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| 5c Express | " | . 08 | . 03 |
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68 ". isqs. 10 dark green.... ...... ..... ............ se

$8_{4}$, 1891-2, 5 C violet and red, st $R . .$.


149 ". 1900. 20c light blue................................ 18c
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## By J. H. Wach

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FACT-The Philatelic WEST is hard to mateh, you bet.
There is a growing dirficulty in securing tine coples of the early issues of United States stamps. The makers of these issues were not required by the government to be careful in relation to the perforating of them. The paper was of a brittle quality, very easily broken or injured by careless handling. The postmasters who cancelled these stamps cared for nothing except to thoroughly obliterate them, so that they used unnecessary quantities of ink for the purpose. All these things combined make it difficult to find used copies of the early issues of our country in fine condition. There were few collectors, and therefure not many of these stamps were saved in unused condition. The consequence of this state of things is and will be an increasing difficulty in securing these stamps in such condition as ins acceptable to enllectors who are at all particular as to the looks of their albums. There are vast numbers of United States stamps in poor and ordinary condition. These many collectors take to fill the spaces in their albums until they can secure stamps of finer quality. This seems, on the whole, $t$ t) be a mistake, for the possession of a specimen, even though it be a poor one, causes a collector to neglect to secure another of the same stamp. The desire to fill spaces that are vacant is greater than to improve those that are not properly filled. The best think for a young collector, if be wisnes to have a really pleasing album, is to put nothing in its spaces but unused or tightly cancelled clean copies of the stamps which he selects. The tilling of the album properly will be appreciated within a few years by those who eare more for United States stamps than for the issues of foreign countries, sisce the growing demand will make it even more difficult than it now is to obtain fine specimens. - Fron Clipping sent the WESTT.

In the article "The Stamps of Great Britain," Narcissus omitted to mention one of the rarest (if not the rarest) stamps of Great Britain, namely, the 10 pence ted brown 1865, No. 47 Scotts, No. 99 Stanley Gibbons, which recently suld at auction for $\$ 150$.

Mr. II. A. Hiamant, President of the St. Lonis Stamp Colleetors' Socisty, reports that he has a used copy of a Canal Zone variety which has not been chronicled. It consists of the 2 c rose, on Republic of Pamama, Scolt's No. 10, with the " $L$ '' of 'Canar" Iying on its side, thus: n

# Ye Caustic Critic's Column 

## By Yours Candidly

1 attended a street fair last fall with a Streets of Cairo appendage. In this was an Arablan juggler whose entire vocabulary consisted of "Luuk, gentlemen, Juuk ${ }^{\prime \prime}$. His ever repeated admonishment to his audience was "Luuk, gedtemen, luuk." And the more they looked the less they saw, so expert was his manipulation of his apparatus.

So it is with some philatelic wielders of the pen. They laboriuusly prepare profound essay on "The Future of Philately,' or deep papers on "The Relation of Type Fifteen of the Issue of 1872 to Type Nise of the Preceding Issue". These products of their Bostonee brains are exhibited to the philatelic in the columnss of some publication, which, oveawed by grandioquence concedes space. Then may these jugglers of words cry "look, gentlemen, look'. And the closer you look, the less you see.

Doesn't it provoke a smile when we see in the editorial column of a 2s4x4 page stamp sheet a gandioquent ausion to "ye editor?" Bow low in awesome reverence, ge infinitesimal atoms of the philatelic cosmology, before this person of high degree. Think of the wakeless nights and sleepless days he spends in gathering from the four quarters of the globe the imposing mass of delectable reading matter for his paper. And remember that, after all, it must be a labor of love-no seltsh calculations of sordid gain find lodgment in his cranium - he knows the tut!lity of striving after negotiable profts, and instead, gratefully accepts as payment the gratitication of his intense self esteem.

At this time, when condition is receiviag so much attention from cataloguers and scribes, it maybe in order to inquire, what is a perfect specimen? That is, when does imperfections vanish and perfectness begin? A knotty problem, truly. Just how far from center the imprint may be and just how heavy the cancellation may be is puzaling to many.

It is admitted that the word perfect, in its dictionary sense, admit of little qualitication. But, when applied to a stamp, the rule cannot be so strict. Given a stamp, imprint a fraction of a millimetre removed from exact center, the tongue of the upper thumb hand perforation missing, the cancellation being a beautiful postmark, but in a measure obscuring the beauty of the color and design-what shall we classify this?

The cataloguers, having decided on a fixed basis for valuation, should furnish a standard rule to guide the poor collector. A rule something like this: "a perfect used specimen is one in which the imprint is in the exact, mathematical center of the stamp; postal obliteration so light as to be unnoticeabe; perforation absolutely correct, the tearing of the stamp from its sheet leaving its wargins free from flaws; the stamp be free from dirt, grease and kindred blights." Then, with this, a guide should be furnished, stating with definite exartness the ducreasing value of the stamp as its Imperfection.



,uestions relative to stamps will be answered in thas column frce of charge to stubscribers. 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, YUayside, YUis

(Continued.)
295. What is "Schund" as mentioned in the ad's of some German collectors? Schund is as much as trash, poer stuti. The term has not alwass the same meaning though. What is Schund or trash jn the eres of one collector is quite acceptable in the eyes of another one. For instance, torn stamps are not touched by one, while another will gladiy accept rare stamps, even if they are torn. Again one collector will not look upon comom stamps, such as catalogue 1 or 2 cents, while another one will delight in picking out the minor varieties of these chaep stamps, which can easily be had in large los. And still again, one collector will refuse Seebecks, surcharged provisionals, square cut envelope stamps, commemorative issues, locals, revenues, reprints, specimens and minor varieties, while another one collects all these, if he can but get them. Hence "Schund" and "trash" are relative terms that have widely different meanings according to who uses them. - Mr. Luff recently exhibited a collection of reprints, which is valued at $\$ 10,000.00$. However some collectors call reprints "Schund.'
296. What is the meaning of $\mathbf{F}$. M. on recent French stamps? It mears "Franchise Militaire' and may be considered is the same line with the British "Srmy Octilial." If I remember right the, 15 centimes value is furnished to the French army free of charge and the surcharge F. M. is to prevent any abuse. The stamps are obtainable used and unused.
297. What makes the stamps of some countries rare and dear while those of other countries are common and cheap? There are quite a number of factors to he considered in order to answer this query. 1 Population, 2 education and 3 occupation are main factors. There are, however, others beside these, as stability of government, neace, order etc. China, for instance, is a very large and populous counry, but the Chinese population lacks education, good government, peace and order; its occupation is also not of the kind to produce much letter writing. Hence China has comparatively few stamps, and if collectors and dealers had not taken hold of them as quickly as they were issued, they might be vers dear too. Germany and Scandinavia are at the head of all nations in regard to education, over 08 per cent of their population are able to read and write. Germany has over 52 million inhabitants, Demmark, Norway and Sweden combined only about 10 million. Hence German stamps are commoner than Danish, Norwegianor Swedish stamps becaise there were more needed to satisfy the demands of a much larger population. The population of (ireat Britain is some over 38 million, but the percentage of illiterates is 2 to 5 in Scotland, 5 to 15 in England and 15 to 30 in Irelaud for each hundred. The presence of illiterates lessens the demand for postage. Ocenpation is here an offset though, the inhabitants. of the British Isles being very active in industry and commerce as well as in sea faring. Hence they are so much ahead in using the
maits, as compared with the agricultural population of parts of Germany and Scandinaria. France is slightly in excess in population over Great Britain having a little over 38 million inhabitants; it is about equal to Scotland and England in regard to education and occupation; but it has been much under political commotion. While in England the government has changed bute once since stamps came into use, France saw two very radical changes of government, from a republic to a monarchy and back to a republic, and frequent minor changes. The consequences are that changes in French stamps were made, which were not necessary where peace and order provailed. Fiven in our own country, the $U$. S., the civil war caused the necessity of a new issue of stamps, that of 1861 . Then in the early times and along the frontier our pioneer hunters, trappers, cowboys and settlers cared very little for letters as compared with the mail-order-kings of to-day. Hence some of our early issues were small and especaially some values are rare, as compared aith those of the present, time. Now, if we step down to some little out of the way colony, where there are but a few thousand inhabitants, few schools, littile manufacturing, trade or traffic except what is necessary for local needs, and where at the same time there is political disturbance-take Samoa for example-we need nut wonder that but few stamps were made at all and that of these few were used. To understand the relations correctly, it is not sufficient to state one or two general rules. The whole history of a country or people must be studied, and then the factors will be found to cooperate or to counteract one another for the one or the other result. That is one of the advantages of philately that suggests investigation and study and so helps its devotees along to improved knowledge. In passing we may yet bestow a glance to the Panama Canal Zone. Here we have a state of affairs that is as yet quite unsettled. This is clearly reflected by the frequent chauges in stamps and the multiplicity of varleties. Some of them will, no doubt, become very rare and dear.
271. Shortly after writing the answer to query No. 271, 1 found in several German papers the anmouncement of a new color chart from Germany undeer the name: "Germania Handbuch No. 1. F'arbtafeln" P Ohrt 1906, Duesseldorf. 10 p. text and 33 plates. Price $\$ 3.75$. Most papers pronounce it a success and superior to anything that appeared before, as indeed anything coming from Herr Hauptmann Ohrt and prinied by J. J. Weber, the publisher of the Illustrirte Zeitung of Liepzig, should be expected. Herr Hugo Krotgsch in the '"Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung' of May 12 under the heading "Neuverausgavte Rest bestaende' (Reissued Remainders), however, claims that the plates were prepared several years ago for quite an other purpose and now onls adopted by Herr Ohrt because they could be obtained cheap. He further clairs that they are not adapted to the use of stamp collectors, and that consequently they are not at all so good as the other papers sas. It will Le interesting to read their answer. If Herr Krutzsch is right, when they praised something they did not know, and the question of a satisfactory color chart is by no means yet solved. He estimates the probable cost of a nearly satisfactors color chart at no less than $\$ 25.00$, quite a little more than the average collector would be willing to pay.
298. Why are catalogue prices twice and three times as high as the prices for which stamps can actually be bought? As a rule catalogues give prices for perfect specimens and the stamps that are sold at on per cent to 66
per cent or even 75 per cent and 90 per cent are not perfect specimens. Sometimes catalogues make mistakes, and sometimes a dealer sells a special lot much cheaper than catalogued simply to advertise his business. In most cases perfect stamps are wurth catalogue prices. By "perfect stamps," if unused, it is understood that they have original gum, are well centered, un. faded and scrupulously clean,. Used stamps to merit being "perfect", must also be well centered, unfaded and slightly but plainly cancelled with a real postal cancellation. Both kinds must be without tears, spots rubbings etc. and must have proper margins and correct perforations on the four sides. To convince yourself of the rarity of perfect stamps take the current 2e stamp of the $\mathbb{C}$. S. and see how many copies in hundred you will find that answer the above requirements. If you buy a sheet at the postoflice you will be fortunate if it contains 81 perfect stamps. Most sheets of 100 contain 10 to 30 only and some not a single one that merits to be called perfect. I used stamps the difference in the number of perfect specimens and seconds is still much greater. It pays to pick out perfect stamps for your collection. You can not find many on cheap sheets even anong otherwise combnon stamps.
299. Are there any errors among the stamps of Sweden? Yes. The most conspiccious error is the 20 ore 1872.78 with inscription "TRETIO" instead of "TJUGO." Then, as Mr. Djurling in "Svensk Filatelestisk Tidskrift" writes, there is an inverted surcharge both of the 10 on 12 and 10 on 24 ore olficial. Besides these there are a number of color varieties (listed by Scott in small type) and a number of 'plate errors', j. e. defective impressions or impressions from defective plates (of a similar character as the 2 cents U. S. of 1890 with cap on one or on both figures). Finally there are some with inverted watermarks and some Imperforate.
300. Would you advise me to collect split provisional stamps? Yes, by all means, provided:

1. You can get them for face value or thereabouts,
2. You keep them on the original envelope or letter,
3. You pusitively know that thes did postal duty.

In the latter case, even if they were unnecessary products of playfulness, they are as curios worth face value on the original.
301. What is the cause that an Englysh name, Wililam Brown, is found among the Argentine celebrities depicted on Argentine stamps? William Brown was an Irishman by birth from Foxford, Mayo, Ireland. Me was born there June 22, 1777. In 1786 he came to Pennslyvania, but soon after that began a seafaring life. In 1811 he was shipwrecked near Ensenada, La. Palta, and entered the Argentine service, in which he remained until he end of his life, May 1857 and in which he advanced to the rank of admiral doing great damage to the enemles of his adopted country Spain and brazil and thereby helping the Argentine Republic to maintain its independence. His remains are buried at Buenos Aires.
302. What are the differences between the two types of Ifeligoland? Besides that given in Scott's catalogie we may note that the lettering in type $I$. is thinner than in type II. and that in type I. both the first diamond and the first pearl of the diadem project above the rounding of the head while in type II. the first diamond alone projects.
(Continued.)

## Mexican Fiscals

## By F. A. Browen

(Continued.)
INsTRUCCION PUBLICA
$1889-90,44 \times 25 \mathrm{~mm} .$, pin point perf.

1 12e blue
$\geq 150$ violet
3 30c rose
4 50c ultramarine $1890-91,34 \times 30 \mathrm{~mm} .$, pin point perf.
9 12c black
10 loc rose
1120 c blue
12 30c dark green
13 40c azure
1+50c violet
15 60c orange

570 c brown orange
6 lp black
$\begin{array}{lll}7 & 1.50 \text { violet } \\ 8 & 1.70 \text { sepia }\end{array}$
1670 e dark brown 17800 rose 1890 c brown
19 lp green
20 12c bronze green ${ }^{3}$
21 150c lilac
22170 c violet brown
23 2p ultramarine
1891-92, pin point perf.
25 12c blue
26 low dark green
27 20c red
28 30c violet
1892-93, pin point perf.
34 12c black
35 lic blue
36 20e red
37 30c violet
38 40c green
1893-95, pin point perf.
to l2c carmine
46 15c black
4720 c blue
48 30c dark green
49 40c jellow
5050 c rose
31 ic black

29 40c dark blue
3050 c black
3! 70c gres
32 80c sellow green
331 p ultramarine
39 50c brown
40 ioc ochre
41 1p orange
4 ? 12 tc grey
43 l50c blue greers
442 y yellow brown
52 ioc grey
$5380 c$ Indigo
54 00c ochre
551 p carmine
56 l20c yellow brownt
57 150c lilac
58170 e violet
5920 brown
$1894-95,30 \mathrm{x} 42 \mathrm{~mm}$., rouletted
iif 12 c black
fil loc vermillion
fis 20e mauve

63 30c vermillion
64 80c grey
65 lp dark blue

1895 9f. $40 \times 32 \mathrm{~mm}$. , pin point Peri.

is se vermillion


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(Continued.)
The Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung in No.ll Urings some interesting in. formation about the Roumanian charity stamps, which after all, are real postafge stamps and cannot be excluded from our collections. 'There are, as you are aware, three full sets of these. The first is that showing the queen as spinner; of these the 3 and 5 bani were issued in time for last Christmas, the 10 and 15 bani in January. The sheets contitit go stamps $8 \times 10$, evers pair of stamps separated from the next pair ly a wider suace. The stamps were perforted $111 / 2$ and $111 / 2 \times 13$; the sale pric:s were $10,15.20$, and 25 bani and the surplus was intended for the Zesatoarea (Weaver) Sceiety and for the Policlinica Regina Elisabeta. The two otner series-the queen as weaver and nursing a wounded soldier-were issueed March 5th. The Weaver design is by Cost in Petresco, a Roumanian painter. The sheets are like the fist set; those of the third set are not yet known. The same perforations cccur here, but not every stamp in all perforations.

I spoke some time ago of two German Reichspost 5 -pf. stamps of the 1900 issue in blue instead of green for which a fancy price was said to have been paid at a New York auction sale. The Imperial Postoffice Department. was thereupon said to have ordered a sheet printed in this color for trading purposes. The facts are now learned to be as follows: A stamp dealer in Berlin had been offered a blue $\mathbf{5}-\mathrm{pf}$. stamp. He submitted it to the Imperial Postal Museum and this again to the lmperial Printing Ofice; the latter declared it to be a chemcal changeling and by way of prouf printed a sheet of 5 pf . stamps with the color of the 20 pf . to show how a real error would look. Of this sheet 20 specimens were traded off by the Postal Museun; the others are still in its hands. One cannot really speak of an error, therefore, in this case.

The remainders of two notorious surcharge issues have been burned bs order of the French Colonial Ottice: those of the New Caledonia jubilee Issue of 1903 and those of the Guadeloupe surcharges of 1903 , with and without date.

The Russian $3!/ 2$ rouble stamp of 1889 with electric rays has been changed by some enterprising fakir into that of 1884 without rays by simply painting over the rays The B.-B.-Z. warns against these fakes and calls attention to the fact that the posthorns on the 1889 issue measure only 4 mm . against 6 mm . on the 1884 issue.

All the British papers, of course, are full to overflowing of the great London exhibition. So much is plain from all I read about it that it would require volumes to do justice to the treasures there on view. The exhibition far exceeded anything heretofore attempted in that line, both in the value
and number of exhibits and in the science displayed by the exhibitors; to give our readers an idea of the treasures shown it is only necessary to state that the value of the stamps shown is estimated at about three million dol-lars!-The first and in a way most complete account of the show to reach me was that of Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal, embellished by a number of fine plates illustrating some of the greatest of the rarities on view; I shall spare my readers' feelings by omitting to enumerate them here-what's the use of exciting covetousness? When it comes to such things as a uearly complete set in mint state of British 1d VR black, as shown in Lord Craw. ford's collection-why, what is there to be said? It reminds one of the lady who, when slie first saw Niagara Falls, clapped her hands ecstatically and exclaimed: "Oh isn't that cute?', Next in line to report on the show was the Londun Philatelist; this-as one might say, the official report-was also rery full. The Philatelic Record also contained a very complete report and the Strmp Collectors' Fortnightly really had the very first report to be publisked though I did not receive it so early. I am glad to see that numerous plizes came to this country and among them one of the two cups in the championship class, the grand prizes of the exthibition. One went to Lord Crawford's exhibit of Great Britain, the other to the Crocker Hawaiians; which were sent from San Erancisco just a few days before the fire. One good sign of the times was the increased importance attached by the judges to scientific arrangement and fill explanatory notes in the collections; in more than one case collections rich in stamps but lacking in arrangement were eclipsed by others whose owners showed real philatelic knowledge in the notes adorning their collections. This is a text on which sermons might be preached to American collectors, of whom a relatively vers small number has real stamp knowedge becond that contained in the catalogues. A stamp exhibition in this country would soon show it.

In September-from the 16th to the 23d-another stamp show is to beheld at Milan under the patronage of the Iralian Post Otice Department. The Grand Prize consists in a gold medal presented by the King of Italy and: the Pust Othice Department has presented another gold medal, there being ten gold medals and forty others at the disposal of the jury: a former stamp show at the same city was very successful and the present one may beexpected to be the same, though it is only the part, in this case, of a larger show, the exposition in honor of the opening of the Simplon Tunnel.

Denver Captures 1907 Convention. Wealthy and prominent men from all over the country who devote themselves to the collection of rare stamps, will gather in Denver in 1907 for the convention of the Philatelic association. The convention was captured for Denver at the national convention in Boston. President Nast of the Denver Stamp club, has been notified that the next meeting will be held in Denver. The American Philatelic society is composed of some of the leading professional and business men of the country who are interested in getting together rare stamps a feature of the convention will be a session held on the top of Pike's peak.

## Among My Original Covers

## By Allen Henry とUright

Most collectors of today specialize along certain lines-one or more as the case may be. Ordinarily the enthusiast over birds' eggs or geolugical specimens cares little or nothing for stamps or autographs, and again the hobbyist on coins would not walk a block for the tinest kind of trilobite, which his friend-the student of fossils-might work a day to get in perfect condition from a ledge of rock in sume shady glen. Not only are collectors of various objects thas divided into their distinct clans, but the followers of each kind are again sub-divided by specializing along certain branches of their hobby. So in stamp collecting we tind those who wish nothing but unused; others, used: another, revenues; another, postals; another envelopes, and so on. Under the envelope class there are those who prefer the unused regular issues of a government, with the embossed stamps, while some one else has a fancy for original covers, about which much has been already writren in the Philatelic West by able contributors.

This tield of original covers is one which is easy to enter and hard to cover, for it will include countless combinations of stamps in most interesting arrangements, every envelope telling its own story to the student of geugraphy or history. As for myself, I make original covers one of my specialties, for I must admit that I have more than one, and might amost be counted a general collector.

Recently 1 have been getting some especially interesting covers through correspondence with a friend in Portugal, and these include French, German, Spanish, and British Morocco, and the Portugese colonies of Porta Delgada, Angra and Morta. One of the Morocen covers before me as I write contains the 10 and 25 centimo stamps of Spain bearing the surcharge in black and red, respectively, "CORREO ESPANOL MARRUECOS''. The stamps are cancelled by the following within a rectangle:

CORRFO ESPANOL CERTIHICADO 12. MAY. O6 TANGER
This same cancellation again appears in the lower left corner. Diagonally towards the top center appears the one word "RECOMMANDE", and near are the numbers ' 275 ''. In the lower right corner is the figure ' 7 '" in blue pencil. The face of the envelope shows, therefore that the letter was registered at Tanger or Tangier as we more often see it spelled on the reverse are found three postmarks the first in chronological order being the following:

## CEETIFICADO 12 MAY 06 CADIZ

In an octagonal frame appears this postmark: AMB.ASC 11. 14 MAY 06 7. BADAJO7.
Another octagonal frame contains this:
LISBOA $15506 \quad 10$ CENTRAL
The cover does not bear the familiar label with the big letter " $R$ " Which J find on covers from Persia, Netherland Indies, Austrian Levant, etc., neither does it have the rubber stamp impression of the same letter which is often shown when the label mentioned is not used.

Two covers which I have from Salonica, Turkey, are addressed to the same person and yet one bears the 2 piaster blue on Austrian stamp, and the
other has a strip of three 1 piaster on 25 centimes, French Levant. The former bears the register label, black on yellow, with this inscription:

## " Salomich I $\mathbf{R}$ Osterr.Post No. 1 ה̃

The French Levant cover bears the impression of the rubber stamp " $R$ ", and also the written word "Recommandie'. In blue pencil appeair " $12-21$ ', ' 3226 ', and in stamped figures ' 12118 ' and " 16750 ," and the rubber stamp date "Nov. 21, 1905," The latter date was put on at Los angles, Cal., which city, as shown by a postmark on the reverse, was reached on that date. The letter passed through the San Francisco registry division on Nov 19, 1905. It was enroute from sender to recipient just twenty days, as the postmark of the starting point, in a double circle, reads:

## SALONIQUE QTIER.FRANCAIS 1 Nov 06 TURQUIE

While not strictly to be counted as an original cover, there is one item in my collection which I count specially interesting as it shows the successful outcome of an experiment which I made some eight years ago with an ordinary 2 -cent postal card of the United States. I wished to have it go around the world by itself, and so started it to the United States Consul at Honolulu. On the back I requested that each recipient re-address it to the name following his own in the list which I gave. So the consul at flonolulu drew. his den through his own name and putitan entirely new address on, that of the Manager of the Chartered Mercantile Bank, Batavia, Java. The latter, in turn, re-addressed it to the United States Consul at Aden, Arabia, and he crossed out the necessary words which took it on to the Cnited States Consul at Marseilles, France. The latter again put on an entirels new address by writing on my name and postotice. The card was received by me 112 days after it left my-hands. The interesting point about the card is not its speed-for it was surely slow as compared with the time in which a world traveler can encircle the globe-but the fact that no extra postage was charged at any point in its journey. The card bears over a seore postmarks, most of them can be easily deciphered and include Rome, N. Y., San Francisco, Cal., LIonolulu, H. I., Sinagpore, Batavia, Westevreden Aden, Marseilles and New York.

A Swiss Pustage Stamp Error. The 20 rappen normally, printed in yellow, was found printed in brown (the colour of the 5 rappen) by a Swiss collector in 1847, under the following circumstances. He discovered it on one of the sneets which the school boys used to make up from their duplicates and put in tobucconists' and stationers' windows. He found out from whom the sheet came, and questioned the boy, whose name was given him. The lad had taken the stamp a few days before from off an old letter, which he showed the collector. It had been franked with a pair of the brown stamps. The second stamp had been sold, and so he was unable to find out what its value was. The letter was in good preservation, which made it hardly likely that it had been in contact with some substance capable of producing a change of colour. Besides, if the brown colour were due to a chemical change, it would mean that the letter had been franked with two $\because 1 /$ rappen pellow stamps, or eight times the ordinary postage, for the letter (sent by the Erat Civil) contained only a birth-certificate, which could not lave necessitated more than double postage. The stamp was therefore either the result of an error, or perhaps an essay.

# About Hobbies 

## By An Old Boy

IIobbies are the spice of life. The little "Elims', where the tired body and mind get refreshment. The places to which we turn when we are tired and worn out and want a change.

As one has said "No individual life is worth living unless each has some hobby." And this is true, for a hobby is a rest to the mind, a cheerer of one's spirits, a diverter of sadness, a calmer of unquift thoughts, a moderator of passions and a procurer of contentedness. As Sir Hedry Wotton used to say of Angling that "It was an employment. for his idle time which was not then idig spent." Boys young and old like hobbies and there are some that suit all ages alike. There are hobbies of an active turn. and hobbies of a quieter turn; every taste may be met.

Of all hobbies, that of Stamp Collecting is the most suitable for all ages and conditions. It is alike interesting to the school-boy and the professor; to the working man and the millionaire. The boy with his esercise book of a few hundred stamps takes as much interest in, and pleasure out of his few, as the rich advanced collector does in his twenty volumes collection. The . then Prince of Wales, once wrute to a friend of stamp collecting, "it is one of the greatest pleasures of my life," and many a boy and young man has re. echoed this noble philatelist's sentiment.

It is said that a Scotchman, hearing that a distinguished artist made his living by painting pictures, remarked contemplatively, "Aye, there's money a shift." It is diffcult to imagine what he would have thought of men who actually make livings by trading in such small pictures as postage stamps. The intense interest it is possible to awaken in the mind of the stamp votary can only be comprehended by the one who has been there.

This is a hobby horse one does not get tired of riding. The old saying is, "you may ride a willing horse to death," but this horse has perennial life and will stand ali the riding we like to give it.

In advocating stamps I would not decry other hobbies, such as Photography, Curios, Minerals, etc., for I notice that most of these latter usually include Philately among their hobbies as I also include some of these. Stamps have such a facination for ali hobbyists that there are very few who do not dabble in them to some extent at least.

A professional man went to see a doctor for he was all run down and fit for nothing and after a course of treatment was cured. When he asked the Doctor, "What can I do to prevent a recurrence of this," to which the doctor wisely replled, "have a hobby and give a little time to it every day or so, and it will relieve the strain and you will be all right." Which proves that to have a hobby is one of the best ways to preserve one's health and well being. Happy is the man who has his own hobby norse and can ride it to his heart's content.
"The minister's horse was a good one, but his neighbors borrowed it so often and used it so hard, that it soon became a poor one, so poor indeed that they in tine, ceased to want it." Which proves again that each should have his own hobby horse.

# Counterfeits and Their Detection 

## By R. R. Ghiele

(Continued.)
The lettering also shows differences. The lettering of the originals was cut on the die, not type set; hence the small differences between any two letters of the same kind; but at the same time no such differences as between the first and the second E of FREIMARKE on the 3 -inch forgery, the first being wide, the second narrow. In the S of SCH WERIN the upper part is smaller than the 5 sch. forgery also has this, but on the 2 sch. the upper half of the $s$ is quite as large as the lower. On the 5 sch. forgery the C of the same word is much too narrow, while the $\mathbf{N}$ is too wide. All the letters of FRIEMARKE are too tall on the 5 sch . forgery; the K has a dispropurtinately hearg "clubfoot"' at the right. On the 2 sch. forgery the G of SCIIILLINGE is noticeably larger than the two E's preceding and following it; on the 5 sch. forgery it is just the opposite, the G being too small, as compared with the E's. The corner figures of value also differ, but it is hard to describe the differences without illustrations. The figures on the 2 sch., forgery are pretty fairly done, but the figures 5 on the 5 sch. forgery all have too straight a flag, those of the originals being considerably curved. On the originals the two outer frame lines are everywhere clearly separate; on the 2 sch. forgery they are also like this, but on the 5 sch. forgery the two lines often merge in each other, especially to the left of MECKLENB

The difference a price between used and unused is quite large enough in the case of the 2 sch. to warrant a little effort; hence both the 2 sch and the 5 sch. are "cancelled'" with tive black parallel lines No such cancellation was ever used by the grand duchy.
(To be continued.)
A Stamp Emblem: The agitation for a philatelic emblem will evidently be with us until a astisfactory design has been produced. Various suggestions have been offered and the latest comes from John Terry, of sufficient merit to win more than passing mention. The flags of some ten of the strongest nations of the world are very gracefuly draped in circular form, a stamp design being shown in the centre. Mr. Terry in his drawing has a 1p black Great Britain, but here is where the design is weak, certainly as far as U. S. cullectors are concerned. However much a broad iniemational spirit of fratrenity may be desired it is certalaly true that the feeling of national pride will always have the right of way as far as the average individual is concerned. We suggest a natural solution of this problem. Let the flags of the nations typify the international bond among philatelists while the central design brings the national idea to the front. We here in the U. S. could use the New York or St. Louls P. O. issues cf 1815, or as some authorities have maintained, the 5c 1847 general issue could be illus. trated for this purpose. In this way each couotry could hare its most significant philatelic idea to the front, the background of flags of the nations making a most appropriate comblotion. We do not remember of having seen any suggestion that so thoroughly meets the agitation for a distiuctive philatelic emblem as does this and we are optimistic enough to believe that a tinancial success would result from its being placed upon the market.Stamp Weekly. The publisher hopes to use a cut of the above emblem as soon as we can get it made.

## My Great Find

We were sitting together in a cosy corner of the smoking room engaged in that aucient art-telling stoies. The talk had drifted from Italian brigands to Stamps. Somehow we always ended with that subject, no matter what we started on. The doctor told us for the third time how he had found the gems of his magnificent collection of Confederate States, and a long pause ensued, broken only by the musical click of the glasses as Sam set one before each of us.
"Did I ever tell you of the find I made on the Continent?" I asked after a long pause.
"Didn't know you were ever interested in Stamps", granted my neighbor.
"It was on my last European trip, if I remember rightly I stopped at Lucerne determined to do Swittzerland alone and on foot if possible. One of the shopnjen-you know the breed that spring up whenever tourists are plenty-had persuaded me to invest in a new outtit consisting of everything I needed-and lots of things I didn't need-at an exorbitant price. From cap to shoes, everything was new.

For two weeks I wandered where I pleased, stupped when and where I chose and moved on again only when 1 felt like it. I saw more of the real Swityerland in this two weeks than I could in a year of "personally conducted' trips Gentlemen, if you wish to see a country, get off the beaten track and wander at your own sweet will. As I said before, I wandered as I pleased, and in due time. I stopped at a little hamlet that lay among the High Alps. I was pleasantiy received-indeed that was the case everywhere; hospitality is a universal trait among the Swiss.

That evening after the frugal supper was over, I took out my collecting book and rearranged its contents. The entire family were interested watchers and when all was once more in order, the good housewife asked me what I did with them. She had sonse old, old stamps in her room. Did I want them?"

My listeners were thoroughtly aroused. The doctor's cigar was slow:ly dying out unnoticed as he held it in his hand. My neighbers eyes were like saucers and he scarce oreathed.
"Would I like them: You can imagine my feelings, gentlemen. I was positive that they would prove to be Swiss Cantonals of the rarest sort. I repressed $m y$ joy and if 1 must say it-my avarice but indifferently and answered in the affirmative, whereupon my buxom hostess hustled about and finally brought out an oid inlaid workbox of beautiful design and execution. She unlocked it and threw back the cover disclosing an array of odds and ends that filled it to overfowing. With slow patient fingers she fumbled about and ntiallg brought to light a small envelope whose bulging sides gave promise of rich treasures within. Into my hand she thrust it carelessly and noisily carried the box back to its place:"

My auditors drew a deep breath, in their eyes was a sparkle of joy, as if they too felt the biliss of a great find.
"Gentlemen, I am not easily moved, but I can assure you I was very greatly stiried up just then. Finally, I mustered up enough courage to pour the contents of the envelope upon the table."
"And you found enough Cantonals to make you wealthy?" whispered vie of the group.
"I found a packet of cheap Continentals that some collector had thrown away, knowing they were valueless. Sam, my glass is empty."
"Damn"! The doctor uttered the word softly but with a depth of feeling I scarce believed him capable of.

My neighbor stated to speak, but was interrupted by a series of chuckles from the business man. "The joke is on us," he said and burst into a gutraw, and when the rest of the menbers turned round in surprise, they saw not one, but five of their staidest members making the echoes ring with a burst of spontaneous laughter.

## Revenue Notes

## By Oscar T. Hartman

Odds and Ends.
How many [I. S. revenue collectors know that in the 1898 documentary issue an 8 c value was prepared but never issued.

That foreign revenues are a good field for the discoverer is proved by the late discovery of a set of high values of Hesse-Cassel not previously known.

In the case of Mexican revenues my belief is that perfect specimeus are all nearly worth catalogue, but look out for remainders.

A rgentine is still griudiug out remainder 'revenues. $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}$ set from 1 centavo to 10,000 pesos. I wonder how many of the latter value are actually used.

Mexican, Canadian and U. S. revenues are the mostly offered ones on this side of the water.

Brazil. - When you pick up a Rrazil revenue stamp, orange with the head of Don Pedro there are two sets. The first has no separation point boiween the numerals indicatinsg the ralue. The second type has, whion is in general the commonest.

In the set, wine colour, there are also 2 sets. The background of one is lined, the other has the word; "Brazil" repeated. Brazil has a good many provinces and a good many of these issue separate tax stamps.

It is necessary to learn the Turk's crowfeet, which stand for numerals, but they are easy to master and come handy for revenues of this country, alse Servia and a few others.
"Der Philatelist." alwass on the lookout for new things has coined a new word, "flontelist." The word Hlore means rogue or felou, and is used for the sake of being applied to those who pilfer stamps or tamper with approval selections.

## Notesfor U. S. Collectors

## $B_{y}$ E. R. Aldrich

Permit No. 90 of New York is used by the investment promoters A. L. Wisner \& Co , and is impressed with a rubber stanp in red stamping ink and the specimen befcre would zise up well with native printed Indian Estates stamps.

The latest thing I have ran across in precancelled is an inverted Lowell one one cent Trans-Missisisppi issue of which I found two copies. I also secured three specimens printed normally. I secured them from the south land from a party who has been connected with postal service and who had saved them.

Steamers Hying the Stars and Stripes, not under contract, are allowed for their pay the full postage on all letters carried by them to a foreigo country, that is tive cents for each half ounce.

The development of postal service in several countries is shown by the following table of the numbeer of postoftices in each in 1902 and 189.

|  | 1902 | 1894 |  | 1902 | 1894 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United States | 7275 | 70991 | Germany | 46268 | 35943 |
| Great Britain | 22642 | 20270 | British India | $1+$ ¢ัl | 10904 |
| Russia | 12450 | 7084 | France | 11333 | 8538 |
| Italy | 8371 | 626:3 | Austria | 8239 | 5496 |
| Hungary | 5092 | 4463 | Japan | 4567 | 381 |
| Switzerland | 3821 | 3466 | Sueden | 3437 | 2-41 |
| Span | 3287 | 2942 |  |  |  |

In the length of mail routes the United States leads all the other nations, in 1902 the railway routes amounted to 19052 miles and all other routes including stage, steamer, etc., to 316713 or a total of 507237 miles. Russia came next with 39007 miles of rail and 165169 miles otherwise or a total of 204170 or less than half that of the United States.

There were issued during the year endiug June 30 , 1896 a total of 19351714 due stamps of which 16832650 were of the one and two cent ralues, of the thirty cent value 10060 were issued and of the 6 fty centers 8434 .

An eastern dealer is offering the $\$ 50$ green and black 1902 revenues tor $\$ 32.00$, also the $1898 \$ 500$ red for $\$ 26.00$. Cullectors can by inserting these prices in the blank space in their catalog have a memo of ralue to go by fot these unpriced varieties.

The postmaster general has issued an order directing that postal card from abroad with the message on the left side of the face side of the card shall be treated as the ordinary postals. Before those such postals harm been subject to the regular letter rates, so that 5 cents extra postage was collected from the recejver.

# Beer Inspection Stamps 

## By F. A. Brown

Since my notes on these stamps in April number of the WEST I have had a letter from the present inspector, Mr. Ernest Marshall.

He says that the figures on the certificate part of the stamp, which is the part first described, represent the inspection fee 8 c and the remainder the fee 2 c for labeling.

This stamp I find came from a $1 / 2 \mathrm{bbl}$. Total value of stamp loc.
In Mr. Marshall's letter he says that the Quarter 3 4 hbl. is represented by a $4 \%$ cent stamp, which gives $27 / 8 \mathrm{c}$ as the inspection fee and 2 c for labelling.

As I understand Mr. Marshalls' letter 2c of the value of every stamp represents the labelling fee and the remainder the inspection fee stuch is the case in the values which I have.

In my notes of the April number I gave the name of the inspector wrong, it should have been G. Y. Crenshaw.

1 sent the specimen described to the present inspector but it never reached him so I wrote again and got some intormation, but am out my ten cent stamp.

But I have some others of $93 / \mathrm{c}$ value secured in June of this year at St. Joseph, Mo., which are of a different issue having the name of what I make out to be " 1 . F. Ginelich as state treasurer and the value reduced from 10 c $93 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. But the name of Crenshaw is still printed as inspector, while Mr. Marshall is now inspector.

I give below a provisional list of what I take to be the tirst issue Beer Inspection stamps.

2 c of each value represents the labelling fee the remainder the inspection fee.

Issue 1901: No. 1? $1 / 8 \mathrm{bbl}, 21 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ? No. 2? $1 / 4 \mathrm{bbl}$, 5c blue? No. 3. $1 / 2$ bbl., 10c green. No. 4\% 1 bbl 20 c salmon?

You will note I have questioned Nos. 1, 2 and 4, but 1 infer that they exist from Mr. Marshall's letter, I know that the No. 3 exists since I nad it.

Of the second issue as I have termed it I give values and colors from Mr. Marshall's letter:

Issue 190-: No. 1 ? $1 / 8$ bbl. 27 -16c? No. 2. $1 / 4$ bbl. 47/8 blue. No. 3. $1 / 2 \mathrm{bbl} .9 \frac{1}{2}$ green. No. 4. 1 bbl . $191 / \mathrm{s}$ salmon.

Mr. Marshal say we have other coiors of various denominations tce numerous to mention in a letter.

I am trying for more information and will try to have more for next issue.

Wish some Missouri collectnr of revenues would give us some information in regard to these.

In the Nay 31st number of the WEST I notice under the head of Press Review, an article by Mr. L. Harold Kjelstedt on Turkish newspaper stamps of 189.2. I also bave in my collection the $10,20 \mathrm{pa}$ and 1,2 pi with small surcharge. The difference is very noticeable to the eye without measuring, especially io the height of the word Imprime.

# ruhy Is a Philatelist? 

## By One of Them

Note-To the man who recently made the statement that philateig was losing its strength, we have a word to say. Post cards may be all right, every other kind of a collection may be all right. but none of them have stood the test of time as postage stamp collecting has, and I honestly do not believe any of them will. It is tue, as yoll sar, that the newspaper sometimes have more to say about "philocarty" than they do abont stamp collecting. but then you must remember that he worters who generally furnish these papers their "stuf"' are hail braincd creatures at best and they know very little they do not tind foaing aromid on the surface. The following article, written by Chestere C. Wells, of Freemort, Ill., appatad in the Freeport Evening Standard, written at the reguest of the managemnt. That is just an instance going to prove that we philatelists are not losing strength at least.

Philatels, or the pursuit of foreign and rare stamp collecting is obtaining a great number new recruits in this city during the hot dry days. Freaport always has had a number of collections, but the number is declared to be greater than ever by the dealers who obtain the Freedort patronage.

The process which turns a young boy or girl into a stamp collector generally starts when one of the aforesaid young people's parents receive a letter from a friend in Germany, England, or perhaps even over in Egspt.

The stamp appears to be a great curiosty to the unsophisticated philatelist's eye and a search is immediately made through the secretary for any others which may have been received. Then with three or four common stamps pasted in a little advertising blank book, the youthfol collector goes about proudly exhibiting his collection. The "collection" fis apt to be shown to a more advanced member of the army who knows of a "good comany." "I'll send and get some sheets of stamps on approval so you can buy a few real cheap. They know me. Thes will send me some"' is what the other will say. It is only a few days until he appears with three sheets of the rarest kinds (so it seems to the tirst boy) marked at only one and two cents each. Ten cents worth are purchased and the collection we are watching is wonderfully enhanced.

So the collection grows. Soon the first bog finds that he is paying too much for the stamps he buss off other people's 'approvals'. That other fellow gets the stamp for half the price they are marked and on every ten cent sale he makes five and sends the owners of the sheets tive The first boy begins to get approvals in his own namb and makes his own commission off another "greeny". So the system works out. The collector has perhaps two hundred different and half as many traders by this time, and the collection giows now in ratio to the money spent in purchase of new ones and the time spent in making trades.

A word as to how a "stamp" company or stamp dispensary is operated may not be amiss. The business is essentially a mail order proposition, which reaches and obtains customers through advertising principaliy in stamp collectors' papers, of which there are a host, a few good, a few indifferent and the majority "bum." It is a fact, however, that the papers

Lave a combined circulation of about 75000 , throughout the English speaking world. The advertisements offer an alluring 50 per cent discount from catalogue prices. (Catalogue prices are always made high enough to safely allow even 60 or 70 per cent.). Thus the approval sheets obtain a firm foothold in the goung collector's heart. The companies alpays have packets of different kinds, stamps from certain countries only, etc., which are sold at so much per lot and which are always the best bargains.

Freeport has had several reliable and widely advertised companies ur dealers, among which the business of the late Marcus Lane took precedence. The Hamlet Stamp Company has changed hands but is still being operated in Freeport. The others among which was Globe, a well patronized mafl order company, have suspended business in deference to more profitable ventures.

When a collection attains the hundred mark the album takes the place of the little memorandum book. Here the stamp dealer is again able to supply the demand as be has a nice little article which retails at about fifty cents. From this time on, unless the collector loses his interest which is too often the case, the collection increases by tits and perks. A new, well bound and well printed album takes the place of the lesser investment. From buying stamps at one and two cents each, the collectors buy thew at twenty-tive, tifty cents or a dollar eacii. Then he seeks to obtian rarities, at from five to one hundred dollars each. Just recently at a stamp auction in New York (by the way stamp auctions are attended by the most prominent and wealthy collectors of the world) an old English envelope brought $\$ 886.50$.

Collections of a thousand differeat variecies can be purchased from the dealers for $\$ 5$ but when collected by a philatelst, a few at a time, the collection is apt to have an int.trinsic value of twice that much at least. Collections of 2000 , starnps can be purchased for abnut $\$ 15$. It is almost impossible to obtain large collections from the dealers, and men and women who posisess more than four thousand varieties deem their assortments almost priceless as regards the filthy lucre of barter.

The collection of souvenir postcards which is even more widespread than the collection of stamps has gained its hold upon the public in much the same fashion as that of the foreign postage stamp. Nearly everyone nowadays has some card to show you and generally they are displayed in a neat little album. A curious phase of the souvenir post card craze is the leather postal which one sees so commonly made up into an Indianesque pillow.

Thurb and Paxis Postage Stamp. -The 3 krewter, green stamp (normal colour blue) was regarded as a myth by most. collectors till the year 1873, when some information was giver by a German collector on showing his specimen of this rare error to one of the leading philatelic anthorities. He pointed out that specimens were to be found in some German albums, as well as in a Parisian collection. Ilis own had been obtained a few years previously from a postal cleck. The distributor of stamps sold the greater part of the sheet of 3 kreuzer, green, at night, and did not notice the difference until the following day when he was making up his accounts. The remainder of the sheet was at once disposed of to collectors.

(Continued from last number.)
M——., N. Y., August 21st, 1902.
I called oll Miss Covenant todar. She is as fascinating as her brother. When I reached the hotel where they are stopping I sent up my card and was informed that she would see me at once. I was ushered into a sitting room furnished magniticently. ()n the floor were beautiful Turkish rugs The walls were lined with rare paintings. Along the walls were massive cabinets filled with curios.

In an easy chair near a witudow sat Miss Covenant, or Ruth, as she bade me call her. She turned as she saw me entering. I was almost awed for a moment, she was so beautiful. Imagine, if you can, my dear Diary, a beantiful blonde with masses of fair hair, dark eyes and a sweet pathetie mouth. I could not reconcile myself to the idea that she would never be able to walk. As I bent over her to shake hands she kissed me, and said, "you are Magnolia Halstead You will allow me to call you Magnulia, wilk you not I have heard so much about you from .lack, dear."

We had sat talking for sone time, when Mr. Covenaut (he told me the other day to call him Jacin, I thiok I will after this) entered. We spent the rest of the afternoon looking at albums fall of stamps, and at curios. They have so many wonderfu! things in the way of stamps and curios that 1 hardly know how to desciine them all.

Their phutatelic collectinn is as nearly perfect as it is possible for ang collection to be. What carmot perseverance and money do? They must have the wealth of Monte Christo and ten times his patience

They have a large general collection. It contains all of the rarest and most raluable stamps needed to complete the different countries contained in the collecrim. I have never seen a more perfect collection of this kind. It is a collection that would make any philatelist turn green with jealousy. I must confess that I coveted it. It is manuiticent!

Ruth has been collecting cancelled Spanish War revenuos IIer collection contains oter seven thmsand varieties. I think ir must be the tinest collection of its sort in existence. She has also a very nice collection of $\mathrm{I}^{+}$, S. and Mexicat revenues. She sad she had a matia for collecting revenues.

Jack has been specializing in the stamps of China. Ile has a magnificent cullection of these interesting stamps. He has almost completed it.

Besides having collected stamps, they have also collected curios. They have a collection of Indian relics numbering over eight thousand pieces. But they are not entirely to be credited with the collecting of these, as part of it was left to them at their father's death, but they have added agreat many valuable pieces to it.

Another cabinet is entirely filled with curios picked up on their travels. While still another is filled with rare pieces of china. They have also a small collection of coins.

It is really wonderful all the things they have managed to collect, but when one considers that they have inherited the passion fur collecting from their parents, the time they have spent upon it and the money, one ceases to wonder.

I spent one of the most pleasant afternoons it has ever been my lot to enjoy. I have fallen in love with Ruth, and am sure she likes me. She particularly urged me to come again and $J$ am sure that if it depends upon me it will not be the last afternoon I spend with her.

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\text { M—_, N. Y., Sept. 3d, } 1902 .
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In the few weeks that have passed since last wrote gou up, my dear, the Covenants and I have become the best of friends. I spend half of my time with Ruth. She takes me out driving with her and seems to wish to have me with her as often as I possibly can spare the time. She makes a perfect pet of me.

Edith came in today. She sass everyone is talking about how jealous Helen Moore is because I have caught Jack. I asked her what she meant. she looked surprised and inquired if Jack and I were not angaged. I was so astonished that I djd not know what to say for a moment, but I told her certainly not. She seemed to be astonished and said that everyone supposed from our actions that we were. The idea! It is very strange that a man and a girl cannot be friends without some one suspecting they are lovers. I wonder what Edith meant, for when I said something to the same effect to her she smiled and said something about platonic affections.

1 wish people would not be so absurd. As for Helen Moore being jealous of me, there must be some mistake. She has always been my best friend and she would not have any reason to be jealous of Jack and $I$. Fudge: Wouldn't Helen laugh if she should hear this gossip!

Jack asked me to take a difie with him to night, and as it is almost time for him to be here I must bid you good-bye my little pet.

M——, N. Y., Sept 5th, 1902.
Ifelen has just been here. She told me somelhing Jack has been saying about me. I cannot tell you my Diary what it is, but it is something that has hurt me very much. Yes. I will tell you, it is this-Helen said she overheard Jack telling a young man that, that pretty girl, Magnoila Halstedd, was desperately in love with him. "I have been flirting a little with her ind am getting rather tired of the game but she holds me so tightly that I do not know how to break loose. Was never in such a pickle in all my life. Sine inis been chasing me ever since she met me's he said.

Can it, be that Jack is so iow and mean a thing as this? I uncierstand my feelings for him now, I thought it was just friendship for him but it is pove. Yes, I am in love with him. I have almost known it ever since we
met but have not allowed my thoughts expression, but now I realize that I have loved him.

I cannot believe this thing of Jack. But yet it must be so. Helen herself overheard the conversation. I cannot write any more. Oh Jack! Jack!

Some hours have passed and I have grown some calmer. Much as I love Jack, I cannot forgive this. I will write him a oote asking to see him tomorrow morning. I will tell him of this and break off our friendship. Now that it is all over I see that he acted more as a lover than as a friend. I can forgive evergthing else, but I cannot forgive a man's firting with me. I love him and will always love hine, but I will not indulge in vain laments. I will break off everything between us tomorrow. How can I live through this? But yet I must and I will.

An hour has passed. I have written to Jack telling him to meet me in the Osburne wouds tomorrow morning.

Good-bye dear Diary, what a comfort you are to me. Good-bye until the next entry, if I ever make another.

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\text { M--., N. Y., Sept. 6th, } 1902 .
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What a dilierence between the way I feel today and the way $I$ felt jes. terday! But let me tell my story in a reasonable manner.

Jack met me this morning in the woods. I told him I was there to break off our friendship and then told him the whole, miserable story. Poor Jack! I can see his face now. It was so white and stern. "Who told you this?"' he demanded. "Helen Moore," I replied "overheard it all." "If she told you this," he said, "she told you an infernal lie. Did you believe this against me Mangolia? Could sou not see how I have loved you?" Something in the tone of his voice convinced me that he was telling the truth. Ever since I heard the story there had been in my heart a half. formed idea that he might be able to explain the whole thing. I had never really doubted him. "I will go with gou to Miss Moore," he continued, "and prove to you that what she told you was false."

I will not tell you what followed dear Diary, it will suffice to say that I have promised to marry Jack.

We went to Helen's home As she saw us entering the gate she came out on the lawn. When Jack demanded an explanation she did not answer him but turned to me. "I know what you have come for,' she said. knew you would soon find out the truth of the matter. But the thought that you had won his love crazed me. I wanted to wound you, to hurt you. if only for a moment, I hope you are satisfled by this explanation. Now go!"

Without another word she left us. We turned and left the premises. Poor Helen! I cannot help but pity her although Jack says she is not worthy of it. But I know what I felt in those hours I imagined I had lost my Jack. So I will say again, "Poor Helen."

Evergune is delighted, from ruth to Ted. lose me but they are proud of their furure son

Father and mother hate to Ruth was so delighted that she did not know how to expre; herself. But if every ous concerned is delighted, Jack and I are the most delighted of all. We have the most reason to be. We are going to be married in the spring-Jack and I. As Jack put it we are going to join our philatelic collections and live happy evel after in a philatelic atmosphere.

# Hore My Stamp Collection Became of Value to Me 

## By Harry S. Blanchard

It was in the middle of November, I was out of town some three hundred miles distance from home. I had just attended a meeting of the Young Mens' Christian Association in the evening and was about to go to wy lodging quarters for the night, as I had to get up early in the morning to catch the first train home. The hotel where I was stopping was about a mile distance from the Y. M. C. A. building. I had covered about half the distance and had got opposite a bill board when all of a sudden a dark form shot out from behind the bill board and said in a commanding voice "Halt." I looked into his face only to see a shining piece of steel called a revolver. When I see this I knew he meant business, so I up with my hands, he went through my pockets and took everything of value I bad on me except my clothing. After it was all over with I went to the hotel in disgust, not knowing what to do as all my money was gone and owing a board bill and besides the expense of my car fare going back home, which would be something like nine dollars and a hotel bill of about twelve dollars to pas out of nothing, and what to do I did not know, as I was a perfect stranger in a large city. I did not know a living person in the place and the only thing I could do was to write a letter home for some mones, hut where was I going to get the two cents to mail it with. I was up a stump again. After thinking of my past experiences I tinally decided to write a letter and drop it in the mail box and let the postage follow to be paid at the letter's destination when the parry received it. I went to my dress suit case to get out my tablet and pen and ink, I lifted up the tablet and behold I had put my stimp album in the suit case under the tablet. I hurriedly got the stan:p album out of the suif case and examined its contents. I found I had quite a number of rare United States stamps and a good many searce foreign stamps. This gave me an idea. I could take my collection down to a stamp dealer in the morning and sell him a few of my choicest specimens so I could realize enough out of the sales to pay my expenses and buy a ticket for the first train home in the morning which left at ninc thirty. I went to bed feeling much better over my thoughts than the thoughts I had when I entered the horel. I got up the following morning at seven o'clock and about eight occlock I found myself in the stamp dealer's apartments with my stamp album. I showed him $m y$ stamps and said I would like to sell abous twentertive dollars worth if he wanted to buy that many which he said he would and would buy the whole collection if 1 cared to sell them but I refused to sell the entire lot as I had collected the largest part of the stamps when a goung boy. After pausing a moment he finally decided to buy six of my rarest E.S. stamps for twents-tive dollars which I accepted without delay, two tens and a five. I thanked the dealer and walked out of his place of husiness. I went to the hotel and squared up with the manager and left the hatel and city much better than I expected after my night's experience. This was once in my life that my stamp collection became of value.

# A Rare Discovery 

## By B. H. Fehlig

George Maurice, the Detroit stamp dealer, was a despondent man at the time of which I am writing. As he sat in his office, he thought of the proverb, "A stamp dealers' path is not always strewn with roses," also of the smallness of this month's sales and his unpaid rent and gas bills. As he sat meditating, the mallman brought in the scanty morning's mail. After opening several letters containing small orders, he came to the last one, an odd, dirts-looking letter with a curious handwriting. He opened it with his usual dull-season disinterest, and began its perusal.

It read as follows:
Dere Sur.,
I heard gou a man what bought old postage stamp, so i wrice to tell you that i got some to sell, and will sell them to you, if you will give me enough for them I live in the back of 1860 Michigan street, in Springwells.

August Joelle
Maurice put the letter aside as one from some person who had a few stamps for sale and went to work tiliing his few orders But that afternoon, after getting his mail, and not, having anything else to do, he shut up his otfice and started for a stroll down town, when he happend to think of the letter he had received from Sprinwgells. As Springwells is a suburb of Detruit, and accessible by street cars, he det.ermined, for curiositie's sake, to take a run out there and see the stamp.

A fter a short search in Springwell, he found No. 1860, Michigan Avenue. Knocking at the door he inquired of a certain August Joelle, and was told by the woman who answered his call that he lived in an old house in the back gard. She showed him the way which led to an old battered door. He knocked and a gruff "cume in," answered from within. With difficuity he opened the door, and found himself in a low, dark, squalid room.
"Is this where Mr. Joelle lives', Maurice asked an old man, who answered in a creaky voice. "Yes, I am August Joelle." He was a withered old man of about seventy, and lay in a large chair, suffering with some disease. "I received a letter from you saying that gou had some stamps gou wished to sell, so I came out to see about them," Manrice said. "I have some," the old man answered. Thes belonged to my brother, who has been dead for ten years now. He was a sailor, and took to saving the stamps of the countries he used to visit. 1 will show them to you, and see what you will give me for them, for I am in need of money badls. 'there is quite a few of them, and they must be worth a fow dollars. Please go over there and get that brown book lying on that bureau, and bring it over here I am so weak from sickness that I cannot waik.

Maurice got the book, and sitting down, opened it and looked at the first page. It was filled with stamps from various Asiatic countries. After turning over several pages, he saw that the countries were not classified, but the name of the city, probably where the stamps were gotten, was written at the head of the page. The book he thought was worth about five dollars, and he was about to offer it to the old man, when his eye lit upon a curious stamp on a page which was written, Aden, Arabia. Ile had never seen or
heard of a stamp like it before. In the center surrounded by artistic scroll work was a cresent over a curved sword while at the top and bottom were A rabic characters. It was in vers good condition cancelled with some kind of ink fairly printed but was not perforated. It looked real to him and the old man who noticed that he was studying it told him his brother had bought it of an Arab at Aden while loading coffee on his ship. It interested him so he offered the man ten dollars for the book which he accepted.

When he arrived at his office he immediately sent the stamp by registered mail to a Mr. Myers a noted New York stampexpert. Anxiously waiting for two weeks he received a reply from Mr. Myers who said after two weeks of research he had found the stamp to be genuine; and a stamp of an Arab who had set himself up as King of Arabia during the eighteenth century but had been disthroned by England after a short period of rule. It was known that be had had some stamps made by a printer of llamascus but none had ever been seen except the one Mauricee bought. In conclusion Myers said he would give him $\$ 1500$ for the stamp as he was a great collector of rarities. Naurice accepted the offer and congratulated himself on his visit to the old man. He now also says that the so-called philatelic dull season is not so bad for the dealer.

## THE STAMP CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Prince of Wales was among the first visitors to the Philatelic Exhibition at the Horticultural Hall London. He spent nearly two hours in an inspection of his fellow philatelist exhibits but was called away oy another engagement before the formal opening of the exhibition by the Earl of Crawford.

In addition to the private display of stamps there were valuable unolticial exhibits contributed by the French government the Board of Inland Revenue and the India Otrice; the Agents-General of the Cape of Good Hope. New South Wales and New Lealand and the Chartered Company of British South Africa. But the ordinary visitor to the show asked at once to see 'the Prince's Stamps' and after those the stamps exhibited by Prince Edward. The Prince of Wales display included several stampf worth $\$ 5000$ or more.

Chief interest, from the view point of the advanced collector, centers in the notable collections shown in the "championship class," where the Earl of Crawford carried off the chief award, a haudsome cup, for his superb collection of English. A nother cup weut to Mr. H. J. Crocker, for the Hawian collection, which so narrowly escaped the flames in San Fancisco. The gold medals went to Mr. H. R. Oldfield, Mr. Hausburg, and Baron Athony de Wurms.

Dr. J. W. Higson of the St. Louis Stamp Cllectors Society reports having a copy of Jamaicn, type R I, watermarked pine apple, with postal cancellation. This is an uncatalogued rariety. By the way, Scotts catalogue shows a slight typographical error in Jamaican postal fiscals. Number 101 should be described as watermarked "brown $\mathrm{C} C$ ' iustead of, "C A," which latter varieties duly listed as number 108.

The first U. S. postal issue was on February 5, 1847.

# My Vacation Find <br> <br> $\mathrm{B}_{\boldsymbol{y}}$ Leon V. Cass 

 <br> <br> $\mathrm{B}_{\boldsymbol{y}}$ Leon V. Cass}

I took my vacation a little earlier than usual this year, and the 29th of May found me in a little one-horse town in New York state. As usual I was on the lookout for anything in the line of stamps and old curios and relics, as I am interested in angthing in the curio and relic line as much as I am in stamps. Ou Decoration Day I visited an old lady of eighty-seyen, the wife of the clergyman that untted my father and mother in marriage in the early sixties.

The old lady lives all alone in a quaint old fashioned house which is full of antiques and relics that would delight the soul of the relic fiend.

The trst thing that caught my eye was an ancient Indian Idol, or god that was brought from India nearly eighty years ago by a missionary and presented to the old clergyman many years ano.

The lads knew I was a curio crank and to my great delight presented me with the idol to remember her by. I accepted it with alactity, and profuse thanks, and then modestly asked if there were not some old letters to be found as I was trying to get some old postage stamps. .
"Why, yes I have some up garret," was the answer and I followed her up the steep narrow stairs and soon found myself under the eaves in a room so close and hot I could scarcely catch my breath.

I forgot all about the heat however when my pilot pointed out several bundles of old yellow enrelopes such as our fathers used to ase. The windows were all closed and nailed down, but I told my hostess not to mind, and she ieft me to the task of removing the stamps from the envelopes.

I earned those stamps by "the sweat of my brow' I can tell you, but they were worth it as 1 obtained all of the following: 1 le 1857 tgpe II cat \$1.09; : le 1857 type ILI \$1.05; 55 3c 1861, 17 diff. shades 55c; 13 c 1861 genuine pink \$7.50; 6.3 33 1857 1.30; 63518.57 tpye I 81.50; 173 c 1867 embossed $9 \times 13,11 \times 14363 ; 203 c 1851$ 63c; 112 c 1871 50c; 10 lc 1871 81.50; $15 \mathrm{lc} 187345 \mathrm{c} ;$


Envelope stamps: 43 3 18.3 die 5 cat 20e; 2301853 die 2 \$2.50; 1 3c 1853 die $120 \mathrm{c} ; 1186 \mathrm{l}$ 3c on buff die 1 20c; 1 te wrapper No. 1709 15c; 57 c orange $187050 \mathrm{c} ; 1$ tc on orange 1874 die A 20 c .

Four illostrated civil war envelopes with a 3 c 185 y on one aud the 3 c of 1861 on the other three.

The illustrations were in colors and one depicted a soldier parting with his wife and a company marching with ladies and children cheering them. A nother depicted the goddess of liberty riding an eagle, the eagle holding a pennon in his beak with the inscription "Onward to Victory" on it. Another depicts the goddess of liberty holding "Old Glorg" in one hand and an unsheathed sword in the other. The fourth one shows a lady sitting by her lonely fireside sewing with the inseription "Our hearts are with them."

After removing the above stamps and taking the letters from the illustrated enveopes I descended the stairway and found my hostess awaiting me with twenty old pamphlets printed between 1813-1828 and a dozen old alwanacs from 1859-70. Including four with a brief history of each day's battle of the civil war in them.
"Do you care enough for these to take them home?" she asked.

You may be sure I answered in the alfirmatice.
Next she insisted on showing me her parlor, and nothing loath I folluwed her and the old style hair wloth chairs, couches, and the quaint mirrors, claw footed stands, etc., that greeted my eyes would have delighted the antique furniture crank beyond measure.

Finding it was nearly four o'clock I told my hostess I must leave, and. after I had started for the door my eye happened to catch a glimpse of an old fushioned server, I think my hostess called it. Upon my calling her altention to it, she withdrew it from the dark corner where it had reposed for many a year and said she would be glad to get rid of it if I cared to take it. It was such a beauty I could not he!p being pleased with it, and it now hangs on the wall of my 'den'' a delight to the eye of every beholder. It depicts two birds of paradise drinking from a fountain, with beautiful fowering shrubs bending beneath loads of blossoms so life like one can almost smell them. All in life like colors on Japanese black back ground. She volunteered the information 1 hat it had been the property of her aunt and upon my questioning her as to its age she said it was at least eighty years old as she could remember she was a little child.
finally I got away with my stamps and relics and then I turned my steps towards the home of my otd nurse who resides but a stone's throw from the old clergyman's wife. I fcund her eagerly awaiting me, as I had seen her son the evening before and told him I intended calling on his mother. After the usual grueting she asked if 1 was as crazy as ever over old stamps and relics and upon my reply in the affirmative she continued. "I have an old bureau my uncle's father made over a huudred and twenty years ago and you may have it to remember me by if you care for it." "All right I will take it with pleasure," I replied and the old ladg bustled away to show it to me with a vigor that belied her eighty four gears. Upon vewing the bureau I espied an antique spinning whee!, which had seen service for bify years and after laying jdle for another fifty gears was still in tine condition. The old lady was more than glad to get a quarter for it, so I have that added to my collection.

Upon my return to the sitting room I espied an o!d time photograph allum and remembering that I had found old revenues on the backs of ancient photographs on a previous occasion I obtained permission to look them over and with the help of a damp cloth I removed a 2c proprietary blue, 2c playing card blue, 2c express blue and a 2c express orange, cat value of the three 49 c .
"You haven't any old china to sell, have you?"' I asked just before I started for my uncle's where I intended passing the night. Greatly to my surprise she replied, "No I have none to sell, but I have a couple of plates and cups and saucers to match pou can have if you wish." Upon looking at the old china and ascertaining that it was the geouine 'historical china' that is sought after so much I added them to my load and bidding my old nurse good bye departed for my boarding place which I reached with eversthing in guod shape.

Some of my readers may think I have been "drawing the long bow" but I can prove the truth of the ahove and show the relics and stamps as described above.

Moral-Always keep your eges open for "finds"' and take-your vacation away from the beaten track followed by the summer boarder.

## The Why and Wherefore of Stamp Rarities

## $B_{y}$ Narcissus

Why is it that some stamps are such rarities, and how did they become so!' That thete are some few stamps that are practically priceless is cause for wonder to the non-collector. Who ever would give such princely sums for a mere paper label? And what has made such things so rare? It is greatly to the credit of stamp collecting, that the hobly has taken a hold on the public sullicient to send up the prices of certain stamps into almost the region of the impossible.

There is only one stamp of which only one copy is known to exist and that is the one cent British Guiana 1856 , so that if there were only two collectors in the world there would be rivalry between them for the possession of this stamp.

And the same principle holds good respecting others. If there are onls 5000 copies of any one issue and 10,000 people each want a copy, it naturally follows that the competition will send up the price far beyond the normal value. And that is just the case with the rarities.

Fashion has also something to do with it It becomes the fashion to collect the stamps of some particular country or issue or watermark, and there is a run oif that particular variety, with the result that they become scarce and the price gues up.

Of a doжell more rarities, scarcely any one can lay any clain to be works of art, in fuct, most of them are distinguished for their abounding ugliness. They' are however eagerly sought by collectors of means and are the gems of the largest and best collections.

A mong then the following may be noted: British Guiana 1856, ic. In 1856 while waiting for a supply of stamps from England, two provisional stamps were issued for 1 c and 4 c . They were set from type in the office of the "Othcial Gazette."

A small illustration of a ship such as was used for heading shipping advertisements in the daily papers, was utilzed for the central portion of the design. Of the one cent value only one specimen is known today, and is in the possession of a French collector. The copy is a poor one, dark magenta in colour and slightly rubbed. Yet for this a dealer would likely ask from five to ten thousand dolllars, if he were fortunate enough to possess it.

Mauritius, "Post Oltice," one peung, and two pence. This is the best known and most often quoted of all the rarities, and it is so rare because the words "Post Ollice"' are inscribed on the side of che stamp instead of "Post Paid." They were designed by a local watch maker, printed from siogle dies, and issued in 1847 Only 500 of each value were struck off and of this number only 22 copies are known to exist today; of these, two copies are unused one penny; three are unused two penny; twelve copies of the one penny used: and five of the two penny used. This issue was only in use a few days, and most of the stamps were used in sending out invitations to a ball at Government House. The value of course depends on condition, and is from $\$ 4,000.00$ and upwards for each one used; unused they are worth much nore.

Hawali, 1851, 2c blue. Like so many other rarities, this one came from
a printer's office, and only 12 copies exist today. It was in use but a short time as the first issue was totally destrosed by fire. Its value is about three thousand aollars.

British Guiana, 1850, 2 cents Circnlar. It was announced in the local 'Official Guzette" in Feb. 18.51 that, "by order of His Ercellency the governor, and upon requesc of the merchants of Georgetown, it is proposed to establish a delivery of letters twice each day through the principal streets of this city." The letters might bs left at the stores of certain merchants, and each letter was to bear a stamp costing 2c. This was the stamp set in a ring with ordinary type.

This delivery was soon discontinned and hence the scarcity of the stamp. There are only eleven coples known and the value of each is about three thousand dollars.

In the United States, the general use of a issue of stamps was preceeded by preliminary issues of a more or less local kind and generally known as "Postmaster stamps." Among the tarest of these is the "Millbury stamp"' with a portrait of Washington and is said to be worth over a thousand dollars. Many others of the same kind exist and are of varying value.

The errors of colour and wood block issues of the Cape of Good Hope triangle are rare and fetch a high price, sume of them as much as $\$ 350.00$

The Moldava 1858, eighty one Paras; the Tuscany 1860, 3 lire; Transvaal error 1878 and Ceylon 1859 four penny and eight penny imperforate, are also among the most rare stamps, and every year become more scarce and increase in value as the number of stamp collectors increases.

These things add to the charm of Philately there is always something higher to strive after, and if the bulk of us may never have our albums decorated with any of these rare gems, it is at least interesting to know something about them.

## Rouletting and Perforating

By Mario S. Roig.
There are two (2) general methods of separating stamps known as rouletting and perforating. The paper in the rouletting is cut partly or wholly through, but no-paper is removed. The must comron forms of roulerting are:

1. Rouletted in lines. that is, the paper receives short straight cuts in straight lines. 2. Pin perforation, in which round equidistant holes are pierced through the paper but no paper is removed. 3. Saw tooth roulette, in which the cuts of the roulette resemble saw teeth. 4. Serpentine perforation in which the cuts form wavg lines. 5. Lozenge perforation, in which the teeth of the roulette are diamond shaped.

Perforation is today in nearly universal use. By this process the paper between the stamp is cut away in a line of holes, usually round leaving the bridges of paper between the stamps to hold them together until separated. The three most common forms of perforation are: fine perforation, coarse perforation, and rough perforation. In the fine the holes are small and the teeth close together, in the coarse the holes are large and the teeth far apart, and in the rough the hules are jagged. The earliest issues did not provide for separating and the stamps were usually cut apart with scissors. They are called imperforate, or unperforated.

## Cerry Collects Stamps

## By שalter S. Bradford

Good day to ye\%. Mister Casey, an its the same I be wishin' ye, Mr. Hooligan, an do be after dhropin' in an' niver moind the childer.

An' phats the big book that Terry do be larnin' out iv, sor?
Well ye ask thot, Miste Hooligan, an' glad it is I am to inform ye thot Mste Hoolgan, is I very wans stamp album an represints the greatest educashunal move since the corryspondence school was patented. Me bye, Mister Hooligan has inlisted in the ranks iv the army iv sthamp collectors or in scienticti terms Fillatelists. Fillately, Mister Hooligan, is the science iv sthamp collectin.

Bot phat thi divil, Mister Casey, do he be after collectin sthamps for?
Arrah! g'wan, don't be interruptin me wid sich questions an' I be after explainin' to yez.

Knowin, Mister Hooligan thot ye\% niver received but wan letter in yure Joife an' thot wan, whin ye owed Murphy for the pig, yez are not familur wid the intrickaseys iv the Postal daypartment and the nacessities iv the use iv postage sthamps.

Postage sthamps, Mister Ilooligan were tirst made in Ireland be the Irish an' wan day a sthamp gov struck on a letter an' it wint loike the divil an' other people seein' how aisy a leter wud gc wid a sthamp on it, made some jv their own. An now Mister Hooligan there is no nation who don't have sthamp iv thelr own, and aven if they don't need them enteprisin' polytichuns seein' the chanst to get a "rakeoff"' an to roll up a big vote at the next elecshun puts these sthamps on the poor natives an' thin they're compelled to build a postoftis an' go into the bunco bigness, adoin' iv the sthamp collector.

But, Mister Hooligan the postage sthamp in America has come to stay, or rapther to go, an we as Amertcan citysons cud no more get along widout the postage sthamp than we cud wid out St. Patrick's day. Wan thing U. S. sthamps are used for, Mister Hooligan, is to print the pictures iv the great state men, who have lived, fought, bled an' died in the interest iv their country an' the Beef Trust. But not a wan iv thim can get his pictur printed on a sthamp until after he is fuilly dead cause they fear he may go back on the Beef Trust, an' thusly dishonor the country.

There's many different kinds iv sthamps, Mister Moofligan but the wans most in use are the wans stuck on litters an' on sale at the post offis, wan cint sthamps cust wan cint an' so on an' so on.

Ivery country, Mister Hooligan, has postage sthamps iv its own an' I gues ther's about fifty thusind differint kinds an' there's no two iv thim aloike.

Mister Casey ye don't say!
Yis, Mister Hooligan an' collectors do be buyin' thim from a cint a hundred to sivinteen dollars an' more apiece. The inflooencee iv the industry is far reachin' an' it instructs as well as educates.

Terry, me bye, do be atter showin' the alboom to Mister Ilooligan. Ivery country whether foreign or civilized yet a showin' in the alboom an' as me bye collects the sthamps, in they go.

Here we are' at France, a grand an' glorious raypublte an' that sthamp,
the first wan, represints the loikeness iv the Quane iv France, notice, Hooligan she's a little fat, this wan is "The Sower" but phat she is a sowin" I raley don't know. Liberia is a land of Naygurs an' that's the King on the eight cint an' here is a wan dollar wid a hippypotamus, turn the page Terry me bye. An' here we have IIollaud wid the swate little face iv a gurl an' the Quane in her majestic beauty. Portugal has some pritty sthamp iv the commemorative kind an' there is St. Anthony a sayin' iv payers an I raley think thut Ould Ireland should have wan wid St. Patrick a drivin out the snakes. Now we are in ltaly, whence cometh the Dago to sell a da banan an' "maka da mon'" as my frind Rockyfeller says. Italyun sthamps are not pritty; turn the page Terry. Japan is nixt but the Japanese do their writin' in Ghinese an' Chinese don't mean nothin' t.o a rayspectable Irishman. Here's India with the good Quane Victoria an the Indian Native States with their sthamps all wrote in Chinese. Newfoundland is nixt wid a bonch iv pretty sthamps, tishermen, seals an' the good Newfoundland dog. An thot wan Mister Huoligan, is from Western. Australia and we see the famous blick goose. Turn again, Terry me bye. Thots Eygpt an' sittin by the iverlastin perymids is the suhinks in all the solum grandure askin questions iv ivery wan what goes bs.

The nixt is Belgium an we see the portrate iv his IIighness, "Ould Whiskers" an' the sthamp says, "if you want gure mail on Sunday, say so." Spain wid three hundred an' siventy an' ivery wan iv thim uglier than the wan before 'cept the goung kiog an' I loike his nerve an' now Mister Hooligan we do be waitin' an issue for the Quane's. We foind Brazil wid a long line iv Patriots in whiskers an' here is Great Britain wid Quane's heads and King's heads in all their majesty, solumn an sublime. Cnaada on the north iv us wid maple leaves an' a map wid Canada smeared over about half iv our grand an' glorious umpire iv the United States. An thot Mister Hooligan, brings us home an' there Terry, me bye turn to the II. S. which Mister Hooligan includes the Fillypeens an' our other Ilun Posseshuns thot William Jennings Bryan speaks iv in his Imperial proclamashun.

The first U. S. sthamp made, is the wan cint wan an' the ithers follow in proper order. Frankiin, Jefferson, Washington an' a hundred more dead an' forgotten Patriots are represinted in this gallery iv Fame. Uncle Sam was so kiod he made some real nice sthamps to boost the Street iv Cajro at the Great Columbian Imposhun an' vers since he has did the thing over to plaze the people.

An' so you see Mister Hooligan, the place thot postage sthamps hold; flrst in the postoffis, first on the letters an' flrst in the albooms iv the cullectin man.

Yis, Mtster Casey, sthamps are interestin' but phat the divjl do ye want wid thim?
H. J. Duveen, one of the partners in the famous firm of Duveen Brothers fine art dealers, posesses a collection of stamps, the reputed value of which is close on $\$ 500,000$. It. ranks as the third best collecton in the world, and has taken Mr. Duveen fourteen gears to get together.

The highest price ever paid for a single stamp was $\$ 7250$ which was recently pajd for a two-penny blue stamp issued by Mauritius in 1847.

# Complete Catalogue of Stamps of Cuba とith Notes 

## By Mario S. Roiǵ

In writing this catalogue is it is nut my intention to enumerate the commun varieties only of Cuban stamps but also all the minor varietles, errors, etc.

The first issue in Cuba was printed in 1855 and has four well known varieties: $\frac{1}{2}$ r blue green, 1 lr green, 2 r orange red, 2 r carimne. One variety exists in this issue the $1 / 2 \mathrm{r}$ blue black.

In 1850 we find another series surcharged of the stamps of 1855 , but of some months of use, only there are four varieties: $1 / 4 \mathrm{r}$ carmine, $1 / 2 \mathrm{r}$ orange red. This $\frac{1}{4}$ is in addition to the 2 r face value of stamps have 1 if more, have short and open " $Y$ ". The first has the short (2 varleties and the second another 2. .) All these stamps have a watermark in the paper in loops.

In 1856 another jssue was printed and watermark is crossed line through stamps. Three values were issued: $1 / 2 \mathrm{r}$ greenish blue., Ir green, 2 r orange red. Exist the following varieties: $1 / 2 \mathrm{r}$ pale blue a pin perforation; 1 r yellowish green; 2r brown red; 1 if on 2 r .

In 1857 the stamps were printed on smooth paper with no watermarks and exist three values: $1 / 2 \mathrm{r}$ blue, 1 r gray green, 2 r dull rose. These are the varieties: $1 / 2 \mathrm{r}$ re-engrared, $1 / 2 \mathrm{r}$ dark blue, 1 r dark green. 2 r red, $\mathrm{Y} / 4$ on 2 r dull rose. In this surcharge exise four varieties.

This series was used some years and in 1862 another issue was made.
 on lilac paper, ir blue on salmon paper, $2 r$ vermillion on tlesh paper.. Exist some ditterences in paper as follows: $2 r$ vermillion on rose paper, $2 r$ pin perforation.

To this issue succeeded the 1866 one, this has four values: 5c iblac, 100 blue, 2ne green, tue rose. To these four original values we must add these two: 66 on stamps of ${ }^{1} \mathrm{r}$ of 1862 , 66 on stamps of 10 c of 1866 .
from 1866 the value was in cents and no watermarks.
In 1866 begin the use the the cut diagonals to use for $1 / 2$ value of face. These stamps have not a merely philatelic value but are collected as curiosities.

Issue of 1867, four values: ic lilac, loc blue, 20 c green, tac rose. The varieties in this issue are three: 10 c blue imperforate, 10 c dark blue, 20 c green imperforate. The others (regular types) have perforation 14 mm . 1868 issue has four vaiues: je dull violet, 10c blue, 20 c green, 40 c rose. The varieties are: 10 cut diagonal issued as $5 \mathrm{c}, 20$ cut diagonal issued as 10c, 40 cut diagonal issued as 20 c .

1869 four values: 5 jc rose, 10 c red brown, 20c orange, 40 c dull violet. Only one value has adulterated the 5 c rose colored in carmine. The 5 c has a great value on account of the scarce issue.

The perforation in the issue of 1868 and '69 is 12.
(To be continued.)


Rotograph Post Cards.
W. W. Worthington. Sheller I-land Heights.N. $\mathbf{Y}$.





Big Medicine, Crow Tribe.


Plenty Striped Smoke, and Papoose.



# Souvenir Card Reviere 

## By Miss M. Keller

Dr. A. P. Butler in a communjcation to Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News gives the collectors the first information regarding two recent postal rules. The face of a postal card may be divided into two equal parts by a perpendicular line, the space to the left to be used in writing the message, while the space to the right must be reserved for the address. This is an advantage to vier card collectors since in most cases the illustration entirely covers one side of the card. Secondly, Cards bearing written messages if of the same size and weight of oricial posial cards may be mailed at the rate of 1 cent each. These rules have come from the Supt. of Foreign Mails, it is to be presumed that the rules apply to post cards directed to foreign as well as domestic addresses.

The present sear will certainly be recorded in the annals of cartophly as the year of song and toast post cards. All tirms are taking advantage of the turn which collectors have taken, so that a permanent class of specialists in this type of card may come into being. Some of the latest seen are of the comical as well as serious, and sentimental, judiciously blended. These make charming additions to one's collcetion.

Various cards are seen from the Liege Exhibition in Beligum of 1905 showing pictures of all the main buildings. The city lies in a valley near the riper Meuse and the Ourthe, which makes an ideal place for the purpose of an exhibiton. The Canadian pavilions are said to have been some of the finest at the Expo. famous for good architecture and handsome decoration in the interiors. To the general aspect of buildings praise is worthy. They are picturesque in style and lend themselves well to the photographic art.

Owing to a recent trip which kept me away from home for three months I've been somewhat tardy in revjewing the various oards and papers sent to me. Will thereofre note what has been neglected in the last issue.

Anderson-Neary, Jones \& Co., Alexandria, Egpyt sends me specimens of a serjes of 12 cards illustrating ancient gods, mummies of Pharaoh, and

Mohamet Ally Dymasty post cards. Showing the photos taken from paintings of these eastern rulers, such as Ibrahim Pasha, Abbas Pasha. Said I'asha, Ismail Pasha, Tewfik Pasha, Abbas Hilmi!! All are works of art showing the oriental spiendor and gorgeous robes of these rulers. These cards are fine to add to any collection and a rarity. The advertisement appears in the WEST if it has not been discontinued. A certain Henry Miller displays cards from Greenlaw, N. B. Some of his series show views from Berwickshire, Rorder District and Land of Scott with Abbeys and churehes, castles and Mansion Houses and picturesque glimpses. A novel type of card is one sent from the Ingold Co., Monroe, Wis., U. S. A., showing a peacock mounted on a postal which background is painted. The feathers are real, and heavily mounted from head to tail. Its tail is long and full reaching several inches over the length of the card giving it all a very artistc appearance. Another novel card seen is the fortune teller card having the face oi a playing card, and the fortune telling writteu underneath. This has been issued by R. J. Plant, Washiugton, D. C.
A. Selige, St. Louis, Mo., has issued a tine set of "Frisco"' cards showing various sights of the fire and ruins. These are photochrom cards, the picture covering the whole of the cards, which are beautifully printed. Ruins secu in Commission District, ruius of Junction Market, Mason \& Turk Sis. The Temple of Justice, which is a total wreckage. The St. Francis Ilutel, James Flood Bldg . The Post Oftce and Strs. One shows the evening hight or fire glow of Van Ness Ave ruins. Others show how the pavements are $t$ om u!p by the earthquake. Flames on Market St., ruins of the church of the Advent, etc. Trese cards are fine to add to your collection of current event cards, which will be bistorical in time and very valuable..

The Owaha Post Card Co. has sent a line set of cards issued recentls showing views from that city in dugraph style and others in cotors. See the add in WEST. Its l5th \& Iloward Sts., Omaha, Neb. The ser comprises views from Burlington station, the auditorium, post office, public library, high school, city hall. Douglas County court house, interior of Lininger's Art Gallery.

The papers sent are not to be reviewed this time, as space will not allow, but those sent are the Picture Post Card, London, Eug.; The Post Card Dealer, New York; The Picture Post Card Annual and Directory, Rotherham, Eng.: The Cosmopolitan Correspondence Club, Milwaukee, Wis.; 'The Col!ectors' Magazine, Rotherdam, Eig.; The Collecturs' Advertiser; The British International Postcard Exchange, Eng.; The Encyclic Reporter, Syracuse, N. Y., a league devoted to the interests of all collecting fads: The American Postal Card Collectors' "Wiltall", New York, IJ. S. A.; The Post Card, Cleveland, Ohio; The Post Card World, St. Louis, Mo., U. S. A.; The Exchange News, St. Louis, Mo.; The Post Card News, Detroit, Mich,; The Pacitic Monthly, Portland, Oregon and others. The illustrated postal card fad is gaining great headway in this country and wili soon be as mueh of a hobby as it is on the other side of the Atlantic.

The Laregst Coin. The largest coin is issued by the Island of Yap. This coin is 12 feet in diameter, made of slabs of limestone and is perforated in the middle. Because of its ssze, it is not moved about mach but is kept outside the houses of wealthy men.-Coin Cabinet.

# Balance of the Defense Bond's History reith Full Description 

## By Whittemore

The bonds were engraved and printed by Keatings \& Ball Columbia, S. C., on bond paper with silk threads in them, the threads show more in the $\$ 1.00$ and $\$ 3.00$, all are plain backs except the $\$ 20,50$, , 100 .

The one doliar has in center a farm landscape with cattle, at right lower corner female with caduceus, state coat of arms, at lower left corner ONE in red at top center.

The three dollars has in center ceres Volant with state arms at right end and female at left end with THREE in red.

The Four dollar has in upper right corner steamboat at lower right comer figure form in circle of engive-turned work at lower left conner state arms 4 and FOUREin red.
'The Four dollars and tifty cents, female at left end, state arms at lower right cormer, with 4.50 in circle in upper right corner with $41 / 2$ in oval in red.

The Twenty dollar has Liberty at left end and steamboat in center and state arm at right Value in red TWFN'I'Y.

The Fifty dollar has at left end Ceres seated. Negroes harvesting cotton at right; with value in red.

The One Hundred dollar has at right end state arms, at left end female leaning at center, Jefferson Davis, value in red $H$ UN DRED, the $\$ 20,50,100$, are payable to the State Military service. All are under act of Nov. 5, 1861 and are due three years after date, and secured by pledge of all the State Revenues.

Ethel Roosevelt and Her Postal Cards. Miss Ethel Roosevelt has finished her 16th buok of post cards alld she is about to begin on a collection which has come from Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, who has sent souvenirs almost daily since she arrived on the other side. The President's second daughter is quite a collector of odd trifles, but her love for the picture card from foreign lands amounts to enthusiasm. Flundreds and hundreds come to Mrs. Roosevelt from friends abroad and even from the consuls and diplomatic officers. These treasures are divided between Miss Ethel and the two younger boys, who are collecting cards also. But Miss Ethel has beaten her brothers in the race and she has one of the best set of books to be found outside of public libraries. She has several sets of war pictures from China and Japan which will be valuable in time to come. Then she has views of the lotus land from every point, and a hundred or more cards on the peasant types in the orient and the American South Pacific archipelago. Five vooks are given to cradle lands of the race and each contains nearly 500 cards.

It will interest postcard collectors to learn that official sanction has been given for the emission of an illustrated post card by the Milan exhibition authorities. This will bear the government postage stamp of 5 centesimi and will rank as an officially issued card.

# The Man With the Postal Card 

## By Joseph Mueller

Miss Jane was past the age when men consider women beautiful, but her heart proved false to her resolutions and she was in search of a partner forl her woes. So she wrote a gushing letter to a marriage bureau. And she got a bite, that is, a widower with three children, in good circumstances.

All excitement, Miss Jane could hardly finish reading the letter, in which the prospective begged her to meet him in his town, if she did not mind, for he was too busy, being a master chimney sweep. No, Miss Jane did no imud, indeed she would have gone to China after anytining resembling a man. A photo was enclosed, that was very plain, by which she could recognize htm . But the practical swain, to make things absolutely certain, wrote that he would have a post card in his hat-band and she should wear a rose. Miss Jane could hardly wait the next day and she never has such sweet dreams as that night.

On the day following these important events, the wife of Professor Klapp received a letter from her sister, stating that he would arrive ina few days, with her two children, for a short vacations. This was very inconvenient for the Frau Professor as she intended to move. Therefore she quickly wrote a post card, as she was going to a Kafeelatch and was in a hurry, and said to her husband, "John lake this post, card to the post olfice for me, or better still, to the railway station and drop it on the 3 o'clock train. It is a nice walk and you really need the exercise. In order that sou won't forget it, I shall put it in your hat band. And saying this she left the house. But he soon forgot her instructions.

Perhaps the nice weather was the cause that the Professor went for a walk shortly before 30 clock, and absent-mindedly directed his footsteps toward the rallroad station, innocent of the fact that there was a post card is his hat band. Arriving at the station he walked up and down the platform, worrying about something, he knew not what. Nechanically he watched the alighting passengers who regarded him in a funny way. Not so with a ridiculousiy dressed old maid, Miss Jane, carrying a huge bouquet of roses, the arrangement, who stepped in front of him, as if waiting for him to say something which he did not do, so she lisped sweetls, "It was very cute of you to think of that post card. I should not have known you by the photo. Your hair is longer and you look older than on your photo. it was taken a few years ago, wasn't it?" "What photo do you mean"? Do sou know me?"' "I should say I do. Your noble character speaks from every line of your letter." Here was a poser for the professor and then he had an idea. "Oh, you mean my letters to a lonely soul." This being the title of the professor's latest book. Miss Jane sighed and said "Yes, I was a lonely soul, but we will soon change that. How are the dear children?" "Oh my little scholars, they are the best I have ever had." This puzzled her very much. She had thought him a younger man, and then he looked more like a minister than a Master Chimnes Sweep. But she would soon flid out.

By this time Miss Jane had walked down the village street with her quiet fiance-to-be, when a lady stopped in front of them and cried: "For
goodness sakes, John, what you look like. You 'have my winst card on your hat and people are laughing at you." And sotto voice she said, "who is that dressed up baggage with you?" The professor's wife had returned home and met them, because Frau Meyer could not receive her guests, her children having the measles.

A load fell from the professor's heart. He now knew what had been worrying him, but be also knew, and he trembled at the thought, that there would be a lecture when he got home, and he would be the audience. His wife was racking her brains in what way to tell Miss Jane of the error, when deliverance came in the shape of the Master Chimney Sweep, who had been delayed in making his toilette, which isn't to be wondered at.

Explanations cleared matters for both sides and Miss Jane is now married to her mall with the post card.


## St. Louis Ftamp Collectors Fociety



The thirty-eighth regular meeting of the Society was held July $24 t h$ with a good attendance, though the vacation season showed its foot prints somewhat. Mr. O. J. Kunz presented to the Society over 3000 low priced stamps neatly mounted on sheets. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Kunz for the gift and it was decided to distribute the sheets among young collectors of the city gratis. Each member will receive a portion of the sheets to divide among his friends in the beginner's ranks.

The President announced terms and conditions of a prize contest to be held at the tirst meeting in September. Each member is requested to submit tive clippings of stamp designs (these can be cut from old catalogues), showing either only the central design or the border of the stamp minus the country's tuame. These portions of cuts are to be passed among members at the meeting mentioned and the indentification of the stamps they represent, required. Mr. Diamant has offered a prize of tive dollars catalogue value in stamps for the most difficult list of tive clippings presented, and a further prize will be awarded for the most compiete and correct list of solutions. The usual enthusiasm and success manifested at our contests is anticipated.

Very respectfully, T. C. Mann, Secy., 1416 Hickory St.
Post Card Collecting. Few fads have flashed into such sudden greatness as souvenir post card collecting. Beginning on the Eastern side of the Atlantic it had already assumed gigantic proportions before the Wetsern world was simtten with the collecting idea. But now, it seems we are to make up for lost time, for millions of Americans in the teeming cities, hamlets and villages have succumbed to the fascinations of "philocarty" as the craze has been named in erudite quarters. Perhaps we are wrong in referring to it as a "craze" for the picture post card has already proved Itself to be a staple article of commerce and have much to recommend them. Join one or all of the post card exchange clubs in the WEST. It pass. "C'"


EDITO? S NOTE-Our readers are invited to contrinute interesting items, articles, etc to this Dept. Also reports of the disc overies of mines andminerals. All lenters addressed to the editor at Glendive. Mont, will be answerelas far as poinibe in this dep: -Forest Gamesi

Reports from Lewision. Mont, couvey the infurmation, that great activity prevalent there in mining circles.this year. The largest sapphire mines in this country are located near there. The American Sapphire Company which recently took over the Burke \& Sweeney sapphire mines at Yogo in this districr, has acquired the Sapphire and Ditch claims, both considered valuable properties. Numerous comparatively valuable gold properties have also been statied out here lately. Experts from various parts of the country say that they are very promising. A thing that will materially assist mining operations in this region, is the establishment of an automobile service between Lewiston and kenda. A Gt. Ifalls man inaugurated the project and it promises to become"very populat with people having business at the big gold claims. . Lewiston is the county seat of Fergus county and a place of much commercial importance.

The emerald is worth almost treble the value placed upon it a few years ago. It has always been a comparatively valuable precious stone and a genuine one was not commonly to be seen. The reason for the great value of the emerald at the present time, is the fact that the country from which the stones principally come, viz, Columbia, has been in a state of war for some time. The emerald mines of Columbia, at Muzo, and Coscuoz, near Bogota, have been worked almost continuously since 1568 , and have been the means of supplying the world with emeralds in modern times. There were certain mines in Egpyt which yjelded the gems to antique nations, but they were lost sight of from the time of the Mohammedan conquest until quite recently. Lately, however, they have not seemed to be a paying investment. The emerald mines of the Urals were not known until the eighteenth century, and though they yielded fairly good material for a time, their importance is not great, as the stones found are not of good enough quality to pay the rate demanded by the government from the lessees. They were reopened in 1900 by a syndicate, but with little success so far as can be learned.

Precious stones are mostly prized" for 'the qualities of luster, transparency, refraction and dispersion_of_light. However scarcity and demand are
the principal factor in determining the market prices. There are many stones holding the qualities first mentioned in a high degree, but they are little known because, in the first place, they are to be obtained in larger quantities, and the people engaged in the stone trade cannot, therefore make the prolits they are able to with the scarcer gerns. Also because of their abundance and preumably lesser value, they have been given the pative culters, who do not understand the law of refraction and reflection, operate on. with the result that they are pot on the market and eventually mounted in jewelry, looking like various colured acid drops, and entirely lacking thcse sharply defned facets which give that reflection which is the chief charm. In fact the genuine stones in many such cases, really resemble imitations of them.

Of tate pears the neck chain has greatly grown in favor. At present these are being mate up with all mamer of colored stones, and if the manufacturer give as much attention to the cutting of the stones as he does to the making of the settings, he can produce a really delightful ornament. It has been our pleasure to see some extremely handsome designs in these chains. The stones of some of them were of almost every description and hue, from that of the diark red garnet to the brilliant flash of the diamond. The jewelers have certainly learoed some new foibles of late years. Taste and progressiveness have both developed to a great extent.

## Some novelties in postal cards.

There are constantly being launched new souvenir craft upon the Philocartic sea. The pleasing little missives come to us welcomely in all seasons, especially now in the vacations, when cards come from various summer resorts foreign as well as American. This puts me in mind of where the painted water color cards come in handy, with sketches of various water scenes etc, imaginary or otherwise. To paint them one can use the ordinary U. S. postals, or the blank card board card on which we place the pen ny stamp for the mail. Other novelties are the leather postal pasted on paper eard which can be detached by soaking in cold water. Silk cards with colored prints of flowers and butterfies same in style as these leather cards. A rich, pretty card was sent to me the other day showing a group of three head officers as souvenirs of the army review held in Cokio after the war, also the headquarters of the Manchurian Armies in Mukden. Embroidered post cards are the latest in card fad and one received today shows flowered design stamped on high grade linen. The nane and address and personal message is also embroidered, the card is then folded over and the edges fastened by some fancy stitch. The linen can also be folded over a card the edges overcast. These are pretty for greetings for any occasion, wedding, birthdays etc., and sell at aceach, not worked or reads, of course. The advertisement appears in this paper. The Tifin Merchandising Co., Tittin, Ohio. Beautiful views of "the land of the midnight sun" which can not be excelled are sent from the Ingold Card Co., Monrce, Wis Your collection is not complete without them.

Spears from 5 to 10 inches are in good demand from Relic collectors. They will soon be entirely out of the market.

Amulets and ceremonial stones and pipes of rare types are extremely hard to procure.

# Minerals, Their Collection and Study 

## $\mathcal{B}_{y}$ O.swald A. Bauer

There is probably no branch of collecting fraught with more pleasure and often profit also than the collecting of minerals. Added to the health. ful out door excursions in searching for new specimens and the knowledge acquired from the study of those things from which many of our great industries directly or indirectly spring, oftenturns out to be of invaluable benefit.

The problem of making a collection to one who resides in a locality where minerals are few, often seems impossible and yet this is just the contrary. I personally reside in a district where not more than ten trappean minerals are found in a radius of tifty miles and yet in five years I have amassed a collection of six hundred minerals worth over tive hundred dollars and only about one tenth of these were purehased. The great secret of a minelal collection is exchange. First secure as good specimens of any minerals in your locality as you can and then enter into correspondence with other collectors withi a vew to exchange. The best medium for this is a good collectors' paper. Subscribe to this and encourage its publisher by taking an intfrest in his effort. The collector who lives in a locailty where zeolites and trappean minerals are plentiful cannot secure lead ores or the rarer meteals and vice versa the man who can easily secure lead, etc. can rarely get the trap minerals. Here then is an excellent chance for reciprocation. It is safe to say that with exceedingly few local exceptions there is no locality where some minerals can not be found if they are looked for properly. There is also an etroneous idea that certain specimens such as lead or galena and many other specimens found in the mining districts (argentite, chajcoprrite, zincite, sphallerite, malachite, azurite, etc.) are much more valulable than trappean minerals of Pectolite Apophylite, Stilbite, etc., but this is not true, for while the metal bearing ores are commercially more valuable, as specimens they are often not worth as much. For instance a, specimen of ordinary quart\% slightly amethystine which I possess size about $2 \times 3$ inches is worth two dollars while beside it are two specimens one of galena aud one of zine both of the same size and yet taken together are not worth as much. It must therefore be born in mind that it is not so much the composition of a mineral which makes it necessanily valuable as it is the structure, color crystallization or uniqueness of the individual specimen. No two specimens are exactly alike and therefore everyone has its particular value to be judged by its qualities of rarity, crystallization, locality, color and in short every characteristic known to that particular mineral as it has been previously determined by careful tests.

To one unversed in mineralogy who is endeavoring to start a collection it seems almost impossible to tell one mineral from another. There is but one way to distinguish specimens and that is by observation which comes with practice alone. A good book is an invaluable aid and for a beginner there is no better bcok than "Dona's, Manual of Mineralogy and Petrography." With a book of this kind and a free use of his eses and senses the collector will soon find that his knowledge gains rapid strides. The trained eye of the mineralogist will filst of all show him the form, that is,
whether the mineral has a regular crystallized shape or whether it is granular, Hbrous, etc. It will show him the fracture, called cleavage. It will show him the lustre, often a very important factor in determining a mineral. Color, touch, weight and often taste and ordor are others. The most important however is the streak in most cases The best way to determine this is to secure a prece of Hornstone one side of which is polished and on this make the streak, which will be thus accuratels recorded. Still another test is that of certain acids notably, sulphuric, nitric and muriatic which act on different minerals with various results. The careful application of these tests is usually sufficient to place a specimen. There are other tests, as that of the blowpipe goniometer, etc., but these are both too deep and rather expensive for the ordinary collector.

In arranging a collection the suecimens should all be carefully labeled with the name and particularly the localits. They should then be properly classified. That is they should be divjded in sections consisting of native elemeents, Oxides, Carbonates, Silicates, Titanates, Fluorides, Sulphides, Sulphates, Tungstates and Phosphates. For one whose space is limited specimens $2 \mathbf{2} 2$ inches are about the right size. It is better to collect small selected specimens rather than large, unless you want to form a showy collection and have room for it.

A nother important fact is to first obtain those specimens of minerals which are most important. These may be classified as follows: Graphite, Silver, Sulphur, Stibnite, Gold in quartz, Cinnabar, Chacopgrite, Tetrahedrite, Cuprite, Malachite, Galena, Pyromorphite, Cerussite, Cassiterite Pgrrholtite, Pyrite, Marcasite, Arsenopyrite, Hematite, Magnetite, Liniodite, Siderite, Millerite, Rhodonite, Sphalerite, Smithsonite, Corundum, Fluorite, Calcite, Aragonite, Apatite Gypsum, Dolomite. Barite, Celestite, Halite, Quartz, Opal, Orthoclase. Albite, Pyroxene, Amphibale, Beryl, Garnet, Muscovite, Botite Epidote, Tourmaline, Staurolite, Talc, Prehnite Serpentine, Apophylite, Natrolite, Chabazite, Stilbite, Heulandite, Orpiment, Molybdenite Silver ore. Copper, Chalcorite, Bornite, Azurite, Mimetite, Vanadinite, Anglesite, Wulfenite, Rutile, Franklinite, Chromite, Columbite, Niccolite, Garinerite, Manganite, Rhodocrosite Zincite, Willemile. Calamine, Spinel, Cryolite, Warellite, Anhydrite, Brucite, Witherite, Zoisire Strontianite, Oligoclase, Labradorite, Spodumene Lepidolite, Clinochctore, Chrysolite, Zircon, Scapolie, Vesurianite, Titanite, Andalusite Cyanite, Datclite, Pectolite and Analcite. The above named minerals are indespensible to a collection and with proper arrangement will make a very showy appearance. In addition to the pleasure gained from making the collection there is the possibility, not frequent perhaps but still. present, that you may through your superior knowledge find a fortune waiting for you in the earih which your neighbor through ignorance has passed over for years. Who knows? At any rate from whatever point you look at it a mineral colleetion is worth while.

Post card collecting is not merely a fad, but is instructive and entertaining. Why not induce one of your friends to join the souvenir card clubs of the WEST? We want each member to try and induce at least one riend to join one of the card clubs. " C ":

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## Report for September.

Secretary' Report: I hope all members received the August copy of our ofticial organ, as it contained a full list of members to date. J am often in receipt of complaints from members who don't seem to receive our official organ. I am doing all in my power to see that ALL members recelve our paper regabar. I have also several complaints to hand of members not conforming to rule No. 1 , iout in marly cases it is owing to the complaint being laid against Foreign meubers and not sumcient time being allowed for getting a reply. However, I will publish any complaints I receive next month. I have again to appeal to members to renew their subseriptions if they wish to still retain an iuterest in the clab. All other clubs ising this paper seem to be increasing their membership and we want to do likewse: ard this can easily be done by every member following our Presidents remarks on Club Nembers as they appear in different pages of our paper.

I have lately become a member of the Cosmopolitan Correspondence Club, and also the Union Souvenir Card Collectors' Socjety, and I can heartily recommend both the above mentioned clubs to each and all readers of this valmable paper.

саити, New Members.
265. Arthur C. Braun, Box 27, Berlin, Ont. 266 Miss Maud F. Fisk, G. P. O., Philadelphia, Penn. 267. J. M. Thompson, Big Run, Penn. 272. Lou R. Carlton, Big Run, Penn. 268. S. A. McManus, 1519 22nd Ave., Denver, Colo. 269. Miss Emma Gleason, 620 l'ine St., La Cross, Wis. 270. E. H. Greeling, 9 N. Grove St., E. Orange, N. T. 2ti. Mrs. 'T. D. Cumjng. S. E. 118th, St., New York City. 273. Mrs. J. W. Stewart, 105 W. Clement St., St. Louis, Mo. 274. Mrs. Wm. Reis, 1619 Gratton St., St. Louis, Mo. 275. Clarence Sickle, b10 South St., Lake City, Iowa. 276. W. M. Smith, 244 S. W. Temple St., Salt Lake City, Utah. 277. "Hulda," Box 435, Belleville. Ont.

Kindly note Member No. 117 given in $\Lambda$ ugust jssue should be 130. This lady has been away on a trip to Furope and is expected back by the time this paper is issmed, Sept. 1st. Member No. 119 is G. O. Morrised, St. George, lieance Quebec, who has not been actively exclanging cards for some time. hence his name not been published.

Renewals. 15. Miss C. A. IJill, Glenora, Ont. 103. Miss Erva Crookshanks Iloords Sta., Ont. 1. Miss M. Street, Box 137, Frillia, Ont.

Expired Members. $10,13.14,30,46,50,51,64,66,69,78,82,88,101$, 114. Also No. 6, 10, 17, 20, 83, 96, 104, 105, 106, 107, 121.

I shall be pleased to exchange good photo post cards with ang of the club members myself.
C. A. Hives, Sec'y-Treas.

## THE CHICAGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.



The 30th regular meeting of the above named Soclety was held in their rooms, 1123 Masonic Temple, Friday evening, July 6th, G. W. Tracy presiding. The attendance was large and enthusiastic.

Farran Zerbe and Richard Lambert were elected to membership. The following magazines were received since last neeting: West, Coin Cabinet for May, The Numismatist and Spink's Numismatic Circular for June. Auction catalogs were received from Chapman, Low, Green, Adams, Elder and St. Lovis Stamp \& Coin Co.

President Tracy, for the Committee, read a resolution to be sent to Senator Cullom, which was adopted, and on motion 1,000 copies were ordered printed.

Mr. Dunham exinibited a sheckel of Simon Maccabous, Judea, Year 2' B. C. 140139. Mr. Brand showed an impression in goid of the $\mathbf{3}$ gulden piece of the Netherlands dated 1822, struck in Brussels. Mr. Traces showed a thaler of Brabant of 1632 with counter stamp of Alexis Michaelovitch of Russia and date 1655; and a Russian 5 Zopeck plate money square, dated 1726.

Adjourned to meet Aug. 3rd.
M. P. Carey, Sec'y Pro. Tem.

Copy of Resolution adopted by Chicago Numismatic Society, Chicago, Illinois, July 6th, 1906

Whereas, The National collection of coins at the Philadelphia Mint is deplorably incomplete, lacking nearly all of the earlier issues of United States Coins, and

Whereas., The completion of this collection is a matter of pride and historical interest to every citizen of the United States, and

Whereas, The present annual appropriation of Three IIundred Dollars ( $\$ 300.00$ ) is totally inadequate to procure even the new issues, and absolutely prohibits the purchase of the earlier and more interesting specimens.

Be it therefore Resolved, That the Chicago Numismatic Suclety, of Chicago, Illinois, does hereby petition your Honorable Body that the present appropriation for sald collection be increased sutticiently to permit the addition of every coin issued at any United States Mint hereafter at time of issue, and the gradual completion, as opportunity offers, of the collection of United States coins of earlier years.

Chicago Numismatic Society.
G. W. Tracey, President;

Ben G. Green. Secretary; F. Elmo Simpson, Treasurer;

Virgil M. Brand, Curator;
W. F. Dunham, Censor.

# What Will You Do With Your Coliection? 

## By W. K. Moorehead

This question naturally arises, sooner or later in his experience, in the mind of every collector. The number of collectors of archaeological specimens increases every year; but the yauntity of material in the possession of each grows steadily less. And the reason for this condition one needs not go far to seek. Specimens become rarer as the years pass. There are several contributary causes.

1st. The iucreasing number of museums, libraries, and educational institutions which collect and preserve aboriginal material.

2nd. The occupation of practically all the fertile land of the United States. ludians usually selected the best sites for habitations, and white men have done the same. Through contjnuous cultivation the specimens are ploughed under and fewer of them are found by farmers and boys. These latter two classes have heretofore furnished collectors with the bulk of their specimens.

3rd. Scores of collections are sold to the dealers in specimens, who scatter the objects thus obtained amoug hundreds of small buyers and amateur collectors. Eventually a large portion of such exhibits become permanently lost.

Every person possessed of an archaeological cabinet should seriously consider my initial question-"What will you do with your collection?" For presently, some disposition must be made of it.

The average person reasons thus-"I shall enjoy it while I live and upon my death my heirs will have it mounted in such-and-such an institution." Except in a dozen instances, of all the collections brought to my notice, the heirs have no interest in the subject. Rarely does a son, nephew or other relative take up the study of primitive life. On the contrary the relatives good-naturedly twit the collector about his fad and when he dies they sell his cabinet to some dealer, receiving therefrow $\$ 25$ to $\$ 200$ according to size. Very few collections fetch more. What is the net result? What the lover of of archaeologic studies was "going to do" never came about. He puts off making his will or givlng up his collection. Death struck him down-the heirs sold out and the dealers scattered the labors of a life time to the four winds of heaven. Nobody will remember the exhibit, and the man's name and work perish together! Truly this is a sad and unprofitable ending. Yet it is such as happens every week in the year.

A nother class of collectors, nuw quite numerous, are those who are well advanced in years and experience. These men Legan twenty five, thirty or even forty years ago. Naturally such men's hearts are wrapped up in their collection. But numbers of them now wish to sell; yet they have practically no market outside of the dealers. When answering letters from these men I advise them to interest some Jocal man of means in their cabinets and persuade such an one to buy and set up the collection in the local library or high school. But unforturately the "local man of means'" has no interest in the subject and will not contribute a doljar towards the desired end. The old collectors then write several of the museum curators, with the inevitable result-that the curator regrets that his museum has no funds with which to
purchase the coliection. The curators have had many similar letters, and while they might buy a few exhibits, get it would be impossible for any museum to purchase a tenth part of the collections offered. The curator does not wish to offend these gentlemen, yet the truth is that collections have no commercial value, and the sooner that collectors realize that truth the better. If the owner of the exhibit would only stop and think, and see the matter in its true light! He did not begin his collection as a moneymaking scheme. On the contrary it was a labor of love, and time and money put in it a pleasure, a recreation.

And now as the evening of his life draws nigh, the collector should not make a grievous error-consider his cabinet a commercial asset, which it is nor, but should send the results of his life's work where they will be appreciated and preserven. Why should he or his heirs dispense with years of labor for a mess of pottage? The money value is nothing compared with the time and labor expended. Suppose some dealer does pay $\$ 100$ for it; of what consequence is so small a sum? It is soon spent aud then both money and specimens are beyond recall.

The days of high values for archaeologic collections are gone. Museums won't buy as they did formerly and wealthy collectors have a surfeit of specimens. Therefore it behooves every man and woman owning collections, whether large or small, to decide what shall be done with the cherished exhibits. If there is a tire-proof museum near at hand, I would advise local collectors to present their exhibits to it. If not, then correspond with some curator of a museum elsewhere. The six largest museums in the United States are so vast that ordinary exhibits; such as the average individual owns, are lost. That is, there is so much to be seen that the visitor or even the person who knew the collector, is quite unable to readily find the donation. For this reason museums oi 40,000 to 75,000 specimens are preferable repositories. Moreover, the curators have more time to devote to detailed study of exhibits-collectors' exhibits, paticularly.

More attention is now paid ot scientitic archaeology than formerls, It must be, then, a satisfaction to an intelligent man or woman to have one's labors appreciated and spread out in proper display so that all who pass may see and learn thereby. Many a collector who has sold his treasures has lived to regret the action.

Therefore, I beg of readers to avoid the seltish sale of collections, for by so doing no one is benetited. Think over the suggestions and pleas made in this brief article and agree with me that your cherished cabinet deserves a better fate. Don't sell it. Have is preserved for all time, under your name, in a tire-proof museum.

J shall be glad to give detailed information by let ter regarding such museums as are most willing to take and to properly monnt private collections.

Cigar Bands. J. Manning King, of Salinas, Califormia, is tre possessor of : collection of over ten thorsand different and diatinet varieties of rigar balrets; among which are about one thousand. six burifal different bands of heads, ligures ath animals. Resides his regular collection le has ober tifty thousand duplicates.

## Post Card Possibilities

## By John A. Crosby of P. C. Monthly

Few businesses have flashed into such sudden greatness as the souvenir postal card business. And its quick development has alreads won fortunes for a fuw bright young men who recognjzed its possibilites in the early days of the craze-when demand grew vigorously each hour and the supply was practically nil.

Beginning on the Fastern side of the Atlantic, the business had already assumed gigantic proportions before the Western world was smitten with the collecting idea. But now, it seems we are to make up for lost time, for millions of Americans in their teeming cities, hambets and villages have succumbed to the fascinations of "philocarty" as the craze has been named in erudite quarters.

One of the bright young men referred to in the foregoing paragraph was the IIon. Evelyn Wrench-the son of an aristocratic house with a very near relation in the British Peerage. Five or six years ago the young man smashed all traditions and went into business for himself. With a depth of wisdom and business acumen not generally associated with the aristocracy of the old country, he choset he picture post card field. In those days the business was still in its swaddilng clothes, and had not attracted the attention of even those business houses whose facilities made them specially fitted to turn out attractive well printed cards on an economical basis-Raphael Tucks for instance. He started in an attic rented for about $\$ 1.50$ per week and plugged away with dogged perseverance and cheerful energy just the same as thoren.". of readers of this journal are plugging away. He meant to "get there,' ...d be did.

In a few months things began to move and as the proulems began to move and as problems of production and distribution were solved they moved quicker and quicber yet. Todas he is probably the largest producer of picture post cards exclusively, in the world. A good many people call his rise "meteoric" and "lucky". Rut he was no more lucky than any other man who sees a coming demand and caters to it without getting cold feet in the beginning.

A few months ago we touched upon the possibilities of the postal card trade in these columns. We wonder if any of our readers took up any of the suggestions offered:

Thls craze offers unlimited opportunitles for mall order men and agents. Perhaps we are wrong in referring to it as a "craze" for the picture post card has already proved itself to be a staple article of commerce.

For the maii order trade picture postals have much to recommend then: They are. to begin with, profitable; they sell easily from 1 to 10 cents each, rarely singly, and tend themselves to making up assorted packets to sell them at from 10 to 50 cents. They are easily handled, and do not consume the bulk of pessible protit in freight.

A number of enterprising men have already established postal card ex. changes with apparent success. Briefly, these exchanges are conducted as follows: You insert an ad in one of the big circulation mail order mediums to the effect that for 5 cents you will enroll anybody's name as a member
of the exchange. To all sending the necessary dime you offer to mail a complete printed list of members, with whom they are at liberty to establish exchange relations. It is an essential feature to the membership of these clubs that each subscriber shall return picture postals to the senders of any cards that mas come to hand from other members.
'The writer has been in communication with several of these exchanges, but has get to discover one conducted on a business like basis. One exchange sent about six names so badly written that they could rot be deciphered: another promised to send a list of names printed and revised ueekls, but the first list hasn't appeared yet. The idea is worth taking hoid of in a proper methodical way for by wisely circularizing your list of names you can create a constant demand for new cards, albums, etc.

The tirst real business-ife attempt to make post cards a paying mail order proposition strangely enough belongs to "slow town'. A Philadelphian Hrm has gorten out a nicety printed 40 - page catalogue of picture postals all properly listed, elassified and priced. This house runs an ad in several monthlies offering an assortment of carrs and their catalogue for 10 c . It looks good. We must compliment this tirm on getting out such a wellarrangen, comprehensive catalogue.

From an agent's standpoint the post card offers fine opportunities. He can get a splendid asson ment from one of the mannfacturers for a very small outlay. Then, he can ohtain photographs of local scenery or local celebrities and have them printed on post cards for a very small investment.

We hope to go further into his matter next month. In the meantime we'll be glad to hear from any of our readers who have had post card experiences or who expect to take hold of this business.

As always, the WEST wants to be helpful.

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# Hoke Did Indians Chip Their Flint Implements? 

By F. E. Halbert

There has been much discussion among collectors for years as to just how the American Indian made flint implements. I have talked with a number of collectors in different states and they advanced different ideas. Personally, I have not arrived at any particular conclusion except that a number of methods may have been employed.

One collector in New York state had a flat stone in his collection about teo inches long by six inches wide, which had a number of small worn indentations in it au inch or so apart. Some of the places were an inch or so deep. Mr. Heury Keeler who found the stoue, called it a "lop-stone." He said that when a spot became worn too deed to be convenient a new spot was selected. According to his theory, an arrow point was held usually with the small end dowa and chlpped by striking from the operator with a scrt of pushing motion. The instrument used to do the chipping being a blunt triangular hard piece of fint.

The writer once found two large pieces of flint in New York on a hill side above the river, which plainly showed that they had been split with a hard hlow by means of some blunt instrument, probably a smooth stone. Nearby were a number of broken flint axes, spears and tomabawks, suggesting the idea that there had been a hand to hand battle between rival tribes on this old camp ground.

Th": y dians of that part of the country were not very expert in making implemen..s, or rather, in finishing them. Most of their arrow points not being very regular in outline.

The best article I ever saw, made by an eastern Indian was a sandstone pipe about the size of an ordinary clay one. It had the outline of a turtle cut in one side of the bowl. The turtle Indians being a branch of the famous Ononodogas. The hole iu the stem of this pipe was but a trife larger than in the modern aricle. It would be interesting to know how such holes were drilled. Some say that holes were drilled in stone by means of a stick having a battered end and using plenty of sand as a cutting agent. The stick being whirled rapidly in the hands or by means of a thong.

In Pennsylvanja the writer met a collector who declared that Indians chipped flint by friction and water. The piece of flint being held in one hand and was rubbed briskly with a hard wood stick which caused a spot on the stone to become rather hot, then it was plunged into cold water which would cause a small hit to cleave off on account of the sudden contraction. Filnt being very sensitive to changes of temperature.

I have never attempted any jlint chipping, so cannot corroborate this statement. Let us have further ideas on this subject in the W EST.

Ribbon Hadges Nis other hobby has a more open field than this. During camivals, street fairs and elections hundreds of these badges may be acquired by the hasting collector. These can be mounted in any desirable style. They make a very nice sofa pillow or quilt.

## St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society

The fortieth reuglar meeting of the Society was held August 2lst. The prize contets, calling for identitictaion of stamps from clippings cf their central or marginal parts, which was outlined at a recent meeting, was announced to take place September 18 th. All members are urged to participate.

It was agreed to appropriate from the Treasury of the Society, a sufticient amount to cover the cost of an entertainment and banquet to be held some time in October. Two committees were appointed to make all necessary arrangements and provide the proper program. Messrs. Sisson, Myers and Cornwall were appointed a committee of arrangements and Messrs. IIgson, Schelliorn and Mann were selected to act as a program committee. The society boasts an exceptionally prosperous state of tinancial affairs, so that it will be possible to make this a very successful occasion.

The opening gun in the fall campaign for new membership was fired by the offer of Mr. Diamant to present two dollars in stamps for each new. member admitted.

Respectfully, T. C. Mann, Secy., 1416 Mickory St.
Notice.-I wish to draw the attention of our readers and Club members to Mr. Carlton's ad in the WEST. On the 15th of Oct. he will sail from New York for an extended tour thro' England, Ireland, Scotland, The Netherlands, Switzerland, Germany, France, Belgium, Denmark, Spain and Italy. He will visit the capitals and leading cities of these countries and will mail to collectors a set of 12 cards from twelve cities as listed in his iolder. Anyone desiring the set which will be "personally conducted", should write at once. The cost of a "Personally Conducted Post Card Tour' is $\$ 1.00$ per set of 12 cards carefully selected, addressed and mailed. Members of our various S. C. C. Clubs should avail themselves of this chance since Mr. Carlton is a member of Jolly Joker's Union Post Card Exchange, and the Canadian Post Card Club. This is a novel and ideal way of getting an artistic addition to their collection and it is not often that the opportunity avails itself to our members as in a personally conducted post card tour. I am firm in my belief that it is to meet. with the approval of American collectors. Let us heartily join in congratulating Mr. Carlton and wishing him God Speed on his coming journey and best wishes for a safe return. Madeline Keller.

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 some post cards are from South Reveland in the Province of Zealand through which runs the month of the Scheldt in the Dutch territory. The pictures are typically Dutch, fur besides the costumes of the Dutch girls, they give a peep of Dutch scenery, and shows the water, which is at once the enemy and friend of Holland. The cards gain much by the coioring of the famous Flemish artist, H. H. Cassieers.

## Mineral Notes

In Santo Domingo there is a remarkable deposit of salt. The deposit is in the shape of a mountain four miles long and is said to contain 90,000 , 000 tons. The salt is crystalized and so clear that medium sized print can be read with ease through a block a foot thick.

Radium is a substance of almost limitless power. It is millions of times more powerful than dynamite and it is estimated that one ounce would lift a mass of 10,000 tons. Twenty-two ounces of it would tow a ship of 12,000 tons over a distance of 6,000 miles at fiteen knots an hour if its energy were properly applied.

A large body of chalcopyrite has theen discovered on Graham Island, British Columbia. The ore assays heavily in copper and gold and is self fluxing. As the outcrop is near the water and thus easily accessible it is likely to develop into an important commercial proposition.

Several new mineral localities have been opened in the state of New Jersey. Among the most important are: Galenite, Pennsylvania Tunnel, Hoboken, Henlandite, Griggstown, Cabazite, Great Notch, Molybdenite, Middle Forge, Zinc Schefferite, Franklin Furnace.

The production of aluminum in the United States has doubled in the past 10 years reaching $8,600,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. in 1904 . The price has doubled since 1900 .

The Use of Asbestos: Few people know the wide range of uses to which asbestos may be put. For building purposes it is utilized as asbestos paint, asbestos wall paper, in place of plaster of Parish walls, for wrapping iron posts and braces. A writing paper is also made of asbestos. Rugs, carpets and lamp wichs are other uses further to which it is put. While we get have many things to learn regarding this mineral its value was known as far back as the time of Napoleon when uniforms for firemen were made of it. Thoroughly considered, it is one of the most valuable of minerals.

NOTES.
Perhaps the quaintest musical instrument in the world belongs to M . Bandre, a Frenchman. Over thirty sears ago when walking through a fleld, he found a large flint stone which, when he struck it gave out a beautiful sound. Being a man of leisure and a musician, it occurred to M. Bandre to make a collection of these siuging stones. Since then he has emploged his time chiefly in completing his geological piano. He found that stones giving out true notes are rare the flints being the best. His instrument is at last complete, the whole forming two couplete chromatic scales.

Ninety-three per cent of the heat of all coal dug in the world is wasted but only fifty per cent of the heat of oll.

There are seventeen metals more valuable than gold.
Gold nuggets are usually worth from $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 3.50$ a pound. The following list shows where the largest nuggets in the world have been found:

In 1842 near Miask, Siberia 96 pounds 4 ounces sold for $£ 4,500$
In 1855 on Fryer's Creek, Australis, 84 pounds.
In 1870 at John's Paddock, Victoria, 88 pounds.
In 1881 on Kanaka Creek California 98 pounds.
In $186 y$ in Sierra County Californla 95 pounds 6 ounces.
In 1854 at Ballerat Victotia 184 pounds 10 ounces.
In 1865 at Maryboro $A$ ustralia 88 pounds 4 ounces.

In 1842 in Victoria the "Blanche Barclay"' 146 pounds sold for $\$ 50000$.
In 1858 the "Welcome" at Bakery hill Victoria 82 pounds 11 ounces.
In 1851 on Meroo Creek New So. Wales three nuggets 106 lbs. each.
In 1854 at Carson Hill California two nuggets 149 and 180 pounds.
In 1850 at Corona California gold and quartz nuggets 151 lbs .6 oz.
The great "King of Water Moon Nuggets" found in Australia in 1852 weighed 223 pounds 4 ounces.

In 1860 at Sierra Buttes California a gold and quartz nugget 133 pounds.
In 1853 at Ballerat Victoria 135 pounds.
Two others were found in the same mine weighing each 111 lbs.
The celebrated North Carolina nugget found in the Reed mine weighed 80 pounds.

The largest nugget ever found in Colorado was found at Breckenridge and weighed over 13 pounds but was mised with lead and quartz.

Meteorites are generally divided in three classes-Siderites, Siderulites and Aerolies. The Siderites consist principally of iron alloged with nickel and some manganese and cabalt. When the polished side of one of these is etched with dilute innitric acid it develops a series of interesting lines or bands known as widmanslattern figures. Siderolites are masses of a spongy cellular character composed partly of iron and partly of stony material frequently containing Chrysolite. Aerolites are composed chiefly of stony material in enstatite and pgroxene minerals-Meteorites are distributed generally over the earth's surface and are not confined to any particular locality. Zircon is the chief source of zirconium oxid used ill certain incandescent light mantles. The transparent red and brown varieties are cut as gems and are called by jewelers hyacinth. This term term is also applied to some garnets.

Millions of Post Cards. One Sunday recently over 200,000 souvenir post cards were mailed from Coney Island. This is believed to be a world's record for one day from one place. At a penny apiece, the mailing of these tokens of friendship represent $\$ 2,000$ turned into Uncle San's coffers. The cost of the cards must have made up a total of at least $\{2,001$ more. It would be interesting to know the real volume of the post card business. The postal receipts for a year must be swelled considerably by reason of indulgance in the prevailing fad. In cities hundreds of these cards are sold every day. Large and varied stocks are kept by scores of dealers in all sorts of merchandise. They can be purchased at news stands, drug, grocery, hardware, departments, and candy stores and of street venders. They seem to have caught the fancy of the public and appeal to that spirit which is most in evidence on St. Valentine's Day. The fad is responsible for an increase business of many sorts. Photographers, bookbinders, lithographers, penmen who alfect ornate styles, printers, pressmen, stersotypers, commercial travelers, paper makers and artists are all brought within its inHuence. The total amount spent for postal cards must foot up several millions of dollars annually, of which Uncle Sam receives a goodly share.

Coin Statistics: The en-cent silver piece was authorized March 3, 1873; weirht 77.1 grains, 900 fine. It was discontinued May 2 , after $\boldsymbol{k}_{2}$ : 11,000 worth were coined. 800,000 half cents were coined. The government has coined $4,500,0002 \mathrm{e}$ piecus

## Universal Philocartist Protective Association

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Secretary's Report.
Our President, Mr. Robt. P. Miller, has informed us that he no longer has the time necesasry to devote to the affiairs of the association and has therefore resigned from the position of president. At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on August 10th John A. Gallagher, member No. 1 was elected to the chair. We congratulate Mr.. Gallagher on the honor conferred on him and are sure be will fulfili the duties of his position in a trust. worthy manner.

Up to date we have not recelved any designs for our ensignia as per contest announced last month and so extend the time limit to Oct. 1st, 1906.

Not long ago we received word from the Post Office people that they had found some of our membership stamps that had been lost in the malls and on receiving them we at once remailed them. This will explain why some of the members did not receive their stamps as soon as they should. If any of you have not jet received your stamps let us know and we will have new ones made.

We wish to announce that anyone already a subscriber to the WEST will be given a membership in the U. P. P. A. for 30c.

Our membership list is increasing rapidly now and all members should get busy and help us to attain the 100 mark by next month. Remember the prizes we are offering! If there is nothing among them that you want, lét us know what you desire. We olfer a special prize of 5 leather cards to the member that sends in the most members this month in addition to the regular prizes. Send for applicantion blanks. They are free!

Jas. J. Sheridan, Secretary.

## President's Letter.

Dear Fellow Members: Our Secretary, Mr. Sheridan, has informed me that I have been elected to the honor of President of our Association and I feel highly honored by same. This was a great surprise to me, as I was not expecting such high honor. I will do my best to show that I appreciate it and will do all in my power to further the interests of the U. P. P. A.

John A. Gallagher, President.
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Rare Coin of 1205 Found An important discovery was made at Venice while detaching mosaies from the basilica of St. Mark's to carry out the work of restoring the cathedral, which was shaken by the sinking of its foundations. Buried in cement was a rare coin of the time of the Doge Earico Dandolo, who died in 1205, thus proving that the building of the basilica was going on in the twelfth centurs. It is supposed that the coin fell from the clothing of a workman into the cement, remaining there sevail centurjes.

## THE KANSA~ CITY תTAMP CLUB

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The only stamp collectors society in Kansas City. Regular meetilgs are held on the second and fourth Fridays of each moath at 7:45 P. M. in Room 43. fourth floor of the Jenkins Bnilding. Thit. teenth and Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Mo. Visitors are always welcome.

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## OFFICERS' MONTIILY REPOKTS.

Secretary's Report. Sep. 5, 1906.
No new members have been admitted to membership during August but the applications of several philatelists have been received. These, if accepted, will be admitted at the first meeting in September.

The propesed club pienic was held at. Swope Park on Wednesday, Aug. ust 8 , and while the attendance was smaller than had been expected, nevertheless, a very enjoyable day was spent br those members who were present.

A lot of about five thousand cheap stamps have been presented to the club It is proposed to distribute these among school children and beginners to encourage stamp coilecting Packets of a hundred each may be obtained from the Secretary. - Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelson, Secretary.

Librarian's Report, Sept 5, 1905.
It is with the greatest pleasure that I announce that during the past month the K. C. S. C's library has been further enriched by two donations, which in size and value far exceed any of the mumerous contriuutions of the past sear. 'The adage "Nothing Succeeds Like Success," seems particularly adaptable in the case of our ljbrary. Each month of the present year has seen a substantial increase over the previous month in not only the number of donations received. but also in the size of the individual donations until now it seems that it would be difficult indeed to gain over the achievement of the past month. Two contributions totaling 1443 pieces beside several of minot importance is what 1 have to report this month. The remainder of the late W. P. Kelly's library consisting of 949 pieces has been added. These with the 952 pieces received last month, and which I reported upon in the July WEST, together total 1901 pieces and form the largest single donation which has get been received.

In the lot received this month there were seventeen books as follows: Scott's Catalogue of British Fmpire 1002, Foreign Countries 1902, Entire World 1903, British Empire 1904, British Empire 1905: Mekeel's International Catalogue $189^{\circ}$ edition: and year books of the A. P. A. for 1898 , 1900, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905.

Mr. L. 'T. Hrodstone, publisher of the WFST, has been the means of onr adding 494 nore pieces to the library during $A$ ugust. This lot consisted of 463 philatelic magazines, 20 auction catalogues, 5 books, 4 soriely annual reports and 32 exhibition catalogues. The books received were as follcws: "Fifty Years of Philately" by Chas. J. Phillips, "The Standard Priced Catalogue of the Postage and Telegraph Stamps of the United Kingdom", "The International Directory of the Philatelic Literature Collectors, Dealers and Publishers,' and one German and one French priced catalogue.

Space prevens a more extended report at this time but_ a detailed report
wil! be given at the next meeting of the club. Any of 'the above periodicals or books are open to the members use, the onls restrictions beiug that not more than three books may be drawn by a member at one time nor retained for more than two weeks.
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Respectfully submitted, Athur L. Nelson, Librarian.
LARGESTR STAMP SOCIETY IN AMERICA

## Stamp Collector's Protective A ssociation of America organized ferruary 3. i899.

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offial Organ. The west.
Our sales manager has been sick and this may be the cause of some delay on department but he expects to suon be in shape. He has made the department the best ever seen and you miss more than any one by not get. ting some of the books he has on hand. Try a lot and see.

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There has been some complaint on Spinons-wish to hear from all who has complaint to make.

## Nebraska Philatelic Society Nebraska's Pride ORGANIZED I892. LARGEST STATE SOCIETY EKTANT.

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Following ${ }_{\sim}^{x}$ is the list of offcers for annual election. The meeting at Omaha depends on the Omaha members.

Nominations:-President, E. H. Wilkinson; Vice President, R.E. Gerspacher; Secretary and Treas., L. T. Brodstone; Sales Superintendent, L. H. Lederer: Attorney, L. H. Whipple; Anction Manager, R. E. Gerspacher and H. Ketchum; Trustees, Hendricks, Hopson. Brown; Official Orgab, "THE, WEST; Convention Seat, 1997 Grand Island, Lincoln, Omaha.

It is bast to send vote on post card to Secretary, so it can be given in at the meeting.

Curlous, Water Plants: The water of lake Morat, Switzerland, turns to a re 1 color evers'tenth'sear. Gaused, it is said, by the presence of certain water plants which are found in no other lake in the world.


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## AUGUST 1906.

## AUGUST ROLL OF HONOR.

The extremely hot weather during the past few months has evident had no efiect whatever upon the missionary work our members have bee doing, and we heartily thank the members of the "August Bcosters Club" for the kind assistance they have rendered us. The members of this seled club are:
479. Miss Rae Fenberg.

35̈. G. F. Philleo (2).
532. Walter L. Miller.
656. A. C. Davis.
606. Victor Friend (2).
486. Ur. W. P. Taylor (2).
447. Joseph A. Blair (2)
516. Miss Florence Mul, ery.
577. N. F Staley.
578. E. B. Presher
689. George C. Robertson.
659. Miss A lberta Shrope.

Number following name indicates number of times name has appeare on the Roll of Honor. Mr. Miller holds the record to date.

## NOTES.

Member No. 299, Dr. W. I. Miller, hereafter wishes to exchange to only black and white cards of the Rotograph series.

Mewber No. 1423, Dean Donaldson, has just recovered from a seriou and prolonged ilness and hopes that all members will excuse him for n answering promptly the cards which were received during his sickness.

Member No. 357, Charles E. Parnell, advises that he has about a dore cards which he cannot answer on account of the senders neglecting to gir their names and addresses, so if he, owes sou a card brother, you know whs

Member No. 429, Mrs. A. C. Beauchemin, formeils Miss A. C. Trimbla would like to discontinue exchanging for the present. so please do not seit her any more cards for exchange until further advised.

## MORE WORK FOR THE RELIEF CORPS.

Wurd has just been received that the store and residence of Membe No. 446, Mr. Fred Streicher, 105 West Main Street, West Newton, Pa., ut
ontirely destroyed by fire on the early morning of July 29th. and Mr. Streicher lost his valuable collection of cards. We should all sympathize with him in the loss sustained, and while the property destroyed was probatbly insured, the collection was not. Thus, the destroyed buildings and stock can be rebuilt and restocked at the expense of the insurance companies, but the collection cannot; the ouly way it can be rebuilt is by the help of fiends. Let us get busy at once and give Brother Streicher a shower of calds, such as he never dreamed of before, and tell him they are all his and we don't want ang in return.

## A UNION BADGE.

From time to time communications have been received advocating the adoption of a badge or button to be worn by all menbers of The Union, and while a great many of our members have not as yet expressed their views on the subject, still it is safe to say that were a vote to be taken as to whether or not The Union should adopt a badye or button of an appropriate design, to be worn by all men;bers, the verdict would be unanimous in its favor. Therefore, to get the matter under way quickly as possible, a committee will be organized and known as the "Badge Commitee'' with Mr. Arthur L. Shaver, as Chairman. Chairman Shaver would like the following mem. bers to act as his committee, so please, each of you, whose name appears below, write to Mr. Shaver at once, notifying him of your willingness to act, and at the same time give him your full views as to the best method of prom cedure, in order to accomplish the desired end:
279. Maurtce Mayer.
330. ()tis Bartlett.
450. W. E. Battey.
281. John Hall.
410. Asa Chambers.
531. John C. Morgan.
635. Theodore Schilling.

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United States.

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| Arkansus | 7 |
| California | 26 |
| Colorado | 10 |
| Connecticut | 14 |
| Delaware | 1 |
| Florida | 1 |
| Georgia | 3 |
| Idaho | 1 |
| Illinois | 42 |
| Indiana | 8 |
| Indian Territory | 1 |
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| Belgium | 1 |
| Brazil | 1 |
| British Honduras | 2 |
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## Housing for Rare Coins

The American Numisamtic and Archaeological society has received a site for a new home in Audobon park, as a gift from its president, Arthur M. Huntington, who recently built the nome of the Hispanic society, of which he is also president, in the same neighborhood.

The society which adopted the above name when incorpqrated, on May 16, 1865, was originally organized as the American Numismatic society on A pril 6, 1858. Its collection of coins, medals and tokens now include about 30,000 specimens many of which are extremely rare. The present membership of the society is about 300 .

One of the most valuable of recent additions is a gift from a member of the society, Charles Gregory, of a collection of Oriental coins, (very rich ju Chinese and Japanese), comprising more than J 600 specimens. Among these is a complete set of the "bullet" coins of Siam, including two gold ones which are very rare indeed. Also of great rarity is a paiang of the Malay peninsula, a hat shaped roin of lead with floral ornaments on each side. It is about two and one half inches square and is one of the oldest of coins. Then there is a large number of Siamese porcelain coins, of various shapes, sizes and colors, all of which are ancient, as this style of coins is now obsolete. There is also an interesting lot of Anam coins, one of which, a silver coin of about 1850, bears an inscription that translated, reads: "For the use of the people. Will make them rich for a long life. Inherited virtue. Current monev.',

The Chinese specimens include the very ancient coins known as razor. spade, and bridge money, on account of their shapes. Some of the razor money belongs to the Ming series-B. C. 300225 . There is a sample of the Chinese sword or key meney, A. D. 14, of bronze, inlaid with gold which is in perfect condition. It is shaped a good deal like a modern flat latchkey. Other anclent Chinese bronze pieces are shaped like turtles and tishes' tails. One coin is a helmet-shaped ingot of pure silver weighing twelve and a half ounces and of $\$ 13.75$ coin value.

In the Gregory ecllection the largest coin is an andient one of Japan bealing the imperial autograph in black lacquer and also many mint marks. It measures $6331 / 2$ inches weighs 105 penns-weights and is worth in bullion
\$114.23. A much bigger and heavier coin is a Japanese one of bronze ive inches in diameter of the date of 1637. The largest coin of any kind is Chinese made in bronze seven and one half inches in diameter and was made in the first year of the reign of the Emperor Mo, whose crest and seals it bears.

The biggest rectangular coin among all the societie's specimens is a Swedish dollar of 1747 , in the reign of Frederick I. It is of pure copper, and measures $5551 / 2$ inches. $\Lambda$ member of the society who was born in Sweden, said his grandfather told him that his grandfather told him about seiling a farm and requiring three days to cart home the price, in this kind of money.. It was the custom of the people who were weil supplied with this "plate money', as it is called, to store it in the cellar, fearing that it would break down the floors if it were kept up stairs.

In striking contrast to such specimens is the smallest coin known a sixty-fourth part of a ducat coined by the city of Bremen in the eighteenth century. Its diameter is chree-sizteenths of an inch.
J. Sanford Saltus a member of the society recently gave to it cumplete sets of $\Lambda$ merican gold dollars from 1849 to 1889 , of original half cents from 1793 to 1857, and of American cents for the same period including all the varieties of the 1783 coinage. One of the latter is the famous "clover leaf" cent which is valued by collectors at about $\$ 200$. Mr. Sa!tus also gave the rare Confederate cent of 1861 , and a Confedsiate half dollar of the same date. The obverse of the latter coin is a fac-simile of the United States half dollar, (the die having been taken from the New Orleans mint), and the reverse is inscribed with a shield of seven stars and seven stripes, surmounted by a Liberty cap, and surrounded by the words "Confederate States of America."

The society has a complete proof set of the coronation coins of king Edward VII., of which four are in gold and nine in silver: also, a beautiful gold medal struck to commemorate the coronation, with the heads of the king and queen on the obverse. Among the old Fuglish coins is a guinea of 1656 , struck under the protectorate, which bears the head of Cromwell, crowned with a laurel wreath. It looks as if it had just cone from the mint. "The Commonowalth of England" and the motto "God With Us'" are among the inscriptions on a gold coin of 1653 . Other English gola coins represent the reigns of the Stuarts, William and Mary, Queen Anne, and the Georges. There is also a complete set of the money minted to commemorate the fiftieth jubilee of Queen Victoria.

In the society's catinets is a good collection of Greek and Roman coins, of various dates, in gold, silver and copper. It has many ealy German coins. includink some silver ones of very large size, among which is a ten crown piece, of 1665 , measuring three and three-fourths inches in diameter. N, Y. Paper.

London has many firms devoting thelr energles to the production and selling of fance post cards while every large art publisher now issues such. The hobbr of picture post-card enllecting has becenn : an instilution throughout the Uniter Kingdom, as well as through our conntry. I'muelitg is the origin of post-card collecting, and not only are they pullished uy the million, but the very modes of travel themselves are illustrated.

.. Camera 9Lews..
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Development of Gaslight Printing Papers

By R. S. Requa
Now that the gaslight printing papers are almost universally used by amateurs, any process of working them that assures better results or a lessening of expense cannot fall to be of interest.
?-The brush method of applying the developer is not new but my experience has been that the ordinary camel's hair brush usually advised for the purpose is not oniy expensive, but altogether too small to cover enough of the print at one application to avojd streaks. -

After a few experiments I made a swab that costs but a few cents and woris to perfection. I cut two pieces of cigar-box wood five inches long and two inches wide and notched the ends the width rubber band. Tjese I boiled in parafine for tifteen minutes to render them impervious to the solution. I then cut from thick celluloid a piece four by five inches and rounded the corners, this I covered with a piece of ordinary white eider-down. The eider-down is folded in the middle, width-wise, the celluloid slipped in the fold and the pleces of wood placed on either side of the pad thus made at the oppsre end from the fold. These in turn are bound together with the rubber buud and the brush is complete.

An ordinary soap-box, cut in two diagonally, with a cleat nailed across the lower end, serves to hold the tray in an inclined positon. The tras should be several sizes larger than the prints to be made and should have a smooth bottom. About three quarters of an ounce of developer is poured into the lower end of the tray, the swab is dipped iuto the developer and run quickly back and forth both ways of the print until the image reaches the proper stage when it is lifted out hy one corner, rinsed and fixed. By using one hand to place paper in the tray and the other to manipulate the brush, it is seldom necessary to wash the hands. By this method, it is surprising how little developer is required, for it may often be used to the last drop before it gives the print that disagreeable brownish tone. I am never bothered with streaks and bubbles when using this method. When through developing, slip the rubber bands off the brush, wash each part and lay away to dry.

Those who have difticulty in getting good blacks with the M. Q. developer should try amidol. I prepare it as follows: Dissolve 160 grains of sodium sulphite in 16 ounces of water, then add 5 to 10 drops of bromide solution. When ready to use add 10 grains of dry amidol to 4 ounces of above solution. If pou have no convenient means of weighing so small a quantity, get a chemist to keigh out that amount for you, then procure a wonden mustard spoon and cut it down until it just holds it. This developer keep; fairly well in solution, imparts a delicate blue black to the prints
and may be used to the last drop, although it is well to keep about the same amount of developer in the tray by addnig fresh solution frequently.

C. J. W.-The Toning Bath: This correspondent complains that a precipitate is formed when compounding the ordinary sulphocyanide bath and writes to ask if such is to be expected. The fact is that my correspondent is no doubt mixing the bath in the wrong way. The sulphocsanide should be dissolved on half the required amount of water and the gold solution in the remainder. This latter should then be slowly added to the former, stirring constantly. Any ordinary sulphocganite bath made up in this manner will show no precipitation and will wurk statisfactorily.
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## A Word to Dealers By Arthur Nmith

What are you going to do with that big sack of continentals you have stored away? You have more of them in your sheets and in packers than is good for sour business and you canuot sell them in bulk by advertising for the whole bunch is not worth half what sour ads would cost. Why not further the advancement of philately and the improvement of mankind in general by giving them, "free gratis," in lots of fifty or a hundred to the public school children of your lown? Of course thele would be no direet return fom this at first, but the good of it would last for years. The attertion of hundreds of intelligent boys and girls would be drawn to stamps and the chaices are that a large percentage of them would become permanent collectos. Would you not, as a deajer, have bine chances out of ten of har. Ing their nermanent trade? My opinion is that this bread upon the wates would be returned an hundredfold The stability of philately depends int great measure on the number of its devotees. Nost collectons were drams accidentally to the hobby. Perhaps a larger per cont of postoffice clerks than of any other occupation are stamp collectors. Is not the reason that they are constantly associated with stamps aibu have an oppotianit.j of ser. ing and studying the most interesting foreign and domest ic stamps?

But I have said enough. I, myself will stayt the ball rolling by giving all my continentals to anyone who wishes them for this purpose. Write me. -Cotton Plant, Miss.

Four new values have been added to the current serits of Salvador. They are the 24 -cent rose and black, 26 cent brown and black, 50 -cent yellor and black and the 100 -cent hlue and black. $\Lambda 2$-cent carmine and blact official stamp has also been issued.

# A Calculation on the Value of Stamps 

## By L. G. Dorpat

A few years ago some European papers calculated the value of stamps by the thousand varieties on a geometrical progression at the ratio of 4-3 or 1.33. The first or cheapest thousand was rated at 53 francs or $\$ 10.60 \mathrm{U}$. S. money, the 2nd thousand at 71 francs, the 3 d at 95 francs, and so forth up to the 16 th thousand at 3995 franes or $\$ 799.00$. If this was correct at the time, it must be wrong tuday.

As a fact, we can now buy 1000 varieties of stamps for $\$ 2.50$, or perhaps for $\$ 2.00$ if not for less. But that is way below catalogues at least way below some. Catalogues difier much in their quotations The same stamp may be quoted in English catalogues at 1 penny, equal to 2 cents U. S., in German catalogues at 1 pfenning or $1 / 4$ ct., U. S., in Frencn catalogues at 1 centime or 1-5 ct., U. S., while the American catalogues price it at 1 cent. In the aggregate of a thousand stamps this makes quite a dilference.

If the 16 th thousand were worth no more than $\$ 789.0$, or say in round numbers $\$ 800.00$, not a single stamp wuold be included worth 10 cents or more. Nou, where is the man who will honestly claim that 16,000 stamps are catalogued or sold for less than 10 cents each? That was never correct, even when whole collections were concerned, except where possbly a sale was made at a sacrifice.

In conjunction with the calculation as appeared, it was said that the ratio 1.33 could not be retained after the l6th thousand had been reached. We may, however, say that it can not be retained after the 3 rd or 4 th thousand is reached, and that even so far it is not reliable.
for the sake of curiosty we might assume the tate is 1.90 , taking 1 cent as the lowest catalogue unit of price and giving room for the usual discounts. We thus get the following:

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th '" 68.40 at $4-8 \mathrm{c}$
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6th $\quad$ " 246.92 at $15 \cdot 25 \mathrm{c}$
ith $\quad$ " 469.14 at $25-50 \mathrm{c}$
$9 t h \quad$ ' 1693.58 at $\$ 100-2.00 \quad 25$ per cent

10th " 3217.80 at $\$ 3.00-5.00 \quad 10$ per cent
It is useless to carry it any further since it will be easily seen that the calculation is not correct, though it may be more nearly correct than a calculation based of the ratio 1.33 . With varying discounts we also get various results. Above the average is $421-3$ per cent.

In practical cases. as in regard to variety packets aud collectors, it must remembered that condition counts for much and that it makes a big difference whether one buss the $2 d$ or the 8 th thousand. Stamps of various grades may be put together in all sorts of combinations.


# Observations on Original Covers 

Som

## Io By R. R. Ghiele

(Cuntinued.)
From the same young collector comes au interesting original coverstriking specimen of government care. It is the envelope of a letter 30 dressed, as it appears. by the United States Consul at San Jose, Costa Ria to an American at Biuetields. Nicaragua. The envelope is franked with tw Costa Rican 5c stamps bearing the view of Puerto Limon. The two repob lies evidently have a special postal treaty of their own, as these stama represent only about two cents gold, much less than the international rale The stamps are cancelled with a "killer" of four concentric rings, struct in black: the date stamp is SAN JOSE.

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between two concentric circles, the uuter one double lined, the date in th center. Here the letter remained for some time looking for its addresser but failed to find him, so that at last the post oftice stamped on the faceid the envelope the sad legend

## devdelta no se encuentra

which may be rendered "Return; cannot be fuund." But someone stepped in here and supplied the necessary directions for forwarding the letter; at least the original destination is crossed out and a new one added in red ink: "Los Angeles, Califormin, U. S. A." Nov 17th the letter left Bluefields for the new dest ination, as shown by a date stamp on the back.

## ADMINISTRACION DE CORREOS DE

REPUBLICA NGV it 1903 DE NICARAGUA BLUEFILDS between two concentric ellipses, the three middle lines of the inseriptics being within the inter ellipsis. Now the question arises, what became the letter for the next elght months. There is no indication of its wheres bouts during that time, nut at all events the rext datestamp is a maching stamp reading

NEW ORLEANS, LA. AUG 8 12:30 PM 1904
in the usual single circle, struck on the back of the letter. The intervening months are a blank, so far as the dare stamps show; yoll may exerelse for own inagiration in pioturing the whereabouts of the letter during that time. At all events it turned up again and arrived at Now Orteans, 4 mentioned. From here it proceeded on its way and in due course arrived ai Los Angeles; witness this machine stamp no the back of the envelope:

LOS ANGELES, CAL. AUG. 12 2 P. M 1904 and the further rubber handstamp in red anilitue ink:
general delivery no. 2. Losangelas, cal. AUG. 12: the words hetween two concentric circles, the date within the inner circle I do not remember heretofore having seen such general delivery postmarks presumably they are only struck in certain cases. Nor do I know what the
lower figure 2 stands for unless it is identical with the window number in the inserjption.

The letter was still undelivered and was destined to remain so, as is shown by the handstamp on its face:

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## AUG. 241904 DUE 1 CENT LOS ANGELES, CAL.

I doubt that Uncle Sam ever got that cent, for there is no postage due stanjp on the envelope. Presumably about this time someone applied this handstamp, partly over the preceding postmark and likewise in aniline ink: the letter $F$ in a circle. Its significance is unknown to me. Last of all comes the familiar handstamp of the D. L. O. struck in black. From here the letter was presumably sent back to its writer, but as this is done in special envelopes, here are no further postmarks. No doubt the writer was surprised to see it come back nearly a year later.

I omitted to mention, by the way, that the original address bears this routing instruction in the left lower corner: "Via New Orleans." Is it possible that to get from San Jose, Costa Rica, to Bluefields, Nicaragua, a letter must go to New Orleans and back? Surely there must be coastwise steamer connection?
(To be continued.)
THE RAREST STAMP OF ALL.
Paragraphs such as the one we have referred to invariably evoke correspondence and comment of a more or less inaccurate nature. For instance, a reader of the London "Evening News"-and one who calls himself "Phi. latelist'" if you please!-writes to that joumal under date August 24th:

I alwass understood the 4 cent Rritish Guiana, the only one in the world, now in the possession of a Parisian collector, was the most valuable. I late heard its value stated at $\$ 17,500$.
(If course the stamp referred to is not a + cent Bitish Guiana at all, but the 1 cent of the issue of 1856 , the only known cony of which belongs to Mors. P. la Renotiere. Who $i t$ is that has computed the value of this uni, pue property at $\boldsymbol{*} 17,500$ we do not know, but if we are to junge of these things with any selise of proportion it must surely be clear that the 1 cent of Dritish Guiana, of which only one copy exists, must be worth many times the value of the penny or two petny stamps of the "Post Ottice" issue of Nauritius, of which respectively some twelve to fourteen specimens are known to survive.

There are. in fact, several stamps known to the philatelist which, if rarty were the only citerion of value, would make the price as great as or greater than the "Post Office" Maurtins But rarity is not the ouly consideration, and, with the single exception of the 1 cent Rritish Guiana of 18jili. it may be doubted whether the auction record of $\$ 7,750$ for a single stamp will ever be beaten-unless ir he by another specimen of the "Post Ofice" ${ }^{\prime}$ Mauritios

In engineer of frankfort has invented an automatic postage-stamp selling machine, which not only sells the stamps but also sticks them on the letter. The machine possesses the additional advantage of being impossible to wh. It is being adopted by the German post-office department.-Daily Cousular \& Trade Reports.

# Odds and Ends 

## By Arnold L. Nell

The Post Offee of England conducts what are known as Postal Savings Banks, in which people may deposit and draw their money the same as in other savings banks, the money deposited being sent to a central savings bank in London.

The following rather amusing article appeared in a prominent London daily paper on May 1st. 1840, on the day that postage stamps and stamped envelopes were first sold:- "Considerable diversion was created in the citt today by the appearance of the new penny-post devices for envelopes, and bits of sticking-plaster for dabbing onto letters..... The elephants on the envelopes are symbolic of the lightness and rapidity with which Mr. Rowland Hill's penny post is to be carried on.... Withal the citizens are rude enough to believe that these graphic embellishments will not go down at the price of one shilling three pence per dozen for the envelopes, and of one shilling one penny per dozen for the-sticking plaster (!!!!)

Could a modern stamp collector encounter the editor who called stamps. "sticking-plaster," it is needless to sas that there would have been trouble.

The first postage stamp used in Germany was issued in the kingdom of Bavaria in 1849. It is of quite inartistic character, tho' originating in a state so famous for its cultivation of the plastic arts The earliest tgpe shows merely the name of the country and denonination of the stamp.

In 1860 the United States postal system was overaced at a great loss, there being a deficit of $\$ 10,652,542,59$ in the postal income, occasioned thro lavish expenditure and then-existing abuses. Anmual deficiencies had 0 cured for nine years previous to 1860 and continued for twentyone years after. But in 1882 there was a surplus of $\$ 1,394,388,92$, and for the $\begin{aligned} & \text { irst } \\ & \text { time in }\end{aligned}$ thity-one years the postal service ceased to be a burden upon the treasury.

The postal card is of Austrian origin and was first issued in August 1869.
Within twentytive sears after the tirst jssue of a postage stamp in toon don, the known varieties, issued in all parts of the world, amounted to 1,391 . Of these 841 were of European origin, 333 were American, 59 Asiatie, 55 African. The varieties issued in the several countries of Oceanica wete 103. Of the whole, 1391 stamps, no less than 811 were already obsolete in 1865, leaving 580 still in currency.

If dealers selling the cancelied-to-order stamps of Labuan, Nyassa, etc., would remove the original gum, collectors would not be so liable to knop they were cancelled-to-order. Another way to identify the cancelled-toorder's is when they have nice, fresh cancel marks, usually stamped in indelible ink with a rubber stamp.

Outside Collectiug postage stamps, envelopes or postal cards, sou can become interested in railway, telegraph or fiscal stamps. These now havea large following in America, and are steadily growing in favor. They art interesting, but not much advertised, hard to get hold of, and give a persod a good show to use his judgment of their possible value. I would adviso anyone to start a collection of them, as the prices are going up, and thos
secured now will be sure to repay well in the future.
Collect the early postal issues! It is an obvious fact that the issues of the list ten years or so will never become as scarce as those of the ten sears preceding, because letters in those days were few when compared to the millions sent today. The stamps of today will be common for fifty sears to come, while the early issues may become unprocurable within five years. ddded to this is the fact that many countries whose treasuries need replenishing now issue pretty or catchy stamps calculated to take the eye of collectors; these are practically worth no more than the paper they are printed on, although you may have topay from 1 to 10 cents apiece for them, or even wore. 13 y far the safest investment is in the earlier issuse.

## Recalling a Mailed Letter

## By Gilbert N. Gunerson

Many times people would like to recall a letter after it has been mailed. This can be done even if the letter has reached the postoffice of its destination. At every postofice there are what are called "withdawal blanks.", On application they will be furnisbed, and when a deposit is made to cover the expense the postmaster will telegraph to the postmaster at the letter's destination asking that it be promptly returned. The applicant first signs this argeement: "It is hereby apreed that, if the letter is returned to me, I will protect you from any and all claims made against you for such return and will fully indemnify you for any loss you may sustain by reason of such action. And I herewith deposit $\$-$ to cover all expenses incurred and will deliver to you the envelope of the letter returned." In many cases persons have made remittances to fraudulent parties or irresponsible firms, not learning their true character until after the letter had gone, and have succeedea in recalling them.

A Book. - not a large book, a sinall, a very small and lignt book, measuring $73 x \mathrm{ln} 8 \mathrm{~mm}$. and weighing only one-fifth of an ounce, yet a book, a real and very useful book is the "Esperanto Key' published by the British Esperanto Association, 13 irrmodel Street, Stand, London, W. C. England. It contains both a short grammar and an Esperanto-English lexicon and may be had for $1 / 2$ penny or 1 cent U.S. money. Postage. of course, must be added. What excise is now left ror not learning Esperanto? More than 25,000 nomies are now enlisted as those of Esperantists, and more are coming nearly every day.

Number of Varjeties. - The following statistics were funnished by Whitfleld $k i n g \&$ Company at the time the last edition of their catalogue was published, about seven months ago. It must be kept in mind that these figures represent only the straight varieties, and that minor varieties are not included in the tabulation "The total number of all known varieties of postity stamns issued by all the governments of the world up to the present tpime is 19,778 . for whith 6059 are apportioned to the British Empire, and $13,-1!!$ to the rest of the world. Europe has issued 4224 , Asia 375\%. Africa 4188, Im rica 4685, the West Indies 1581, and Oceanica 1776.'

# Some More Inscriptions on Stamps 

## By L. G. Dorpat

Roumania following the example of Russia has issued a number of charity stamps. There are three sets in all each consisting of four values $3_{\text {, }}$ $\overline{5}, 10$ and $1 \overline{0}$ bani. The first shows Queen Elizabeth spinning silk and bears the inseription: Dumneden sa ne duca mana! which means God lead (or direct) our hand! Besides that it bears the facsimile autograph of the queen.

As this shows, the issue was made under the special protection of this royal lady, who is strongly interested in the promotion of two Roumanian charitable associations, one the Policlinica, the other the Tesatoarea (weaver). The issue consisted of half a million of each value and was sold; the 3 b . for 10 , the 5 for 15 , the 10 for 20 and the 15 for 25 bavi. It was a success. Issued on the 5th of January, 1906, it was sold out in a few months realizing about 85 bani or $\$ 37,000.00$.

It was undoubtedly the success of this issue which caused the others to follow for each of the two above named associations. That dedicated to the Tesatoarea shows the Queen weaving at the silk-loum and bears the legend Vetorul terei il tese femea, i. e. The future of the country is woven by the woman. (By the way an inscription that should please the French ladies who so strongls objected to the French inseription "Droits de l'homme" considering it as an opposition to "Drotts de la femme" the rights of man as opposed to the rights of woman. As if the woman was not a part of man!) Again the signature of the queen appears below.

It seems this issue was made in the same numbers and on the same terms as the first.

The third issue made at the same time as the second on March 5, 1906, is dedicated to the Policlinica Regina Elizabeta shows the royal protectress bandaging a wounded soldier and bears the words: Rana legata si lacramile sterse. Elisabeta., which in plain English might be revdered: Dress the wound and still the tears. Elizabeth. Other particulars of this issue are about the same as those of the previous issues.

Tanceed in the Philatelic Journal of India, and others, trying to make fun of these issues have probably not understood, or at least not considered the sentiment that goes with them. We see here a royal lady trying to persuade her subjects to higher ideals and the support of beneficence. That is hardly a subject for a trivial juke

It must be remembered that the stamps are good for postage in the interior of Roumania onls, and that nobody is obliged to buy them, there being the regular Roumanian issue for regular use at the same time, and it being entirely optional whether one will bug these charity stamps or not.
l'he term Timbru de Binefacers means: Stamp of Charity, or 1ather stamp for well-doing.

Postage stamp collectors will hardly welcome these and similar issues, because they are unnecessary for postal requirements, just the same as most of the commemorative or jubilee issues and there is alwass the fear against them that the respective governments are speculating on the stamp collectors and that, if such speculation is in any way encouraged, the issue of speculative stamps will be multiplied infinitely, making it impcssible for the
verage collector to keep up collecting all that is offered him.
Yet after all, so long as the thing is not overdone, we may remain wiet. The issues are fairly large enough to go around for all who want hem, and all who do not want them ray as well confine themselves to the olleation of regular issues.

Again, what makes stamp collecting attactive is in part the variety of lesigns, subjects and objects, the diverse uses and manifold inscrictions of tamps. Hence, whenever such issues Ijke these three Roumanian appear, re mily as well accept them, study them, and then collect them or not, just is we may be pleased to do.

I feel assured that Queen Elizabeth of Koumania has quite another boject in view than the mere raising of funds for her hospitals. I think she pants to educate the people and especially the women of Roumania, to fighe adeals, and 1 believe that among others the above inscriptions are very ppropiate means.

## Notes on United States Postage Stamps for the Beginner

## By H. A. Davis

sTATUTES OF THE UNITED STATES, XXIX Congress, Session II, Chapter L.NIII, Section I. Approved March 3d, 1847.
"*** and be it further enacted, that to facilitate the transportation of etters by mall, the Postmaster General be authorized to prepare postage stamps, which, when attached to any letter ur packet, shall be evidence of the preparment of postage. ***"

This is the first authorization of postage stamps in the Innited States.
1st, issue 18t7. Consisting of two values; 5 and 10 cents It will be Doted that they were authorized bs Congress March 3d, 1847. Under this same act the Postmaster's stamps were suppressed. 'I'hese stamps were in use about four years, from 1847 to 1851 . They were engraved and printed by Rawdon, Wright, Hatch and Edson of New York. They were printed in theets of one hundred stamps. They were flrst issued to the public August ish, 184 .
ic brown, bluish paper, portrait of Benjamin Franklin from painting by Ino. B. Longacre. There were $4,400,500$ of these stamps printed, and of these, $3,700,400$ were distributed to Postmasters.
loc black, bluish paper, portrait of George Washington from the painting by Gilbert Stuart. . There were $1,480,950$ of these stamps printed, and of these there was distributed 890,550 .
$\$ \$, 300$ worth including buth values were redeemed and exchanged for the new stamps issued in 1851.
both these stamps were demonetised June 30th, 1851, and the plates were destroyed Dec 15th of the same year.

In March 1875, new plates were made and official imitations were issued for the Centenial Exhibition in Philadelphia in 1876.

The loc value is often found on gray paper, it is an undecided question whether this is the bluish paper faded to gray, or if they were really issued on gray paper.

# Che Treasure of Mr. Easibuoy 

## $B_{B} \boldsymbol{N}$ Narcissus

He was a very agreeable old gentleman, who had made quite a pile money by a small manufactory and was in very comfortable circumstanes He bore that well-to do look, that pleased with evergbods manner, the made his rotund countenance, ornamented with elegant white side whiskes beam with good nature like the rising sun.

He was just the man one would fancy as taking the downward pathe life very contentedly, and who would be likely to hava several favorite had bies. And so he had; for he collected both coins and stamps; and as I me not interested in the former, it was in connection with the laiter that became acquainted with the dear old gebius. When he found out that was a philatelist he said, "Oh, I hear you are interested in stamps, ste into my place when you are passing and have a chat and see my stamps: I stepped in one day and found a drawer full of common current stamns tha he had been saving up for years and which he had never had tise timet sort over. His idea was that if he kept them long enough and soaked df the paper and tied them up in bundles of 100 that thes would one darb worth at least their face value. He invited me to undertake the task ald seep out a few for my trouble, but (ungrateful wretch that I was) $1 \mathrm{~d}_{\mathrm{t}}$ clined, being a rery busy man. IIe then, with much pomp and disply brought out his collection mounted in a ten cent exercise book and saith "now you will see something worth looking at." I looked, and behold, few perhaps 500 in all from about 20 or 30 countries, the whole thing on worth over two dollars at their highest value. Imagine my dissappoint ment. He further informed me that he had at home somewhere in the garret an old trunk that belonged to his father, and which he believed con tained a lot of very old letters, and some day when he had time he wa going to overnaul it and see what he could fod in the way of stamps and lad me see them, and would share up with me. Now I began to swell game and got interested, and asked when he would have time. Every time I mad him I would ask him, "Have you overhauled that old truni yet," and ead time he would say, 'No, I have not been able to do so yet'". Until one dy he announ ed the joyful fact that he had found them and if I would callin I might see them. You may imagine how quickly I was there, and with what what eaferness I laid hold on the bunch of original covers he handed mal

There were visions in my mind of rare old issues of U. S. and Greal Britian, and perhaps some scarce B. N. A's. I quickly scanned them axd to my utter dismay found nothing better than a few very ordinary $\mathrm{U} . \$$ and a few Great Britain, 2d of 1887 . This was the great treasure with which my new friend Easibuoy expected to surprise and delight me and $x$. was woefully disappointed it did not work.

Because of the change in the colonial postal rates, there will be no u* hereafter for any centimes stamps. The recently issied 35 centimes cores both the postage and the registration fee. The 35 centimes printed in blat and yellow, has been added to the following Freach colonies: Anjonan French India, French Oceanica, Gabon, Grand Comoro Island, Madagascah Martinique, Mayotte and St. Pierre Miquelon.

Portugal is about to issue a ${ }^{\text {meries }}$ of stamps for both Azores and Madeira.

At the American Phiiatelic society's convention, which was held recently in Poston the members decided to adopt an association badge.

At the universal postal congress held recently in Rome, it was decided that after Oct. 1,1907 the rate for foreign mail matter would be 5 cents for each ounce, with a rate of 3 cents for each extra ounce.

The United States government has recently abolished the personal fees in the consular service. Every consular or notarial act performed by the consul must be registered and an official stampattixed. The stamp sigoities the amount received by the consul for performing the duty. The state department has sent out the first supply of these stamps. There are six denominations: 25 and 50 cents; $\$ 1,2.50$ and $\$ 10$. The stamps are printed on white paper. They bear the inscriptions, "America Consular Service'" and "Fee Stamp." The consular cancels the stamp either by using the consular seal or by writing his initials across the face.

Members of the society for the prevention of tuberculosis are not the only persons interested in calling attention to the dreaded disease. On April 1 the postmaster general issued some regulations to prevent the spread of tuberculosis in the government buildings, offices and workshops Three days later F. A. Busse, the Chicago postmaster, issued a bulletin printed in bold black type, calling attention to the regulations made at Washington.

The convention week of the American Philatelc Association has come and gone. The attendance was a large one. The attraction on the tirst evening consisted of the exhibition of several very interesting collections. The rare Hawians belonging to L. L. Green; the United States collection owned by C. F. Rothfochs; M. H. Lombard's collection of Luxemburg; two colletions of twentieth century stamps made oy E. M. Carpenter and B. L. Irew, rival Boston stamp dealers; some original covers, the property of Edward de 7 Kelley, were among those exhibited. A frame owned by Dudley Peckman contained three of the rare "missionaries" of Hawii, a Battleboro, a Millbury on the original cover and some other interesting locals, which held the attention of many of the philatelists. The president, William ©. Stone of Springtield, in his address made mention of the various new issues during the year, including those of Montenegro and Wurtemburg, both of which were commenorative issues. Mr. Stone also mentioned that. a new series bearing the portrait of King Haakon VI was likely to be issued by Norway.
[Juring the past year members were added to the membership list which is now 883. By the next convention time it is hoped that the society will have 1,000 members at the least. Denver has been chosen as the next place of "meeting.

## Offers $\$ 10,000$ for a Stamp

That thete is a United States five-cent postage stamp which is worth $\$ 10,000$, a price exceeding the highest tigure ever pald for a stamp of any country, way seem surprising to people not of the postage stamp collecting cult; yet an American collector offers that sum for a copy of the Annapolis (Md.) postmaster stamp on the original envelope similar to the one in the collection of the Earl of Crawford, which is said to be the only specimen of its kind in the world nud is looked upen by many as the greatest rarits known to philately

This would make the Annapolis stamp the highest paiced in the world, says the N ew Yori Sun. Next to it in point of value is a specimen of the two penny Mauritius stamp, for which the German Postal Museum is said to have paid $\$ 9,022$. After this ranks the one-penny Mauritius stamp, for which the Prince of Wales not long ago paid $\$ 7,200$.

This highly valued bit of paper shows in one corner a circular black stamp, in the center of which is an eagle with expanded wiugs. One of its talons grasps a branch, while the other holds three arrows. In the beak is held a sprig of olive or palm.

At the top of the stamp is the inseription "Post Office," and at the bottom, "Anuapolis." To the left of the stamp is a large figure " 5 ", un. derneath being "Paid". The color is red on white and the stamp was issued by Postmaster Martiu F. Revell in 1846. W. A. Castle, of Philadelphia, formerly owned the only bnown specimen.

There is no series of postage stamps held in higher esteem by the collec. tors than the postmaster stamp which include between 10 and 15 general types. They were the forerunters of the regular United States stamps.

On Xarch 3, 1845, an act was passed by Congress establishing the uniform postage rates of 5 and 10 ceuts, but the Postmaster General was not authorizad to jssue postage stamps until March 3, 1847. In the meantime while the postmasters of certain cities had stamps, prepared and s nd them to the public without authorization. They were sold at a slight advance to repay the postmaster for the cost of production.

The siguature of the postmaster appeared on the stamp to show that payment nf postage had been made. The postmaster of New York and his deputies us:l their initial in marking the stamps; the New Haven postmas. ter wrote his name; so did the postmaster at Baltimore. The Alexandria postmaster numbered his stamps, and the famous Brattleboro issues bear a fac simile of the postmaster's initials.

Postmaster stamps were first issued in New York City by Robert H. Morris. There was but one denomination, 5 cents, but there were many minor varieties. The indorsements, always in red inks, are "R. H. M." for the postmaster and "A. C. M." for Alonzo C. Monson, an assistant.

The design of the stamps shows the head of George Washington. At the top, on the extreme Jeft and right corners, are "New'" and "York," while underneath is "Post Ottice." At the bottom is "Five Cents". The general color was blue. One variety is worth $\$ 60$ unusgd and $\$ 25$ used. While none of the rarieties are high priced, still all bring from $1 \$$ up.

A lexandria postmaster stamp is one of the great rarities. It was issued in 1846 when Daniel Bryan was postmaster. The design is typeset with a
ireular ornamental border.
Within this, forming another circle, ate the words "Alexandria Post bilice." and inside of the second circle is "5 Paid." This stamp is found boly in black, but the cancellation is hand-stamped in red. As this variety is seldom offered for sale it is difficult to estimate its value.

Next came the Baltimore stamp. They were issued between 1845 and 1849 during the incumbency of Postmaster James M. Buchanan. Two valhes were printed, 5 and ten cents, of numerous varieties, every one of which is exiremely high priced.

Each of these denominations is in black on white and black on blue. The design is extremely simple, consisting of a narrow rectangle of faint lines. with the signature of the pustmaster written over the printed value.

The ten-cent, stamp is rarer. A scarce variety of this denomination on white of which there are only two specimens known, is worth five thousand dollats and is now rated as the costliest of American stamps, for this is the largest sum ever actually paid for an American stamp. The five cent varieties are all very rare, being worth from $\$ 5$ up.

T'he famous Brattleboro stamp issued by Postmaster Frederick N. Palmer, in 1846, was in black on buff paper. It was an engraved design and shows "Brattleboro, Va.," at the top, "5 Cents"' at the bottom.

On either side of this inner frame, in which the postmaster wrote his initials were the letters "P.'" and "O." The value of the Brattleboro is about 865

Col. Asa H. Waters the postmaster of Milibury, Mass., in 1846 jssued a stamp made from a wood block and printed one at a time on a hand press. This bore the portrait of Washington surrounded by 'Post Office Paid 5 Cts, The cancellation mark "paid"' is in red.

There are several copies of this stamp in existence one of which is a perfect unused specimen owned by M. La Renetiere of Paris, the world's greatest stamp collector. It is easily worth one thousand dollars.

When E. A. Mitchell was postmaster of New Haven, from 1844 to 1852, he issued a stamp of 5 cents denomination in red and blue, which was cancelled in contrasting colors. The stamp was made with a brass hand stamp and stamp and shows the word "Postoffice" at the top of a heavy border, with "New Haven Ct., '" underneath. Below is "5 Paid"' and at the bottom "E. A. Mitchell, P. M."

It is said that the original die of this stamp is now in the possession of a grandson of the former postmaster. A good copy of the New Haven is valued at $\$ 12$.

It has been asserted that a postmaster stamp was issued in Philadeplhia when George F. Lehman was pustmaster from 1845 to 1849 but experts say that the closest search has failed to bring to light any such stamp. It has also been said that Phineas Allen, postmaster of Pittsfield, Mass., issued a stamp in 1846 or 1847 but no definite facts have been discovered.

Providence, R. I., is credited with stamps of five and 1 cents denomination issued during the postmastership of Welcome R. Sayles, in 1846. The design is about the same in both values and is engraved.

An oval with an ornameutal background bears the woids in three lines: "Postoftice, Prov. R. I.," with the denomination, 5 or ten. Both values were printed in black with mang varieties. All the cancellations were hand stamped in red.
(To be continued.)

## OUR ILLUSTRATION.S

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STANLEY MYTIALER is a commercial photographer, stamp add post card collector, and has been in the photo business for about one year. His collection of postcards numbers about one thousand mostly photo cards - hich are very fine and he would not part with them at a great means. He also has quite a collection of fureign stamps and old $U$. $S$. issues. He find stamp and post card collecting very interesting and instructive, they are not without their educational value. He is a charter member of the National Camera Club. He is state representat!ive for the National Amateur Photo Ass'u, and belongs to a number of print and post card exchanges. He has some interesting photo post cards and will exchange promptly with all.

CHESTFR C. WELLS, a resident of Freeport, Ill., is an enthusiaste stamp collector, and camera "fiend" and an appreciative subscriber of the WEST. In addition he is a writer employed on a Freeport daily. Mr Wells is a comparatively young man, but his collection, white by no means one of the largest, is one of great local interest, and he never ceases talking stamps to his friends and in his sleep. While his work on the newspapet was less strenuous he organized and condicted the Hamlet Stamp Co but he recently sold this branch of his business to Ward Mayer who is still conducting it. Wells is also experienced in magazine advertising, having done that work for a period in Chicago. Ile is always glad to give a fellow collector the "glad hand," whether Freeporter or stranger. IIe has MSS. in WEST and we hope to see more of his.

GILBERT N. GUNDESRON, was born in Minneapolis, Minn., Jun 10, 1888 , and in 1890 moved to Willmar, Minn., and received his elementary education in the graded schools of that city. In 1898 he began to collect stamps and had a very nice collection, but in 1900 he moved back to Minne apolis where he sold his collection In 1904 he started to deal in stampe and done quite a good business by selling to friends. And in 1905 he iccreased bis stock and issued a price list and started to advertise in the WEST, and says that the WEST is the best stamp paper out. But in $1900^{6}$ he sold out his entire stock. He is now attending college in this city, but is still interested in souvenir post cards, stamps, coins and paper mones. He sends clippings and notes almost every issue to WEST and we would be pleased to see same from all readers.
B. MAX MEHL is 21 years of age and has been a coin collector all his life and a dealer for about 3 years and is now devoting all his time to the
coin business. IIe has a large and growing trade and has published the Star Coir look the sale of which is far above his fondest expectations and prospects are very good. He is a member of the Masons and several other bocietics. See his ad on the back cover of this magazine.

## U.S. Department ftamps

The Department Postage Stamps of the United States furm the subject of an interesting short paper contributed to a recent issue of the "Bazaar" by Mr. B. T. K. Smith. We produce the article in its entirety:

These sets were issued on 20th May, 1873, and were printed in the following colours: Agricultulre, golden yellow: Executive, carmine; Interior, vamilion; Justire, purple; Navg, blue; Postoffice, black; State, deep green; (the "dollar" values with central medallion- portrait of Wm. H. Sewardin black); Treasury, brown; War, rose-red. The Esecutive Department discontinued the use of its stamps in 1877, and on 1st May, 1879, the Postoftice Department also ceased to use special stamps. The other Departments continsed to use theirs, though to a lesser extent (owing to the introduction of what are called 'penalty envelopes''), and it was not until Juls, 1884, that the use of departmental stamps was detinitely abolished.

According to a writer in the "Philatelic Advertiser" of New York -"many of the older officials will recollect the time when all otticial mail required stamps, and how stamp collectors swarmed the olfices to obtain the stamps. On Saturdass it appeared that all the school boys in Washhington swooped down upon the departments after stamps, and among them were mans boys with whiskers on their upper lips. Rut the grand rush occurred in 1879. Everybody wanted the unused remainders left on band, and as the stamps possessed no intrinsic value, and could not be used for postage on ordinary mail, officials gave the stamps away in unused condition, as was the case with 'dollar' values of the State Departinent, sometimes drew a penmark across the face of the stamp.

The "dollar"' values of the State series are rare, especialls the \$\%, and it seems probable that not more than 1870 copies of the latter were printed. Collectors should beware of German-made imitations of these values; they are inscribed "Fralsch" or "Facsimile": but the word is carefully erased by unscrupulous persons, and the stamps are palmed off as genuine. Another favorite way of "faking' the scarcer Departmentals is by taking cardboard proofs, thinning them down to the thickness of ordinary stamps, and perforating them.

The writer quoted above also describes "how a collector cornered the market on 90 c Justice stamps. This phialtelist discovered that only a small quantity were eper printed, and figured that some day it would command a high price. Accordingly he set about buying at auction and at private sale every copy of this stamp that was offered. At that time the current price was about 85 . Atfer a time collectors and dealers noticed that they were never able to get this stamp at auction; that some stange person gobbled them up no matter what augbody else bid; then after this party had gathered in many copies of the stamp, and dealers and coliectors had awakened to the fact that he proposed to take all offerings regardless of price, there was a tremendous scramble, and the price advanced by leaps to $\$ 55$. Today, when one mentions 90 cent Justice, the collector thinks of peaches and cream.

# The Most Popular Subject Design on the Stamps of the United States 

## By A. W. Wheeler

The high esteem in which Washington is held by the American peoph is in no place more manifest than in the stamps of the United States. Sinod the birth of the American postage stamp up to the present day the porthif of Washington has been the most prominent figure on United States stamma His portrait has appeared on every one of the twenty general issues of the Uuited States. Locals, Revenues, Department, and Envelope, as welle the adhesives of the general issues, have all borne his likeness. These mind issues do not however arouse as great a patriotic interest from their desiga as does the major or general jssue. Hor, it is this later issue which come in contact with the greatest number of people. In these general issues alond the portrait of Washington has the distinciou of having appeared on eighteet decidedly different designs. The portraits for these designs were copied fros such famous masters as Sturat and Houdon. These eighteen designs d which I made mention appeared in some twenty three issues, eleveln cootained designs which had not previnusly been printed. These designs wern printed in color. Up to the present time a multitude of shades of twelre principal colors have predonsinated in the designs.

The denominaion on which the stamps appeared is also of importanat The number of denominations seems to be seven. 'This would not be of sy much importance if it were not for the fact that Washington occupied place on the stamps that were most commen in use. From 1855 to 1870 thy commonest stamp was the three cent denomination. From that date until now the postal rates have made the two cent the predominating one. Nearly every one is familiar with the current t.wo cent stamp which still bear the portrait of Washington. In conclusion it may be said that the portrat of Washington holds the unprecedented record of appearing on lifty three distinctively dissimilar general issues, not counting minor varieties.

> A FEW ADDITIONAL OGSERVATIONS.

Washington was the first president to appear on a stamp.
The first general issue (which bore his portrait) appeared forty eigh years after his death.

The principal colors used on the Washington designs are: black, red green, lilac, blue, rose, pInk, scarlet, brown, lake, carmine, and vermilion,

Washington's wife, Martha, was the first and up to the present time the only woman whose likeness has been depicted on an American postag stamp.

Washingtun on $\Lambda$ merican stamps is to America what the "Queen' head': is to England.

Roumania has recently issued a series of commemorative stamps whict serve a double purpose. They were issued to commemorate the fortiel anniversary of the accession of Prince Charles and also the twentr.fitt anniversary of the change of title from principality to kingdom. The 60 lowing stamps make up the series: 1 bani, bistre and black; 3b, red, bromb and black; 5b, green and black; 10b, carmine and black, and a 1 ler orange and black.

## A Lucky Pearl

## By M. F. Stelzer

With my duties at the oftice at an end, and all my personal correspondence answered, I sat down for my after dinner smose, put on my house moccasins, and let the world pass by while I would stand to one side and drean about the fine things contained in the WEST. Sitting there and turning over matter concerning several good stamp collections, I was suddenly aroused out of my stupor by the jolly and provoking ring of the telephone bell. The hour being late, I said to myself, who the dickens can that be, answering with a drowsy and angry-like hello. I was mortified to hear my best girl speaking and quick as a camera flash I changed wy voice and felt as happy as a lark.

On her asking me if I was still anake, I told her no, I am sleeping, which is a habit I possess. "If you are aware," she said, "there is a concert at West End Park tomorrow night and I am anxious to go. Won't you be a good boy and say we will go." Being flattered for her asking me, I did not answer to the contrary, and unnecessary to say, I had a pleasant evening.

On my way down the boulevard I suggested ice cream or soda, and went in a near-by parlor, which is rua by an intelligent Greek by the tonguetwisting name of Dom. Poppathevdarusalcratikumopolapallis. When we were ready to leave his place I noticed him reading a letter, and as I always enjoyed talking with him, we lingered a moment to ask if his girl from Greece sent the letter.
"Oh, no girl write, got from me brudder in l'atras." his native dialect still noticeable in his voice, "He send good lot stamps."

Dom, I said, give me the envelope please. His ever ready generosity was shown at once by handiny it over. Dom, I said, have you any more like that? "Oh ses, half trunk in back room."

The following morning after a sleepless night and permissably early, I made it a point to hie out to Dom's place for fear that half trunk would get away from me. Dom was up when I got there, in fact he is always up, same as I an, when I hear of stamps. "What you want early today?" Why, I want to see that half trunk. "Sure, my son, I open trunk sou help your-self Digging in a room which was not any too clean, I hauled the old, rusty and dirts tiunk out on a little porch, so I would not. suffocate from the ill smell caused from the stuffy and altogether small living rooms.

I dare say it took me fully a half day to look them stamps over and my work, however, was well paid for inasmuch as Dom said as I was a good customer I could have the stamps. I found among the minor stamps, viz: pr. 2dr Greece on 401 violet, 4d red Cape of Good Hope, 27 paras Roumania, 2 lire bl Tuscans, ld red on bl Transvral error, 10sh slate Malta, 1 t bl Persia, 10 Br Rhodesia, 2 k br and bl Russia, 6 p rose Virgin Islands.

Having invested money in a poor paying affair, I was somewhat "broke". I took the bunch of the Greek stamps and put them up at auction in a recent stamp sale which cleared my debt and left me a sum way beyond expectations. How I rejoiced, and not to be selfish I went to Dom and told him to see my tailor and have a ner suit made at my expense, and to my best girl 'Pearl'' I said name the day, and pick out the furniture at a store that gives trading stamps.

## Finding Rare Stamps

## By J. Edzo. Erdmann

"I don't see what you want to look over all those common stamps fort You must be crazg." This rude remark came from the lips of a handsome, humpbacked fellow of about fifteen years of age. It was strange that one who loved athletic sports as he did, should be sitting in the small bare roum idly watching the little cripple as he deftly looked over a great heap of common Austrians that were piled in a confused heap on the bed.

A flush passed over the cripple's pale thin face, but with his usual good temper he answered cheerfully: "Paul, if you will come here beside me and bring with you the first tive books on that shelf to your right, I'll show you why." As directed, Paul brought the volumes and idly looked at them. "Why, ther're all catalogues!' he exclaimed in surprise. "There's Bright \& Sons, Collins \& Calman's 'Catalogue for Advanced Collectors', Gibbons', Kohls',-yes and here is Scott's too. I've only got Scott's. What's the use of having so many?"

Without looking up or stopping an instant, his companion bade him open each to Austria.
"What's this? the others give more stamps than Scott. Which is right?"
"Do you notice, Paul, that the other catalogues make lists of perforation that Scott does not?" Perforations you remember, are the means of separating these stamps."
"You mean the holes on the edges?"
"Yes. The number of holes in the space of two centimeters determines its number. If there are nine holes in that space he stamp is perforated 9. You see I measure them all for watermarks too."
"Watermarks, is what you see when you put the stamp in the benzine cup, isn't thes?"
"Yes but why don't you use better grammar? See these stamps. They are 2 kreutzer stamps of " 58 . Use the glass and look at the bead."

Paul looked long and eanestly "Seems to me there is a little differrence, but I wouldn't be sure.'
"Now look in the Bright catalogue." commanded George.
"I see it now. It's in that lock of hair. What difference does that make?"
"Well, the first stamp is worth $\$ 2.50$ and the other is worth 16 cents by the cataiogue."

Paul puckered up his lips in an expressive whistle. "And is that why you look them over, so as to find scarce stamps?''

The cripple nodded. "Do you want to help?"
Without reply, Paul took the cellulloid gauge the other offered him and set to work. After a time, "Here's one that's different. It is perfor ated 12 on all sides. Is it a rare one?'"
"That is a reprint. No, don't throw it away, I want to study it."
Paul laid it aside and began on the issues of 1861 and 1883, keeping up a constant stream of questions all the time.
"Are the reprints any good?"
"Some people think a collection complete without them. Then thes ought always to be studied and the differences wherein they differ from the originals should be pointed out."
"Are they ever liable to be sold as genuine stamps?"
"Yes. The cantonal stamps of Switzerland have been extensively reprinted and forged. Only experts can distinguish between the genuine and the bogus. It is said that the members of a Swiss Philatelic club were in the habit of comparing all such stamps with those of their president. What was their mortification some years later to learn that the President's collection contained only one genuine stamp."
"Did you ever find many really good stamps?"
"I found several of the second issue Belgium on ribbed paper. In United States stamps I found two one cent, Type 1 issue of 1851 , one three cent of August. 1861, and several scarce grille varieties. I also found some of the 1873 issue on ribbed paper. Hest of all. I have found out for myself many small things about my stamps that add much to my store of philatelic knowledge and to my purse. I have several stamps that would be gems in any collection picked up in just such a way."

Just one word more to you who have patiently read this little story. Study your stamps. You may not fud rare stamps, but gou will surely tind an abundance of minor varieties, shades, and an immense store of valuable philateile information. It counts from a dollars and cents standpoint as well as from the standpoint of amusement and pleasure.

## Foreign Revenue Notes <br> By Oscar T. Hartman

A friend of mine had occasion to buy some pills so he bought some of English make. Here we tind out that all English patent medicines require a $11 / 2 d$ tax on each package valued at 1 sh. or under. They are bands and to be found in this country on any patent medicine of English make.

The first meat inspection law of this country was passed in 1891. Has been in force since and modifled June 30, 1906. There are all kinds of labels giving the inspection of the different abbattoirs. The highest number I have seen is No. 160.

Belgium issued in 18914 telephone stamps, somewhat larger than the issue of pastage of 1893 but nearly in the same style. There are 4 values 25 , 50 cent, 1 and 3 fr . By the way the letter $R$ in the beard of the king is quite plain. You need no glass to see it. You find it on the postage too. As occasion required other values were added a 30 and 90 cent, a 2 fr . and a 3 fr . 750. The latter is used for a special telephone conversation between Brussells and Berlin, Gemany.

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## Romantic Incidents in Stamp Collecting

## $\mathrm{B}_{\boldsymbol{y}}$ Narcissus

The history of stamp collecting is full of romance. In lucky tinds, ab. normal advance in price, discovery of errors, introduction of acquaintance, sudden making of fortunes; there are few other hubbies that furnish suchs fruitful field of research. The story of the cummencement of the Stanles. Gibbens business has often been told. How young Gibbons put a few stamps in his father's shop window, and how the thing grew until he could sell the business for twenty-five thousand pounds.

A large and well-known collection, full of rare stamps of the value of from $\$ 20.00$ to $\$ 250.00$ each has been large! formed by the fortunate pos. sessor from stamps for which he paid ioc per dozen. a little over twenty years ago.

It is said that another collector who started his collection in 1859 and kept a strict account of all his expenditures on his hobby, sold his stamps in 1896 for neariy $\$ 15,000.00$ aud the total cost to him had been only $\$ 350.00$.

I read that a collector in England. made a collection which up to 1811 cost him $\$ 1800.00$, when it was put aside until 1898 . It was then sold for $\$ 2000.00$ avd yielded a good profit to the purchaser.

Some stamps between 1875 and 1902 have advanced in value ftom 5 to $\$ 10.00$ and from 10 c to 7.50 , and from 6 c to $\$ 25.00$

The common stamp of today mas become the rare stamp of tomorrow.
One of the 12 d stamps of Canada is said to have been discovered in a very remarkable way. A Canadian gentleman living in a house facing the St. Lawrencer river had a packet of valuable documents which he was about to mail. It bore a 12d. stamp, and lay in a small iron cash box in the gentlemen's room. Before he had the chance of malling it however. a man in desperate straits tried to wrest it from him, and in the struggle a lamp was overturned which set the place on fire. The intruder, after firing at the gentleman managed to escape; the victim managed to throw the box out of the window and it fell on the thin jee of the river and broke through and sank. 'J'he next day the remains of the victim were discovered, but no trace could be found of the iron box and its contents. That was in 1851, and forty-one years later, in 1892 one of the dredges of the Montreal Harbour Commission was at work in the river when one of the men in charge noticed the Iron box. After making inquiries he was able to deliver the documents to the heirs of the rightful owner. In their gratitude they presented the finder with a cheque and the cover of the package which bore the 12 d . stamp, which by this time had become exceedingly scarce, and which it is said was sold for about $\$ 350$.

Another lucky find, in fact the most valuable in the annals of stamp collecting, occured in Louisville, Ky., in 1895 when the court house was being cleared out and the janitors were ordered to destroy a quantity of old papers which had been lying aside for near on fifty years. The janitor tinding some old stamps on some of the papers, showed them to a turnkes who undertook to sell them. They turned out to be the St. Louis stamps issued between $1845-7$, and the total tind was over 100 specimens, including 16 of the 20 c variety. Most of them were sold to five firms of dealers anda
pair of the 20e stamp was sold by one of the firms for over $\$ 5,100.00$. The poral of all this is, hold on to your stamps; get jnto the habit of carefully ramining all specimens that come in your way, examine them for colour fod all the niceties of the design, for paper, watermark and perforation, or for any possible error, and in this way you may some time tind yourself in possession of a stamp that may be, or may become a great and valuable arity.

There is a great fascination in the possibility of discovering a great farity, it gives a zest to collecting, preventing it from getting stale and monotonous.

## Collections

## By Gilbert N. Gunderson

Of all forms of collections, perhaps none is more popular with boss han postage stamps. It is instructive as well as an interesting pastime, for, besides havjng a collection valuable in itselp, you will incidentally gain considerable knowledge of history and geography.

In preparing your collection, a stamp album will be one of the first requisites. You will find in one much valuable information and it will be elmost a neecssity in properly arrangiug your specimens.

Collect first the stamps of your country. Remember although duplipates should never be put into a collection, they should be saved to exchange with other collectors, for only in this way will gou be able to obtain a varied pollection.

The greatest pains must be taken in arranging the stamps. Separate hem in groups, first according to the countries by which they were issued, then according to the period in which they were issued. Here your knowledge of history will come in use. Often the only way to determine the period is by the picture of the ruler which the stamp bears. After you have grouped your stamps accoriing to country and period, they should be still further separated according to ralues. Here sou will need to consult four arithmetic for a table of the relative value of coins of different pations.

Even after your stamps are placed under the proper divisions and subdivisions jou must be very careful in mounting them in the alburm. Never cover the back of the stamp with paste or gurm, but spread a thin coating of paste along the upper edge onls. Another very neat method is by means of hinge of gummed paper fastened to the upper edge.

In bujing stamps "beware of imitations." Sumetimes stamps which are nothing but forgeries (imitations of valuable stamps)are offered for sale.
"According to Mekeel's News and Trade Circulars" the 2 shilling 6 pence and the 5 and 10 shilling of Lagos are biing counterfeited by substifuting the values in the tablet of the penny stamps for those of the higher values. Bogus stamps are appearing from Bulgaria. The stamps counterfeited are the Shipka Pass series of 1902. They can be detected dy the paper which is much thinner than that on which the originals are printed fod by the fourth letter in the inseription, which is different from the original.

## One of the Oldest

## By Chester C. Yells

' Cincinuati, July 21st, 1837'' is the date line of a letter, one of the most prized of my collection of curios. If the old saying that there is nothing new under the son be true, I for one am perfectly willing to testify that I find my greatest pleasure in the older things of the universe and country, and I feel that this old letter will be of interest to every reader.

Whatever may have been the original color of my manuscript, it is nom a dry, uninteresting pink. In size it is about equal to two full sized business letter sheets, and folded in the middle as in the custom with our present personal correspondence sheets. After being written-and there are about two pages and one half of small, close and symetrical penmanshp-the double sheet was folded into three perpendicular sections and the ends for about two inches, folded under. The result was a letter folded into about the size of an ordinary envelope. According to traces remaining, a string apparently bound and sealed the missive.

The exterior will undoubtedly prove of most interest to philatelists and those who are interested in the postal history of the United States. In the upper left hand corner is the cancellation of the sending postottice, stamped in red. The words "Cininenati, O.' circle around the date "Jul 22"', and are themselves bounded by a red border. On the opposite upper corner, in heavy black ink, are written the figures " $183 / 4$ ". What the purpose of these are, I have never been able to discover. It is probable, however, that this was the amount of postage collected of carrying the letter. Nothing else appiars upon the exterior of the missive except the address, which is as follows:

> Mr. William Halliday
> Little Sands Lane
> Greenup County,
> Kentucky.

Of the letter itself, I can say nothing more than that its reading will prove absorbing. Several topics are dwelt with, every one of them having a part in the life of the writer. Reader, the difficulty which I found readiug the faded writing under a microscope I have eliminated for you, but I hope sou will enjoy it none the less.

Verbatim, the missive follows:
Cincinnati, July 21, 1837.
Dear Sir;
Since gou have left this city, I have been expecting a letter from jou. I should like to hear from one whom I have had so many frolics with on old Clinton's Ground, and be d- to it, for I have long since rued the day that I first saw it

My old partner Mark Williams has acted in such a manner that he is not, in my opinion, worthy of the name of gentleman or of an honest man. He has neither sent money, letter or anything else but his love, which God knows I don't care a d-for. But enough of this, it is painful to me and and uninteresting to you.

A few days since there was found the body of amurdered man near the

washed perfectly clean and there was no blood on or about hm, but there were several wounds and one of them, the one that killed him, was through the center of his heart. Dr. Ebberle of this city had it. My father saw it yesterday. They have got ten or fifteen Dutchmen for the murder and a great many Dutch gicls for witnesses. I hope to God they may hang the whole of them and set an example for this city is getting worse than New Orleans or any other place of its population in the United States.

I am a single man yet, but do not know how long I shall remain so, but presume it will not be more than fifty years or less, at least I hope so.

As your election comes off soon, you must write me and let me know how the Whig cause flourishes. Give my best respects to Mr. Booten and any one else you choose. Tomorrow I go to see the Lily of North Bend. She lives near the residence of General William Henry Harrison. You ought to see her, she is a peeler. I tell you her name, I suppose gou would like to know it. It is Catherine Wood. She is worth fifty thousand and as yet I have no opposition and I don't fear it if I should have for I have many teasons to believe that I stand No. 1. in her estimation. Bill, why don't pou get married, can't you find any one in Greenup to suit you? I hare just thought of old Barney, his wife and lovely daughters and dutiful son-in-law. What in $h$ - has become of them? I should like to know they all lose good things, some of them liquor and some other things. Ha! Ha! Ha!

I saw a few dass since, our mutual friend, little Bill Smith. Do you recollect the night we found him in the trees and the old gutter-horse rack standing watch $\hat{f}$ He looks quite natural, I assure gou. He inquired about fou very particularly and said d- old Clinton Fumace.

I don't know what else to sás, only if you do not answer this instanter I shall consider sou no friend of

Yours sincerely, James Pierce.
To Wm. Hollidar, Esy.

## WILL GERMANY ISSUE A PROVISIONAL STAMP?

After the suppression of the cheap private local posts, 1st A pril, 1900, Germany issued farthing stamps and farthing post cards. Now, strange to say, when most other countries try to cheapen the postal rates, the German Government raises them at least for local correspondence. The daily and the philatelic press grumble at this, as well as the general public, but there is no help, and siace 1st July no more farthing postage is permitted. The guestion is now what becomes of the obsolete 2 pfennig post cards, of which t is said about 20 millions are in steck, and what is to be done with the 2 pfennig stamps, of which also many millions are in hand. To destroy them fould be needless waste, and varlous journals and newspapers advocate surthargil:g with a Dew ralue, thereby turning out 3 pf. stamps and 5 pf. post pards. Although such course of raising the value is not customary, yet, as the whole stock is in the hands of the Government, there is no fear of any one attempting to surcharge unlawfully those stamps, not having any quanfities; moreover the gain would hardly pas the trouble. No provisional tamps have been issued in Germany as yet (the surcharged 26/9 gr. and 9 kr . of 1874 are not provisionals any more, as are the British surcharyed 3n, and d. stamps of 1883), and it needs to be seen what the near future will bring.


Questions relative to stamps will be answetw in this column free of charge to subscriben All questions must be sent to the above addres and a $2 c$ stamp must accompany each letter cor taining questions. When stamps are sent lo examination, return postage must be included beside the fee above provided for.

## By L. G. Dorpat, Box 37, とUayside, とeis

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303. What is the difference between the two types of the Uruguay it 1884: The most conpsicuous difference is that noticeable in the figures of value. Type $I$, which is the rarer and dearer one, has larger figures than Type II. Besides that, if you will lay a straight edeg even with the tops of the 5 s in Type I, it will almost touch the star in the upper angle of the diamond, while in Tpye II it will remain $11 / 2$ to 2 mm . below that star, it this is at all present. Then there is a difference in the head in the centre and also in the lines of rays and of background. The head it Type $I$ is narrower and more nearly oval; in Type II. the head is wider and more triangular. The lines in Type I are cluser together than in Type II.
304. What is the perforation of the Russian Charity or War stamp? According to a note in the Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung the perforation varies from $11 \frac{1}{4}$ to $131 / 4$, some even on all sides, some compound
305. What is the difference between pelforation and roulette? What we call perfuration is a series of holes punched into the paper between the rows of stamps to make their separation easy. The holes may be large or small, round or square, clean cut or with ragged degrees, near together or far apart. Thus we have various kiods of perforation. In some cases not holes but slits are punched intn the paper; if the $s$ ? its are shaped as a $V$ we call the perforation saw-tooth or serrate perforation, of they are shaped like a ${ }^{[ }$ we have a serpentine perforation, and if they are straight we call them roulette. Hence we may say roulette is that kind of perforation which cor sists of small strajght slits. There are several kiuds of this. One is produced by a little toothed wheel, another is produced by printers' rule (cut at jntervals) or composed of a line of hyphens or dashes. If the rule or line is inked, we get the colored roulette, is the paper in so not only cut, but re ceives an impression of printer's ink at the same time. The perforation gange is used to tell how many holes or slits occur in the space of 2 centimeters. In some cases there are only 5 or six holes in that space, in others there are 10,12 , or even 17 or 18.
306. What is the difference between imperforate and imperforated! 'There is no difference properly. Usage, however, tends to make a difference and to employ the term imperforate, when the intention is to say that the stamp in question never was perforated, while the term imperforated is employed to state that ihe perforation is missing (possibly cut awas.) This term was objected to, because it was thought necessarily to imply a changt from perforation back to a lack of perforation. It is good English, though, without this jmplication.
307. What is the difference between laid and wove paper? Laid paper, like that of the U. S. stamped envelopes, has light and dark lines in its texture. Wove paper, like that used for most of the common ners papers. is uniform in texture, or has minute light dots resembling somewhat the light dots visible in cloth that is held to the light.
318. What is pelure paper? It is a thin semitransparent paper, reseabling oiled or parafined paper. The first issue of Turkey is an example.
309. What is the difference between carmine and scarlet? Carmine is red with a slightly bluish tinge. Scarlet is red with a slight tinge of rellow. A good way to study colors is to get panes or strips of colored glass from some art study glass dealer. Ask for two shades, light and dark, of pure red, pure blue and pure sellow. If you get what you ask for, you will be enabled with these 6 glasses to make a large number of combinations by holding $2,3,4,5$, or 6 of them over one another between gour eye and the light (diffused sun light is the best). Dark red and light blue will gire you what very nearly what we call carmine. Dark red and light yellow will make scarlet. Dark red and dark blue, purple. Dark blue and light, red, ultramarine. Dark blue ánd light sellow, indigo. Dark blue and dark yellow, dark green. Light blue and light yellow, green. Dark blue and dark yellow and light red, olive or olive brown. The results will depend upot the shades you get and the purity of the primary or cardinal colors, red, blue and yellow. By adding "smoked'' glasses of various grades jou may produce darker or obscured shades.
310. How may one know what is meant, when a stamp is described as superb, perfect, Hne, good, fair, poor or bad? That is hard to say and depends on the person describing the stamp. All I can tell you here is how these terms should be used. The adjectve superb is harldy applicable to unused stamps and is in place only, when a stamp is in unexpectedly fine condition; it might be used though in a case where a certain unused stamp as a rule is found defective (unevenly centered, poorlv printed, etc.) and as an exceptional specimen is found which is perfect in all respects. A used stamp is hardly ever perfect, because part of the design is covered by the cancellation and the gum is either gone or adheres to the envelope. An unused stamp is perfect, if every part of it and all its particulars are as they should be (clean, full original gum, well centered, right color etc). The term "fine" is applicable both to used and to unused stamps and means that the majority of its attributes are as they should be, though one or two are not quite but only nearly so. A 'fair'' stamp is one that is ars average copy neither perfect nor fine, but not so poor or bad as to make it undesirable. A "good" copy is one that is a little above the average, jet not so good as to deserve the adjective fine. A "poor"' stamp is one that has one or two defects (heavy cancellation, uneven centering, straight edge, etc.) and a "bad" stamp is one that has serious defects (tear, hole, very heavily cancelled etc.) or too many slighter defects. Superb, perfect, fine and good stamps are also classified as firsts, fair as seconds and poor and bad specimens as thirds. Thirds are as a rule not desirable unless they are copies of very rare stamps and obtainable at 1-10 cat.
311. How may I best obtain new issues from foreign countries? What do you mean by "best" in your question? Do you mean in best coudition, or quickest or cheapest'; If the last is what you mean-taking for granted that unused stamps only aie spoken of-you may write to the postmasters of capitals, enclosing the face value of the stamps desired plus postage and registration fee. To get stamps in this way you must know and describe the stamps in your order. In case of provisional issues you may be too late, or the post master may return your money with the infurmation that the
desired stamps were all needed for local demand. If gou desire new issues in the quickest way possible you will have to establish agents in all foreign capitals to wutch for them and to send them to gou at the hour of their ap. pearance. To get such agents may take years of time, and then you must pay them for their services, which you can hardly afford to do, unless yon have much money to invest or a rery big stamp business to supply. If goo want new issues within a reasonable time and at reasonable figures but in the best possible condition, you will do well to make a deposit with best possible condition, you will do well to make a deposit with some of the leading dealers, H. L. 'Estrange Ewen, 32, Palace Square, Norwood, London, S. E. England, for instance, who will supply you weekly or monthly with all fou require. These deaiers have their agents in nearly all countries of the world, and these agents are educated in regard to condition of stamps, minor varieties and other particulars, that you mas expect to get just what yoo want. Besides postage and registration you will bave to pay 5 to 25 pet cent over face value. Some stamps or exchange societies have instituted a new-issue-supply-service, which you might make use of. The Cosmopolitan Correspondence club, for instance, will supply members with uew issues at 50 per cent over face plus postage and registration, but can not guarantee to supply all new issues, becauso it has not set established agencies in all countries. If you desire new issues of a few countries only, you will do well to name them to me; I may be able to give you valuable information in some cases.
312. Do illustrated post cards belong under the heading of philatels? Hardly. If the cards in question are issued with their illustration by any stamp-issuing government, then these cards mas be considered as belonging to the realms of the philatelist. But when official cards are illustrated by private parties, or when private post cards come into consideration, to which (the cards, of course) adhesive stamps must be affixed, we must consider these as lying beyond the philatelic limits. The illustrations in these latter two cases are in che nature of private correspondence or any other printing done by private parties. This does not mean that the exchange or collecting of picture cards, especially if they are tine, is to be denounced as an unworthy pursuit. On the contarry, it may be both interesting and instructive if only vulgar and obscene cards are excluded and it is done in the right was. All I risis to say here is that picture cards as a rule have nothing to do with philately.
313. I; there any international reply stamp, to be used on letters similarly as the reply card is used now? Not Yet. The Postal Congress at Rome resolved to introduce a new form of international money order or postal note, to be issued by the U. P. U. bureaux at Berne and to have the face value of 25 centimes or 5 cents $U$. S. These may be purchased at a slight advance over par ( 3 centimes) and sent to any country in the U. P. U., where they are receivable for the payment of postage stamps. The plan is practically the same as that employed for some time in the Cosmopolitan Correspondence Club, which issues an International Currency, the difference being that this currency is furnished at par and is redeemable by the Club, while the International Postal note is sold at an advance and is redeemable by any post office in the U. P. U. In all probability it will take some time before these notes can be purchased at all post ofices.
(To be continued.)

# Notes for U. S. Collectors 

## By E. R. Aldrich

There were issued during the iscal sear ending June 30, 1905 the following number of due stamps:


During the 1905 fiscal year there were prepared for use in the Phillipines 20040 books of stamps containing twelve stamps each and 10005 books with twenty four stamps in each. During the same period 310000 envelopes were supplied this branch of the service of which all except 40000 were of the one cent value. Only 2000 were "special request" envelopes bearing the purchase return card.

The final report of the special committee upon the financial committee of the New York Life Insurance Co. is mailed to polics holders franked by the New York Ottice paid permit No 203.

June 30, 1904 there were 301 post offices in buildings owned by the government while a year later the number has incrreased to 328, of these 200 were first class offices, 105 second class, 21 third class and two only, fourth class.

June 31, 1905 there were 36832 offices where pustal money orders could be obtained of which 7109 were authorized to issue international orders.

There is in operation in Boston 6.89 miles of preumatic tubing used in transinitting mail. There is an 8 -jnch tube from the general post office to the North Station, also to the South Station and one to Essex St. Station. a total of 2.07 wiles of this size tubing. Ten inch pipes reach from Essex' St. Station and Back Bay Station, Essex St. Station and Station A. From the latter a similar tube reaches to Roxbury Station and from there to Upham Corners Station, a total mileage of 4.82 miles of ten inch piping.

IIanovarians Stuff Mails to Force Reduction in Postage. Berlin, Sept. 10 - Because the postal administration has imposed a duty of tive pfennings instead of two on postal cards intended for urban delivery, the citizens of IIanover, have inaugurated a singular strike against the postal authorities. Instead of writing postal cards, thes all write letters, and not satisfied with sending their effusions in an envelope, they til it with newspaper so as to bring the weight of the letter to the maximum of 250 grammes. As the envelopes they now use are of the masimum size tolerated of 15 by 25 centimetres, it is easy to obstruct a letter box with only a dozen of such missives. The postal authorities are alarmed at this obstruction of the postal service, and it is probable that the former tariff of two pfennings on postal cards will have to be re-established.

# The Stamps of Norkay 

(Continued.)
One reason that has prompted us to give the minor varieties of thls, skilling stamp in such detall is the cheapness of unused specimens of both the gellow green and normal green shades owing to the existence of a ven large stock of remainders, and this may encourage "WEST"' readers to sefs for varieties themselves.

The other values of the series have not, so tar, proved to be so prolite in varieties. The obstacle in the way of individual research in regard to some of the values is the ditticulty of obtaining large blociss of the stamps in unused condition. We should be glad to hear from any WEST readers who could assist us with the loan of specimens for this purpose. Meantime a fen other known varieties may be noted ere we bring this article to a close.

The 3 skilling carmine, the 4 skilling purple, and the 7 skilling red brown, are known on a very thin, semitransparent paper.

The 2 skilling and the 4 skilling stamps exhibit a specially wide range șhade varieties.

Sixth issue (1877-78). - We shall deal with the stamps of $\mathbf{8 8 7 7 . 7 1}$ of the post-horn type (with values in "ore" iustead of "skilling'") and the three stamps with King Oscar's head of 1878 as comprising a single issue, since the stamps of the head type wese clearly issued to supplement the others. Let us give, first of all, a formal description of the whole issue, before going into the guestion of particular varieties:-

Issued January 1st, 1877: I ore drab. 3 ore, orange, yellow orange. 5 ore, blue, ultramarine. 10 ore, rose, dark rose. 12 ore, green (shades). 20 ore, brown, dark brown. 25 ore, mave, lilac, red-mauve. 50 ore, marove.

Issued October 1st, 1878: 35 ore, blue-green. (in ore, dark blue.
King's Head Stamps (October, 1878): I krona, light green (centre in dark green). 1 kr . 50 ore, ultramarine (center, bright blue). 2 krone, rose (centre in brown.)

Design:-For the ore values, as for the issue of 1872 the only material difference is the pricing in "ore" instead of in "skilling,', and the altered form of the inscription at foot now reads "Postfrim." and the valur. The design for the krone value shows a three quarter-face portwit of ling 0;ear IJ. within a central oval, above which appears a curved idvecturing thio name "N: rge"; at the sides appears "Post Frjm." while the value is placed at the foot of the stamp.

Paper, perforation, printing. - As before.
Watermark.-A posthorn.
The most conspicuous change associated with this issue is, of cours, the change of currency. The Norwegian monetary system was brought into tine with that of Norway on the 1st of January, 1877, and this first issue of stamps bearing values in "ore" and "kroce" is the outward and visible sign of the altered condition of affairs. The Norwegian "kruna" (which equals 100 ore) represents as nearls as possible 1s. $01 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. in British moneg.

Now, as to the minor varieties to be found in the stamps of this issue there are no perforation varieties, the gauge being, as heretofore, a constant $141 / 2$ horizontal by $131 / 2$ vertical. Nor have we ever seen any marked variation in the paper, which is alwass a machine-made wove. In fact the onls
varieties of any importance occur in the priuting. The full stop after "POSTFRIM" is occasionally missing, while minor variations will frequently be found in the form of the figures of value, especially in the 15 ore and 10 ore stamps. These latter varieties are explained by the fact that the printing of all the stamps was from a conmon die, with the exception of the numerals of value in the center and on the lower labels, which were inserted for each particullar value as occasion required.

Again, in printing the three high values of this issue the indication of value at the foot was in each case engraved by hand on each die of the complete plate of one hundred stamps. Necessarily this gave rise to small variations of cype, in some cases more marked than in others; indeed, it is probable that. if all the microscopical differences that must occur in handwork of this kind are taken into consideration, there are no less than one hundred type varieties of each of the three stamps with head of King Oscar II.

There was a very large issue-for a country like Norway-of the stamps priced in "krone"-viz, upwards of one million stanps of each value. Mr. A. Il Ilarrison is our authority for the statement that as late as 1897 there were over 600,000 of the 1 krona, 900,000 of the 1 lir . 50 ore, and 800,000 of the 2 krone remaining on hand; and this after the lapse of over nineteen years. Of course, the figures cannot be accepted as representing the real demand for stamps of these values, and we must look to the passionare patriotism of the Nolwegians for an explanation of he mystery. That the people of Norway strongly objected to the use of King Oscar's head on the national postage stamps is abundantly proved by the fact that one of the very first acts of the Norwegian government after the "peaceful revolution', of last year, was to 'retire" these stamps from active service. How many of them now remain? Probably more than half a million of each value. Whatever the number, it may be taken as certain that they will never again be placed on public sale in Norway while that country retains its present status of an inedependent monarchy. Nor is it at all likely that the authoritles will permit them to be doled out to stamp collectors as "remainders.": Quite possibly (and we confess the wish is father to the thought!) they will form the fuel for a gratid ofticial bontire.

Sevemh and Following Issues. - 'The Norwegian issues subsequent to the 18.7 emission have shown little change, and as we have jet much ground to rover in out study of the more recent issues it will be as well to conclude nur present series of arlicles at this point. At some future time we hope to go into the subject of the shaded and unshaded posthorn varieties of these later lisucs and also to deal with the official stamps and possibly the telegraphs.

Remainders. - In conclusion it will be interesting to reproduce a list of the Norwegian remainders as compiled by Mr. Harrison, Mr. Hubert Buckley, Sc. The right to sell these remaiuders to stamp collectors and dealers was granced to a Norwegian official for a term of ten rears (1888 to 1898) on the condition that he should take each year from the Norwegian Postoftice stamps of the face value of $£ 200$. The following are the quantities that existed in 1888-j. e., at the time when the agreement began its course:-

18;6 4 skialing blue, 35 specimens.
18632 skilling yellow, 8 specimens.
3 " Jilac, 50


1877, 3 ore, orange, 200 specimens.
5 " blue, quantity unknown
$10 "$ rose
12 " green, 629 specimens
20 " bromn, 722
It will be seen that apart from the 24 skilling brown of 1864 , the 2 skilling of 1867, and the 1 and a skilling of 1872, the quantities included in the otticial remainders were unconsiderable, and for all practical purposes we now safely assume that there are no remainders on band except of the particular values just referred to. Mr. Harrison, by the way, adds an interest. ing note to his table of remainders, to the effect that, out of the 722 specimens of the 20 ore brown, 1877, some 600 were sold to a business firm in Christiana, who used them to frank their correspondence.

## THE POSTAGE STAMPS OF CORRIENTES.

The stamps of Corrientes appear to have been really not ordinary postage stamps, but rather postage-due stamps, the stamp being, it is said, attixed by the post-office, and the amount of postage represented by them collected from the address. They were issued in 1856, and remained in use (with change of colonr) until 1880 . In 1883 the plates were sold to a private speculator, and a number of reprints made.

The design and its history is a curious one. The Director of the State Printing Establishment of Corrientes, Senכr Coni, undertook to make the stamps for the goverument but was unable to find any engraver in the cits who was capable of producing a die. Whilst he was in this ditticulty he happened to speak of it one day in the hearing of the baker's boy who was bringing bread to his house when to his surprise the lad told him that he was quite capable of doing the work for him, as he had been apprenticed to an engraver in Italy, his native country. Senor Coni showed him a French stamp, which the boy undertook to copy, with the lamentable result shown. However, the need for stamps was so great, that in spite of the roughness of the engraving, his work was accepted. The initials "M, C.' stand for 'Moneda Corriente,' e. g., current (paper) money.

It is reported that a special series of stamps will be issued soon, bf Brazil, to commemorate the third Pan-American congress. The designs were made by the noted artist, Bernadellj.

## Stamp Coilecting a.s a Pastime

## By A Cuban Collector

Many people are at a loss co understand the fascination that surrounds the pursult of stamp collecting. They are surprised at the clamishness of stamp collectors and their life-long, devotion to their hobby. They are thunder struck at the enormous prices pald for rare stamps, and at the fortunes that are spent and made in stamp collecting.

After nearls half a century of existence samp collecting has never been mote popular than it is today.

A tired worker in search of a hobby may be persuaded that of all his relations that are open to him, none is more attractive and more satisfying than stamp collecting.

Its literature is more abundant than that devoted to any other hobby. Its votaries are to be found in every city and town. Governments and statesmen recognize unsolicited the claims of stamp collecting-the power, the influence and the weath that it commands.

From a were schoo! doy pastime, it steadily developed into an engrossing hobby for the leisured and the buss of all classes and all ranks of life, from the monarch to the errand boy in the merchant's office.

In the competition of the modern life it is recognized that those who must work also play. The physician assures us that the man who allows no relaxation, no recreation, loses his energy and ages earljer than the man who judiciously alternates play and work.

As stamp collecting may be indulged in by all ages and at all seasons, it is becoming the more favorite indoor rlaxation with brain workers, it may be taken up or laid down at any time and at any stage. Its cost may be limited to cents or dollars and it may be made a pleasant pursuit or an engrossing study, or it may even be diverted into money making purposes. So absorbing is the hobby that in stamp circles there is a saying "once a stamp collector, always a stamp collector."

## THREE-CENT STAMP-COIN.

Dr. S. J. Cawseil of Rockford is the possessor of several varjeties of the old time postal tokens which came into use through the ingenuity of some clever person at the time following the beginning of the civil war when all coins and money disappeared from circulation. So great was the stress at that time that people began to use stamps as small change and someone with a head for business thought of casing the stamps in small round metal holders with advertisements on the back. These were put into disuse with the advent of the postal currency which Uncle Samuel issued to fill the need for change. The postal currency was soon displaced by the more common shin-plasters of fractional denominations and some issues are exceedingly rare. One of the brass encased stamps in the Caswell collection is a threecent red with the advertisement of the Ayers' Medicine Company in relief on the back. This is valued at a dollar and a half and others which he owns are still more rare.

One of the familiar and picturesque sights in Paris is the postage stamp market, which is held both in summer and winter, under the trees of the Champs Elysees. Here stamp collecturs meet, buy and sell, and discuss prices.

## Mexican Fiscals

## By F. A. Brown

(Continued).
1896-97, $26 \times 32 \mathrm{~mm} .$, pin point perf.
T5 12c rose
76 50c magenta.
$1897-98,28 x 35 \mathrm{~mm}$.
77 12c black 7850 c yellow
$1898-99,32 \times 26 \mathrm{~mm}$.
79 12c blue
$1899-1900,26 \times 35 \mathrm{~mm}$.
8050 c blue
81 100c pale green
$1890-91,35 \times 56 \mathrm{~mm}$. Plain tinted paper, wmk., Arms.
93 le brown
94 5e brown
9525 c brown
961 p indigo
${ }^{97} 5 \mathrm{p}$ indigo
1891-2,, $40 x 45 \mathrm{~mm} .$, wmk., greenish paper. General Guerrero.
99 10 blue
10125 c blue
100 5c blue
102 lp red
1035 p red
1892-3, $45 \times 48 \mathrm{~mm}$., portrait of Hidalgo?
104 lc brown
105 5c brown
$106{ }^{25 c}$ brown
107 lp green
1085 pgreen
1893-4, $44 \times 62 \mathrm{~mm}$, Liberty.
109 lc brown
11125 c orange
110 5c brown
112 lp blue
113 5p green
1894-5, $38 \times 55 \mathrm{~mm}$. Eagle.
114 1c bistre 115 a 5c yellow rgeen
11550 blue rgeen
117 lp red violet
1895 6, 45 x 39 mm . Liberty Cap over book inscribed "Ley"'(law) in centre.
119 1c orange
1205 c blue green
121 5c light brown
122 lp jellow green
123 5p claret
1896-7, 38 x 45 mm . Female figure.
124 lc bistre
125 5c orange
$1897 \cdot 8,40 \times 45 \mathrm{~mm}$. Arms in centre.
129 lc orange
1305 c brown
126 25e sellow green
12" 1p lilac
1285 p green
13125 c olive
132 lp blue
1335 p rose
1898-9, 40x23. Arms.
134 1c brown
136 25c blue green
$137 \mathrm{1p}$ violet
1385 p carmine
(To be contiuned.)


CHESTER C. WEIILS, Freeport, Ill.


Post Cards of John J. Lee, Ashtabula Harbor, Ohio. See his page ad in this issue.




I ...t (iads of John J. Lee, Ashtabula Harbor, Ohio. See his ad in this iss Continental Money taken by F. E. Halbert of Maine.




## Curiosities in Coins

## By D. A. Browne

Of the coins of the tenth century 1 might state there are very few people who know anything about them. I am reminded of many curious facts about an early coinage which is very little known outside of numismatic circles. For jnstance how many know that the words "E Pluribus Unum" which has appeared on various United States coins, and are on the standard silver dollars and the nickel five cent piece of today, were never anthorized by law to be so placed? Very few, and get, no doubt, as many know it as know that the late motto, "In God We Trust," which appears on all the minor coins, was likewise originally stamped on them without authority from the government.

The motto "E Pluribus Unum" tirst appeared on an American coin in 1786. There was no mint then, and, in fact, no United States; the constitution forming the Union not having as get been adopted. There was a private mint at Newbury, N. Y., and 'E Pluribus Unum'' was first placed on a copper coin struck at that mint. Very few collections have specimens of this coin. It is very valuable. In 1787 a New York goldsmith coined a piece of money which was known as the sixteen dollar guld piece; and upon it the motto was stamped in this form "Unum E Pluribus."

Only four of these coins are known to be in existence. They are valued at more than $\$ 2000$ each. New Jerses issued various copper coins in 1787 with the motto stamped upon them. A great many of our early coins, bepore there was any legal authority for vational coinage were made in Engfand, most of these were copper and were coined for different states and all bore the words "E Pluribus Unum." The United States Mint was established in 1792 but the use of the national motto on any of the gold, silver or copper colns was not authorized or directed by any of the provisions of the pot establishing it. The motto remained on our early gold and silver coins until 1834, when it was omitted from the goid coins. In 1836 it was omitted from the 25 cent pleces, and in 1837 from all silver coins. It was not tamped on any coin agajn until it appeared on the nickel and the standard ilver dollar. The words "In God We Trust" were first placed on the 2 ent piece which came into our subsidiary coinage in 1866 , but is now no
longer part of it. The mot to was plated there by direction of James Polloe then director of the mint at Philadelohia and not by any legislation of congress authorizing the minting of the 2 -cent piece. The motto was subse. quently stamped on our sitver half and quarter collars the mint thus boldy declaring the theological status of the country regardiess of the constitutiunal attitude on the subject

In 1793 the first gold coins were stamped by authority in the mint from gold found in North Carolina. By the way it may be another fact but little known that the first gold diggings and mines in the United States were in North Carolina and that the placer pit mines of that state together with those of Georgia and Sualb Carolina discovered later were so full of gold that they supplied the mints and the demands of trade in this conntrs with the precious metal from 1830 until the discovery of gold in California the mint having regions alone money than $\$ 25,000,000$ worth of gold. It. was the gold yied of North Carolina and Georgia that led to the establishment of the branch mints at Charlotte N. C. and Dahlonega Georiga.

Lang before that however gold dust being the universal circulating medium in lower North Carolina and Northern Georgia and the adjacent regions of South Carolina and the rist and inconvenience attending its use veing very grear, a German goldsinith named Christopher Bechtler estab. lisbed a private mint in the South Mountain district of North Carolina in Rotherford counts and seat for the turning of gold into money He stamped from the mines that brought in their gold, in either from the North $\mathbf{C}$ crolida Georgia or South Carolina mines, for coinage into denominations of $\$ 1, \$ 2.50$ and $\$ 5.00$. he receiving a certain percentage of the gold for his work. This mint was in operation from 1831 until Bechtler's death in 1843 . The coins were stamped and minted by a press and dies made by hecht ler himself.

The dies were cut with the denominational qualits of tineness of the gold, name of the coins, and the abbreviation of the mame of the state in which ti: gold was mined

No alloy was used in the minting. Bechtler was so conscientious in denoting the fineness of the gold that many of the coins of his mint that have been melted down and assased at the government assay office at Charlotte, have proved to be finer than the mark on the coins declared them to be. Bechtler made a fortune from the seignorage of his coining, and although the Uinited States branch mint was established at Charlotte in 1838, the Bechtler money was for years thereafter the popular currency of a large portion of the south. Even today some way back mountaineer occasionally presents one of these rare coins at the village store in payment for purchase, it having been prehaps hoarded for years in his family.

Yet, curious as it may seem, these old coins of that private mint in the wild hills of North Carolina, rare as they are, and of such interesting association, have but their face value among collectors.-Astoria Paper.

In the July 31, issue of the WES' I notice an article on an immense hornet's nest by Richard F. Miller.' I have one in my collection that is even larger than his. Mine was taken in 1905 by myself from a gum tree in this vicinity, and was about fifteen feet from the ground. It weasures io length, 22 inches: width, 17 fnches; Cir. around longest way, 55 inches: around center, 47 inches. This is the largest on record. Who has a largef one?

Willfam P. Agee, Jr., Hope, Ark.

## The Crudity of the U.S. Coins

## $\mathrm{B}_{\boldsymbol{\prime}} \boldsymbol{F}$. B. Wilson

Have you ever studied the beauty of the present coins of our countrg? Have you ever, in your mad rush for the almighty dollar, thot of the skill and art idealized by that doliar? Did I say skill and beauty-it was a mistake. Of all the highly civilized nations of the world, the United States is. noted for the brutality and crudeness of its coins. The business man has. not time to study the engravings on the coins. he leaves this to the collectors and the government. And what is their opinion? Unanimously the: collectors condemn the work on the coins and the collector is in a position to know. He is able to study the coins and compare them with other countries.

For just a moment, take a coin out of your pocket, and examine it. Look at the head designed on it See the coarse, vulgar features; the low browed forehead, the brutal nose, the low common cast of countenance. Honestly does this picture exalt the dignity of the American people? Now notice the eagle. Why, a child in our grammar schools could design a better eagle than that. It isn't even to be compared with the conventional eagle of the Germans. Should we allow this country to possess better coins than the Linited States.

On our common one cent pieces we again see the crudity of the designs. The Indian (?) represented on this coin is ton to the compared with the wooden Indian that we see in front of the cigar stores. If the real American should see this supposed reproduction of himself, I doubt exceedingly if he could tell for what it was designed.

But the director of our mints says our coins are "ideal". Is this the American Ideal? Have we degenerated to conceeding that the crude and valgar designs on our coins are our ideals? For a truly ideal take the old Greek coins. Here certalnly is the ideal The designs are perfect, the workmauship withnut an equal. Although these have been in circulation for centuries, they could be used for as many more. It is a pleasure to look at such coins as these.

Even the Abyssinians have better coins than the United States while those of England and France are far superior. The designs on the Hong Kong penny and the brouze coins of France are excerlent examples of an almost ideal modern coinage. The delicately modeled features of Queen Wifhelmia no the Ilolland coins when compared with the cheap design on the one cent piece of our country, will make us disgusted with our pennies.

We need a new set of designs for our coins. Will you help get it? It takes a special act of Congress to change the designs and you can hasten the act by using your influence with your congressman. The campaign for better designs on our coins is being very energetically carried on by the "Elder Monthly", a collectors' paper of New York City. 'The coin collectors of America are desirous of a set of coins that will at least compare faporably with those of Europe. We have the talent-St. Gaudens, Berber, Dalton and others are easily able to furnish designs of a higher quality for our coins. It only remains for Congress to act.
[n conclusion let me quote the following paragraph for the "Elder Montmly':-No vital excuse can be given by anybody for the uncouth and senseless aspect of our coins. Hasteu the exit of the whimsical pastry cook's --"eagle" and Caucasian "Iudian"; if we must have eagles and Indiaus on our coins. we want the real things."

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Kindly note Nember No 117 given in A ugust issue should be 130 . This lady has been away on a trip to Europe and is expected back by the time this paper is jssued, Oct. 1st. Member No. 117 is G. O. Morriset, St. George, Buance, Quebec, who has not been actively eschanging cards for some time, hence his name bas not been published.

RENEWALS.
1\%. Miss C. A. Hill, Glenora, Ont. 103. Miss Eva Crookshanks, Hoards Sta., Ont. 1. Miss M. Street, Box 137, Orillia, Ont. 12. Miss Mary L. Heath, Ileathton, Quebec.

Letter from Vice President.
「o our Exchange Members: Our club is now sixteen months old and is rapidly spreading over the world, and in order to keep in spreading till every land is represented in our list and we have the largest and best club in the world. We ask the help of all our members to make it a complete success. Une of the main things is to keep the rules No. 2 is very important (gour name and address and club number) but in my estimation No. I is most important and I am afraid all our members fail to live up to it for $I$ very often have complaints from members who have sent views to other members and get no reply. Value for value is all that is asked and is fair exchange
and it's very discouraging, especially to new collectors. People having thousands, or even hundreds don't mind one like our friends who have a dozen or so, and of course when we receive a card it's our duty to answer it and is the only was to make the club famous. I hope the members will think over this practical hint. Wishing sou all health, happiness and prosperity in making a collection of picture post cards of which gou may be justly proud, I remain Yours truly, M. Street, Vice President.

Letter from the President.
Dear friends and fellow collectors:-Let me congratulate and wish you all the good that may be derived from an exchange club like ours. May we prosper and may each one do his share as a member to help it on, so that our exchanges may soon reach to all parts of the world and be the largest and most enthusiastic sucial club in existence. Ans reliable exchacger is eligible for membership, and all favors shown by the club must be returned. Let us exert every effort to promote the welfare of the club and cheer the hearts of every nember and endeavor to push this proposition to the limit. "Esery man has a hobby,'" and what could be a better one, or one found more interesting and jnstructive both historically and geographically than the post cards excepting stamp collecting perhaps. The time has come that every, or almost every town in the United States has view cards of its own locality. At the present time there is hardly a college town which hasu't a good list of views of its college, etc. That our fad is becoming more popular every day is a settled fact, the largest magazines and papers are beginning to realize this and are printing articles relating to the collecting and publishing of souvenit casds. Our ofticial organ is one of the best, as good as ever, with interesting reading for all collectors, and which should be in the hands of all readers who have a hobby. Subscribe now before you forget it. May we all prosper, and always find some pleasure in partaking of the fad. M. Keller, President.

## Secretary's Report.

With this number I am very pleased to announce that Miss Ida Mae lijpper, 61 Alliston Ave., Emsworth, Allegheny, Penn., ex-vice president of the Pacitic Souvenir Card Collectors' Society, has very kindly consented to become our first Honorary President. Some time ago Miss Ripper had to resign her position with the P. S. C. C. S., owing to ill health and failing efesight, and it is only after recovering her health that she so kindly consented to fill the position mentioned above. Miss Ripper has had valuable experience with picture post cards and post card societies and I'm sure our club has a great deal in store for all its members since we have such able and esteemed officers as Miss Ida M. Ripper for our first Honorary President, Miss Madeline Keller, president and Miss Mary Street, first vice president.

Thinking we shall better suit all our members we have decided to adopt lissuing reprorts and lists of new members etc., only every two months instead of monthly. By so doing we hope to give more time to each report and have a better list of new members to issue each time. This plan will he tried while until Xmas and if successful it will be continued. If there are any members (who reside in cities where there are a lot of card collectors living) would like to help us they can have circulars by writing to me for them. We particularly request all members in large cities to help us in gaining new members.

Kindly note names withdrawn: No. 98 Miss A. R. Brown, New Zeal. and; No 193 Miss J. Hunter, New Zealand.

Cancelled members, No. 60.
Expired members No. 24.
I am still waiting for the renewal subscriptions from all those who have received requests. I expect to have a good report for Dec. 1st. All help to make our Xmas report a good one. ${ }^{-}$

On behalf of the offlcers, I am
Yours truly, C. A. Hives, Sec.-Treas.

## THE KANSA~CITY תTAMP CLUB

ORGANIZED FER. 1905
The only stamp collectors society in Kansas City. Regular meetisgs are held on the second and fourth Fridays of each moath at $7: 45 \mathrm{P}$. M. in Room 43. fourth floor of the Jenkins Enilding. Tbin. teenth and Grand Aventue, Kausas City, Mo. Visitors are always welcome.

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PRESIDENT'S NOTICE.
Our last meeting, held September 14, was well ${ }_{2}$ attended and unusual interest was manifested throughout.

Many indications point toward aseason of unusual philatelic activity here and as a result our meeting from now unt.il spring show a marked increase is attendance and enthusiasm. A new consignment of application blanks has just been received from the printer and we rely upon our members to use these up. We strould not be satisfied with a membership of less than forty and if each of our present members will induce only one person to join our society we will have more than the desired number. As a furthet inducement toward this end a 50 dollar revenue of the 1898 issue and catalogued at two dollars and a half will be presented to the member who has secured the most new menbers before Dec. 1. Monthly prize of value in addition to rhis will he awarded to those members who secure the most nem members each month.

Sincerely yours, Paul Luther, President.

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\text { SEORETARY'S RIPPORT, Sep. } 21,1906 .
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The following persoms were admitted to membership in the club at the meetjug of Sep. 14. 1906: Mr. Chas. Rouse, Mr. Bernard Kerr, Mr. Franklin Nelson, Mr. Chas. C. Scott and M. C H. Saint.

Mr. II. Poindexter was the drawer of the prize which at this meeting was a 10 dollar gray revenue, 1898 issue. Other stamps of less value were drawn by several of the other members present.

Mr. A. Nelson was awarded a 20 dollar conveyance as prize for securing the most new members from June 1 to Sept. 15.

Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelson, Secretary.

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\text { LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, Sept. } 21,1906 .
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A lot of 44 phlatelic papers have been received and placed in the library since my August report, these having been recieved in exchange for duplicatte copies which were in the library.

In the librarian's report for August, the second paragraph should be
corrected to read as foilows: Insthe lot received this month there were seventeen books as follows:-Scott's Catalogue for 1897, 1898, 1901, 1902 and 1904: Gibbion's Catalogue of British Empire 1902, Foreign Countries 1902, Eutire World 1903, British Empire 1904, Rritish Empire 1905. Mekeels International Catalogue 1897 edition: and year books of the A. P. A.for 1893, 1900, 1902, 1903, 1904 and 1905. In the third paragraph 32 exhibition catalogues should read 2 exhibition catalogues.

Our library is in need of Scott's and Giboon's catalogues for all years escept those named previously in this report. Anyone having these for sale plealse notify giving terms.

Respectfully submitted, Arthur L. Nelson, Librarian.

## Relics of Old Manhattan

## Joseph E. Mueller

A number of relics have been found during the last few months in diggiog foundations for new sk sscrapers in New York City.

As the higher they go up, they necessitate deeper foundations. For this reason calssutus were invented. A caisson is simply a tube which is slowly sunk into the earth until it at last rests on rock At its top it has an airlock, and a pressure of atmosphere at thirty pounds to the square inch keeps out the water. Once this bore is cleared and rock bottom reached, its bottom is secured and tilled with concrete. This concrete is later capped with marble and then the structural work commences.

Evell when the work in the caisson has barely begun, workmen find curious remmders of 40 or 50 years ago. Sections of old water pipes. coins ff colonial mintage, pocket knives of quaint design, and all manner of triffes are found in the loose earth. Sometimes a coin of rare value is found, such as a big copper cent of 1856 which was recently found by a workman.

Most of these finds are kept in the "curiosity shop" of the contracting mompanies, and some have enriched college collections and mussums.

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Kindly note names withdrawn: No. 98 Miss A. R. Brown, New Zeal. and; No 193 Miss J. Hunter, New Kealand.

Cancelled members, No. 60.
Expired members No. 24.
I am still waiting for the renewal subscriptions from all those who have received requests. I expect to have a good report for"Dec. 1st. All help to make our Xmas report a good one. -

On behalf of the officers, I am
Yours truly, C. A. Hives, Sec.-Treas.

## THE KANSA~CITY תTAMP CLUB

ORGANIZED FEB. 1905
The onty stamp collectors society in Kansas City, Regularmeetidgs are held on the second and fourth Fridays of each moath at 7:45 P. M. in Room 43, fourth floor of the Jenkins Bnilding. Thir teenth and Grand Avenue, Katisas City, Mo. Visitors are always welcome,

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PRESIDENT'S NOTICE.
Our last meeting, held September 14, was well ${ }_{\text {an }}^{\text {ro }}$ attended and unusual interest was manifested throughout.

Many indications point toward arseason of unusual philatelic activity here and as a result our meeting from now unt!l spring show a marsed increase in attendance and enthusiasm. A new consignment of application blanks has just been received from the printer and we rely upon our members to use these up. We should not be satistied with a membership of less than forty and if each of our present members will induce only one person to join our society we will have more than the desired number. As a furthet inducement toward this end a 50 dollar revenue of the 1898 issue and catalogued at two dollars and a half will be presented to the member who has secured the most new members before Dec. l. Monthly prize of value io addition to this will he awarded to those members who secure the most ner menters each month. $=0$

Sincerely yours, Paul Luther, President.
SECRETARY'S REPORT, Sep. 21, 1906.
The following persous were admitted to membership in the club at the meetiıg of Sep. 14, 1906: Mr. Chas. Rouse, Mr. Bernard Kerr, Mr. Franblin Nelson, Mr. Chas. C. ScotL and M. C II. Saint.

Mr. II. Poindexter was the drawer of the prize which at this meetion was a 10 dollar gray revenue, 1898 issue. Other stamps of less value were drawn by several of the other members present.

Mr. A. Nelson was awarded a 20 dollar conveyance as prize for securing the most new members from June 1 to Sept. 15.

Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelson, Secretarg.
LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, Sept. 21, 1906.
A lot of 44 philatelic papers have been received and placed in the library since my August report, these having been recieved in exchange for duplicatte coples which were in the library.

In the librarian's report for August, the second paragraph shouid be
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Our library is in need of Scott's and Giboon's catalogues for all years except those named previously in this report. Anyone having these for sale please notify giving terms.

Respect fully submitted, Arthur L. Nelson, Librarian.

## Relics of Old Manhattan

## Joseph E. Mueller

A number of relics have been found during the last few months in digging foundations for new skyscrapers in New York City.

As the higher they go up, they necessitate deeper foundations. For this reason caissulus were invented. A caisson is simply a tube which is slowly sunk into the earth until it at last rests on rock At its top it has an airlock, and a pressure of atmosphere at thirty pounds to the square inch keeps out the water. Once this bore is cleared and rock bottom reached, its bottom is secured and filled with concrete. This concrete is later capped with marble and then the structural work commences.

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90. Miss Ida W. Thomas, 337 South $26 t \mathrm{~h}$ St., "Lincoln, Nebr. 91. Miss Anna Nielson, 104 South Leavit St., Chicago, Ill. , 92. Miss Florence E.. Trumbali, Spring Valler, Rockland Co., N. Y.

## PIN AND PENNANTS

The names under this heading want to exchange college, high schools or university, piu or pennants.
93. Miss Wilma Hanger, 806 So. IIth St., Liucoln, Nebr. (Pennants.)

Miss Cozette McManigell 1315 K St. Lincoln Neb. (Pennants.) To members of the "Central Souvenir Card Club"':

In repls to the general desire for post-cards of the New Mexico Territory capital in exchange for those sent mel desire to say that as these can not be purchased in Las Vegas I have decided to send to the Capital city for some. I will send views in exchange until they arrive.

Hoping you a rapidly incraesing success, I am
Yours respectfully, Thornton Doelle, Mex. Rep. RADGES.
The names in under heading wish to exchange either ribbon or other sort of badges. (No names.)

No complaints.
Last month 40.

## NEW MEMBERS.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Ted Wolfanbarger from 105 A St. to 102 A St., Lincoln, Nebr. Rose Shimauels from 1309 O St., Lincolı Nebr. to Crete, Nebr.


St. Louis Ptamp Collectors Pociety


The forts-first regular meeting of the society was held September 4th, present being ten members and one visitor. As announced for the occasion, Mr. Cornwell addressed the meeting in a highly entertaining manner on the subject of his experiences at the Boston convention, describing in particular his amusing adventures as leader of a party that started in fruitless search of a certain wharf for the purpose of accepting a special invitation to a visit to Fort Warren Mr. Cornwall was heartily applauded for his discourse and was extender a vi to of thanks of the members present.

After the address informal discussions took place on the advisabilitry of establishing a branch of the A. P. A. in St. Louls. It was also decided to boom St. Lonis for the National Convention seat in 1908 and it is expected that our Society growing as"it is, in importance, will be able to show the collectors of the country that St. Louis is very much "on the philatelic map." We trust that rearers of the "WEST will endorse such a move and that all in a position to do so, will back up our society in its effort to land the 1908 gathering in the metropolis of the West. The Secretary will welcome any suggestions at any time.

Yours phiatelically, T. O. Mann, Secy.
The forty-second regular meeting of the Society was held Sept. 18, 1906 at usual time and place. President Diamant presiding. Present were Messrs. Cornwall, Delafeld, Diamant, Higson, Hopkins, Humes, Kunz, Myers, Ruedi, Shellhorn, Sisson, Slack and one visitor, Mr. Berger.

Banquet arrangement committee submitted report of action to date and at its recommendation it was decided to hold banquet on Tuesday Oct. 16 at 7 p. m. at Lippe's Restaurant. This committee will welcome any and all suggestions from members.

The resignation of Mr. T. C. Mann as Secretary was accepted with more than passing regret. Mr. Mann was ever an enthusiastio and tireless worker for the welfare of the Society as well as a thoroughly efficient Secretary. In leaving us for the Sunuy South he has the heartiest good wishes of all. Mr. Mrers was elected Secretary ill Mr. Mann's stead.

Final report on circuits under management of Mr. Glandpierre was submitted by Mr. Hopkins and approved.

The 7th exchange circuit was closed ard report submitted showing 62 books in circulation (the largest circuit to date) from which, being a summer circuit, only 5 to 30 per cent of value of books was removed. In view of the fact mentioned above, namely that this was a summer circuit, this showing is considered excellent and members are to be congratulated on the way in which they are taking hold of our exchange plans.

Lorin E. Stockbarger, 6703 Alabama Ave., City, was elected to membership.

Mr. Delateld was appointed in Mr. Mann's stead a; Member Ranquet Entertainment Committee.

In the price contest to identify center designs or borders of stamps clipped from old catalogues, Mr. Hopkins won prize for best list of answers hasing 21 correct out of a possible 30 and Mr. Mann won prize for most difficult entries. "ṢT. LOUIS IN 1908."

Re ipectfully, Chester Myers, Sec'y 300 S. St.
Ficture post cards were invented in Germany about a decade ago and for some pears they remanied a German specialty at which foreigners were inclined to smile as an ephemeral fad. Todis these cards are made in enormous quantities in England, France and other conntries, but Germany stiol remains their headquarters; last year abont $200,000,000$, of them wert mailed in the postoffices of that country. 'hey represented a value of over $\$ 2,000,000$, and at least thirts different occupations are benetirted thereby. It any fresh stimulus had been needed, it would have beell supplied bs the extraordinary interest of the Kaiser in these cards. He spent two hours one day recentls in having a series of photographs taken of hionself in his dive $s$ uniforms, to be reproduced in colors. This was done at his own suggestion. He also ordered a series of views illustrating his last Mediterranean cruise. For these "kalser picturas" there is an enorinous demand; of the reprodurtion of Keller's imperial family painting on the occasion of the silver wedding over two millinn have been sold. None of the kaiser cards, however, has quite reached the popularity of the pictures of some popular stage folk, Cleo de Merode, for example, tifty million copies of whose pictures have been sold; a single Berlin firm makes four million a year of them. The most advanced and expensive artistic processes are employed in making these pictures of persons and scenes: it is noted as a curiosity that while Italv orders the cheapest kinds, Japan wants the most expensive. a recent order from Tokio being for one thousand cards at tifteen hundred marks, wholesale. Among eminent artists who have lent aid to the industry are Menzel, Libernann, and Lenbach.

The kingfisher don't live by the whales he catches-it's the minnows that keep him fat-so do the small orders that keep coming mean the success of business. - Rusty Mike's Diary.


EDITO:'S NOTE-OUR readers are invited to contrihute interesting items. articles. ete to this Dept. Also reports of new discoveries of mines and minerals. All letters addressed to the edilor at Gleudive, Mont. will be answered as far as possible in this dep:-Forest fanesi

What is sajat to the oldest cupper mine in America is operatedat Arlington, N. I. It's name is the Schuyler and it was opened 190 years ago. Many famoss personages are commected with the mine. Benjamin Franklin was thete in 1 th9 ard adrised lhe on ner to irstall a steam engine, in order to pump the shafts free from water. At a later date, after an engine had been procured, the immortal George Washington was among those who made the trip to see the wonderful engine -for the machine was an importation from Englaud, steam engines being practicarlly unknown in America at that lime. An entire rear was spent in erecting the engine plant. In 1793, Nicholas J. Roosevelt, a great granduncle of President Roosevelt, acquired an interest in the mine, and together with the other owners, organized the New Jersey Copper Mining Association. Their object was to work the mine and operate a smelter and a copper and brass rolling mill.

The mine was originally opened in 1714 , when six tors of ore were sent to Bristol, England, for smelting. The returns were large. A project nas immediarely set on foot, for estal:lishing a smelter at the mine, but owing to the objection of English metal manufacturers, the plan had to be temporarily abandoned. Afterwards the large copper cents of our grandfathers were manufactured from metal taken from this mine.

For a number of years John Hewitt, the father of Abraham S. Hewitt, was in charge of the Schuyler mine and it was here as a boy that $\Lambda$ braham Hewitt acquired his liking for metal working.

Wililam F. Curtis, the famous correspondent of the Chicago "RecordHerald," writes that last year was a record breaker in the zinc and lead Helds of Joplin, Mo. This district is unique in the fact that it is not capitalized by large producers but derives mosc of its profit frcm indivdual producers. The Capital of the largest company is only about $\$ 500,000$ and there are about forty companies in the field. Many individual miners sell their ore direct to the smelters. The larger part of the land still remains in the hands of the farmers who owned it thirty years ago, when zinc was discorered. Most of the slafts have, 1 herefore, been sunk on a royalty basis. Nowhere else are there so many individual operators.

Prices of the prodncts are higher today than ever before. The average
price of zinc last jear was $\$ 44.88$ per ton and the highest point reached in previnus years was $\$ 36.61$. Zinc is worth nearly twice as much today as it was tive years ayo. The average price for last year was $\$ 62.12$, which is the highest on record. It is the general expectation that the output this year will average $\$ 1,000,000$, a month.

The amount of zine taken out last year was 252,435 tons and of lead, 31,619. A larger amount was produced in 1904 but the price was less. The value of the production last year was $\$ 13,302,800$, as against $\$ 11,487,350$ in 1901. I $u$ uring the last twelve years the mines of this district have added $\$!3,356,680$ to the wolld's wealth and the amount of metal yet in the grourd is practically incalculable.

Joplin is a city of nearrly 50,000 people and does an immense business, both wholesale and retail. It much resembles the anthracite cities of Pennsyrlania.

Everyone is prosperous and there is a great demand for labor. Howprer, there are no big gangs and most of the miners work individually or in small groups. There has never been a strike or labor trouble of any kind as everyone expects to be a mine owner himself some day.


The 32nd regular meeting of the above named Society was held in their rooms, 1123 Masonic Temple, Friday evening, Sept, ith., President G. W. Tracy presiding.

Communications were received from S. H. © H. Chapman, Farran Zerbe, Ohio State Numismatic Society and Thos L. Elder. A photograph of Canadian coins and specfmens of copper ore from the Iligley mines at Granby, Conn., were received from Howland Wood.
P. F Wolsieffer and Armin L. Egger were elected to membership.

Mr. Tracy presented a paper on the Silver Colus of Peter the Great of Russia. All present were furnished U. S. Minor Proof sets for 1906. Mr. Irand exhibited some rare Russian roubles, a quintuple thaler of Brunswick, Siege piece of Lundau and a set of New Danish West India coins. Mr. Tracy showed a number of Siege pieces and Necessity money.

Adjourned to meet Oct. 5th.
Beu G. Green, Secretars.
Curiosities of the Cactus Mexico has a cactus which grows tooth picks; another, ribbed and thickly set with teeth-like spines, wnich furnish the natives with combs; there is another cactus, the long curved spines of which resemble fish hooks: there is another which is an almost perfect initation of the sea urchin; still another resembles a porcupine: there is another covered with long red hair which is nicknamed the "red headed cactus." There are several varieties which serve as time pieces. One of these. the Cereus nseticalus, opens its blossoms at ' $o$ ' clock in the evening and closes them at $70^{\circ}$ clock in the morning; another opens at 8 o'clock and closes at 8 the bext morning; another opens at nine oclock is the moming and closes at noon.

Preserved in the Cathedral of Bangor, Wales. is a pair of old "dog tongs," which were used for ejecting quarrelsome dogs from church during service. A similar pair is preserved at Llaynynys, Wales, and bears numerpus teeth marks

## I Yonder

## By D. B. Emert

I wonder
How many collectors have their collection catalogued so they can easils tell, where a specimen was found, by whom found and when found. I believe complete data, where possible, is nearls half of the collection. There are seveal good wass to catalogue a collection. One by labels, with full data attached to each specimen; another to number each specimen keeping correspouding numbers in a book, where all the necessary data map be written. For the ordinary collection I believe the book is the best, as more complete notes will be kept. A lthough if you use labels, you can use the book too.

I wouder,
How many collectors have come to anything like a definite conclusion, in regard to to the so called ceremonial stones. My own opinion is that they were used as symbols of rank in the tribal orders. We know that the Zuni Indians have many orders, with symbols cf rank, for the members; and we leam in Fiske's History, that the Ancient Aatecs had in their clan an otticial head or sachem, called the Capullec, and alsil a military commander called the Ahcacantin, "Elder Brother." The Aheacantin was alsoa kind of peace officer or constable, for the precinct occupied by the clan, and carried about with him a stafl of otice. A tuft of white feathers attached to this staff betokened his errand was one of death.

I wonder
How many of the readers of the WEST, interested it these hobbies, avail themselves of the large amount of literature, relating to their particular hobby. Many of the state museums, colleges and historical societies publish works on archaeology, anthropology, ethnology, entowology and numerons other subjects. The majority of these publications may be purchased for a trifing sum, and in some cases residents of the state may procure them free. The state agricultual Experiment stations publish a num. ber of reports on entomology, botany, agrostology, etc., etc., which may be had for the asking

I would advise everyone interested in any of these subjects, to write to the secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C., for a cops of bulletin No. 5l, which contains a list of National Museums publications to 1902; incluaing 14 subjects on archaeology, ethnology, and anthropologs. Here is a list of a few very interesting reports which I think are still fo print and may be had in the same order with Bulletin ell.

Report No. 87 a Study of the Pismitive Methods of Drilling. Report No. 103, Pipes and Smoking Customs of American Aborigines, nearls 300 pages with 239 figures illustrating the text. Report No. 117, Aboriginal A merican Harpouns.

A few of the later publications includes No. 1172- The Latimer Collection of Antiques, and the Gues De collection of Antiques in Pointe-A.Pitren Guadahupe W. I. Both contained one volume. No. 1429. Preliminary Report of an Archaeological Trip to the West Indies. 10 fine plates, 33 big. No. 1480. Purto Ricun Stone collars and Tri Pointed Idols. 6 tine half tone plates, 15 figs.


MISS MADELINE KELLER
(Continued from Mas number.)
The splendor of the panorama it unfolda will perhaps linger long in the minds. We see endless views of monuments and relics of the past ages phich time has not destroyed. The colmmn of Constantine the Great, rrected in 330 sifll is seen towering erect in the center of his ancient formm. Imposing remains of the gigantic friple wall and of the moat still stretch from the Golden Horn to the Marmora. The malace of the Hebdomon still sseen as it crowns the seventh hill, also the momastery of Chora, and other thurches. are seen. The churehes Sallatia Somia, soars heavenward with its marvelous dome. In influence few cities can vie with Constantinople. Other cards depict the entrance to St. Suphia's church, and tise Gatevay to imperial Polace. which last is beallifully "roughr Egypt is before us in tarious views from Calro, from the lake "Birket el. Kurm"' known for its ble fish. Others show various great pyramids and the sphinx. Here are llso seen the guaint Arab villases built from mad. Sacar is seen on differint views as well as Fayoum and the low Libyan hills One view shows ine fisher people who dwell on banks of the lake who make their living by elling fish. They catch these by means of a large net put out. in a sleepy hoal and then pulilng it gradually to shore. Semouris and Medina are (s) depicted. Medina is the main town in El Favoum and seenss a busy lace. It has streets of bazars innst picturesque with local color. It's a urious and picturesque place. Here are seen plenty of camels and Donkifs. the faithful servants of the Mohammedan. Plenty of Egpotian cards give fiews of the pyramids, the sphinx and pictures of the mummies.

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## A Visit to a Coal Region

## By F. E. Halbert

Some time ago the writer took a trip over the famous "switchback" railroad in Pennsylvania, which passes the location of the first coal mine in this country. From a standpoint of geology, the different states vary more than does the climate. In Pennsflvania are found immense upheavals and displacements of the rocky stratum. As viewed from the car windows when passing through the mountainous section some of these upheavals present strange sights. Some of the strata are perfectly horizontal for long dis. tances; then suddenls they are broken or curved, crunched or set edgewise as the case mav be. In one place the Jersey Central railroad passes through a cut in which is a vein of anthracite coal about four feet thick. In the face of a cliff near Pittston, is to be seen veins of coal varying from a foot thick down to a thin streak. The rock in which these veins are found is black slate.

What struck the writer as being the strangest sight of all was the colur of the surface soil and particualrly the outcroppings of rock over the old mines along the above mentioned "switchback" road. At the starting point of this 18 inch railroad is found large quantities of "pudding stone" or conglomerate of a dull color. As you near the mines this conglomerate is lighter in color, and over the mines it is of a milky whiteness. The whitest stone I have ever seen anywhere.

On the surface where this rock has disintegrated forming soil, the round is literally strewn with white pebbles varying from the size of small marbles to as large as a man's fist. In passing one garden patch where these pebbles were especially thick it seemed to us that a number of Indian children had been frightened away from their games of marbles and nerer turned. Romance added to nature. On arriving at, the station on the summit of the mountain, a number of ragged urchins came running along. side the car holding up pieces of iron pryites (fool's gold) to sell to visiturs These pyrite specimens were pretty ones found about the mines. The writet once found a good sized specimen in a bod of coal which showed iron pyrites and coal crystals in about equal proportions.

In the odd village at this mountain peak is a deft workman who fashions curios and useful articles from selected lumps of coal. These articles are odd and in some cases even handsome. We bougnt a napkitu ring for half a dollar which was finely turned and well polished. Near the edge it was deft a bit rough which gave it the appearance of being engraved. It the roadside leading to the mines is a mine owned and worked by one solitan man. He, no doubt, enjoying his wealth more than any "coal baron" who shuts his eyes to the shivering of poor people in biting weather.

The last nine miles of this railroad is down grade running 45 feet to the mile so we spun along at a lively clip; gravity being our onlg motive powet It is a wild and pieturesque trip; one not soon to be forgotten. But describing this unique gravity railroad is another matter, which if the WEST readers wish, will be treated in a future article.

Spain is said to be the only country that has a coinage bearing a babss head on it, that being the one of 1888 with that of King Alfonso on the issue

# Souvenir Post Card Reviere 

## By Miss M. Keller

The Ferd. Ingold Card Co., of Mọnroe, Wis., U. S. A., have issued a number of new card series of very fine quality and style. One of these is a series of the Nansess cards (North Pole) and Land of the Midnight sun. These are exquisite in coloring and superb scenery as only ; hese lands of wonder furnish. The set comprises a tine scene showing the Northern Lights with Firesheaves and Bands showing jee bergs and polar bears etc. Others show ruddy glowing views of the midnight sun. These cards ought to catch the eye of anyone and open the strings of anyone's purse. Get them at once and please your friends and fellow collectors. They will be a line addition to anyone's collection. This firm also publishes tine feather cards, and hair work designs in birds, fancy heads of pretty flaxen haired maids etc. Order some of these; they are the latest novelty in cards. I have mentioned these in the last monhs WEST. How many have availed themselves of sending for some of these. The page ad appears in this paper. The Ferd Ingold CardC o,. being designers, Publ. and Importers of all kinds of Post Cards.

How many readers have seen Souvenir Letter Cards? 'Those I have received are both meat and interesting. Last one seen is one size tixtty, with mane of town and state on the upper part and space for address. This is one fiom largo, N. Dakota, and shows how posperous most western towns are. On the first page or lly leaf is space for a letter, with mame of City etc. First view covers the whole page, as do all the other views with pictures of all the leading buildings and points of the town. First scene is one of the Red river in Island Park. Next comes Broadway and the Northern Pacilic Are., which shows some tine buildingds, and street cars are seen running. Next page shows North Dakota Aericultural college and grounds. Turning the page we see a Panoramic siew of Front Street and Broadway, showing the depot and park. Again a full view is shown of Broadway looking south. Next is a view from Island Park, and last comes the Northern Pacific Ave., The last page shows the Fargo Light Infantry, the pride of this city. This makes nine complete views in the neat letter Souv. which can be mailed for 2c, when letter is written in the front page, and 14 when sent as printed matter thro'ollt the U. S.

Some very curious and interesting facts turn up in the mail but do not batile the postal auhorities. An example is shown by a postal sent from Paris France addressed to IIallie Erminie Rives, the author, not by name but by a painted portrait. The sender requests the author to send a book entitled "Hearts Courageous," since he knows of no address to write to for the book. "Phe Figaro publishes your picture, (he writes) but alas! It does not give your name. The Figaro has your picture but not your name. I hope that the portrait copied after that in the Figarro will serve as an address in America. Miss Rives is said to have sent him the book at once. A similar case is of a postal sent from the far away Phililpine Islands from a soldier of the Seventh U. S. Cavalry Batangas, Phillipines. This was sent to Miss Lilly Bearse, bearing her picture clipped from the journal and mailed to Everett, Mass. Tho' Uncle Sam's mail men have odd cases at times, it is said this postal was the most novel of all. The pnctal is a dark
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309．Mr．Penrose Young
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## AMONG OUR MENBERS．

Mermber No．690，Mr．II．C．Jennirgs，of Valentine，Nebraska，will Jeave before long on a Post Card Tour to Foreign Lands．It will be well for all members of The Union who wish to avai！themselves of this unigue opportunity to secure a collection of cards from the World＇s greatest cities and places of interest，to register with Mr．Jennings at once，as he can serpe but a limited number．He will also be equipped with a camera and cap furuish $31 / 2 \times 51 / 2$ prints to all who desire them．Please write to Brother Jen－ nings if interested，for one of his descriptive pamphlets．

Kindly refer to the advertisement of Member No．708，Mr．Ant．Corecco， of Zagazig，Egpyt，which appears in the advertising section of this magazine and you will learn how to become possessor of something you have been eagerly longing for．

Member No．546，Mr．P．Hardwick，of London，Englaud，begs that we A mericans please cease asking him to exchange for several months，as he has been the reciptent of cards from over two hundred wembers of The Union in
the Luited States, during the short time he has been a member and he can not possibly continue such an extensive exchange any longer, Will all members who have been "sending him cards, kindly discontinue doing so until forther advised.

NEW MEMBERS.
dis?. Charles M Niles, Oriskany, N. Y. (Colored Cards only).
isi. J. M. Thompson, Lig Rum, Pa.
ift. Miss Mildred Townsend, 12 Grand Street, Oneonta, N. Y.
is:.). Mis. Katharine Gruss, 530 Pemn Street, Oneonta, N. Y.
ifif. Miss Kina MeKelvey, 288 E. l'irst St. North, Portland, Oregon.
lim:. Miss Helen M Hogue, Haigler, Nebr.
isw. O. II. Ulsaker, Kindred. N. I)
bish. Stephen Lawrence, Hox 208, Reading, Pa.
fitio. II. C. Jenm!ugs, Valentine, Nebr.
i99. Niss Pertha F. Ilaines, Ililton, N, Y.
(ax. Miss Ianthe [Bronson, 1303 S. Third St., Stillwater, Minn.
69\%. MeKay Kneisly, Guthrie, Okla.
694. A. Wilmot Collins, 713 King St, Charleston, S. C.

69\%. W. B. Porter, Box 81, Oakland, Calif. (Leather cards only.)
6明. C. A. Nichols. Jr., Chili, N. Y.
697, Ras Hunter, Versailies, Ind.
6i8. Gaylord Logan, 40 Tweddle Bldg., Albany, N. Y.
699. E. M. Anderson, Alvrado, Calif.

700 C. Larsen, 1427 Boyle St., Allegheny, Pa.
701. Miss Carrie Shields, Belvidere Ave., Waishington, N. J.

To2, IIarry R. Beatty, 22 Vannatta St., Washington, N. J.
To3. Tom Morris, 319 N. Broad St., Guthrie, Oxla.
704. Rev. M. Busack, Necedah, Wisc. (Culored views only.)
705. James E. Husson, 227 Roxbury St., Boston, Mass.
706. Miss Estela Moilna, Cerro 588, Havana, Caba.
707. H. F. Sterzing, M. D, 504 Congress Ave., Austin, Tex.
708. Ant. Corecco, Zagaz̀ig, Egypt.
io9. C. L. Will, Monongahela, Pa.
710. 1'. Narasimha Char, 160 College Road, Mysore, India.
i1]. Miss Victoria Seinple, 254 S. Sherman Ave., Denver, Colo.
712. Miss Pinkney Whitney, 254 S. Sherman Ave., Denver, Colo.
713. S. H. Schepler, Siegfried, Pa.
714. G. Rouille, 3 Rue Haxo, La Roche sur Yon, France.
715. T. C. Pattillo, Longview, Texas.
710. Llopd S. Foulk, Box 47, Schuyler, Pa.
717. Mrs. John Tracy, 320 Swing Ave., Findiay, O.
718. E. N. Flanders, Clear Lake, S. D.
719. Mrs. Gurtrude Chambers, 93 Appleton St., Boston, Mass.
720. Will Blomberg, 1503 Atchison St., Atchison, Kans.
721. Miss Mayme Bowler, 601 Oneida St., Monclair, Denver, Colo.

72!. Wm. J. Rackham, 743 27th St., Ogden, Utah.
7i:; Robt. E. Hunsinger, Box 707, Oklahoma, Okla.
72. Guy Paine, Los Gatos, Cailf.

7\%. Edward E. Benson, Amityville, N. Y
rib. Harry H. Hill, 48 Division St., Norwich, Conn.

43:. Mrs. G. A. Morrison, from 38 Holland Ave., Vailsburg, N. J. 10 38 Montrose St., Newark, N. J.
464. Allen lechter, from: jol 4th Ave. S. W., Independence, Ia., to Pierce, Nebraska.
475. Albert J. Mutchinson, from Whitey Joint, N. Y., to 92 Washing. ton St., Ringhamton, N. Y.
583. E. .]. Stanbrough from N. Illinois St., to 3369 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis, Ind.
615. F. W. Weight, from 110 Mentor Ave., l’asadena, Calif., to tist Franklin Ave., I'asadena, Calif.

RESIGNED.
37i. Don R. Davis, Lowell, Ark.

## COMPLAINTS.

After due deliberation it has been decided that complaints shall be no jonger publisned. 'This does not mean that we will take no notice of delinquency on the part of any of our members. ' The purport is that we still solicit complaints, when you feel positive that you are fully justitied in send. ing them in, but instead of publishing these without investigating as previously done, we will simply record them on our members' record cards and three complaints against the same party will be sufficient to canse his or her expulsion. When a member has been expelled their name shall be stricken from our lists and members will be advised through our ollicial organ as heretofore.

Further; complants will be ignored in future un!ess the date card is sent is given in each case. Members in the Cnited States ond Canada will be allowed one month in which to answer cards sent them for exchange; io Mexico, West Indies and Europe, two monthe; in all other places three


Lastly; we wish that complaints would all disappear and that we would have no use whatever for a "Complaint Fiecord": and solicit the co-operation of all members to that end. It is true that complaints are growing fermer in number month by month, but we should not be content untll they entire ly cease, in order that we can boast not only of the large number of members enrolled in our society but of the absolute fidelity of each and ever! member to their fellow members.

COMPLAINTS WITHDRAWN. 6:39 against 273.

## NEW MEMISERSHIP LIST.

l'lease send postage to the Secretary for a new and revised list of all the active members of The Unjon, which has just been published.

Mr. J. I'eat Miller, writing in the Bromide Monthly, states that; printing from a number of local views which he had by him during the past set son, he made no less than 30,000 pieture postcards on gaslight cards. Hent customers were local stationers who paid him $\$ 30$ per thousand (or about is bd per dozen.) The profits averaged $\$ 20$ per thousand. There is practically no jimit to the demand for such cards, new views or new rendering of of views being eagerly snapped up. Given good negatives"and a little skill add energy, in a suitable selling district, there should not ${ }^{*}$ be much difficulty ${ }^{1}$ making, say, a pound a week by working a few hours"a day.

## Items of Interest for Collectors

## By Gilbert N. Gunderson

lestroying Paper Mones - Paper money is nothing but a promise to pay so much coin. If you destroy a tive dollar note, for instance, you simply release the government of the bank which issued the note from the payment of the $\$$ in gold which the note called for. Of course, thereefore, you are not punishatle in any manner for destroying the note if it is pour own. There is no penalry for mutilating gold or silver coin if you keep it in your own possession, but as you have thereby destroyed a considerable part of its value you must not try to pass it at par after mutilation.

Valuable find. - A laborer breaking stone recently on the roadside at Wamorongh, Englant, the site of the old Roman camp, discovered a ring, whici, he sold for a few shilings. Experts now pronounce it to be of great interest and value. An inscription on it seen, s to show that it was a betrothat ring belonging to Buccried, king of the Mercians, who married Wthelwitha, daughter of Ethelwulf, king of $W$ ssex, th the year 753.

A Peculiar Tree. - A singular maple tree on the left bank of the Oder, iv Germany, is at least a century old and has been twisted and cut into a kind of circular house of two-stories. A tirm leafy floor, has been formed by causing the branches to become gradually woven together. A bove this is a smaller second floor, similatly formed, and the ends of the branches have been woven into solid walls, in which eight witudows on each story have been cut.

## A Simple Card Ledger

## By Paul A. Rockwell

Since beginning on an extensive exchanging of cards, I have noticed that about one collector out of three asks on his second or third card, "What cards have l sent before?" For the benefit of the readers of the WESI' I am giving below what I have found to be the easiest and simplest way of knowing what cards you have majled to collectors, and thus preventduplication.

Select some six or twelve of the prettiest views of your town. Give each of these cards a number, numbering from 1 to 6 , or 12 , as the case may be. Buy as many of each card as you wish, and mark on the address side the number you have given that particular view. Now when you mail a card to a new correspondent, send him card number 1, bext No. 2 , and so on until you have exhausted your list. You will find that this system saves much time and trouble, and does away entirels with the old ledger system.

Kaiser William has a new fad. It is collecting picture postcards, and he has thrown himself into it with characteristic energy. Every country in the world in which Germany possesses offcial representalives of any kind whatever are laid under contribution. The Kaiser causes his secretary to write a ploture postcard to the ofticial selected, and this is fuclosed in a state envelope or endorsed "business of state". This is then sent by mail and on reaching its destination, often in the middle of the night, the addressee is at oice aroused from slumber to receive the document, which merely conveys the imperial greeting and commands a reply by picture postcard representing some local subject "by return mail,"

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## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

We have received several requests whether those who are already subscribers to the Philatelic West will have to pay 60c for membership and we wish to say that in this case we will allow them a year's membership for 30 c ,

The members will have to get a move on jf they wish to win any prizes, It is too early to announce the winner of the special price of 5 leather cards for this month. We repeat the offer this month.

In the list of members following please note the change of address of No. 3.3.

The following members are hereby reminded that their memberships expire this month and they should renew at once. 50 c is the remewal fee and includes a year's membership and subscription to the ollicial organ. Here are the members' numbers: $21,25,26,29,37$.

The list of members follows:

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## NEW POSTAL CARDS.

The ${ }^{-}$new postal cards which will be placed on sale as soon as the Postonice lepartment can supply them. are of smaller size and more nearly surare than the ones now in use. They are printed in blue and carry the likeness of President frant. It is said that the aim of the government in issuing them is 10 make this medium of communication more fashionable, for lincle Sam fonds it protitatule to carry postal cards. These small cards will, of course, llet a larger protit per ton than the larger ones.

Whether the Postonlice Department's idea that the new iss:re will teud to popularize commuricarion by card is correct, remains to be seen. "he department frequently has to do considerable experimenting before it discorers what the people want. Ilowever, it woald seem that generally people might prefer the maximum, rather than the minimum in the matter of pustal cards. In some countries half the front of a card is assigned to message writiog, thos adding to the available space. Still, in the United States, the demand for the large size cards which were on sale a few years ago seems to have been insufficient to justify the government in continuing to issule them.
lin this connection it may be observed that many busines; houses might make more use of the regular postal card in card cataloging. Their conren ent dimensions, if a hole is punched for the rod, suggests a convenient mehod of thing small orders and memoranda receiped through the mails.

## The Ohio State Numismatic Society

The First Annual Convention of the Ohio State Numismatic Society will be held in Columbus, Wednesday October 24, 1906. First session at i:3 p. m., second session at $7: 00 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

We regret that we cannot announce a complete pregram; but several papers are now in preparation which will be read at the meeting. An eshl bition and sale of coins at tixed prices will be one of the attractive features.

At this meeting officers for the ensuing year will be elected.
If nossible for readers to altend this meeting kindly communicate with the Secretary at once. When you arrive in the City report to the Secretary's oltice for information as to place of meeting, etc.

Bring some of gour choice specimens with you for exhibit. If you hare any broken lank Notes or Store Cards issued in Ohio, don't fail to bring them.

Come and get aequainted with your brother collectors.
Fraternally yours, J. M. Henderson, Secretary, 131/2 ${ }_{2}^{2}$ East State St., Columbus, Ohio.

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Officers were elected as above list gives and hope each one may get his department going in good order, sc it will help out sooner for wh wish to set every collector in the state in same if of the right kind. IIope we may set each member take more interest than for the past few years.

Applications:-C. L. Heevet, Fairfield, reference Brodstone; II. It. Hildreth, Superior: C. R. Burnight, Superior.

## d,ARGEST STAMP SOCIETY IN AMERICA <br> Stamp Collector's Protective Association of America ORGANITF:D F゙EBRUARY 3. 1899. <br> President-- L. Chandlee.

I am ready to help any member that has collections, etc., 10 dispose ol their goods at auction or private sales. Also I will be glad to receive from foreign members new issues of any countries. Trusting that this department will be a suceess. If any reports of this depar:ment I shall publish thet monthly in the WEST.

Hoping to hear from many members in regard to the auction depart. ment. Yours truly, R. Williams, W. Roxbury, Mass.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

llas been complaints made of Roiz of Cuba by Dodge of Chicago and Dunlap of Leckport, N. Y. Any others for he gave some good references and claimed to be a college student of the University of his city, would like to hear of any nthers. Card dealer Darby of Washington, D. C. not been able to hear from. Jerry of Seattle, Wash , reports that no wonder King of Sailnas, Calif., has so large a band collection for lie sent him over 1000 he has not been able to hear from, and he sure gets them at very little expense if he gets them like he got his.

New Members:-H. Grubb, Philadelphia, Pa., 1037 N. Division St.; J. A. Ioyle, New Uaven, Ct.; J. D. Cox, Upper Stewicke, N. S., Can.; P. L. Messer, Baltimore, Md., 1015 Kaltimore St.: J. L. Spaner, Knox, Penn.; C. L. Iloeret, Fairfield, Nebr.; J. L. Ilobson. San Remardino, Calif., 836 Court St.: Walles Stamp Co., Los Angeles, Calif., 247 F'lower St.; Ben Green, Chicago, Ill. 1535 Masonic Temple; E. F. Gambs, Middetown, Ct.; S. J. ['eters, New Orleans, La., 3014 Laurel St.; J. A. Lachemes, St. Martin, Que, Can., St. Antunio St., Felipe Nayda. Toluca, Mexico, ja pedro ascencio 45 ; E. Swessinger, Sioux City, Ia., I!4 Pearl St.; R. Brown, Bx 12i, 'ausco. Ariz.; A. J. Kejs, Rutland, Vt.

## Business Manager's Say

Mr. Advertiser:-It stands to reason that a paper which is carrying a large amount of advertising, must be one which any advertiser can use to proititable adsantage.

One of the papers, which is the WEST': This magazine contains pages of advertisning from shrewd advertisers who certainly would not spend money in papers, muless they were receiving adequate returns.

We want you to test and thoroughly try the WBST, we would be pleased to have you send in a trial advertisement.

The forms close the i.jth of each month.
Our Lowest terms are Cash payable in advance.
Give us a trial, and you will not miss an issue.
We have combined another collectors' paper and expect a still larger one in the next issue. This makes half a dozen papers in the past year. The extra cost put to advertising of 12 c a line or 2 c a word is sure low for ads. The trade and exchange colums is half this tate or 1 cent per word or three times for the price of two.
lifRATA. -Sorry to report error in half page ad of Everest of Munsing, Mich., date of old letters. The first date should be 1656 instead of 1856, also the second word after should be Documents, got $\mathfrak{v}$ for letter 0 .

Gur tirst ad in over 11 yearstime was returned by the government last monlh and reworted bad, name Co-operative Land Co., of Minneapolis. Would like to hear of them or Globe Card Co. of that city for the IIohbies Pul.Co., is one advertiser we have not been able to hear from some cuts sent then. Like to hear from any and all parties who have complaints to make onadvert isers for we don't wish to carry any that are not 0 . K .

## Hore Did Indians Chip Their Flint Implements:

## E M Steinbrueck

This question seems to interest curio collectors in gene'al just at thd present time. But why? I don't see the point umless they are realh, archaeological students, making the proper use of their collection. I knor many curio collectors, who are satisfled with collecting only for the sake t. collection, for the purpose of adorning their den or their parlor, some era collect only to store away their treasures, happy in thought to own soma thing that the neighbor has not got.

There may have been emploged different wass in chipping flint or stow implements, by the different tribes. What I have seen of Eastern Indiam implements in that line, would lead to the suggestion, that they were mand with the aid of a sledge hammer. Huwever, the harder the material is, the softer the tool must be to work that material at will ard not at random I know how the Indians of the North West used to chip their flints, but. hesitate to give it away to the world at large, the WEST reaching too mary differently disposed people Although there is a tine of $\$ 2000$ on imitation Indian relics, unscrupulous persons might find ways, to work ont arrowhead on the sly. Stamp collectors enjoy the privilege of being cheated by coun terfeits even from so-called reliable sources: let curio collectors be at then ease as long as possible. The procedure of chipping tint implements is simple one and easily achieved by a little practice, a good deal of skillari more patience. The Smithsonian report of 1885 gives a full account of the manner in which the Mandan Indias chipped flakes from the boulders foud at the riverside, by the aid of horn ijps or bones softened in hot grese. The Mandans as well as their neighbors, the Arikara and the Ilidatsa ot Gros Ventres of the Missourj were very skilful in the manufacture of filad implements, arrowheads, drills, knives of all shapes and forms, of scraps and of other tools of tlint. And still it seems, as constituted by frequetil reiearches, that some persons were even more skilltull than others and tha: they used this superior shill for a kind of a lrade, perhaps supplying thex less dextrous, or employed in different occupalions, by trading or at gamb ling. Although our Indians of North Dakota, even the savage Sioun. produced admirably tine work in the thint line, they were surpassed by the more western Indians of Arizona, California a-5.n. The Indians of today not recollect the naking of flint arrewheads. which was done before thet time. They speak only of metal points and of certan tishbones used. The Sioux peremptorially deny the making of arrowpoints by their tribe. The claim that the "Spider Ungtome"' made them. There is a place upthe Cannon liall river, where after a windstorm, the sand is blown away, thite arrowheads are found today. That place is called by the Sious "The Spiders Workshop." The Spider made the arrow heads and the Indian found them atferwards.

The spider, the snake, the turtle are important characters with th Indians and are closely interwovell in his imagination, attributing supt natural power to them. They appear frequently in the myths and traditits of our Indians.

When at the Fort Berthold Reservation this summer I had occasion to hear of many legends, also, as the first white man, the story of the medicine and of its origin of the $A$ waticha-itaka of the Hidatsa, after being adopted in the tribe as the "Father of Wolf Chief"' whose real father had been the medicine man of that band, Wolf Chief heing a Christian now.

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## SEC'Y TREAS REPORTT.

I beg to remind nembers whose dues expired lst July to remit promptlv, numbers published in last issue. Please look up if you have not already remitted. Would be pleased to hear from some of our San Fraucisco members, as I am getting up a new list, would like all addresses to be correct also any other members whose address is changed.

Yours truly, F. B. Archer, Secy. Treas.

## A CURIO-SHOP IN THE DOME. <br> By Gilbert Gunderson.

The dome of the New York federal building is a genuine old curiosity shop such as it would delight the heart of any theroughgoing antiquarian to rummage in . Around the walls of the old room under the ronf are heaped records of the federal courts running away back to the year 1789, the year when the federal government was set a-going. Even more interesting than these. with their reminiscences of legal battles once famous, nowalmost forgotten, are the ranks and piles and heaped shelves of patent exhibits. Here are duplicates of every invention of note made during the nineteenth century. Howe's sowng machine, the Edison incandescent light, baby carriages, mail-making machines -thess and nearly every other mechanical inrention of importance have been the subject of legal litigation in the local federal courts until the patent rights of one or the other claimant have been estallished. As the suits were bought exhibits, copies of the original inventions, were filed with the court and ended there, contribnting to one of the most varied, extensive and interesting collections of antique objects in New York City.

Picture post card collecting is certamly a rampant fad. lint one would hardly stippose that the apparently harmless post card would ealise a riot: get such is the casa, according to a recent report. The damanse goverment iscurd a series of picture post cards in commemoration of the war with linsia. In Tokio, on the day on which they were tirsr un sale, so great was was the desire for them that mile-long double tiles formed in the streets Fitilly soldiers had to be called out to quell the riots which mise in the struggle to gain admittance to the postoffices where the cards were on sale.

 school, that would give us the $k$ knowledge of composition, light, and shade that are so essential in making truly ${ }^{* *}$ artistic pictnres. This knowledge of what is good or bad in a picture can be ${ }_{\text {H. }}$ cultivated by studying good pictues. paintings, photographs, etc.

As the ear can be trained ${ }_{n}^{7}$ to enjojend appreciate classical music, its owner not being able to play? ${ }^{7}$ note, so can the eye of \%one unable to handie brush or pencil be trained to see the beanty of a picture in its fullest artistic sense.

It is to this art educationsthat so many of ous must resurt, and with the aid of our camera we can go about making pictures that are pleasing and artistic. A few of the more simple ${ }_{4}^{*}$ rules"to be considered may be of benefit to many.

First, never have more than one point ${ }^{T r}$ of ${ }^{\mathbf{z}}$ interest in jout picture. It you have more than one you have a picture that is unsatisfactory even to an uneducated eye, which will not know why one picture is better than another, but will invariably select the picture complying with the rules of art and composition, without knowing anytbing about rules, simply because sucha picture is ayreeable and comfortable to the eye.

When we have two ur more points of "interest, "we have rivals, each one quarreling with the other for recognitiun, "with the, result that the picture s tiresome, and not restiful to the eye as a good picture always should be.

Then again it is important that in placing a figure in a landscape, the figure should not predominate, for when you are making a landscape, makea landscape, and not a figure study. Leave the landscape subordinate to the figure, merely an accessory. You can never make a good picture when it is neither a tigure study nor a landscape but a combination of both, each claiming the honor of being first.

Landscapes are generally more interesting when a tigure or tigures ate introduced properly, but they must fit in their proper places and always be secondary in interest when the picture is intended to be a landscape.

A nother very important thing to consider is the light and shade it your picture. This should be arranged so as not to allow it to be full of patchr spots. A picture full of spots is uninteresting, therefore concentrate sour light and shade, and you will see that sour picture is interesting and full ol breath and character.

Observation and study of good pictures will scon tell one what picture is right and when it is wrong.
I. T. G.-Silver Stains on Celluloid Films: As it is a tilm, you cannot treat it with the alcoholic iodine solution recommended for plates or the celluloid will shrivel. Try a watery solutiou made as follows:

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Water . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 10 oz.
Indine . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 10 gr gr.
Immerse the tilm until the stains are almost invisible by transmitted light, then transfer to a weak (about 1 in 20) hypo-selution for a few minutes, and wash well. Repeat if necessary.
E. R. E.-Ferrous Oxalate Developer:
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Hot water 20 oz.
If mliky let it clear by standing, and decant the clear liquid.
B. -Hot water 20 07.
Sulphuric acid................................ 30 minims
(Or citric acid, 40 gi.)
Ferrous sulphate
5 oz.
Add 1 oz . B to 4 oz . $A$ (not vice versa) with 10 to 15 minims of a 10 per cents solution of potassium bromide.
W. G.F.-Platinum Combined Toning and Fixing Bath: a combined toning and fixing bith for platinum suitable for matt $P . O$. P. is made.as follows:

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Lead nitrate . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 12 gm. 60 gr.
Alum .................. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 12 gm. 60 gr.
Sodium formate........ . ................ 4 gm. 20 gr .
Formic acid...................... ....... 6 c.c. 30 min.
Hot water. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1000 c. c. 10 oz.
bissolve the lead and sodium formate in a small guantity of water, then add the hypo in solution and the formic acid. Stand in an open vessel for twent $y$-four hours, and then add -

Platinum bichloride
$4 \mathrm{gm} . \quad 2 \mathrm{gr}$.
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The system of one collector exchanging with another is becoming less common as philately develops. As a matter of fact, it should be relegated to the attic along with other obsolete practices. We remember the time when this method was largely in vogue, hundreds of collectors being depend. ent upon it to add new varieties to their collection and to dispose of their duplicates. With the advent of the exchange departments of our numerous societies. the necessitysciar direct exchanging was removed, the department beeoming the ideal place for sale and purchase, thus being analogous to the old fashioned exchanging stamps for stamps or value for value. Cullectors are beginning to recognize this very evident fact-it should require no demonstration. In truth it has been demonstrated so frequently and so concisely that it would be but stale repitition to again bring forth the argument. If you don't belong to a good society, wake up and send in your application. If you do belong, tell the sales superintendedt or exchange superintendent or whatever his otticial appellation may be that gou wart to take advantage of this feature - he will do the erst.

We have often wondered why our standard Cat. lists telegraph stamps. They are neither postage or tiscal nature, and are certainly of no mure interest than exposition labels and similar truck. A very interesting papet was read at a recent meeting of the London Philatelic Society along this line. the author being very discriminating, indeed. The gentleman thioks that we should completely discard official stamps, registration stamps, "Too Late" stamps, return receipt labels and special delivery stamps. We can't agree with him altogetner; for all of the stamps mentioned are entirled to some consideration and have a certain value from a philatelic standpoint We feel sure that few American collectors will follow up the lines he has drawn so clearty. His aryument seems to be that we should only pay attention to thoserstamps that actually pay pustage. He holds that postage due stamps are worthy because they pay postage-at the consiguee's end. We think that oticially sealed stickers might well be eliminated from the collectJble list; but they have a certain duty to perfotm in the postal service and after all are quite worthy, and in short, all of those:mentjobed eustain obvious: relations to the postal service and are deserving of recognition for this season. The average collector wants to til any space his album provides, without question as to whether he should or shouldn't: the specialist wants te secure as complete a selection of the postal emissions of his chosen country as possible. Each to his own fancy is the undesirable custom: Rules laid down by onetman or one sucjety or one paper are interesting from that point of view. As a guide to adhere to they are seldom effective.

An ideal head of Pocahontas has been suggested as an appropriate sub. ject for one of the Jamestown commemorative issues.

#  <br>  By F.A. Brokune East pera, Towoun ty 

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Another yuery reaches us as to the 'Land Post'? stamps on Badens: It is astonishing how the old, old problem as to the precise use and purpose of this issue of three square yellow labels continues to ver the soulsof the stamp collector, It is an odd thing that wo direct_decumentay soidence has ret beeen adduced to show precisely what was intended to beithe special duty of the "Land Post" stamps were unquestionablye: species of topostage die" stamps, and set not quite what is ordinarlily atnderstevidsy that expression. for they were used chiefly to pay the extra postage !to plaes lying oft the main postal routes. . They were, in fact, almost-analagoas ?to? the "rura!' stamps of Russia. The llmited use of thea "tand Post!' stamp is evidenced by their comparative searcity in postmarked eondityoness The $\$$ Kreuzer is an exceedingly scarce stamp in this state ycused, fit is still passible to buy a set of the three "Land Post's stamps for $8 \mathrm{~d}=$ or $\mathbf{1 0}$. , so iarge was the otticial remainder sold to the stamp trade in 1870.

It's rather up to rumidess, is art. in many wayembit gifit a gac ob A dead hand at starting what people call a 'craze',
$\Lambda$ sort of flock-togethery fad that nothing ever damps, (Australian
It may be picture postcards, it may be postage stamps. Paper.

# Notes on United States Postage Stamps for the Beginner 

By H. A. Davis

(Continued.)

on Marct $30 t h, 185 \overline{\text { an }}$ act of the XXXIII Congress, Section II, Chapter 173 was, approved for the reducttion of postage- By this act there was established for the tirst time compulsory prepayment of postage at a uniform rate of $: 3$ all 10 cents according as the distance was greater or less than 3000 miles.

The Cnited States Government, Postal Department, recognizes the stamps issued from $18 \mathrm{H}^{\circ}$ to $188^{\circ} \mathrm{l}$ as the lirst series. Those issued from 1851 to 1861 as the second series. This latter comprises tooth the perforated and im. perforate issues of 18511 if and $185 i$ - 60 respectively.

The 1877 or imperforate series were printed by Toppan, Carpenter and Casilear Co "They were printed in sheets of 20 stamps and issued to Postmasters in sheets of 100 stamps each. This issue was authorized by Congress March'3d, 1851
le blue, bust of Franklin after Rubricht, ifrst issued July lst, 1851
ic red, protile of Washington after Houdon '" ", ", ", "
120 red. protile of Washington after Stewart. ' ", ', ", "
100 ereen, bust of Washington after Stewart, ifst issued May ath, 180.j
Ee brown; portrait of Jefferson after Stewart, tirst issued Jan. Jth 1850
$24 c_{4}$ lilace portrait. of Washington after Stewart. This stamp was approved April. $24 t \mathrm{th}$, 185 f , but it is believed lhat it was never issued to the public imperiorate.
The $1,3,5,10$, and 12 cent values were ifst issued perforated Feb. 24th, $1857^{\circ}$. 24c lilac, described above under the imperforates first issued peri. June 15,1800 . $30 c$ orange, bust of Franklin after Rubricht first issued perf. Aug. 12, 1860. 0nc blue, bust of Washington after 'Trumbal first jssued perf. Aug. 31, 1860.
bufotunately there are no recurds at hand showing the number of these stampsissued. They were reprinted in 187\%, were available for postage. The reprints may be recngnized by being perforated 12 instead of 15
rifis issite wasdemonetised in 1801 at the outbreak of the Civil War. The pelforated series from $185-60$ were printed by the same Company in the same manner and issued to Postmasters in same form as the imperforated series of 1957. $12=$

To the 'beginner who 'is interested in minor details, no wider beld at such a simatl cost may be investigated than the 3 c value of these two issues. These stamps daralogue oric two and thee cents in used condition, and they are quite common: "Not long ago I purchased 104 at an auction sale for flity' centsididy foundia co fess than twenty five varieties. Flist there are a great many strades, abbet vifeen distinct shades may be found running in shades of red,' ${ }^{\prime}$.

It fould be very ititeresting to the beginner who desires to make a nice display uit asmat cost tó pick out the difforent shades and the different Pramednhes berdérhg the stamps There mag'be fourd stamps with doublo frame lijims at the sides, simgle frame lines at the sides, donble on one side and single on the other, and as many as four lines on one side.

Then there are some with frame lfpes at different positions ta each other, some far apart, while others are close together. Some may be found with lines running only half way, sopee a quarter, "double and triple lines of different lengths, etc., etc. .

There is one quite rare variety which it might be well to look out for in classifying these 3 c stamps. It is the perforated issue with a double frame line on each side and à single line outside the sabétrat top and bottom. Then there is another scarce variety also of the perforated tssue in which the left frame line runs into, and divides the lifileoomametfi just to the left of the 'three' in the lower label at the lower left corther!.
(To be continued.)

Notes
Accosding to the Moniteur du Collectionneur gupted by the Ill, Briefmartsen Journal Pope Pius $X$, is an ardent philateljsty and has a splendid collection, which was started when ne was a seminary scholar and to which he is still adding what may come hls way. The Italian states, it is said, he has nearly complete.

There is a rumor that the Paris stamp bourse a meeting of stamp collectors every Sundag afternoon between 2 and bio'clock in the ChampsElysees is to be abolished on account of overcrowring and obstrating the thoroughfarts of that neighborhood. If this be done there are number of collectors who intend to combine and rent a large hall inithe center of the city, where the meetings can be held without any outside:interference: It is not likely though that an institution which has tlasted for forty years will be easily swept away.

The German postal administration is about to issue prgisionion in the form of the now obsolete 2 pf . postal card, which is to be overprinted with the new value of 3 pfenning. Whether a similar use is to be made of the large remainders of 2 pf. adhesives seems as yet undecided." It woild be a new thing for Germany.

It must not be supposed that postage stamps are the only tield of discovery in which the young collector may stumble upon, ducratije "jibds." The revenue stampoin use auring the Civil War, aud for some years afterward. on checks, mortgages, leases, and many other, sorts of dochments, are collected by philatelists with as much enthusiasm as, postage stampsthemselpes, and many varietjes of them bring excellent prices. The proprietary stamps used on patent medicines and the like during the same. pegiod are in equally great demand, though scarcely as accessible to the bulk of young collectors. Many varieties of stamped envelopes fetch, gande prices; the same is true of the "Department Stamps" formerdy in use in Whashington for the franking of afficial correspondence; and much. mighthe said on the possibibties of ferreting out tine and vajuatle specippene of these various classes of stamps.

# A Helpfful Word to Young Editors of' ": Young Philatelic Papers By L. G. Dorpat 

Not toug age the editors of two of our young American papers lamentod of the lack of support from advanced collectors. One says:
"The advanced cotlector shields himself by saying the class of articles in the stiall publications are not to liking, yet when you ask some of thedo advanced collectors to' write you a small article of value to his adranced brothers he dechnos' ưnless a cash compensation is in riew. In philatels alone you have the best example of the true Yankee instinct, "the greed for gold."

The other says: We also wish to say that it is a real shame that advanced collectörs all over the country cannot give enough assistance ina literary way to maje the Philatelic press of this country better than it ever was and superior to any on earth. The knowledge is here in our ranks and it is the duty of advanced collectors to help spread it all over our glorious land."

Will these oxpectations help these papers? Will they bring them ans taluable manuscript? Any subscriptions! Any advertisements? I doubt it very much. These young men would have done far better to show that they are here to stay and that they are able to support themselves without the charity of the adyancéd collectors. Let them develop a character for their papers, which shall make it a necessity to some kind of collectors, and they may be assured that suppurt and assistance will not be withheld.

We have seen many a philatelic upstart with bold editorials fade awaj for the lack of experience and foresight of its publishers quicker than the advanced collectors might hare come to their aid had they been disposed to do so- Artlcles of real philatelic merit are not ground out upon short notioe Thep aye the pruits of years and represent the labor of days and weeks. Thep are not easily entrusted to a paper that has not demonstrated it's staying qualities.

Without trying to mose as an adrauced collecctor I would like to relate a little personal experience. Several times I was requested to help a starter by sending ap articie or, two. I did so. In some cases it was never printed, because, the paper expined just at the time my article arrived. In others a part of my contributiop was printed and then-the paper was discontinued. In still others, the publisher had not even the tact to send me a copy of his paper-irt which my article appeared. And tinally in yet an other number of cases grapt promjseg; ware made but never fultilled.

If austof: tha adyanced collectors of our country had any similar experi-ences-and ne doubt they have-I do not wonder that they are slow in entrusting waluable manuseripts to papers that cannot or will not pay for them, as gire sume otker assurance that the manuscript will not be reio. gated to the waste basket.

No, young friends. do not reprimand others. But learn to stand on your own feet and bustie along until sou have inspired the old collectors with that contidence that comes from a show of ability. Our older publicaclons had to paddle their own canue in the tumes of their youth and it was
hard work for them at times, but they kept on and now their columps are sought by those who have something to say. Follow their lead and you will get there too. You may even overtake them, of you do your own paddling in the right way.

It is much better to make friends by sindaprozdsuth gers who bore you no ill will and who had perthaps not been aware of your existence before you made it khoth by pour oftemse.

If you are too poor to run your paper you should not hade istarted it, or you should have assured yourselves of the eharity of your friends; before you reflected upon the charity of strangers and rebuked them ffer withbolding it. If you have no friends, try to find them or to makethem hn your, 9 gn liberality, and good eaxmple of disinterestedness. The seed, hhight you sow out in the way will some day come bacis in a rich haryest tofgurselyes.

An English paper States: The stamp collector is beginning to put hishosse in order for the season 1906.07; the dealer is furbishing up his stockboons for the autumn and winter campaign, and soon the tondon stamp auction sales will have re-commenced. Last but, not least the Philatelic Socjeties are completing their lists of ixtures. Most aftrictive programmes have peen prepared for the members of the Liverpool, Manditester, Aliming. ham, and other leading societies. The members of the London society, the leaders of advanced Philately are to meet in future on Thursday's instead of Hriday's at their usual rendezvous in Southampton kow +9 The funior Philatelic Society, numerically the iargest organization of its kind ${ }^{\prime}$ 'h the country, thas as usual planved a season of great'activity and interest at' Ezefer Hall. Another of the younger societies, the "Enterprise ne has chag hed ifs" name, and will henceforth be known as the City of Londinf fhinatic sodlety.

Jne of the querries of the week relates to that handsomestit of aftrench postage stamps, the 5 franc mauve, with head of Napoleotit Hf hy onr correspondent, "is this stamp so cheap? I was oftered ya jod specimen the other day for a shiiling. Do you think it couto be a forgery ${ }^{\text {of }}$. Answering the last question. we do not think it very lfkely that the stamp was a furgery. The comparative cheapness of the Napoleonle sirane stamp is to be attributed to the loug period during which it was ingurfent use; but at the same time one shilling for a "good specimenw, is adearbertw the mariset value, and we should advise our correspondent to buy! 'rifécan of course ask for a guarantee if he has any reason to aisteust the geruineness of the stamp. It is to be barne in mind, by. the way, thate tathoridied two varieties of this 5 franc stamp. the second variety stiowing entid muefals of value in blue. At a hurried glance the variety nay thite eásulo pass unnoticed.

A complete series of stamps has been issued bo' Wrohelf:' The talues and colors are as follows: 1 centime, black and blueff 2 centimes, bifown; + centimes, claret; 5 centimes, green: 10 centimes, that 20 centimes, rer and green: 25 centimes, blue: 30 centimes, brown: 35 dentifieslsyellow and black; 40 centimes, red on straw; 50 centimes, brownaid blues s75contimes, violet and orange: 1 franc, greers and bruwn; 2 franex siolet mand tose. and the 5 franes lifac.

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## Photography in Philately

## By A. W. Wheeler

It is the studiy of particulars and detaits as well as totalities and generalities which wakes stamp collecting a science. 'Stamp coliecting whon regarded scientiticalls is called philately and those who make it such are called philatelsits. Philatelists are attracted by things which will hely them in the study of their stamps. A philatelic aid: which is unfamiliar to many and a norelty to not a few, is photography. Photography applied to stamps' is a specaialist's means of cemonstration to others: and a philatelist's means of disclosure to himself. The principal feature of a stamp which this photographio procedure will either demonst rate or disclose are these: watermarks, perforations, cut cancellations weave of paper ard details of design. What then is this method by which photography is introduced into philatels? .The answer is a simple one. The service which a negative does in printing a picture, is the same service which a stamp may do in reproducing it by photographic processes.' All photographers know that printing paper aust be exposed longer through a dark or socalled "thict"" negative than through a light or so called "thín'" negative. The same principle applies to the "stamp negative." Priuting paper exposed for a few seconds to a strong light througti a stamp with a crown watermark would show, when derel. oped, the weave of paper of the stamp, a black outline of a crown and white perforation points on a black background. The watermarks being the thinest portiun of the stamp allowed the light to penetrate through to the printing paper before the other portions had become affected, hence the black outline of the crown. If it is desired to show the design of the stamp the paper should be exposed longer. By varying the a mount of exposire black cancellations may be made to come out dist"子ctly white: while cat and pin hole cancellations are exactly produced in black.

This photographic inethod of demonstrating details is particular!s agreeable to the specialist. To illustrate the manner in which a specia!ist might use these stamp reproductions I can best accomplsh by an esample. A certain specialist desiring to elucidate a special stamp had some such an arrangement for his demonstration as follows: First, there were proofs of part. of the design. which were jmmedtely followed by proofs of the whole design. Proofs of trial and of accepted culors followed these. Now comes a specimen of the stamp itself. This was shown in unused condition to. gether with various shades. The used stamps were shown next and were to be seen in blacks and on the original cover. At last came the photographic reproductions illustrating many principal features of the stamp.

Placed beside a stamp which was watermarked, and labeled : W'k'd CROWN. G. C. $\because$, There was a reproduction of the stamp. This reproduc. tion plainly showed a plack, outline of a crown and beneath it the letters "C. C.,': A duplicate of this stamp which was labeled "Perf $12 \frac{1}{2} \times 13$ " had placed beside jt a reproduction of the perforations of the stamp showing the 12x1.3 perforatipn. |la like fashion a surcharge and a punched cancellation were ijlustrated.

The benetits of this method are not contiued to the specialist for, to the juvenile philatelist and to the mere collector there are alsn benefits to be derived from stamp photography. To all those, pursuers of the stamp hobby

Who desire to become more familiar with watermaiks; aud who desire to become better able.to recognje grills; and who tand the use of the perforation eage and millimeter a nérvous strain; and to those who are uncertain which weave of paper has been used in a stawp; to these persons who are affected with all these complaints I would suggest a trial of photography to disclase these obscurities in philately.
leducting from these statements, it may be said that education is the princigal feature of philatelic photography. There is, nevertheless, another fenture which is worthy of consideration. Photographic reproductions may be ised for commercial purposes. If a dealer desires to sel] rarities by, mail without submitting them on approval. he may send to bls customers detailed photographs until he determines whether or not he shall make a purchase. In conchusion, it may 1 think be rightly said, that to those persous who desire to make stamp collecting a science, photograhy is an essential aid.

## A Valuable Stamp Find

## $B_{y}$ Edtuard G. Miller

The following account of how I nade a valuable stamp tind may prove interesting:

While visiting a friend in lhiladelphia, Pa, some three rears ago $I$ hecame acguainted with a fine old gentleman with whor. became great friends. In the course of a conversation which in had it hitin otte etening at his home, I mentjoned the fact that I was a stamp collector and asked him if he did not have any old stamps he would give me. 'Ife said he had some oid envelopes with the stamps on them which I might hive if they woold te of any use to me. You may imagine how eagerly 1 assented and how patiently I waited while he went and got them and how 1 pictured in my mind how raluable they would be. Nor was I mistaken.' There were abist ten encelopes and I could see that they were rery old. It' did not take me long that evening to reach my friend's house and to hirnt up my Scot's catalogue In looking them upI found that "my find was rery valuabie ard that the stamps on the ten envelopes were worth orer one finindred dollais. I had indeed made a very valuable find.' 'Ybu mád be sure I rewaried the ofd gentleman well for giving them to mé.
fotmania is going in for the stamp business wholesale. i No sooner have we reconciled ourselves to the recent commemoratlve serles"than another outbit of "pictorial" is sprung upon us. The 'stamps so far feceived are ive in number, and they picture so many events ${ }^{7}$ in Roumantan history that it is difficult to determine what is the special purifose of the' isstú. On the 1 bani value, we "are shown the "swearing fin' of Ptjince' ('now $K$ ing ) Charles of lioumania, on the constitution of 1886 , the 3 batis pictures the same jersonage driving in his carriage: the 10 banf stamp has for fits subject the meting betweeen Charles of Roumania and Osman Pacha'yni i878, ${ }^{\text {, while }}$ the two remaining values the 1 lei and 2 lei. bear picturds of tifd rieligious ceremonies connected with King Charles' reign. 'Thire ateaniso rifll, and 40 bani stamps, but it is good to learn, on authorit's that'"thres "projected. high values of 5,10 , and 20 lel have been abandoned. 9 :are: 15 the;

## Offers $\$ 10.000$ for a Stamp

## $\therefore 1$ bith Fint:

(Cuntinued from last issue.)
Used capies of the five cent values are rare, and the ten cent unuged stamp is, not known in has been asserted that frovidence stamps wore never used, but expert philatelists say they know instances of the stamps on the original enyelopes.

The used copies are cancelled witha V-shaped mark written thblack ink with a pen..: These stamps are the lowest in price of all the postmastein jssues. . The tive contr black is quoted at only $\$ 5$, and the ten cent black at ${ }_{\text {I }}$ $\$ 30$.

The st. Louis postmaster stamps, which were issued in 1845 by Postmaster John M. Winner; faclude there values-tive, ten and twenty cents all in green and gray lilac. There are sereral varietjes, and every one of them is held at a high premium.

The designs are all similar, showing the numeral of value at the top, with the coat of arms of Missouri in the center. suppoited at either side by an upright bear stamps, by wihch they are generally known. The postmaster sold nime tens or eighteen fives for a dollar, the differences being the cost of printing.

It is said that most of these stamps were used by two large wholesale firms of St. Louls, who carried on a big business with Louisville, Kg. On many of the lettres which passed between the two cities were bear stamps tu the amount of twenty-five and fifty cents. A find of these stamps in Louisville in 1895 brought to light many of the origina! covers, and so caluable were they that the finders of the stamps are said to have realized a proft of over $\$ 20,000$.

Up to the time of the unearthing of this philatelic treasure is Louis. ville the denomination of 20 cents was looked upon by many philatelists as fictitious. " Gme of the pickups at the time included a strike of two twenties and one ix: strips of three each of the tires and tens, horizontal pairs of tives and tea-. and twenty and ten, showing the form of the sheet in which they were origletally printed, and prosing that the different denominations were all printed from one plate.

The total number of bear stamps found at Louisville is said to have been seventy-five tives. forty-six tens and sisteen twenties. The 20 cent stamp is now valued at $\$(0)$. while the tives and tens are held at about 8100 each.

There is in existence a so-called $2 \cdot$ cent. St. Louis stamp. but experts say that it ts a fabrication.

Washington, D.C. is said to be represented by a postmaster stamp, issued in 1845 by Col. Charles K. Gardiner, but a copy of it has nerer been discovered. It has been pretty conclusively proved that this stamp consisted of an oval of double faint lines within which was written, the name of the positmaster and the value.

Worcester, Mass., is also credited with stamps of 5 and 10 cents denomination, butu 'up to date a specimen has not made its appearance. In 1846 Boscawen, N. H., issued a 5-cent dull blue stamp. Worcester Webster, a relative of Daniel Webster. was postmaster. This stamp is of the crudest character and was made with a hand stamp composed of itregularly set type,
reading: "Paid 5 Cents." in three lines, cre above the other. There is only one other copy known, this being in the collection of H. E. Dents, the president of the American Philatelic Association.-Kansas City Journal.



A 25 reis green and a 50 reis blue envelope; 10 rels green on buff, and 20
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 bluish black: 40 heller, orange: to heller, reddish wranges and fol hellet, purple: 1 hrona, red: 2 kronas, green, and the 5 kromajgrayish bluelsoy 91

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l:enadir, an Italian possession, will scon endetgo a change of name, whes all the postal supplies will become obsofeterarthe namerts'to be changest to Italian South Somaliland.

A series of adhesives has been issued for Dominican republic. The des. m is the same as that used on the 1901 and 1905 series, but with a change in the colors. The denominations and colors are as follows: $1 / 2$ cent green and back; I cent carmine and black; 2 cent brown, red and black; 5 cent blue and black: 10 cent lilac and black; 20 cent olise green and black, and the 0 cent brown and black and the 1 peso violet and black.

Tise American Bank Note Company of New York lias very recently printed an attractive series of stamps for Hayti. The entire set; of which there are eleven values, bears pictures of buildings, native seenerg, or their rcler, Nord-Alexis. There is something of a departure in the denomination, which is expressed in centimes of a gourde for domestic use.

## Old Letters Used Before Stamps

I have in my possession, one of these relics of the past, that I have often thought of asking, you to publish, strictly on its merits. In my estimation it is a document that every A merican boy and girl should read, and consider seriously. By so doing I am sure that the reader will have a much keener appreciation of their present situation in life, and most certaialy a tender affection for theif ploneer forefathers.

I enclose herewith, a copy of the letterr, which is addressed Mrs. Jane Beggs, Haymount, Fayetteville, Cumberland Couoty. N. Carolina.

The letter is folded so as to make envelope and paper all in one and has been sealed with red wax.

In the upper left band corner is the postmark of the mailing point in blue stamp. Wetumpia, Ala., fin circle with May 21 in center. In uppe! right hand corner the number 25.

Resp. Yours, M. R. Moore.

Alabama. Tallapoosa County, May 21-1838.
Dear Sister:-I received sour letter dated Feby. the 27th and it gave me much happiness to hear that you were all well, and after song silence, I write a few lines to you to let gou know that we are all in the land of the living except Flord, who died on the 13th of April. after a long and painful illvess of the liver complaint. She was poorly when we left Bladen'and still remained so until we stopped here. Her father applied to the Doctor the nest day after we stopped, and the Doctor attended her from that time until she died, and the more medicine she took, the worse şe got. And it was a trying time to us all, as there are no neighbors near to assist us. Myself and her sister Catharine had to lay her out, and her father had to make the coffin. You know that was distressing. There came one man and woman at night to sit up with us next day, which was the Sabbath day. We trok her to the grave yard in Tallasee: about tive miles, where a large company it $^{+}$tended the funeral and were very kind and obliging.

The rior of us have no reason to complain of our health since we came here, only 1 lase my old complaint the toothache, which I have constant. We have a prowising crop coming on. If the season hits. we will make near one thousand bushels of corn. besides pieuty of everything eise. This is a plentiful country. The woods are full of bee trees. There are sis now in a mile of us that we haven't cut. We have only got three milch cows, and we get plenty of milk and butter. I wish sou would all come here and live. As for you, Jane, I know that you will never come, as you are well off there. and have plenty. It grieves me to the heart, to think that I shall see none of you no more, this side of eternity. If Benjamin Councsl would get ready and come here, he could do well, and I do assure gou it would ging me great happiness to see Sarah and the children. This is a lonesome country. I have but one female visitor, and that is an Indian woman who appears to be very kind. We have no preacher tiere, nor uo place to go to, which makes me think the more about you all. I wish that you would write to me, and let me know how you all are as soon as this gets to hand. Particularly mother, bow her health has been this spring. Although we are parted, in this life where we canuot enjog each others company, may our IIeavenly Father guide and keep us in the right road to that bappy country where we shall meet and part no more.

Elizabeth and Catharine, I wish you would all forita to me, Ann Jane, wants to see her aunt very bad, and sends her love to you.

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P. S.-Margaret Elizabeth has got right well:of her fall from the cartro-all.
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## Will Hace Nowel Papet..n riqgila

Andersou, Ind. Oct. 4. (Special)-To pader the jinfor wify chitug of a room with cancelled postage stamps of all nations is the selt aspymed task of Miss Sallie Chambers of this city.

Miss Chambers lives with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Chaporingat 1018 Peak St. and on the second floor of a two-story fesidence fas a room fifteen br twenty-four feet, with nine foot ceiilng.

If all postage stamps were of the same dimensions it would not be a ditticult matter to calculate as to about how many stamps will be required.

With the United States two-cent postage slamp as the basis of one calculation, results ranged from 186,912, to 191,100 To be sure that she wili have enough stamps to paper the room as planned Miss chambers will not stop her orders until she has 200,000. At this time she has $9 \mathrm{O}, 000$ and according to receipt of stamps since she began the follection she will have 100,000 more within three months.

Several denominations of United States stampsate ingize of the two cent stamp. The Rritish stamps are of abott the sape siza as those of the United States, but the sizes vary when the $\bar{y}$ come formother, nations. Colors and designs are also of such variety that the dimequiops of the stamps are not more important than the designs and colorifg wint it comes to arranging the stamps on the walls so that there wifl be an artistif effect in the grouping and shading effects.

In order to systematically execute her plans Mss Chambers will classify or grade the stamps before starting on the work of transferiog them, to the walls and celling of her room.

Her three sisters assist in assorting the stamps and when they have them arranged as desired several of Miss Chambers' friends aif assist in pasting them

Before the stamps go on the wall ail will be pasted gn the back of a strong grade of wall paper.
$\lambda$ roll of wall paper is thircy-six feet long and eighteen incbes oride. On the reverse or blank side of it will be pasted 6,336 stamps, if they are of the United States 2 -cent denomination. This number of 2 -cent stamps will not be placed on one sheet, for there would be too much red in one roll, so it will he relieved by other colors, alternating with some of the blue, green and brown stamps of the United States and foreign countries.

A New German Stamp. Germany now has a stamp for her navy:- The new stamp is issued in two sizes 3 and 10 pfenuig, and in four colors, red, black. orange and blue. The design is sery pretty, representfigg a German war ship of the past and present. The stamps have also appeared on picture post cards and are an ornament to any collection. Although not intended to serve for postage the stamp will be placed on all official letters and may be obtained by the public at face value.

## OUR ILL USTRATIONS

REV. EDWARD W. THWING, of Honolulu, Hawaii., is a missionary stame and poot caid collector. Forn in Boston in 1868 be has alwass betn enough of a rande to enjoy a good exchange. Heginning collecting ind 1882, he has alwiys lept it up While a missiohary in China for ten years; during work on the fanglage, he made a careful study of old Chinese coins and has one of the tinest collections in America, with many duplicates. Healthe conditions required his going to Hawaii. where he has charge of the Chidese work there. ine is now making a collection of colored view cards and is a repersentative for several clubs. He is still always readynto er.d change good stamps, coins. cards or minerals. He believes in the WEST as: the best paper for the coilertor. His ads will often appear in our columns All whonsant a finegvew card of Ilawaij, or a real old Chinese coin, had better write to him. His advice-' 'Get a hooby and subscribe to the WEST. It will dousou good, i'

EnWarof. MlLLER was born in Philadelphia, Pa., but at an earyt age came to Whmington, Iel,, where he is now living. He was born July 6, 1885. has had agood education and graduated from a well known business college in his city. He has a fair collection of postage stamps and is also interested in post cards (see adv. in this issue). His profession is booikeeping.

RO\&EHT EROWN, Pakaka, Lenniston; New Zealand. is president oi the Cosmos Post Card Club. N. Z., Manager M. P. A., and also a member of many Post Card Clubs in A merica and other counties. He has been collecting four years, and has over 2000 cards. He had many carrent N. 2. 0 dispose of and will exchange. Ite is a store keeper by proiession, Seargeant. Major Candman and amateur printer. Would like sample of papers and will reciprocate.

ARTHUR IMBLER was born June 18, 1881, in Bee Ridge, Knox cointy, Missouri, and died in Covina, Cailfornia, September $20 \mathrm{ch}, 1906$. aged 27 years. 'IIe had a genius for study and hard work mentally. He combined inteilect and christianity in his fine and well rounded character. He joined the Methodist Episcopal Church when only seven years old, and !ound Christ the polestar of his life. Here he found his poise. At sixteen he graduated from the Compton Gramamr School, at nineteen he graduated from the los Angeles College. In the sear 1899 he had cumpleted and graduated from J'ennsgivanias' :argest schonl of correspondence, receiving a perfect report in his writing, spelling, mathematics and algebra. In 1900 he graduated from the Commercial College located in Valparaiso, Indiana, being twenty years of abe. Un July 3, 1901 he married Miss Bessie E. Carter, leaving two beautiful boys behind, Alpha aged 4, and Arthur, aged 2, to mourn for him ii only as one who has passed on to wait for them until the coming of that, morning which has no evening sunset. He was a member of the N. W. A. and was sales manager of Stamp Collectors Protective Association and other stamp and post card societies. He was a man of splendid individuality and; ality and showed it in his work. It was a pleasure to meet him and hear his triumphant experience. He met death like a well trained gladiator in the faith, his last words being "I am trusting Christ, all is well, all is well "

REV. T. W. CFARLESWORTH of Bunyan, Gat., Canada, is an Englishman by birth, and has resided in Canada for fifteen years. He has bsen a collector of stamps and postcards for about five years, and is a frequent contributor to the WEST under the pen names of 'Narolssus', and "An Old Bog."
B. L. VOORHEES, began collecting in 1844. He started as a dealer in '97, 3 years later. Owing to lack of time has now given, up everything but his auction business of which he is making a speciatly, and results so far aze very pleasing. See his ad in this number.

At the banquet held while the London philatelie exhibition was in seision. Harrison Hill, an English musician, was present and aided in ontertaining the guests by cumposing some rather clever rhymes aand adapting them to a famiilar air. The first one, wrtten to the tuve of "Tramp, Tramp, the Boys are Marching,' was as follows:

Now the nations of the world with their postage stamp uefurled are met on the twenty-ninth of May,
for a Parliament of Stamps-not in rival party camps,
But in an Entene Cordilea kind of was.
Our Sailor Prince of Wates, who from India lately hailsAnd well he did his royal duty thereIs the patron of the craft. and he walked both fore and aft, . . . .c. And admired the Exhibition everywhere.
The chorus was-
Stanp, stamp, stamp, the bors are marching.
Every man a stamp collector true.
And they hail the Prince of Wales. whose kindness never fatls -
And lrince Edward, he's a stamp collector. too.
Another serse composed to the tune of "Yansee Doodle" in honor of Dhin N . Luff. a New Yorker pesent at the exhibition was as follows:
oh! I. N. Lutf has stamps of buff, of red and green and blue sif,
And to the tirm of Stanley G. he always is most true'sir:
Here's a health to J. N. Luff. hip. hip, hoorray, str.
liay he direct the New York firm for many and mano a day git.
Will show Rare Stamps: Walter Clarke Kellows of New York exlibited at the club room of the Chicago branch of the American Philatelic hissociation his collection of Mexican postage stamps, the most complete of ts kind in existence, Mr. Bellows' collection never before has been on erhibition in Chicago. Another attraction at the meettog was the display of Hayti stamps, the proberty of Alexander Hollaud. This collection was brought direct from London. where it was awarded a medal at the recent philateil' exhibition All interested in postage stamps,- whether or not members of the association. are invited to the club. The rofizo are ht 151 Washington street.


Members of the Chicago Philatelic held an auction sale on Nov. 18. A portion of the proceeds will be used in making additions to the society's librars.

## Come Experiences of Exchanging

## By An Old Boy

When a collector begins to accumulate a collection of any size, he inds that he has also accurimithated quite a lot of duplicates, and then the ques. tion arises in his mina what to do with them? Shall he give them a aray to beginners? Shall he sell them for what they may happen to fetch! "Of shall he try aud exchange them for others he has not got?

Thee latter seemed the most, desirable course to me when this happpened; and su I cast around for some one with whom I conld exchange my dupli. cates. My birst experience was with a barrister, a gentleman of positions and means and who was a most enthusiastic collector. When I wretebim he replied ziving me an elaborate list of the countries he collected, -what he liked. what he wanted and what he did not want. I sent. him a good selec. tion of the best 1 had from which he took a fair number. He excused himself trom sending a selection in return as he was so busy, but, asked me to send ayain. I send several other selections and he took from each-totalipg about tive dollars.

After waiting about six months. he sent me a selection belonging to some one else. that had sent to him, from which I took diongh to civer bis indebtedness to me. 1 then sent him other selections from which he tood about three dollars value. I have written many times and walted three sears and have not jet received settlement.

My next experience was with a journalist who was beginning to collect for the second rime: and who with a great deat of bluff and bluster managed to get a nice iot of my best duplicates, and from whom I never could geta desent selection in retura; and had to wait two years for a settlement that was far from satisfactory.

Another one was a prominent business man, to whom I sent three different selections, one of which happened to suit his lordship, though they were the kind he sald he wanted; and he would not send me a single selection.

I have, however had some pleasanter experiences than these: for with one man I exchanged for over a sear and got and gave some valuable additions 10 mg collection. Others sent me nice selections and we managed to exchange quite a few that were of use in each case.

This is quite a nice way of increasing one's collection and disposing of duplicates It is only however in a general collection that any very great help can be had by exchanging. If a collector specializes some particular country or group of countries, he will have to look to some other vay. Purchasing throcgin the sates department of a good philatelic society, or at a good auction will often farnish a person with good stamps of a special kind at very reasonable prices.

To try and exchange comonon duplicates is of course vanity and vexation, to both the sender and the one they are sent. The common grade of stamps such as are priced in the catalogues at one cent each, are bought so cheap in packets and mixtures that every one who collects at all has them and consequently does not need them in exchange.

But if you have a few good duplicates, gou may then find some oot willing to exchange equally good ones for them. But be careful!

# Notes for U. S. Collegtorsfrol <br> By E. R. Aldriag 

A hoston 1 lrm is olferiug a Marion, Va., local (Scotha No. St) tiye cent blact at 829.5 . Scott does not price it but the F reuph Sgeley gatalog lists
 this stamp.

Baltimore, Md. permit. No. if Is used uponitignse adeentising catd sent out bs an insurance company of that cit.j. ut bou: : tan:3 1 , lostmaster Geueral Cortelyou has been honored br bavinw, a posponte recently establisthed in Washington county. Alabama e dimed after himp.

Critics will probably agree that the departon Thes hare abolished Art from the list of Alabama postonices o $_{1}$ the simme as from the stamp. with the advent of the last serles,




The department have given Nebraska's list of postoftges a givis bat discovered the "liaker."

Postmasters call now sell money orders to a jew otice in Trauswaal, the simplicity of the name of which should meet witli the approyal of advocates of spelling reform-lironkhorstspruit.

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The binking house of Heury Clews N Co. of Se, Lork hijg sends ont their circulars franked by permit No. 17?.

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    The following are the leading postothces in the "Cual fore' and are all intermational money othess--Ancon, Los Obiepo, Hohia, Corozal, Cristobal, Culebra, Loupire, Fitijoles. Gorgona, Gatur, Laßoca, Las,Cascades,


## WANTEI AN ANXAPML心...

- Most of us will permit ourselves to doubt the veracidy fifydeceut uewspaber stalement to the etject that somebody in Ameriga is allering 10,000 dotiars for a specimen of the ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ pustmaster's stamp' of Abfabolis. . 1845. There have bean some interesting press comments, uxph ithis adeged offer. A correspmondent of the " $\quad 31$ anchester Dispaten, $\because$ after, feumarking that the specimen of the Anmapolis stamp on original enselope sony in the Farl of (ranford's collection js believed to be lite only one of its kiud. continues:"I hat an ioterestimgohat today with the managinga, directon of stanley Gibbous. Lid He ;ssured me that few philatelists uould to Litiety to pay such a ligure for the Annapolis if it existel. and therefore meq, дpay take it that this "sensational offer" another of those oft-requariug beanards "Fhich
 these sensational offers and almost invariably made beinsquebpody in Amerjca." It the case of a similar 11 story being published im the A metican, Press the ofler would of course emanate from "somebodyon?
 would not seem to be an excessive price for the Ammpalien-Titimp Collectors F'ortnightly.


## छhe Treentieth Century Library

## By E. H. Wilkinson

The writer, has often had occasion to renark the value of a libtargot philatelic problications. Last month some attention was paid to the societt. library; ;with your permission we will discuss the individual library question.

From a philatelic standpoint, what a wealth of interesting, instructire and entertaining matter an accummulation of philatelic publications month: ly and weekly, contains. The majority of collectors are aware of this and carefully preserve al! the papers that come their way. Some store then away in boxes, others stack them up on the shelves of their bookcase or closet; perchance the favorite will be bound, making a neat, attractive volume. After a year or two, you find yourself in pośsession of a conglomeration of papers of all sizes and styles. valuable, invaluable and of oo value. Have you ever considered library methods that if followed e!iminate the objectionable feature of the modes above mentioned: The great variets in size makes a neat, compact volume impractible: to merely pile them on a shelf is preservation, indeed, but not the ideal library style. Wtat you want in a iibrary is compactress, accessibility, uniformity and durapility.

Acritetion worthy of mertion, one in which the above four requirements are closely adhered to. recently came to our attention. This is the library of a well known collector. Nearly a decade has elapsed since it was started, but, strange to relate. there is sot a single complete paper therein. The owner, being desiruts of preserving all the meritorious matter containd in the various papers he received, at tirst followed the ordinary plan of mereiy keeping each paper in its entirey, reserving a portion of his bookcase for thea. As he was a iiberal subseriber, he soon found himself possessed of a bulky mass of papers containing a heterogeneous assortment of worby and unworthe matter. Hecoming disgusted with such an accumulation, he devised the scheme which he has since followed. to his great satisfaction and benetit.

His method was simple. from each paper that portion which contained meritorious work was taken: the balance of the paper being dis carded. Scrapbooks adapted to the purpose in view were procured and in them was inserted the clipped matter. As a fanciful addition, the title of the paper in which the article appeared and the date of issue was placed over each article. Provision was made for articles appearing on both sides of tino same leal by attaching the leaf to a stubb of the scrapbook, this plan being entirely satisfactory.

Now, after ten years of this work, the collector tinds himself in nosser sion of an invaluable collection of books, for during this period he has tilied a large number. He has not restricted himself to any one class of matte, as you might suppose, but he has clipped anything that a ppeared to be of interest. Each volume is devoted to matter of a similar nature and is indextd in a comprenensive fashion, making ready reference practicabia For general reatding, this library is most attractive, its varied contents neser becoming sta'e. 'the owner assures me that he oftell selects a voinmeat random and opening it haphazard finds something new each time. I! sort particular topic is desired, it can be easily located. this being a featire the
ordinary library cannot lay claim to. As there is no standard to go by, no puluation can be placed on these books. Sulfice it to say they are unpurelasabie

This certainly constitutes the acme of the phidatelic library. It is nerely the separation of the wheat from the chaff. Why preserve the trash? The coliecting of philatelic literature is commendibie and may be of interest -the collection and proper preservation of the cream of the matter. Appering in these publications practicable, latadable, interesting and satisfactfory, and the intrinsic worth of this form of library is apparerit:

## The August and September Issues of the U.S.for 1861 <br> By N. A. Cratejford, Jr.

It having ${ }^{\text {been evjdent for some time that the current stamps (those of }}$ 185j.'60) could be improved on, in August, ${ }^{*} 1861$, a new sertes was issued. These stamps, as we all know, embodied a somewhat new design. numerals being place in the upper corners and the letters U.S. in the lowe. They wete printed on wove paper and were perforated 12.

In September of this same year, however, another series was sent out;" which was the same as the August one, save in minor differences of the ornaweat and the color. Immediately the older issue was discontincied and owing to the short time it nad been in use, became quite scarce, while the on:7 rare stamps in the September issue are the 5 cent olive-gellow (unused) and the $\%$ ocent marine blue. But it is chiefly with the diferetices between the two series that we are concerned. As they are more easily distinguished by coior-the 24 cent and 30 cent in one series being distinguistiab!e from the saxe talues in the other only by diflerences in color-I give below a list of tenet set:
dugust: 1 cent indigo, $: 3$ cent brown-red, 5 cent browit. lo cent aats s aer $1^{2}$ cent black, 24 cent violet. 30 cent red-orange, 90 cent light bicue.

Septewrer: 1 cent ultamarine. 1 cent bice, 1 cent dark biue. 3 cent pinis. .) cent rose. 3 cent dulk red. E cent brown-gellow. j cent olive-relow, ont husi. In cent dark green. 10 cent yellow-green, 12 cent biack, it cent redtac. Sin cent orange, 9 cent blue. 90 cent very pale biae, 90 cent matine bi....

I willalso state changes of the omaments, which, it whit be incerstood, tic: pace in the September series.

On ine l-cent a short dask has been added under the tip of the ormawetit al right of the upper left hand numeral.
(Bu) the $: 3$ cent the ornaments at the corners end in a small ball.
On the s-cent a leaflet has been added to the follated ornaments at each co:uer
10.cent. A very heavy curved line may be seen below the stars and a less teary outer line has been added to the ormaments above there.

12 cent, ovals and scrolls have been placed at the corners.
:ib).cent. parallel lines form an angle above the ribbon inscribed "U. S. "ostage," and a row of dots has been placed between thase Jines and the lapes of the lcwer pair.

## Counterfeits and Gheir Detection

R. R. Thiele

FRENCH COLONIES. The small square stamps issued by the Erench Empire in 1859 and afterwards for the French Colonies are not exactly ratities, byt still a stamp like the roc is worth while 1 counterfeiting or These medium priced stamps are especially dangerous, whan forged, as they are hardly high enough in price to warrant an expert examination such as one would fall back on in the case of great larities. The forgery of this se which I have before me is not especially dangerous, but it is still apt to deceive the unwary $e_{\text {pollector. It is evidently a lithograph: the originals }}$ are typographed in the usual careful execution of the French stamps of that period. The lines of the background on the original are very fine and evenly drawn, while on the-forgery they are rather coarse and some are thicker than the othets si Retween the lines of the background ori the orfinal there ard small dots of galerat-regulay jatervalsemping the background a brick-work-like appearance: on the forgery the dots are conspicuous by absence and the background shows only parallel lines. The bead of the eagle on the counterfet ! is raised too high. If you lay a straightedge horizontally acios even with the top of the head, the line on the original strikes the upper part of the lower bar of the E in COLONIEN. while on the forgery it strlses the lower part of the $S$. In consequence of this the neck of the eagle looks long and ehin on the forgery, while on the original it is stort and thick; the tips of the wings alsolise too high on the counterfeir, befng even with the top of the head as on the original. The crown has also been jammed upward, so that its cross is almost lost in the pearled circle, white on the orig. inal the cross is distinctiy visible beneath the pearled circle. On the left wing of the eagle (right hand from the observers' point of view) five layors of feathers may distinctly be counted on the original, counting the long pinions as one layer: on the forgery but four may be so connted. The eagle on the fondery shows barely any indication of feathers on the breast and legs, while onithe original they are plainly shown. Un the original three clams are plainly visitle con each foot of the eagle; on the counterfeit they are almost indistinguishable. The pearls on buth pearled circles on the oliginal are very even and of the same size in each eircle, lhose of the outer circle being apparently a thitle larger than those of the inner circle. on the for gery the pearl of both circles are very irr gularly spuced and nneven in size: over the RR of EMPIRE they are especially small and erowded, while oret the word DF, one pearl is missing in the onter circle: under the same word the pearls of the inmer circle are vory small. The leltering is rather coarse.

 POSTES and the'second sit the original also has it white dot which is libewise absent of the eounterfeit. The O's in COLONIbS are round on the original, but narrow ovals on the forgery. L and F are too close together on the forgery; the $I$ is much too narrow and crowded, while on the orig. inal it is wide and open. The letters $R$ on the orlginal have long tails. tuined outward, thus $R$ : On the forgery the tails are short and turned in. thus R. Tre $N$ in PRASCAIS on the foruery is only about half the width of that on the original.

The figures of value on the forgery louk smalt andycnapmed. The corner ornaments show numerous differences from the original, being rather indifferently drawn and showing coserse lines intead of the fine execution of the original, but the differences are such that it is difficult to describe them in words. Comparison"of a doubtful specimen with apy dr the low talues of the set will serve to tdentify an original, as afl the thades 'dite from the same original die. The counterfeit before me is "cancelledrof fitt a a porstmark" showing four concentric rings (only a part of it ts visible fini flyth correctly informed, no postmarks of that kind were ever in dse the tite cotonles; the regular colonial cancellation in those days was a thopthis of dots with a group of letters in the center' indicating the coiony ate date stamps were also in use; formed of two concentric rings, the datef the dentel



## Nyassaland's Postagestamping sni.

## By Gilbert N. Gundersion is ton: tims

The issues of Nyassaland prior to 1897 . may proye of kiterent although they were not officially recognized by those in authority: The fodlowing extracts relative to these stamps are self explanatory and will;ilathink, throw some light on Nyassa's eanly postal issues:

From A. J. of Philately, Mr. Wm. Brown informs us th at the; Nyassa Co. has issued three adhesives, being careful to allow a number of sheetsof each value to escape peforation: besides, not to be beaten by the Erenchicoloules, three provisionals were issued at the same time, and of course; also perforated and unperforated " $\because$ live

The desting of these stamps is related in a suggestion taken from stamp News:
"Ofticial documents have gone the rounds recently in which the Portugese government fully consents to the use of special stamps in the territory controlled by the Nyassa Company. This concession amounts only to the surcharging of the current Mozambique stamps, the objection to the special design being unabated. Thus it is highly improbable that the series issued some years ago will ever be recognized by the authorities. ।'The surcharge will probably consist of the word. 'Nyassa'.',

Summarizing from these extracts the facts regarding the appearance of the first official issue of Syassaland (which event occurted in L8git to may be said: that the currant Mozambique types were surcharged " N yussally In like manner the 1898 issue of .Mozambique underwent a surcharging tonfulth the wants ( $\because$ ) of Nyassaland in 1898.

The year 1901 witnessed the issuing of a high!y colored pletorial issue of two types 'lhis series l believe too common to need. further comment. 'These stamps were surcharged provisionally in 1963. This, fiteget her: with one type of Newspaper stamp (issued in 1897 by surcharging a current Morambigue Newspaper stamp), completes the postal issue of Neassaland.

According to a writer in "Der Philatelist" the postmastors ati atl of the fremeh Levant offices have the power of making provisioual series at hayg time when the supply is exhausted by simply surcharging the vatue of which the large supply is on hand.

## A Furor in Berlin Philatelic Circles

## By B. H. Fehlig

In Berlin, Germany, there lived a rich man, August Misner, who was a stamp collector and had a large collection. He was culitivated and refibed, lived in a large mansion on the outskirts of the city and had been a member of the Reichstag, but for some unknown cause, he had suddenly ceased attending the sessions. Although, as before said, he was a collector of note and had a iarge collection, according to the reports of those who saw it, he did not belong to a stamp society, never attended an auction, or bought or exchanged a stamp with anyone. This made the other collectors of Berlin suspicious of him, especially as he was reported as getting more fine stamps all the time, and no one ever seen him buy one.

It so happened at this time, that in Berlin, many rare stamps and not a few collections, were as one victim expressed it, disappearing from under their very eyes', and as time flew by, and it did not cease, it was connected with a collector, as no one else would have known the value of the stamp. So suspicions were laid upon Misuer, and as the situation of the venerable body of elder philatelists of Berlin was becoming a grave one, they decided to call a mass meeting in the rooms of the Rerlin Society. and see if adsthing could be done.

That evening, over one hundred of the Hower of Berlin philatelists met and discussed what was to be done. Herr Schroeder, the president of the society, told of his recent lass of a collection of reprints worth 8800 , Herr Joynes bewalled the loss of a Confederate cover and a Swiss cantonal, and many others bewailed similar losses. After long and heared discussions, they finally came to the agreement that lots should be cast to see who should play detective and try and find the culprit, who they had no donbt was also a collector.

Those who drew the lots commenced a disclission of how they should go at their new and strange task. They final!s agreed that they would hide the nest day at the houses of the collectors who had suffered the iargest losses. They said next 'day, because the stamps had all disappeased in broad daylight, and in a few instances while the owners were at home

The first day nothing happened. the second day the same: bat the third day, as the two men who were watehing at the home of Herr Jovnes, saw a servant pass inte the collectors study and open some books on his dest. Silently they crept up to the door and watched him, as thes had a saspiaion that: he did not belong where he was. Then they saw hian se'ect two stamps, take them out of the book and carefulls put them in a small wallet in his pocket. This convinced them that they had seen the culprit, and when he passed through the door of the room, they jumped on hix and tore him to the floor, where one held him while the other called the police.

At the police station the two men gase their testimong. The prisoder was then examined. and to the great astonishment of the police and two collectors there stood before them Herr August Misner, supposed maguate and ex-member of the Reichstag, after the wig and false hair had been taken off. He was then iocked up and the two collectors hurifed with all hasto to report to their fellow collectors their success and about Misner.

Misner's home was searched and in it vere found', some of the stolen
stamps. When his trial came off, ail the collectors testiffed against him, and he confessed his guilt and gave a full confession.

He really was not German, but an Englishmạn, and could talk Gerwan lluent!s. Ile told how he had entered the various houses almost every day, disguised as a servant, and had taken rood stampstand had sold them to specuiators in London for good sums. He was sent to Potsdam for ten jears.

The next evening the collectors of Berlin held a meting of thanksgiving, as the culprit nin their midst was disposed of, and most of their mourned for treasures had been returned to theini The members who had plaped tecectives were given a vote of thanks, and the next morning the Rerlin papers presented a head liṇe of "'The Berlin Phisatelists at Last Rid of Their Stamp Thief."

## 以hen Postage Stamps Werea Novelty By Gilbert N. Gundersón

"When postage siamps first came into use." said a veteran postal clers a reporter of the Galveston Tribune. "the public didn't know how to tandle them. You remember how when tea and coffee tirst appeared among us, the people fried the tea leaves and the colfee berries, and served them with salt and pepper? Well, the people treated their stamps as absurdly in 184.
"iome folks would put the stamps inside their letters; out of sight. Ilere is the oticial notice that we issued to stop that practice."

The clerd too's from the drawer an aged bulletin that said:
'The stamps unon all letters and purages must be allixed on the OUTSILE thereof, and above the address thereon."
"F'eopie wouid pin the stamps on their letter; instead of gumming them." he continued, "and when they did gum them, they would not do it righ:. Hence this second bulletin." and he read:
" F 'ersons posting letters should atix the requisite number of stamps previous to depositing them in the letter receivers, as when posted in a damp state the stamps are liable to rub of and thereby cause the letters to be treated as inpaid. Do not pin on the stamps."
"sti:1,"' said the clerk, "the public didn't understand. Think of itdidn't understand the simple matter of sticking a postage stamp on a letter. so we got out a third bulletin."

It read:
"The simplest and most effectual method of causing stamps to adhere lirmly is, tirst, to moisten well the outside of the stamps and afterward the gummed side slighty, taking care not to remove the gum."

The clerk said that a philatelist had offered him $\$ 12$ apiece for these three $q$ ::eer bulletins.

At the tire the Pau-American congress was held Erazil issued two commenerative adhesives, somewhat the size of our Columbian series. The central desigu consists of a large glute. The values and oolors of the adhesives ithis far seen in this country are the 100 reis carmine and the 20 reis blue.


> Questions relative to stamips will be ansment in this column free of charge to sulscribed All questions must be sent to the aloove addrat aud a ze stamp must accompany each letter oul tainiug questions. When stamps are seat ha examinntion. return postage must be iuthad beside the fee above provided. for.


## By . L. G. Dorpat, Box 37. Wayside, We is

(Continued.)
34. What s gieant by right and left cap on the U. S. 2 cents pint!This and the next question was asked by E. J. Post in the June number of the WEST and there referred to this department: In answering I would say that I know of no cap on any pink U. S. stamp. The cap usually spoka of is found on the 2 cents of 1890 . The left rap (which is the commonest) is on the tigure 2 which is towards the left side of the beholder. The right cap (which is very rare alone) is on the figure 2 nearest to the beholders right side. Some specimens have both the left and the right cap, i. e. culso both figures, (these are rarer than the left cap alone). The cap consists of a small colordess dasla on top of and merging into the figure. It is abony $11,2 \mathrm{~mm}$. in length.
315. Is there any way to tell the plate number of the English 1 penag by the Jetters in the four corners when the stamp is cancelled over the num. ber. and is there is more than two of the same plate number in one sheetThe corner letters in the penny 180n of Great Britain have nothing to do with the plate number They denote the stamp's place in the sheet III remember right, the first stamp in the top row and the tirst stamp in the second dow has. each two A's and two liss. but in different positions. With the help of these letters whole sheets can be reconstructed.

The plate number is to he found twice on each stamp in the street. i. a twice as many times on every she日t as it contains stamps. In some cass the plate number is so very indistinet that it can not be seen. The plase to look for it is on either side of the frame. The foot of the numberis towards the conter. It is generall. necessary to use a magnifying glass to find it.
316. What does it mean to specialize in stamp collecting?-It does na always mean the same. With some collectors it means to collect the stamp of one country or one group of countries only, With others it means wo collect varieties and minor varieties of stamps. With still others, and there are the most earnest specialists, it means to get as complete a representation of any stam!, issue or series of issues as call be made. This includes cati logued and-uncatalogued varieties, used and unused, singles, pairs, strips blocks fand whole sheets with marginal imprints, various eancellations proofs, essays reissues, reprints and counterfeits, as well as regular printing and erjors. 7 To make a success of this sort of collecting, one must study the history of each stamp from the cause of its creation, through all parts of its manufacture, issue and use, to its retirement and the disposition of it remainders. Where the average collector keeps but one specimen of a stamp the ultra specialist keeps hundreds and thousands-if he can gat them. It is thisikind of speeiodized collecting that brings the best results nommer cially. It borders on cornering the market or monopolizing, although this
is not the primaryobject. Súppose anyone to undertake to ppecialize on

 every type of every value of evèy printing on every-tind of paper, it. some Is to ach or ie stamps in all, and there would be very few left for any other

 prices, and there would be no competition against him.

Similar results, though not in so marted a degree, are elfifeted in spe-
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3R. Are the illustrations in catalognes, albums etc., of exactly the same size as the stamps illust rated $t-$ No. They may be, but they are: never reliablo in resard to details, because they are in most oases produced by a different process than that by which the stamps themselves are:pioduced. Photographic reproductons, suth as accompany Luti's Ilistory of the Lis. i. or ithe London Society's works, are very nearly exact, copiesy buts even they may slighrly differ from the original stamps in size or in some of her particular, as for instance, the presence or absence of a tine tine or a small dot and the like. In case of zinc etchings or woodcut the difference between original and pirture are stil] greater. Common antotypes also differ more than the tine piotogravures.

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$31!1$. Are surcharges always in exactly the sime flace on everystamp an which they are found?--No. The intention in many casos, nodoabt, is that they should be, but the least error in set fing up. the toype for the surcharge or in feediog the stamp sheets into the surcharging pless whll easily cause deviatlons. . When stamps are surcharged singlagand by band there is hardly an attempt made to get the overprint alwars fingiexact.fenthei same


320. What are the points to be considered in fnaging Eliew genulneness of a surcharge? - Measure the total length of each line; thetheight and thickness of pach letter and the spaces between letters and between'rinds. Note
the form of each letter and each part of each letter. Mark the kind of ink and the lightness or heaviness of impression. .Consider the direction of each line of surcharge. Some time ago I saw a set of Guam stamps. In these the surcharge consists of four ${ }^{\circ}$ letters only GUAM. The letters were apparntly of the right type, but the ink was too pale, nearly gref instead of black, and the direction of the line was such that, if the other nine sur. charges In a row of ten agreed with the one in hand, they would not all have come on stamps, the last one or two of the row falling several mm. above the stamps. It is not likely that such poor work, if it ever occurred in the printerg, would have been issued; hence the surcharges in this case were pronounced forgeries. In a case of used stamps, see whether the surcharge is over or under the cancellation. Be sure that stames that appear as unused are not wasbed specimens. Pay also some attention to the shade, variety or type of the surcharged stamp. Suppose a stamp was first issued perforated 11 and after a few years verforated 12; after some time a lot with the latter perforation is surcharged and so issued for a short time: if you are sure that none with perf. 11 were surcharged. and yet gou find such a copyused or unused, you may know by the wroug perforation that the surcharge is forged. Finally, in case of used stamps, note the date of the canceilation and see that it agrees with the time in which the surcharged stamps were used. In short, note everything.
321. How do prices of surcharged stamps compare with those of stamps without surcharge?-We may compare them in several respects. Whenever the number of stamps issued without surcharge is greater than the number with surcharge, the latter are higher in price. Example: U. S. 2 c 1895 unused (3c), the same surcharged Guam (20c.) Example to the contrary: Itals 30 c 1879 used, $\$ 1.00$ (sery few wete used), the same surcharged 20c used. price 2 cents the greater part of the issue was surcharged aud so nsed. Whenever the demand for any stamp exceeds the supply, the price will rise: whenever the supply exceeds the demand. the price will fall. Thus we have fluctuations both of stamos with and without surcharge. Heretofore ! ith kinds were very nearly equal in fluctuation and stability. If for some reison collectors generally would exclude the one or the other kind, so that the relations tetween suppls and demand were altered, then, of course. the price of the excluded kind would drop. As a rule the suppls of surcharged stamps, these being provisionals of shart life. has not been equal to the demand, and hence they, as a class, belong to the rarer and dearer stamps. But there are many exceptions. The dearest stamps ard not surcharged but very few of the surchaged stamps can be boughtat wholesale at the same low tizures as quite a number of common stamps with. out surcharge. As ao investment no valid rule can be given for the two kinds of stamps. Each stamp must be studied as to its particular supply and demand. and countertieits must be avoided, conditisn noted etc.

A series of adhesises has recently been issued for Dominican Republio in the same type as the 1901 and 1905 issues of that country, but with a change of color. The series consists of the following: Two centavos, brown and black; 5 c blue and black; 103 violet and black; 20 e green and black; 50 c brown and black, and the L peso; which is printed in purple and tlack.

# Philippine Provisional Revenues By Orcár T. Hartman sx 

During the latter part of 1898 and possibly 1898 some of the Spanish issues for the Phililpine Is?ands were provisionalij dissued by the:U i. S. government for castoms and Int. Rev. purposes. $i$ gos git link
It is hard to describe the respective stamps whout a cut of same but most of the WEST readers have seen the common enough blie Guba revenue. The Phillipine timbre mobil is of the same design excent FILEPAS instead of Cuba on the upper line. I have met provisional surcharges on Giro,Sello, Timbre Mobil and Tagos al Estado. They are conntersigned by American gopernment clerks with red ink. Using some abbrepiations of their respective name and applied to each stamp. I have the name and signtures of some of these clerks but shall not give them here but that theyare correct I am certain. They were used in Manilla in 1898.99. The dates of use I have are 29 Iec. 98,3 Enero $99,1-11-99$ and up to March 99. These dates are one the 10 centavos brown timbre bri mobil.

The timbre mobil consists of $1,2,5$ and 10 centavos. They were all countersigned in ink. The same values were altho surchurged 1898 U . S. Intertal hevenue, forming 3 ilnes. The surcharge is very crude and found in a! kinds of positions. To all appearance done by hand with a rubber stamp. On the 10 centavos the surcharge is blue.

Here I have the date 10 May 99.
Of the Sello countersigned is red ink, I have only the $\mathrm{a}_{\mathrm{s}} \mathrm{c}$. de peso, carmine dated 3, 4 and 9 Januay 39 . Of the Gorro I have personally one in my possession. They were countersigned or surcharged U. S. Int. Revenue.

Of the Tagos al Estadol have 4. Originally they' represented a sheet with the stamp printed in one corner with the arms of Spain emiossed in white in the center of the stamp. The a pesos is a bright rose. The U. S. government printed on some of them Serie H. 5 Pesos. On others not. Across the face of the stamp sou tind in blue ink applied with rubber stawp following stamp:

The date on cancellation is blerred. All I can make out is Internal Revenue Ottice. The second issue has 1901 only

## U. S. Military Government

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Joternal Revenue in the center. Here I have the date March 8, 1901.

Taking the regular issue of U. S. Int. Rev. and some of the Sello valles of the U.S. issues for the Phillipine, they created a set of custom purposes in 1902. There were three distinct issues in that year and neither one can have been in ase very long. The values represented are $1,2,5,10$, 20, 25,50 cent, 1 and 2 peso. The first issue is stircharged Customs The od issue. Customs in a double lined square.

The od has customs and Stamp Service.
My article is only a brief endeavor of a feld so littie known and my hope is that I can interest a few to study the I. S. Provisional issue of the Fhilipines before it is too iate.

Postmaster General Cortelyou has issued an order that on and after Nor. 1, letters originating in New Zealand and prepard by postage stamps at the rate of 1 penny, or 2 cents, for each half-ounce wili be delivered to addresses in the United States.


DAPERS desiring an impartial review on the , Lines of those below ate requisted to send: copy of each issue to the address below:
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No, $8 . g^{\prime}$ (double number) of the lhilatelisten Zeltung has an interesting article on the purely imaginary "cancellations" used by so many an impecunious state fal' capcelilng the remainders of the stamps before senling then to collectors. There are some old friends among these "cancelled-to-order" postmarks (the Germans expressively call them "Gefaelligkeitsstempel," i. e. "cancellations by favor"'); no doubt many colleotors harbor specimens with these fakes and fondly delude themselves as to their status, I name only a few," Revenue and telegraph stamps of Ecuador cancelled with two concentric circles, between them at the top the word FRANCA and below tive stars, are cancelled-todrder: the obliteration is to make them appear postally used. "The first (arms) set of Guatemala, the quezal sets and the Indian seit, of the satie country are often fourd cancelled with a star or with a postmark bearing the tigures 38 between curved lines. The stamps are genuine remainders, but the stamps are fancy productions, mostly hailing from Jamburg. Remainderis of the Spanish issues for Cuba, Puerto Rico and the Phiflipines áre often treated to a fancy postmark oonsisting of a rectangle of dots, in three lines on each side, with a star in the center, also a very large star. The jarge numeral issues of Mexico are often found bearing the cancelled-to orde $r$ yostmark of ECAIZINGO, a small town in the state of Mexico: I have some values in entire sheets with this cancellation. Some reprints of the eariler issues of Paraguay are fortifted with a postmark bearing CORREOS DE LA ASUNCION in a circle and a star within an inner circle; no date is indicated. This, of course, is a fake. Many of the Peruviall surcharged stamps-arms, triangle, Bermudes-are found with fancy obliterations which are direct forgeries; look out especially for one of them, a tofy largl clrcular one, which bears the name of the office spelled TRUJILC (with one L) instead of TRUJILLO (with two L's). Salvador is another s the whose stamps are depreciated by fake cancellations. The CONTRASELLO surcharge on the early issues has been extensively forged and then the foigeries are "cancelled" with a star or with the word FRAN. CO in large letters or PRANCA in an oblong octagon. All issues of Samoa, especially also the notorious reprints, are found with a fake postmark, a double circile without date, struck in aniline ink. The stamps of Eastern Roumelia are sold by dealers in Constantinople cancelled with a "killer" of crossed lines; the aniline ink is so weak that it fades away in water. The reprints of Hellgoland are of ten "postmarked" with a datestamp showing month and day, but no year. These are only a few of the cancelled-to-order stamps curreht in the market: young collectors would do well to steer shy of such stiuff, for it is worth less than nothing.

A correspondent in Christiana, Norway, recites the circumstances leading to a new provisional. The postal packet rate up to 1 kilogram was
lowered to 30 oere with July 1st; hepce the need of this valuecrise a new
 old type; hence 000,000 of the remaining 7sk. staims of Revete surcharged.

So many 2 pf. cs rds of the German Empire Mepetlolth- fote zands when the rates were alterea lately, that it has gow todelif phalited to have then relmpressed with a 3pf. stamp in large lots, They will thus begh two impressed stamps; the 2pt. stamp, however, will prabably pe edfordied in connection with the second impression. I haven't as-yet Seen a specimen.

Le Collectionneur de Timbres-l'oste announces in No. 311 that Italy is about to ssue a 25 c stamo in the new type, also syind tioc, type not mentioned. The new domestic reply card was to be issined in September in an entirely new design. showing the King in protile in trittatioin dr a bas relfer; a peculiarity is that the card will no longer consist of two parts at $7 / 2 \mathrm{cen}$ tesimi each, but that the message card will bear a sc station green and the reply half one of toe in red.

The same paper learns the following from a "Brazflian paper of June Milh: "The Brazillan 'government has ordered a new set of postage stamps in the I'nited States; their manufacture has been entrusted to the American Burk Note Co. of New York. The new stamps will be placed in circulation after Nov, lorh next; they will bear the portrait of the pew pyesident and the other stamps used for official mail will bear the portraits of the peembers of the Provisional Government and those of the presidents who have ruled Brazil down to His Excellency Dr. Rodrigues Alves: ".

On the new Roumanian 5 bani stamps King Cbarles is, reprosented at the battle of Calafat in the war with Turkey 1877. M. Maury informs us that it depicts him as he is saluting the first shell coming from the Turkish batteries and as he is uttering the now historic words: "That's the music I like."

You know how much the Scmeuse design of Frabee bas beea tinkered at without reaching a satisfactory result. In No. 310 the C. de T. P. has a very funny sketch showing the young lady walking out of the stamp entirely with a gesture of the deepest disgust. She explains why:

After having made me sow against the wind, they touk, away my, radiant sun and forced me to work in darkest night; now they take, away my last point of support, my poor little lump of earth-That is too much: I quit!"

The London Eshibition is still agitating the European press and arguments pro and contra the justice of its awards are still occupying much room in the papers, not only In those of Iritain, but those of the Continent also. Thus No. 12 of the Berliner Briefmarken Zletung, contains a long defense of the exhibition committee and of the jury against anjust accusations made chiefly in the French papers. The sum total of the German comments is that British collectors are far and away ahead of all others in the scientific arrangement and annotation of their collectipns. No doubt most $\Lambda$ merican collections are likewise mere gatherings of pictures compared with the promisent British collections, though a few of us are beginning to leare the old paths and arrange our stamps on more scientific lines. an interessting comment is that made in this same article by Phillip Kosack,
the great dealer, that in his opinion an after effect of the great show will be a reviral of general oollecting, because the great specialized coliections discourage the average gederal collector and thus bring about a general fali of values. In support of this he quotes the fact that three large collections in Europe, each worth about $\$ 125,000$, are now for sale, but can fud no takers. I fully coincide with this view and beljeve myself that there is three times the pleasure in a modest general collection which gives opea view of the whole teld than in one of these narrowly conflued specialized collections.

The split provisionals of Havaria lately described in these pages as emanating from the small Bavarian oftice of Flmstein last winter have non been officially investigated and shown to be fakes procured by collusion of philatelist with some official.

Dr. D. von Biasini begins in this numuer of the B. B. \%. an exhaustive article on the surcharges of Panama; I shall revert to this later.

The 3 and 5 mark stamps of Togo are to be retired, but the stock on hand at the Colonial office, Berlin, is to be sold out.

Some varieties of surcharge have been discovered in the eagle type isse of German East Africa. I note them here for the information of our read. ers, lest they should think them forgeries. The 3 pesa on 5 pf. surcharg normalls measures $151_{4} \mathrm{~mm}$., but it has also been found measuring $16^{1} \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{mx}$, but it and $14!4 \mathrm{~mm}$.; the latter also with the tirst 3 too near the P or mith the second 3 too near the $A$; the a pesa on 10 pf . also occurs measuring 16 , mm . instead of the normal $151_{4}$.

The Russian $31 / 2$ and 7 rouble stamps will now become cheap as fora year past they have been used on postal parcel waybills and these, after being checked up, are sold to dealers.

The Russian 1 rouble stamp surcharged for China now comes on vetically laid paper instead of horizontally laid; the latter has at once taken an enormous jump in vaiue. Of the vertically laid only 1000 copies were seot to China so far.

No. $45-46$ of Friedl's Rrieimarken-Offertenblatt has an interesting article on some recent Austrian varieties. The 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 and 20 heites are foand with sacquer bars and black numeral, perforated $101 / 2$, the 2 helef also perforated $\boldsymbol{\varphi}$. The fatter variety is already quoted at 818 . The 1 and heller with white corners and lacques bars are found perforated $91 / 2$ (quo:d at $\$ 7.50 \%$, and the current 2,3 and 6 heller without lacquer bars are onand
 guages.

If Emperor Francis Jospeh lives until 1908 tee will celebrate the dirmond jubilee of his reign. Austria is planning a stamp issue in honord the event, to run from 1 heller to 10 kronen. A committee of artists y taken charge of the designs and 40,000 kronen have been appropriated's prizes for the successful designs. The stamps are to be produced partion typograpiny, partly in line engraving. The 2 helter stamp is to bear ixy portrait of Char:es V., white other values are to bear the portraits of othe prominent ruiers of the house of Habsburg.

The West-End Philatelist in No. 30 begins a supplement to Mr. Poolel
book on Sarawak. Six pages of additional matter lorm, the first installment. It is surprising how much the ere is to be learned even appupt su comparatively insigniticant a stamp-issuing countrs as Sarawak.. Hould, by the way, most cordially recommend to $m y$ readers the little book just mentioned; they will tind $i t$ well worth perusal as a specimen of intelligent philatelic research. It may be obtained of the publisher, Mr. D. Field, London (whose address I will be pleased to furnish), for 1 sh. unbound.

How many of our collectors who gather the revenue stamps of the [nited States have seen the excellent catalogue of these now running as a supplement in Morley's Philatelfe Journal? The catalogue alone is worth the price of subscription, while the paper itself is always full of news for the fiscal collector. The catalogue is now dealing with the revenue stamps of Caiformia.

I quote from No. 7 of Le Journal des Philatelistes as follows
"If we may believe the Juurnal des Debats the days of the negro republic of Liberia are numbered. We read there, in effecr, that the finansiai situation of this republic is far from Hourishing atad has thus led in England to a proposal to create a chartered company whose seat would be at London and at Monrovia and which, Linder the form of a loan, would take upon itself the debt of the republic. As guarantee of the laus which the company would make, it would obtain the financial administration of Liberia, receive the taxes and have a monopoly of public works as well as control of the customs. The chartered company would be placed under the direction of functionaries who occupied high positions to the British East Africa lrotectorate and whose experience would thus be employed in this enterprise."

The news is not altosether improbable and from such an administ ration to a complete protectorate would not be a long step. Still, as Liberia was founded under American auspices and has always been looked upon in a way as under the care of the Cnited States, we would probably not permit the rey:blic to be swallowed bodily by another power.

AN UNREAL STAMP.
Not long ago I lived next door to a small boy who collected stamps. I rad a good collection of $m y$ own and mang duplleates of the commoner kinds. Oue evening the boy was looking over my collection and expressed a wish for several of my stamps. I presented him with half a dozen dupiicates of Mexican stamps upon which he departed. About an hour afterwards he came back looking very downeast and said: "Those stamps you gave me a'int no good," "Why, how sot" I exclaimed. The lad produced one and pointing to the Spanish words Un Real on It said. "Don't sou see it's got 'unreal' on it?',

A 1 penny jubilee adhesive has been issued by Barbadoes. The stamp is printed in three colors-black, green and blue. The design consists of a ship with the sails infurled. The stamp bears these insceiptions: "Bazbadoes': "One-penny postage revenue'"; the dates 1805-1905, and the name of the sailing ship.

## Denver - tamp Happenings <br> By Arnold L. Nell

At. the fith monthly meeting of the Denver Stamp Clab, \&et. Brd. prelimiuary armarements were made for the appointing of the (ommittes
 point to a conve:tioun which fiere will be "something doing:" the trip to lenver is worth while m.king alone to "see lhemer", and take in the bow worid finuous mountiain rips by rail out of Henver and the naureless other attractions that have matis fenver famous, and it is needless to saty that with lember as the antwontion oity. there will be the largest crowd preseat of any . 1.1 . $i$ convasion ever held.

The Intior stamp. ©id of itenver will shortly be organizen: this clab. which has lren organizad almosit wholly through the efforts of C. M. Soyder and H. i. Invis serotary of the Denver stamp Cluh, will fill a tougfelt want watht in Henter stampdom. When the Denver stamp elub was organjoted; there were many collectors who wanted to join but were barred because of atplicants faving to be over 18 years of age: these will now be able to join the dunior Ciub, which will probably te run tiong the same lines as the Denver Stamp Club. Henver has set an exanple of which she is justly proud, and of which other cities should be envious; mo other city less rhan twice the size oi henver can boast of as large and well atcenderi a stamp club as lyenver, and as far as we know no other city in the li. S. of a Iuntor stamp clut.. Now get $\quad$ un work Chicago, Cincinnatti, Washingtun and all the rest.. onmanfze your stamp clabs, lollow the example I)enver has set yon. and help advertise philately and encourage sociability among collectors in yoint-toun.

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Hi: Wate Ciary: isilows the prominent stage manager, who has a superb collectini of Mexican revenues numbering into the scores of volumes. was much atissed at the ast meeting of the lencer Stamp CJub; Mr. Bellows is in Ileutret on:'y during the summer months, when he is directop oi the Elite!e': Stock Co.; the showing of his fine collectioss was mucls appre. tiated by memters if tie club.

We ate zreparing tes advercise phiately by distributing packages of good stanus amene jumio asm-collectors, thus induring them to become coljeotars.

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W. A. IMBLER, (DECEASED) Compton, California.

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The Island Curio Co's Store, Honolulu, Hawaii:

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## Po.: Card Collectors and the"Back Stamp"

By Chester C. Wells

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V. Hhol. arnet with this quotation of the law which wasigen to: the $n \cdot$. foral :"aster. in case our eards are mined in this way, and see what he has to $: \therefore$. Ihis is about the drift of the unswers which will sreet ous furestertom: " well, ol' const bou mberstand postal eards'and post cards (postai: :te onfy liucle Nam's and powt gards are those of ithdivinals) when they ano in us are supposed to bo separated and done upind differend paekat $\cdot$.. the addresses all upwarl. If course ill this case, the Unckstamp pseit!e: amitted or printed ofs the address side of the card. It is those Which efome intersperied among the letters which are cancelled on the back, fe have not the time to turn these over, comsequently the postmas. ter (ien-ral's ordel is. I ain sory to shy, sometimes disregarded."
S. .י. then, let us cunsider the post mard cullector's side of the story It apy". to the writer that he has evergthing in his argument. In the
first place, the ruling already quoted, gives him the legal right to recein souvenir cards through the mall without having them so badly damaged s. to rake them worthless. Again, looking at the matter from a common sense standpoint, the government is foolish to discommode the collection o! these cards. We find that the post office department can furnish a one cent stamp to carry a card elieaper than a postal card to carry the same message: that postals were alwass found fairly prottable by the department; that now these same messages are multiplied tenfold, consequently the deparl. ment is making a good sum of mony carrsing them; lastly, hundreds of manufacturing houses are given existence by maising this much demanded souvenir, consqeuently, many men given err.plognent. and the freer passage of the coin of the realm from hand to hand.

Now; then, reader, you have been posted on the way the matter stands If your cards are being mutilated in this way, a personal visit to your post. master will help if anything will. (It helped in the writer's case.)

Information has recently been received from Washington to the effeat that an important and interesting experiment is being tried by the postoffice department with a view not only to the saving of expense but to the economizing of time. It is the elimination of the ase of what is techaialily known as the back stamp on letters. This is the stamp which indieates to the recipient of a letter the precise time of its arma! in the delivering ofine from the sending point.

For about six months the experinent has been made in the Chicayo postoffice with very satisfactory results The servizes of about thirty clerts have been sared and the time of the celivery of the letter to the adjressee from the hour of its arrical in Chicago oftiee has been reduced from 2 minutes to as high as two hours.

It is proposed now to try the esperiment in New Yoik, Roston, Jerses City, Washington and pertaps in some other large postothees. If it shatd be as successful as it has been in the Chia ago othice the use of the back stamp probably will be elimimated entire!y.

The idea of thus saving tione and expense is that of First Assistant Postmaster Ceneral Frank H. Hitctcoc's and it was at his instance that the experiment was made. Thus far not a eomplaint has been received from the Chicago onice about the eaving of of the back stamp. Postofflee officials realize the inportance of the stainp at times. but the belief anong them is growing that the value of the saviny of time and expense in its elinination out weighs that of its use.

Missouri Roads of Petritied Timber. Edward Voelters. of No. 39an Lee A venue, St. Louis, says Kiei, Mo., sixty eight miles sosth of St. Lo., is, is probably the only neighborhood. in that state at least. where the coads for miles and miles are made of petritied wood. While orr the farm of his father-ir-law, Henry Lohmeser. Mr. Voelters picked up a number of specimens of what he believes to be betrified wood and petritied snafes and plants. Te says the country all around there is rich in such specimens. "In many places," Mr. Voelters said to a reporter, "the petrified elants, trees and snakes can he seen while passing in a wagon. In othez places branches and trunks of trees appear after a little digging. The soil is fertile, but it is onig about sis to tweive feet deep. It appears as though e'erything there was cnce petrified and covered in time with layers of soil."

## Modern fuperstitions in Egypt

There is much talk just now in Egypt atout the widespread idea amonst the native population that a talisman in the shape of an amulte is still as in old times, healing and protecting from the evil inhuenee of supernatured beings. Amulets are emploged to protect man, or his possessions, such as cattle. houses, etc. from the evil influence of witches, demons, and olther mischievous powers likely to be encountered, or to counteract, misfortune. iliness and damage of various kinds.

The use of amulets is very extensive. An amulet irself, it appears, wight consist either of an article inserived with the name of Gud, with a passage from the Koran, or the like, or the root of some herts. or a bone of some animal. Grans of wheat wrapped in leather with an inseription, sore serve as amulets.

The most frequent form of amulets, however, is a smail metal plate suitathy inscribed. Usually, at least among men. amulets are worn on the breast or arm: but women and children wear them on neck chains, rings, or other articles of jewelry. An amblet would sometimes be placed in a hollow stick, and would be all the more efticacious, because no one would suspent its presence. It is a kind of concealed weapon." In short, there are approved amulets and anulets not approved; a distlnction made likewise as the annuler makers. Hesides the common people, in dails tife, so called physicians in their professional practice also use amulets, which is thought to banish the demon causing the ailment if his name is writuen upon. By the use of these talismans, paralysis, eye and ear ailments, rheumatism and nther ailments are thought to be cured. By its means, the seat could be crossed dry-shod, springs of water found, the love of a woman or a man secured and retained, etc.

Mr Robert J. \%ara of Cairo, Egypt, has given much of his time to this ve:y interesting branch of Egyptian curios aud collectors wishing to add to thetr cabinet specimens of these amulets or other curios from oriental counties. rould do well to drop a line to him and he will be very glad to give any information to those interested in Egpyt and its wonders.

## hoLIDAY POST CARDS TO BE TIIE RAGE.

The biggest hit of the biggest craze in recent years promises to be the !tex of holiday post cards now being pat out by a few enterprising manufacturers and which already are being put in stock bo up-to-date novelty stores and stationers. These cards present many beautiful designs appropiate to the suiday season and contain the greetings which friends, relatives and Ewiens associates like to exchange at Christmas and New Years. If friend remertsers friend by post card while making a little journey, why not also aite holiday season? It is a sensible iden and the semtiment behind it is as the and sweet as that which moves people to purchase more cost?y presens. We have instituted a national movempar for a sane fourth of Juis: Why not, fellow citizens-ye who stite: Srom the annual assault on the fanily pocket book at Christmas tume-make a move for a salle Chistmas and educate people to exchange the: love at the end of the year upona beautiful yet inexpensive post card, frsew of in terms of gold plate and stenling silver, cut glass and other expensive art goods that keep the old man brode the tirst half of the succeeding jear. IIurrah for the sane Christmas and the holiday post card. It pays to !oon ap Post Card ads in the WES'I.


Hiex the coincidence of the meeting night of the Socjety and the Veiled Prophet's' Annual jollitication, the forty third regular meeting was postponed until Oct. 0 . Called to order on that date at accustomed time aud place! President Dlamant in the chair. Present were Messrs. Boisselier, Cornwall, Thamant, Higson, Hopkins, Kunz, Myers, Patschke, Schellhom, Slack, Stoctitarger.

Messrs. I Lolsselier and slack were appointed members Governing Board.
linartarratgenrents were made for Banquet to be held at Lippes' Oct. 16. 7:15 p. m. and a highty enjoyable evening is anticipated.

Through the ccurtesy of Mr . Fopkins the members were permitted to view itt. Loupis Circuit. No. 1 A. I. A. Exchange Department which con. tonned a brilliant array of I.. S. revenues, the new Panama surcharges and single C. A. British Colonia's. This display opened the way for a number of wart! discussions relative to the status of l'anamas and British Colonials in the new catalogue and the alarming increase in minor varieties in the Hew issues.

Messrs. C. E. Hussman, it N. Maiti St., City, and J. L. Ilostinson, Lmaton, Giegon, were elected to membership thus bringing our number up to thitty eight-almcst without exception, active and all enthusiastic "ronters" for "St. Jouis in lane."

Respectfully, Chester Myers, Secy.
'The tirst annoal banquet of the St. Louis Stamp Collectors' Society was held October 16, in the "Chapel" at Lippe's with the following nineteen mombers present:

Ir. l'al Baer: R. Roisselier: Wallace Delatield, Jr., II.A. Diamant, -ohn A. Francisco, Jr. J. W. Higson, S. B. Hopkins, J. H. Humes, IJ. H. Wung. O. I. Kunr, Chas. Lindenschmit, Carl Lindenschmit, Chester Myers, (Itio Eztzschke. J. Ruedi, (i. Schelthorn: W. A. Sisson, Fred Slack, 'Г. B. Willard.

The menn was unique, the various courses being described in stamp terms, thus making it an interesting souvenir which will be carefully preselved by all as a reminder of this highly enjoyable event.

Pans were discussed for briuging St. Louis "To the Front" philatelically foremost among which was the proposed establishment of a local branch of the American l'hilatelic Association.

Toasts, letters from absent members, and informal discussions prolonged the nreeting to a late hour, when the merrymakers, (all the more joyous and metry by reason of the splendid repast and excellent music), voted the evenbug a howliug success.

This soclety organlzed.in January 1905 has grown rapidly and steadils witil today boasts of a membership of thirty eight. Its meetings evers other Tuesday evening in the ruoms of the Manufacturers Association are largely atterrded and are devoted to the advancement of the hobby: "Stamp story Swapping"; the trading and selling of duplicates and general discussions.

The Roster of Otficersjand Members, 1901s, and the Menu were withed on autique deckle edge paper. The Menu was as tollows:- in - .....

Cochtail, Manhattan, New York, 1845 issue; Caviar, Multigh Surdarge: Blue Points, On Half Original Cover; Consomme, Original Gumbo. in Benzine Cup; Fish, Watermarked Variety; Croquettes, Special IssuesAll remainders; Punch, Ofticial Cancellation: Squab, Pigeon Post with Split Provisional I'eas; Salad, Combination, Mixture Guaranteed Unasspitted; Ice Crean. Bi-colored and Cut to Shape; Coffee, Bisected; Cheese; Part Perforated: Cigars. Inverted Scenters: Wines, Early issues ${ }_{31}$ Variety, of Shades. taid paper mapkins Plates, numbered 1 to 38.

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lowing to my leaving Montreal I will tind it necessary to resign as Secyreas. to C. P. S. Any mail that has been sent to 990 St . Urbain St. will eforsarded and will be handed over to my successor. I. will hand over all poks, cash, etc. to the president, Mr. O. M. Harwick. I regret, I could not old the secretaryship until my successor was appointed, but my move, was inespected.

Wishing the C. P. S. every success I remain
Yours-very truly, $F$. B. A rcher, Sec $y$-Creas. $\boldsymbol{y}$,
Explorations made at an old Toltec pyramid on the Magueyits. Hacienda, n the State of Pueble, Mexico, have disclosed the fact that the struqture ias built of clay bricks which proved to be far older than the Aztec monretif. and possibly even older than the Toltec occupation of the countrg.

# iMistorical Notesfrom Philadelphia 

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## By Passem

One of the bast collections of Lincoln relics in the country, belonging to Major William H. Lambert, of Germantown;- Ha., was destroyed by in last June. Miss Lambert, the major's nineteen year old daughtre. the onj momber of the family in the house, was awakened by the smoke and sentio the aiarm.

Tre fremen quickiy subdued the blaze, but not until the Lincoln rema was completely ruined and other parts uf the building slightly damagt, including over $2(\% 0$ valumes in the main library.

The Lincoln Museum in which the tire started was a large room openizt out from the spacious library. The major. who is an ardent and enthusiasio admirer of Lincoln had built the addition to his handsome residence exprest for the purpose of holding his collection.

Among the priceless relics of the martyr president destroyed was abot 1000 volumes of Lincoln's own library, his private desk, and 3 chairs chet belonging to him, more than 500 books treating of Lincoln's career. and several hundred manuscrjpts written by him and also a collection of orgiot manuscripts by Thackery. Beside these were also a number cf valuabit pictues, oil paintings, etchings, etc., all valuable and of the greatest hire toric interest.

All collectors will sympathize with Mr. Lambert in his misfortune-tit loss of a magnificent collection-the prey ci insatiable fiames which hared late played great havoc with several other historical collections.

On June 2? a miscellaneous collection of valuable books, Frankinath other prints. Civi! War and Irdian Relics-mostly prehistoric stone impte ments-were sold at Jairs and llarvey's auction rooms, and brought surpis jugly small prices.

Some of the relics sold fuc:uded a rare tirst edition of Poe's "Talesen the $G$ rotesque and Arabesque,' in two volumes. which was bought by William .J. Campbell for $\$ 27$ a volume. He also obtained two curise Frankin imprints for $\$ 9$ and $\$ 6.75$ respectively.

A candlestick. once the property of Benjamin Frankin was tought a representative of the Valley Forge Commission for only 22.25 . It willt added to the collection of relics at the historic battlefeld. This interetion relic was presented to Franklin by General Washington who gave it io secretary, Tobias Lear.

A fine folio map of the "Eucampment of the Cunvention Army at Cus lotteville, Va.,'" was bought by Major Joseph G. Rosencarten for $\$ 4 . \%$.

The Indian Relies I am not, well enourh posted on to enumeratebit they went at ridiculously low prices.

Much interest has been manifested in historical circies in ye olde fatim City over the putblication of a letter in the "Public Ledge," of Junt regarding the expcsure of a fake Paul Jones Relic in the collection of Een lutionary Relics in Independence Fiall. The letter is enclosed and is ${ }^{\text {d }}$ explanatory and tise only comment necessary being that Mr. Grima is th congratulated on his exposure of the fake, which will doubtless be relabied.
 other take"relics." the most common here is probably artictes reputed to be made from wood of the famous Treaty Elm, under which William Penn signed his unbruken.treaty with the Indians.

## The Souvenir Post Card

## By D. Donaldson

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Lid you e're"stop to consider When you've nothing else to do All the many kinds of "uses That a post card is put to?

Now a lover sends"his sweetheat, dist a card to tell her how. Lover dover is progressing,
'llow is Tootsey Wootsy"now?'’
Now some busy corporation Tells the membership to meet, That they fully may consister, How the many ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ rivals"beat.

Now a gathering or social
In a most informal was,
Has its bids sent out on post cards, Teiling all to come who may.

But the best of all the uses, That a card can be put to, Is to be put in collections; Which so many people do. And to keep the ball ajrolling, Some one started things along, $u^{\circ}$. By the forming of post cards ciubs, To which collectors belong.
And altho its not long started, Centra! Souvenir and Pust Card Exchange.
Is right there with all the others, Has the vers largest range.
So if you ever think of joining, Ans card club in the lot. Piease remember just the Central, . When the others you've forgot.

## find ancient stone mage.

Spobane, (Jct. Lō. Workmen engaged in excavatiog for a railrcad near Underwood. Wash., recently uncovered a stone image which is beibeved to be the product of a race antedating the lndans. The image was uncovered at a depth of over twenty-five feet, and was embedded in eighteen feet of g:avel fiom the top of which had been removed sereral feet of rock.

In appearance the image suggests an untnown animal, balf stieep and lialf dog. with the horus of the former and some physical features of tre jatter. The tigure has been carved out of the hard basalt rock found along the Columbia river and is as hard as iron. In height the tigure is about two feet. but originally probably was taller. as it evidently has been broken off at the bottom.

While some think that the jmage is the work of Indians who formerly camped in great numbers near the spot where it was found. geoiogists and others who have examined it say that its antiquity is so great that it undoubtediy antedates the Indians. and the fact that it is made of stone is also an indication that it is not of lndian workmanship. as the ingures made by them were. without exception, carved from wood. It is believed that the figure was that of a god worshipped by some prebistoric tribe which inbabited this regiun.-Pioneer Press.

# The Central "Souvenir" Q "Leather" Post Card Exchange 

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##  MONTIILY CONTESTS.

The l'rizes are Valmable.
Earn Post Card Mouey.
The Central has decided to give a prize contest each month. Only "Gentral" members can take place. "Join the Centrat" and earn money. All material must reach the Lincoln by th of each.month so it can be placed in deciding comimttee hands. The following prizes aro offered this month.

1. For the best story (short to the point) regarding, oard gollecting *1.01) cath.
2. For the best poem (short to the point) regauding withite can be learned from post cards $\$ 1.00$ worth of beautiful post cards.
:i. To anyone getting 25 members at 3 sc each by December with. will
be given"a-collection of the 45 State Capitols (ahnice).

## A WORD FROM THF PRESIIENT.

The next number of the West which will contain the annual report of the "Central" will be a speciai foreign number, many application blanks have been sent to foreign countries and we look for good returns. We submit the foreign report this number but we cousider this a small reportas to the size the next one will be. Many want to $X$ foreign cards.

In sending cards use the trade mark "Central'" and the members are urged not to exchange with others unless they belong to other clubs.

A Club Pin has been decided upon costing 25c earh, postage free. They are nice neat pins. An order will be sent in Nov 1 so send your mones today to the Central Sowenit Card Club, P. (). Box 215 , Lincoln. Nebraska.

What good are leather Post Cards? Many are collecting leather post cards to make pillows. piano's bench covers, and different things. Vany collect ribbun badges to make pillows and button badges to attach to pillows and curtains.

## PINS AND PENNANTS.

Many like pennants to decorate rooms, halls, ete., and many like pins to wear as, as to wear pins of scrolls are stylish,

Mr. Oral Hodges "Central' won the $\$ 1.00$ cash prize last month on this story :

## A POST CARD COT:RT SHIP

Jack ilelbert sauntered into the post oftice and leisureiy opened his bor.
"More of those infernal cards,' he exclaimed.
"O I almost wish that I had not joined that Central Sourenir Card Club, I only joined last week and here I have over one fondred alreads. But stil!', he mused '"They are interesting and make a good collection besides they are instructive. I have pictures of places on interest that I never so much as heard of and the Capitols of twenty-tive states, besidesa score of foreign cards.
"Let's see who sume of these are from," he continued glancing ovei the hand full of cards, "Here's one from a fellow in Australia, another from Greece, Kome, fthens and l'aris, -and by George, that's certainly a dandy, he exclaimed as his gaze fastened upon an exceptionally handsome card. "'From a girl too, Clara Rosedale, Lsons, Kentucky, lim hum. Clara Rose-dale-that sounds familiar. Hy Jove, well I should say it ought to, why, I was engaged to that girl once; duecediy pretty girl too. Guess I'll write to her.'

Two weeks later Delbert stepped off the train at Lyons, Kentucky, he was met at the train by Clara Rosedale.
"On Jack," she exclaimed, "I have the invitations all out on Illostrated post cards and mailed one to each member of the "Cential" joil know we all treat each other with great politeness.

Jack replied, so this is the end of the post card conrtship.
'CHRISTMAS CON'ГEST."

Here's a chance for every post card collector to earn a nice Christmas present free. On December li5 we will award the following prizes:
: Fo the one haviug sent in ; he largest list of new members since Atg. 1st, a Eastman Camera, worth $\$ 1000$.

To the one sending the next argest Jist, a Eastman Camera, worth 堣, ol

To the one senditg the third ${ }^{\text {' }}$ largest list, a sulid gold signet. cing, juitial enrgaved, worth $\$ 5.00$.

To the one getting as many as 25 new members and not winniug a prize, we will give a beautiful scarf or stud pin, lik gold mounting, worth at wholesale $\$ 2.50$.

If the winners do not care for the articles offered as prizes, will alluw then to select ang other article of equal value.

Will say that the first prize requires 75 members at least, second pri\%e 35. third prize 30. We have to do this because the ciub cannot afford to give a $\$ 10$. 00 camera away for 30 or even tion new members.

Will send application blanks to you on request. Whether yon are a nember or not of the "Central', you may take part in the contest.

Printed list showing record of contestants will appear monthly.
This is a good offer. start at once.

> BIRTHDAYS.

Members who wish to be remembered on their birthdays with cards and letters can have their names inserted in this list. You are apt to receive a number of cards. so do not ask for a "party" unless you are prepared to return all favors.

When making a request do so on your application blan's or by postcard, as it is likely to be overlooked amoug the letters.

As we are just starting this column. will also ask uembers to send card of those having birthdays in September.

## SEPTEMBER

Sept. 15, Mrs. H. W. Kistner, 680 Dixon A ve., Uetroit, Moh. sept. 23. Richard II. McLaughlin, Rox gol. Cheboygen, Mleh.
sept. 11: Merle Mc Manigell, 131 F K St. Lincoln, Neb:.

## A POSI CARD I'AJTY.

A certain young lady in Chicago. planned and successfuly carried out a misit novel entertainment for her friends. Tie invitations were sent out on postea:ds in blue and white with Duteh tigures. The appointed rilyt:t found a azery crowd of yourg people with just enough mystery in the atr to procise a very jolly eventing.

The guests were seated four at a table and each one was given a biank pist card and a pencil and lold to either sketch or describe an original post, ca:d. and prizes were to be given out to the one who designed the most ce:el and original post card. At the given signal each guest sketched an onvinal card. and a clever selection they were.

A young lady won tirst prize with a post card eutried - +reesmemid cut ailg ice with you?" which depicted Cupid chopping a block of ice in the center of which was a heart. "The reflection of a bachelor" portriying a man smoining a pipe and looking into a mirror won first príse a wong the men.

In one curner of the room was a miniature post ottice, with a dainty tite maiden of sixteen as postmistress. who gave out post cards to each one present. The guests were served a four course luncheon, and in the center of the table was the most unique feature of the evening. which was a large bsa on the top of which the words 'post card' were furmed by tiny electric lights. From this bux narrow ribbons of different cotors foand their way to each plate. The guests were told to pul! the ribbons and 'pesto' a beautiful pist card appeared at the other end of the ribbous.

## Universal Philocartist Protective Association

-1! $\because \cdot 1$ Aif. ORGANITED FEB. 9H. 1906 President. John A, Gallagher Secrelgry. Jamen J. Sheridan Official Translator, Alois Vedernjak Holland Representative, J. H. Gaukstert. Jr German Representative. Gustav Schmid: South Anerican Representative, A. C. Goldberg
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designs have been received in the emblem Coronel. Chile
A.few designs have been received in the emblem contest that not enough of, them, to satisfi, us so the contest is still open. Send in your designs aywe want to get a good emblem to use as our trade mark.

Our Vice President, Miss Hetty K. Raum is the winner of the.a leather cards, for getting the largest number of new membres last month. We again offer $p_{s}$ leather cards to the member getting the most new members during Novepper

We have a comphaint against No. 36 about mot answering cardsir sent him: fife wculd litie this malter adjusted or on second complaint he will be expelled.

Don't rofget the prizes we give for get ting new members. in addition to the special prize of 5 leather cards.

We have a special offer for ang of the members who wish to starta local' branch in their ejty, as described in the bylaws. Write for particulars.

In the list of members following please note the change of address of Nos. $2,8,1: 3.28$.

The following. members are nereby reminded that their memberships explre this month and they should renew at once. 50 e is the renewal fee and includes a year's membership and subscription to the oflicial organ. Here ale the members' numbers: $21.25,26,29,37,7$.

The list of members follows:

1. John A. Gallagher (President), ṫev Erans Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 2. Louis F. Hudson, 3803 McRep Are, St. Louis, Mo. 3. Miss Mary Burns, 1520 Semple Ave., St. Lours, Mo. 4. Nlois Vedernjak, ⒉21 E. Syth St., New York City, N. Y. 6. Fred A. Schmitt, 1220 F. Delaware St., Evanswille, Ind ${ }_{i, 1}$ 7. Maurice W. Holstei, 733 Thirteenth St., Moline, IB; . 8. Chas E. Spahn, -2846 Lemp Ave., St. Louis, Mo. G. George Godoy, Legacion Mexicapa, Habana, Cuba. 10. J. E. Woodard, Box 884, Richmond, Va. 11. A, Ni. de Silya Rosaric, Box 127 K., Hong Kong, China. (Do not send cards to No. 11 until he sends first). 12. Miss Mary Coens; 91 Rue Loxane, Anvers, Belgium. . 13 Albert II. Holcomb, $i 1$ Astor St., Newark, X.J. 14. Walter W. Fritsche, 116 S . Adams St., Rutlington, lowa 15. Abert Herlin, Rommet Splings, Kans, (l.; wants foreign cards only) lb. Grace Cubine, Lhos $\geqslant 3$, Crflewville, Kans. 17. (Jecar W. Miller, c-o Creve bour Club, Peoria, 111. 18. Chas F. Oschner. Hermanu. Mo. 19. Jennle Meyer. 2851 Paulina St., Chicago, Jll. 20. R. R. Platt, 62 Catawba St., Rosburs, Mass. 21. Anson Lukens, Jr., 731 S. Front St., Hamilton, Ohio. 2 . Harry S. Case. Rox 124, Toledo. Ohio. 33 . Gertrude B. Kelley, Irwing, Montgomery Co., Ill. 24. Albert Keckler, 26 Blanch St., Manstield. Ohio. 25. Bessie J), Soule, $2 \times$ Clinton St.. Cambridge, Mass. 26. G. L. Snyder. 2663 W. North .tre., Baltimore, Nd. ㄴ. Putney Elbert Perkins, 120 Gratotid ve, Net roit, Mich. 2s. Antun Spies, BNF, Lestershire, N. Y. 2a. Ion R.
P. Davis, (No. 26 wants foreign cards only), Lowell, 'Ark. 30 Chas. I1. Hewett, 1345 Nelson St., Vancouver, B. C., Canada. 31. John H. Kern, Fox 215, Fort Wayne, Ind. 32. David B. Hopper, 12 phatedon Ayspripaterson, N. J. 33. L. Blaukemeier, Temple Buildingutper Loupise Mot 34.

 Ilermann Ave., Norfolk, Va. 37. Sadie E. Jackson, 60 Myrtle St., L. Somerville, Mass. 38. Emma A. Batchelder, if Franklin St., Hayerhill, \#ass. 39. J. M. Streckfuss, c-o Concordia Seminary, St. Lobis, ${ }^{\text {ir }}$ Mo. 40. Henry E. Gollseh, $539 / 2$ So. Flower St., Los Angeles, Califilinl Mits ine\%
 Salle, llls. 43. Heary Berman, 12 viemna st., Wbefester, N. ${ }^{11}$ 'Y. 44.

 Paston, Ills. 47. C. Larsen, 1427 .Boyle St., Allegheny, Pa. 48 . . L. Nugent, Prairie du Chien, Wis. 49. Gertrude Le Borns; t-distate Home,

 Ave, Rockford, Hlls. 53. Mis. S. E. Memrs, Box 140,' Whitevile, S. Car. is. Walter A. Ryckman, 430 Third St., Brooklyn, N. Y. $55^{4}$ lanos Haaf, Box 26, Durango, Mexicu. 56. Anna E Mbschel', $90 \mathrm{z}^{\prime} \mathrm{G}+\mathrm{dht}$ St., Beatrice, Neb. 57. Clarence C. Douns, 23 S . Virginia A te., idAthatic ©ity, N. J. 58. Gladys Bush, 1513 Octavia St., San Francistoo Cál. " $59 .{ }^{\text {it Fised- }}$ rich Schlosser, Infanterie Reg. No. 2, Siebenburger, IIungary. 60. Miss m. Hays, 25 E. 94 th St., New York, N. Y. 61. Mrs. Gled Hóluóster, 820 Upion St., Iowa Falls, Iowa. 62. Walter F. G. Frincke, Concordiá Semitiory, Milwaukee, Wis. 63. Chas. Wigger, Unity Bldg., Chicago, IIts. 64. Mrs. Hary B. Queal, Hox 7, Montrose, S. Dak. 65. Thos."R: favis, $522^{\circ}$ Flot Ave., So. Bethleham, Pa. 66. Fred C. Ohlsen, 4934 Coliseum Ave; New Orleans. La. 6it. Geo. K. Kress, 939 Gordon St., Allentown. Pa. 68, J. R. Hegenbart, 923 Market St., La Crosse, Wis. 69. A. C. Coldberg, Sp., Casilla. 14, Coronel, Lautaro, Chile. 70. W. S. Hymań, 1838 Gouden Gate Ave, San Francisco, Calif. 71. Laura E. Kiddell, High School for Girls, leautort, West Cape Colony, So. Africa. is. Chas. W. Clapp. Protile House, N. H. 73. Mr. B. Gebert, Box 1204. St. Lotuis, Mo: t4. Louis
 Ave., Denver, Colo. 76. Agder .J. Tholin, b13-7th St., Rockford, Ills. , it. Cland Burden, R. F. D. No. 2, Newark, New York, me Ansel'M. Erder, 1415 Chemical Bldg., St. Louis, Mo. 79 . Guy Leo Stone, Box fi, Liceine, N. Y. 80. Orron D. Evans, 2710 Washintgon Ave. St.' Lohis. Mo. "\$1, A. Eugene Freeman, 152 Sumner Ave.. Rrooklyn. X. Y. *2, in's, © "'Thox sis, Denver. Colo. 83. J. A. Lachaine, St. Anome. St, Marim. Laval. Prov. Queber, (anada.

The old Ifish coin coined in 1805 is one of the must peciuliarcolits in the world. On one side is the harp of Elin, the date of minting thd the worl, llibernia. On the reverse side is a picture of George HI., with his Latin title. The copper from which the coin was made is of a vel! light color, and unlike copper coins in Anerica, the $1 \$ 05$ piece has a milled edge.


EDITOK'S NOTE-Our readers are invited to contribute interesting items. articles. etc to this Dept. Also reports of new discoveries of mines and minetals. All letters addressed to the editos at Glendive, Mont., will be answered as far as oossible in this dep:-rorest Gaines|

What is said to be the largest deposit of tungsten ore ever discovered was lately found near Gardiner, Mont., near the entrance to the Yellowstone National Park. The ore had long been mined and dumped as a waste product and its value was never suspected until lately. Pittsburg men have grabbed up the property. The company will be known as the Montana I'ungsten Company and will have an otice in Pittsburg and one in Gardiver.

The minerals carrying turgsten at this locality are scheelite and woiframite. The deposits are found in several extensive ledges. Tungsten has proven of great value in hardening steel and also makes regetable fiber fipproof. Its use has been heretofore limited by high price and comparatipy scarcity. The metal. When made in the electric furnace and analyzing 98
 merly been tound in Canads. New Zealand. Australia. Spain and Great luritain. There is a much gltater den:atid for the metal in Europe than in America and the exports bave iterefore been heary. Steel manufactirers are very cautious just at presplt in usitg.turigsten in their wares. for the reason that they do not wish the qeneral publie to become acquanted with tungstefl steel. After a ccr.stmer las isec this batter steel. he naturalis would not care to return to a me cin infeiber goods.

A report from Themopclis. Wyaning. conveys the fact that Tony Megeris and J. A. Johos recently made an inportant discovers of manganest ore in the south spur of the Big Horn mountairs. The ore rons from thirts tive to forty two per cent. and is considered very rich. Eren though the owners will have a long wason hawi to get treir prodiact to the railroad, it is understood the mine wil: pa: from the start. the ore uncoverred in development being sufticiently ich to pay al: experses.

Practically all the niciel ore mined in Sicrth America is obtained from the vicinity of Sudbury. Gntar:c. Cantada The annom! output has increased very rapidly in the last two or three years. 'Tre existence of the ore has been known for over tifty jears, bit cniy recently has the development of the various properties receiver the attention tt deserved. The anmul productions now about 5.000 rome, but ip to the present only abo:t jome tons
have been mined altogether. This fact gires us an idea of the small quantity: :kel mined, in comparison with :on!. copper, the, awd others. ceck s.arronding the reins :a the s.edbery district is composed of



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 Cadan Copper Company Tie e, anter: ...ows for a production of be:wen fil and 60 tons of ore per day. Improved processes of smelting haip cended to increase the poduction of nickel of late years.
siout all of the available supply of nickel in the world now comes frum the sidutury mines and those of New Caiedonia. Ores of nickel are more evesiy and abundantly distributed over the worid than is generally supposed, but ong in a very few countries are the deposits of surh dimensions as to rarrant their development as working wines. Nickel takes a high polish and is generally attributed with good wearing qualities.

## THE POST CARI.

Siand for a few minutes in the lobby of the postotice at any time while the state fair crowas are in town. and you will see some one addres a picture post card representing a Lincoin scene and drop it in the letter chute. What :a as ten years ago an innovation in Germany and supposedily a passing fad a: hat time. has first conquered E.:rope. then Surban American and now raral America. In the summer season who does not receive, at least once a week a picture post card from some itimerant friend? Travellers tind their cameras unnecessary, for any scene worthy photographing can be had at the local book store beautifuliy printed in color or half tone on a post, card. Letters become obsolete. A picture post card to the friends at home shows they are not forgotten, and a better description of almost any interesting journey can be found at the book store than the ordinary traveler has time or talent to write. A magaizne writer recently complained that his friends abroad no longer write him the old time lovely long letters, but mall him post cards instead. Of course there is that loss with the gain, but.the times are inexorable. The picture post card is the ready made clothes. the cajnem sunds of correspondence. The letter follows the spinning wheel out of the home. There is no time for it in this specialized age. There were mailed in Germany last year $1.200,000.010$ picture post cards. A strike of employees of the French postothice, owing to the extra demands upoat their efforts of a thood of picture post cards was narrowly averted last sear. These litle essons in geography and vingraphy have not jet overwhelmed the Imericall postontice, but the seliool be:a has bat jast now rume Wait unfil Aureicar politics sees its opportunits.-Lingola, Nebr.. Paper.
'Jhe Araba ajom that ve's grave is in a cemetery at Jeddah'which was closed! ir internents over a thousand years ago.

## southern Philatelic Society



## PRESIENT'S MESSAGF.

To the Members of The Southern Philatelic $\Lambda$ ssociation:
In conformity with article 6 of our Constitution, I hereby appint Mr. IS L. reak of New Bedford, Ohio, Secretary-Treasurer to till the vacancy callsed through the death of our late Secretary-Treasurer, W. P. Kelley.

Respectfully, Charles Roemer, President.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.
New Bedford. Ohio. Oct. 12. I?Mri.
Jellow Members S. P. A.
At the request of several otticers and members of thls society I hare consented to assume the duties of this otfice and do all in my power to raise it. from its state of weakness to where it stuod some gears in the past. surely we can gather up the rembants of S. P. A. and form them into sooiety which will be of a benefit to the philatelic fraternis. I am sory to say that $9 m y$ report is far from what 1 would wish to make it, due to all records being very incomplete. Our late Secretary (Mr. Kelley) has left ah reoords very incomplete. There are no records of any dues paid for 1906 and furthermore no financial statement as to the standing of the society and up to the present:time can be found on record. FIave received no tinances from the Kelles family. I hope to be able to report more detinitely upon this subject next month.

## Call for Nominations.

At the request of our President I hereby call for nominations to be made for a full grcup of officers for the coming year. This society has been watiny in ofticers for some time in the past, and I only hope that we may soon be equippied with a full corps of ofticers

SEND YOUR NOMIN ATIONS AT ONCE. since our members areso scattered we can not hoid a convention this year but will be forced to reply upon a mail election.

## DUES ARE PAYABLE FOR $19 I_{1}$.

'I hoile every menber will kindly assist in pushing this societ, to tite front and causing the bame S. P. A. to shine as a Beacon Light to Phblath in the'future as iti the past. and in order to do so we need your support bith from'a financial standpoint and in securing new members. Kindly favor mé with your 2 ge which pass you dues till Dec. 1807.

We hope that by Feb. 1407 all the departments will be in workiog order.

Give us your assistance at once, by favoring us'with your dues ant ndemtriationis.
'Hoifhe to hear from you all. I am:
Fraternally yours. R. L. Hoak.

## American Philocartic Association

anmincd this month with the Clement Philocartic Ieague and the Kocinestel Philocartic Society BOARD OF DIRECTORE
Chairman Geo Clement, Wallace Bosley. Lucretia Helvetin and Ffite Petertson' $\quad$,

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Geo Clement,
hear Sir: - Enclosed tind 35e for 1 years membership int the 9 A mertan Philocartic Association: namre Collect $\because$ ? ! !

Dear Members:-Members 11, $\because$, 15, have left tor parts unknown so do not send arly cards to them until further notice. We are combined with the Clement Ihilatelic League and the Rochester Philocartic Society and everything points to success.

The competition for the gold medal stands as follows: as: A

 Chicago Philocartic Society. Branch Tut $1: 0$
1 (ieo. W. Clement, 136:3 Humbolt St. . Chicago, 1H:*: 2ixxEmmer Lasby, 410 Le Moyne St., Chicago, Ill. :3. Wallace Hosley, $91{ }^{2 \prime}$ Whipple St.; Chicago, Ill. 11x Harry Goodman, $48+$ N. St. Louis Ave.: Chicago, 1hi: 12 . sLillian Goodman, 404 N. St. Louis Ave. Chicago Ill: 1\%. Lucretiai Helpatia, $7: 5 \mathrm{~N}$. Rockwell St., Chicago, Ill. 14. Elmre F'eteresn, 1091: W. Albany A ve. Chicago, Ill. 15. Florence Guodman, tot .N. St. Louis Ave. Chucago. Iil. 16x Clementine Chadwick. $3 \overline{5} 8 \mathrm{~S}$. Hermitage Aye:; Chicago, Ill. 17. Hazel Metcalf, 352 S . Hermitage Ave. Chicago, Ill.

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20. II. J. Baum, 131 Haledom Ave. 21. Rev. Beny. Stinson, 107 Haledom Ave. 22. Raymond Bender, 33 Hamilton Ave. 29. Niss Annie Kueheke 9 Straight St. 24 . Mrs. Marie A. Hopper, $1 \pm 5$ Haledom Ave. 25. Mr. David Hopper, 125 Haledom Ave 2 t . Miss Daisy Modelman, 252 Park Ave. 27. Miss Cora Brown, 305 N. 8th St. 28. Miss Ethel Stansbury, 234 N. 7th St. 24. Miss Cora D. Lozier, 64 N. Main St.

Rochester, N. Y. Philocartic Society, Branch number 3.
30. Margaret Hasenaner 57 i N. Clinton Ave. 31. Mable Koeth 18 Vlm St. \$I. Martha Lighthouse, 9 Pappert Pl. 33. Sadye Greenberg, 215 Joseph Ave. : H. Jennie U'Conner, 45 Savannah St. 35. Minnie R. Stagler, 135 Spring St. 37 Elizabeth Wassink. 69 Thomas St. 398. A. C. Leyden 334 Granite BIdg.
4. F. B. Wilson, Kirkville, Mo. 5. Don R. P. Lavis, Lowell, id Ark. 6. Alois Vedernjak, 125 E. 85th St. N. Y. 7. Cozlette McManigel, Lincola, Nebr. 9. W. R. Southwoth, Coopertown, N. Y. 10. L. T..iHrodstone, Superior, Neb. 18. I. Galahger, St. Louis, Mo. 19. Jas J. Sheridan, B×1197, St. Louis, Mo. 39. C. A. Nichols, Chili, N. Y. 40. H. F. Decaine, 77.79 Shelby St., Detroit, Mich.

HY ARCIIRALI: CROZIER. Wilmirgton. Delaware
Indian legends are at all times interesting to a student of the red man and his past. and the following lexends as to the origin of the Lenni- Lenafe or Delaware tabe, is most curious as well as interesting.

The Lenapest claimed great antiquity, indeedt he name Lenni-Jenape signities "the original people." - They asserted that they existed from the bugiming of time, and the other great tribes of the East called them dirandfathers. As to their adrent on the Earth. they had several theories. They clained that they emerged from the cave as a woodchock: to have sprung from a snajl that was transtormed into a human being and instructed in the mysteries of wooderaft bs a beneficent spirit, and was afterward received into the lodue of the hearer and married his favorite daughter. According to another version a woman expelled from heaven is hovering in midair in a chaos of angry waters. At this juncture. a giant turtle rese from the depths and placed his broad back at her service. and she descended upon it and made her atmode. The turtle siept upon the surface of the water. barnacles and Hoating frayments of sea-weer etc.. accumulated until the earth gers apcae. The woman, worn with the loneliness of her situation, fel! intoa deep sleep in which she was visited by a spirit fron: her lost home th the sky. From this ytsit the fruits were sons and daughters, from whor have sprong all the nations of the Farth.

Leirlaoms, especialiy those rejating to or connected with sonte tistoric event, are always among the most prized of possessicns. and Philadelokia is rich in these priceless reminders. Ati ola iadr in Germantown is the thapps owner of a dinflet set from which lieneral Wasbington and his stafe dined with her mother after the bloody attray at the Chew house. Another sweet old lady loves to show the uniform. sword and carbine of one of those heroes of Valley ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ 'orge who dropped fainting at her grandfatter's door on the dreadful march frcm the winter quarters. There are many others all of " nhich beat witness to the bravery. suffering aud heroism of those who foukt and lived, and wined and dined over a hundred years ago.

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The famcus pistols which Aaron Burr and A lexander Hamilton used in their duel are stil! preserved, being now the property of Major Richard Church, of Rochester. The quaint old weapons have a rewarkable history,
well worth the telling, having figured in several famous duels, toth before and aiter the tragic Hamilton aifair. The pistols were made in the middle of the eighteenth century by Wogdon, the famous gypmith of London. They are very simple in constuction. The barrels ar/ismonth hare, arotag-



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Hamiltantypok and used them with the well knopmit same pistols Wete twiee used afterward in setting athindof honofintit Hithout fatal reatits.
 Losie. in Berkshire England, lies in a valley shelteredt by many beautiful trees. It the foot of the hill, about half a mile distant, from the village, ays the Cat, is the famous "blowing stone." which is one of the greatesi natural curiosities of the country. It is a block of red satadsone. ${ }^{4}$ abocut tour feet histi. three feet slx inches broad and two feet thick: Orr everfi'słde ft is pierced with holes, through which, if a person blows; a wierd sourd is produced, which is audible in the weather ar. Faringdon campasix $:$ miles away. If anyone is standing about a yard away, the ground. it is said, can distituctly be found shaking under their feet.. The sounds somewliat resemble a deep-toned fog hoin.
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Tradition says that this rude trumpet of stone was used to give atarm in the time of war on the approach of an enemy.

Alranging a Collection: How to arrange and display their theasures to the best adrantage has no donbt often been a question. with nost collectors. Albums are nice and handy, but are expensive when one's collection gets to anr sire. The "I'cture Post Card:" deals with the question in f , recent number. "If one collects art cards, fancy cards, dc., one would naturaliy group them in a class. Again, reproductions of pletures would form a , dass by themselves, subdivded into sections for each great master or living artist. One would hardly mix up a Corregio with a Tom Brown, or put a Raphael's Nadonna next to a poster girl or ludley Hardy, both would lose by inappropriateness of contiguity. With view cards, 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. $\quad$ :

Mr. J. G. O. Tepper, Curator of the Adelaide Nuseum, has showing us a collection of instructive and interesting post cards. Each dost card represents a country with the national flag and current coinage illastrated. The coins are embossed and coloured to represent gold, sllver, bronze, nickel or an aloly as the case may be. The copper-sprinkled silver coins of Turkey are lajthfully reproduced. On each card is a table giviug the relative value of each coin of that counts in sterling francs, and marks. . Altogether the collection is extremely interesting and val:able, and is a credit to the originators.

## THE KANSA- CITY STAMP CLUB

GAd: : A1! : ORGANIZED FEB. 1905
The anly stamp coitectots, society in Kansas City. Regular meetiges are held op the second an
 teenth and Grand Arenue. Kansas City. Mo. Visitors are always welcome.


Officers for 1906


SECRETARY's REPCRT, Nov. 2. 1906.
1 Mr . M. U, Gantijd was elected to serve as irst counterfeit detector at the second meeting in .. September Members having stamps about whioh ther have doubts as to the genuineness should not miss having Mr. Cantieddy decejsion ${ }_{4}$ Stamps sent to Mr. Cantield by mail should always be accompan nied byia stamp for return postage. Otherwise, no fee of any kind is to be charged for this service.

Mr. Cantfed is aphilatelist of long and practical experience and our members may ! therefore feel assured that his decisions can be considered authorative.

At the meeting of Oct. 12, Mr. Chas. Rouse was elected to till the oftice of clab auctioneer. Providing they are a success it was decided to hold an auction sale at the last meeting of each month during the coming seasin $i_{1}$, ,

The most important business of the meeting of Oct. 26 was the selection of a design to be used for a club badge. After some discussion both for and against the first issue triangular Cape of Gond Hope with name of club alound border was selected Mr. Kerr was appointed to attend to their making:

A's our former Sargent at Arms, Mr. Jarboe is no longer in the city, the preslaenit appointed Mr. Chas. Rouse to serve as sargent during the reabifi der of the terni.

Trebotiations Thave just been concluded with the publisher of the Colle. bus Philatelist whereby our members will secure that neat, progressive littile paper each month in addition to the Philatelic West. This another beneft in Leing a member of the K. C.S. C. is added. We should have fortg mem. bers to help us in our celebration at our second anniversary meeting, Feb. \&, 1907. We shall trave if more of our own members will make an effort to: ward securing new applications. Each of our members should resolve to secure the application of at least one of his stamp collecting friends befote the important Februars meeting. Instead of a few let us all work toward the desi red end.

There is the satisfaction of doing your duty and if a more material sal: isfaction is desired, there is the satisfaction of gaining one of the prizes which Mr. Bescher offered at our last meetang. A U.S. 18475 cent Frank: lin, the first U.S. postage stamp issued is offered for the first three applica: tions, while a Barbadoes unused entire envelope catalogued at 75 cents will be given to each member bringing in ore new mexber.

Now watet: us grow :

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, Nov. $2,1996.4$...

Siuce October I, the following magazines have been subseribed for: American Journal of Philately, Metropolitan Philatelist, Stanleytighorm's Moothly Journal, and Gibbon's Stamp Week!!.

For October I have to report the receipt of three more donatigns top our library. A very imporrant one was received from Revy Li Stolfenwonk of Liebenthal, Kansas. It consisted of tive complete volumes of seitighduligstriertes Briefmarken-Journal' (1901-1905) and eleven tumbers atmpo a कhole volume of "Die Post." Total lob pieces. Scottes Standard'Gatalogue for 19m! which was on our "want list" was also donated by"the same gentlemean.

Mr. Rouse and Mr. Poindexter together furnishéd tifenty numbers of different philatelic magazines. Thirty copies of "Mekeels:Stamp"Collector, which helps to complete our tile of that paper quite materially were received in exchange for duplicates of other magazines. I am still soliciting more donations especially books and catalogues although philatelite magaines are wanted also I shall be pleased to hear from any colleotors havingesuch literature on their hands who would like to nelp our lforary by its dotiation.

Will you do your part in helping to make our next:a Thankegiving Report?

Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelbari, Librariansiar:

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& \text { AUCTION MANAGERS REPORT. }
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Deat Brother Collectors: I thank you one and ail for yonr bfad generosity of placing me as Auction Manager of the Kansas City Kizinif Olub. I


Yours truly, Chatles"F: Roasb ${ }^{\text {h }}$ f.
THE CHICAOO NUMISMATICS UCIETY: hatio The 3 rd regular meeting of the above named society was held on Friday evening, Oct. 5th, in their rooms, 1123 Masonic Temple, with President G. W. Tracy in the chair. There was a marked increase in attendance and, ebthuslasm, jndicating a successful season. Commupications, Fere received from Ohio Numismatic Society and Henry Chapmap. Chester F. Dunham was elected to membership.
Uuder Exhibitions, Mt. Brand displayed uncirculated auri of Hadrian and Alexander Severus. and a silver medallion of Anthons and Cloopatsa. Mr. Tracy showed a number of superb Russian coins: and Mr. Blymensehein some Chinese and English pieces.
-The Librarian reported receipt of Hotimano's rare work on Royal French Coins. Magarines received since last report were Numismatics and Spink's Numismatic Circular for July, August and September: Fider Monthly and Philatelic West for Sept. and August; Nupismatische Correspondent. Nos. 236 and 237, and Numismatischer Verizehr for Juge, Catalog So. 1, with tised prices was received from St. Louis Stamp 3na Guinco.. the Stal Coin Book from B. Max Mehl, and auction catalogs from Adams, Chapman. Elder, Green. Low, Otto Hess Nachfolger and, St. Loupis Staṕp \& Coin Co. . also a paper on Ohio Banks by Arthur B. Coover.

Mr. Baldwin was present as a visitor. Adjourned to meet Nov. 2nd, 1906.

[^21]$\therefore 4$ Lt. Y. Cass of New Nilford, J'a., has been appointed Sates Mistint death of Sales Supt. Imbler. J. Striker of Cincinnati, Ohio, recorts be ceft Roig, Cuba a lot of stamps and will be pleased to hear from others, so pit matter; in L. A, Gensul's hands there. J. Stone. Va., reports J. Sawtel,
 J. Jones, Calif., reports E. Spinony: last heard of at Park City, litah. Gayt aut. one hive his present adress: $r$. NeMillen, Canada, reports R II. Smiles, Atlanta, da.. and W. S. Thatlescote, Kansas C'ty, Mo. and serde a large list which we expect to get in mext number, if nothing is heard. f. Brown of Massachusetts reports Victor Canello. Cairo. Egypt, c-o T. Cook, Sons Co.

We are sorry to report the death of member W. A. Imbler, whose obit uary appears on another page in illustratious, also Mrs. J. M. Brount Equality. S. C., both of whom have had many ads in WEST this year. The latter"s daughter Miss blanche Bronne, still continues disposiing of relien but, not of Ccufederate money or stamps, for she dees not know encugh about them

New Yembers: (i. Kilmer. (irand Ledge, Mich.: J. Prouty, Phita, Pa., tion Race St.: W. Haverstick: Cariisle, Pa.: G. Wallis, Los Angeis, Caibi, , lun E. H.St.: C. J. Farra, Lancaster. Kf., Ex 3fi; S. J. Jones, Santa Maria, Calif. Mrs. G. Gearson, Chicago, 50 Lincoln Ave: R. Ker. nedy, Carlisle, Pa., R. F. L. 2; Frank M. Tesiser, c-o A merican Fxpres: Co., Racine. Wis.: F. B. Steadman, Warrsaw, N. Y.: H. G. Miller, Nen Orleans. La., 1836 Dryades St.: F. A. Christ, Kansas City, No., 2306 Lydia Are.: E. . Clagg, Walkervjlle, Can., Ex 64: E. E. Hand. Chicago, 3716 Ind iana Ave..: W. W. Norton, Lime Rock, Ct. \I. E. Morgan, West De Peri, Wis : Menry Tessen, Whies, S. Dak.: Louis J. Larson. Falun. Minı.: Rer. E. Thwing. Honolulu, Hawaii.

Geographical Instruction by Postcard. A cettain Fiench countess, finding that her collection of picture post-cards was becoming rather bulty, decided to present it to the directors of a school situated near her countif? estate. The gift was gratefully accepted, and now the school walls aris adorned with the cartophilic trophies of the countess, which, coming from? all parts of the world, provide an excellent means for giving geographira? instrinctions to the children. The countess having communicated her idetis to her friends, they are now well on the road to covering the walls of tilif school in the next rillage.

The hobby of picture post-card collecting may be-said to have pon become an institution throughout the United states. It would be a perfectiy safe propehesy to say that within a reasonable time the demand here m? approach that which the picture post card has attained in Europe

## The Junior Stamp Club of Denver, Colorado <br> Organized Oct. 19. 1906. <br> OFFICERS <br> 

Write for particulars of Secretary, and join the above club.
Secretary's Report: The organization meeting of the Junior Stamp lub was held Oct. 19th., with 13 charter members present. HOTeers were lected for the ensuing year as above.

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At the First Regular Meeting Oct. 26 there were elected tive rew memers. making the total membership to date 18

Yours truly, H. F. Mauger, Secretary:

1. (.. M. Sroder, 2825 Gray St., x. 2. A. L. Nell, 9558 W. 32 nd Ave., x. H. E. Munger, 2502 W. 32nd Ave., x. 4. S. Schwe\%man, 309 16th St., x. L. C. Nelson, 309 l fith St., x. 6. H. A. Davis, $162 \boldsymbol{2}$ Welton St., x. 7. A. Mac Manus, 1519 22nd Ave. x 8. W. J. Cook, Englenuod. Colo. x B. L. Fantry. 23 Broadwar x. 10. E. R. Snyder, $232 \boldsymbol{z}$ Gray St. x. -11. A. Esmial, 2732 Gray St. x 12 M. H. Ward. 4 Tuxedo Place x 13. L. De la Vergne. 3317 Clity St. x 14 . A. B. Bent, 1486 Ftmore St. x 15. Roach. l:it5 Grant Ave. x 16. R. Williams, Gothebburg. Nebrasta. 17. N. Cartetson, 220 E. 20th Ave., Jenver. 18. C. Fantry. $23^{\circ}$ Broadway. \& means charter member.
The Exchange Dept., has already begun work. The constitution of the lub has been framed by a committee of three and has been adopted. The botto of the Juvenile Stamp Club of Denver is "Boost don't Knock."

## a PICTURE POST CARD TEA.

This idea of a post card game oliginated with a bright American girl, od it proved so amusing that some of our readers may like to imitate it. nvitations, written, of course, on post cards, were sent to those friends aterested in post card collecting, for an afternoon spent, so, the, hostess spessed it. "In having fun with picture post cards.

The tirst game of the afternoon was really full of geveral iuformation. Welve post cards were provided, each depicting sowe well-known object of nierest in various cities, the names if printed, being neatly obliterated, and he cards numbered. Each plarer was given a pencil and paper, and the ards passed round until everyone had seen all the series., The players ptted down the numbers, and against them the uame they supposed the and to represent, and the one who guessed most names correctly ceceived a wst card as a prize. All sorts of subjects could be utilized-astresses, othors, musicians: in fact, ansthing that is embraced in the wide area of, icture post cards.

A nes game was equalls popular. Colored postcards representing some pot familiar to all, whether traveled or not, were distributed among the tuests, who were requested to pencil a small stanza on his or her subjectu for composition. The results when read bept the room in peals of laughtet $t_{i c}$,
"Picture" guessing was the next game, and consisted in guessing the ames of painters and their works. which are now roeprduced solargely on post cards.
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OCTOBER ROLL OF HONOR.

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352. P. E. Perkins (;)
443. Arthur $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{r}}$, Vail
467. J. F. Arorn
469. Nelson H. Brown
486. 1)r. W. P. Taylor (3)
577. N. F. Straley (3)

Numbers in parenthesis inticate number of times names have appeared on the Roll of Honor.

A LESSON IN FRENCH.
Helow we give a collection of the principal French words and phrases which we trust will be of value to those who exchange cards with Frensh speaking peopie and are not conversant themselves with that language.
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(65j. Mrs. Katharine Gross
657. Miss Helen M. Hogue
689. Stephen Lawrence (2)

Ti24. Guy Paine
729. A. Christopher
731. Heury E. Golisch
734. Clarance Parks (3)

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 been obliged to postpone tie date oi commencimg his pui cara tow until April ist，190．．Mr．Carteton kindly ashs the induberce of al？ttose who have regstered with him and momises that withont fail．A pril ist will see lin leare for Europe as the special representative of one thousand enthesias－ tic American card collectors．There is no reason whatever why this unex－ pected announcement should cause those who have already entered，any uneasiness．and better still，it will give all those who have not done so，a chance to set in the game．

## OC゙R NEW REPRESENCATIVE．

Mr．Mat．Cameron，of 27 IIIgh Street，Fremantle．West Australia，has been appointed Australian Representative ol THE CNION．＂．Wiłl all oor Australian members kindly consider themselves as his sub－representatives and belp him paint THE UNION SOCVFFNR CARD ENCHANGE in big red letters all over the Australian Commonwealth．There is work for all．

> HOME FROM ABROAD.

Member No．ith．Mis．Geo．Jobson，of Paterson，N．I．．is now＇at hone after an exteuded trip to Europe and is reads to take up the exchange of cards again with renewed vigor．While in Europe．Mrs．Dobson procured great number of high grade cards，which will be used for eachange purposes until the supply becomes exhausted．

NEW MFMBERS．

72\％．Miss Wilhelmina Altschal．242y Madison Are．，Raltimore；Md．
izs．Mrs．Laura G．Davis， 818 N．Lieystone Ave．，Iudianapolis，Tria．
ies．Albert Christopher，91き R．R．St．，Monongahela．Pa．
i3n．（ Name withheld by request）．
 73\％．Joseph Wadsworth，1tr N．Madison Ave．，Pasadeia，Callfe dimi： 733．John Hall．c－o Union Nat＇l Rank，Rochester，Mint．
734．Clarence C．Parks，［＇olo，lll．，（Foreign only．）
iin．A．Jay Waite，Polo，III．
 i．t．Miss Lillian A．Buadrot，c－o Maverick House，E．Bostoil Sca． Hoston．Mass．
738. M. Kagami, care of Kai Tsu Gomei Kwaisha, Kobe, Japan.
739. Guy W. Will, Monongahela, Pa.
740. Miss Maud Atwood, 151 Ford St., Providence, R. I.
:it' 74k. Jacab Rau, 408 Nichigan Ave., East Lansing, Mich.
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 744. E. W. Hodson, Centerville, N. H.
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:0jp746. Miss Narie. d. Latour, P. O. Box. 34, st: Paul, near Montren Que., Canada.
747. Miss Kittie MeGovern, 1544 Congress St.; Chicago,'Ili.
748. Mrs. R. A. Terheun, 112 Park Ave., East Savannah, Ga. (X Comics.)
749. Miss Mary Puckett, ift Park Ave., East ©Savannah, Ga. if Comics).
750. Agder Jy Tholin, 613 Th St., Rockford, Ill."̈
751. Thoqas t. Karr, 113 Brunswick St., Wilmington, N. C.
752. Herman Reetz, P. O. Box 333, Bloomield Nebr.
753. Miss Josephina Noriega. Plazuela de Regine $\ddagger$; Nexico, D. $P_{i}$ Mexico. (View cards onls mailed from place of origin).
754. Miss Nary Everhardy, 510 Seneca St. . Leavenworth, Kansas.

756 Donald Stuart, Box 29:2, Aslmer, Ont. (Gocd cards onls).
757. Miss Bessie E. Oaks, Huntington, Pa.

788 . Miss Alice G. Haines, Hilton, N. Y.

76io. Miss Mary A. Waidnev, R. F. J. No. 1, South Bethleham, Pa.
761. Miss W. Ida Firederic, $38 i \hbar \overline{\text { J Juniata St., St. Louis, Mo. }}$
at.762. Miss Georgia Crowe, $\overline{5} 39 \mathrm{~s}$. Flower St., Los Angeles, Calif.
:".. 963 Eev. E. W. Thwing, Honolulu. T. H.
© 764. Albert Leyr, $2 \boldsymbol{2}$ Rue d' Italie, Tunis, Africa.
$\therefore$ 765. Miss Margaret J. Drum, 207 Gross St., littsburf, Pa.
766. Harry A. Gross, 120 Ford Street, Dayton, 0.
$\rightarrow$ 707. Fred Caman. Bisbee, Ariz.
768. Constantine J. Popevitch, Rue Savie 105, Jassy, Rouamnia.
© $\mathbf{q}$ 769. Frank ti. Parker, 3009 Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.
770. Miss Leah Randolph, Box 44, Laredo, Texas.
int 773. Rurdette II. Fehlig, 101 S. Park St., Ypsalanti, Mich.
772. Miss Agnes Eyth, 686 thth St., Milwaukee, Wise.
7773. Miss Mabel H. Perry, Hilton, N. Y.

H:"774. H. W. Laird, Jr., Elrona, Washington Co., Pa.
wnin5. Emilio Marti de Avila, Pizarro 10, Valentia, Spain.
(1) 776. Mrs. E. B. Frost, R. F. J. No. 2, Dover, N. H.
777. Miss Ermina M. l'aine, Box 158. Les Gatos, Calif.

- 778. Miss Maim B. Hoard, Mongalia Co., W. Va.

779. Mise Maud McMasters. Monongahela, Pa.

## CHANGE OF ADRESS.

460 Mrs. Geo. Dobson, from 33 Hamilton Ave., to 122 Hamburg Are., Paterson, N. J... 560. Miss Jessie M. Crofton, from Box ' 56 coln, Nebr. - 7oo. C. Larsen, from 1427 Fogle St., to Bx 383, Allegheny, Pa. [•兄:
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In the Septebmer number of the WEST, the address of Meniber ${ }^{3}$ No. 685 Is. Katharine Gross, was given as 530 Penn St., Oneonta. N : Pro: 1 l should fif 530 Penn St., Fluntington, Pa.

## FOREIGN CARD OLUBS. (inam?

In reply to num zrous requests for information regatiding rétable föreign ard sncieties, we give below the names and addresses of fwo such clubs, wh:

Sociedad Cartofila Mexicana "'Aurora," Apartado Postal 63, Dutrango, Mexico.

Sociedad Cartofila'Universal "L'Ideal" Piazarro 10; Valentia', Spain.
Both these societies publish their own otficial organs and bi addressing lign as above. sample copies of the papers and fiifr particulars of the respective clubs may be obtained.

## Nebraska Philatelic Society Nebraska's Pride <br> $\because J \mid f$ 2F: $\because$ <br> ORGANITEDIS92, LARGEST STATE SOCIETY EXTAT゙

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We hope every member will help each otticer to make his department letter than it has been.
$\rightarrow$ 119 (1):
New Members: C. L. Hoevet. Fairfield. H. W. Hitireth, Saperior. R. Burnight, Superior.

Applications: Renewal, Frank Telisier. Racine, Wisi! care American Espress Co.

Fellow Members:-Being just elected to till the ottice of Auction Manager I wish to thank all those who suggested me. I also weish to stakethat I mould like to make thls part of the society a "running:patt. 'inc Alf those Who have stamps they wish to sell at auction send to tae and they will be sold at the highest price available. Would be glad tocarcespond with all interested. Write for commissions etc. Yours fraternally, C: E. . Werspacher:"
Report Sales Supt. N. I'. S.: Members are missing some good circuits by not sending in their names to Supt. And by all means send spme good boohs if you are selling. Must have your co-operatotin. Let ustheat from jout.
L. H. Lederer Syypanstk

Don't omit. in sending cards abroad to cross out the words 'Pust Card', mriting 'Printed matter only' above. If you do this gou may send a card to all places abroad for le. If you onit this the card will be chiged 2 c at the other end of its journey.


## Yonderful Pieces of Money on Exhibition

= Ohio numismatists held their tirst annual meeting Oct. 24th. Addessif were made by members of the organization and rare coins and bllis were erbibited. In the Poard of Trade Rooms Columbus. Ohio

Two sessions were held, one at $1: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and another al $\mathrm{i}: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The collections will remain ou exhibition Thursday.

In the afternoon the business meeting was held, at which ofticers were elected for the ensuing year.
H. E. Buck, of Delaware was chosen president: D. L. Ziegler of Dela ware, . vide ypresident: J. M. Heuderson. Columbus, secretary : Robert E . King, Columbus. Treasurer: Protessor A. B. Coover of Columbus. curator and librarian. The officers with Chas. Heich and H. C. Ezekial of Cincinnati form the buard of trustees.

The collection of ancient and modern coins and bills is of interest to everyone, whether il numismatist or not. A number of Greek coins att shown which are examples of the tirst coinage ever attempted by man. Farcan Zerbe of Tyrene, Pa., has a coin of Aeginia. one of the small islands in the Aegean sea, which was coined 800 years 1 . C.

It is simply a slug of silver with a tortoise stamped on one side and the other side plank. Mr. R. T. King of Columbus also has a coin of this kiod and $Q$ pey, which is believed to have come from Goyden Nyeaene, a city of Sparta, which was a ruin in the time of Pericles. It bears an owl on thit. obverse and the tigure of Minerva on the reverse. If it actually did come from Mycaene it cannot be less than 3,901 years old Mr. King has besides a coin of the Sicilian city of Tauromennium which was in use during the age of Pericles.

A Chinese razor "coin'", which is in possession of Mr. King. is one of the rarities of the exhibition. There are only a few of these coins in eria tonce. ${ }^{\text {t }}$ Thes are of copper and resemble an open razor. They were madt onigiducifg the: reign of one dynasty, which was in power l600 gears ago.w

A number-of peculiarly shaped pieces of China are carefully protectod by 'a.glass"case. They are specimens of the famois porcelain muney of SiamThey :aren uoed almost exclnsiely in the place ef metal colns of small denem.
pations, and as the siamese "sport'" is not a plunger, they are the only poide used in gambling.
i) particular interest to Masons is a on.iection telocging to I. L. Ziegler of ore a thousand Masonic nenrits. I is pertaps the most complete oliect!oy of its kind in existence.

Some unique bills were added in the exhitit by Mr. /erbe. (ne of hem is a sational bank note payable in gold mumbered "one". issued by D. M Mis at San Francisco in 18:4. There air flve. ten and twentydollar inls of the tirst issue ever made by tie federai government.

The , utal value of the collection in the thard of trade roous is approximater \$1.4n!. There is a great deal of iguorance in regard to the method ff noiver coins. The value of a coin does no: depend on its age, but on
 hased $\because . .2$ while comparatively mride:n r"nited states coins bring $\$ 1000$


The ' His Numismatic society desibes :o get a place this collection can de permantly exhibited. Negotiations are being carried on with the Carnegie lit, ity oticials, with a view to getting the necessary space, but as zet hothing derinite is known is to where the exhibit will be piaced. The next


## Leather Post Cards

## By Mrs. Geo Baum

The fad of sending leather souvenir postals to ir:ends las grown to a preat extent and people would like to preserve them in a conventent way. They do not look very well in a!bume b:t many useful things can the made of them.

Nothing is better than in wfa cushion rade of bright coldred soft cards. It takes iwenty fuur for one side but both sides can be made of cards. Fach med has holes burnt in on the four sides, foar on the long sides and three on the short. counting the corners. The postal: are then laced tugethet with leaither thong; of a pretty l 2 d or t ceen rolor. If only one side is made of bards, a full size skin of any desirab'e colur can be used. the edges slashed to mate a fringe and after a row of hoi+s ate made on all four sides, the font is laced to this. If the back is made of postals, strips of leather, wide eoough and of sultable length for fringe. are slashed ande laced bétweerr the front and back. Nuch a cushicn is very interesting when the rards are sent by dear friends. The next WES'I gives an illustration of a sofa cushion.

Speating of exchanges reminds me of some rather curious uses to which picture post cards are sometimes put. In many of the ladies' papers there are now columns set aside for this department, and in one instance i see that one advertiser is willing to exchange good foreign pose aards which have kne through the post for clorhing, provisious. or "anything usetul fortohe hoise" As a mere man, the vagueness of this request is simply appaHibg; and I sincerely hope that none of our readers will ask me to sard them post, cans for such things as sardines. in tins. or wher "things weinl"for "the house'! The WEST Trade Exchange Columen Ene one at le a wordatiry it.


In the course of an interesting article on real photograph post-cards "The Bromide Monthly' says: - "The picture post-card craze which invaded this country a year or two ago has now developed at an enormous extenti, Theftearlier coloured prints and cheap process productions have given place to'real photograbphis. Today every station displass a varied selection tor portraits of celebrities-Well known beauty spots-copies of old masters and genre studies, whilst hardly a village is without its set of local post-cand - even if they have been 'printed in Germany.' But if it is a pleasure to send a triend a pretty pictorial card produced by someone else, it can easity be understeod that the photographer with his store of personally interestiog negatives wili be glad to enter the lists with specimens of his own work. If is likely that the recipients will be equally pleased to receive what may bo regarded as a semi-exclusive souvenir. It is not to be wondered at, therefore, that a eonsiderable demand for ready senstized postcards has arisen-to which the makers, potably the Rotograph and Kilborn Co's have responded.
'The process is so simple that the earliest beginner need not fear at tempting it. Indeed it has become such a popular printing method that makers have vfed with each other in making the process easy and its requirments readily obtainable. Its chief disadvantage is the fact that after expospre, the image is not visible and the length of exposure must either be guessed or tested experimentally by a strip of paper stretched across thi negatives, exposed for different lengths of time and then developed. strongly advise $m y$ friends to put the number of seconds required on each. negative after they have tried it. Once tind the correct time use the same lighti and distance and paper, and no more experimenting is necessary. "In any case the photographer is in possession of relative numbers which would prove particularly useful in lantern-slide and carbon work.

Full direetions for working are given in each package, so there is io need to go Into details. As the name implies, the developing can be doou in gaslight without the necessits of resorting to the cold and gloom of the dark'rodin'. St fll the paper is sensitive to gaslight (especially the jocao: desefntly and 'it is well to move as far as possible from the buruer, and spadianng between light and table de elop in the shadois of the body, athep whet'sifint fog' may result. Metol-hydroquinone dereloper is generaly recommented. 'and can always be used with ans gaslight post card-thocgh some recomonetid amidol and edinol.

The simple hipso bath as rarely recommended for tixing-alum and acetic acid or sulphites heing :added by various makers for hardening the presersing
lo working gaslight paper and post cards most of my failures have come from not keeping them well on the move in the fixing bath. The development is sof cidand fascinating that here is great temptayiton to slip the
 ravults in fís kring brown-stains-
 tiat the whole attention can be concentrated on the exposuerad developmint. This assistant need not be an expert, my little elghetyeavo of quaghtestices it capitally, and is prourd of being able to do photpgraphy When it ${ }^{\text {i }}$ desired to produce a large number in a short? time, thére pray adyantageously work together; one making the exposure, apecond deloping and the third tixing. In this wáy I have succeeeded in turning out as many as sixty papers in an hour.

One more hint. A curling post card is not a nice one-to seed: by post, and they will curl if; left to dry lise ordinary prints. They should be allowed to nearly dry between blotting paper (white net red) samdothemit be placed between fresh blotting paper in a book, using slight pressure to fibish.
some makers advise putting the mask ou the plain glass first anduthen placing the part of the negative required over the opening, the card coming on top. In this case there is a tendency to slight blurring on the edges owing to diffusion through the glass. If the negative is insertedstitstiand the mask placed between it and the seusitized surface of the'geardin tedis is obviated, but the chances are that unless the springs of the frame ere pretty strong, the card will not aotually touch the negative iuside othe openingsand slight blurring of the whole picture may ensue.

Alcogether, with exclusive negatives. masks of differenbsibapes, vingetting. etc. . the photographer has a capital chance of showing his taste, originali:y and skill when he sets out to make photographic post-cards.jul that?

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& \text { Nebraska Camera Club } \\
& \text { Founded January } 1898
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Asy feader in Nebraska can become a member-Membership cata free for the eisking President-Miss L. Tillotson....................... 1305 32nd St e Station B, dempha. Seiretary-Treasurer-L. T. Brodstone.

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