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If you wish to receive THE COLLECTOR'S AID regularly, send 10 cents for postage and your name will be booked to receive ten numbers as issued. Each number will contain information of value to every young collector. Address,

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Be sure to give your name and full address every time you write us.

If you would like a few copies of the AID to give away to your friends let us know how many to send you.

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When you write to us, or any other dealer, asking questions, always inclose a stamp for reply. If you neglect to do this, do not be surprised if you receive no answer.

If you have any rare foreign stamps that you wish to exchange, send them on and we will make you an offer, and if not satisfactory will return them to you.

Don't forget, collectors, to keep your eyes open for all U. S. stamps. You can add many dollars' worth to your collec-

tion at no expense. Find them in old drawers and boxes, packed away in store-rooms and garrets. Be careful and not tear one of these old issues. Better send envelope or letter and all.

In sending large lots of stamps by mail, be sure that they are wrapped securely. We receive many broken packages. Either put them in a cloth bag, or wrap them carefully in a stout paper and tie them well, and then do the same thing over again. Put your name on the outside of the package, but put no writing inside unless it is a card with your address on it. Anything else is against the postal regulations.

Don't send stamps, if you can avoid it, in payment for goods. They are often stuck to the letter and cause us much annoyance. For small amounts small silver coin can be safely sent if well wrapped in tissue or soft news paper before placing in the letter. Be sure your letter is well sealed. Postal notes (payable at Brooklyn, N. Y.,) can be had at most offices at a cost of only 3 cents. Of course we are willing to receive stamps when it is an especial accommodation to our friends, but if you have to send them put them in loose.

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	Each.	To 100
10. Carrier Stamp, eagle blue,	15	
5c. 1847, brown	08	
10. " black	55	
1. 1851 blue	01	
2. " red	04	
3. " brown	10	
10. " green	05	
12. " black	10	
24. " black	20	
12. " orange	20	
50. " blue	50	
1. 1861, blue	05	
2. 1861, black	05	

		Each 10	100			Each 10	100
3	1861, red	05	05	"	\$10.00, \$20.00	4	00
5	brown	05		Treasury,	1 c.		02
10	green	01		"	2 c., 3 c., 6 c., 10 c.		01
12	black	05		"	7 c., 12 c., 15 c., 30 c.		03
15	1866, black	05		"	24 c.		00
24	1861, lilac	06		War,	1 c., 3 c., 6 c.		01
30	orange	20		"	2 c.		05
90	blue	50		"	7 c.		15
1	1869, buff	02		"	10 c., 12 c., 15 c., 24 c., 30 c.		03
2	brown	01		"	90 c.		10
3	blue	01	01	Envy,	1 c.		05
6	blue	05		"	3 c.		01
10	orange	10		"	6 c.		05
12	green	10		"	12 c.		06
15	brown and blue	10		"	other values,		20
24	green and purple	35		Revenue Stamps.			
24	red and blue	35		2 c. "U. S. Inter. Rev."			02
30	black and carmine	75		2 c. "Bank Check," orange			02
1	1870, blue		01	2 c., other varieties,			01
2	brown		04	1 c., 3 c., 4 c., 5 c., 6 c., 10 c.			02
2	vermillion		03	15 c., 20 c., 25 c., 39 c., 40 c., 50 c.			03
3	green		02	60 c., 70 c.			04
5	blue		01	\$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00			01
6	red		01	\$1.30, \$1.60, \$1.90			04
10	brown		01	\$3.50, \$5.00, \$10.00			08
12	purple	02		\$15, \$20, \$25			1.00
15	orange	01		\$50			2.00
24	violet	10		\$200			3.00
30	black	02		Match stamps.			
90	carmine	05		Medicine stamps.			
5	1882, brown		02	Envelope Stamps.			
5	1883, red brown		01	1 c., 2 c., 3 c., 4 c., present issue			03
3	green		01	3 c., 1853; 1861, 3 c., 1864; 2 c., 1865			01
Postage Due Stamps, etc.				1 c., 1857; 3 c., 1876, (Centennial)			03
1 c.	brown		02	3 c., 1857			05
2	"		05	5 c., 6 c.			02
3	"		01	(Send others for prices.)			
5	"		04				
10	"		01				
30	"		03				
50	"		04				
Registration, green, no value							06
"Officially Sealed," brown, no value							03
10 c. blue, "Special Dispatch"							01

Official Stamps.

Official Stamps marked, "Specimen" not wanted.			
Agriculture,	1 c., 2 c.		10
"	3 c.		02
"	6 c.		04
"	10 c., 12 c., 15 c.		15
"	24 c., 30 c.		25
Executive,	1 c., 2 c., 3 c.		15
"	6 c., 10 c.		35
Interior,	1 c.		02
"	2 c., 3 c., 6 c.		01
"	10 c., 12 c., 15 c., 24 c., 30 c.		03
"	90 c.		06
Justice,	1 c., 2 c.		10
"	3 c.		02
"	6 c., 10 c., 12 c.		04
"	15 c.		05
"	24 c., 30 c.		15
"	90 c.		40
Navy,	1 c., 10 c., 12 c., 15 c.		05
"	2 c., 6 c.		02
"	3 c.		01
"	7 c.		15
"	24 c., 30 c.		12
"	90 c.		40
Post Office,	1 c., 2 c., 6 c., 12 c., 30 c.		02
"	3 c.		05
"	10 c.		10
"	15 c., 90 c.		06
"	envy, 2 c., 6 c.		01
"	" 3 c.		05
Postal Service			05
Seals,			
State,	1 c., 2 c., 3 c., 6 c., 7 c., 10 c.		10
"	12 c., 15 c., 24 c., 30 c.		20
"	90 c.		50
"	\$2.50, \$5.00		7.00

REMARKS.

Common perforated stamps must be peeled or soaked from the envelope, and all torn or heavily cancelled specimens must be left out.

Don't send common stamps in odd lots. Send as quoted on list, by tens or hundreds. Prices are given for the smallest lots we like to be troubled with. Of stamps for which we offer 1 cent each, or more, send in any lots—only send them.

Stamps quoted only in hundred lots must be neatly tied up in packages of 100 each, all faced the same way, and must be carefully sorted. That is, the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10 cent, etc., must be kept separate. *Each value and each color must be by itself.* We cannot use them unless this is done, and shall simply take out enough to pay the postage and send the rest back.

Envelope stamps must be cut out square, and each denomination, each issue, and

each color of paper kept separate. This applies to the common varieties. Of the issues before 1870, send the *entire envelope* when possible.

A two cent stamp must be sent with each exchange order, or 5 cents will be deducted from the order.

U. S. Officials or old issues cannot be sent in exchange for common U. S. or Canadian stamps, nor can we send more than one-half the order in unused stamps.

Be sure to pay full postage on all packages of stamps sent us.

FINALLY. Make your order for at least *twice* the amount that you are entitled to, as some stamps are in such demand that we can only supply them on cash orders. You must observe this rule or we shall decline to exchange with you. There is necessarily more or less delay about exchange orders, but if you do not hear from us within 10 to 20 days, according to distance, write again stating what you sent and when.

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10	" " Sets,	5.00
10	Dime Sets.	1.00
	Stamps for Approval Sheets.	2.00

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Outfit No. 2.

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1	Complete Set Union Packets,	1.45
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10	Acme Packets (the most salable),	3.25
12	Half-Dime Packets,	60
25	" " Sets,	1.25
25	Dime "	2.50
10	Good Mixed Stamps,	50

200	Choice " "	50
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250	8P. Circulars, with address,	\$4.00
2	Complete Sets Union Packets,	2.90
2	" " Eagle "	5.00
10	Acme Packets,	3.25
24	Half-Dime Packet,	1.20
50	" " Sets,	2.50
50	Dime Sets,	5.00
5000	Good Mixed stamps,	2.50
500	Choice " "	1.25
	Stamps for Approval Sheets,	5.00
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Boys, Enlarge your Collections.

A poor stamp collection is of little satisfaction or value. A good one is not only valuable, but a never-ending source of amusement and instruction. Keep your stamps in good order. Mount them with hinges so that you can examine the backs at any time, and easily replace a poor specimen with a better when opportunity offers. Have a pride in your collection and try to increase it. If some of your young acquaintances, less stable-minded than yourself, get tired of their collections do not let this form a reason for your own discouragement. Rather, improve the opportunity to increase your collection. Buy of the fickle-minded collector his collection; you can do it for a mere song, perhaps can "trade" for it, giving him some article of your own which you little value. You will find some specimens for your own collection and can then send the balance of the stamps to some dealer who will give you good exchange for them, and thus your collection will be largely increased.

We are ready to make exchange offers for collections, provided the stamps are in good condition, but not otherwise. Send the Album on for inspection, being sure that the postage is fully prepaid, and we will make you an offer by return mail, and if not satisfactory will return the collection at our own expense. Put your name and address on the outside of every package you send.

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Papers for Collectors.

There are many good papers for collectors published now-a-days, and every wide-awake collector will subscribe for at least one publication devoted to his particular line of collecting. We cannot attempt now to enumerate the different papers, but in subsequent issues of the AID we will briefly give the points regarding all the different collectors' papers received by us, thus enabling our readers to form their own opinions of them.

We will receive and forward subscriptions for any paper issued, and publishers will serve their own interests by sending us their best terms.

South American Stamps.

We would be glad to correspond with any collectors, employed in offices in New York, or elsewhere, who have facilities for getting large lots of South American or other foreign stamps, relative to the purchase of their "wastebasket savings."

Stamp Mounts.

The only proper way to mount stamps in Albums is by means of gummed hinges. When mounted in this manner the backs can be examined and a specimen is easily changed for a better one without injuring the Album. We have them for sale at 5 cents per package. Order a package and you will never do without them again.

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10 green01	
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24 1861, lilac06	
30 orange20	
90 blue50	
1 1869, buff02	
2 brown01	
3 blue		01
10 orange10	
12 green10	
15 brown and blue10	
24 green and purple35	
30 red and blue35	
90 black and carmine75	
1 1870, blue		01
2 brown		04
2 vermilion		03
3 green		02
5 blue		01
6 red		01
10 brown		02
12 purple02	
15 orange01	
24 violet10	
30 black02	
90 carmine05	
5 1882, brown		02
2 1833, red brown		01
3 green		01

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"	10c., 12c., 15c. 24c., 30c.,	03
"	90c.,	06

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"	3c.,	02
"	6c., 10c., 12c.,	04
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See result of last contest in another column.

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The first magazine devoted entirely to stamp collecting was published in the latter part of 1862. Twelve years afterwards in the "Philatelic Library," privately printed and distributed, I attempted to preserve a record, title and full particulars of every publication designed in whole or part for stamp collectors. A second part consisted of a list of 620 price lists and trade circulars, and a third part of a reference list to some 272 articles of the general press relating to the subject. The whole made 110 pages Royal Quarto. The second and third parts would to-day be increased many fold but always be necessarily incomplete. The first part has however proved to have been complete beyond expectation, the continued researches of the compiler and others having added many interesting particulars concerning the works referred to, but few new titles. Of the 131 titles marked therein as not having been actually seen by the author, perhaps one-fourth have since been discovered, a fourth proved never to have been actually published, while the remaining half are still known only by name. This part consisted of 569 different titles, comprising 2523 different pieces, of which 1535 were numbers of the 135 journals enumerated. The manuscript of the catalogue has been continued, ready at any moment for the press, and now, twelve years since the first edition was issued, would mention 6991 numbers of 473 journals and a to-

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30 "		10
40 "		10
50 "		1
60 "		10
70 "		10
\$ 1.00 "		3
1.30 "		1.50
1.50 "		15
1.60 "		1.50
1.90 "		1.50
2.00 "		10
2.50 "		10
3.00 "		35
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2 orange,		1
4 brown,		5
5 orange,		2
6 "		15
15 brown,		5
30 orange,		10
40 brown,		10
60 orange,		10
70 green,		10
\$ 1.00 "		3
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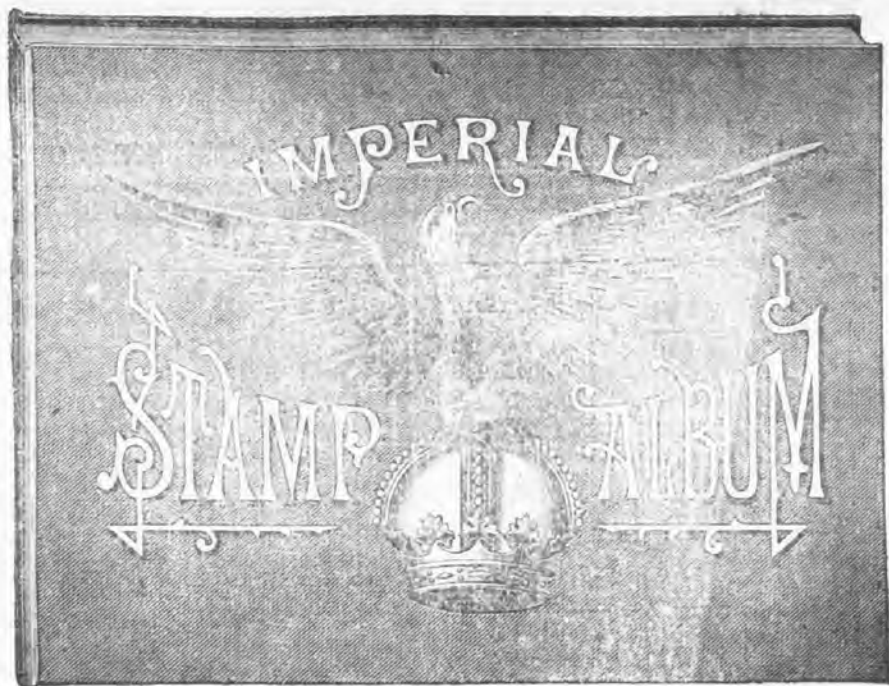
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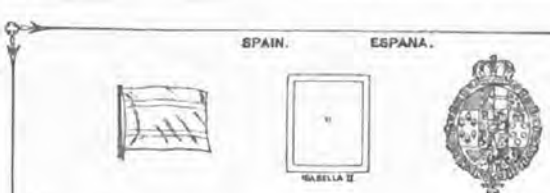
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


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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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



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

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
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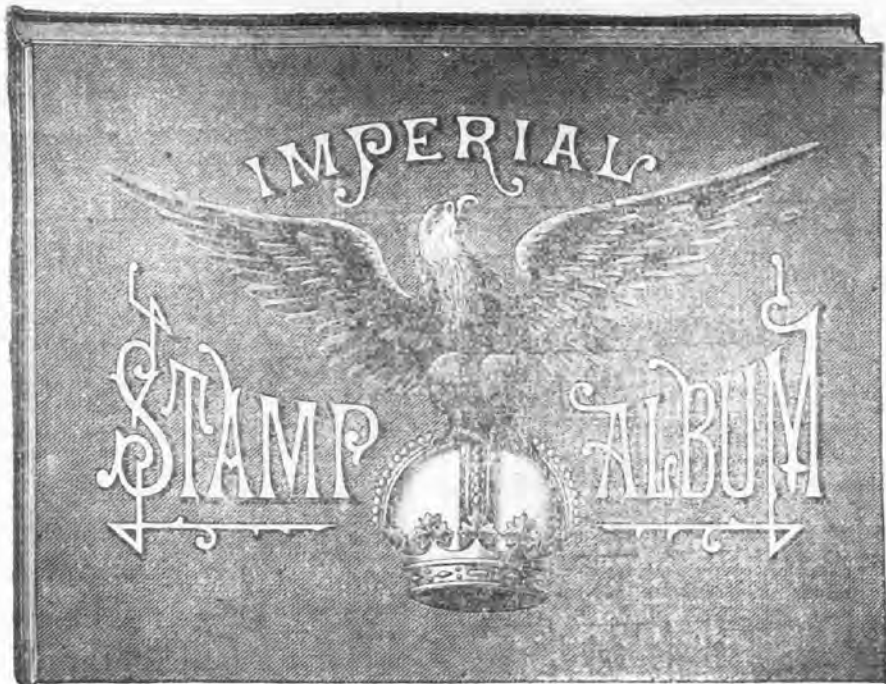
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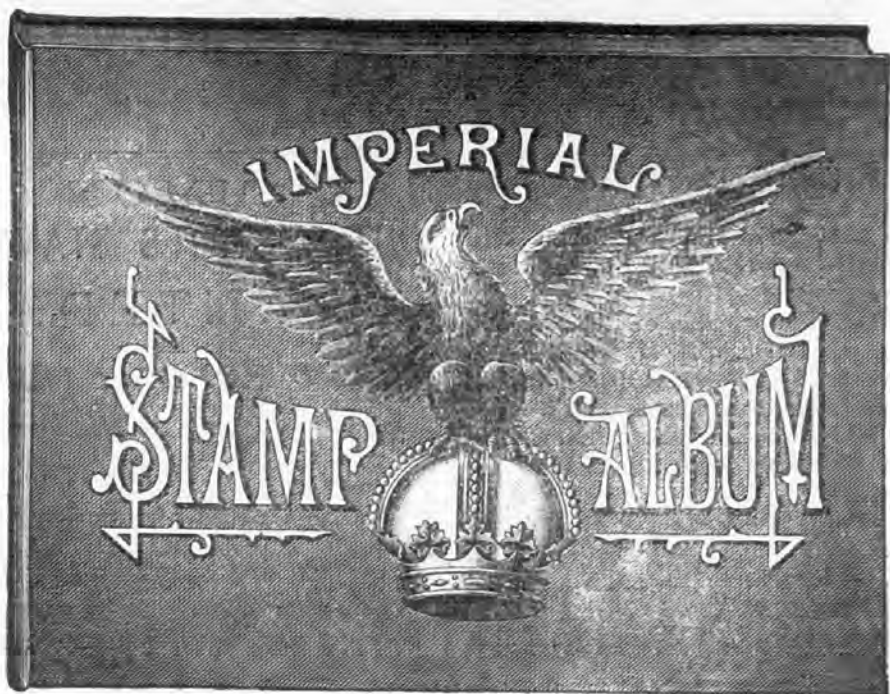
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