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The S. of P. now has 831 members and over 50 applications. The increase of this society is something marvelous. Let the good work go on.

Where has the new Ohio Philatelic Society disappeared to, anyway? I sent my name in for membership two months ago, and have not heard a word since. Surely Ohio ought to have a state society.

Have you seen the new 8-cent stamps?

The publishers of the *Pennsylvania Philatelist* say the May number will consist of one hundred pages. Brother Kautner evidently has enterprise.

The United Philatelic Association, since being reorganized last December, has grown rapidly and now has nearly one hundred members.

The *Long Island Philatelist* is to be devoted to the S. of P. from March to August. A good paper in a good cause.

There is a rumor that a large stamp company will be started in Cleveland within a short time. That it will be a success is the hope of

S. OF P. 382.

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EDITORIAL.

With this number of our paper we introduce ourselves to the philatelic world. We start out with a circulation of 1000 copies each issue, which we hope to increase as occasion demands. Most of our articles will be short and newsy. Our advertising pages are open to all dealers and we expect to hear from a great many this month. We would be pleased to receive short articles in the line of philately from any of our friends.

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Good use is made of the magazines, etc., which go to the dead-letter office. They are distributed among the various hospitals, asylums and other charitable institutions in the District of Columbia. This distribution is ordered annually by the Postmaster-General, and last year over 33,000 were in this way disposed of.

JOTTINGS.

The Influence of the Columbian Issue

proved to be quite strong, especially in the making of new collectors. One thing which tends to do this is the beauty of the stamps. The scenes presented on the faces are fascinating, as well as are the varying colors of the different values.

Never before has there been so much press comment on the subject of postage stamps, and a non-philatelist, in reading these comments and notices, would probably have an interest in the stamps, and after looking into the matter, would become one of our number.

Doubtless there were many who were ignorant of the existence of a stamp above the thirty-cent value, and after noticing an article in the local newspapers, began to collect the stamps of this grand issue.

Recently an old German lady asked the writer to get her a few specimens of the Columbian values, as she wished to send them to her nephew in Germany, who had just started collecting!

Postage and Philatelic Papers.

A few days ago I desired to send some philatelic papers by mail, and after making quite a bundle of them I went to the P. O. and inquired what the postage on them would be. My correspondent to whom I was to send the papers had written me that it cost but one-fourth of a cent per ounce, which is the regular newspaper rate. I was informed that the postage would be 22 cents, as the package weighed 44 ounces and was "printed matter."

As 22 cents was rather "steep" I thought I would risk an experiment,

so I nailed on eleven cents in stamps and "checked her in." They probably got to their destination without any of the detestable "postage due," as there was no kicking on the part of my ex.

Timbrology.

This is a new term for the place of "Philately," and is advocated by J. F. Richards in the March number of *The Stamp*. On the whole, I believe it is an able term.

Philately Has Improved

wonderfully during the last six months, and one thing about that improvement is that there have apparently been very few frauds. Perhaps this little observation of mine is stated because the *Fraud Reporter* has suspended; but anyway, I have heard of few instances of swindling for six months past. I guess "J. J. M. kinder would things up."

The philatelic press of 1892-93 has been unusually fine, and a dozen of valuable journals have got out "Vol. 1, No. 1." Most of the small papers have been bright and newsy, notwithstanding their diminutiveness. Among these prominent journals of '92-'93 are: "Filatelic Facts and Fallacies," "American Phil. Magazine," "The Florida Phil.," "Rocky Mountain Phil.," "Phil. Fortnightly," "The Chicago Phil.," "Weekly Phil.," and several good Canadian journals. This spring's crop is quite large, comprising half a dozen journals, among which is the OHIO STAMP, with which we hope you are well pleased.

S. THOMPSON.

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REVIEW.

The Weekly Philatelist is a small six-page paper, now six months old, issued weekly. It consists mostly of short notes from the large cities. Every collector should subscribe, as the price is only 40 cents per year.

With the March number the *Eastern Philatelist* starts volume eleven. Truly, this is one of the best stamp papers published in America. The story entitled "The Fate of the Philatelic Boomerang" is above the average of that kind of literature. Roy F. Greene also has a good article. Two or three other articles and numerous short notes help to make up a good number.

Number fifty-one of the *Dominion Philatelist* was received all O. K. "A chat about the stamps of the Leeward Islands" was very interesting; otherwise the number is rather dry.

One Dime certainly makes the poorest appearance of any paper we have seen. Nevertheless, it generally contains a good article.

With the March number, *The Stamp* end its first year. While this number is not quite up to the average, we expect the April number will make up for it.

The Philatelic Tribune for March 25th contained little of interest except the auction catalogue.

The International Philatelist for February consisted of only eight pages and cover, but the contents were first-class.

Number three of the *Philatelic Journal of Canada* was received rather late, but the contents were so fine that we did not care how late it came. Canadian collectors should feel proud of this paper, as it is one of the best.

The March number of the *Post Office* contained nothing of interest with the exception of an article by Crawford entitled "Progress in Collecting," which was first-class.

The Detroit Philatelist is a yearling now, and a good one, too. The March number contained a good article by C. W. N. In the next number the serial story by Roy F. Greene, which was to run in the *Nebraska Stamp*, will probably be started.

The Eagle Philatelist has come to life again and is better than ever. The March number consisted of twenty-four pages and cover.

S. of P. matters predominated in the March number of the *Collector*, as there were over fifty new members and nearly one hundred applications; also the reports of the different officers and other matters; so there was not much room for anything else.

We have received the following papers, but did not have space to review them:

- The Pennsylvania Philatelist,
- The Florida Philatelist,
- The Philatelic Fraud Reporter,
- Golden Star,
- Mekal's Weekly Stamp News,
- The American Philatelic Magazine.

NOTES ON U. S. STAMPS.

Collectors should keep their eyes open for several reprints of the \$20 large U. S. department stamps that are now in circulation.

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