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TO PHILADELPHIA IN 25 MINUTES.

There is a project under way to reduce the mail service between New York and Philadelphia to twenty-five minutes. A double pneumatic tube line is to be built between these two cities, through which mail matter will be shot at the rate of four miles a minute.

This is by no means a new idea.

There is now under Broadway, not far from the Post Office, a section of a pneumatic tube laid many years ago that was to be the beginning of a complete system of rapid delivery extending throughout the city.

Several essential detail in the system were lacking, however, and the work was practically abandoned.

Mr. S. F. Leake of Philadelphia now claims that he has solved the difficulties that have proved fatal to other system of pneumatic tubes, and he proposes to organize a company with a stock capital of \$10,000,000 to build a line in accordance with his patents between New York and Philadelphia.

In order to test the practicability

of Mr. Leake's patents, a double pneumatic tube line will shortly be laid between Jersey City and Newark, on the route which has been selected for the through line.

This line will be fully equipped, and the business possibilities of the enterprise can be approximately gauged by the number of letters, newspapers, and small packages transmitted between these two points.

Mr. Leake says that these pneumatic tubes for mail matter are but the beginning of a great reform in rapid transit, and that if they prove to be successful the time will come when passenger cars can be run through monster tubes by the same system.

The laying of pneumatic tubes between Philadelphia and New

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York seems now to be assured.

A number of Philadelphians are interested in the project, and among them are Joseph Trainer, James Sweeny, John Bradley, and Felix Bradley. It was originally intended to sell shares in this company at 25 cents apiece, in order to make it popular.

This idea was abandoned, and recently it was estimated that there was enough business between New York and Philadelphia of a kind that could be handled by the tubes to declare a dividend of 25 per cent, upon a capital stock of \$10,000,000. There are four essentials to the successful operation of such a tube line for long distance commercial purposes, and they have hitherto proved insurmountable.

The first is a system of operation that will make rapid transmission possible without accident. The speed must be much greater than that of the fast mails if the system is to be of any use. There must be a practical switching system, by which the carriers may be taken off at intermediate points.

Other a multitude of tubes must be built, that is, a pair for each stopping place, and this would involve enormous expense. Then there must be a carrier of such material that it will not fuse or become red hot when sent at a great velocity. And last, there must be some means of stopping this carrier without injury to itself or its contents.

Mr. Leak's patents are six in number, covering the switches, the receivers, and the "blocks of air" system.

They have been pronounced practicable by competent engineers. The tubes through which the carriers will be sent are to be two feet in diameter and made of copper.

They will be laid underground in nearly a direct line be-

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between the two cities. The carriers will be whirled at a velocity of about four miles a minutes.

This means that a letter can be sent to Philadelphia and an answer received within an hour. Then all moneys and bonds can be sent from one city to the other almost a day later than with the present express facilities. Such a system might in many cases prevent business failures, as it would be possible for New York banks to send cash to Philadelphia or receive it from there within an hour of the demand.

Mr. Leake claims that his switching system is simple and will accomplish all that is demanded of it.

His carriers are jointed so as to readily turn curves.

They run on wheels with a axle revolving in a journal of asbestos and plumbago. This device is to prevent undue heating. Blocks of compressed air are arranged to prevent the carriers from telescoping one another. The receivers into which the carriers are dropped are also compressed air apparatus. The carriers will be operated by a block system that will make it possible to make a switch at any point on the line from the central office.

Packages, papers, and letters will be despatched from a central office, and the switches will be operated by the agents who send them.

A bundle of papers can be placed in the tube at New York, and the agent, as he starts the bundle, touches a button that turns the switch at the point where the papers are to be received.

An automatic annunciator in the New York office will indicate whether the package has been stopped at the pro-

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per point or has been carried down the line. The agents at the different points along the line can operate the switches in the same way. It will almost be possible for a man to give a banquet at some station along the line, and have his spread furnished hot by a New York or Philadelphia caterer.

WORSE THAN LOTTERY ADS.

A few years ago, says a Washington letter to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, there came to the Dead-Letter office a tin can on which no address was found. The can was opened and sixteen lively looking rattlesnakes made their escape.

There was a scene in the Dead-Letter office for a few minutes. Everybody got on chairs and tables and the rattlers were left in full possession of the floor. Finally they were dispatched and fifteen of them were pickled in alcohol.

One was missing, but nobody knew it. It was supposed that none had escaped. A few days later, one sunny after-

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noon, a long, sleek-looking rattlesnake crawled from among the papers in the chief clerk's desk, and, unobserved, made his way to where a young lady visitor was sitting.

His snakeship slyly crawled to her feet, and, gracefully winding himself about her slender ankle, tightened his folds.

The young lady noticed the intrusion and, hastily looking down, saw the wily serpent, was horrified, and very properly fainted.

The rattlesnake offered no further insult or injury, but fled in alarm.

He was killed and, artistically incased in a glass jar, he now adorns the cabinet.

The Price Raiser.

"A two-cent stamp, please," she remarked to the druggist.

"Five cents," was the reply, as he tore one from the sheet.

"Five cents!"

"Yes'm. The McKinley bill—"

"Oh yes! I understand."

PLEASE mention this paper when answering advertisements.

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EDITORIAL AND REVIEW.

This is but our *Initial* number, therefore if you find any mistake in this issue. we hope you will kindly excuse it; we will try and do better next month.

We will hold this paper open for a free discussion of all questions which may arise in the Philatelic world, and we trust that our readers will not be backward communicating their ideas through this medium.

We have received copies of the *Eastern* and the *Dominion Philatelist*, the former consists of twenty pages and cover, and is published by F. H. Pinkham of Newmarket N.H.

The subscription is twenty cents per year. The latter is published by the Dominion Philatelic Pub. Co., of Peterboro, Ont., Canada. And consists of twenty-two pages and cover; the subscription is 25 cents per year.

The January. number of the *Fitchburg Philatelist* is at hand it is a bright four pager C. H. Whitcomb of Fitchburg, Mass. Is editor and publisher.

The *American Youth* a copy of which has been received it is full of good and interesting philatelic, and juvenile reading matter, and is published by Jas. J. Halley of Nashville, Tenn. The subscription is 30 cents, per year.

We will enlarge this paper as soon as advertisers will permit.

Brother publishers—we would like to exchange, one or more copies.

All ads. for our next number should reach us before the first of April, to insure insertion.

By the way, dont forget to make use of our "Fraud column" it is open free to all.

DEALERS it will pay you to advertise in this paper; try it, and, see for yourself.

Grave Cause For Suspicion.

(From the Boston Courier.)

Sagacious Employer—I fear, Mr. Toogood, I shall have to dispense with your services.

New Clerk—Why, sir. I know I have only been here a week, but hav I not during

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4072 William St.,

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this time been through faithful to your interests?

Employer—Oh, you have been faithful enough and capable enough, but—
new clerk—But what, sir?

employer—Well, I saw you take a postage stamp out of the drawer yesterday.

new clerk—Yes, sir, but I put 2 cnts in its place.

employer—That's just what I can't understand. I guess you'd better go!

FRAUDS.

Open FREE to all, when sending the names of "Dead Beats" always sign your name and address plainly.

I have been unable to collect a bill amounting to \$2.88 owed to me for several months by Harry Borland of 103 Harrison Ave. Cincinnati, O. I advise dealers to give this fellow a wide berth as he is nothing else but a "dead beat."

R. A. DEGLIM.

I have also the names of several others which I will have to expose if they do not hurry up and pay what they owe.

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Our Exchange, and Fraud columns will be open free to all, subject to the conditions found on page seven.



We shall, also beginning with our next number publish a "STAMP DEALER'S DIRECTORY" the advertising rates will be as follows: for a two or three line advertisement, one insertion 15 cents, 20 per cent discount allowed on ads. running three months or over.

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SECRET MAIL OF INDIA.

What is known as the "secret mail" of India has for more than a generation perplexed the English mind, and is still a profound mystery, although numberless attempts have been made to explain it. Every one who has lived long in Asiatic countries is aware that the accurate knowledge of important happenings at a distance is often possessed by the natives a considerable time before it is obtained by the government, even though special facilities had been provided for the transmission of the news.

This was frequently and conspicuously illustrated throughout the Sepoy rebellion.

Happenings occurring hundreds of miles away were usually known in the bazars hours, and sometimes days before the news reached the authorities, and the information obtained was regarded as so trustworthy that the natives speculated upon it even to the full extent of their fortunes.

Indeed, upon one occasion the "secret mail" beat the government courier by fully twelve hours, although every endeavor had been made to secure the swiftest dispatch.

The Hindoos themselves say, when they consent to talk about it at all, that they depend neither upon horses

nor men, and have no secret code of signals, but that they do possess a system of thought transmission which is as familiar to them as is the electric telegraph to the western world. Any one may accept this explanation that will.

But though most people with less fondness for the mysterious and a better knowledge of the weakness of the Hindoos for making griddles of the simplest facts will look for more prosaic explanation, it remains to be said that none has been forthcoming.

The "secret mail" is an indubitable reality, and no westerner has ever succeeded in solving its mystery.

If news is transmitted by signals no one has ever seen the signalers; nor if there is a vast system of stages in operation, covering hundreds and thousands of miles, has any one ever come across any of its machinery? And indeed, it would seem that some means of communication must be at the command of the natives more rapid than horses or runners.—

Providence Journal.

SOMETHING ABOUT STAMPS.

From The National Exchange

At a recent auction in London, British Guiana stamps brought the following prices:

A blue 4c of 1856 cancelled \$185. uncanceled \$250. four one cent, issue 1853, \$5 each. A pair of 4c Magentas of 1856 \$60. The 15c and 30c Reunion stamps bring \$500, and New Brunswick 5c sells readily at \$150.

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The set of four 1852 Hawaiian stamps are valued at \$1500. Old Brazil black stamps range from \$5 to \$12.50, and the green and yellow ones of Buenoes Ayers are sometimes as high as \$25 each and the red ones are worth \$30.

The vermilion 1-franc French stamp of 1849 and the "V. R" black English penny stamp are considered cheap at \$50 each.

The Mulready wrapper on India paper issued in 1840 has been sold for \$400.

A COLLECTOR.

DID NOT KNOW THE PICTURE.

"Whose picture is this on this ten-cent stamp?" I inquired of a stamp seller in the Post Office. The man took down a sheet of ten-cent stamps and regarded them critically. "Vell," said he, "dot's der first time I ever hear about dot. I give it up. I t'ought every picture got der feller's name underneath it, already." Of course there never were any names on postage stamp portraits, but this story shows that a man may handle goods year in and year out and not know anything about them after all.

R. A. DEGLIM.

IF you have anything that you think will interest readers of this paper, why we would like to hear from you.

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EDITORIAL AND REVIEW.

We have received copies of the *Collector* It is without doubt the smallest philatelic paper published; the size of its pages being only 2 by 4 inches, R. M. Miller, of New Chester, Adams County, Pa. is publisher.



The February number of the *National Exchange* is at hand, consists of 16 pages, and cover, and is devoted principally to the exchange of stamps, and coins. John W. Stowell of Federalsburg, Caroline County, Md. is Editor & Publisher.

We will give advertising space for first class philatelic
MMS.

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We received some time ago a circular from the Capital City Pub. Co., stating that they were going to publish a philatic paper entitled the "Stamp Collector's Magazine" "next month," this was in January, about the 26th, but up to going to press we have not seen it.



If you receive a copy of this paper, and you have not already subscribed, remember that it is sent to you as a sample copy, and in the hope that you will subscribe.



The man who says judicious advertising does not pay is indeed slow. As a rule the man who is not successful cries the loudest against newspaper advertising.



Mr. F. J. SOMMER, Box 44. Cleveland, Ohio. has been appointed our agent for the west, and any advertisements sent to him will receive as prompt attention as if sent direct to me.—Ed.



A Joke Repeated.

(From The American Stationer.)

Fledgely, although he likes a joke, has a defective memory. Howells came rushing up to him one day and asked anxiously:

"Where is that letter, Fledgely?"

"What letter?"

"Let her go Gallagher."

Fledgely roared. About a week later he met Robinson on Broadway, and asked anxiously:

"Robinson, where's that postal card?"

"What postal card?"

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"Let her go Gallagher," and Fledgely's roars were heard in Nassau street, while Robinson walked off, talking to himself.

FRAUDS.

Rob't Van Sciver, & Co., sent the following:

"Please publish the following as frauds; we wrote to them several times, but can get no answer from them:"

Arthur Potter, Sioux City, Leeds County., Iowa. - \$2.91

George F. Walton, Boston, Mass. - - - - - \$2.08

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R. A. Deglim, 175 East 77th, Street., New York City.—
I have to exchange for every 2 philatelic papers sent me one number, of Golden Weekly.

R. A. Deglim, 175 East 77th, Street., New York City.—
I have a lot of weekly papers to exchange for the best offer of "display" type, and would also like to hear from all persons having type for sale.

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NOTES OF HUMOUR AND INTER-
EST FROM EVERYWHERE.

A postage stamp is a good example of how far a thing can go by sticking to a thing.—New York World.

A stamp dealer named Palmer, in the Strand, advertises the only used specimen in existence of the American stamp Brattleboro, 1846, and he wants £250 for it.—New York Sun.

A lick observatory—The stamp window.—Oil City Blizzard.

It would take a train of thirty-seven freight cars, to transport \$1,000,000 in pennies.—New York World.

Marked for life—The cancelled postage stamp. Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

The first stamp paper published in the United States was the "Stamp Collector's Mercury," published in Boston in 1866.—Philatelic Globe.

THE ATLANTIC
PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

All stamp collectors of states bordering on the Atlantic Ocean are cordially invited to help form the above named association. the objects of this society will be the collecting, exchanging, and buying of postage stamps among its members. collectors that would like to join such an association if it should be formed, will do well by sending their address to the Editor.



Give us a trial ad.



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