the print is dry it will be found that the specks, have dried down evenly with the rest of the print.—A. M. Simmonds.



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**F. S.—Cleaning Platinotype Prints:** It has been advised to mix flour and cold water to form a thick paste, say about the consistency of thick cream. To this add powdered alum, about a teaspoonful to a large cup of the flour originally used. Rub all together to make the paste as smooth as possible and with a soft brush apply it all over the face of the print. Wash this off by holding under the tap and in doing so you will remove with the paste all the dirt and dust that has been gathered in the graining of the paper. Use plenty of the paste and a soft brush. A stiff brush and too little paste will result in abrasion of the surface of the print.

**O. F. M.—Pyro-Metol Formula:** The following I have obtained from an amateur who is well known for his fine negatives and I think it will suit your wants:

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- Oxalic acid..... $\frac{1}{4}$  ounces
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- Metol..... $\frac{1}{4}$  ounce
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- No. 2.—Water.....64 ounces
- Sulphite sodium (crystals).....8 ounces
- Carbonate sodium.....4 ounces
- To develop take:—No. 1....1 ounce
- No. 2.....5 ounces
- Water.....2 to 4 ounces

The less water the more contrast. In summer or when softer negatives are desired the full amount of water should be used.—Editor Says.



# The Universal Souvenir Card Exchange

The Up To Date Souvenir Card Collector's Club

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- To promote the collecting of Souvenir Post Cards.
- To publish lists of reliable collectors of Souvenir Post Cards who are members of this society and who will exchange with the other members.
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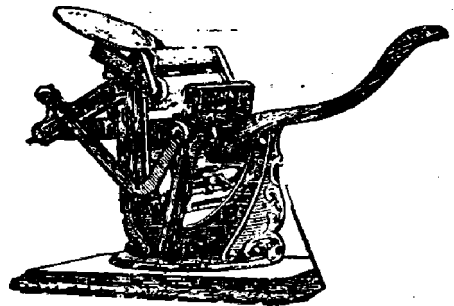
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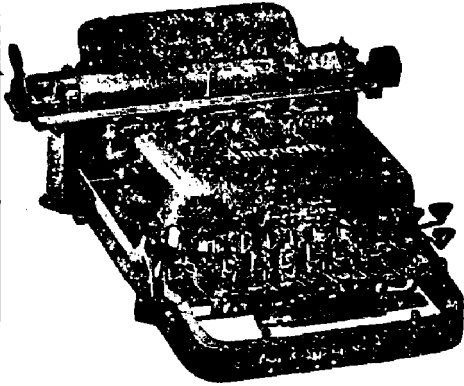
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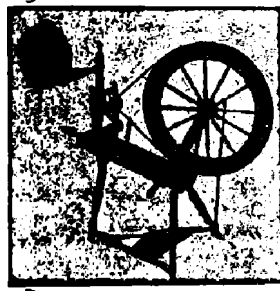
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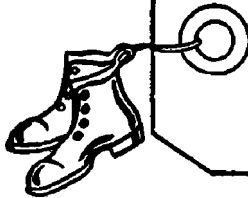
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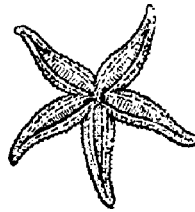
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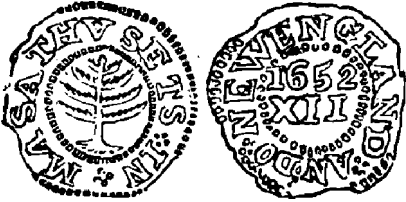
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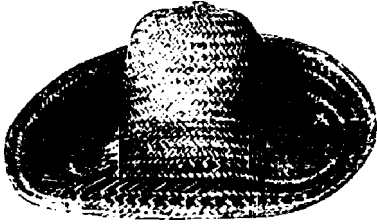
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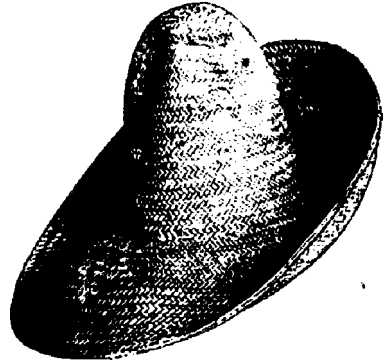
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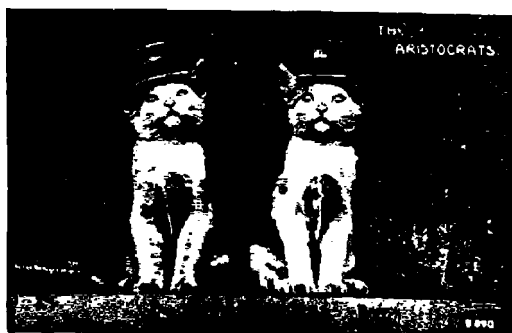
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