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Editorial Address.

It is a custom so ancient, that we do not know with whom it had a beginning, for publishers of magazines, &c., large or small, to commence their labours with an apology for their intrusion, and an expression of sorrow for their deficiencies. With regard to such a venerable usage, we beg entirely to depart from it. We make no apology, and seek no undue favor. The leading principle by which we are actuated, is to take advantage of the universal appetite for anything appertaining to *philatelic*, and to supply it with information at the lowest possible price, *i. e.*—**GRATIS!** Entertaining such a design as this, an apology—those apologies which the learned Johnson condemned as being

“With merit needless; without it vain”—

would be superbly ridiculous. Whether we succeed or not, a brief space of time will show. Perhaps it will be said—“There are already sufficient publications of the kind;” perhaps so, but if there is not room for our little venture, we promise we will speedily withdraw.

That publications of the kind do succeed, is a fact verified by the continued appearance of the *Stamp Collector's Magazine*, which has attained its forty-first number; while

on the Continent, it is shown by the journals so ably conducted by M. Mahé, of Paris, M Moens, of Brussels, and a numerous host of others.

The various countries of the North American Continent have not been behind hand in contributing their quota to this class of literature; for in the United States, the *Stamp Collector's Record* has issued its eighteenth monthly number—a sheet about the size of the *Advertiser*, and without illustrations; but for which, nevertheless, the American collectors do not object to pay *five cents*, showing thereby that literature of this kind is more highly appreciated by the American than the English collectors. Besides the above journal there are other minor ones published in the States. New Brunswick has also added her share to the list, for there appears to be a very prosperous journal in that colony—*The Stamp Collector's Monthly Gazette*, and also several others. Canada and California have also had their advocates; but we suppose that the atmosphere is not congenial to the pursuit, for they are now, alas! defunct. In concluding our address, we beg to state that, should stamp dealers favor us with a goodly number of advertisements, we intend to enlarge the *Advertiser*, and give a few illustrations each month, without, however, making any charge.

Review.

Oppen's Postage Stamp Album. Eighth Edition. London: W. STEVENS.

The radicals of the stamp collecting fraternity, who are continually lamenting that the pursuit is declining and dying out, have only to glance at the continual publication of works, devoted to philately, to be convinced to the contrary; for we may safely presume to say, that no publisher would publish expensive works, for which he could not effect a ready sale.

A glance at the edition of the above mentioned work, and the knowledge that it has attained its eighth edition—and very likely will attain many more, for which it has our best wishes—ought to convince the most sceptical unbeliever that his theory must be false.

This edition has passed through a great improvement, under the able hands of Dr. C. W. Viner, A.M. There are now spaces for all stamps issued up to the close of 1866, and several pages have been added, to be devoted for additional issues. There is now a provision made for the American Express Posts, which were totally ignored in all former editions. A very convenient arrangement is that, should the space not be sufficient for any country owing to new issues or other unforeseen causes, loose leaves can be obtained at a cheap rate by applying at the Publishing Office.

Papal States.

We have the pleasure of informing our readers—on most reliable official information—that a new series of postage stamps are about to be introduced into the Papal States. The values will be in *centesimi*, in consequence of the decimal coinage being about to be introduced into the Papal dominions. We have seen several essays, all very attractive and of good design, one series bearing the Pope's portrait in oval, values 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, and 40 centesimi; also 1 franc, design, Papal arms in square framework, bearing values round the sides in words. The latter is printed on good paper, *not gummed*, in violet, black, brown, blue, red; and green on white paper; also various colors on a kind of dirty-colored paper, bearing some resemblance to drab.

The other series bear the Pontifical arms in oval centre, the respective values being—1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 40, and 80 centesimi.

The accepted design will, we believe, be in use for postal purposes in a few months—perhaps weeks—thereby superseding and doing away with the "Baj" issue.

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Cape of Good Hope, mixed	...	5s.	per 100
"	1861, wood block	18s.	doz.
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"	6d.	12s.	"
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"	10c. 17c.	2s.	6d. "
New Brunswick, mixed	...	1s.	6d. "
"	10c. 12½c.	4s.	6d. "
"	17c.	2s.	6d. per doz.
"	3d. old	3s.	6d. "
"	6d.	3s.	6d. "
Nova Scotia, old issue	1d.	7s.	6d. "
"	3d.	1s.	6d. "
"	6d.	10s.	6d. "
"	1s. 6d.	10s.	6d. each
"	5 cent	...	9d. per 100
"	1, 2, "	...	1s. 6d. "
"	10 "	...	3s. 6d. "
"	12½ "	...	2s. 6d. "

also 1 and 2 cent stamps unused, received in payment for any stamps ordered.

Newfoundland and P.E.I. stamps wanted.

Russia, wanted 1000 of each, 1, 3, 5, 10 kop. used, also 500 20 and 30 kop., and used envelopes. Send early.

Italian, old Naples, Tuscan, Parma, Papal States, &c., wanted in any quantities. Also a few thousand used common Italian, present issue.

Greek, used, wanted several thousands of following: 1, 2, 5, 13, 20, 40, and 80 lepta.

Barbadoes, Trinidad, and all West Indian stamps wanted, in any quantity from one dozen to one thousand.

Australian. All the colonial stamps wanted, old and present issue. Not less than 500 common, or 1 dozen rare bought or exchanged.

U. States Wanted 5,000 mixed used envelopes stamps, also N.Y., P.O., and rare issue.

Collectors and Dealers having stamps of any country in quantity should send them at once for exchange.

Cash or stamps given in exchange for all stamps sent. Lots are requested to be sent at once.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—Parties in the Colonies sending stamps may avoid expense, by sending their stamps wrapped in a newspaper (enclose no writing) and writing upon wrapper *Printed matter only*, and paying usual newspaper fee.

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Notice to Subscribers.

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monthly, without however making any charge. No. 3, for September, will be entirely remodelled and improved; so that we feel convinced that our paper will be the best Stamp Publication that has yet appeared—that is, of the *gratis* order.

To advertisers we beg to state that this paper has a larger circulation than any other periodical devoted to stamp literature, being a *gratis* paper it is within the reach of Collectors of every degree. We have also secured an efficient staff of Agents, both in the colonies and foreign countries, who will do all in their power to promote the circulation of this medium.

TUSCANY ESSAYS.—THE SET OF twelve essays (now rare), on sale at 5s.; the set of twelve being sold elsewhere at 15s. the set.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.—FIRST issue, in ornamental framework, exceedingly scarce; in stock at 5s. the set of 10 proofs.

PAPAL ESSAYS.—A small supply is daily expected—similar design as those described last month. Colonial collectors sending orders for above, may depend upon receiving them per return mail. The lowest possible price will be charged. Address—J. C. WROG, 10, Fairclough Lane, Liverpool.

Newly Issued or Inedited Stamps.

THE long-expected series for Brazil have at length appeared, after having been prophesied as forthcoming for the last three years.

It is however our pleasing duty now to have to chronicle the fact of this appearance. The series consists of seven varieties, different values and designs. In form they are rectangular, and printed on unwatermarked paper; and the authorities have adopted the useful system of perforation. The values and colors are as follows:—

10 Reis	.. ..	Vermillion.
20 ..	.. ..	Lilac.
50 ..	.. ..	Blue.
80 ..	.. ..	Mauve.
100 ..	.. ..	Green.
200 ..	.. ..	Black.
500 ..	.. ..	Orange.

The 20 and the 50 reis have the portrait of the Brazilian postmaster, profile to left; the remaining five stamps bearing the portrait of the Emperor, in central oval frame.

The value is placed at the foot in letters; and also in the Emperor set, the values in figures is displayed in lower corners; but on those bearing portrait of postmaster, the figures are placed at each side of the head. The design is slightly different in each of the stamps, but they all bear the word BRAZIL at top. Our correspondent informs us that they are

printed by the American Bank Note Company, New York City, and the design—like all their productions—is particularly chaste and elegant. Next month we hope to give an engraving of one of these stamps.

PERU.—We have also received the newly issued 5 centavos stamp for this country. Like the Brazilian, it is a production of the American Bank Company. It is impressed in green, on paper without watermark, and also perforated. We hope soon to herald the appearance of two more values—similar design—which we are assured will shortly make their *debut*.

PERSIA.—We have heard that postal labels for Persia will receive their introduction to the world somewhere about the first day of August.

URUGUAY.—We quote from *Le Timbre Poste* that the postal authorities for this republic contemplate the issue of stamped envelopes, design to be same as adhesive now in use.

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