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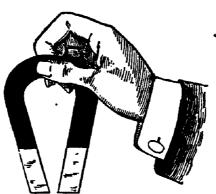
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In the article "The Stamps of Great Britain," Narcissus omitted to mention one of the rarest (if not the rarest) stamps of Great Britain, namely, the 10 pence red brown 1865, No. 47 Scotts, No. 99 Stanley Gibbons, which recently sold at auction for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

Mr. 11. A. Diamant, President of the St. Louis Stamp Collectors' Society, reports that he has a used copy of a Canal Zone variety which has not been chronicled. It consists of the 2c rose, on Republic of Panama, Scott's No. 10, with the "L" of "Canal" lying on its side, thus:

Ye Caustic Critic's Column

By Yours Candidly

I attended a street fair last fall with a Streets of Cairo appendage. In this was an Arabian juggler whose entire vocabulary consisted of "Luuk, gentlemen, luuk". His ever repeated admonishment to his audience was "Luuk, gentlemen, 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 laboriously prepare profound essay on "The Future of Philately," or deep papers on "The Relation of Type Fifteen of the Issue of 1872 to Type Nine 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 2x4x4 page stamp sheet a gandioquent ausion to "ye editor?" Bow low in awesome reverence, ye 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 selfish calculations of sordid gain find lodgment in his cranium—he knows the futility of striving after negotiable profits, and instead, gratefully accepts as payment the gratification of his intense self esteem.

At this time, when condition is receiving 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 puzzling to many.

It is admitted that the word perfect, in its dictionary sense, admit of little qualification. 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 margins free from flaws; the stamp be free from dirt, grease and kindred blights." Then, with this, a guide should be furnished, stating with definite exactness the decreasing value of the stamp as its Imperfection.



Questions relative to stamps will be answered in this column free of charge to subscribers. All questions must be sent to the above address and a 2c stamp must accompany each letter containing questions. When stamps are sent for examination, return postage must be included beside the fee above provided for.

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

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What is "Schund" as mentioned in the ad's of some German collectors? Schund is as much as trash, poor stuff. The term has not always the same meaning though. What is Schund or trash in the eves of one collector is quite acceptable in the eyes of another one. For instance, torn stamps are not touched by one, while another will gladly accept rare stamps, even if they are torn. Again one collector will not look upon common 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 And still again, one collector will refuse Seebecks, surhad in large lo s. charged 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 However some collectors call reprints "Schund."

296. What is the meaning of F. M. on recent French stamps? It means "Franchise Militaire" and may be considered in the same line with the British "Army Ocfflial." 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.

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 be considered in order to answer this query. education and 3 occupation are main factors. There are, however, others beside these, as stability of government, peace, order etc. stance, is a very large and populous county, 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 very dear too. Germany and Scandinavia are at the head of all nations in regard to education, over 98 per cent of their population are able to read and write. Germany has over 52 million inhabitants, Denmark, Norway and Sweden combined only about Hence German stamps are commoner than Danish, Norwegianor Swedish stamps because there were more needed to satisfy the demands of a much larger population. The population of Great 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 Ireland for each hundred. The presence of illiterates lessens the demand for postage. Occupation 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

mails, as compared with the agricultural population of parts of Germany and 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 While in England the government has changed but political commotion. 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 fre-The consequences are that changes in French stamps quent minor changes. were made, which were not necessary where peace and order prevailed. Even 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 with 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, little 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 not 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. 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 changes in stamps and the multiplicity of varieties. Some of them will, no doubt, become very rare and dear.

Shortly after writing the answer to query No. 271, I found in several German papers the announcement of a new color chart from Ger-"Germania Handbuch No. 1, Farbtafeln" P Ohrt many undeer the name: 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 printed by J. J. Weber, the publisher of the Illustrirte Zeltung of Liepzig, should be expected. Herr Hugo Krotgsch in the "Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung" of May 12 under the heading "Neuverausgavte Restbestaende" (Reissued Remainders), however, claims that the plates were prepared several years ago for quite an other purpose and now only adopted by Herr Ohrt because they could be obtained cheap. He further claims 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 say. It will be interesting to read their answer. Krotzsch is right, when they praised something they did not know, and the question of a satisfactory color chart is by no means yet solved. mates the probable cost of a nearly satisfactory 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 50 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. cases perfect stamps are worth catalogue prices. By "perfect stamps," if unused, it is understood that they have original gum, are well centered, unfaded and scruculously 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 To convince yourself of the rarity of perfect stamps take the current 2c stamp of the U. S. and see how many copies in a hundred you will find that answer the above requirements. If you buy a sheet at the postofilce 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 per-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 among otherwise common stamps.

299. Are there any errors among the stamps of Sweden? Yes. The most conspicuous 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 official. Besides these there are a number of color varieties (listed by Scott in small type) and a number of "plate errors", i. 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 positively know that they 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 English name, William Brown, is found among the Argentine celebrities depicted on Argentine stamps? William Brown was an Irishman by birth from Foxford, Mayo, Ireland. He was born there June 22, 1777. In 1786 he came to Pennsiyvania, 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 enemies 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 Heligoland? Besides that given in Scott's catalogue 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.

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Mexican Fiscals

By F. A. Brown

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1889-90, 44x25 mm., pin point perf.

1892-93, pin point perf.

1893-95, pin point perf.

1894-95, 30x42 mm., rouletted

1895 96, 40x32 mm., pin point Peri.

34 12c black

37 30c violet

38 40c green

45 12c carmine

46 15c black

47 20c blue 48 30c dark green

50 50c rose

51 7c black

60 12e black

62 20c mauve

66 12c blue

67 15c violet 68 20c vermillion

61 lõc vermillion

49 40c yellow

35 15c blue

36 20c red

1 12c blue	5 70c brown orange
2 150 violet	6 lp black
3 30c rose	7 1.50 violet
4 50c ultramarine	8 1.70 sepia
1890-91, 34x30 mm., pin	point perf.
9 12c black	16 70c dark brown 🚆
10 15c rose	17 80c rose
11 20c blue	18 90c brown
12 30c dark green	19 lp green
13 40c azure	20 12c bronze green
14 50c violet	21 150c lilae
15 60c orange	22 170c violet brown
	23 2p ultramarine
1891-92, pin point perf.	
25 12c blue	29 40c dark blue
26 15c dark green	30 50c black
27 20c red	3! 70c grey
28 30c violet	32 80c yellow green
	33 1p ultramarine

39 50c brown

40 70c ochre

41 1p orange

49 120c grey

52 70c grey

53 8oc Indigo

55 1p carmine 56 120c yellow brown

57 150c lilac

64 80c grey

58 170c violet

63 30c vermillion

65 lp dark blue

72 80c dark blue

73 90¢ yellow bistre

74 120c red brown

54 90c ochre

44 2p yellow brown

59 2p brown

69 40c pale green

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70 50c rose

71 60c azure

43 150c blue green



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Desames recibir esemplares de cambio de las publicaciones filatelicas estranjeres a la adressa enseguida. R.R.Thiele, Wauwatosa. Wis.U.S.A

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The Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung in No.11 brings some interesting information 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 contain 80 stamps 8x10, every pair of stamps separated from the next pair by a wider space. The stamps were perforted 11% and 11% x 13; the sale prices were 10, 15, 20, and 25 bani and the surplus was intended for the Zesatoarea (Weaver) Society and for the Policlinica Regina Elisabeta. The two other series-the queen as weaver and nursing a wounded soldier--were issueed March 5th. The Weaver design is by Costin Petresco, a Roumanian painter. The sheets are like the fist set; those of the third set are not yet known. The same perforations occur 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 5-pf. stamp. He submitted it to the Imperial Postal Museum and this again to the Imperial Printing Office; the latter declared it to be a chemcal changeling and by way of proof 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 Museum; 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 by order of the French Colonial Office: those of the New Caledonia jubilee issue of 1903 and those of the Guadeloupe surcharges of 1903, with and without date.

The Russian 3% 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 4mm. against 6mm. 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 dollars!-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 tine 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 nearly complete set in mint state of British 1d VR black, as shown in Lord Crawford's collection-why, what is there to be said? It reminds one of the lady who, when she 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 London Philatelist; this-as one might say, the official report-was also very full. The Philatelic Record also contained a very complete report and the Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly really had the very first report to be published though I did not receive it so early. I am glad to see that numerous prizes 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 Francisco just a few days before the fire. Onegood sign of the times was the increased importance attached by the judges to scientific arrangement and full 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 very small number has real stamp knowedge beyond 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 be held at Milan under the patronage of the Italian Post Office Department. The Grand Prize consists in a gold medal presented by the King of Italy and the Post Office 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 be expected 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 Wright

Most collectors of today specialize along certain lines—one or more as the case may be. Ordinarily the enthusiast over birds' eggs or geological specimens cares little or nothing for stamps or autographs, and again the hobbyist on coins would not walk a block for the finest 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 some shady glen. Not only are collectors of various objects thus 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 find 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 written in the Philatelic West by able contributors.

This field 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 geography 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 Horta. One of the Morocco 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:

CORREO ESPANOL CERTIFICADO 12. MAY. 06 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:

CERTIFICADO 12 MAY 06 CADIZ

In an octagonal frame appears this postmark:

AMB. ASC 11. 14 MAY 06 7. BADAJOZ

Another octagonal frame contains this:

LISBOA 15 5 06 10 CENTRAL

The cover does not bear the familiar label with the big letter "R" which I 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:

" Salonich I R Osterr. Post No. 159

The French Levant cover bears the impression of the rubber stamp "R", and also the written word "Recommandie". In blue pencil appear "12-21", "3226", and in stamped figures "12118" and "16755," 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 Honolulu drew his pen through his own name and put an 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 United States Consul at Marseilles, France. The latter again put on an entirely new address by writing on my name and postoffice. 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 score postmarks, most of them can be easily deciphered and include Rome, N. Y., San Francisco, Cal., Honolulu, H. I., Sinagpore, Batavia, Westevreden Aden, Marseilles and New York.

A Swiss Postage 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 tobacconists' 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 The letter was in good preservation, which made it what its value was. 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 20 rappen yellow stamps, or eight times the ordinary postage, for the letter (sent by the Erat Civil) contained only a birth-certificate, which could not have 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

Hobbies 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 unquiet thoughts, a moderator of passions and a procurer of contentedness. As Sir Henry Wotton used to say of Angling that "It was an employment for his idle time which was not then idly 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 exercise 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 wrote to a friend of stamp collecting, "it is one of the greatest pleasures of my life," and many a boy and young man has received 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 difficult 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 all 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 all 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 replied, "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 horse 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 fine, ceased to want it." Which proves again that each should have his own hobby horse.

Counterfeits and Their Detection By R. R. Thiele

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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 SCHWERIN 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 N is too wide. All the letters of FRIEMARKE are too tall on the 5 sch. forgery; the K has a dispropurtinately heavy "clubfoot" at the right. On the 2 sch. forgery the G of SCHILLINGE 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 in 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 five black parallel lines No such cancellation was ever used by the grand-duchy.

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The agitation for a philatelic emblem will evi-A Stamp Emblem. dently be with us until a astisfactory design has been produced. 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 gracefully 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. collectors are concerned. However much a broad international spirit of fratrenity may be desired it is certainly 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. 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. Louis P. O. issues of 1845, or as some authorities have maintained, the 5c 1847 general issue could be illustrated for this purpose. In this way each country could have its most significant philatelic idea to the front, the background of flags of the nations making a most appropriate combination. We do not remember of having seen any suggestion that so thoroughly meets the agitation for a distinctive philatelic emblem as does this and we are optimistic enough to believe that a financial 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 ancient 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", grunted 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 shopmen—you know the breed that spring up whenever tourists are plenty—had persuaded me to invest in a new outfit 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, stopped when and where I chose and moved on again only when I felt like it. I saw more of the real Switzerland 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 pleasantly 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 some old, old stamps in her room. Did I want them?"

My listeners were thoroughtly aroused. The doctor's cigar was slowly dying out unnoticed as he held it in his hand. My neighbors eyes were like saucers and he scarce breathed.

"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 my joy and if I 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 overflowing. With slow patient fingers she fumbled about and nfially 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 bliss of a great find.

"Gentlemen, I am not easily moved, but I can assure you I was very greatly stirred 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 one 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 gustaw, and when the rest of the members turned round in surprise, they saw not one, but five or their staidest members making the echoes ring with a burst of spontaneous laughter.

Revenue Notes

By Oscar T. Hartman

Odds and Ends.

How many U. S. revenue collectors know that in the 1898 documentary issue an 8c 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 specimens are all nearly worth catalogue, but look out for remainders.

Argentine is still grinding out remainder revenues. A 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 Brazil revenue stamp, orange with the head of Don Pedro there are two sets. The first has no separation point between the numerals indicating the value. The second type has, which 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, also Servia and a few others.

"Der Philatelist" always on the lookout for new things has coined a new word, "filontelist." The word filore means rogue or felon, and is used for the sake of being applied to those who pilfer stamps or tamper with approval selections.

Notes for V. S. Collectors

By 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 stamp in red stamping ink and the specimen before 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 flying the Stars and Stripes, not under contract, are allowed for their pay the full postage on all letters carried by them to a foreign country, that is five cents for each half ounce.

The development of postal service in several countries is shown by the following table of the numbeer of postoffices in each in 1902 and 1894.

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	1902	1894		1902	1894
United States	77275	70991	Germany	46268	35943
Great Britain	22642	20270	British India	14511	10904
Russia	12450	7084	France	11333	8538
Italy	8371	6263	Austria	8239	5496
Hungary	5092	4463	Japan	4567	3814
Switzerland	3821	3466	Sweden	3437	2741
Spain	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 204176 or less than half that of the United States.

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

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

The postmaster general has issued an order directing that postal cards 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 have been subject to the regular letter rates, so that 5 cents extra postage was collected from the receiver.

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 8c and the remainder the fee 2c for labeling.

This stamp I find came from a 1/2 bbl. Total value of stamp 10c.

In Mr. Marshall's letter he says that the Quarter $\frac{1}{4}$ bbl. is represented by a 4% cent stamp, which gives 2%c as the inspection fee and 2c 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 such 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.

I sent the specimen described to the present inspector but it never reached him so I wrote again and got some information, but amout my tencent stamp.

But I have some others of 9½c 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 "I. F. Ginelich as state treasurer and the value reduced from 10c 9½c. 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 first issue Beer Inspection stamps.

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

Issue 1901: No. 1? 1/8 bbl., 21/20? No. 2? 1/4 bbl., 5c blue? No. 3. 1/2 bbl., 10c green. No. 4? 1 bbl. 20c salmon?

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

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

Issue 190-: No. 1? $\frac{1}{2}$ bbl. 2.7-16c? No. 2. $\frac{1}{4}$ bbl. $\frac{4}{6}$ blue. No. 3. $\frac{1}{2}$ bbl. 9% green. No. 4. 1 bbl. 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ salmon.

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

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

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

In the May 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 1892. I also have in my collection the 10, 20 pa. and 1, 2 pi with small surcharge. The difference is very noticeable to the eye without measuring, especially in the height of the word Imprime.

Why Is a Philatelist?

By One of Them

Note—To the man who recently made the statement that philately 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 true, as you say, that the newspaper sometimes have more to say about "philocarty" than they do about stamp collecting, but then you must remember that the remorters who generally furnish these papers their "stuff" are hair brained creatures at best and they know very little they do not find floaing around on the surface. The following article, written by Chestere C. Wells, of Freeport, IB., appeared in the Freeport Evening Standard, written at the request of the managemnt. That is just an instance going to prove that we philatelists are not losing strength at least.

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

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 youthful collector goes about proudly exhibiting his collection. The "collection" is 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. They 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 first 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 boy finds that he is paying too much for the stamps he buys 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 five. The first boy begins to get approvals in his own name 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 glows 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 principally 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

yave 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 young collector's heart. The companies always 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 or 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 mail 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 he 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 fits 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 them at twenty-five, fifty cents or a dollar each. 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 \$786.50.

Collections of a thousand different varieties 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 inttrinsic value of twice that much at least. Collections of 2000, stainps can be purchased for about \$15. It is almost impossible to obtain large collections from the dealers, and men and women who possess 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.

Thurn and Taxis Postage Stamp.—The 3 kreuzer, green stamp (normal colour blue) was regarded as a myth by most collectors till the year 1873, when some information was given by a German collector on showing his specimen of this rare error to one of the leading philatelic authorities. He pointed out that specimens were to be found in some German albums, as well as in a Parisian collection. His own had been obtained a few years previously from a postal clerk. 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.



Leaves from a Philatelist's Diary By Verna Weston Hanway

(Continued from last number.)

I called on Miss Covenant today. 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 magnificently. On 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 window 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 beautiful blonde with masses of fair hair, dark eyes and a sweet pathetic 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 Magnolia, will you not I have heard so much about you from Jack, dear."

We had sat talking for some time, when Mr. Covenant (he told me the other day to call him Jack, I think I will after this) entered. We spent the rest of the afternoon looking at albums full of stamps, and at curios. They have so many wonderful things in the way of stamps and curios that I hardly know how to describe them all.

Their philatelic collection is as nearly perfect as it is possible for any collection to be. What cannot 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 valuable stamps needed to complete the different countries contained in the collection. 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 magnificent!

Ruth has been collecting cancelled Spanish War revenues—Her collection contains over seven thousand varieties.—I think it must be the finest collection of its sort in existence.—She has also a very nice collection of U.S. and Mexican revenues.—She said she had a mania for collecting revenues.

Jack has been specializing in the stamps of China. He has a magnificent collection 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 a great 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 for 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.

M-, N. Y., Sept. 3d, 1902.

In the few weeks that have passed since I last wrote you 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 says 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 engaged. I was so astonished that I did 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.

I 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 drive 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.

Helen has just been here. She told me something 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 Halstead, was desperately in love with him. "I have been flirting a little with her and 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. She has been chasing me ever since she met me" he said.

Can it be that Jack is so low and mean a thing as this? I understand my feelings for him now, I thought it was just friendship for him but it is love. 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 note 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 everything else, but I cannot forgive a man's flirting with me. I love him and will always love him, 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 woods tomorrow morning.

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

M--., N. Y., Sept. 6th, 1902.

What a difference between the way I feel today and the way I felt yesterday! 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 you 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 you 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. "I 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 satisfied 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."

Everyone is delighted, from Ruth to Ted. Father and mother hate to lose me but they are proud of their future son. Ruth was so delighted that she did not know how to express herself. But if every one 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 ever after in a philatelic atmosphere.

How 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 my lodging quarters for the night, as I had to get up early in the morning The hotel where I was stopping was about a to catch the first train home. 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 had on me except my 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 pay out of nothing, and what to do I did not know, as I was a perfect stranger in a 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 money, but where was I going to get the two cents to mail it with. I was up a stump again. ing of my past experiences I finally 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 I went to my dress suit case to get out my when the party received it. tablet and pen and ink, I lifted up the tablet and behold I had put my stamp album in the suit case under the tablet. I hurriedly got the stamp album out of the suit case and examined its contents. I found I had quite a number of rare United States stamps and a good many scarce foreign 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 nine thirty. to bed feeling much better over my thoughts than the thoughts I had when I got up the following morning at seven o'clock and I entered the horel. about eight o'clock I found myself in the stamp dealer's apartments with I showed him my stamps and said I would like to sell my stamp album. about twenty-five dollars worth if he wanted to buy that many which he said he would and would buy the whole collection if I cared to sell them but I refused to sell the entire lot as I had collected the largest part of the stamps when a young boy. After pausing a moment he finally decided to buy six of my rarest U.S. stamps for twenty-five dollars which I accepted I thanked the dealer and walked out of without delay, two tens and a five. his place of husiness. I went to the hotel and squared up with the manager and left the hotel and city much better than I expected after my night's This was once in my life that my stamp collection became experience. 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 mailman brought in the scanty morning's mail. After opening several letters containing small orders, he came to the last one, an odd, dirty-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 you a man what bought old postage stamp, so i write 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 filling his few orders. But that afternoon, after getting his mail, and not having anything else to do, he shut up his office 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 Detroit, and accessible by street cars, he determined, for curiositie's sake, to take a run out there and see the stamp.

After 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 yard. She showed him the way which led to an old battered door. He knocked and a gruff "come in," answered from within. With difficulty 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 you had some stamps you wished to sell, so I came out to see about them," Maurice said. "I have some," the old man answered. They 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. I will show them to you, and see what you will give me for them, for I am in need of money badly. There is quite a few of them, and they must be worth a few 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. He had never seen of

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 Arabic characters. It was in very 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 stamp expert. 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 he had had some stamps made by a printer of Damascus 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. Maurice 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 by 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 unofficial exhibits contributed by the French government the Board of Inland Revenue and the India Office; the Agents-General of the Cape of Good Hope. New South Wales and New Zealand 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 handsome cup, for his superb collection of English. Another cup went to Mr. H. J. Crocker, for the Hawiian collection, which so narrowly escaped the flames in SanFancisco. The gold medals went to Mr. H. R. Oldfield, Mr. Hausburg, and Baron Athony de Worms.

Dr. J. W. Higson of the St. Louis Stamp Cllectors Society reports having a copy of Jamaica, type R I, watermarked pine apple, with postal cancellation. This is an uncatalogued variety. By the way, Scotts' catalogue shows a slight typographical error in Jamaican postal fiscals. Number 101 should be described as watermarked 'brown C C' instead 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

By 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 anything in the curio and relic line as much as I am in stamps. On Decoration Day I visited an old lady of eighty-seven, the wife of the clergyman that united 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 first 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 ago.

The lady knew I was a curio crank and to my great delight presented me with the idol to remember her by. I accepted it with alacrity, 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 envelopes such as our fathers used to use. The windows were all closed and nailed down, but I told my hostess not to mind, and she left 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 I obtained all of the following: 1 lc 1857 type II cat \$1.00; 7 lc 1857 type III \$1.05; 55 3c 1861, 17 diff. shades 55c; 1 3c 1861 genuine pink \$7.50; 65 3c 1857 1.30; 6 3c 1857 type I \$1.50; 17 3c 1867 embossed 9x13, 11x14 36c; 20 3c 1851 60c; 1 12c 1871 50c; 10 1c 1871 \$1.50; 15 1c 1873 45c; 17 3c 1871-73 25c; 55 1c 1861 30c; 35 3c 1869 \$1.40; 1 2c 1871 3c.

Envelope stamps: 4 3c 1853 die 5 cat 20c; 2 3c 1853 die 2 \$2.50; 1 3c 1853 die 1 20c; 1 1861 3c on buff die 1 20c; 1 1c wrapper No. 1709 15c; 5 1c orange 1870 50c; 1 1c on orange 1874 die A 20c.

Four illustrated civil war envelopes with a 3c 1857 on one and the 3c 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. Another 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 Glory" in one hand and an unsheathed sword in the other. The fourth one shows a lady sitting by her lonely fireside sewing with the inscription "Our hearts are with them."

After removing the above stamps and taking the letters from the illustrated envelopes I descended the stairway and found my hostess awaiting me with twenty old pamphlets printed between 1813-1828 and a dozen old almanacs 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 affirmative.

Next she insisted on showing me her parlor, and nothing loath I followed her and the old style hair cloth 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 fashioned server, I think my hostess called it. Upon my calling her attention 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 help 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 flowering 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 that 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 old nurse who resides but a stone's throw from the old clergyman's wife. I found 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 greeting she asked if I 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 hundred and twenty years ago and you may have it to remember me by if you care for it. I right I will take it with pleasure, I replied and the old lady bustled away to show it to me with a vigor that belied her eighty four years. Upon viewing the bureau I espied an antique spinning wheel, which had seen service for tifty years and after laying idle for another fifty years was still in fine 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 old time photograph album 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 49c.

"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 you can have if you wish." Upon looking at the old china and ascertaining that it was the genuine '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 everything in good shape.

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

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

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The Why and Wherefore of Stamp Rarities

By Narcissus

Why is it that some stamps are such rarities, and how did they become so? That there 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 hobby has taken a hold on the public sufficient 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 only 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 on that particular variety, with the result that they become scarce and the price goes up.

Of a dozen more rarities, scarcely any one can lay any claim to be works of art, in fact, 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.

Among them 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 1c and 4c. They were set from type in the office of the "Official 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 dollars, if he were fortunate enough to possess it.

Mauritius, "Post Office," one penny, 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 Office" are inscribed on the side of the stamp instead of "Post Paid." They were designed by a local watch maker, printed from single 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 more.

Hawaii, 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 destroyed by fire. Its value is about three thousand dollars.

British Guiana, 1850, 2 cents Circular. It was announced in the local "Official Gazette" in Feb. 1851 that, "by order of His Excellency the Governor, and upon request 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 be 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 discontinued and hence the scarcity of the stamp. There are only eleven copies known and the value of each is about three thousand dollars.

In the United States, the general use of a issue of stamps was preceded by preliminary issues of a more or less local kind and generally known as "Postmaster stamps." Among the rarest 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, some 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 most common forms of rouletting 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 wavy 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 holes 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.

Gerry Collects Stamps

By Walter S. Bradford

Good day to yez 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 Ivery wans stamp album an represents the greatest educashunal move since the corryspondence school was parented. Me bye, Mister Hooligan has inlisted in the ranks iv the army iv sthamp collectors or in scienticfi 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 that yez niver received but wan letter in yure loife an' that wan, whin ye awed 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 Hooligan were first 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 go wid a sthamp on it, made some iv their own. An now Mister Hooligan there is no nation who don't have sthamp iv their 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 postoffis an' go into the bunco bigness, adoin' iv the sthamp collector.

But, Mister Hooligan the postage sthamp in America has come to stay, or rayther to go, an we as American 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 fullly 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 Hooligan but the wans most in use are the wans stuck on litters an' on sale at the post offs, wan cint sthamps cost 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 different 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 inflocencee iv the industry is far reachin' an' it instructs as well as educates.

Terry, me bye, do be after showin' the alboom to Mister Hooligan. 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 raypublic an' that sthamp,

the first wan, represents the loikeness iv the Quane iv France, notice, Rooligan 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 Holland 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 that Ould Ireland should have wan wid St. Patrick a drivin out the Now we are in Italy, 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 Chinese an' Chinese don't mean nothin' to a rayspectable Irish-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 Hooligan, 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 sphinks in all the solum grandure askin questions iv ivery wan what goes by.

The nixt is Belgium an we see the portrate iv his Highness, "Ould Whiskers" an' the sthamp says, "if you want yure mail on Sunday, say so." Spain wid three hundred an' siventy an' ivery wan iv thim uglier than the wan before 'cept the young king 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 "I.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. Franklin, Jefferson, Washington an' a hundred more dead an' forgotten Patriots are represented in this gallery iv Fame. Uncle Sam was so kind he made some real nice sthamps to boost the Street iv Cairo at the Great Columbian Imposhun an' very since he has did the thing over to plaze the people.

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

Yis, Mister Casey, sthamps are interestin' but phat the divil do ye want wid thim?

H. J. Duveen, one of the partners in the famous firm of Duveen Brothers fine art dealers, possesses 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 years to get together.

The highest price ever paid for a single stamp was \$7 250 which was recently paid for a two-penny blue stamp issued by Mauritius in 1847.

Complete Catalogue of Stamps of Cuba With Notes

By Mario S. Roig

In writing this catalogue is it is not my intention to enumerate the common varieties only of Cuban stamps but also all the minor varieties, errors, etc.

The first issue in Cuba was printed in 1855 and has four well known varieties: ½r blue green, 1r green, 2r orange red, 2r carimne. One variety exists in this issue the ½r blue black.

In 1856 we find another series surcharged of the stamps of 1855, but of some months of use, only there are four varieties: ½r carmine, ½r orange red. This ¼ is in addition to the 2r face value of stamps have ¼r more, have short and open "Y". The first has the short (2 varieties and the second another 2.) All these stamps have a watermark in the paper in loops.

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

In 1857 the stamps were printed on smooth paper with no watermarks and exist three values: ½r blue, 1r gray green, 2r dull rose. These are the varieties: ½r re-engraved, ½r dark blue, 1r dark green. 2r red, Y¼ on 2r dull rose. In this surcharge exist four varieties.

This series was used some years and in 1862 another issue was made. Exist six (6) values: $\frac{1}{4}$ r black, $\frac{1}{4}$ r black on buff paper, $\frac{1}{4}$ r green, $\frac{1}{4}$ r green on litac paper, 1r blue on salmon paper, 2r vermillion on flesh paper. Exist some differences in paper as follows: 2r vermillion on rose paper, 2r pin perforation.

To this issue succeeded the 1866 one, this has four values: 5c lilac, 10c blue, 20c green, 40c rose. To these four original values we must add these two: 66 on stamps of 14r of 1862, 66 on stamps of 10c of 1866.

From 1866 the value was in cents and no watermarks.

In 1866 begin the use the the cut diagonals to use for $\frac{1}{2}$ value of face. These stamps have not a merely philatelic value but are collected as curiosities.

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

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

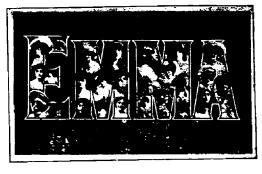
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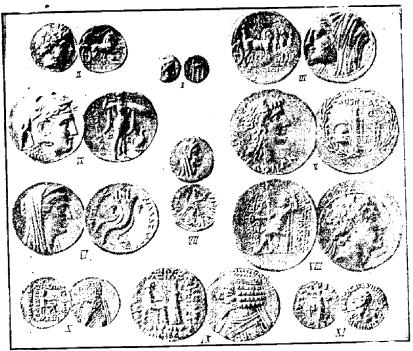
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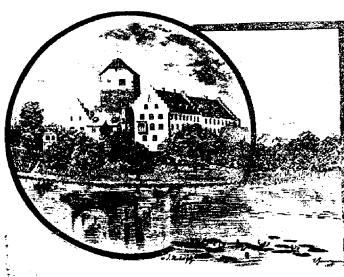


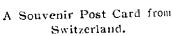










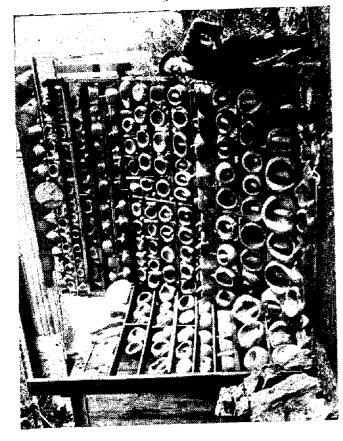


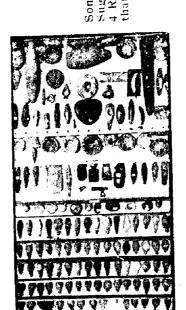
Horn Toad of the Nebraska Sand Hills.

In the Corner is J. B. Lewis Collection of Guns.







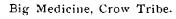


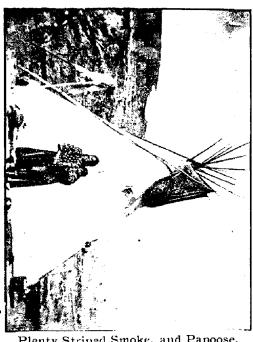
Indian Relic Collections of J. B. Lewis, Petaluma, California.

Rotograph Post Card. R. Williams, Auction Manager of the Stamp Collectors Protective Association of America, Roxbury, Mass









Plenty Striped Smoke, and Papoose.





Souvenir Card Review

By Miss M. Keller

Dr. A. P. Butler in a communication 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 view 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 official postal 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 year will certainly be recorded in the annals of cartophly as the year of song and toast post cards. All firms 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 collection.

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 river 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 reviewing the various cards 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 series of 12 cards illustrating ancient gods, mummies of Pharaoh, and

Mohamet Ally Dynasty post cards. Showing the photos taken from paintings of these eastern rulers, such as Ibrahim Pasha, Abbas Pasha, Said Pasha, Ismail Pasha, Tewfik Pasha, Abbas Hilmi!! All are works of art showing the oriental splendor and gorgeous robes of these rulers. 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, Border District and Land of Scott with Abbeys and churches, 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 appear-Another novel card seen is the fortune teller card having the face of a playing card, and the fortune telling written underneath. This has been issued by R. J. Plant, Washington, D. C.

A. Selige, St. Louis, Mo., has issued a fine 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 seen in Commission District, ruins of Junction Market, Mason & Turk Sts. The Temple of Justice, which is a total wreckage. The St. Francis Hotel, James Flood Bldg. The Post Office and Strs. One shows the evening light or fire glow of Van Ness Ave ruins. Others show how the pavements are torn up by the earthquake. Flames on Market St., ruins of the church of the Advent, etc. These cards are fine to add to your collection of current event cards, which will be historical in time and very valuable.

The Omaha Post Card Co. has sent a fine set of cards issued recently showing views from that city in duograph style and others in colors. See the add in WEST. Its 15th & Howard Sts., Omaha, Neb. The set 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 Collectors' Magazine, Rotherdam, Eng.; The Collectors' 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, U. 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 Pacific Monthly, Portland, Oregon and others. The illustrated postal card fad is gaining great headway in this country and will soon be as much 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 size, it is not moved about much but is kept outside the houses of wealthy men.—Coin Cabinet.

Balance of the Defense Bond's History With 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 dollar 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 corner figure form in circle of engine-turned work at lower left corner state arms 4 and FOUR in red.

The Four dollars and lifty cents, female at left end, state arms at lower right corner, with 4.50 in circle in upper right corner with 4½ in oval in red.

The Twenty dollar has Liberty at left end and steamboat in center and state arm at right. Value in red TWENTY.

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 HUNDRED, 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 book of post cards and 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. Hundreds 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 books 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 anything resembling a man. A photo was enclosed, that was very plain, by which she could recognize him. 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 in a 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 Kaffeelatch and was in a hurry, and said to her husband, "John take this post card to the post office 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 you 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 3 o'clock, and absent-mindedly directed his footsteps toward the railroad station, innocent of the fact that there was a post card Arriving at the station he walked up and down the platin his hat band. form, worrying about something, he knew not what. Mechanically he watched the alighting passengers who regarded him in a funny way. so with a ridiculously 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 sweetly, "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 you 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 She had thought him a younger man, and then he looked more like a minister than a Master Chimney Sweep. But she would soon find 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 post 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 he 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 man with the post card.



St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society

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The thirty-eighth regular meeting of the Society was held July 24th 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 first meeting in September. Each member is requested to submit five 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 name. 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 five dollars catalogue value in stamps for the most difficult list of five clippings presented, and a further prize will be awarded for the most complete 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 pays. "C"

WINE HALOGY



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

Reports from Lewiston. Mont convey the information, 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 district, has acquired the Sapphire and Ditch claims, both considered valuable properties. Numerous comparatively valuable gold properties have also been staked 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. Falls man inaugurated the project and it promises to become very popular 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 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. certain mines in Egpyt which yielded 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 invest-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. 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 profits they are able to with the scarcer gems. Also because of their abundance and preumably lesser value, they have been given the native cutters, who do not understand the law of refraction and reflection, operate on, with the result that they are put on the market and eventually mounted in jewelry, looking like various colored acid drops, and entirely lacking those sharply defined 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 late years the neck chain has greatly grown in favor. At present these are being made up with all manner 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 dark red garnet to the brilliant flash of the diamond. The jewelers have certainly learned 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 card which can be detached by soaking in cold water. Silk cards with colored prints of flowers and butterflies 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 Pokio after the war, also the headquarters of the Manchurian Armies in Mukden. post cards are the latest in card fad and one received today shows flowered design stamped on high grade linen. The name 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 5c each, not worked or ready, of course. The advertisement appears in this paper. The Tillin Merchandising Co., Tillin, 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

By Ostwald 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 healthful 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, often turns 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 con-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 five hundred dollars and only about one tenth of these were purchased. The great secret of a mineral 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 with a view to exchange. The best medium for this is a good collectors' paper. Subscribe to this and encourage its publisher by taking an interest in his effort. The collector who lives in a locality 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 Here then is an excellent chance for reciprorarely get the trap minerals. 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 There is also an erroneous idea that certain specimens such as lead or galena and many other specimens found in the mining districts (argentite, chalcopyrite, 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. instance a, specimen of ordinary quartz slightly amethystine which I possess size about 2x3 inches is worth two dollars while beside it are two specimens one of galena and one of zinc 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 necessarily valuable as it is the structure, color crystallization or uniqueness of the individual speci-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 book than "Dona's, Manual of Mineralogy and Petrography." With a book of this kind and a free use of his eyes and senses the collector will soon find that his knowledge gains rapid strides. The trained eye of the mineralogist will first of all show him the form, that is,

whether the mineral has a regular crystallized shape or whether it is granular, fibrous, 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 order are others. The most important however is the streak in most cases. The best way to determine this is to secure a piece of Hornstone one side of which is polished and on this make the streak, which will be thus accurately 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 specimens should all be carefully labeled with the name and particularly the locality. They should then be properly classified. That is they should be divided in sections consisting of native elemeents, Oxides, Carbonates, Silicates, Titanates, Fluorides, Sulphides, Sulphates, Tungstates and Phosphates. For one whose space is limited specimens 2x2 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.

Another 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, Chacopyrite, Tetrahedrite, Cuprite, Malachite, Galena, Pyromorphite, Cerussite, Cassiterite Pyrrholtite, Pyrite, Marcasite, Arsenopyrite, Hematite, Magnetite, Linionite, 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, Willemite, Calamine, Spinel, Cryolite, Warellite, Anhydrite, Brucite, Witherite, Zoisite Strontianite, Oligoclase, Labradorite, Spodumene Lepidolite, Clinochelore, Chrysolite, Zircon, Scapolie, Vesurianite, Titanite, Andalusite Cyanite, Datalite, Pectolite and Analcite. The above named minerals are indespensible to a collection and with proper arrangement will make a very showy-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 earth which your neighbor through ignorance has passed over for years. At any rate from whatever point you look at it a mineral collection 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"

The Canadian Post Card Exchange Club For Collectors of Pictoral Postcards

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Other Secretaries will be appointed in England and U. S. A. President's Motto: "The Postcard is a hobby both pleasurably and practically. Join one and all." All members will receive official organ monthly.

Club subscription 35c per year, 20c for 6 months, or its equivalent in other countries. All collectors are requested to send subscriptions to nearest local secretaries at once, or to Mr. C. A. Hives. 297 Spence St. Winnipeg. Canada to whom all letters of inquiry should be sent.

Report for September.

Secretary' Report: I hope all members received the August copy of our official organ, as it contained a full list of members to date. I 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 receive our paper regular. I have also several complaints to hand of members not conforming to rule No. 1, but in many cases it is owing to the complaint being laid against Foreign members and not sufficient 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 subscriptions if they wish to still retain an interest in the club. All other clubs using this paper seem to be increasing their membership and we want to do likewse: and this can easily be done by every member following our Presidents remarks on Club Members 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' Society, and I can heartily recommend both the above mentioned clubs to each and all readers of this valuable paper.

New Members.

265. Arthur C. Braun, Box 27, Berlin, Ont. 266 Miss Maud E. 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 Pine St., La Cross, Wis. 270. E. H. Greeling, 9 N. Grove St., E. Orange, N. J. 271. Mrs. T. D. Cuming, 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, 610 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 August issue should be 130. This lady has been away on a trip to Europe and is expected back by the time this paper is issued, Sept. 1st. Member No. 119 is G. O. Morrised, St. George, Beance Quebec, who has not been actively exchanging cards for some time, hence his name not been published.

Renewals. 15. Miss C. A. Hill, Glenora, Ont. 103. Miss Erva Crookshanks Hoords 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, 109. Also No. 6, 10, 17, 20, 83, 96, 104, 105, 106, 107, 121.

I shall be pleased to exchange good photo post cards with any of the club members myself.

C. A. Hives, Sec'y-Treas.

THE CHICAGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

The 30th regular meeting of the above named Society 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 meeting: West, Coin Cabinet for May, The Numis-

matist and Spink's Numismatic Circular for June. Auction catalogs were received from Chapman, Low, Green, Adams, Elder and St. Louis 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 exhibited a sheckel of Simon Maccabeus, Judea, Year 2' B. C. 140139. Mr. Brand showed an impression in gold of the 3 gulden piece of the Netherlands dated 1822, struck in Brussels. Mr. Tracey 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 Hundred 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 Society, of Chicago, Illinois, does hereby petition your Honorable Body that the present appropriation for said collection be increased sufficiently 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 Collection?

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 quantity 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 increasing 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. Indians usually selected the best sites for habitations, and white men have done the same. Through continuous 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 among 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 therefrom \$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 giving 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.

Another class of collectors, now quite numerous, are those who are well advanced in years and experience. These men began 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 local 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 unfortunately the 'local man of means' has no interest in the subject and will not contribute a dollar 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 collection. The curators have had many similar letters, and while they might buy a few exhibits, yet 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 not, but should send the results of his life's work where they will be appreciated and preserved. 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 and then both money and specimens are beyond recall.

The days of high values for archaeologic collections are gone. won't buy as they did formerly and wealthy collectors have a surfeit of Therefore it behooves every man and woman owning collections, whether large or small, to decide what shall be done with the cherished If there is a fire-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 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 dona-For this reason museums of 40,000 to 75,000 specimens are preferable tion. Moreover, the curators have more time to devote to detailed study of exhibits-collectors' exhibits, paticularly.

More attention is now paid of scientific archaeology than formerly. 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 selfish sale of collections, for by so doing no one is benefited. 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 it preserved for all time, under your name, in a fire-proof museum.

I shall be glad to give detailed information by letter regarding such museums as are most willing to take and to properly mount private collections.

Cigar Bands. J. Manning King, of Salinas, California, is the possessor of a collection of over ten thousand different and distinct varieties of cigar bands; among which are about one thousand, six buildred different bands of heads, figures and animals. Besides his regular collection he has over fifty 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 already won fortunes for a few bright young men who recognized its possibilities in the early days of the craze—when demand grew vigorously each hour and the supply was practically nil.

Beginning on the Eastern 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, hamlets 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 Hon. 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 thousand of readers of this journal are plugging away. He meant to "get there," and he did.

In a few months things began to move and as the problems began to move and as problems of production and distribution were solved they moved quicker and quicker yet. Today he is probably the largest producer of picture post cards exclusively in the world. A good many people call his rise "meteoric" and "lucky". But 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?

This craze offers unlimited opportunities for mail 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 mail order trade picture postals have much to recommend them: 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 possible profit in freight.

A number of enterprising men have already established postal card exchanges 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 may come to hand from other members.

The writer has been in communication with several of these exchanges, but has yet to discover one conducted on a business like basis. One exchange sent about six names so badly written that they could not be deciphered; another promised to send a list of names printed and revised weekly, but the first list hasn't appeared yet. The idea is worth taking hold 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 first real business-like attempt to make post cards a paying mail order proposition strangely enough belongs to "slow town". A Philadelphian firm has gotten out a nicely printed 40-page catalogue of picture postals all properly listed, classified and priced. This house runs an ad in several monthlies offering an assortment of cards and their catalogue for 10c. It looks good. We must compliment this firm on getting out such a well-arranged, comprehensive catalogue.

From an agent's standpoint the post card offers fine opportunities. Ho can get a splendid assortment from one of the manufacturers for a very small outlay. Then, he can obtain 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 this 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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OFFICERS FOR 1905

Sec'y Treas. Report.

Applications for Membership: H. D. Powell, 2302 E. Broad St., Richmond, Va. Reference to B. Max Mehl, Fort Worth, Tex. and A. McKechuic, Ottawa. Mario Roig, Cerro 827, Havana, Cuba, Ref. L. T. Broadstone.

I beg to remind members whose certificates expired July 1st, 1906 to remit as soon as possible. Certificates under the following numbers are due: 5, 76, 82, 85, 87, 120, 129, 130, 131, 134, 135, 144, 145, 146, 148, 153, 156, 162, 167, 215, 216, 223, 232, 265, 272, 275, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 333, 337, 338, 339, 346, 3623, 367, 372, 373, 375, 376, 385, 376, 377, 831.

Change of address: 374. Ed Howard, Juba City, Sutter Co., Cal. Yours truly, F. B. Archer, Secy. Treas

How 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 ten inches long by six inches wide, which had a number of small worn indentations in it an inch or so apart. Some of the places were an inch or so deep. Mr. Henry Keeler who found the stone, called it a "lop-stone." He said that when a spot became worn too deep to be convenient a new spot was selected. According to his theory, an arrow point was held usually with the small end down and chipped by striking from the operator with a sort of pushing motion. The instrument used to do the chipping being a blunt triangular hard piece of flint.

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 blow by means of some blunt instrument, probably a smooth stone. Nearby were a number of broken flint axes, spears and tomahawks, suggesting the idea that there had been a hand to hand battle between rival tribes on this old camp ground.

The indians of that part of the country were not very expert in making implements, 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 in the stem of this pipe was but a trifle larger than in the modern article. 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 Pennsylvania 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. Flint being very sensitive to changes of temperature.

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

Ribbon Badges. No other hobby has a more open field than this. During carnivals, street fairs and elections hundreds of these badges may be acquired by the husting collector. These can be mounted in any desirable style. They make a very nice sofa pillow or quilt.



St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society

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The fortieth reuglar meeting of the Society was held August 21st. The prize contets, calling for identifictaion of stamps from clippings of their central or marginal parts, which was outlined at a recent meeting, was announced to take place September 18th. All members are urged to participate.

It was agreed to appropriate from the Treasury of the Society, a sufficient 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. Higson, Scheilhorn and Mann were selected to act as a program committee. The society boasts an exceptionally prosperous state of financial 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 Hickory 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 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 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 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 Beveland in the Province of Zealand through which runs the mouth of the Scheldt in the Dutch territory. The pictures are typically Dutch, for 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 coloring of the famous Flemish artist, H. II. 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 been 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 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 wicks are other uses further to which it is put. While we yet 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 years ago when walking through a field, he found a large flint stone which, when he struck it gave out a beautiful sound. Being a man of leisure and a musiciau, it occurred to M. Bandre to make a collection of these singing stones. Since then he has employed 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 complete 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 oil.

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, Australia, 84 pounds.

In 1870 at John's Paddock, Victoria, 88 pounds.

In 1881 on Kanaka Creek California 98 pounds.

In 1869 in Sierra County California 95 pounds 6 ounces.

In 1854 at Ballerat Victoria 184 pounds 10 ounces.

In 1865 at Maryboro Australia 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 mixed with lead and quartz.

Meteorites are generally divided in three classes—Siderites, Siderolites and Aerolies. The Siderites consist principally of iron alloyed 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 pyroxene 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 in 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 Sam's coffers. cost of the cards must have made up a total of at least \$2,000 more. 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 Large and varied stocks are kept by scores of dealers in all sorts They can be purchased at news stands, drug, grocery, of merchandise. 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 affect ornate styles, printers, pressmen, stereotypers, commercial travelers, paper makers and artists are all brought within its influence. 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 20-cent silver piece was authorized March 3, 1875; weight 77.1 grains, 900 fine. It was discontinued May 2, after \$271,000 worth were coined. 800,000 half cents were coined. The government has coined 4,500,000 2c pieces

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Secretary's Report.

Our President, Mr. Robt. P. Miller, has informed us that he no longer has the time necessary to devote to the affairs 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 he will fulfile the duties of his position in a trustworthy manner.

Up to date we have not received 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 mails 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 yet 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. 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, let us know what you desire. We offer 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 mosaics 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 Enrico Dandolo, who died in 1205, thus proving that the building of the basilica was going on in the twelfth century. It is supposed that the coin fell from the clothing of a workman into the cemeut, remaining there seven centuries.

THE KANSAS CITY STAMP CLUB

ORGANIZED FEB. 1905

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

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OFFICERS' MONTHLY REPORTS.

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 proposed club picnic was held at Swope Park on Wednesday, August 8, and while the attendance was smaller than had been expected, nevertheless, a very enjoyable day was spent by 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 collecting. 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 numerous contributions of the The adage "Nothing Succeeds Like Success," seems particularly adaptable in the case of our library. 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 Two contributions totaling 1443 pieces beside several of of the past month. minor importance is what I have to report this month. The remainder of the late W. P. Kelly's library consisting of 949 pieces has been added. 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 yet been received.

In the lot received this month there were seventeen books as follows: Scott's Catalogue of British Empire 1902, Foreign Countries 1902, Entire World 1903, British Empire 1904, British Empire 1905; Mekeel's International Catalogue 1897 edition: and year books of the A. P. A. for 1898, 1900, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905.

Mr. L. T. Brodstone, publisher of the WEST, has been the means of our adding 494 more pieces to the library during August. This lot consisted of 463 philatelic magazines, 20 auction catalogues, 5 books, 4 society annual reports and 32 exhibition catalogues. The books received were as follows: "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

will be given at the next meeting of the club. Any of the above periodicals or books are open to the members use, the only restrictions being that not more than three books may be drawn by a member at one time nor retained for more than two weeks.

Respectfully submitted, Arthur L. Nelson, Librarian.

LARGEST STAMP SOCIETY IN AMERICA

Stamp Collector's Protective Association of America organized February 3, 1899.

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

New Members — E. Sterling, N. Y. City, 256 Fifth Ave.; H. Hugg, Richmond, Ills.; Miss A. Harris, Halifax, Canda., N. S., 59 E. Young St.: F. Kelser, LaMoine, Shasta Co., Calif.; M. L. Charles, Webster Groves, Mo.; E. F. Wurtele, Quebec, Canda, Bx 344; H. E. Mangold, Los Angeles, Cailf., 20 E. 22 St.; G. Toissanint, New Milford, Conn., Bx 381; S. Shuster, Jennette, Pa., R. F. D. 1, Bx 66; C. Hoffer, Carthage, Mo.; J. Regensburger, San Francisco, Calif., 544 2 Ave.; S. L. Jones, Santa Maria, Calif.; W. Douglass, Mazon, Ill.; W. Welch, Jr., Wamego, Kan., Bx 7 R. F. D. 2.

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

Nebraska Philatelic Society Nebraska's Pride

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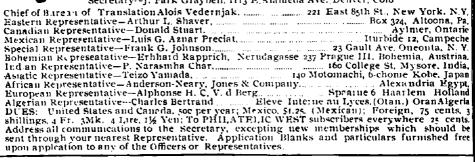
It is best to send vote on post card to Secretary, so it can be given in at the meeting.

Curious Water Plants: The water of lake Morat, Switzerland, turns to a relicolor every tenth year. Caused, 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 evidently had no effect whatever upon the missionary work our members have been doing, and we heartily thank the members of the "August Boosters Club" for the kind assistance they have rendered us. The members of this selection club are:

479. Miss Rae Fenberg.

356. G. F. Philleo (2).

532. Walter L. Miller.

656. A. C. Davis.

606. Victor Friend (2).

486. Dr. W. P. Taylor (2).

447. Joseph A. Blair (2)

516. Miss Florence Mul.erv.

577. N. F Staley.

578. E. B. Presher

639. George C. Robertson.

659. Miss Alberta Shrope.

Number following name indicates number of times name has appear 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.

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

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

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

MORE WORK FOR THE RELIEF CORPS.

Word has just been received that the store and residence of Member No. 446, Mr. Fred Streicher, 105 West Main Street, West Newton, Pa., ** entirely 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 probably 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 only way it can be rebuilt is by the help of friends. Let us get busy at once and give Brother Streicher a shower of cards, such as he never dreamed of before, and tell him they are all his and we don't want any 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 members 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 badge or button of an appropriate design, to be worn by all members, 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 members 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 procedure, in order to accomplish the desired end:

279. Maurice Mayer.

281. John Hall.

330. Otis Bartlett.

410. Asa Chambers.

450. W. E. Battey.

531. John C. Morgan.

635. Theodore Schilling.

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Kentucky	2	France	9
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Michigan	8	Holland	7

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- 656. A. C. Davis, 159 S. Evans St., Denver, Colo. (Foreign only).
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- 658. Miss Ella C. Becker, Central Bridge, N. Y.
- 659. Miss Alberta Shrope, 19 School Street, Washington, N. J. (Foreign preferred).
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- 663. Albert F. Turner, 2559 McCulloh Street, Baltimore, Md. (Colored cards only.)
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- 666. Lon R Carlton, Big Run, Pa.
- 667. Mrs. A. M. Edwards, Walton, Ky.
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- 669. John M. Fleming, 232 S. 7th St., Kansas City, Kansas.
- 670. Harry Chancellor, Arcanum, O.
- 671. Clarence Fickle, 610 South St., Bloomfield, N. J.
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- 675. Walter Lau, Stoeckhardstr, 10 Hamburg 26, Germany.
- 676. Mrs. W. E. Fudger, 487 Ontario St., Toronto, Ont.
- 677. Mrs. F. H. Claxton, Davy St., Thames, Auckland, New Zealand.
- 678. Miss Jennie Church. 209 Askew Ave., Kansas City, Mo.
- 679. Mrs. Geoge Wilson, 508 Chess St., Monongahela, Pa.
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- 681. Wm. A. Keener, 426 King St., Charleston, S. C.

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COMPLAINTS.

488 against 484, 493 and 536. 557 against 255, 271, 280, 299, 325, 396 and 397. 639 aaginst 257, 273, 521 and 607.

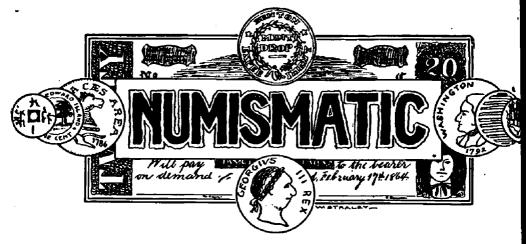
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EXPIRED MEMBERSHIPS.

226, 227, 28, 229, 253, 254, 256, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265 and 267. We hope all members whose numbers are given above will favor us with a prompt renewal, 40 cents is all we ask after the first year, this being even less than the price of our Official organ alone.

Memberships 1 to 207, inclusive, and 231 to 249, inclusive expired several months ago. We recommend you do not send these numbers cards for exchange, unless they have renewed memberships, in which case you will find their name under new numbers, and the old numbers should be discarded.

EXPELLED. 255. Andrew Baldwin, 2107 Union Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 257. L. C. Austin, Keystone, W. Va., on complaints of 362, 483 and 639. 280. Miss Orilla Garland, 19 Grove St., Augusta, Me., on complaints of 443, 521 and 557.



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. Huptington, who recently built the home of the Hispanic society, of which he is also president, in the same neighborhood.

The society which adopted the above name when incorporated, on May 16, 1865, was originally organized as the American Numismatic society on April 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 in Chinese and Japanese), comprising more than 1600 specimens. 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 pahang of the Malay peninsula, a hat shaped coin of lead with floral ornaments on each It is about two and one half inches square and is one of the oldest of 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 There is also an interesting lot of Anam coins, one of which, a silver coin of about 1850, bears an inscription that translated, reads: Will make them rich for a long life. the use of the people. Inherited Current money." virtue.

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. 300 225. There is a sample of the Chinese sword or key money, 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 ancient Chinese bronze pieces are shaped like turtles and fishes' 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 collection the largest coin is an ancient one of Japan bearing the imperial autograph in black lacquer and also many mint marks. It measures 6x3½ inches weighs 105 penny-weights and is worth in bullion

\$111.23. A much bigger and heavier coin is a Japanese one of bronze five 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 $5x5\frac{1}{2}$ inches. A member of the society who was born in Sweden, said his grandfather told him that his grandfather told him about selling 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 well 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 three-sixteenths of an inch.

J. Sanford Saltus a member of the society recently gave to it complete sets of American 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 1793 coinage. One of the latter is the famous "clover leaf" cent which is valued by collectors at about \$200. Mr. Saltus also gave the rare Confederate cent of 1861, and a Confederate 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 English 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 come from the mint. "The Commowealth of England" and the motto "God With Us" are among the inscriptions on a gold coin of 1653. Other English gold 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 cabinets is a good collection of Greek and Roman coins, of various dates, in gold, silver and copper. It has many early German coins, including 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 their energies to the production and selling of fancy post cards while every large art publisher now issues such. The hobby of picture post-card collecting has become an institution throughout the United Kingdom, as well as through our country. Traveling is the origin of post-card collecting, and not only are they published by the million, but the very modes of travel themselves are illustrated.



..Camera News..

Editor-F. J. Clute, Sacramento

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 fail 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 only expensive, but altogether too small to cover enough of the print at one application to avoid streaks.

After a few experiments I made a swab that costs but a few cents and works 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. These I boiled in parafine for lifteen 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 pieces of wood placed on either side of the pad thus made at the opposite end from the fold. These in turn are bound together with the rubber band 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 position. The tray 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 into 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 by 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 difficulty 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 you have no convenient means of weighing so small a quantity, get a chemist to weigh out that amount for you, then procure a wooden mustard spoon and cut it down until it just holds it. This developer keeps 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.



INSWER

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 sulphocyanide 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 sulphocyanite bath made up in this manner will show no precipitation and will work statisfactorily.

W. W. H.—Cintment for Metol Foison: The following was recommended some time ago by a physician writing in one of the magazines:

For use: 3 parts No. 1, 1 part No. 2. This developer keeps well and works best after being used a few times. It may be left in the dish, immersing the plates therein, and occasionally adding fresh solution, which should be cool in summer and moderately warm in winter. Pour the developer back into the bottle when the day's work is done. When starting ing with fresh solution add some of the old, or, if no old is on hand add to 20 ounces fresh solution 10 drops of a 10 per cent solution of bromide of potassium. Always develop the plate far enough to insure good printing density.

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We hope to have a meeting during the Ak-sar-ben, and mention will be given in the daily papers there if the WEST is not out the week before.



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 - 9 A Herpin Trenton, N. J.
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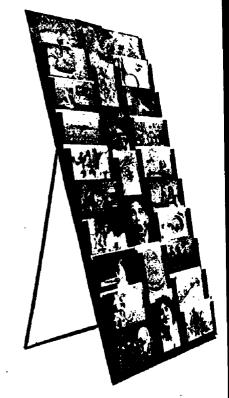
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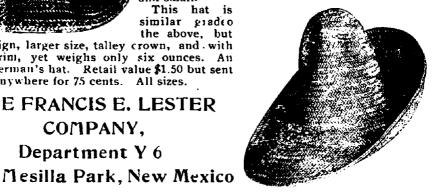


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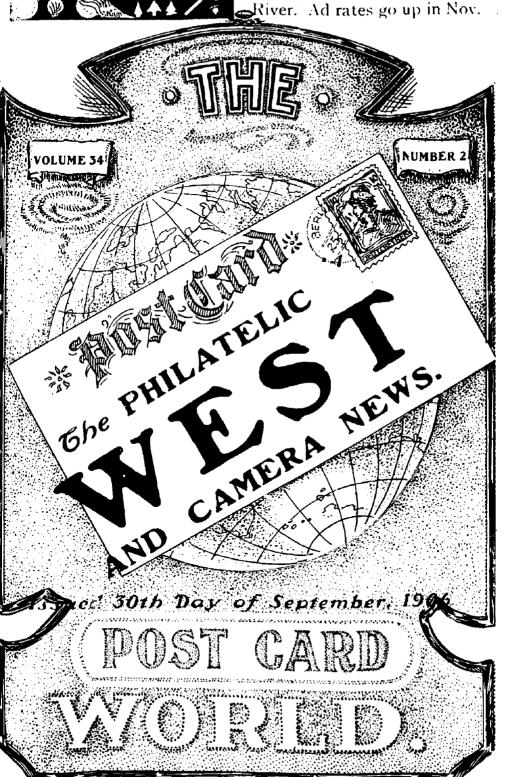
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5	*Dominican .	1902	1-50c	7	4 c	15c
6	" Rep	1901	½ - 10c		17c	10c
8	Ecuador	1901	1-20c	5 7 5 5	22c	10c
9	Greece	1901	1.251	7	7c	3c
10	*Guatemala	1902	1-10c	5	19c	8c
11	Haiti	1904	1-20c	5	31c	15c
12	Hungary	1900	1 f-1k	15	26c	10c
13	Japan	1896	2.5s	4	22c	10c
16	Labuan	1894 and	l N. Borneo M	onkeys 5	32c	12c
17	" & N Borneo	1902	10-16c	6	9 бс	40c
18	Newfoundland	1898	½ ⋅ 5c	5	19c	8c
19	N. S. Wales	1888	ld-1s	6	47c	20c
20	N. Borneo	1893	1-24c	9	\$1.38	35c
21	N. Borneo	1901	1-24c	10	84c	35c
24	Nyassa	1903	15-300 reis	5	56c	30 c
25	Peru	1901	1-5c	5 3	7c	3с
26	*Salvador	1889	1-2c	4 5	20c	8c
27	*Servia	1890	5-2 5 p	5	17c	5c
28	Spain	1900	2c · 1p	10	25c	10c
29	Sweden	1891	1 4 ore	4	6c	3ზ
30	*Switzerland	1881	2c·1fr	9	21c	6c
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8	Ecuador	1901	1-200	5	22C	100
9	Greece	1901	1-25 I	. 7	7¢	3C
10	*Gu ate mala	1902	1-100	5	19C	8c
11	Haitt	1904	I-200	5	316	15C
12	Hungary	1900	ıfık	15	26c	100
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17	Lab'n & N Bo	rneo 190	2,,10-16	6 6	96C	4CC
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25	Peru	1691	1-5C	3	7C	3¢
26	*Salvador	1889	1-2C	4	20C	8c
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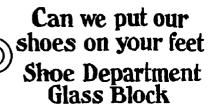
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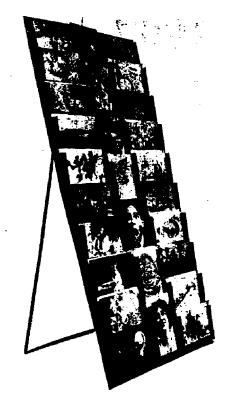
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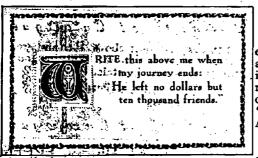
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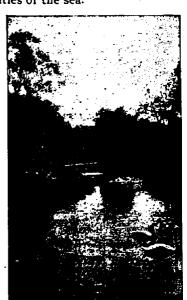
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We would like to close with a moral, and that is: Collectors, support all hobby journals, but whatever you do, support your local ones.

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A Word to Dealers By Arthur Smith

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 packets than it good for your business and you cannot sell them in bulk by advertising for the whole bunch is not worth half what your ads would cost. Why not further the advancement of philately and the improvement of mankindig general by giving them, "free gratis," in lots of fifty or a hundred to the public school children of your town? Of course there would be no direct return fom this at first, but the good of it would last for years. tion of hundreds of intelligent boys and girls would be drawn to stamps and the chances are that a large percentage of them would become permanent Would you not, as a dealer, have nine chances out of ten of having their permanent trade? My opinion is that this bread upon the water would be returned an hundredfold The stability of philately depends in great measure on the number of its devotees. Most collectors were drawn accidentally to the hobby. Perhaps a larger per cent of postoffice clerk than of any other occupation are stamp collectors. Is not the reason that they are constantly associated with stamps and have an opportunity of secing and studying the most interesting foreign and domestic stamps?

But I have said enough. I, myself will start 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 series of Salvador. They are the 24-cent rose and black, 26-cent brown and black, 50-cent yellow and black and the 100-cent blue and black. A 2-cent carmine and black 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 U.S. money, the 2nd thousand at 71 francs, the 3d at 95 francs, and so forth up to the 16th thousand at 3995 francs or \$799.00. If this was correct at the time, it must be wrong today.

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 differ 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 $\frac{1}{4}$ ct., U.S., in French 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 difference.

If the 16th thousand were worth no more than \$799.00, or say in round numbers \$800.00, not a single stamp would be included worth 10 cents or more. Now, 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 16th thousand had been reached. We may, however, say that it can not be retained after the 3rd or 4th thousand is reached, and that even so far it is not reliable.

For the sake of curiosty we might assume the rate 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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3d	••	36.00 at 3-4c	50 to 60 per cent	14.40	21.15	
4th	1 1	68.40 at 4-8c	50 per cent	34.20	55.35	
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6th	7 1	246.92 at 15-25c	33 1-3 per cent	164.60	297.92	
7th	11	469.14 at 25-50c	25 per cent	351.84	649.76	
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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 on the ratio 1.33. With varying discounts we also get various results. Above the average is 42 1-3 per cent.

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





Covers & Envelopes

Observations on Some Original Covers

By R. R. Chiele

(Continued.)

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

OCT 15 1903 COSTA-RICA

between two concentric circles, the outer one double lined, the date in the center. Here the letter remained for some time looking for its addresse, but failed to find him, so that at last the post office stamped on the face of the envelope the sad legend

DEVUELTA NO SE ENCUENTRA

which may be rendered "Return; cannot be found." 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, California, U. S. A." Nov 17th the letter left Bluefields for the new destination, as shown by a date stamp on the back.

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REPUBLICA NOV 17 1903 DE NICARAGUA BLUEFILDS between two concentric ellipses, the three middle lines of the inscription being within the inner ellipsis. Now the question arises, what became of the letter for the next eight months. There is no indication of its where bouts during that time, but at all events the next datestamp is a machine stamp reading

NEW ORLEANS, LA. AUG 8 12:30 P M 1904

in the usual single circle, struck on the back of the letter. The intervening months are a blank, so far as the date stamps show; you may exercise you own imagination in picturing the whereabouts of the letter during that time. At all events it turned up again and arrived at New Orleans, a mentioned. From here it proceeded on its way and in due course arrived at Los Angeles; witness this machine stamp on the back of the envelope:

LOS ANGELES, CAL. AUG. 12 2 P. M 1904

and the further rubber handstamp in red aniline ink:

GENERAL DELIVERY NO. 2. LOS ANGELES, CAL. AUG. 12.2 the words between 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 inscription.

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. 24 1904 DUE 1 CENT LOS ANGELES, CAL.

I doubt that Uncle Sam ever got that cent, for there is no postage due stamp 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 "Philatelist" if you please!—writes to that journal under date August 24th:

I always understood the 4 cent British Guiana, the only one in the world, now in the possession of a Parisian collector, was the most valuable. I have heard its value stated at \$17.500.

Of course the stamp referred to is not a 4 cent British Guiana at all, but the 1 cent of the issue of 1856, the only known copy of which belongs to Mors. P. la Renotiere. Who it is that has computed the value of this unique property at \$17,500 we do not know, but if we are to judge of these things with any sense of proportion it must surely be clear that the 1 cent of British Guiana, of which only one copy exists, must be worth many times the value of the penny or two penny stamps of the "Post Office" issue of Mauritius, of which respectively some twelve to fourteen specimens are known to survive.

There are, in fact, several stamps known to the philatelist which, if ranty were the only criterion of value, would make the price as great as or greater than the "Post Office" Mauritius. But rarity is not the only consideration, and, with the single exception of the 1 cent British Guiana of 1856, it may be doubted whether the auction record of \$7,750 for a single stamp will ever be beaten—unless it be by another specimen of the "Post Office" Mauritius

An 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 10b. It is being adopted by the German post-office department.—Daily Consular & Trade Reports.

Odds and Ends By Arnold L. Nell

The Post Office of England conducts what are known as Postal Saving 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 saving 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 city 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 stamp "sticking-plaster," it is needless to say 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, the originating in a state so famous for its cultivation of the plastic arts. The earliest type shows merely the name of the country and denomination of the stamp.

In 1860 the United States postal system was overated at a great los, there being a deficit of \$10,652,542.59 in the postal income, occasioned throlavish expenditure and then-existing abuses. Annual deficiencies had coured 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 first time in thirty-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 twentyfive years after the first issue of a postage stamp in London, 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 Asiatic, 55 African. The varieties issued in the several countries of Oceanica were 103. Of the whole, 1391 stamps, no less than 811 were already obsolete in 1865, leaving 580 still in currency.

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

Outside Collecting postage stamps, envelopes or postal cards, you can become interested in railway, telegraph or fiscal stamps. These now have a large following in America, and are steadily growing in favor. They are interesting, but not much advertised, hard to get hold of, and give a person a good show to use his judgment of their possible value. I would advise anyone to start a collection of them, as the prices are going up, and those

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 last ten years or so will never become as scarce as those of the ten years preceding, because letters in those days were few when compared to the millions sent today. The stamps of today will be common for fifty years to come, while the early issues may become unprocurable within five years. Added to this is the fact that many countries whose treasuries need replenishing now issue pretty or eatchy 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 more. By far the safest investment is in the earlier issues.

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 destina-At every postoffice there are what are called "withdawal blanks" On application they will be furnished, 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 "It is hereby agreed that, if the letter is returned to me, this argeement: 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 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 succeeded in recalling them.

A Book.—not a large book, a small, a very small and light book, measuring 73x108 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 Arrundel Street, Stand, London, W. C. England. It contains both a short grammar and an Esperanto-English lexicon and may be had for ½ penny or 1 cent U. S. money. Postage, of course, must be added. What excuse is now left for not learning Esperanto? More than 25,000 names are now enlisted as those of Esperantists, and more are coming nearly every day.

Number of Varieties.—The following statistics were furnished by Whitfield King & 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 postage stamps issued by all the governments of the world up to the present tpime is 19,778, for which 6059 are apportioned to the British Empire, and 13,719 to the rest of the world. Europe has issued 4224, Asia 3755. Africa 4087, America 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, 5, 10 and 15 bani. The first shows Queen Elizabeth spinning silk and beam the inscription: 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 bani. 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-loom and bears the legend Vctorul 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 strongly objected to the French inscription "Droits de l'homme" considering it as an opposition to "Droits 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, 19%, is dedicated to the Policlinica Regina Elizabeta shows the royal protectress bandaging a wounded soldier and bears the words: Rana legata si lacramik sterse. Elisabeta., which in plain English might be rendered: 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 joke

It must be remembered that the stamps are good for postage in the interior of Roumania only, 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 buy these charity stamps or not.

The term Timbru de Binefacers means: Stamp of Charity, or rather 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 always 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 impossible 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 uset. The issues are fairly large enough to go around for all who want hem, and all who do not want them may as well confine themselves to the olleation of regular issues.

Again, what makes stamp collecting attractive is in part the variety of lesigns, subjects and objects, the diverse uses and manifold inscriptions of tamps. Hence, whenever such issues like these three Roumanian appear, we may 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 Roumania has quite another object in view than the mere raising of funds for her hospitals. I think she wants to educate the people and especially the women of Roumania, to highe adeals, and I believe that among others the above inscriptions are very appropriate means.

Notes on United States Postage Stamps for the Beginner

By H. A. Davis

STATUTES OF THE UNITED STATES, XXIX Congress, Session II, Chapter LXIII, Section 1. Approved March 3d, 1847.

"*** and be it further enacted, that to facilitate the transportation of letters by mail, the Postmaster General be authorized to prepare postage stamps, which, when attached to any letter or packet, shall be evidence of the preparement of postage. ***"

This is the first authorization of postage stamps in the United States.

lst issue 1847. Consisting of two values, 5 and 10 cents. It will be noted that they were authorized by Congress March 3d, 1847. Under this same act the Postmaster's stamps were suppressed. These 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 first issued to the public August 5sh, 1847.

5c brown, bluish paper, portrait of Benjamin Franklin from painting by Inc. B. Longacre. There were 4,400,500 of these stamps printed, and of these, 3,700,400 were distributed to Postmasters.

10c 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.

\$9,300 worth including both 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 10c 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.

(To be continued.)

The Treasure of Mr. Easibuoy By Narcissus

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

He was just the man one would fancy as taking the downward paths life very contentedly, and who would be likely to have several favorite by bies. And so he had; for he collected both coins and stamps; and as I wa not interested in the former, it was in connection with the latter that became acquainted with the dear old genius. When he found out that was a philatelist he said, "Oh, I hear you are interested in stamps, sta 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 stamps that he had been saving up for years and which he had never had the times His idea was that if he kept them long enough and spakede the paper and tied them up in bundles of 100 that they would one dark worth at least their face value. He invited me to undertake the task as keep out a few for my trouble, but (ungrateful wretch that I was) ! & clined, being a very busy man. He then, with much pomp and display brought out his collection mounted in a ten cent exercise book and said ''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 a worth over two dollars at their highest value. Imagine my dissappoint 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 col tained a lot of very old letters, and some day when he had time he wa going to overhaul it and see what he could find in the way of stamps and k me see them, and would share up with me. Now I began to smell game and got interested, and asked when he would have time. Every time I me him I would ask him, "Have you overhauled that old trunk yet," and each time he would say, "No, I have not been able to do so yet". Until one day he announced the joyful fact that he had found them and if I would call is I might see them. You may imagine how quickly I was there, and with what what eagerness I laid hold on the bunch of original covers he handed may

There were visions in my mind of rare old issues of U. S. and Great Britian, and perhaps some scarce B. N. A's. I quickly scanned them and to my utter dismay found nothing better than a few very ordinary U. S 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 w was woefully disappointed it did not work.

Because of the change in the colonial postal rates, there will be no be hereafter for any centimes stamps. The recently issued 35 centimes cored both the postage and the registration fee. The 35 centimes printed in black and yellow, has been added to the following French colonies: Anjonal French India, French Oceanica, Gabon, Grand Comoro Island, Madagascal Martinique, Mayotte and St. Pierre Miquelon.



Portugal is about to issue a series of stamps for both Azores and Madeira.

At the American Philatelic 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 stamp affixed. The stamp signifies 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 Philatelic Association has come The attendance was a large one. The attraction on the first evening consisted of the exhibition of several very interesting collections. The rare Hawiians 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 by E. M. Carpenter and B. L. Drew, rival Boston stamp dealers; some original covers, the property of Edward de Z 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 C. Stone of Springfield, in his address made mention of the various new issues during the year, including those of Montenegro and Wurtemburg, both of which were commemorative issues. Mr. Stone also mentioned that a new series bearing the portrait of King Haakon VI was likely to be issued by Norway.

During 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 there is a United States five-cent postage stamp which is worth \$10,000, a price exceeding the highest figure ever paid for a stamp of any country, may 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 and is looked upon by many as the greatest rarity known to philately

This would make the Annapolis stamp the highest priced in the world, says the New York 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 wings. 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 inscription "Post Office," and at the bottom, "Annapolis." To the left of the stamp is a large figure "5", underneath being "Paid". The color is red on white and the stamp was issued by Postmaster Martin F. Revell in 1846. W. A. Castle, of Philadelphia, formerly owned the only known specimen.

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

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

The signature of the postmaster appeared on the stamp to show that payment of postage had been made. The postmaster of New York and his deputies used their initial in marking the stamps; the New Haven postmaster 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 left and right corners, are "New" and "York," while underneath is "Post Office." At the bottom is "Five Cents". The general color was blue. One variety is worth \$60 unused and \$25 used. While none of the varieties are high priced, still all bring from 1\$ up.

Alexandria postmaster stamp is one of the great rarities. It was issued in 1846 when Daniel Bryan was postmaster. The design is typeset with a

ircular ornamental border.

Within this, forming another circle, are the words "Alexandria Post Diffice," and inside of the second circle is "5 Paid." This stamp is found only 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 values were printed, 5 and ten cents, of numerous varieties, every one of which is extremely 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 postmaster 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 dollars 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.

The 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 \$65

Col. Asa H. Waters the postmaster of Milibury, Mass., in 1846 issued 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 postmaster 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 B. Sayles, in 1846. The design is about the same in both values and is engraved.

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

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GILBERT N. GUNDESRON, was born in Minneapolis, Minn., June 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 Minneapolis where he sold his collection. In 1904 he started to deal in stamps and done quite a good business by selling to friends. And in 1905 he increased his 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 1906 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 money. 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. He has a large and growing trade and has published the Star Coin Book 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 societies. See his ad on the back cover of this magazine.

U. S. Department Stamps

The Department Postage Stamps of the United States form 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, vermillion; Justice, purple; Navy, blue; Postoffice, black; State, deep green; (the "dollar" values with central medallion—portrait of Wm. H. Seward—in black); Treasury, brown; War, rose-red. The Executive Department discontinued the use of its stamps in 1877, and on 1st May, 1879, the Postoffice Department also ceased to use special stamps. The other Departments continued to use theirs, though to a lesser extent (owing to the introduction of what are called "penalty envelopes"), and it was not until July, 1884, that the use of departmental stamps was definitely abolished.

According to a writer in the "Philatelic Advertiser" of New York—"many of the older officials will recollect the time when all official mail required stamps, and how stamp collectors swarmed the offices to obtain the stamps. On Saturdays it appeared that all the school boys in Washhington swooped down upon the departments after stamps, and among them were many boys with whiskers on their upper lips. But the grand rush occurred in 1879. Everybody wanted the unused remainders left on hand, 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 Department, sometimes drew a penmark across the face of the stamp.

The "dollar" values of the State series are rare, especially the \$\vec{\pi}\$, 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 "Falsch" 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 90c Justice stamps. This phialtelist discovered that only a small quantity were ever 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 \$5. After 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 anybody else bid; then after this party had gathered in many copies of the stamp, and dealers and collectors 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 people is in no place more manifest than in the stamps of the United States. the birth of the American postage stamp up to the present day the portra of Washington has been the most prominent figure on United States stamp His portrait has appeared on every one of the twenty general issues of the Locals, Revenues, Department, and Envelope, as well a the adhesives of the general issues, have all borne his likeness. These mine issues do not however arouse as great a patriotic interest from their design as does the major or general issue. For, it is this later issue which come in contact with the greatest number of people. In these general issues alon the portrait of Washington has the distincion of having appeared on eighter decidedly different designs. The portraits for these designs were copied from such famous masters as Sturat and Houdon. These eighteen designs d which I made mention appeared in some twenty three issues, eleven co tained designs which had not previously been printed. These designs were printed in color. Up to the present time a multitude of shades of twelve principal colors have predominated in the designs.

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

A FEW ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS.

Washington was the first president to appear on a stamp.

The first general issue (which bore his portrait) appeared forty eight 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 postage stamp.

Washington on American stamps is to America what the "Queen head" is to England.

Roumania has recently issued a series of commemorative stamps which serve a double purpose. They were issued to commemorate the fortist anniversary of the accession of Prince Charles and also the twenty-fifth anniversary of the change of title from principality to kingdom. The following stamps make up the series: I bani, bistre and black; 3b, red, brown and black; 5b, green and black; 10b, carmine and black, and a 1 leg orange and black.

A Lucky Pearl By M. F. Stelzer

With my duties at the office at an end, and all my personal correspondence answered, I sat down for my after dinner smoke, put on my house moccasins, and let the world pass by while I would stand to one side and dream 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 my voice and felt as happy as a lark.

On her asking me if I was still awake, 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 run by an intelligent Greek by the tongue-twisting 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 Patras." 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 handing it over. Dom, I said, have you any more like that? "Oh yes, 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 am, when I hear of stamps. "What you want early today?" Why, I want to see that half trunk. "Sure, my son, I open trunk you help your-self. Digging in a room which was not any too clean, I hauled the old, rusty and dirty trunk 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 Tuscany, 1d red on bl Transvral error, 10sh slate Malta, 1t bl Persia, 10 Br Rhodesia, 2k br and bl Russia, 6p 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 new 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. Edw. Erdmann

"I don't see what you want to look over all those common stamps for! You must be crazy." 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 five 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 they?"

"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 head."

Paul looked long and eanestly "Seems to me there is a little difference, 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 catalogue."

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 perforated 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 1863, keeping up a constant stream of questions all the time.

"Are the reprints any good?"

"Some people think a collection complete without them. Then they 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. Best 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 find rare stamps, but you will surely find 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 By Oscar T. Hartman

A friend of mine had occasion to buy some pills so he bought some of English make. Here we find out that all English patent medicines require a 1½d tax on each package valued at 1sh. 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 modified 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 1891 4 telephone stamps, somewhat larger than the issue of postage 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. 75c. The latter is used for a special telephone conversation between Brussells and Berlin, Gemany.

The WEST has made itself recognized as a profitable advertising medium even outside the stamp and camera dealers' circles, and by its high quality of reading matter and advertising is gaining universal admiration. A number of splendid, well illustrated and timely articles on stamps, post cards, coins, mineralogy and amateur photography appear in the August number.—Freeport Daily Paper.

Romantic Incidents in Stamp Collecting

By Narcissus

The history of stamp collecting is full of romance. In lucky finds, abnormal advance in price, discovery of errors, introduction of acquaintance, sudden making of fortunes; there are few other hobbies that furnish such a fruitful field of research. The story of the commencement of the Stanley-Gibbons 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 \$25.00 to \$250.00 each has been largely formed by the fortunate possessor from stamps for which he paid 50c 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 stamm in 1896 for nearly \$15,000.00 and the total cost to him had been only \$350.00.

I read that a collector in England, made a collection which up to 1871 cost him \$1800.00, when it was put aside until 1898. It was then sold for \$2000.00 and yielded a good profit to the purchaser.

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

The common stamp of today may become the rare stamp of tomorrow.

One of the 12d 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 gen-Before he had the chance of mailing 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 ice of the river and broke through and The 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 12d. 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 finding some old stamps on some of the papers, showed them to a turnkey who undertook to sell them. They turned out to be the St. Louis stamps issued between 1845-7, and the total find was over 100 specimens, including 16 of the 20c variety. Most of them were sold to five firms of dealers and a

pair of the 20c stamp was sold by one of the firms for over \$5,100.00. The noral of all this is, hold on to your stamps; get into the habit of carefully examining all specimens that come in your way, examine them for colour and all the niceties of the design, for paper, watermark and perforation, or lor any possible error, and in this way you may some time find 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 arity, it gives a zest to collecting, preventing it from getting stale and nonotonous.

Collections

By Gilbert N. Gunderson

()f all forms of collections, perhaps none is more popular with boys han postage stamps. It is instructive as well as an interesting pastime, for, besides having a collection valuable in itself, 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 almost a neecssity in properly arranging your specimens.

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

The greatest pains must be taken in arranging the stamps. Separate them 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 according to country and period, they should be still further separated according to values. Here you will need to consult your arithmetic for a table of the relative value of coins of different nations.

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

In buying stamps "beware of imitations." Sometimes 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 being counterfelted by substituting the values in the tablet of the penny stamps for those of the higher values. Bogus stamps are appearing from Bulgaria. The stamps counterleited are the Shipka Pass series of 1902. They can be detected by the paper which is much thinner than that on which the originals are printed and by the fourth letter in the inscription, which is different from the original.

One of the Oldest By Chester C. Wells

"Cincinnati, 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 now 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 postoffice, stamped in red. The words "Cinincnati, 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 "18¾". 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 appears upon the exterior of the missive except the address, which is as follows:

Mr. William Halliday
Little Sandy 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 reading the faded writing under a microscope I have eliminated for you, but I hope you will enjoy it none the less.

Verbatim, the missive follows:

Cincinnati, July 21, 1837.

Dear Sir:

Since you have left this city, I have been expecting a letter from you. 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 a murdered man near the jail, who was killed at a Dutch Ball nearly a half mile distant. He was

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 girls 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. to see her, she is a peeler. I tell you her name, I suppose you would like 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 reasons to believe that I stand No. 1. in her estimation. Bill, why don't you get married, can't you find any one in Greenup to suit you? just thought of old Barney, his wife and lovely daughters and dutiful son-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 days 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? He looks quite natural, I assure you. He inquired about you very particularly and said d—old Clinton Fumace.

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

Yours sincerely, James Pierce.

To Wm. Holliday, Esq.

WILL GERMANY ISSUE A PROVISIONAL STAMP?

After the suppression of the cheap private local posts, 1st April, 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 philatelic press grumble at this, as well as the general public, but there s no help, and since 1st July no more farthing postage is permitted. question is now what becomes of the obsolete 2 pfennig post cards, of which t is said about 20 millions are in stock, and what is to be done with the 2 plennig stamps, of which also many millions are in hand. To destroy them would be needless waste, and various journals and newspapers advocate surcharging with a new value, thereby turning out 3 pf. stamps and 5 pf. post Although such course of raising the value is not customary, yet, as he 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 quantities; moreover the gain would hardly pay the trouble. No provisional tamps have been issued in Germany as yet (the surcharged 2½ gr. and 9 kr. of 1874 are not provisionals any more, as are the British surcharged 3d. and d. stamps of 1883), and it needs to be seen what the near future will bring.



Questions relative to stamps will be answered in this column free of charge to subscriber. 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.

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

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303. What is the difference between the two types of the Uruguay is 1884? The most considerence is that noticeable in the figures of value. Type I, which is the rarer and dearer one, has larger figures that Type II. Besides that, if you will lay a straight edeg even with the tops of the 5s in Type I, it will almost touch the star in the upper angle of the diamond, while in Type II it will remain 1½ to 2 mm. below that star, if 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 in Type I is narrower and more nearly oval; in Type II. the head is wider and more triangular. The lines in Type I are closer 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 11½ to 13½, some even on all sides, some compound.

What is the difference between perforation and roulette? W hat we call perforation is a series of holes punched into the paper between the rows of stamps to make their separation easy. The holes may be large of small, round or square, clean cut or with ragged degrees, near together or far Thus we have various kinds of perforation. In some cases not hold but slits are punched into the paper; if the slits 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 then Hence we may say roulette is that kind of perforation which consists of small straight slits. There are several kinds of this. duced by a little toothed wheel, another is produced by printers' rule (cut at intervals) or composed of a line of hyphens or dashes. If the rule or lim 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 gauge is used to tell how many holes or slits occur in the space of 2 centi-In some cases there are only 5 or six holes in that space, in other 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 the perforation is missing (possibly cut away.) This term was objected to, because it was thought necessarily to imply a change from perforation back to a lack of perforation. It is good English, though without this implication.

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 newspapers, is uniform in texture, or has minute light dots resembling somewhat the light dots visible in cloth that is held to the light.

308. What is pelure paper? It is a thin semitransparent paper, resembling oiled or parafined paper. The first issue of Turkey is an example.

What is the difference between carmine and scarlet? red with a slightly bluish tinge. Scarlet is red with a slight tinge of yel-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 yellow. 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 your eye and the light (diffused sun light is the best). Dark red and light blue will give you what very nearly what we call carmine. Dark red and light yellow will Dark red and dark blue, purple. make scarlet. Dark blue and light red. Dark blue and light yellow, indigo. ultramarine. Dark blue and dark Light blue and light yellow, green. yellow, dark green. Dark blue and dark yellow and light red, olive or olive brown. The results will depend upon the shades you get and the purity of the primary or cardinal colors, red, blue and vellow. By adding "smoked" glasses of various grades you may produce darker or obscured shades.

How may one know what is meant, when a stamp is described as superb, perfect, fine, 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 adjective 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, poorly printed, etc.) and as an exceptional specimen is found which is perfect in all respects. 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. 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). 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 A "fair" stamp is one that is an average copy not quite but only nearly so. 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, yet 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 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 condition, or quickest or cheapest? If the last is what you mean—taking for granted that unused stamps only are 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 information that the

desired stamps were all needed for local demand. If you desire new issua in the quickest way possible you will have to establish agents in all foreign capitals to watch for them and to send them to you at the hour of their appearance. 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 you have much money to invest or a very big stamp business to supply. 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 These dealers 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 may expect to get just what you Besides postage and registration you will have to pay 5 to 25 per 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 new issues at 50 per cent over face plus postage and registration, but can not guarantee to supply all new issues, because it has not yet established agencies in al! coup-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 philately? If the cards in question are issued with their illustration by any Hardly. stamp-issuing government, then these cards may be considered as belonging But when official cards are illustrated by to the realms of the philatelist. 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 the nature of private correspondence or any other printing This does not mean that the exchange or collecting done by private parties. of picture cards, especially if they are fine, 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 way. All I wish to say here is that picture cards as a rule have nothing to do with philately.
- 313. Is 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 offices.

(To be continued.)

Notes for U. S. Collectors

By E. R. Aldrich

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

10	5299400	5e114910	90
2c	16559000	10c	00
3c	594200	30c	30
	50c	6580	

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 policy holders franked by the New York Office 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 increased 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 postal money orders could be obtained of which 7109 were authorized to issue international orders.

There is in operation in Boston 6.89 miles of pneumatic tubing used in transmitting mail. There is an 8-inch 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 miles 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.

Hanovarians Stuff Mails to Force Reduction in Postage. Berlin, Sept. 10—Because the postal administration has imposed a duty of five pfennings instead of two on postal cards intended for urban delivery, the citizens of Hanover, have inaugurated a singular strike against the postal authorities. Instead of writing postal cards, they all write letters, and not satisfied with sending their effusions in an envelope, they fill 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 maximum 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 Norway

(Continued.)

One reason that has prompted us to give the minor varieties of this skilling stamp in such detail is the cheapness of unused specimens of both the yellow green and normal green shades owing to the existence of a ven large stock of remainders, and this may encourage "WEST" readers to see for varieties themselves.

The other values of the series have not, so far, proved to be so prolife in varieties. The obstacle in the way of individual research in regard to some of the values is the difficulty of obtaining large blocks 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 few 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 shade varieties.

Sixth issue (1877-78).—We shall deal with the stamps of 1877-71 of the post-horn type (with values in 'ore' instead 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 were clearly issued to supplement the others. Let us give, first of all, a formal description of the whole issue, before going into the question 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, mauve, lilac, red-mauve. 50 ore, marone.

Issued October 1st, 1878: 35 ore, blue-green. 60 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 value. The design for the krone value shows a three quarter-face portrait of King Oscar II. within a central oval, above which appears a curved tablet bearing the name "Norge"; at the sides appears "Post Frim." 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 course, the change of currency. The Norwegian monetary system was brought into line with that of Norway on the 1st of January, 1877, and this first issue of stamps bearing values in "ore" and "krone" is the outward and visible sign of the altered condition of affairs. The Norwegian "krona" (which equals 100 ore) represents as nearly as possible 1s. 0½d. in British money.

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 14½ horizontal by 13½ vertical. Nor have we ever seen any marked variation in the paper, which is always a machine-made wove. In fact the only

varieties of any importance occur in the printing. 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 common die, with the exception of the numerals of value in the center and on the lower labels, which were inserted for each particular 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 type, 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 stamps of each value. A. Il Harrison is our authority for the statement that as late as 1897 there were over 600,000 of the 1 krona, 900,000 of the 1kr. 50 ore, and 800,000 of the 2 krope 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 passionate patriotism of the Norwegians 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 Probably more than half a million of each value. 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 authorities will permit them to be doled out to stamp collectors as "remainders." possibly (and we confess the wish is father to the thought!) they will form the fuel for a grand official bonfire.

Seventh and Following Issues.—The Norwegian issues subsequent to the 1877 emission have shown little change, and as we have yet much ground to cover in our study of the more recent issues it will be as well to conclude our present series of articles at this point. At some future time we hope to go into the subject of the shaded and unshaded posthorn varieties of these later issues 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, &c. The right to sell these remainders to stamp collectors and dealers was granted to a Norwegian official for a term of ten years (1888 to 1898) on the condition that he should take each year from the Norwegian Postoffice stamps of the face value of £200. The following are the quantities that existed in 1888—i. e., at the time when the agreement began its course:—

1856 4 skirling blue, 35 specimens.

1863 2 skilling yellow, 8 specimens.

3 '' lilac, 50

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1864, 4 skilling blue,
                          284 specimens.
                          111
      8
                rose
                          over 500,000 specimens.
     24
                 brown
           ,,
                black
                          285
1867.
      1
           ,,
                                           ,,
      3
                lilac
                          236
           ,,
                                           ,,
                blue
                        1,411
      4
                                           ,,
      4
           ,,
                          374
                 rose
      2
           ,,
                 orange yellow, probably over 500,000 specimens.
      1
           17
                light green, about 500,000 specimens
1872,
      2
           ,,
                 blue
                              about 500,000
      3
           ,,
                                        2633
                 rose
      4
           ,,
                              about 500,000
                                                 ,,
                 mauve
           • 4
      6
                 light brown
                                         363
      5
           ,,
                 brown
                              about 500,000
1877, 3 ore, orange, 200 specimens.
             blue, quantity unknown
     10 ''
             rose
     12 ''
             green.
                     629 specimens
             brown, 722
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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 official remainders were unconsiderable, and for all practical purposes we now safely assume that there are no remainders on hand except of the particular values just referred to. Mr. Harrison, by the way, adds an interesting 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, affixed 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 colour) 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, Senor Coni, undertook to make the stamps for the government but was unable to find any engraver in the city who was capable of producing a die. Whilst he was in this difficulty 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, by Brazil, to commemorate the third Pan-American congress. The designs were made by the noted artist, Bernadelli.

Stamp Collecting as a Pastime By A Cuban Collector

Many people are at a loss to understand the fascination that surrounds the pursuit 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 paid for rare stamps, and at the fortunes that are spent and made in stamp collecting.

After nearly half a century of existence s amp collecting has never been more 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 wealth that it commands.

From a mere school boy pastime, it steadily developed into an engrossing hobby for the leisured and the busy 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 earlier 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 relaxation 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 varieties 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 three-cent 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 collectors meet, buy and sell, and discuss prices.

Mexican Fiscals

By F. A. Brotun

(Continued).

1896-97, 26x32 mm., pin point perf.

75 12c rose 76 50c magenta.

1897-98, 28x35 mm.

77 12c black 78 50c yellow 1898-99, 32x26 mm. 79 12c blue

1899-1900, 26x35 mm.

80 50c blue 81 100c pale green

1890-91, 35x56 mm. Plain tinted paper, wmk., Arms.

93 le brown 95 25c brown 94 5c brown 96 lp indigo

97 5p indigo

1891-2,, 40x45 mm., wmk., greenish paper. General Guerrero.

99 1c blue 101 25c blue 102 5c blue

100 5c blue 102 1p red 103 5p red

1892-3, 45x48 mm., portrait of Hidalgo?

 104 1c brown
 106 25c brown

 105 5c brown
 107 1p green

108 5p green

1893-4, 44x62 mm. Liberty.

109 1c brown 111 25c orange

110 5c brown 112 1p blue

18 94-5, 38x45 mm. Eagle.

114 1c bistre 115a 5c yellow rgeen

115 5c blue rgeen 116 25c ultramarine

117 1p red violet 118 5p carmine 1895 6, 45x39 mm. Liberty Cap over book inscribed "Ley" (law) in

113 5p green

centre.

119 1c orange 121 5c light brown 120 5c blue green 122 1p yellow green

20 oc blue green 122 ip yellow gree

123 5p claret 1896-7, 38x45 mm. Female figure.

124 1c bistre 126 25c yellow green

125 5c orange 127 1p lilac

128 5p green

1897-8, 40x45 mm. Arms in centre.

129 1c orange 131 25c olive

130 5c brown 132 1p blue

133 5p rose 1898-9, 40x23. Arms.

1000-0, TOALO: Allins.

134 1c brown 136 25c blue green

135 5c orange 137 1p violet

138 5p carmine

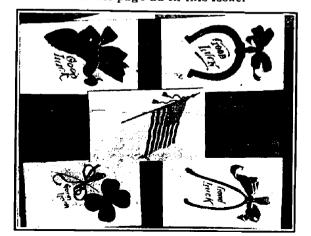
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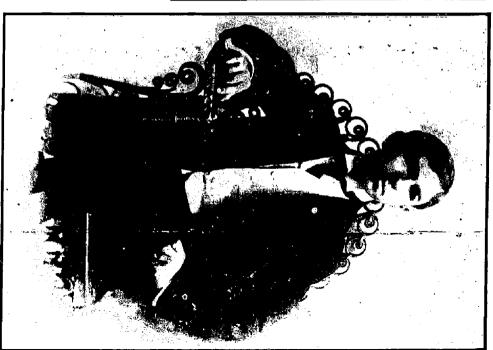
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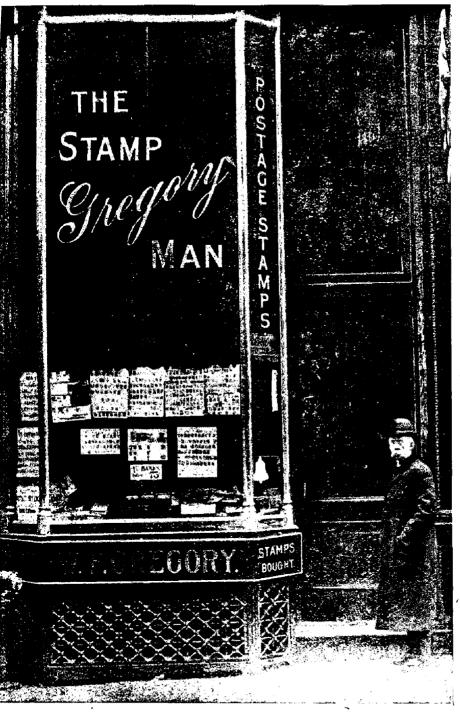


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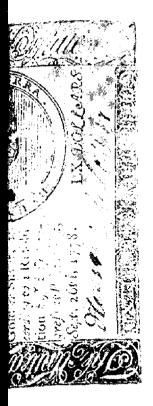


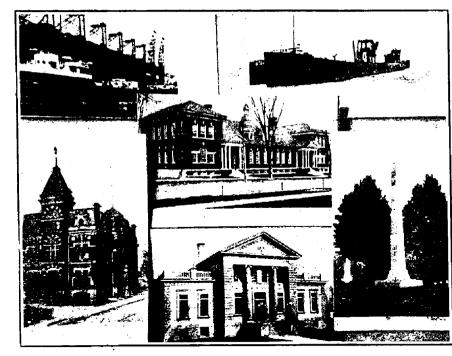


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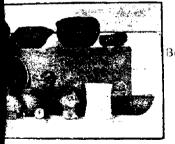


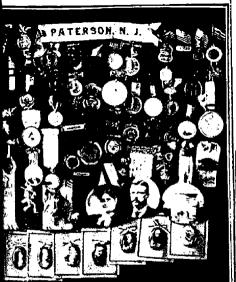
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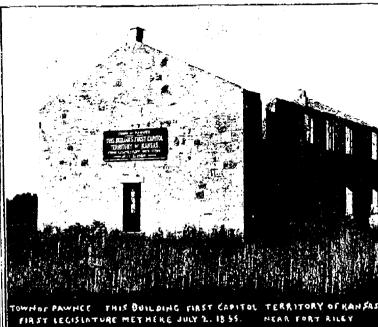
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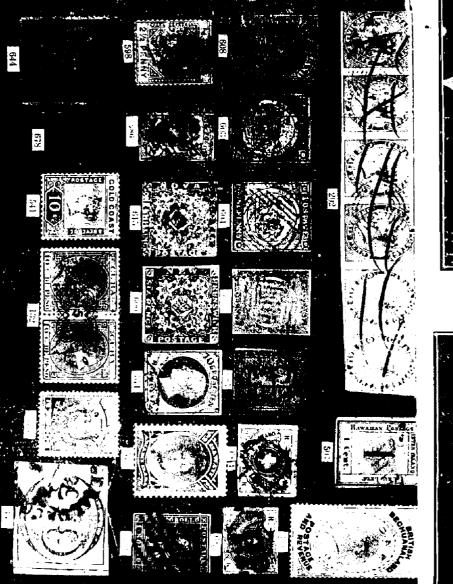
Some Indian Relics from California.

Below is a Badge Collection of Mrs. Geo. Baum, Paterson, N. J. She a has the largest Post Card collection in the United States.











H. V. KETCHUM, Chester, Nebr.

Page from United Stamp Co's Chicago Auction Catalogue,

STANLEY MYTHALER, Washington, Iowa.





Curiosities in Coins

By D. A. Browne

Of the coins of the tenth century I 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 instance 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 authorized by law to be so placed? Very few, and yet, 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" first 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 yet 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 gold 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 Jersey issued various copper coins in 1787 with the motto stamped upon them. A great many of our early coins, before there was any legal authority for national coinage were made in England, 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 coins was not authorized or directed by any of the provisions of the et establishing it. The motto remained on our early gold and silver coins intil 1834, when it was omitted from the gold coins. In 1836 it was omitted rom the 25 cent pieces, and in 1837 from all silver coins. It was not tamped on any coin again until it appeared on the nickel and the standard liver dollar. The words ''In God We Trust'' were first placed on the 2ent piece which came into our subsidiary coinage in 1866, but is now no longer part of it. The motto was placed there by direction of James Police then director of the mint at Philadelphia and not by any legislation of congress authorizing the minting of the 2-cent piece. The motto was subsequently stamped on our silver half and quarter dollars the mint thus boldly declaring the theological status of the country regardless of the constitutional 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 South Carolina discovered later were so full of gold that they supplied the mints and the demands of trade in this country 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 yield of North Carolina and Georgia that led to the establishment of the branch mints at Charlotte N. C. and Dahlonega Georiga.

Long 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 risk and inconvenience attending its use being very great, a German goldsmith named Christopher Bechtler established a private mint in the South Mountain district of North Carolina in Rotherford county and seat for the turning of gold into money He stamped from the mines that brought in their gold, in either from the North Carolina 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 Bechtler himself.

The dies were cut with the denominational quality of fineness of the gold, name of the coins, and the abbreviation of the name of the state in which the 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 assayed 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 United 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 purchases, 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 WEST 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 measures in length, 22 inches; width, 17 inches; Cir. around longest way, 55 inches; around center, 47 inches. This is the largest on record. Who has a larger one?

William P. Agee, Jr., Hope, Ark.

The Crudity of the U.S. Coins By F. B. Wilson

Have you ever studied the beauty of the present coins of our country? Have you ever, in your mad rush for the almighty dollar, that of the skill and art idealized by that dollar? 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 United States.

On our common one cent pieces we again see the crudity of the designs. The Indian (?) represented on this coin is not to be 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 vulgar designs on our coins are our ideals? For a truly ideal take the old Greek coins. Here certainly is the ideal. The designs are perfect, the workmanship without 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 bronze coins of France are excellent examples of an almost ideal modern coinage. The delicately modeled features of Queen Wilhelmia no the Holland 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 favorably 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.

In conclusion let me quote the following paragraph for the "Elder Monthly":—No vital excuse can be given by anybody for the uncouth and senseless aspect of our coins. Hasten the exit of the whimsical pastry cook's —"eagle" and Caucasian "Indian"; if we must have eagles and Indians on our coins, we want the real things."

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

RENEWALS.

15. 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, Heathton, Quebec.

Letter from Vice President.

Fo 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. One of the main things is to keep the rules. No. 2 is very important (your 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 way to make the club famous. I hope the members will think over this practical hint. Wishing you all health, happiness and prosperity in making a collection of picture post cards of which you 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. 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 Any reliable exchanger is eligimost enthusiastic social club in existence. ble 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 member and endeavor to push this proposition to the limit. "Every man has a hobby," and what could be a better one, or one found more interesting and instructive 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 At the present time there is hardly a college town which hasn'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 souvenir cards. Our official 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 May we all prosper, and always find some pleasure in partaking of the it. M. Keller, President. fad.

Secretary's Report.

With this number I am very pleased to announce that Miss Ida Mae Ripper, 61 Alliston Ave., Emsworth, Allegheny, Penn., ex-vice president of the Pacific 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 eyesight, 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 issuing reports 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 be 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 officers, I am

Yours truly, C. A. Hives, Sec.-Treas.

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

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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.

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The names under this heading want to exchange college, high schools or university, pin or pennants.

93. Miss Wilma Hanger, 806 So. 11th St., Lincoln, Nebr. (Pennants.)

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

In reply to the general desire for post-cards of the New Mexico Territory capital in exchange for those sent me l desire to say that as these cannot 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. BADGES.

The names in under heading wish to exchange either ribbon or other sort of badges. (No names.)

No complaints.

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Last month 40.

This month 54.

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The forty-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 extended a vote of thanks of the members present.

After the address informal discussions took place on the advisability of establishing a branch of the A. P. A. in St. Louis. It was also decided to boom St. Louis 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 readers 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 philatelically, T. C. 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. Delafield, 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 enthusiastic and tireless worker for the welfare of the Society as well as a thoroughly efficient Secretary. In leaving us for the Sunny South he has the heartiest good wishes of all. Mr. Myers was elected Secretary in Mr. Mann's stead.

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

The 7th exchange circuit was closed and 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. Delaffeld was appointed in Mr. Mann's stead as Member Banquet Entertainment Committee.

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

Respectfully, Chester Myers, Sec'y 300 S. St.

Picture post cards were invented in Germany about a decade ago and for some years they remanied a German specialty at which foreigners were Today these cards are made in enorinclined to smile as an ephemeral fad. mous quantities in England, France and other countries, but Germany still remains their headquarters; last year about 200,000,000, of them mailed in the postoffices of that country. They represented a value of over \$22,000,000, and at least thirty different occupations are benefitted thereby. If any fresh stimulus had been needed, it would have been supplied by the extraordinary interest of the Kaiser in these cards. He spent two hours one day recently in having a series of photographs taken of himself 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 "kaiser pictures" there is an enormous demand; of the reproduction of Keller's imperial family painting on the occasion of the silver wedding over two million 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. advanced and expensive artistic processes are employed in making these pictures of persons and scenes: it is noted as a curiosity that while Italy orders the cheapest kinds. Japan wants the most expensive, a recent order from Tokio being for one thousand cards at fifteen hundred marks, wholesale. Among eminent artists who have lent aid to the industry are Menzel, Libermann, 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.

WEEFER ALOGY

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

What is said to be the oldest copper mine in America is operated at Arlington, N. J. It's name is the Schuyler and it was opened 190 years Many famous personages are connected with the mine. Benjamin Franklin was there in 1749 and advised the owner to install 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 England, steam engines being practicarlly unknown in An entire year was spent in erecting the engine America at that time. 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 tons of ore were sent to Bristol, England, for smelting. The returns were large. A project was immediately set on foot, for establishing 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 Abraham Hewitt acquired his liking for metal working.

William E. Curtis, the famous correspondent of the Chicago "Record-Herald," writes that last year was a record breaker in the zinc and lead fields of Joplin, Mo. This district is unique in the fact that it is not capitalized by large producers but derives most of its profit from 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 discovered. Most of the shafts have, therefore, been sunk on a royalty basis. Nowhere else are there so many individual operators.

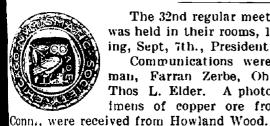
Prices of the products are higher today than ever before. The average

price of zinc last year was \$44.88 per ton and the highest point reached in previous years was \$36.61. Zinc is worth nearly twice as much today as it was five years ago. 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 zinc 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 1904. During the last twelve years the mines of this district have added \$93,386,680 to the world's wealth and the amount of metal yet in the ground 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 Pennsyvlania.

Everyone is prosperous and there is a great demand for labor. However, 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, 7th., 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 specimens of copper ore from the Higley mines at Granby,

P. F Wolsieffer and Armin L. Egger were elected to membership.

Mr. Tracy presented a paper on the Silver Coins of Peter the Great of Russia. All present were furnished U.S. Minor Proof sets for 1906. Mr. Brand 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. Ben G. Green, Secretary.

Curiosities of the Cactus Mexico has a cactus which grows tooth picks; another, ribbed and thickly set with teeth-like spines, which 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 imitation 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 sycticalus, opens its blossoms at 7 o' clock in the evening and closes them at 7 o'clock in the morning; another opens at 8 o'clock and closes at 8 the bext morning; another opens at nine o'clock in the morning and closes at noon,

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

I Wonder By D. B. Emert

I wonder

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

I wonder,

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 of rank, for the members; and we learn in Fiske's History, that the Ancient Aztecs had in their clan an official head or sachem, called the Capullec, and also a military commander called the Ahcacantin, "Elder Brother." The Ahcacantin was also a kind of peace officer or constable, for the precinct occupied by the clan, and carried about with him a staff of office. A tuft of white feathers attached to this staff betokened his errand was one of death.

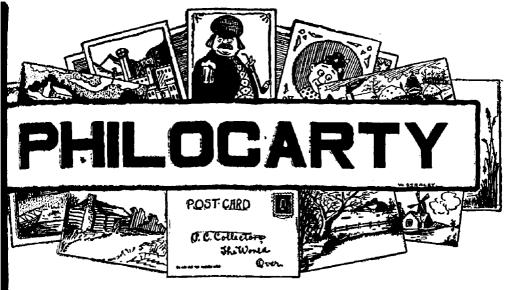
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How many of the readers of the WEST, interested in these hobbies, avail themselves of the large amount of literature, relating to their particular hobby. Many of the state museums, colleges and historical societies publish works on archaeology, anthropology, ethnology, entomology and numerous other subjects. The majority of these publications may be purchased for a trifling sum, and in some cases residents of the state may procure them free. The state agricultural Experiment stations publish a number 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 copy of bulletin No. 51, which contains a list of National Museums publications to 1902; including 14 subjects on archaeology, ethnology, and anthropology. Here is a list of a few very interesting reports which I think are still in print and may be had in the same order with Bulletin £1.

Report No. 87 A Study of the Primitive Methods of Drilling. Report No. 103, Pipes and Smoking Customs of American Aborigines, nearly 300 pages with 239 figures illustrating the text. Report No. 117, Aboriginal American 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-Pitre, Guadaloupe W. I. Both contained one volume. No. 1429. Preliminary Report of an Archaeological Trip to the West Indies. 10 fine plates, 36 fg. No. 1480. Porto Rican Stone collars and Tri Pointed Idols. 6 fine half tone plates, 15 figs.



MISS MADELINE KELLER.

(Continued from May number.)

The splendor of the panorama it unfolds will perhaps linger long in the We see endless views of monuments and relics of the past ages which time has not destroyed. The column of Constantine the Great, rected in 330 still is seen towering erect in the center of his ancient forum. Imposing remains of the gigantic triple wall and of the moat still stretch hom the Golden Horn to the Marmorn. The palace of the Hebdomon still s seen as it crowns the seventh hill, also the monastery of Chora, and other hurches, are seen. The churches Sancta Sophia, soars heavenward with its narvelous dome. In influence few cities can vie with Constantinople. Other cards depict the entrance to St. Sophia's church, and the Gateway to Imperial Palace, which last is beautifully wrought Egypt is before us in various views from Cairo, from the lake "Birket el-Kurun" known for its ine fish. Others show various great pyramids and the sphinx. iso seen the quaint Arab villages built from mud, Sacar is seen on differnt views as well as Fayoum and the low Libyan hills. One view shows he 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 pulling it gradually to shore. Sennouris and Medina are Medina is the main town in El Favoum and seems a busy lso depicted. It has streets of bazars most picturesque with local color. prious and picturesque place. Here are seen plenty of camels and Donkies, he faithful servants of the Mohammedan. Plenty of Egyptian cards give iews of the pyramids, the sphinx and pictures of the mummies.

The blue mountain-ranges behind sheltered Genoa begin to loom above he horizon—Italy lies before, it comes to view on many pretty cards. Italy he Magnet of the world! For thousands of years and the fair Appenine minsula has been the goal for the desires of mankind countless tribes and ations have invaded it, until wars have been waged for its possession, its oil is soaked with the blood of battles. Our first views are from Rome hat is, Italy for Roma inufferce bears the impression, on our entire civilation. Italy has no end of fishination for the administrator instance thro' her harm of scenery.

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 Pennsylvania 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 distances; then suddenly they are broken or curved, crunched or set edgewise as the case may 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 a black slate.

What struck the writer as being the strangest sight of all was the color of the surface soil and particualry 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 when 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 never 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 visitor. These pyrite specimens were pretty ones found about the mines. The writer once found a good sized specimen in a hod of coal which showed iron pyrites and ecal 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 bought a napkin ring for half a dollar which was finely turned and well polished. Near the edge it was left a bit rough which gave it the appearance of being engraved. At the roadside leading to the mines is a mine owned and worked by one solitary 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 only motive power. It is a wild and picturesque 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 baby head on it, that being the one of 1888 with that of King Alfonso on the issue

Souvenir Post Card Review By Miss M. Keller

The Ferd. Ingold Card Co., of Monroe, 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 Nansen cards (North Pole) and Land of the Midnight sun. These are exquisite in coloring and superb scenery as only these lands of The set comprises a fine scene showing the Northern Lights with Firesheaves and Bands showing ice 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. them at once and please your friends and fellow collectors. fine addition to anyone's collection. This firm also publishes fine 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. 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 neat and interesting. Last one seen is one size 6x41/6, with name of town and state on the upper part and space for address. This is one from Fargo, N. Dakota, and shows how posperous most western towns On the first page or fly leaf is space for a letter, with name of City 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 Pacific Ave., which shows some fine buildingds, and street cars are seen Next page shows North Dakota Agricultural college and grounds. Turning the page we see a Panoramic view 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 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'out the U.S.

Some very curious and interesting facts turn up in the mail but do not battle the postal authorities. An example is shown by a postal sent from Paris France addressed to Hallie 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. "The 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 Philipine 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 postal is a dark

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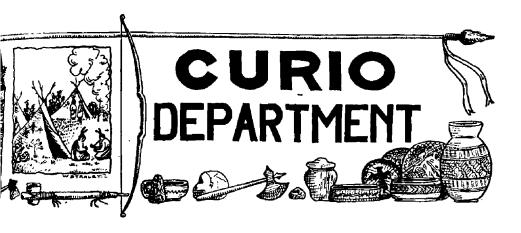
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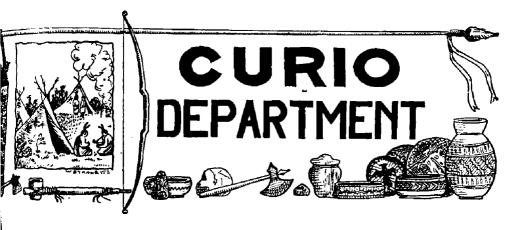
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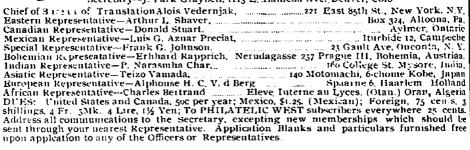
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We again have the pleasure of rendering thanks to our members for the aid they are giving us from time to time in the way of securing new mem-This month we particularly desire to thank:

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AMONG OUR MEMBERS.

Member No. 690, Mr. H. C. Jennings, of Valentine, Nebraska, will leave before long on a Post Card Tour to Foreign Lands. It will be well for all members of The Union who wish to avail themselves of this unique 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 serve but a limited number. He will also be equipped with a camera and can furnish 31/4x51/2 prints to all who desire them. Please write to Brother Jennings 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, England, begs that we Americans please cease asking him to exchange for several months, as he has been the recipient of cards from over two hundred members of The Union in

the United 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 further advised.

NEW MEMBERS.

- 682. Charles M. Niles, Oriskany, N. Y. (Colored Cards only).
- 683. J. M. Thompson, Big Run, Pa.
- 684. Miss Mildred Townsend, 12 Grand Street, Oneonta, N. Y.
- 685. Mrs. Katharine Gross, 530 Penn Street, Oneonta, N. Y.
- 686. Miss Kina McKelvey, 288 E. First St. North, Portland, Oregon.
- 687. Miss Helen M. Hogue, Haigler, Nebr.
- 688. O. H. Ulsaker, Kindred, N. D.
- 689. Stephen Lawrence, Box 208, Reading, Pa.
- 690. H. C. Jennings, Valentine, Nebr.
- 691. Miss Bertha E. Haines, Hilton, N. Y.
- 692. Miss Ianthe Bronson, 1303 S. Third St., Stillwater, Minn.
- 693. McKay Kneisly, Guthrie, Okla.
- 694. A. Wilmot Collins, 713 King St., Charleston, S. C.
- 695. W. B. Porter, Box 81, Oakland, Calif. (Leather cards only.)
- 696. C. A. Nichols, Jr., Chili, N. Y.
- 697. Ray Hunter, Versailles, Ind.
- 698. 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., Washington, N. J.
- 702. Harry R. Beatty, 22 Vannatta St., Washington, N. J.
- 703. Tom Morris, 319 N. Broad St., Guthrie, Okla.
- 704. Rev. M. Busack, Necedah, Wisc. (Colored views only.)
- 705. James E. Husson, 227 Roxbury St., Boston, Mass.
- 706. Miss Estela Moilna, Cerro 588, Havana, Cuba.
- 707. H. F. Sterzing, M. D., 504 Congress Ave., Austin, Tex.
- 708. Ant. Corecco, Zagazig, Egypt.
- 709. C. L. Will, Monongahela, Pa.
- 710. P. Narasimha Char, 160 College Road, Mysore, India.
- 711. Miss Victoria Semple, 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.
- 716. Lloyd S. Foulk, Box 47, Schuyler, Pa.
- 717. Mrs. John Tracy, 320 Swing Ave., Findlay, O.
- 718. E. N. Flanders, Clear Lake, S. D.
- 719. Mrs. Gertrude Chambers, 93 Appleton St., Boston, Mass.
- 720. Will Blomberg, 1503 Atchison St., Atchison, Kans.
- 721. Miss Mayme Bowler, 601 Oneida St., Monclair, Denver, Colo.
- 722. Wm. J. Rackham, 743 27th St., Ogden, Utah.
- 723. Robt. E. Hunsinger, Box 707, Oklahoma, Okla.
- 724. Guy Paine, Los Gatos, Cailf.
- 725. Edward E. Benson, Amityville, N. Y
- 726. Harry H. Hill, 48 Division St., Norwich, Conn.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

- 432. Mrs. G. A. Morrison, from 38 Holland Ave., Valisburg, N. J. to 38 Montrose St., Newark, N. J.
- 464. Allen Bechter, from 501 4th Ave. S. W., Independence, Ia., to Pierce, Nebraska.
- 475. Albert J. Hutchinson, from Whitey Point, N. Y., to 92 Washington St., Binghamton, N. Y.
- 583. E. J. Stanbrough from N. Illinois St., to 3369 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis, Ind.
- 615. F. W. Weight, from 110 Mentor Ave., Pasadena, Calif., to 63 Franklin Ave., Pasadena, Calif.

RESIGNED.

375. Don R. Davis, Lowell, Ark.

COMPLAINTS.

After due deliberation it has been decided that complaints shall be molonger published. 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 justified in sending 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 cause his or her expulsion. When a member has been expelled their name shall be stricked from our lists and members will be advised through our official organ a heretofore.

Further; complants will be ignored in future unless the date card's sent is given in each case. Members in the United States and Canada will be allowed one month in which to answer cards sent them for exchange; in Mexico, West Indies and Europe, two months; in all other places the months.

Lastly; we wish that complaints would all disappear and that we would have no use whatever for a 'Complaint Record' and solicit the co-operation of all members to that end. It is true that complaints are growing fewer in number month by month, but we should not be content until they entirely 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 even member to their fellow members.

COMPLAINTS WITHDRAWN. 639 against 273.

NEW MEMBERSHIP LIST.

Please send postage to the Secretary for a new and revised list of all the active members of The Union, which has just been published.

Mr. J. Peat Miller, writing in the Bromide Monthly, states that printing from a number of local views which he had by him during the past sets on, he made no less than 30,000 picture postcards on gaslight cards. Here customers were local stationers who paid him \$30 per thousand (or about is edd per dozen.) The profits averaged \$20 per thousand. There is practically no limit to the demand for such cards, new views or new rendering of old views being eagerly snapped up. Given good negatives and a little skill and energy, in a suitable selling district, there should not be much difficulty is making, say, a pound a week by working a few hours a day.

Items of Interest for Collectors By Gilbert N. Gunderson

Destroying Paper Money—Paper money is nothing but a promise to pay so much coin. If you destroy a five dollar note, for instance, you simply release the government of the bank which issued the note from the payment of the \$5 in gold which the note called for. Of course, thereefore, you are not punishable in any manner for destroying the note if it is your own. There is no penalty 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 Wanborough, England, the site of the old Roman camp, discovered a ring, which he sold for a few shillings. Experts now pronounce it to be of great interest and value. An inscription on it seems to show that it was a betrothal ring belonging to Buccried, king of the Mercians, who married Wthelwitha, daughter of Ethelwulf, king of W ssex, in the year 753.

A Peculiar Tree.—A singular maple tree on the left bank of the Oder, in Germany, is at least a century old and has been twisted and cut into a kind of circular house of two-stories. A firm leafy floor, has been formed by causing the branches to become gradually woven together. Above this is a smaller second floor, similarly formed, and the ends of the branches have been woven into solid walls, in which eight windows 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 I sent before?" For the benefit of the readers of the WEST I am giving below what I have found to be the easiest and simplest way of knowing what cards you have mailed to collectors, and thus prevent-duplication.

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, next 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 entirely 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 official representatives of any kind whatever are laid under contribution. The Kaiser causes his secretary to write a picture postcard to the official selected, and this is inclosed 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 once 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."

Universal Philocartist Protective Association

ORGANIZED FEB. 9th, 1906

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 30c.

The members will have to get a move on if they wish to win any prizes. It is too early to announce the winner of the special prize 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. 13.

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

The list of members follows:

1. John A. Gallagher (President), 4280 Evans Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 2. Louis F. Hudson, 1956 Sidney St., St. Louis, Mo. 3. Miss Mary Burns, 1520 Semple Ave., St. Louis. Mo. 4. Alois Vedernjak, 21 E. 85th St., New York City, N. Y. 6. Fred A. Schmitt, 1220 E. Delaware St., Evansville, 7. Maurice W. Holsten, 733 Thirteenth St., Moline, Ill; E. Spahn, 3658 Finney Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 9. George Godoy, Legacion Mexicana, Habana, Cuba. 10, J. E. Woodard, Box 884, Richmond, Va. 11. A. M. deSilva Rossarrio, Box 127 B., Hong Kong, China. (Do not send cards to No. 11 until he sends first). 12. Miss Mary Coens, 91 Rue Lozane, 13 Albert H. Holcomb, 61 Astor St., Newark, N. J. Anvers, Belgium. 14. Walter W. Fritsche, 116 S. Adams St., Burlington, Iowa 15. Albert Berlin, Bonner Springs, Kans. (15 wants foreign cards only) Cubine, Box 23, Coffeyville, Kans. 17. Oscar W. Miller, c-o Creve Coeur Club, Peoria, Ill. 18. Chas F. Oschner, Hermann. Mo. 19. Jennie Meyer, 2851 Paulina St., Chicago, Ill. 20. R. B. Platt, 62 Catawba St., Roxburg, 21. Anson Lupkens, Jr., 731 S. Front St., Hamilton, Ohio. Harry S. Case, Box 124, Toledo. Ohio. 23. Gertrude B. Kelley, Irving Montgomery Co., Ill. 24. Albert Kleckner, 26 Blanch St., Mansfield, Obio. 25. Bessie D. Soule, 28 Clinton St., Cambridge, Mass. 26. G. L. Snyder, 2663 W. North Ave., Baltimore, Md. 27. Putney Elbert Perkins, 1228 Gratiot Ave., Detroit, Mich. 28. Anton Spies, Oneonta, N. Y. 29. Don R.: P. Davis, (No. 26 wants foreign cards only), Lowell, Ark. 30 Chas. II. Hewett, 1345 Nelson St., Vancouver, B. C., Canada. 31. John H. Kem, Pox 215, Fort Wayne, Ind. 32. David B. Hopper, 125 Haledon Ave., Pater 33. L. Blankemeier, Temple Building, St. Louis, Mo. son, N. J. Marie Gallagher, Barnard's Crossing, N. Y 35. Walter L. Miller, (Foreign cards only), 306 Purcell Ave., Cincinnatti, Ohio. 36. A. W. Holston, 52 Hermann Ave., Norfolk, Va. 37. Sadie E. Jackson, 60 Myrtle St., f. Somerville, Mass. 38. Emma A. Batchelder, 14 Franklin St., Haverbill-

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NEW POSTAL CARDS.

The new postal cards which will be placed on sale as soon as the Postoffice Department can supply them, are of smaller size and more nearly square than the ones now in use. They are printed in blue and carry the likeness of President Grant. It is said that the aim of the government in issuing them is to make this medium of communication more fashionable, for Uncle Sam finds it profitable to carry postal cards. These small cards will, of course, net a larger profit per ton than the larger ones.

Whether the Postoffice Department's idea that the new issue will tend to popularize communication by card is correct, remains to be seen. The department frequently has to do considerable experimenting before it discovers what the people want. However, it would seem that generally people might prefer the maximum, rather than the minimum, in the matter of postal cards. In some countries half the front of a card is assigned to message writing, thus 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 issue them.

In this connection it may be observed that many business houses might make more use of the regular postal card in card cataloging. Their convenent dimensions, if a hole is punched for the rod, suggests a convenient mehod of filing small orders and memoranda received 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 1:30 p. m., second session at 7:00 p. m.

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

At this meeting officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

If possible for readers to attend this meeting kindly communicate with the Secretary at once. When you arrive in the City report to the Secretary's office for information as to place of meeting, etc.

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

Come and get acquainted with your brother collectors.

Fraternally yours, J. M. Henderson, Secretary, 13½ 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, so it will help out sooner for we wish to see every collector in the state in same if of the right kind. Hope we may see each member take more interest than for the past few years.

Applications:—C. L. Hoevet, Fairfield, reference Brodstone; H. W. Hildreth, Superior: C. R. Burnight, Superior.

LARGEST STAMP SOCIETY IN AMERICA

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AUCTION MANAGER'S REPORT.

I am ready to help any member that has collections, etc., to dispose of 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 success. If any reports of this department I shall publish them monthly in the WEST.

Hoping to hear from many members in regard to the auction department.

Yours truly, R. Williams, W. Roxbury, Mass.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Has been complaints made of Roiz of Cuba by Dodge of Chicago and Dunlap of Lockport, 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 others. 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 he 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. Doyle, New Haven, Ct.; J. D. Cox, Upper Stewicke, N. S., Can.; P. L. Messer, Baltimore, Md., 1015 Baltimore St.; J. L. Spaner, Knox, Penn.; C. L. Hoevet, Fairfield, Nebr.; J. L. Hobson. San Bernardino, Calif., 836 Court St.; Walles Stamp Co., Los Angeles, Calif., 247 Flower St.; Ben Green, Chicago, Ill., 1535 Masonic Temple; E. F. Gambs, Middletown, Ct.; S. J. Peters, New Orleans, La., 3014 Laurel St.; J. A. Lachemes, St. Martin, Que, Can., St. Antonio St., Felipe Navda, Toluca, Mexico, 5a pedro ascencio 45; E. Swessinger, Sioux City, Ia., 114 Pearl St.; R. Brown, Bx 127, Tusco, Ariz.; A. J. Keys, 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 profitable advantage.

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

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

The forms close the 25th 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 12c a line or 2c a word is sure low for ads. The trade and exchange columns is half this rate or 1 cent per word or three times for the price of two.

ERRATA. -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 u for letter o.

Our first ad in over 11 years time was returned by the government last month and reported bad, name Co-operative Land Co., of Minneapolis. Would like to hear of them or Globe Card Co. of that city for the Hobbies Pub.Co., is one advertiser we have not been able to hear from some cuts sent them. Like to hear from any and all parties who have complaints to make on advertisers for we don't wish to carry any that are not O. K.

How Did Indians Chip Their Flint Implements

E M Steinbrueck

This question seems to interest curio collectors in general just at the present time. But why? I don't see the point unless they are really archaeological students, making the proper use of their collection. I know many curio collectors, who are satisfied with collecting only for the saked collection, for the purpose of adorning their den or their parlor, some evaluation collect only to store away their treasures, happy in thought to own some thing that the neighbor has not got.

There may have been employed different ways in chipping flint or store implements, by the different tribes. What I have seen of Eastern Indian implements in that line, would lead to the suggestion, that they were main with the aid of a sledge hammer. However, the harder the material is, the softer the tool must be to work that material at will and 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 man differently disposed people. Although there is a fine of \$25,00 on imitating Indian relics, unscrupulous persons might find ways, to work out arrowhead Stamp collectors enjoy the privilege of being cheated by cour terfeits even from so-called reliable sources: let curio collectors be at the ease as long as possible. The procedure of chipping flint implements is simple one and easily achieved by a little practice, a good deal of skill and more patience. The Smithsonian report of 1885 gives a full account of the manner in which the Mandan Indians chipped flakes from the boulders found at the riverside, by the aid of horn tips or bones softened in hot great The Mandans as well as their neighbors, the Arikara and the Ilidats of Gros Ventres of the Missouri were very skillful in the manufacture of flid implements, arrowheads, drills, knives of all shapes and forms, of scrapes and of other tools of flint. And still it seems, as constituted by frequest researches, that some persons were even more skillfull than others and that they used this superior skill for a kind of a trade, perhaps supplying the less dextrous, or employed in different occupations, by trading or at gamb Although our Indians of North Dakota, even the savage Sious produced admirably fine work in the flint line, they were surpassed by the more western Indians of Arizona, California a-5-0. The Indians of todar & not recollect the making of flint arrowheads, which was done before the They speak only of metal points and of certain fishbones used. The Sioux peremptorially deny the making of arrespoints by their tribe. claim that the "Spider Ungtome" made them. There is a place up the Cannon Ball river, where after a windstorm, the sand is blown away, find arrowheads are found today. That place is called by the Sioux "The Spiders Workshop.'' The Spider made the arrow heads and the India found them afferwards.

The spider, the snake, the turtle are important characters with the Indians and are closely interwoven in his imagination, attributing supernatural power to them. They appear frequently in the myths and traditions 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 Awaticha—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 being a Christian now.

CANADIAN PHILAGELIC JOCIETY

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SEC'Y TREAS. REPORTT.

I beg to remind members whose dues expired 1st July to remit promptly, numbers published in last issue. Please look up if you have not already remitted. Would be pleased to hear from some of our San Francisco 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.

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 thoroughgoing antiquarian to Around the walls of the old room under the roof are heaped rummage in. records of the federal courts running away back to the year 1789, the year Even more interesting than when the federal government was set a-going. these, with their reminiscences of legal battles once famous, nowalmost forgotten, are the ranks and piles and heaped shelves of patent exhibits. are duplicates of every invention of note made during the nineteenth cen-Howe's sawing machine, the Edison incandescent light, baby carriages, nail-making machines-these and nearly every other mechanical invention 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 As the suits were bought exhibits, copies of the original inestablished. ventions, were filed with the court and ended there, contributing to one of the most varied, extensive and interesting collections of antique objects in New York City.

Picture post card collecting is certainly a rampant fad. but one would hardly suppose that the apparently harmless post card would cause a riot; yet such is the case, according to a recent report. The Japanese government issued a series of picture post cards in commemoration of the war with Russia. In Tokio, on the day on which they were first on sale, so great was was the desire for them that mile-long double files formed in the streets. Firally soldiers had to be called out to quell the riots which rose in the struggle to gain admittance to the postoffices where the cards were on sale.



..Camera News..

Editor-F. J. Clute, San Francisco



Some Simple Rules

Not all of us have the opportunity to study art in a well equipped an school, that would give us the knowledge of composition, light and shade that are so essential in making truly artistic pictures. This knowledge of what is good or bad in a picture can be cultivated by studying good pictues. paintings, photographs, etc.

As the ear can be trained to enjoy and appreciate classical music, its owner not being able to play a note, so can the eye of one unable to handle brush or pencil be trained to see the beauty of a picture in its fullest artistic sense.

It is to this art education that so many of us must resort, and with the aid of our camera we can go about making pictures that are pleasing and artistic. A few of the more simple rules to be considered may be of benefit to many.

First, never have more than one point of interest in your picture. If 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 anything about rules, simply because such a picture is agreeable and comfortable to the eye.

When we have two or more points of interest, we have rivals, each one quarreling with the other for recognition, with the result that the pictures tiresome, and not restful 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, make a 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 figure study nor a landscape but a combination of both, each claiming the honor of being first.

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

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

Observation and study of good pictures will scon tell one wiens picture is right and when it is wrong.

QUERIES SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO FAYLTTE J. CLUTE,

-416 J. ST., SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA.----

			s: As it is a film, you cannot
treat it with the ale	coholic iodine	solution	recommended for plates or the
celluloid will shrivel.	Try a watery	solution i	made as follows:

Immerse the film until the stains are almost invisible by transmitted light, then transfer to a weak (about 1 in 20) hypo-solution for a few minutes, and wash well. Repeat if necessary.

E. R. E.-Ferrous Oxalate Developer:

If mliky let it clear by standing, and decant the clear liquid.

(Or citric acid, 40 gr.)

Ferrous sulphate.....

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 bath for platinum suitable for matt P. O. P. is made as follows:

> l oz. Hypo.... 60 gr. Alum 12 gm. 60 gr. Sodium formate 4 gm. 20 gr. 30 min.

Dissolve the lead and sodium formate in a small quantity of water, then add the hypo in solution and the formic acid. Stand in an open vessel for twenty-four hours, and then add -

Pass the print through a bath of weak salt and water before immersion in the tonig bath.

Nebraska Camera Club

Founded January 1898

Any reader in Nebraska can become a member-Membership card free for the asking Secretary Treasurer-L. T. Brodstone Superior, Nebraska.

Ones marked x are post card collectors.

New Members: -857 C. L. Hoevet, Fairfield; 568 xJ. Roy McFarren, Gibbon; 659 xE. R. Allen, Haigler; 660 xC. C Cobb. York; 661 xH. V. Ketchum, Chester; 662 W. Beatty, R F D I, Superior; 663 xA. Gardner, Nelson: 664 H. Lederer, Norfolk; 665 D. Grant. Omaha, 1015 Park Ave.

Would like to hear ideas and suggestions from all and every member.



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9 xBertha Haines, Hilton, N. Y.

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Why not become a member? It costs you nothing if a subscriber. Membership card sent for 5c. Foreign 10c. Those marked x are Souvenir Card collectors.

xx are Photograph Post Card Collectors.

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Montreal, Canada.
6 xA. Letourneau Victoriaville,

Quebec, Canada.

7 xDr. C. G. Adams, Wichita, Ks.

8 xT. H. Bell, Montreal, Canada. 126 Paris St.

9 xLarsen, Allegheney, Pa., 1427 Boayle St.

6210 xII. Williams, LeClaire, Ia.

1 xR. McMillan, Omaha. Nebr., 4320 Grant St.

2 xE. N. Flanders, Clear Lake, S. Dak

3 xJ. D. Hubel, Detroit Mail Carrier

4 xF. Lange, Chicago, Ill., 659 Haddon Ave.

5 xF. W. Johnson, Fargo, N Dak.

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9 xA. Grigsby, Chicago, 1533 Milwauke Ave.

6220 xFred Lloyd, Emporium, Pa.

1 xA. J. Stark, Brooklyn, 163 Tompkins Ave.

2 xPhil Exchange & Mart, Gurmset, C. I., England

3 xJennie Church, Kansas City-Mo., 209 Asknew Ave.

4 xxA. Cespedes, Bx 482, SanJose, Costa Rica

Broken Bank Bills in Sets.

25c, \$2.£3 Parish of Ibersville28c
\$5,10 Bk of America Tenn22c
3,4,5,10 Bk of Cape Fear, N. C30c
\$1,2,5,10 Bank of Savanna Ga32c
\$1,3 Bank of Milford Deleware24c
1-3 Briscoe Harris & Co, Harrisburg
Texas
\$4,5,10 The Colonial Bk of Canada
new50c
\$1,2,10 The International Bk of Can-
ada new45c
\$1,2,3 The Shipbuilders Bk of Rock-
land Me33c
\$1,2,3,5 Farmers & Merchants Bank
of Tenn44c
\$1,2,5 Farmers & Drovers Bank of
Petersburg Ind. new
\$2,3 New Orleans, Jackson & Great
Northern R R Co20c
\$1,2 Kentucky Insurance Co22c
\$2,3 Bank of Commerce Ga. (Printed
in black)12c
\$1,2,5, Egg Harbor Bk N. J45c
\$2,5 Wanbeek Bk Nebraska30c
\$1,2,5,10 The North Western Bk Pa 52c
\$1,2 O Coll Bk Tenn20c
\$1,2,3,5,10,20,50,100 The Exchange
Bk Va\$1.00
\$1,2'5,10 The City Bk Augusta Ga50c
1,3 Dubuque Improvement Co22c
5c,10,15.20,25,50c \$1,2, 5 Mechanics
Saving & Loan Ass'n Ga40c

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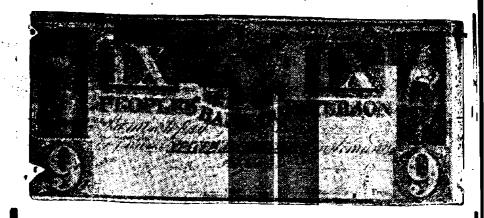
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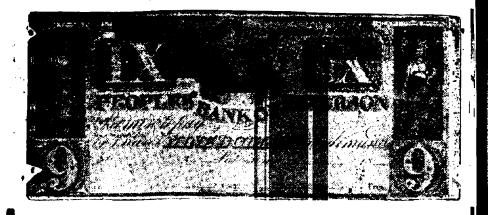
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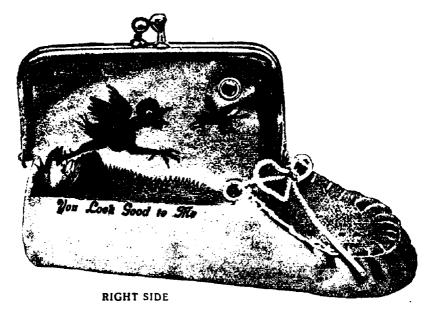
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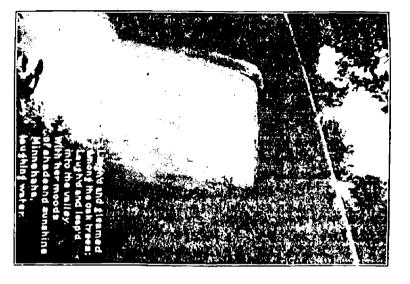
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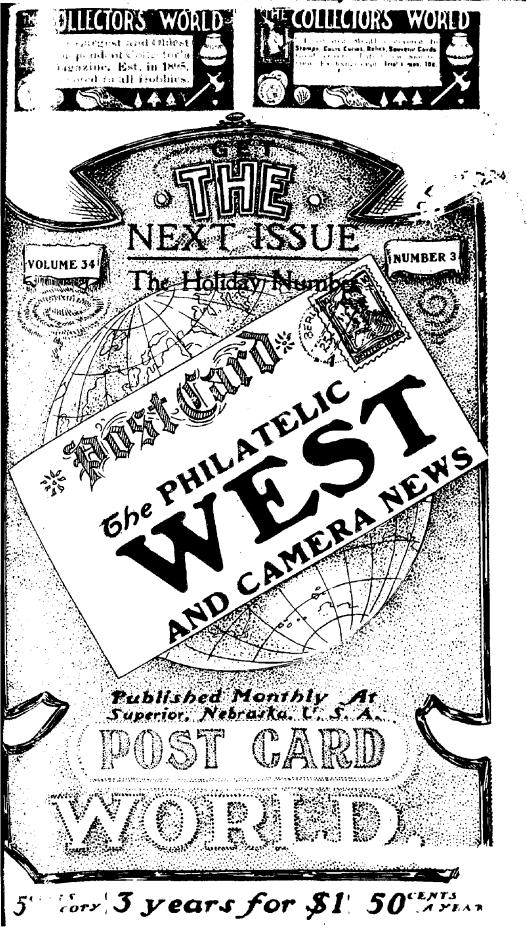
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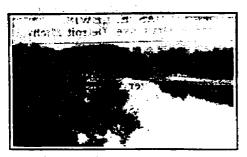
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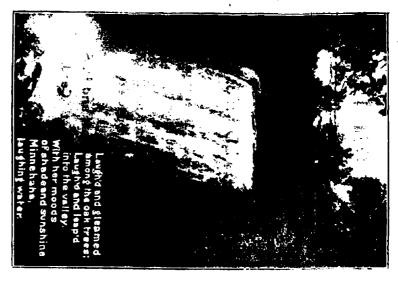
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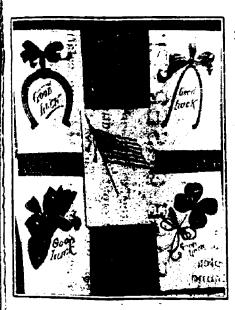
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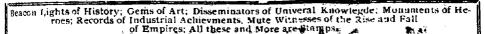
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ID you ever receive a badly mangled letter or card bearing the rubber stamp's notation "Accidentally injured by Postmarking machine?" Perhaps we should feel thankful for the postoffice clerk's care in advising us of the cause of the accident, but in the case of a letter containing stamps of some value becoming the unwilling victim of the misdirected energies of the postmaking machine, the explanation is unsubstantial consolation.

The system of one collector exchanging with another is becoming less As a matter of fact, it should be relegated common as philately develops. to the attic along with other obsolete practices. We remember the time when this method was largely in vogue, hundreds of collectors being dependent upon it to add new varieties to their collection and to dispose of their With the advent of the exchange departments of our numerous societies, the necessity offer direct exchanging was removed, the department becoming the ideal place for sale and purchase, thus being analogous to the old fashioned exchanging stamps for stamps or value for value. Collecton 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 official appellation may be that you want 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 fiscal nature, and are certainly of no more interest than exposition labels and similar truck. A very interesting paper was read at a recent meeting of the London Philatelic Society along this line, the author being very discriminating, indeed. The gentleman thinks that we should completely discard official stamps, registration stamps, "To Late' stamps, return receipt labels and special delivery stamps. We can't agree with him altogether, for all of the stamps mentioned are entitled 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 clearly. His argument seems to be that we should only pay attention to those stamps that actually pay postage. He holds that postage due stamps are worthy because they pay postage-at the consignee's end. think that nothicially, sealed stickers might well be eliminated from the collectible list, but they have a certain duty to perform in the postal service and after all are quite worthy, and in short, all of those mentioned sustain obvious relations to the postal service and are deserving of recognition for this season. The average collector wants to till any space his album provides, without question as to whether he should or shouldn't: the specialist wants to 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 one man or one society 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 subject for one of the Jamestown commemorative issues.

By F. A. Browne, East Reru, 1000 and 10

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Another query reaches us as to the "Land Post? stamps of Baden." 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 vex the soul of the stamp collector. It is an odd thing that no direct documentary evidence has yet beeen adduced to show precisely what was intended to be the special duty of the "Land Post" stamps were unquestionably a species of spostage due" stamps, and yet not quite what is ordinarlily sunderstood by that expression, for they were used chiefly to pay the extra postage to places lying off the main postal routes. They were, in fact, almost analogous storthe "rural" stamps of Russia. The limited use of the Land Postal stamp is evidenced by their comparative searcity in postmarked condition of The Kreuzer is an exceedingly scarce stamp in this state. Enused, fix is still possible to buy a set of the three "Land Post", stamps for 8de or 10de, so large was the official remainder sold to the stamp trade in 1870.

It's rather up to ruminess, is art, in many ways, and so she not a dead hand at starting what people call a 'craze', A 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 sale sales for the Beginner

By H. A. Davis

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On March 30th, 1855 an act of the XXXIII Congress. Section III Chapter 173 was, approved for the reduction of postage. By this act there was established for the first time compulsory prepayment of postage at a uniform rate of 3 an 10 cents according as the distance was greater or less than 3000 miles.

The United States Government, Postal Department, recognizes the stamps issued from 1847 to 1851 as the first series. Those issued from 1851 to 1861 as the second series. This latter comprises both the perforated and imperforate issues of 1851156 and 1857-60 respectively.

The 1851 or imperforate series were printed by Toppan, Carpenter and Casilear Co. They were printed in sheets of 200 stamps and issued to Postmasters in sheets of 100 stamps each. This issue was authorized by Congress March 3d, 1851

1c blue, bust of Franklin after Rubricht, first issued July 1st, 1851 3c red, profile of Washington after Houdon '' '' '' '' 12c red, profile of Washington after Stewart, '' '' '' '' 10c green, bust of Washington after Stewart, first issued May 5th, 1855 5c brown; portrait of Jefferson after Stewart, first issued Jan. 5th 1856

24c₄ lilac, portrait, of Washington after Stewart. This stamp was approved April 24th, 1856, but it is believed that it was never issued to the public imperiorate.

The 1, 3, 5, 10, and 12 cent values were first issued perforated Feb. 24th, 1857. 24c lilac, described above under the imperforates first issued perf. June 15, 1860. 30c orange, bust of Franklin after Rubricht first issued perf. Aug. 12, 1860. 90c blue, bust of Washington after Trumbal first issued perf. Aug. 31, 1860.

Unfortunately there are no records at hand showing the number of these stamps issued. They were reprinted in 1875, were available for postage. The reprints may be recognized by being perforated 12 instead of 15

This issue was demonetised in 1861 at the outbreak of the Civil War. The perforated series from 1857-60 were printed by the same Company in the same manner and issued to Postmasters in same form as the imperiorated series of 1851.

To the beginner who is interested in minor details, no wider field at such a small cost may be investigated than the 3c value of these two issues. These stamps catalogue only two and three cents in used condition, and they are quite common. Not long ago I purchased 100 at an auction sale for fifty cents and found no less than twenty five varieties. First there are a great many strades, about fifteen distinct shades may be found running in shades of red, lose, lake, pitik etc.

It would be very interesting to the beginner who desires to make a nice display at a small cost to pick out the different shades and the different frame lines be dering the stamps. There may be found stamps with double frame lines at the sides, single frame lines at the sides, double on one side and single on the other, and as many as four lines on one side.

Then there are some with frame lines at different positions to each other, some far apart, while others are close together. Some may be found with lines running only half way, some 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 3c stamps. It is the perforated issue with a double frame line on each side and a single line outside the labels at top and bottom. Then there is another scarce variety also of the perforated issue in which the left frame line runs into, and divides the liftle ornament just to the left of the "three" in the lower label at the lower left corner."

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According to the Moniteur du Collectionneur gupted by the III. Briefmarken Journal Pope Pius X. is an ardent philatelist and has a splendid collection, which was started when he was a seminary scholar, and to which he is still adding what may come his 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 Sunday afternoon between 2 and bo'clock in the Champs-Elysees is to be abolished on account of overcrowding and obstructing the thoroughfares of that neighborhood. If this be done there are a number of collectors who intend to combine and rent a large hall in the center of the city, where the meetings can be held without any outside interference. It is not likely though that an institution which has plasted for forty years will be easily swept away.

The German postal administration is about to issue a provisional in the form of the now obsolete 2pf. 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 2pf. adhesives seems as yet undecided. It would be a new thing for Germany.

It must not be supposed that postage stamps are the only field of discovery in which the young collector may stumble upon lucrative finds." The revenue stamps in use during the Civil War, and for some years afterward, on checks, mortgages, leases, and many other, sorts of documents, are collected by philatelists with as much enthusiasm as postage stamps themselves, and many varieties of them bring excellent prices. The proprietary stamps used on patent medicines and the like during the same period are in equally great demand, though scarcely as accessible to the bulk of young collectors. Many varieties of stamped envelopes fetch, goods prices; the same is true of the "Department Stamps" formerly in use in Washington for the franking of official correspondence; and much might be said on the possibilities of ferreting out fine and valuable specimens of these various classes of stamps.

A Helpful Word to Young Editors of Young Philatelic Papers

By L. G. Dorpat

Not long ago the editors of two of our young American papers lamented of the lack of support from advanced collectors. One says:

"The advanced collector shields himself by saying the class of articles in the small publications are not to liking, yet when you ask some of these advanced collectors to write you a small article of value to his advanced brothers he declines unless a cash compensation is in view. In philately 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 collectors all over the country cannot give enough assistance in a literary way to make 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 expectations help these papers? Will they bring them any valuable 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 advanced 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 support and assistance will not be withheld.

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

Without trying to pose as an advanced collector I would like to relate a little personal experience. Several times I was requested to help a starter by sending an article or two. I did so. In some cases it was never printed, because the paper expired just at the time my article arrived. In others a part of my contribution 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 in which my article appeared. And finally in yet an other number of cases great promises were made but never fulfilled.

If any of the advanced collectors of our country had any similar experiences—and no doubt they have—I do not wonder that they are slow in entrusting valuable manuscripts to papers that cannot or will not pay for them, an give some other assurance that the manuscript will not be relegated to the waste basket.

No, young friends, do not reprimand others. But learn to stand on your own feet and hustle along until you have inspired the old collectors with that confidence that comes from a show of ability. Our older publications had to paddle their own cance in the times of their youth and it was

hard work for them at times, but they kept on and now their columns 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 kind werds than to offend strangers who bore you no ill will and who had perhaps not been aware of your existence before you made it known by your offense.

If you are too poor to run your paper you should not have started it, or you should have assured yourselves of the charity of your friends, before you reflected upon the charity of strangers and rebuked them for withholding it. If you have no friends, try to find them or to make them by your own liberality, and good earmple of disinterestedness. The seed, which you sow out in the way will some day come back in a rich harvest to roughly seed.

An English paper States: The stamp collector is beginning to put his house in order for the season 1906-07; the dealer is furbishing up his stockbooks for the autumn and winter campaign, and soon the London stamp auction sales will have re-commenced. Last but, not least the Philatelic Societies are completing their lists of fixtures. Most attractive programmes have peen prepared for the members of the Liverpool, Manchester, Hirmingham, 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 Friday's at their usual rendezvous in Southampton Row. The Junior Philatelic Society, numerically the largest organization of its kind in the country, has as usual planned a season of great activity and interest at Exeter Hall. Another of the younger societies, the Enterprise, has changed its hame, and will henceforth be known as the City of London Initiatelic Society.

One of the querries of the week relates to that handsomest of all French postage stamps, the 3 franc mauve, with head of Napoleon. Why asks our correspondent, is this stamp so cheap? I was offered a good specimen the other day for a shilling. Do you think it could be a forgery? Answering the last question, we do not think it very likely that the stamp was a forgery. The comparative cheapness of the Napoleonic 5 franc stamp is to be attributed to the long period during which it was in current use; but at the same time one shilling for a good specimenw. Is a deal below the market value, and we should advise our correspondent to buy! If the can of course ask for a guarantee if he has any reason to distrust the genuineness of the stamp. It is to be borne in mind, by the way, that there are two varieties of this 5 franc stamp, the second variety showing the humerals of value in blue. At a hurried glance the variety may fulfile easily pass unnoticed.

A complete series of stamps has been issued by Mohelf. The values and colors are as follows: 1 centime, black and blue; 12 centimes, Brown; 4 centimes, claret; 5 centimes, green: 10 centimes, red; 20 centimes, red and green: 25 centimes, blue; 30 centimes, brown; 35 centimes, syellow and black; 40 centimes, red on straw; 50 centimes, brown; and blue; 975 centimes, violet and orange; 1 franc, green and brown; 2 frances; side to and the 5 frances lilac.

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Photography in Philately By A. W. Wheeler

It is the study of particulars and details as well as totalities and generalities which makes stamp collecting a science. Stamp collecting when regarded scientifically is called philately and those who make it such an called philatelsits. Philatelists are attracted by things which will help them in the study of their stamps. A philatelic aid, which is unfamiliar to many and a novelty to not a few, is photography. Photography applied to stamps is a specaialist's means of demonstration to others: and a philatelist's means of disclosure to himself. The principal feature of a stamp which this photographic procedure will either demonstrate or disclose are these: watermarks, perforations, cut cancellations weave of paper and details of design. What then is this method by which photography is introduced into philately? 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 must be exposed longer through a dark or socalled "thick" negative than through a light or so called "thin" negative. The same principle applies to the "stamp negative." Printing paper exposed for a few seconds to a strong light through a stamp with a crown watermark would show, when developed, 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 portion 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 amount of exposure black cancellations may be made to come out distractly white: while cut and pin hole cancellations are exactly produced in black.

This photographic method of demonstrating details is particularly agreeable to the specialist. To illustrate the manner in which a specialist might use these stamp reproductions I can best accomplsh by an example. 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 immedtely followed by proofs of the whole design. Proofs of trial and of accepted colors followed these. Now comes a specimen of the stamp itself. This was shown in unused condition together 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 "Wh'd CROWN C. C.: There was a reproduction of the stamp. This reproduction plainly showed a black outline of a crown and beneath it the letter "C. C.; A duplicate of this stamp which was labeled "Perf 12½x13" had placed beside it a reproduction of the perforations of the stamp showing the 12x13 perforation. In like fashion a surcharge and a punched cancellation were illustrated.

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

who desire to become more familiar with watermarks; and who desire to become better able to recognize grills; and who find the use of the perforation gauge and millimeter a nérvous strain; and to those who are uncertain which weave of paper has been used in a stamp; to these persons who are affected with all these complaints I would suggest a trial of photography to disclose these obscurities in philately.

Deducting from these statements, it may be said that education is the principal feature of philatelic photography. There is, nevertheless, another feature which is worthy of consideration. Photographic reproductions may be used for commercial purposes. If a dealer desires to sell rarities by mail without submitting them on approval, he may send to his customers detailed photographs until he determines whether or not he shall make a purchase. In conclusion, it may I think be rightly said, that to those persons who desire to make stamp collecting a science, photography is an essential aid.

A Valuable Stamp Find By Edward G. Miller

The following account of how I made a valuable stamp find may prove interesting:

While visiting a friend in Philadelphia, Pa., some three years ago I became acquainted with a fine old gentleman with whom. I became great friends. In the course of a conversation which I had it him one evening at his home, I mentioned the fact that I was a stamp collector and asked him if he did not have any old stamps he would give me. He said he had some old envelopes with the stamps on them which I might have if they would be of any use to me. You may imagine how eagerly I assented and how patiently I waited while he went and got them and how I pictured in my mind how valuable they would be. Nor was I mistaken. There were about ten envelopes and I could see that they were very old. It did not take me long that evening to reach my friend's house and to hunt up my Scot's catalogue. In looking them up I found that my find was very valuable and that the stamps on the ten envelopes were worth over one hundred dollars. I had indeed made a very valuable find. You may be sure I rewarded the old gentleman well for giving them to me.

houmania is going in for the stamp business wholesale. No sooner have we reconciled ourselves to the recent commemorative series than another outlit of "pictorial" is sprung upon us. The stamps so far received are five in number, and they picture so many events in Roumanian history that it is difficult to determine what is the special purpose of the issue. On the 1 bani value, we are shown the "swearing in to Trince (now King) Charles of Roumania, on the constitution of 1866; the 3 bani pictures the same personage driving in his carriage: the 10 bani stamp has for its subject the meeting between Charles of Roumania and Osman Pacha in 1878, while the two remaining values the 1 lei and 2 lei, bear pictures of two religious ceremonies connected with King Charles' reign. There are also in 15, and 40 bani stamps, but it is good to learn, on authority that three projected, high values of 5, 10, and 20 lei have been abandoned.

Offers \$10.000 for a Stamp

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Used copies of the five cent values are rare, and the ten cent unused stamp is not known. It has been asserted that Providence stamps were never used, but expert philatelists say they know instances of the stamps on the original envelopes.

The used copies are cancelled with a V-shaped mark written in black ink with a pen.... These stamps are the lowest in price of all the postmaster issues. ... The five centrolack is quoted at only \$5, and the ten cent black at \$30.

The St. Louis postmaster stamps, which were issued in 1845 by Postmaster John M. Winner, Include there values—five, ten and twenty cents all in green and gray lilac. There are several varieties, 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, supported at either side by an upright bear stamps, by winch they are generally known. The postmaster sold nine 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. Louis, who carried on a big business with Louisville, Ky. On many of the lettres which passed between the two cities were bear stamps to the amount of twenty-five and fifty cents. A find of these stamps in Louisville in 1895 brought to light many of the original covers, and so valuable were they that the finders of the stamps are said to have realized a profit of over \$20,000.

Up to the time of the unearthing of this philatelic treasure in Louis-ville the denomination of 20 cents was looked upon by many philatelists as fictitious. One of the pickups at the time included a strike of two twenties and one five strips of three each of the fives and tens, horizontal pairs of fives and tens, and twenty and ten, showing the form of the sheet in which they were originally printed, and proving 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 fives, forty-six tens and sixteen twenties. The 20-cent stamp is now valued at \$500, while the fives and tens are held at about \$400 each.

There is in existence a so-called 2-cent St. Louis stamp, but experts say that it is 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 never 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 postmaster and the value.

Worcester, Mass., is also credited with stamps of 5 and 10 cents denomination, but up to date a specimen has not made its appearance. In 1846 Boscawen, N. Fl., 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 irregularly set type,

reading. "Paid 5 Cents." in three lines, one 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 reis green on buff, and 20 reis, lilac on buff, postaf card; a 25 reis green on buff, and a swirels blue on gray letter card, have been issued for Azores Portugese possession. Isnix

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Bosnia had its bed an entirely new pictorial series of adhesives. Each value bears a different flusdration of some point of local interest, with the exception of the 5 krona, the highest value, which bears a portrait of the emperor of Austral 20 All of the stamps present an artistic appearance. The colors and denominations are neighbored black: 2 heller, violet: 3 heller, green: 5 heller, dark green; 40 heller, carmine: 20 heller, dark brown: 25 heller, deep blue; 30 heller; greent 35 heller, bluish black; 40 heller, orange: 45 heller, reddish oranges and 50 heller; purple: 1 krona, red; 2 kronas, green, and the 5 krona; grayish bluelsoo ad administrated administrat

A 5 shilling adhesive printed in orange and bearing apportrait of King Edward has been added to the present series of Cape of Good Hopeld (4)

Yvert & Teller of Amiens, France, have issued the 1907 edition of their catalogue. This is the eleventh time the volume has been published. As usual the illustrations, added secret marks, surcharges and other details are very good. Helpful notes are found on almost every page 100 All the ordinary stamps, besides registered, official, postage due, telegraph stamps, wrapper and envelopes are found in the catalogue, which is very complete as even a hasty examination will show.

The 2. 2^{1} and 4 penny adhesives of the current series of Rermuda are now being printed on ordinary multiple watermark paper.

Penadir, an Italian possession, will soon undergo a change of name, when all the postal supplies will become obsolete? The name ris'to be changed to Italian South Somaliland.

A series of adhesives has been issued for Dominican republic. The design 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: ½ cent green and black; I cent carmine and black; 2 cent brown, red and black; 5 cent blue and black: 10 cent lilac and black; 20 cent olive green and black, and the 50 cent brown and black and the 1 peso violet and black.

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

Old Letters Vsed 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 American 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 certainly a tender affection for their pioneer forefathers.

I enclose herewith, a copy of the letterr, which is addressed Mrs. Jane Beggs, Haymount, Fayetteville, Cumberland County. 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 hand corner is the postmark of the mailing point in blue stamp. Wetumpka, Ala., in circle with May 21 in center. In upper right hand corner the number 25.

Resp. Yours, M. R. Moore. Alabama. Tallapoosa County, May 21-1838.

Dear Sister:—I received your letter dated Feby, the 27th and it gave me much happiness to hear that you were all well, and after long silence, I write a few lines to you to let you know that we are all in the land of the living except Flora, who died on the 13th of April, after a long and painful illness 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 next day after we stopped, and the Doctor attended her from that time until she died, and the more medicine she took, the worse she 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 comin. 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 took her to the grave yard in Tallasee about five miles, where a large company attended the funeral and were very kind and obliging.

The rest of us have no reason to complain of our health since we came here, only I have my old complaint the toothache, which I have constant. We have a promising crop coming on. If the season hits, we will make near one thousand bushels of corn, besides plenty of everything else. is a plentiful country. The woods are full of bee trees. There are six 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 you would all come here and 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 Council would get ready and come here, he could do well, and I do assure you it would give me great happiness to see Sarah and the children. This is a lonesome coun-I have but one female visitor, and that is an Indian woman who appears to be very kind. We have no preacher here, nor no 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, how her health has been this spring. Although we are parted in this life where we cannot enjoy each others company, may our Heavenly Father guide and keep us in the right road to that happy country where we shall meet and part no more.

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

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I still remain your affectionate sister until dental 2004 (40 4) (50 kg)

Hannah Johnson (9)

P. S.-Margaret Elizabeth has got right well-of-her fall-from the carry-all.

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Anderson, Ind. Oct. 4. (Special)—To paper the walls and ceiling of a room with cancelled postage stamps of all nations is the self-assumed task of Miss Sallie Chambers of this city.

Miss Sallie Chambers of this city.

Miss Chambers lives with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Chambers at 1018

Peak St. and on the second floor of a two-story residence has a room fifteen

by twenty-four feet, with nine foot ceiling.

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

With the United States two-cent postage stamp as the basis of one calculation, results ranged from 186,912, to 191,160. To be sure that she will 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 91,000 and according to receipt of stamps since she began the collection she will have 100,000 more within three months.

Several denominations of United States stamps are of the size of the two cent stamp. The British stamps are of about the same size as those of the United States, but the sizes vary when they come from other nations. Colors and designs are also of such variety that the dimensions of the stamps are not more important than the designs and coloring when it comes to arranging the stamps on the walls so that there will be an artistic 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 transfering them to the

walls and ceiling of her room.

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

Before the stamps go on the wall all will be pasted on the back of a

strong grade of wall paper.

A roll of wall paper is thirty-six feet long and eighteen inches wide. 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 be 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 pfennig, and in four colors, red, black, orange and blue. The design is very pretty, representing 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 ILLUSTRATIONS

REV. EDWARD W. THWING, of Honolulu, Hawaii., is a missionarr stamo and post card collector. Porn in Boston in 1868 he has always been enough of a Wankee to to enjoy a good exchange. Beginning collecting in 1882, he has always kent it up. While a missionary in China for ten year, during work on the language, he made a careful study of old Chinese coms; and has one of the finest collections in America, with many duplicates Health conditions required his going to Hawaii, where he has charge of the Chinese work there. Alle is now making a collection of colored view cards and is a representative for several clubs. He is still always ready to exchange good stamps, coins, cards or minerals. He believes in the WEST as: the best paper for the collector. His ads will often appear in our columns All who want a fine sview card of Hawaii, or a real old Chinese coin, had better write to him, & His advice—"Get a hopby and subscribe to the WEST. It will dowou good it'

EDWARD 6. MILLER was born in Philadelphia, Pa., but at an early age came to Wilmington, Del., where he is now living. He was born July 6, 1885, has had a good 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 book-keeping.

ROBERT EROWN, Pakaka, Denniston, New Zealand, is president of the Cosmos Post Card Club. N. Z., Manager M. P. A., and also a member of many Post Card Clubs in America and other counties. He has been collecting four years, and has over 2000 cards. He had many current N. Z. to dispose of and will exchange. He is a store keeper by profession, Seargeant Major Bandman and amateur printer. Would like sample of papers and will reciprocate.

ARTHUR IMBLER was born June 18, 1881, in Bee Ridge, Knox county, Missouri, and died in Covina, California, September 20th, 1906, aged 25 years. 'Ille had a genius for study and hard work mentally. intellect and christianity in his fine and well rounded character. the Methodist Episcopal Church when only seven years old, and found 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 year 1899 he had completed and graduated from Pennsylvanias' largest school 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 age. On 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 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 M. W. A. and was sales manager of Stamp Collectors Protective Association and other is stamp and post card societies. He was a man of splendid individuality and a 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. CHARLESWORTH of Bunyan, Ont., Canada, is an Englishman by birth, and has resided in Canada for fifteen years. He has been a collector of stamps and postcards for about five years, and is a frequent contributor to the WEST under the pen names of "Narcissus" and "An Old Boy."
- B. L. VOORHEES, began collecting in 1894. He started as a dealer in 197, 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 are very pleasing. See his ad in this number.

At the banquet held while the London philatelic exhibition was in session. Harrison Hill, an English musician, was present and aided in entertaining the guests by composing some rather clever rhymes aand adapting them to a familiar air. The first one, wrtten to the tune of "Tramp, Tramp, the Boys are Marching," was as follows:

Now the nations of the world with their postage stamp unfurled 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 way.

Our Sailor Prince of Wales, who from India lately hails—
And well he did his royal duty there—
Is the patron of the craft, and he walked both fore and aft, And admired the Exhibition everywhere.

The chorus was--

Stamp, stamp, stamp, the boys are marching,

Every man a stamp collector true.

And they hall the Prince of Wales, whose kindness never fails - And Prince Edward, he's a stamp collector, too.

Another verse composed to the tune of "Yankee Doodle" in honor of

John N. Luff. a New Yorker pesent at the exhibition was as follows:

Oh! J. N. Luff has stamps of buff, of red and green and blue sir,

And to the firm of Stanley G. he always is most true sire. Here's a health to J. N. Luff, hip, hip, hoorray, sire.

May he direct the New York firm for many and many a day sir.

Walter Clarke Bellows of New York ex-Will Show Rare Stamps: libited at the club room of the Chicago branch of the American Philatelic Association his collection of Mexican postage stamps, the most complete of its kind in existence, ¹Mr. Bellows' collection never before has been on Another attraction at the meeting was the display exhibition in Chicago. of Hayti stamps, the property of Alexander Holland. This collection was brought direct from London, where it was awarded a medal at the recent philatelic exhibition: All interested in postage stamps, whether or not The rooms are at 151 members of the association, are invited to the club. សារសារសារ **ខន្សខ**ាសារ Washington street. sprow ass, sig words

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 library.

Some Experiences of Exchanging By An Old Boy

When a collector begins to accumulate a collection of any size, he finds that he has also accumulated quite a lot of duplicates, and then the question arises in his mind what to do with them? Shall he give them away to beginners? Shall he sell them for what they may happen to fetch? Or shall he try and exchange them for others he has not got?

The latter seemed the most desirable course to me when this happened; and so I cast around for some one with whom I could exchange my duplicates. My first experience was with a barrister, a gentleman of positions and means and who was a most enthusiastic collector. When I wrote him he replied giving 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 selection of the best I had from which he took a fair number. He excused himself from sending a selection in return as he was so busy, but asked me to send again. I send several other selections and he took from each totaling about five 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 enough to cover his indebtedness to me. I then sent him other selections from which he took about three dollars value. I have written many times and waited three years and have not yet received settlement.

My next experience was with a journalist who was beginning to collect for the second time, and who with a great deal of bluff and bluster managed to get a nice lot of my best duplicates, and from whom I never could get a decent selection in return; 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 said 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 year and got and gave some valuable additions to my 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 through the sales department of a good philatelic society, or at a good auction will often furnish a person with good stamps of a special kind at very reasonable prices.

To try and exchange common duplicates is of course vanity and vextion, 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, you may then find some one willing to exchange equally good ones for them. But be careful!

Notes for U. S. Callectorsmo

A Boston firm is offering a Marion, Va., local (Scott, No. 84) five cent black at \$225. Scott does not price it but the French Society catalog lists it at 750 fr. (\$144.75). Evidently the authorities disagree as 10 the yalue of this stamp.

Baltimore, Md. permit No. 36 is used upon a darke, advertising card sent out by an insurance company of that city.

Postmaster General Cortelyou has been honored by having a postoffice recently established in Washington county. Alabama named after him.

Critics will probably agree that the department is at last consistent. They have abolished Art from the list of Alabama postoffices, the same as from the stamp with the advent of the last series, we say the same con-

The department have given Nebraska's list of postoriges a 32 Biscuit's but discovered the "Baker."

Postmasters can now sell money orders to a new office in Transyaal, the simplicity of the name of which should meet with the approval of advocates of spelling reform—Bronkhorstspruit.

The banking house of Henry Clews & Co. of New York City sends ont their circulars franked by permit No. 177.

The following are the leading postoffices in the Canal Zone' and are all international money offices:—Ancon. Bos Obispo, Bohia, Corozal, Cristobal, Culebra, Empire, Frijoles, Gorgona, Gatun, LaBoça, Las, Cascades, Matachen, Paraiso, Pedro Miguel, San Pablo, and Tabernilla, 1988.

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Most of us will permit ourselves to doubt the veracity of a recent newspaper statement to the effect that somebody in America is offering 10,000 dollars for a specimen of the c'postmaster's stamp' of Annapolis, 1845. There have been some interesting press comments, upon this alleged offer. A correspondent of the "Manchester Dispatch," after remarking that the specimen of the Annapolis stamp on original envelope now in the Earl of Crawford's collection is believed to be the only one of its kind, continues:--"I had an interesting chat today with the managing director of Stanley Gibbons, Ltd He assured me that few philatelists, would be likely to pay such a figure for the Annapolis if it existed, and therefore we may take it that this "sensational offer" another of those off-recurring reanards which some people delight in springing upon a credulous publicing wilt is a pity that these sensational offers and almost invariably made by it same body in America." It the case of a similar, story being published in the American, Press the offer would of course emanate from "somebody of neoffer land wise All the same, if we judge it by the usual standard of early grathen sum of \$2000 would not seem to be an excessive price for the Appapolis, Stamp Collectors Fortnightly.

By E. H. Wilkinson

The writer has often had occasion to remark the value of a library of philatelic publications. Last month some attention was paid to the society library; with your permission we will discuss the individual library question.

From a philatelic standpoint, what a wealth of interesting, instructive and entertaining matter an accummulation of philatelic publications monthly and weekly, contains. The majority of collectors are aware of this and carefully preserve al! the papers that come their way. Some store them 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 possession of a conglomeration of papers of all sizes and styles, valuable, invaluable and of no value. Have you ever considered library methods that if followed eliminate the objectionable feature of the modes above mentioned? The great variety in size makes a neat, compact volume impractible: to merely pile them up on a shelf is preservation, indeed, but not the ideal library style. What you want in a library is compactness, accessibility, uniformity and durability.

A criterion worthy of mention, 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 not a single complete paper therein. The owner, being desirous of preserving all the meritorious matter contained in the various papers he received, at first followed the ordinary plan of merely keeping each paper in its entirey, reserving a portion of his bookcase for them. As he was a liberal subscriber, he soon found himself possessed of a bulky mass of papers containing a heterogeneous assortment of worthy and unworthy matter. Becoming disgusted with such an accumulation, he devised the scheme which he has since followed, to his great satisfaction and benefit.

His method was simple. From each paper that portion which contained meritorious work was taken; the balance of the paper being discarded. 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 the same leaf by attaching the leaf to a stubb of the scrapbook, this plan being entirely satisfactory.

Now, after ten years of this work, the collector finds himself in possession of an invaluable collection of books, for during this period he has filled a large number. He has not restricted himself to any one class of matter, as you might suppose, but he has clipped anything that appeared to be dinterest. Each volume is devoted to matter of a similar nature and indexed in a comprehensive fashion, making ready reference practicable. For general reading, this library is most attractive, its varied contents never becoming state. The owner assures me that he often selects a volume at random and opening it haphazard finds something new each time. If some particular topic is desired, it can be easily located, this being a feature the

ordinary library cannot lay claim to. As there is no standard to go by, no valuation can be placed on these books. Suffice it to say they are unpurchasable.

This certainly constitutes the acme of the philatelic library. It is merely the separation of the wheat from the chaff. Why preserve the trash? The collecting of philatelic literature is commendable and may be of interest—the collection and proper preservation of the cream of the matter. Appearing in these publications practicable, landable, interesting and satisfactory and the intrinsic worth of this form of library is apparent.

The August and September Issue's of the U.S. for 1861 By N. A. Crawford, Jr.

It having been evident for some time that the current stamps (those of 1855-160) could be improved on, in August, 1861, a new series 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 lower. They were 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 ornament and the color. Immediately the older issue was discontinued and owing to the short time it had been in use, became quite scarce, while the only rare stamps in the September issue are the 5 cent olive-yellow (unused) and the 90-cent marine blue. But it is chiefly with the differences between the two series that we are concerned. As they are more easily distinguished by color—the 24 cent and 30 cent in one series being distinguishable from the same values in the other only by differences in color—I give below a list of each set:

August: 1 cent indigo, 3 cent brown-red, 5 cent brown, 10 cent dark green, 12 cent black, 24 cent violet, 30 cent red-orange, 90 cent light blue.

September: I cent ultramarine. I cent blue. I cent dark blue. 3 cent pink. 3 cent rose. 3 cent dull red. 5 cent brown-yellow. 5 cent offive-yellow, 5 cent buff. 10 cent dark green. 10 cent yellow-green, 12 cent black. 24 cent red-filac. 30 cent orange, 90 cent blue. 90 cent very pale blue, 90 cent marine blue.

I will also state changes of the ornaments, which, it will be understood, too place in the September series.

On the 1-cent a short dash has been added under the tip of the ornament at right of the upper left hand numeral.

On the 3-cent the ornaments at the corners end in a small ball.

On the 5-cent a leaster has been added to the foliated ornaments at each comer-

lo-cent. A very heavy curved line may be seen below the stars and a less heavy outer line has been added to the ornaments above them.

12-cent, ovals and scrolls have been placed at the corners.

30-cent, parallel lines form an angle above the ribbon inscribed "U.S. Postage," and a row of dots has been placed between these lines and the apex of the lower pair.

Counterfeits and Their Detection

es explicated to be By R. R. Thiele of the state of the

FRENCH COLONIES. The small square stamps issued by the French Empire in 1859 and afterwards for the French Colonies are not exactly mities, but still a stamp like the 80c is worth while counterfeiting. These medium priced stamps are especially dangerous when 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 rarities. The forgery of this & which I have before me is not especially dangerous, but it is still apt to deceive the unwary collector. It is evidently a lithograph: the original are typographed in the usual careful execution of the French stamps of that 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 others. Between the lines of the background on the original there are small dots of color at regular intervals, giving the background a brickwork-like appearance: on the forgery the dots are conspicuous by absence and the background shows only parallel lines. The head of the eagle on the counterfeit is raised too high. If you lay a straightedge horizontally across even with the top of the head, the line on the original strikes the upper part of the lower bar of the E in COLONIES, while on the forgery it strike the lower part of the S. In consequence of this the neck of the eagle looks long and thin on the forgery, while on the original it is short and thick; the tips of the wings also tise too high on the counterfeit, being even with the top of the head as on the original. The crown has also been jammed up ward, so that its cross is almost lost in the pearled circle, while on the original the cross is distinctly visible beneath the pearled circle. wing of the eagle (right hand from the observers' point of view) five layers of feathers may distinctly be counted on the original, counting the long pinions as one layer: on the forgery but four may be so counted. on the forgery shows barely any indication of feathers on the breast and legs, while onethe original they are plainly shown. On the original three class are plainly visible on each foot of the eagle; on the counterfeit they are almost indistinguishable. The pearls on both pearled circles on the original are very even and of the same size in each circle, those of the outer circle being apparently a triffe larger than those of the inner circle. gery the pearl of both circles are very irr gularly spaced and nneven in size; over the RR of EMPIRE they are especially small and crowded, while over the word DE one pearl is missing in the onter circle: under the same word the pearls of the inner circle are very small. The lettering is rather coarse. To the deft of the teft 30, between the figures and the C of COLONIES, the orifgnal has a white dot which is absent on the forgery. Between the Sof POSTES and the second 80 the original also has a white dot which is like wise absent on the counterfeit. The O's in COLONIES are round on the original, but narrow ovals on the forgery. L and E are too close together on the forgery; the M is much too narrow and crowded, while on the original it is wide and open. The letters R on the original have long tails turned outward, thus R: On the forgery the tails are short and turned in thus R. The N in FRANCAIS on the forgery is only about half the width of that on the original.

The figures of value on the forgery look small and cramped. The corper ornaments show numerous differences from the original, being rather indifferently drawn and shewing coarse lines instead of the fine execution of the original, but the differences are such that it is difficult to describe them Comparison of a doubtful specimen with apy of the low values of the set will serve to identify an original, as all the values are from the same original die. The counterfeit before me is "cancelled" With a "postmark" showing four concentric rings (only a part of it is visible) If I am correctly informed, no postmarks of that kind were ever in use in the colonies; the regular colonial cancellation in those days was a rhombus of dots with a group of letters in the center indicating the colony, a few date stamps were also in use, formed of two concentric rings, the date in the center (To be continued.) 3.3-3.6663 ni beddergood?).

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Ny assaland's Postage Stamph of the o By Gilbert N. Gunderson 10 stob stans V-like appearance on

The issues of Nyassaland prior to 1897 may prove of interest although they were not officially recognized by those in authority. The following extracts relative to these stamps are self explanatory and awilk, 1/Abink, throw some light on Nyassa's early postal issues: ...

From A. J. of Philately, Mr. Wm. Brown informs as that the Nyassa Co. has issued three adhesives, being careful to allow a number of spects of each value to escape peforation; besides, not to be beaten by the Erench, potonies, three provisionals were issued at the same time, and of course, also perforated and unperforated ''

The destiny of these stamps is related in a suggestion staken from Stamp News:

"Official documents have gone the rounds recently in which the Porturese 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 Thus it is highly improbable that the series issued design being unabated. some years ago will ever be recognized by the authorities. The surcharge will probably consist of the word. 'Nyassa'.'' 7197

Summarizing from these extracts the facts regarding the appearance of the first official issue of Nyassaland (which event occurred in 1897) it may be said: that the current Mozambique types were surcharged "Nyussalli like manner the 1898 issue of Mozambique underwent a surcharging toofulfill the wants (?) of Nyassaland in 1898.

The year 1901 witnessed the issuing of a highly colored pictorial issue of This series I believe too common to need further comment. These stamps were surcharged provisionally in 1903. This, tagether! with one type of Newspaper stamp (issued in 1897 by surcharging a current Mocambique Newspaper stamp), completes the postal issue of Nyassaland.

According to a writer in "Der Philatelist" the postmasters at all of the French Levant offices have the power of making a provisional series at any time when the supply is exhausted by simply surcharging the value 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 refined, 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 large 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 Misner, 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 Berlin Society, and see if anything could be done.

That evening, over one hundred of the flower of Berlin philatelists met and discussed what was to be done. Herr Schroeder, the president of the society, told of his recent loss of a collection of reprints worth \$800, Herr Joynes bewailed the loss of a Confederate cover and a Swiss cantonal, and many others bewailed similar losses. After long and heated 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 doubt was also a collector.

Those who drew the lots commenced a discussion of how they should go at their new and strange task. They finally agreed that they would hide the next day at the houses of the collectors who had suffered the largest losses. They said next 'day,' because the stamps had all disappeared in broad daylight, and in a few instances while the owners were at home

The first day nothing happened, the second day the same: but the third day, as the two men who were watching at the home of Herr Jovnes, saw a servant pass into the collectors study and open some books on his desk. Silently they crept up to the door and watched him, as they had a suspicion that, he did not belong where he was. Then they saw him select two stamps, take them out of the book and carefully 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 him and bore him to the floor, where one held him while the other called the police.

At the police station the two men gave their testimony. The prisoner was then examined, and to the great astonishment of the police and two collectors there stood before them Herr August Misner, supposed magnate and ex-member of the Reichstag, after the wig and false hair had been taken off. He was then locked up and the two collectors hurried with all haste to report to their fellow collectors their success and about Misner.

Misner's home was searched and in it were found, some of the stolen

stamps. When his trial came off, all the collectors testified against him, and he confessed his guilt and gave a full confession.

He really was not German, but an Englishman, and could talk German fluently. He told how he had entered the various houses almost every day, disguised as a servant, and had taken good stamps and had sold them to speculators in London for good sums. He was sent to Potsdam for ten years.

The next evening the collectors of Berlin held a meeting of thanksgiving, as the culprit nin their midst was disposed of, and most of their
mourned for treasures had been returned to thein. The members who had
played detectives were given a vote of thanks, and the next morning the
Berlin papers presented a head line of "The Berlin Philatelists at Last Rid
of Their Stamp Thief."

When Postage Stamps Were a Novelty By Gilbert N. Gunderson

"When postage stamps first came into use." said a veteran postal clerk a reporter of the Galveston Tribune. "the public didn't know how to handle them. You remember how when tea and coffee first appeared among us, the people fried the tea leaves and the coffee berries, and served them with sait and pepper? Well, the people treated their stamps as absurdly in 1854.

"Some folks would put the stamps inside their letters, out of sight. Here is the official notice that we issued to stop that practice."

The clerk took from the drawer an aged bulletin that said:

"The stamps upon all letters and pickages must be affixed on the OUTSIDE thereof, and above the address thereon."

"People would pin the stamps on their letter; instead of gumming them," he continued, "and when they did gum them, they would not do it right. Hence this second bulletin," and he read:

"Persons posting letters should affix 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 off and thereby cause the letters to be treated as unpaid. Do not pin on the stamps."

"Still," said the clerk, "the public didn't understand. Think of it—didn't understand the simple matter of sticking a postage stawp on a letter. So we got out a third bulletin."

It read:

"The simplest and most effectual method of causing stamps to adhere firmly is, first, to moisten well the outside of the stamps and afterward the gummed side slightly, taking care not to remove the gum."

The clerk said that a philatelist had offered him \$12 apiece for these three queer bulletins.

At the time the Pan-American congress was held Brazil issued two commemorative adhesives, somewhat the size of our Columbian series. The central design consists of a large globe. The values and colors of the adhesives thus far seen in this country are the 100 reis carmine and the 200 reis blue.



Questions relative to statips will be answell in this column free of charge to subscribe All questions must be sent to the above addra and a ze stamp must accompany each letter of taining questions. When stamps are sent is examination, return postage must be includbeside the fee above provided for.

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

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314. What's meant by right and left cap on the U. S. 2 cents pink? 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 spoke of is found on the 2 cents of 1890. The left cap (which is the commones) is on the figure 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. caps a both figures (these are rarer than the left cap alone). The cap consists of a small colorless dash on top of and merging into the figure. It is about 112 mm. in length

315. Is there any way to tell the plate number of the English 1 peng by the letters in the four corners when the stamp is cancelled over the number, and is there is more than two of the same plate number in one sheet. The corner letters in the penny 1850 of Great Britain have nothing to with the plate number. They denote the stamp's place in the sheet lift remember, right, the first stamp in the top row and the first stamp in the second row has each two A's and two B's, but in different positions. With the help of these letters whole sheets can be reconstructed.

The plate number is to be found twice on each stamp in the sheet, i. It twice as many times on every sheet as it contains stamps. In some case the plate number is so very indistinct that it can not be seen. The place to look for it is on either side of the frame. The foot of the number is towards the center. It is generally necessary to use a magnifying glass befind it.

316. What does it mean to specialize in stamp collecting?--It does not With some collectors it means to collect the stamp always mean the same. of one country or of one group of countries only. With others it means to collect varieties and minor varieties of stamps. With still others, and these are the most earnest specialists, it means to get as complete a representation of any stamp, issue or series of issues as can be made. This includes catalogued and uncatalogued varieties, used and unused, singles, pairs, strip blocks fand whole sheets with marginal imprints, various cancellation, proofs; essays; reissues, reprints and counterfeits, as well as regular printing. and errors. From ake 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 its Where the average collector keeps but one specimen of a stam the ultra specialist keeps hundreds and thousands—if he can get them. It is this kind of specialized collecting that brings the best results comme cially. It borders on cornering the market or monopolizing, although the is not the primary obbject. Suppose anyone to undertake to specialize on this plant the St. Louis postmaster's stamps. He would purchase not merely one copy each of the 5, 10 and 20 cent values, for the would be very kind of paper, 1 e. some 18 to 36 or 72 stamps in all, and there would be very few left for any other follector, at least of the two farer values. That would cost him many thousands of delibers, because had the stamps of might make his own prices, and there would be no competition against him.

Similar results, though not in so marked a degree, are effected in specializing the 1 penny 1858 of Great Britain mentioned above under query 315. Gibbons catalogues three varieties of color and one of periodition (imperforate, issued at Cardiff, plate 116) and mentions 152 plate numbers in existence. The average collector will be content to have one specimen. The specialist will want at least 152 specimens, or, if used and unlisted are to be included 304, or, if whole sheets of 240 stamps each are to be included 240x301, or if earliest and latest cancellations are to be included 240x301 blus 240x152 etc. etc. One collector attempting one such collection will drain the market considerably, but if he succeeds, he will afterwards have the advantage of the market, as a number of his specimens can not be duplicated by any body, and the numbers of the commoner specimens in the market have been much decreased by his massing them together in his special collection.

317. Are there any stamp papers published in French?—Yes. Le Postillon, Echo de la Tibmrologie. La Revue Francuise, T. Minoulée Timbrologique. Le Moniteur du Collectionneur, La Revue Postale. Pullètin Mensuel de la Maison Th. Champion & Co., (gratis, J'IRevue Philatelique Francaise, Petit Journal Philatelique. Timbrophile de France, Le Burnal des Philatelistes. L'Intermediaire des Cartophiles. Le Collectionneur Universal. L'Annonce Philatelique and others more. Address! Arthur Maury, a Boulevard Montmartre, Paris 9C, France.

318. Are the illustrations in catalogues, albums etc., of exactly the same size as the stamps illustrated?—No. They may be, but they are never reliable in regard to details, because they are in most cases produced by a different process than that by which the stamps themselves are produced. Photographic reproductons, such as accompany Luff's History of the ULS, or the London Society's works, are very nearly exact copies, but even they may slightly differ from the original stamps in size or in some other particular, as for instance, the presence or absence of a fine line or a small dot and the like. In case of zinc etchings or woodcut the difference between original and picture are still greater. Common antotypes also differ more than the fine photogravures.

319. Are surcharges always in exactly the same place on every stamp on which they are found?—No. The intention in many cases, no doubt, is that they should be, but the least error in setting up the type for the surcharge or in feeding the stamp sheets into the surcharging press with easily cause deviations. When stamps are surcharged singly and by hand there is hardly an attempt made to get the overprint always in sexactly their same place and position.

320. What are the points to be considered in judging the genulneness of a surcharge?—Measure the total length of each line; the field thickness of each letter and the spaces between letters and between lines. 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 Some time ago I saw a set of Guam stamps. line of surcharge. the surcharge consists of four letters only GUAM. The letters were apparntly of the right type, but the ink was too pale, nearly grey instead of black, and the direction of the line was such that, if the other nine surcharges 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 printery, 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 stamps that appear as unused are not washed 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 perforated 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. It were surcharged, and yet you find such a copy used or unused, you may know by the wrong perforation that the surcharge Finally, in case of used stamps, note the date of the cancellation and see that it agrees with the time in which the surcharged stamps were In short, note everything.

How do prices of surcharged stamps compare with those of surcharge?-We may compare them in several respects. stamps without Whenever the number of stamps issued without surcharge is greater than the number with surcharge, the latter are higher in price. Example: S. 2c 1895 unused (3c), the same surcharged Guam (20c.) Example to the Italy 30c 1879 used, \$1.00 (very few were used), the same surcharged 20c used, price 2 cents (the greater part of the issue was surcharged and so used. 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 stamps with and without surcharge. Heretofore both kinds were very nearly equal in fluctuation and stability. If for some reason collectors generally would exclude the one or the other kind, so that the relations between supply and demand were altered, then, of course, the price of the excluded kind would drop. As a rule the supply of surcharged stamps, these being provisionals of short 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 are not surcharged but very few of the surchaged stamps can be bought at wholesale at the same low figures as quite a number of common stamps with-As an investment no valid rule can be given for the two out surcharge. kinds of stamps. Each stamp must be studied as to its particular supply and demand, and counterfieits must be avoided, condition noted etc.

A series of adhesives has recently been issued for Dominican Republic 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; 5c blue and black; 10c violet and black; 20c green and black; 50c brown and black, and the I peso, which is printed in purple and black.

Philippine Provisional Revenues

By Oscar T. Hartman

During the latter part of 1898 and possibly 1899 some of the Spanish issues for the Phililpine Islands were provisionally dissued by the U.S. government for customs and Int. Rev. purposes.

It is hard to describe the respective stamps without a cut of same but most of the WEST readers have seen the common enough blue Cuba revenue. The Phillipine timbre mobil is of the same design except FILAPAS instead of Cuba on the upper line. I have met provisional surcharges on Giro, Sello, Timbre Mobil and Tagos al Estado. They are countersigned by American government clerks with red ink. Using some abbreviations of their respective name and applied to each stamp. I have the name and signatures of some of these clerks but shall not give them here but that they are correct I am certain. They were used in Manilla in 1898-99. The dates of use I have are 29 Dec. 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 surcharged 1898 U. S. Internal Revenue, forming 3 ilnes. The surcharge is very crude and found in all 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 in red ink, I have only the 25 c. de peso, carmine dated 3, 4 and 9 Januay 99. Of the Gorro I have personally one in my possession. They were countersigned or surcharged U. S. Int. Revenue.

Of the Tagos al Estado I have 4. Originally they' represented a sheet with the stamp printed in one corner with the arms of Spain embossed in white in the center of the stamp. The 5 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 you find in blue ink applied with rubber stamp following stamp:

The date on cancellation is blurred.

All I can make out is Internal Revenue
Office. The second issue has 1901 only
in the center. Here I have the date March 8, 1901.

U. S. Military Government 1900—1901 Internal Revenue

Taking the regular issue of U. S. Int. Rev. and some of the Sello values 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 use very long. The values represented are 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50 cent, 1 and 2 peso. The first issue is surcharged Customs The 2d issue. Customs in a double lined square.

The 3d has customs and Stamp Service.

My article is only a brief endeavor of a field so little known and my hope is that I can interest a few to study the U.S. Provisional issue of the Philippines before it is too late.

Postmaster General Cortelyou has issued an order that on and after Nov. 1, letters originating in New Zealand and prepaid by postage stamps at the rate of 1 penny, or 2 cents, for each half-ounce will be delivered to addresses in the United States.



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Desames recibir esemplares de cambio de las publicaciones filatelicas estranjeres a la adresse enseguida. R.R. Thiele, Wauwatosa, Wis.U.S.A.

No. 8-9 (double number) of the Philatelisten Zeitung has an interesting article on the purely imaginary "cancellations" used by so many an impecunious state for cancelling the remainders of the stamps before selling them 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 collectors 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 five stars, are cancelled to order: the obliteration is to make them appear postally used. The first (arms) set of Guatemala, the quezal sets and the Indian set of the same country are often found cancelled with a star or with a postmark bearing the figures 38 between curved lines. The stamps are genuine remainders, but the stamps are fancy productions, mostly hailing from Hamburg. Remainders of the Spanish issues for Cuba, Puerto Rico and the Phillipines are often treated to a fancy postmark consisting of a rectangle of dots, in three lines on each side, with a star in the center, also a very large star. The large numeral issues of Mexico are often found bearing the cancelled-to-order postmark of ECATZINGO, a small town in the state of Mexico: I have some values in entire sheets with this cancellation. Some reprints of the earlier issues of Paraguay are fortified 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. Peruvian surcharged stamps-arms, triangle, Bermudez-are found with fancy obliterations which are direct forgeries; look out especially for one of them, a very largi circular one, which bears the name of the office spelled . TRUJILO (with one L) instead of TRUJILLO (with two L's). is another state whose stamps are depreciated by fake cancellations. CONTRASELLO surcharge on the early issues has been extensively forged and then the forgeries are "cancelled" with a star or with the word FRAN-CO in large letters or FRANCA in an oblong octagon. All issues of Samoa, especially also the notorious reprints, are found with a fake postmark, a double circle 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. reprints of Heligoland are often "postmarked" with a datestamp showing month and day, but no year. These are only a few of the cancelled-to-order stamps current in the market: young collectors would do well to steer shy of such stuff, 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 I kilogram was lowered to 30 oere with July 1st; hence the need of this value. As a new set is in preparation, it was not thought advisable to same this value in the old type; hence 400,000 of the remaining 7sk, stamps of 1872 were suscharged.

So many 2 pf. cards of the German Empire were left in private tands when the rates were altered lately, that it has now been permitted to have them reimpressed with a 3pf. stamp in large lots. They will thus been two impressed stamps; the 2pf. stamp, however, will probably be carded in connection with the second impression. I haven't as yet seen a specimen.

Le Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste announces in No. 311 that Italy is about to issue a 25c stamp in the new type, also 5 and 10c, type not mentioned. The new domestic reply card was to be issued in September in an entirely new design, showing the King in profile in imitation of a bas-relief; a peculiarity is that the card will no longer consist of two parts at 7½ centesimi each, but that the message card will bear a 5c stamp in green and the reply half one of 10c in red.

The same paper learns the following from a Brazilian paper of June 30th: "The Brazilian government has ordered a new set of postage stamps in the United States; their manufacture has been entrusted to the American Bank Note Co. of New York. The new stamps will be placed in circulation after Nov, 15th next; they will bear the portrait of the new president and the other stamps used for official mail will bear the portraits of the members 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 Charles is represented 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 like."

You know how much the Semeuse design of France has been 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 took 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 Exhibition is still agitating the European press and arguments pro and contra the justice of its awards are still occupying much noom in the papers, not only in those of Britain, but those of the Continent also. Thus No. 12 of the Berliner Briefmarken Zietung contains a long defense of the exhibition committee and of the jury against unjust 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 collections. No doubt most American collections are likewise mere gatherings of pictures compared with the prominent British collections, though a few of us are beginning to leave the old paths and arrange our stamps on more scientific lines. An interesting 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 revival of general collecting, because the great specialized collections discourage the average general collector and thus bring about a general fall 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 find no takers. I fully coincide with this view and believe myself that there is three times the pleasure in a modest general collection which gives one a view of the whole field than in one of these narrowly confined specialized collections.

The split provisionals of Bavaria lately described in these pages as emanating from the small Bavarian office of Elmstein last winter have now been officially investigated and shown to be fakes procured by collusion of a philatelist with some official.

Dr. D. von Biasini begins in this number of the B. B. Z. an exhausting 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 me hand at the Colonial office, Berlin, is to be sold out.

Some varieties of surcharge have been discovered in the eagle type issue of German East Africa. I note them here for the information of our readers, lest they should think them forgeries. The 3 pesa on 5 pf. surcharge normally measures $15\frac{1}{4}$ mm., but it has also been found measuring $16\frac{1}{4}$ mm, but it and $14\frac{1}{4}$ mm.; the latter also with the first 3 too near the P or with the second 3 too near the A; the 5 pesa on 10 pf. also occurs measuring $16\frac{1}{4}$ mm. instead of the normal $15\frac{1}{4}$.

The Russian 3½ and 7 rouble stamps will now become cheap as for a 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 retically laid paper instead of horizontally laid; the latter has at once taken a enormous jump in value. Of the vertically laid only 1000 copies were sent to China so far.

No. 45-46 of Friedl's Briefmarken-Offertenblatt has an interesting article on some recent Austrian varieties. The 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 and 20 heller are found with lacquer bars and black numeral, perforated 10½, the 2 heller also perforated 9. The latter variety is already quoted at \$18. The 1 and 1 heller with white corners and lacquer bars are found perforated 9½ (quoted at \$7.50), and the current 2, 3–5 and 6 heller without lacquer bars are found perforated 9-9½ (quoted at \$2.50-5.00 each). Now get out your perforation guages.

If Emperor Francis Jospeh lives until 1908 he will celebrate the diamond 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 in taken charge of the designs and 40,000 kronen have been appropriated prizes for the successful designs. The stamps are to be produced partly by typography, partly in line engraving. The 2 heller stamp is to bear in portrait of Charles V., while other values are to bear the portraits of other prominent rulers of the house of Habsburg.

The West-End Philatelist in No. 30 begins a supplement to Mr. Poole

book on Sarawak. Six pages of additional matter form the first installment. It is surprising how much there is to be learned even about so comparatively insignificant a stamp-issuing country as Sarawak. Liwould, by the way, most cordially recommend to my readers the little book just mentioned; they will find it 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 United States have seen the excellent catalogue of these now running as a supplement in Morley's Philatelic 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 Caifornia.

I quote from No.7 of Le Journal des Philatelistes as follows

"If we may believe the Journal des Debats the days of the negro republic of Liberia are numbered. We read there, in effect, that the financial situation of this republic is far from flourishing and has thus led in England to a proposal to create a chartered company whose seat would be at London and at Monrovia and which, under the form of a loan, would take upon itself the debt of the republic. As guarantee of the bans 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 in the British East Africa Protectorate and whose experience would thus be employed in this enterprise."

The news is not altogether improbable and from such an administration 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 United States, we would probably not permit the republic 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 had a good collection of my own and many duplicates of the commoner kinds. One evening the boy was looking over my collection and expressed a wish for several of my stamps. I presented him with half a dozen duplicates of Mexican stamps upon which he departed. About an hour afterwards he came back looking very downcast and said: "Those stamps you gave me a int no good," "Why, how so!" I exclaimed. The lad produced one and pointing to the Spanish words Un Real on it said. "Don't you 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 unfurled. The stamp bears these inscriptions: "Barbadoes": "One-penny postage revenue"; the dates 1605-1905, and the name of the sailing ship.

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By Arnold L. Nell

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The Junior Stamp Club of Denver will shortly be organized: this club, which has been organized almost wholly through the efforts of C. M. Snyder and H. A. Davis secretary of the Denver Stamp Club, will fill a longfelt want want in Denver stampdom. When the Denver stamp club was organized, there were many collectors who wanted to join but were barred because of applicants having to be over 18 years of age; these will now be able to join the Junior Club, which will probably be run along the same lines as the Denver Stamp Club. Denver has set an example of which she is justly proud, and of which other cities should be envious; no other city less than twice the size of Denver can boast of as large and well attended a stamp club as Denver, and as far as we know no other city in the U. S. of a Junior stamp club. Now get to work Chicago, Cincinnatti, Washington and all the rest.. organize your stamp clubs, follow the example Denver has set you and help advertise philately and encourage sociability among collectors in your town.

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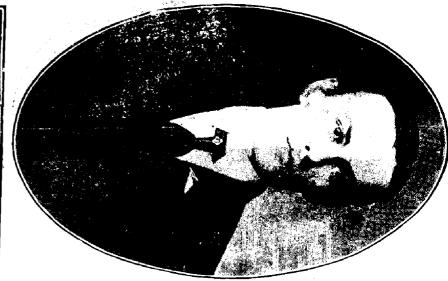


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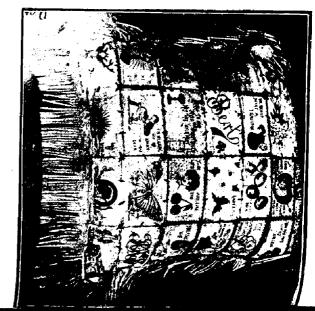
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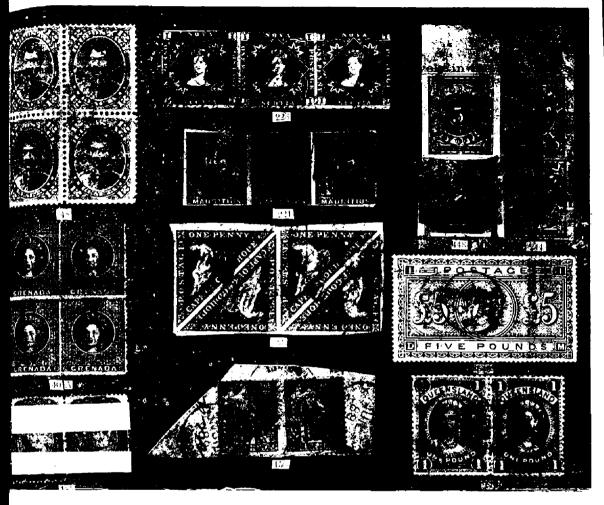
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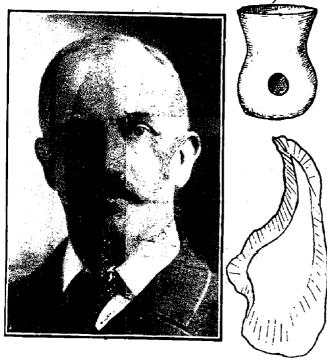


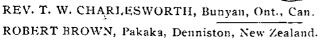
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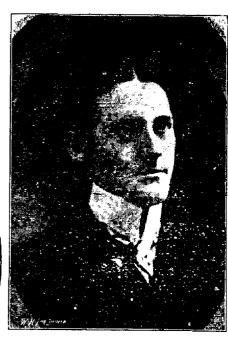
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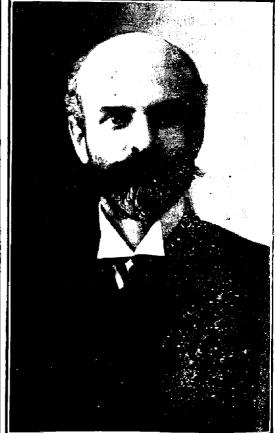


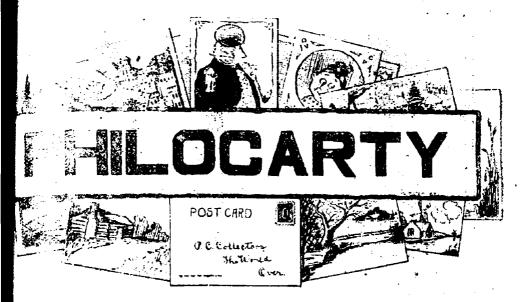




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Post Card Collectors and the "Back Stamp" By Chester C. Wells

Arriation of growing annoyance to post card-collectors is the "back camp", is it is known in post office circles. Cards, when received, are repeated cancelled on the back, or picture side, and this procedure practically raises the card for a collection. In large cities of about 500,000 or over, the practice is not, as a rule, followed, but in the smaller ones, where post offices do not have sufficient help, lit is said that practically no attention is said to the matter. The result is that the collecting of souvenir post cards about to be without pleasure and consequently often discontinued.

It is with this state of affairs, that as members of the vast army of post card to become those interested must unite and do something. Listen—ustand are from the Post Master General at Washington in regard to this ballow are as follows: "Postmasters are forbidden to backstamp postals and post are is on the side intended for the communication. The backstamp must a made only on the side intended for the address, and so as not to make with the address." Ruling 409, page 100, Postal Guide for landar income.

The work may the first Assistant Postmaster General, for us call upon our local parameter, in case our cards are ruined in this way, and see what he has to have. This is about the drift of the answers which will greet our lavestigation: "well, of course you understand postal cards and post cards (postals are only Uncle Sam's and post cards are those of individuals) when they make to us are supposed to be separated and done up in different packages, the addresses all upward. Of course in this case, the backstamp is either emitted or printed on the address side of the card. It is those which the come intersperced among the letters which are cancelled on the back. We have not the time to turn these over, consequently the Postmaster General's order is. I am sorry to say, sometimes disregarded."

Now then, let us consider the post card collector's side of the story it appears to the writer that he has everything in his argument. In the

first place, the ruling already quoted, gives him the legal right to receive souvenir cards through the mail without having them so badly damaged at to make them worthless. Again, looking at the matter from a common sense standpoint, the government is foolish to discommode the collection of these cards. We find that the post office department can furnish a one cent stamp to carry a card cheaper than a postal card to carry the same message; that postals were always found fairly profitable by the department; that now these same messages are multiplied tenfold, consequently the department is making a good sum of mony carrying them; lastly, hundreds of manufacturing houses are given existence by making this much demanded souvenir, consequently, many men given employment, 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 effect that an important and interesting experiment is being tried by the postoffee department with a view not only to the saving of expense but to the economizing of time. It is the elimination of the use of what is technically known as the back stamp on letters. This is the stamp which indicates to the recipient of a letter the precise time of its arrival in the delivering office from the sending point.

For about six months the experiment has been made in the Chicago postoffice with very satisfactory results. The services of about thirty clerks have been saved and the time of the delivery of the letter to the addressee from the hour of its arrival in Chicago office has been reduced from 20 minutes to as high as two hours.

It is proposed now to try the experiment in New York, Roston, Jersey City, Washington and perhaps in some other large postorfices. If it should be as successful as it has been in the Chicago office the use of the back stamp probably will be eliminated entirely.

The idea of thus saving time and expense is that of First Assistant Postmaster General Frank H. Hitchcock and it was at his instance that the experiment was made. Thus far not a complaint has been received from the Chicago office about the leaving off of the back stamp. Postoffice officials realize the importance of the stamp at times, but the belief among them is growing that the value of the saving of time and expense in its elimination outweighs that of its use.

Missouri Roads of Petrified Timber. Edward Voeiters, of No. 3952 Lee Avenue, St. Louis, says Kiel, Mo., sixty eight miles south of St. Louis, is probably the only neighborhood, in that state at least, where the roads for miles and miles are made of petrified wood. While our the farm of his father-in-law, Henry Lohmeyer. Mr. Voelters picked up a number of specimens of what he believes to be petrified wood and petrified snakes and plants. He says the country all around there is rich in such specimens "In many places," Mr. Voelters said to a reporter, "the petrified plants trees and snakes can be seen while passing in a wagon. In other places branches and trunks of trees appear after a little digging. The soil is fettile, but it is only about six to twelve feet deep. It appears as though everything there was once petrified and covered in time with layers of soil."

Modern Superstitions in Egypt

There is much talk just now in Egypt about the widespread idea amongst the native population that a talisman in the shape of an amulte is still as in old times, healing and protecting from the evil influence of supernatured beings. Amulets are employed to protect man, or his possessions, such as cattle, houses, etc., from the evil influence of witches, demons, and other mischievous powers likely to be encountered, or to counteract misfortune, illness and damage of various kinds.

The use of amulets is very extensive. An amulet itself, it appears, might consist either of an article inscribed with the name of God, with a passage from the Koran, or the like, or the root of some herb, or a bone of some animal. Grains of wheat wrapped in leather with an inscription, some serve as amulets.

The most frequent form of amulets, however, is a small metal plate suitably 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 amulet would sometimes be placed in a hollow stick, and would be all the more efficacious, because no one would suspect its presence. It is a kind of concealed weapon. In short, there are approved amulets and amulets not approved; a distinction made likewise as the amuler makers. Besides the common people, in daily life, so called physicians in their professional practice also use amulets, which is thought to banish the demon causing the ailment if his name is written upon. By the use of these talismans, paralysis, eye and ear ailments, rheumatism and other ailments are thought to be cured. By its means, the sea could be crossed dry-shod, springs of water found, the love of a woman or a man secured and retained, etc.

Mr Robert J. Zara of Cairo, Egypt, has given much of his time to this very interesting branch of Egyptian curios and collectors wishing to add to their cabinet specimens of these amulets or other curios from oriental counties, would do well to drop a line to him and he will be very glad to give any information to those interested in Egypt and its wonders.

HOLIDAY POST CARDS TO BE THE RAGE.

The biggest hit of the biggest craze in recent years promises to be the lines of holiday post cards now being put out by a few enterprising manufacturer's and which already are being put in stock by up-to-date novelty stores and stationers. These cards present many beautiful designs appropriate to the holiday season and contain the greetings which friends, relatives and business associates like to exchange at Christmas and New Years. remembers friend by post card while making a little journey, why not also at the holiday season? It is a sensible idea and the sentiment behind it is as fine and sweet as that which moves people to purchase more costly presents. We have instituted a national movement for a sane Fourth of Why not, fellow citizens-ye who suffer from the annual assault on the family pocket book at Christmas time-make a move for a same Chistmas and educate people to exchange their love at the end of the year upon a beautiful yet inexpensive post card, instead of in terms of gold plate and sterling silver, cut glass and other expensive art goods that keep the old man broke the first half of the succeeding year? Hurrah for the sane Christmus and the holiday post card. It pays to took up Post Card ads in the WEST.

St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society



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Due to the coincidence of the meeting night of the Society and the Veiled Prophet's Annual jollification, the forty third regular meeting was postponed until Oct. 9. Called to order on that date at accustomed time and place. President Diamant in the chair. Present were Messrs. Boisseller, Cornwall, Diamant, Higson, Hopkins, Kunz, Myers, Patschke, Schellhom, Sfack, Stockbarger.

Messrs. Hoisselier and Slack were appointed members Governing Board. Final arrangements—were made for Banquet to be held at Lippes' Oct. 16, 7:15 p. m. and a highly enjoyable evening is anticipated.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Hopkins the members were permitted to view St. Louis Circuit. No. 1 A. P. A. Exchange Department which contained a brilliant 'array of U. S. revenues, the new Panama surcharges and single C. A. British Colonia's. This display opened the way for a number of warm discussions relative to the status of Panamas and British Colonia's in the new catalogue and the alarming increase in minor varieties in the new issues.

Messrs. C. E. Hussman, 34 N. Main St., City, and J. L. Hoskinson, Lunnton, Oregon, were elected to membership thus bringing our number up to thirty eight-almost without exception, active and all enthusiastic "rooters" for "St. Louis in 1908."

Respectfully, Chester Myers, Secy.

The first annual banquet of the St. Louis Stamp Collectors' Society was held October 16, in the "Chapel" at Lippe's with the following nineteen members present:

Dr. Paul Baer, R. Boisselier, Wallace Delatield, Jr., H. A. Diamant, John A. Francisco, Dr. J. W. Higson, S. B. Hopkins, J. H. Humes, H. H. Kung, O. J. Kunz, Chas. Lindenschmit, Carl Lindenschmit, Chester Myers, Otto Patzschke, J. Ruedi, G. Schellhorn, W. A. Sisson, Fred Slack, T. B. Willard.

The menu was unique, the various courses being described in stamps terms, thus making it an interesting souvenir which will be carefully preserved by all as a reminder of this highly enjoyable event.

Plans were discussed for bringing St. Louis "To the Front" philatelically foremost among which was the proposed establishment of a local branch of the American Philatelic Association.

Toasts, letters from absent members, and informal discussions prolonged the meeting to a late hour, when the merrymakers, (all the more joyous and merry by reason of the splendid repast and excellent music), voted the evening a howling success.

This society organized in January 1905 has grown rapidly and steadily until today boasts of a membership of thirty eight. Its meetings every other Tuesday evening in the rooms of the Manufacturers Association are largely attended and are devoted to the advancement of the hobby: "Stamp Story Swapping"; the trading and selling of duplicates and general discussions.

The Roster of Officers and Members, 1906, and the Menu were minted on antique deckle edge paper. The Menu was as follows to him when

Cocktail, Manhattan, New York, 1845 issue; Caviar, Multiple Surcharge: Blue Points, On Half Original Cover; Consomme, Original Gumebo, in Benzine Cup; Fish, Watermarked Variety; Croquettes, Special Issues All remainders; Punch, Official Cancellation: Squab, Pigeon Post with Split Provisional Peas: Salad, Combination, Mixture Guaranteed Unassorted; Ice Cream. Bi-colored and Cut to Shape; Coffee, Bisected; Cheese, Part Perforated: Cigars. Inverted Scenters: Wines, Early issues, Variety, of Shades. Laid caper napkins Plates numbered 1 to 38.

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(twing to my leaving Montreal I will find it necessary to resign as Secyfreas. to C. P. S. Any mail that has been sent to 995 St. Urbain St. will e forwarded and will be handed over to my successor. I will hand over all ooks, cash, etc. to the president, Mr. O. M. Barwick. I regret, I could not old the secretaryship until my successor was appointed, but my move was mexpected.

Wishing the C. P. S. every success I remain

Yours very truly, F. B. Archer, Secly-Treas. and a

Explorations made at an old Toltec pyramid on the Magueyits. Hacienda, In the State of Pueble, Mexico, have disclosed the fact that the structure as built of clay bricks which proved to be far older than the Aztec monichy, and possibly even older than the Toltec occupation of the country.

Historical Notes from Philadelphia

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One of the last collections of Lincoln relics in the country, belonging to Major William H. Lambert, of Germantown, Pa., was destroyed by in last June. Miss Lambert, the major's nineteen year old daughtre, the only member of the family in the house, was awakened by the smoke and senting the alarm.

The firemen quickly subdued the blaze, but not until the Lincoln may was completely ruined and other parts of the building slightly damage, including over 2000 volumes in the main library.

The Lincoln Museum in which the fire started was a large room opening out from the spacious library. The major, who is an ardent and enthusiash admirer of Lincoln had built the addition to his handsome residence express for the purpose of holding his collection.

Among the priceless relics of the martyr president destroyed was abid 1000 volumes of Lincoln's own library. his private desk, and 3 chairs can belonging to him, more than 500 books treating of Lincoln's career as several hundred manuscripts written by him and also a collection of original manuscripts by Thackery. Beside these were also a number of valuable pictues, oil paintings, etchings, etc., all valuable and of the greatest his toric interest.

All collectors will sympathize with Mr. Lambert in his misfortune-th loss of a magnificent collection—the prey of insatiable flames which have late played great havor with several other historical collections.

On June 23 a miscellaneous collection of valuable books, Franklings other prints. Civil War and Indian Relics—mostly prehistoric stone importants—were sold at Dairs and Harvey's auction rooms, and brought supply small prices.

Some of the relics sold included a rare first edition of Poe's "Talest the Grotesque and Arabesque," in two volumes, which was bought by William J. Campbell for \$27 a volume. He also obtained two curse Franklin imprints for \$9 and \$6.75 respectively.

A candlestick, once the property of Benjamin Franklin was bought a representative of the Valley Forge Commission for only \$2.25. It will added to the collection of relics at the historic battlefield. This interest relic was presented to Franklin by General Washington who gave it we secretary, Tobias Lear.

A fine folio map of the "Encampment of the Convention Army at Collective lotteville, Va.," was bought by Major Joseph G. Rosengarten for \$4.25.

The Indian Relics I am not well enough posted on to enumerate they went at ridiculously low prices.

Much interest has been manifested in historical circles in ye olde Qualified over the publication of a letter in the "Public Ledge," of June regarding the exposure of a fake Paul Jones Relic in the collection of Rell lutionary Relics in Independence Hall. The letter is enclosed and is explanatory and the only comment necessary being that Mr. Grim'n is to congratulated on his exposure of the fake, which will doubtless be relabled.

There are many such wrongly labeled relics in collections as well as other fake relics, the most common here is probably articles reputed to be made from wood of the famous Treaty Elm, under which William Penn signed his unbroken treaty with the Indians.

The Souvenir Post Card By D. Donaldson

Did 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, Just a card to tell her how, Lovey dovey is progressing, "How is Tootsey Wootsy now?"

Now some busy corporation Tells the membership to meet, That they fully may consider, How the many rivals beat.

Now a gathering or social In a most informal way. Has its bids sent out on post cards, Telling 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 aprolling, Some one started things along, and By the forming of post cards clubs, To which collectors belong.

And altho its not long started, Central Souvenir and Post Card Exchange.

Is right there with all the others, Has the very largest range.

So if you ever think of joining,
Any card club in the lot.

Please remember just the Central,
When the others you've forgot.

FIND ANCIENT STONE IMAGE.

Spokane, Oct. 15.—Workmen engaged in excavating for a railroad near Underwood. Wash., recently uncovered a stone image which is believed to be the product of a race antedating the Indans. The image was uncovered at a depth of over twenty-five feet, and was embedded in eighteen feet of gravel from the top of which had been removed several feet of rock.

In appearance the image suggests an unknown animal, half sheep and half dog, with the horns of the former and some physical features of the latter. The figure has been carved out of the hard basalt rock found along the Columbia river and is as hard as iron. In height the figure is about two feet, but originally probably was taller, as it evidently has been broken off at the bottom.

While some think that the image is the work of Indians who formerly camped in great numbers near the spot where it was found, geologists and others who have examined it say that its antiquity is so great that it undoubtedly antedates the Indians, and the fact that it is made of stone is also an indication that it is not of Indian workmanship, as the figures made by them were, without exception, carved from wood. It is believed that the figure was that of a god worshipped by some prehistoric tribe which inhabited this region.—Pioneer Press.

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CENTRAL SOUVENIR & LEATHER POST CARD CLUB, MONTHLY CONTESTS.

The Prizes are Valuable.

Earn Post Card Money.

The Central has decided to give a prize contest each month. Only 'Central' members can take place. 'Join the Central' and earn money. All material must reach the Lincoln by 5th of each month so it can be placed in deciding committee hands. The following prizes are offered this month.

- 1. For the best story (short to the point) regarding card collecting \$1.00 cash.
- 2. For the best poem (short to the point) regarding, what, can be learned from post cards \$1.00 worth of beautiful post cards.
 - 3. To anyone getting 25 members at 35c each by December 10th, will

be given a collection of the 45 State Capitols (a) wice).

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT.

The next number of the West which will contain the annual report of the "Central" will be a special 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 consider this a small report 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 each, postage free. They are nice neat pins. An order will be sent in Nov 1 so send your money today to the Central Souvenir Card Club, P. O. 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. Many collect ribbon badges to make pillows and button badges to attach to pillows and curtains.

PINS AND PENNANTS.

Many like pennants to decorate rooms, halls, etc., 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 COURT SHIP

Jack Delbert sauntered into the post office and leisurely opened his box. "More of those infernal cards," he exclaimed.

"O I almost wish that I had not joined that Central Souvenir Carl Club, I only joined last week and here I have over one hundred already. But still" 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-five states, besides a score of foreign cards.

"Let's see who some of these are from," he continued glancing over the hand full of cards, "Here's one from a fellow in Australia, another from Greece Rome, Athens and Paris,—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, Lyons, Kentucky, Um hum. Clara Rosedale—that sounds familiar. By Jove, well I should say it ought to, why, I was engaged to that girl once; duecedly 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.

"Oh Jack," she exclaimed, "I have the invitations all out on Illustrated post cards and mailed one to each member of the "Central" you know we all treat each other with great politeness.

Jack replied, so this is the end of the post card courtship.

"CHRISTMAS CONTEST."

Here's a chance for every post card collector to earn a nice Christma present free. On December 15 we will award the following prizes:

To the one having sent in the largest list of new members since Arg. 1st, a Eastman Camera, worth \$10 00.

To the one sending the next largest list, a Eastman Camera, worth \$5.00.

To the one sending the third largest list, a solid gold signet ring, initial engayed, worth \$5.00.

To the one getting as many as 25 new members and not winning a prize, we will give a beautiful scarf or stud pin, 14k gold mounting, worth at wholesale \$2.50.

If the winners do not care for the articles offered as prizes, will allow them to select any other article of equal value.

Will say that the first prize requires 75 members at least, second prize 35 third prize 30. We have to do this because the club cannot afford to give a \$10.00 camera away for 30 or even 60 new members.

Will send application blanks to you on request. Whether you are a member 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 blanks or by postcard, as it is likely to be overlooked among the letters.

As we are just starting this column, will also ask members to send card to those having birthdays in September.

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 6, Mrs. H. W. Kistner, 682 Dixon Ave., Detroit, Mich. Sept. 23. Richard II. McLaughlin, Box 221. Cheboygen, Mich. Sept. 10, Merle McManigell, 1315 K St., Lincoln, Nebr.

A POST CARD PARTY.

A certain young lady in Chicago, planned and successfully carried out a most novel entertainment for her friends. The invitations were sent out on postcards in blue and white with Dutch figures. The appointed night found a merry crowd of young people with just enough mystery in the air to promise a very jolly eventing.

The guests were seated four at a table and each one was given a blank just card and a pencil and told to either sketch or describe an original post card, and prizes were to be given out to the one who designed the most clever and original post card. At the given signal each guest sketched an original card, and a clever selection they were.

A young lady won first prize with a post card entireld these cupid cut any ice with you?" which depicted Cupid chopping a block of ice in the center of which was a heart. The reflection of a bachelor portraying a man smoking a pipe and looking into a mirror won first prize among the men.

In one corner of the room was a miniature post office, with a dainty ittle 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 box on the top of which the words 'post card' were formed by tiny electric lights. From this box narrow ribbons of different colors found their way to each plate. The guests were told to pull the ribbons and 'prsto' a beautiful post card appeared at the other end of the ribbons.

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A few designs have been received in the emblem contest but not enough of them, to satisfy us so the contest is still open. Send in your designs as we

want to get a good emblem to use as our trade mark.

Our Vice President, Miss Hetty K. Baum is the winner of the 5 leather cards for getting the largest number of new membres last month. We again offer 5 leather cards to the member getting the most new members during November.

We have a complaint against No. 36 about not answering cards sent him. We would like this matter adjusted or on second complaint he will

be expelled.

Don't forget the prizes we give for getting new members, in addition

to the special prize of 5 leather cards.

We have a special offer for any of the members who wish to start a local branch in their city, as described in the bylaws. Write for particular.

In the list of members following please note the change of address of

Nos. 2, 8, 13, 28.

The following, members are hereby reminded that their memberships expire this month and they should renew at once. 50c is the renewal fee and includes a year's membership and subscription to the official organ. Here are the members' numbers: 21, 25, 26, 29, 37, 7.

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The old Itish coin coined in 1805 is one of the most peculiar coins in the world. On one side is the harp of Erin, the date of minting and the worl, Hibernia. On the reverse side is a picture of George III., with his Latin title. The copper from which the coin was made is of a very light color, and unlike copper coins in America, the 1805 piece has a milled edge.



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

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 Tungsten Company and will have an office in Pittsburg and one in Gardiner.

The minerals carrying tungsten at this locality are scheelite and wolframite. The deposits are found in several extensive ledges. Tungsten has proven of great value in hardening steel and also makes vegetable fiber freproof. Its use has been heretofore limited by high price and comparative scarcity. The metal, when made in the electric furnace and analyzing % to 99 per cent, is worth \$1.25 a pound or \$2.500 a ton. Deposits have formerly been found in Canada. New Zealand, Australia, Spain and Great Britain. There is a much greater demand for the metal in Europe than in America and the exports have therefore been heavy. Steel manufactures are very cautious just at present in using tungsten in their wares, for the reason that they do not wish the general public to become acquainted with tungsten steel. After a consumer has used this latter steel, he naturally would not care to return to a use of inferior goods.

A report from Thermopolis. Wyoming, conveys the fact that Ton Meyers and J. A. Johns recently made an important discovery of manganese ore in the south spur of the Big Horn mountains. The ore runs from thirty five to forty two per cent, and is considered very rich. Even though the owners will have a long wagon hau! to get their product to the railroad, it is understood the mine will pay from the start, the ore uncoverred in development being sufficiently rich to pay all expenses.

Practically all the nickel ore mined in North America is obtained from the vicinity of Sudbury. Ontario, Canada — The annual output has increased very rapidly in the last two or three years. The existence of the ore has been known for over fifty years, but only recently has the development of the various properties received the attention it deserved. The annual production s now about 5,000 tons, but up to the present only about 50,000 tons.

have been mined altogether. This fact gives us an idea of the small quantity: The mined, in comparison with from copper, tin, and others.

nerite and granite. The one beds have evidently segregated from the rock wither molten, though they may have undergone later greatrangement.

Note has first discovered in the Wallace mine at Sudbury. In 1846. Subsequent very little development was done, until the Canadian Pacific railmay and penetrated that region. In ten years from the opening of the road, after these now operated were located. The famous Creighton mine was opened in dairy, 1900. It is by far the largest in the district, and from the tery beginning of operations has produced large quantities of almost pure suppliedes with little or to backy admixtible. The mine is owned by the Canadian Copper Company. The equipment allows for a production of between 500 and 600 tons of ore per day. Improved processes of smelting have tended to increase the poduction of nickel of late years.

About all of the available supply of nickel in the world now comes from the Sudbury mines and those of New Caledonia. Ores of nickel are more evenly and abundantly distributed over the world than is generally supposed, but only in a very few countries are the deposits of such dimensions as to warrant their development as working mines. Nickel takes a high polish and is generally attributed with good wearing qualities.

THE POST CARD.

Stand for a few minutes in the lobby of the postoffice at any time while the state fair crowds are in town, and you will see some one address a picture post card representing a Lincoln scene and drop it in the letter chute. What was ten years ago an innovation in Germany and supposedly a passing fad at that time, has first conquered Europe, then Surban American and In the summer season who does not receive at least now raral America. once a week a picture post card from some itinerant friend? Travellers find their cameras unnecessary, for any scene worthy photographing can be had at the local book store beautifully 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 magazine writer recently complained that his friends abroad no longer write him the old time lovely long letters, but mail him post cards instead. Of course there is that loss with the gain, but the The picture post card is the ready made clothes, the times are inexorable. canned goods 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 1.200,000,000 picture post cards. A strike of employees of the French postoffice, owing to the extra demands upon their efforts of a flood of picture post cards was narrowly averted last year. These little essons in geography and biography have not yet overwhelmed the American postonice, but the school bell has but just now rung American politics sees its opportunity .- Lincoln, Nebr., Paper.

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PRESDENT'S MESSAGE.

To the Members of The Southern Philatelic Association:

In conformity with article 6 of our Constitution, I hereby appoint Mr. R L Deak of New Bedford, Ohio, Secretary-Treasurer to fill the vacancy causel through the death of our late Secretary-Treasurer, W. P. Kelley.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

New Bedford, Ohio. Oct. 12, 1906.

Fellow Members S. P. A.

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At the request of several officers and members of this society I have consented to assume the duties of this office and do all in my power to raise it from its state of weakness to where it stood some years in the past. Surely we can gather up the remnants of S. P. A. and form them into society which will be of a benefit to the philatelic fraternly. I am sorry to says that amy report is far from what I would wish to make it, due to all records being very incomplete. Our late Secretary (Mr. Kelley) has left all records very incomplete. There are no records of any dues paid for 1906 and furthermore no spancial statement as to the standing of the society and w to the presentatime can be found on record. Have received no finances from the Kelley family. I hope to be able to report more definitely 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 group of officers for the coming year. This society has been wanting in officers for some time in the past, and I only hope that we may soon be equipped with a full corps of officers

SEND YOUR NOMINATIONS AT ONCE, since our members are so scattered we can not hold a convention this year but will be forced to reply

upon a mail election.

DUES ARE PAYABLE FOR 1907.

I hope every member will kindly assist in pushing this society to the front and causing the name S. P. A. to shine as a Beacon Light to Philately in the future as in the past, and in order to do so we need your support both from a financial standpoint and in securing new members. Kindly favor me with your 25c which pays you dues till Dec. 1907.

We hope that by Feb. 1907 all the departments will be in working order deglast.

Give us your assistance at once, by favoring us with your dues and nominations. c16% 1.5

图oiling to hear from you all. I am.

Fraternally yours, R. L. Doak.

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Geo. Clement,

Dear Members:—Members 11, 2, 15, have left for parts unknown so do not send any cards to them until further notice. We are combined with the Clement Philatelic League and the Rochester Philocartic Society and everything points to success.

The competition for the gold medal stands as follows: A sign of the Geo. Celment 20, H. J. Baum 11, Lorenzo Helvetia Managen as the transfer x collect leather cards only. xx foreign.

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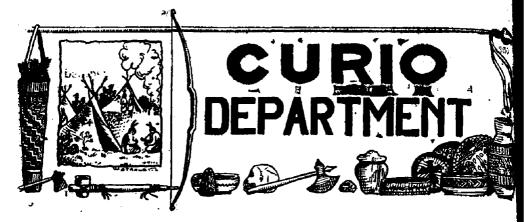
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BY ARCHIBALD CROZIER. Wilmington, Delaware

Indian legends are at all times interesting to a student of the red man and his past, and the following legends as to the origin of the Lenni-Lenage or Delaware tribe, is most curious as well as interesting.

The Lenapese claimed great antiquity, indeedt he name Lenni-Lenape signifies "the original people." They asserted that they existed from the biginning of time, and the other great tribes of the East called them Grand-As to their advent on the Earth, they had several theories. fathers. claimed that they emerged from the cave as a woodchock: to have sprung from a snail that was transformed into a human being and instructed in the mysteries of woodcraft by a beneficent spirit, and was afterward received into the lodge of the heaver and married his favorite daughter. to another version a woman expelled from heaven is hovering in mid-air in a At this juncture, a giant turtle rose from the depths chaos of angry waters. and placed his broad back at her service, and she descended upon it and made her abode. The turtle slept upon the surface of the water, barnacles and floating fragments of sea-weed etc., accumulated until the earth grew The woman, worn with the longiness of her situation, fel! into a 1 deep steep in which she was visited by a spirit from her lost home in the From this visit the fruits were sons and daughters, from whom have spring all the nations of the Earth.

Heirjoams, especially those relating to or connected with some historic event, are always among the most prized of possessions, and Philadelphia is a rich in these priceless reminders. An old lady in Germantown is the happy owner of a dinner set from which General Washington and his staff dired with her mother after the bloody affray at the Chew house. Another sweet old lady loves to show the uniform, sword and carbine of one of those heroes of Valley!! Forge who dropped fainting at her grandfather's door on the dreadful march from the winter quarters. There are many others all of which bear witness to the bravery, suffering and heroism of those who fought and lived, and wined and dired over a hundred years ago.

The famous pistols which Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton used in their duel are still preserved, being now the property of Major Richard Church, of Rochester. The quaint old weapons have a remarkable history, well worth the telling, having figured in several famous duels, both before and after the tragic Hamilton affair. The pistols were made in the middle of the eighteenth century by Wogdon, the famous gunsmith of London. They are very simple in constuction. The barrels are issmooth hore, octagonal in form, will fint locks and a quick trigger. The stock and forepiece are of one piece of political black wants.

When Appeller Hamilton received harr's challenge and decided to copt he said of his propher in law, Mr. Church: "I don't know what reapons to use against herr."

"Why don't you use my weapons " replied Church.

once on Burr and whey made his buttons fly.

Hamilton took and used them with the well known to the he same pistols were twice used afterward in settling affairs of honor but without fatal results.

The Howing Stone Natural Curiosty:—The party illine oracleston Losle, in Berkshire England, lies in a valley sheltered by many beautiful trees. At the foot of the hill, about half a mile distant, from the village, are the Car, is the famous "blowing stone," which is one of the greatest natural curiosities of the country. It is a block of red sandsone, about four feet high, three feet six inches broad and two feet thick. On every side it is pierced with holes, through which, if a person blows, a wierd sound is produced, which is audible in time weather at Faringdon camp; six miles away. If anyone is standing about a yard away, the ground, it is said, can distinctly be found shaking under their feet.. The sounds somewhat resemble a deep-toned fog horn.

Tradition says that this rude trumpet of stone was used to give alarm in the time of war on the approach of an enemy.

Arranging a Collection: How to arrange and display their treasures to the best advantage has no doubt often been a question, with most collectors. Albums are nice and handy, but are expensive when one's collection gets to The "Picture Post Card," deals with the question in a recent "If one collects art cards, fancy cards, &c., one would naturally number. Again, reproductions of pictures would form a class group them in a class. by themselves, subdivided 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 Madonna next to a poster girl or Dudley 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."

Mr. J. G. O. Tepper, Curator of the Adelaide Museum, has showing us a collection of instructive and interesting post cards. Each post card represents a country with the national flag and current coinage illustrated. The coins are embossed and coloured to represent gold, silver, bronze, nickel or an aloly as the case may be. The copper-sprinkled silver coins of Turkey are faithfully reproduced. On each card is a table giving the relative value of each coin of that county in sterling francs, and marks "Altogether the collection is extremely interesting and valuable, and is a credit to the originators.

THE KANSAS CITY STAMP CLUB

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

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the second meeting in September Members having stamps about which they have doubts as to the genuineness should not miss having Mr. Canteld's decision. Stamps sent to Mr. Canfield by mail should always be accompanied by a stamp for teturn postage. Otherwise, no fee of any kind is to be charged for this service.

Mr. Canfield is a philatelist 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 fill the office of club auctioneer. Providing they are a success it was decided to hold an auction sale at the last meeting of each month during the coming season.

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 Good Hope with name of club around border was selected. Mr. Kerr was appointed to attend to their making.

As our former Sargent at Arms, Mr. Jarboe is no longer in the city, the president appointed Mr. Chas. Rouse to serve as sargent during the remainder of the term.

Negotiations have just been concluded with the publisher of the Coldebus Philatelist whereby our members will secure that neat, progressive little paper each month in addition to the Philatelic West. Thus another beneft in being a member of the K. C. S. C. is added. We should have forty members to help us in our celebration at our second anniversary meeting, Feb. 8, 1907. We shall have if more of our own members will make an effort toward securing new applications. Each of our members should resolve to secure the application of at least one of his stamp collecting friends before the important February meeting. Instead of a few let us all work toward the desired end.

There is the satisfaction of doing your duty and if a more material substaction is desired, there is the satisfaction of gaining one of the prize which Mr. Bescher offered at our last meetang. A U. S. 1847 5 cent Franklin, the first U. S. postage stamp issued is offered for the first three applications, while a Barbadoes unused entire envelope catalogued at 75 cents will be given to each member bringing in one new member.

Now watch us grow!

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, Nov. 2e 1906. A 3

Since October 1, the following magazines have been subscribed for: American Journal of Philately, Metropolitan Philatelist, Stanley Gibron's Monthly Journal, and Gibbon's Stamp Weekly. 1177 . ath and Graud A ...

For October I have to report the receipt of three more donations to our A very important one was received from Revo Lt Stollenwerk of Liebenthal, Kansas. It consisted of tive complete volumes of Sent's Illiustriertes Briefmarken-Journal'' (1901-1905) and eleven numbers atmost a whole volume of "Die Post." Total 126 pieces. Scott's Standard Catalogue for 1900 which was on our "want list" was also donated by the same gent lemean.

Mr. Rouse and Mr. Poindexter together furnished twenty numbers of different philatelic magazines. Thirty copies of Mekeels Stamp Collector. which helps to complete our file 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 philatelic magazines are wanted also I shall be pleased to hear from any collectors having such literature on their hands who would like to nelp our library by its donation,

Will you do your part in helping to make our next a Thanksgiving Re-Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelson, Librarian and port?

AUCTION MANAGERS' REPORT.

Dear Brother Collectors: I thank you one and all for your wind generosity of placing me as Auction Manager of the Kansas City Stamp Club. I will make this department a success to the best of my advantage. Since moi? The most mooren Thanking you one and all, I remain

> Yours truly, Charles F. Rouse, h f. 1 od agginst the mis-

THE CHICAGO NUMISMATICS OCIETY.



The 3rd regular meeting of the above named Society was held on Friday evening. Oct. 5th. in their rooms, 1123 Masonic Temple, with President G. W. Trucy in the chair.

There was a marked increase in attendance and enthusiasm, indicating a successful season. Communications were received from Ohio Numismatic Society and Henry Chapman.

Chester F. Dunham was elected to membership.

Under Exhibitions, Mr. Brand displayed uncirculated aurii of Hadrian and Alexander Severus, and a silver medallion of Anthony and Cleopatra. Mr. Tracy showed a number of superb Russian coins: and Mr. Blumenschein

some Chinese and English pieces.

The Librarian reported receipt of Hoffmann's rare work on Royal French Coins. Magazines received since last report were Numismatics and Spink's Numismatic Circular for July, August and September: Rider Monthly and Philatelic West for Sept. and August; Numismatische Correspondenz Nos. 236 and 237, and Numismatischer Verkehr for June, Catalog No. 1, with fixed prices was received from St. Louis Stamp and Gin, Co., the Star Coin Book from B. Max Mehl, and auction catalogs from Adams, Chapman. Elder, Green. Low, Otto Hess Nachfolger and St. Louis Stamp & 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.

Ben G. Green, Secretary.

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death of Sales Supt. Imbler. J. Striker of Cincinnati, Ohio, reports he seek Roig, Cuba a lot of stamps and will be pleased to hear from others, so put matter in U. S. Gonsul's hands there. J. Stone. Va., reports J. Sawell, Humbolt. Fenn. B. L. Voorhees reports C. A. Powell, Richmond, Va. J. Jones, Calif., reports E. Spinony, last heard of at Park City, Utah. Guang, one give his present address? F. McMillen, Canada, reports R. R. Smiles, Atlanta, Ga., and W. S. Charlescote, Kansas City, Mo., and seek a large list, which we expect to get in next 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 obtaining appears on another page in illustrations, also Mrs. J. M. Browm, Equality. S. C., both of whom have had many ads in WEST this year. The latter's daughter Miss Blanche Browne, still continues disposing of relies, but 1 not of Confederate money or stamps, for she does not know enough about them

New Members: G. Kilmer. Grand Ledge, Mich.: J. Prouty, Phila, Pa., 620 Race St.: W. Haverstick, Cariisle, Pa.: G. Wallis, Los Angeles, Calif., 1001 E. 9 St.: C. J. Faira, Lancaster. Ky., Bx 36; S. J. Jone, Santa Maria, Calif.; Mrs. G. Gearson, Chicago, 60 Lincoln Ave.: R. Kernedy, Carlisle, Pa., R. F. D. 2; Frank M. Tesiser, c-o American Expression, Racine. Wis.; F. B. Steadman, Warrsaw, N. Y.: H. G. Miller, New Orleans. La., 1836 Dryades St.; F. A. Christ, Kansas City. Mo., 2306 Lydia Ave.; E. Clagg, Walkerville, Can., Bx 64; E. E. Hand. Chicago, 3716 Indiana Ave..; W. W. Norton, Lime Rock, Ct.; M. E. Morgan, West De Park, Wis: Henry Jessen, Whies, S. Dak.; Louis J. Larson. Falun. Minn.; Rev. E. Thwing. Honolulu, Hawaii.

Geographical Instruction by Postcard. A certain French countes, finding that her collection of picture post-cards was becoming rather bulk, decided to present it to the directors of a school situated near her county estate. The gift was gratefully accepted, and now the school walls an adorned with the cartophilic trophies of the countess, which, coming fine all parts of the world, provide an excellent means for giving geographical instructions to the children. The countess having communicated her ide to her friends, they are now well on the road to covering the walls of the school in the next village.

The hobby of picture post-card collecting may be said to have not become an institution throughout the United states. It would be a perfectly safe propenesy to say that within a reasonable time the demand here will approach that which the picture post card has attained in Europe

The Junior Stamp Club of Denver, Colorado

Organized Oct. 19, 1906.

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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. Officers were lected for the ensuing year as above.

At the First Regular Meeting Oct. 26 there were elected five new memers making the total membership to date 18.

Yours truly, H. E. Munger, Secretary:

1. C. M. Snyder, 2825 Gray St., x. 2. A. L. Nell, 2558 W. 32nd Ave., x. H. E. Munger, 2502 W. 32nd Ave., x. 4. S. Schwezman, 309 16th St., x. L. C. Nelson, 309 16th St., x. 6. H. A. Davis, 1622 Welton St., x. 7. A. Mac Manus, 1519 22nd Ave. x 8. W. J. Cook, Englewood, Colo. x B. L. Fantry, 23 Broadway x. 10. E. R. Snyder, 2325 Gray St. x. 11. A. Esmial, 2732 Gray St. x 12 M. B. Ward, 4 Tuxedo Place x 13. L. De la Vergne, 3317 Clay St. x 14. A. B. Bent, 1466 Filmore St. x 15. P. Roach, 1345 Grant Ave. x 16. R. Williams, Gotherburg, Nebraska, 175 N. Garretson, 220 E. 20th Ave., Denver, 18. C. Fantry, 23°Broadway, x 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 potto of the Juvenile Stamp Club of Denver is "Boost don't Knock."

A PICTURE POST CARD TEA.

This idea of a post card game originated with a bright American girl, and it proved so amusing that some of our readers may like to imitate it.

Invitations, written, of course, on post cards, were sent to those friends, alterested in post card collecting, for an afternoon spent, so the hostess appressed it. "In having fun with picture post cards.

The first game of the afternoon was really full of general information, welve post cards were provided, each depicting some well-known object of merest in various cities, the names if printed, being neatly obliterated, and he cards numbered. Each player was given a pencil and paper, and the ards passed round until everyone had seen all the series. The players of the down the numbers, and against them the name they supposed the ard to represent, and the one who guessed most names correctly received a set card as a prize. All sorts of subjects could be utilized—actresses, others, musicians: in fact, anything that is embraced in the wide area of secture post cards.

A new game was equally popular. Colored postcards representing some pot familiar to all, whether traveled or not, were distributed among the attests, who were requested to pencil a small stanza on his or her subject for composition. The results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the results when read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the room in peals of laughter, and the read kept the room in peals of laughter, and the room in peals of laughter and the room in peals of laughter, and the room in peals of laughter, and the room in peals of laughter and the room in the r

"Picture" guessing was the next game, and consisted in guessing the ames of painters and their works, which are now reeprduced so largely on steards.

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OCTOBER ROLL OF HONOR.

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467. J. F. Aborn 724. Guy Paine

469. Nelson H. Brown 729. A. Christopher

731. Henry E. Golisch 486. Dr. W. P. Taylor (3)

577. N. F. Straley (3) 734. Clarance Parks (3)

Numbers in parenthesis indicate number of times names have appeared on the Roll of Honor.

A LESSON IN FRENCH.

Below we give a collection of the principal French words and phrase, which we trust will be of value to those who exchange cards with French speaking people and are not conversant themselves with that language.

French

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Voulez-vous echange cartes postales aves mai colorees timbre cote vue. ... tous pays s'il vous plait R. S. V. P. Je desire echange Actrices

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MR. CARLTON'S POST CARD TOFF

Mr. Lon R. Cariton, of Big Run, Pa., wishes it announced that he has been obliged to postpone the date of commencing his post card tour until April 1st, 1907. Mr. Carleton kindly asks the indusgence of all those who have registered with him and promises that without fail. April 1st will see tis leave for Europe as the special representative of one thousand enthusias-There is no reason whatever why this unextic American card collectors. pected announcement should cause those who have already entered, any theasiness, and better still, it will give all those who have not done so, a chance to get in the game.

OUR NEW REPRESENTATIVE.

Mr. Mat. Cameron, of 277 High Street, Fremantle, West Australia, has been appointed Australian Representative of THE UNION. Will all our Australian members kindly consider themselves as his sub-representatives and help him paint THE UNION SOUVENIR CARD EXCHANGE in big red letters all over the Australian Commonwealth. There is work for all.

HOME FROM ABROAD.

Member No. 461. Mrs. Geo. Dobson, of Paterson, N. J., is now at home after an extended trip to Europe and is ready to take up the exchange of cards again with renewed vigor. While in Europe. Mrs. Dobson procured a great number of high grade cards, which will be used for exchange purposes until 4 3 (40- 20-) the supply becomes exhausted.

NEW MEMBERS.

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730. (Name withheld by request).

731. Henv E. Golisch. 5391/2 Flower St., Los Angeles. Calif.

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733. John Hall, c-o Union Nat'l Bank, Rochester, Minn. taloj subvi iril

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737. Miss Lillian A. Boudrot, e-o Maverick House, E. Boston Stu. 40.01mai Boston, Mass.

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    740. Miss Maud Atwood, 151 Ford St., Providence, R. I.
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6 764. Albert Leyv, 22 Rue d' Italie, Tunis, Africa.
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In the Septebmer number of the WEST, the address of Member No. 685 ks. Katharine Gross, was given as 530 Penn St., Oneonta. N. 700 It should a 530 Penn St., Huntington, Pa.

FOREIGN CARD CLUBS. (2010)

In reply to num rous requests for information regarding reliable foreign and societies, we give below the names and addresses of two such clubs, viz:

Sociedad Cartofila Mexicana" Aurora, Apartado Postal 62. Durango, Mexico.

Sociedad Cartofila Universal "L'Ideal" Piazarro 10; Valentia, Spain.

Roth these societies publish their own official organs and by addressing them as above, sample copies of the papers and full particulars of the respective clubs may be obtained.

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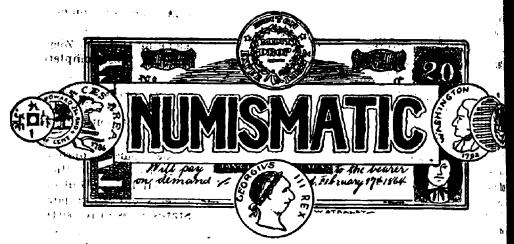
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Fellow Members:—Being just elected to fill the office of Auction Manager I wish to thank all those who suggested me. I also wish to Estate that I would like to make this part of the society a "running part." All those who have stamps they wish to sell at auction send to me and they will be sold at the highest price available. Would be glad to correspond with all interested. Write for commissions etc.

Yours fraternally, C. E. Werspächer!"

Report Sales Supt. N. P. S.: Members are missing some good circuits by not sending in their names to Supt. And by all means send some good books if you are selling. Must have your co-operation. Let us hear from L. H. Lederer, Supplementation.

Don't omit, in sending cards abroad to cross out the words 'Post Card', writing 'Printed matter only' above. If you do this you may send a card to all places abroad for it. If you omit this the card will be charged 2c at the other end of its journey.



Wonderful Pieces of Money on Exhibition

Ohjo numismatists held their first annual meeting Oct. 24th. Addess were made by members of the organization and rare coins and bills were exhibited. In the Poard of Trade Rooms Columbus. Ohio

Two sessions were held, one at 1:30 p.m. and another at 7:30 p.m. The collections will remain on exhibition Thursday.

In the afternoon the business meeting was held, at which officers were elected for the ensuing year.

H. E. Buck, of Delaware was chosen president: D. L. Ziegler of Delaware, wice president: J. M. Henderson. Columbus, secretary: Robert f. King, Columbus. Treasurer: Professor A. B. Coover of Columbus. curatar and librarian. The officers with Chas. Heich and H. C. Ezekial of Cincinnati form the board of trustees.

The collection of ancient and modern coins and bills is of interest to everyone, whether a numismatist or not. A number of Greek coins are shown which are examples of the first coinage ever attempted by man Farran Zerbe of Tyrene, Pa., has a coin of Aeginia, one of the small islands in the Aegean sea, which was coined 800 years b. C.

It is simply a slug of silver with a tortoise stamped on one side and the other side blank. Mr. R. T. King of Columbus also has a coin of this kind and one which is believed to have come from Goyden Mycaene, a city of Sparta, which was a ruin in the time of Pericles. It bears an owl on the obverse and the figure of Minerva on the reverse. If it actually did come from Mycaene it cannot be less than 3,000 years old. Mr. King has beside a coin of the Sicilian city of Tauromennium which was in use during the age of Pericles.

As 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 existence of They are of copper and resemble an open razor. They were made only iduning the reign of one dynasty, which was in power 1600 years ago.

A number of peculiarly shaped pieces of China are carefully protected by ta glass case. They are specimens of the famous porcelain money of Siam-They are used almost exclusiely in the place of metal coins of small denem.

ations, and as the Siamese "sport" is not a plunger, they are the only nips used in gambling.

Of particular interest to Masons is a collection belonging to D. L. Zieger of over a thousand Masonic pennies. It is perhaps the most complete ellection of its kind in existence.

Some unique bills were added to the exhibit by Mr. Zerbe. One of here is a national bank note payable in gold numbered "one", issued by D. Mills at San Francisco in 1874. There are five, ten and twenty-dollar life of the first issue ever made by the federal government.

The total value of the collection in the board of trade rooms is approximately \$10,000. There is a great deal of ignorance in regard to the method of values coins. The value of a coin does not depend on its age, but on its tast, and condition. A genuine Greek coin 500 years old can be purhased \$1.52. while comparatively modern United States coins bring \$1000 and \$2000.

The thio Numismatic society desires to get a place this collection can be permanently exhibited. Negotiations are being carried on with the Carbegie library officials, with a view to getting the necessary space, but as yet nothing definite is known as to where the exhibit will be placed. The next WEST gives an article on Ohio Bills by A. Conver.

Leather Post Cards

By Mrs. Geo Baum

The fad of sending leather souvenir postals to friends has grown to a gest extent and people would like to preserve them in a convenient way. They do not look very well in albums but many useful things can be made of them.

Nothing is better than a sofa cushion made of bright colored soft cards. It takes twenty four for one side but both sides can be made of cards. Each and has holes burnt in on the four sides, four on the long sides and three on the short, counting the corners. The postals are then laced together with lather thongs of a pretty red or green rotor. If only one side is made of ands, a full size skin of any desirable color can be used, the edges slashed to make a fringe and after a row of holes are made on all four sides, the finit is laced to this. If the back is made of postals, strips of leather, wide sough and of suitable length for fringe, are slashed and laced between the font and back. Such a cushion is very interesting when the cards are sent by dear friends. The next WEST gives an illustration of a sofa cushion

Speaking 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 post cards which have gone through the post for clothing, provisions, or "anything useful for the house". As a mere man, the vagueness of this request is simply appalling; and I sincerely hope that none of our readers will ask me the sand them post cards for such things as sardines, in tins, or other "things useful for the house"! The WEST Trade Exchange Column tine one at Icea words try it.



Editor-F. J. Clute, San Francisco





. In the course of an interesting article on real photograph post-card "The Bromide Monthly" says:- "The picture post-card craze which invaded this country a year or two ago has now developed at an enormous extent The Bearlier coloured prints and cheap process productions have given plan to real photograpphs. Today every station displays a varied selection to 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-came - even if they have been 'printed in Germany.' But if it is a pleasure to send a friend a pretty pictorial card produced by someone else, it can easily be understood that the photographer with his store of personally interesting negatives will be glad to enter the lists with specimens of his own work. It is likely that the recipients will be equally pleased to receive what may to regarded as a semi-exclusive souvenir. It is not to be wondered at, therefore, that a considerable demand for ready senstized postcards has arisen-to which the makers, notably the Rotograph and Kilborn Co's have responded

The process is so simple that the earliest beginner need not fear attempting it. Indeed it has become such a popular printing method that makers have vied with each other in making the process easy and its requirements readily obtainable. Its chief disadvantage is the fact that after exposure the image is not visible and the length of exposure must either be guessed or tested experimentally by a strip of paper stretched across the negatives, exposed for different lengths of time and then developed. I strongly advise my friends to put the number of seconds required on each negative after they have tried it. Once find the correct time use the same light 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 directions for working are given in each package, so there is need to go into details. As the name implies, the developing can be done in gaslight without the necessity of resorting to the cold and gloom of the dark-room. Still the paper is sensitive to gaslight (especially the inconcession), and it is well to move as far as possible from the burner, and standing between light and table de clop in the shadow of the body, otherwise stight fog may result. Metol-hydroquinone developer is generally recommended, and can always be used with any gaslight post card—though some recommend amidol and edinol.

The simple hpyo bath as rarely recommended for fixing—alum and acetic acid or sulphites being added by various makers for hardening the preserving

purposes.

In 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 so repid and fascinating that here is great temptation to slip the print into the typic there leave it with others to get on to the hand this results in discouring brown stains.

It is a good plan to get some one to take charge, of the continuous path, so that the whole attention can be concentrated on the exposition development. This assistant need not be an expert, my little eight year old daughted to capitally, and is proud of being able to do photography. When it is desired to produce a large number in a short time, there may advantageously work together; one making the exposure, a second developing and the third fixing. In this way I have succeeded in turning out as many as sixty papers in an hour.

One more hint. A curling post card is not a nice one-to-send: by post, and they will curl if; left to dry like ordinary prints. They should be allowed to nearly dry between blotting paper (white not red) a and a them be placed between fresh blotting paper in a book, using slight pressure to finish.

Some makers advise putting the mask on the plains glass stirst and then 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 inserted sits than the mask placed between it and the sensitized surface of the reards their is obviated, but the chances are that unless the springs of the frame are pretty strong, the card will not actually touch the negative inside the opening and slight blurring of the whole picture may ensue.

Altogether, with exclusive negatives, masks of differents:shapes, vingetting, etc., the photographer has a capital chance of showing his taste, originality and skill when he sets out to make photographic post-cards.ad. daid

Nebraska Camera Club

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Renewal: 671. Frank Tessier, Care American Express Co., Racine, Wis.: formerly Sutton, Nebr.

Wish to hear names of all collectors in this state from any readers bear

Soap as a Preventative of Fog: Hofbauer, in the Photographische Mithielungen, points out that by the addition of a slight qualitity of Castile may to the pyro developer any tendency which it may have to fog the plates in consequence of the presence of an undue proportion of alkali is prevented. He siggests preparing a solution of about two grammes of soap to 100, c. c. of water when componeding the developer.

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 - · 136 St...
 - 3 xR. B. Henningsen. Milwaukee, Wis., 3100 Cedar St.
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 - 5 xE. G. Snyder, Harrisburg, Pa., 2296.6 St.
 - 6 xS. S. Crime, N. Y. City, 1695 Worth St.
 - 7 xMrs. G. Gearson, Chicago, 60 Lincoln Ave.
 - 8 xAlbert H. Day, Brooklyn, N. Y., East 92 St. and Ave. K.
 - 9 xxL. II. Keyser, Blairsville. Penn., Bx 53
- 6240 xS. A. White, U. S. S. S. Alabama, N. Y. City, co P. M.
 - 1 xMiss Rebecca Kay, Brooklyn, -N. Y., 238 Pearl St.
 - 2 xRev. E. W. Thwing, Honolulu,

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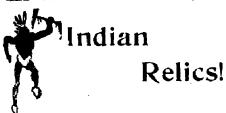
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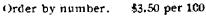
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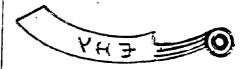
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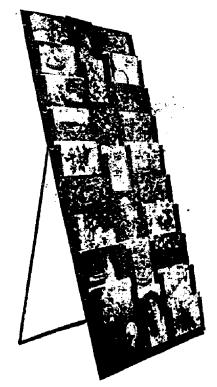
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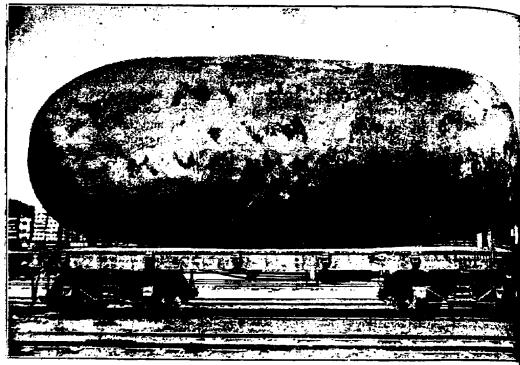
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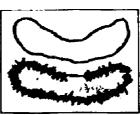
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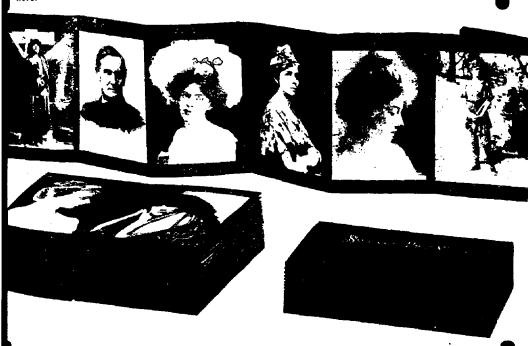
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The Italian coins are scarce as their government prohibits their exporta-	
tion.	
Columbia, 2½ cents nickel	.04
Columbia, 5 cents nickel	.05
Panama, 2½ cents silver, the smallest silver coin ever issued	.15
Hungarian Fund Notes, \$1.00 bran new very pretty, each	.25
The above lot of eighteen (18) coins for only	1.75
Would make a very interesting and pretty little collection.	
U. S. COINS. ALL NICE SPECIMENS AT INVITING PRICES	
Half Cents, two different dates	.40
Large cents, five different dates	.25
Eagle Cents, two different dates	.10
Two cent pieces, two different dates	.10
Three cent pieces, three different dates	.25
Five cents silver, three different dates	.25
Dimes dated before 1835, each	.35
Half Dimes dated before 1836 scarce, each	.30
Twenty cent Pieces, 1875, each	.50
Quarter dated before 1836	.50
Isabella Quarters, bust of Queen Isabella, scarce	.85
Half dollars dated before 1820	.90
The above twelve lots of coins for only \$4.25, or I will send one coin of	
analy of the phone late (12 autor) for outor	7 75

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