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OUR ANNOUNCEMENT.

PHILATELISTS, we greet you with the rising Sun of Philately. We will endeavor to make this a just cause in our great science. Can we do it? Yes, with your help, brother Philatelists.

Some Interesting Curiosities.

Have any of our readers ever seen the Encased Postage Stamp? I doubt if many will say yes. They were issued by the United States Government in the year 1862, and used as currency during the Rebellion. They are one of the most interesting curiosities to both stamp and coin collectors. All the values from 1 cent to 90 cents of the 1861 issue of postage stamps were encased. The 30 cent and 90 cent are exceedingly scarce. The one most seen is the 3 cent Rose, but this would readily bring 50 cents or more from most any collector. If you have any of these curiosities you ought to consider yourself lucky, for you never see them for sale, nor do I know of them being catalogued by anyone.

A. H. BRETT.

A GRAVE QUESTION.

Brothers, don't you think there ought to be more books published on our subject than there are? We have plenty of magazines I know but we should have something which will let Philately be known to everyone, the same as any great science. I know that there are now a number of books published but they are not within the reach of the people as they should be.

A. H. BRETT.

Look out for No. 2 of the SUN, we promise you many improvements.

PHILATELIC TALK.

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