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TO THE PUBLIC.

With this new sheet
We doff our hat,
And take our seat
On the office cat.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

When we consider the many volumes that have been published along the line of Philately, one might be ready to conclude that little, if anything, new could be said upon this subject, by which to render it of more pleasure or mutual benefit; and so far as general principles are concerned, we would yield an assent.

It may seem absurd to expect any new discoveries in a field so far advanced. This field has repeatedly been under survey by Sta-

tesmen, Lawyers, Doctors and Publicists, whose attention has been attracted by its progress as an art and science, and therefore demands every fresh study and statement.

It is our aim to furnish all the information along this line that we can. We also devote a part of our pages to Stamp Dealers who want their "ads" to be seen by nearly every collector in the United States. This paper will in the near future be sent to every collector in "Davison's Philatelic Concordance and Address Book."

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EDITORIALS.

It is our pleasure to testify our appreciation of the Philatelic Newsletter. It is edited with rare ability, and abounds in edifying paragraphs and spicy suggestions on current topics. Success to you Bro.

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The number of letters delivered in the United Kingdom in one week of February 1848, was 6,670,409.

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Germany has discontinued her stamped envelopes.

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The American Philatelic Magazine has resigned as official organ of the Sons of Philately.

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During the year of 1848, (one

year before the United States introduced stamps) there passed through the mail fifty-eight millions paying letters, not much more on an average, than one letter in four months, for every free person in the country, old and young, engaged in business or living retired.

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We understand that this government no longer issues stamped envelopes above the denomination of 5cts.

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It is our aim and purpose to furnish to the stamp dealer an advertising medium through which he may have his "ads." seen by every collector in the United States. We cannot do this, unless you give us your hearty support. We have the facility for printing it, and if you will send us your "ad." we are almost sure of good results.

Any person with plain common sense knows that it costs something to carry on an enterprise of any sort, and therefore, we appeal to you for support in this undertaking.

If you have a special mail auction sale, or packets, or any fresh statement to publish, we would be glad to quote prices against any one.

There are plenty of collectors throughout the South who would buy stamps and albums from you if they see your "ad." There are 11 collectors in this city where Davison only gives 2; their names will be furnished on application, they are and have been ardent stamp collectors, and there is no reason why their interest should flag, and we hope to quicken their interest in Philately by the appearance of this paper. This is an honored old place, having the State University and several other noted institutions

ted here, and any collector who may come into our midst to attend school, will be well taken care of, and not let his studies occupy so much of his time as to cause him to loose interest in his collection; there are three or four collectors at the University now who have their collections with them and devote part of their time to it.

We are going to have this paper circulated among all the collectors, and want every collector who attends a school of any sort, in any state, to act as a committee of one and send us the names of their companions who are interested in stamps, and try to get every one they can to become interested also. You will find inducements each month in this paper from some enterprising dealer, and we will guarantee them to be reliable.

The C. H. Mekeel Stamp and Pub., Co. of St. Louis Mo., have honored us with a copy of their '95 catalogue, it is fresh from the press and up to date, price 50cts. Post free.

The latest catalogues again uphold the fact that those persons who buy rare stamps in preference to those of a cheaper grade are in this respect the wiser.—Ex.

We respectfully solicit terse and breezy correspondence on subjects germane to the profession of Philately from any correspondants who have bright and original views to express, or fresh and interesting news to relate.

We hope that our contemporaries will take enough interest in our paper as to place it on their exchange list and we will reciprocate.



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Its free and full of interest to wide-awake collectors.

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BETHLEHEM, - - - PA.
Branch Store 30 East 23rd St., N Y

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It is not a priced-list of that company only, but gives the correct valuation of every stamp, and no collector can afford to be without it. Price 50cts, Postage 8cts extra.

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Don't fail to read all of the advertisements in this issue it will help you considerably.

Nine months ago the five dollar Columbian sold at auction for \$6.50. The four dollar value at \$5.00. At present these stamps can be obtained for but little over their face value. Notwithstanding this, the successful bidders at the auction sale will not lose anything if they hang onto the stamps for a little while.—Newsletter.

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"Must I put it on myself?"

Clerk: "Not necessarily. It probably be of greater service if you put it on the envelope"

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[WHOLE No. 2.]



This is a close Philatelist,
A sadder man and wiser:
His wife his name she failed to
see
In *The Philatelic Advertiser*.

We chronicle in this issue the fact that the firm of Eddins and Davis has been dissolved. The new firm will be styled A. M. Eddins & Co. We promise our readers renewed diligence in the preparation of all matter within our columns. No pains and no expense will be spared to render all literary and editorial contributions as readable as to suit the most fastidious. We also pledge our honor to advertisers to increase with each issue the circulation among collectors as their names and residences are ascertained. We will

say to advertisers: space in our columns is certainly worth the price charged. Our magazine is attractively arranged, its contents are readable, and it ramifies among collectors throughout the length and breadth of this continent. We propose, as the project becomes feasible, to extend its circulation to Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. Our advertising rates are, seemingly, absurdly cheap, considering the fact that the paper is sent at each month to 3,010 names. We ask a liberal patronage, and we promise a magazine well worth the money.

FREE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

To every cash subscriber to the PHILATELIC ADVERTISER at regular subscription rates, we will give an insertion in our exchange column of 25 words in one issue of our paper **Free Of Charge**.

"The first number of a stamp paper is very seldom a criterion of its future quality. In our long-lived papers the first number is generally the poorest, while of the short-lived it is generally the best."
—Filatelic Facts and Fallacies

According to that theory, what a long and prosperous life have we—provided we do not prove to be the exception.

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A. M. Eddins & Co., Tuscaloosa Ala.

EDITORIALS.

It will cause an electrical thrill to flash through the collectors of the world of philately to hear that, a few weeks since, Miss Grace Myatt, of Brookwood, Tuscaloosa county, Ala., upon looking over some ancient *bellum* and *ante-bellum* correspondence, casually chanced upon a number of supposedly worthless Confederate locals, exceedingly well-preserved and many uncanceled; among the number for instance, being a Uniontown and a Columbus, Georgia. Unaware of the precious value of the little colored papers, she was startled when a philatelic *avant courier* meandering around in that section, upon her showing him the collection in a careless way, seemed temporarily thunder-struck and paralyzed. When he partially regained his sense of coherent utterance, he gasped: "I'll give

you \$35.50 for the stamps." Dazed at such a seemingly extravagant offer, and somewhat doubting his sanity, she falteringly suggested: "I suppose, of course, you can have them; wait a few minutes until my brother returns." But the philatelic evangel by this time had flown all to pieces. He was struck mad. "I'll give you \$45.00." "Well, wait for brother first." "I'll give you \$75.00." "Wait a—" "I'll give you \$650.00 for that green by itself." The young lady by this time knew that the tourist was either a lunatic or else that she was the possessor of property more precious than the gems of Golconda. She has never until yet parted with the treasures.

This is a true episode. Upon getting wind of it, our purchasing agent, Mr. A. M. Eddins, went to Brookwood, and confirmed all the foregoing. He vouches for the statement that the collection is a veritable marvel.

We see it stated in screaming head-lines in the news columns of the daily press that "Millions of counterfeit 2 cent stamps are now in circulation." This may or may not be true. If true it possesses a meaning for true Philatelist fraught with significance. It means portentous things to all who sincerely desire to preserve the science of Philately in its pristine purity. It behooves every Philatelist to be on his guard against the machinations of counterfeiters. God grant that the noble science of Philately

may never be prostituted and debauched; may never be poisoned by the injection of spurious stamp-toxine into its pure veins. We have even heard at occasional intervals dark and ominous hints in connection with certain stamp-dealers bearing on this same question. Any dealer who would so outrage the science as to make or deal in a counterfeit stamp, whether of great or small value, should be branded with disgrace and ignominiously and eternally expelled from the proud ranks of the sons and daughters of Philately.

Are you a member of the Southern Philatelic Association? if not you should join it, you will have the pleasure of knowing and being known by different collectors throughout the South; moreover, you will most heartily enjoy an excellent opportunity of exchanging and selling your duplicates. How agreeable it is to receive stamps for exchange from a Bro., in a neighboring town; and when you visit any city where there is a member of the S. P. A. if you will make yourself known to him he will accord you a hearty greeting, and probably proffer you the pleasure of seeing his Philatelic gems.

"Once let the "genius," "muse," or "goddess" of Philately "mark you for her own;" she will hold her followers ever after."

For application blanks write to Ben Russell Esqr., Alexander City, Ala., or to the editors of this pa-

per. Join now and attend the convention to be held at Mobile, Ala. this Summer.

Within the last 35 years, there has been 1,000 different postal cards issued.

Search among your old 1887 correspondence for "Die A" envelopes possibly you may find one.

New South Wales has discontinued the use of "O. S." stamps. Those endorsed "O. H. M. S.," with the name of the department from which they emanate in the left hand corner, are used instead.

Several of the Japanese stamps have increased in value lately; the war was probably the cause of it.

Envelopes were first used in 1839.

Post offices were first established in 1464.

It is rumored that owing to the recently ferreted-out counterfeiting of the issue of 1894, 2 cent, said issue will be withdrawn from circulation. A very interesting question arises: will the 1890 issue be again utilized, or will a brand new issue be adopted?

WATCH US GROW!!

Just keep your weather-eye on us. We are here to stay, to grow, to educate, to help the world and, we would modestly and incidently suggest, to wax-fat in personal prosperity.



If you are a collector send for my price d-list. Its price is rec.

I will pay highest Cash Prices for old collections.

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We keep constantly on hand all varieties of Confederate money and evidences of indebtedness, at the very lowest figures. Correspond with us on the subject; you will find it to your interest to do so.

A. M. EDDINS & Co.

PO BOX 118, TUSKAFOOSA, ALA.

We have for sale the following choice stamps, all in most excellent condition, in fact perfect little beauties:

Mobile local, 5ct blue, \$7.00.

Mobile local, 5ct blue, orig. env. \$10.

Confederate "ten" cent blue, original envelope, (fine) \$4.50

Confederate, Two cent, green, original envelope, \$3.50.

We have also an innumerable variety of U. S. postage and internal revenue stamps, regarding which we will be pleased to receive correspondence. To those sending satisfactory references, we will send approval sheets. We have all these stamps of each particular variety, both on and off of the envelope. We are really in possession of a remarkably elaborate and beautiful assortment of stamps, and might enumerate them *ad infinitum*, but space forbids the enumeration of more in this issue.

A. M. Eddins & Co.,

Tuskafoosa, Ala.

A letter was received at the Okolona. P. O., Miss., November 16th, last, postmarked at Mobile, Ala., June 29th, 1863. It was carried by a two cent Confederate postage stamp and was written to a Captain in the Confederate infantry.

It related to some hospital. This letter will go into the department's museum of postal curiosities, says the "Postal Record." It would be interesting to know how this postal ghost was stirred up from its peaceable sleep of thirty-one years.—Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News.

Johnny—Mamma, why do they always smut the faces on stamps?

Mother—Why my son whenever the mail is put on the train, it has to be cancelled.

Johnny—Well mamma when I go to Chicago, are they going to cancel my face?