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NO. 1

**THE SUMMER ADVENTURES OF
A STAMP COLLECTOR.**

Well summer is over and as I sit with my album on my knee, I smile as I think of the pleasures gone past, how my efforts to add to my collection out of some old musty garrett came to nought.

I was going along a quiet country road looking for an old 'stand by' farm house and at last I struck one that looked as though it might have been built before the war.

I went up to the door, feeling as if I already had a gold mine (in the shape of stamps) and rapped, it was opened by an elderly woman, I immediately made known my errand, I told her I was looking for

old stamps, and asked her if she had any old letters which she would like to sell, she listened till I was through but I could see by her face that something was wrong, when I stoped talking, she said I have my opinion of folks who go a round trying to know other peoples business, and it took a good while to convince her that I did not want to read her letters, but wished only the envelopes, finially she said I ll see, she went up stairs and was gone some time and came back with a bundle of letters, I took the package eagerly and opened it, the first thing I struck was a brown two center and letter after letter was gone over with the same result until they were almost gone, then I found a couple of one cent buff and six cent blue 136. I asked if these were all she had yes she and her man had cleaned things out about two weeks before and burned up the greatest lot of trash. I got up sorrowfully, and wended my way to the road in disgust, I had en ough for one day.

Last year more than five million piece. of matter were thrown out of the mails because of incorrect or insufficient addresses.

PHILATELIC NOTES

A postage stamp museum has just been opened at Vienna. Among the postal curiosities shown are balloon letters, pigeon post, and submarine post letters, as they were sent during the siege of Paris 1870.

A collection of forged stamps is also very interesting to the collector. Among the curious objects shown are letters of the Anthropophagi in the Duchies, pieces of wood covered with hieroglyphics, and post cards which have made the tour of the world.

For one of these with penny stamp, which took 119 days to return to its starting-point, an offer of a thousand florins has been made. There is also a case with a collection of all the coins struck during the Emperor Francis Joseph's reign.

The finest object in the collection is believed to be a Dundee stamp, worth £500, and a Cape of Good Hope stamp valued at £100. The exhibition comprises three million stamps and other objects connected with the post. G. N.

It is rumored that the new Luxemburg stamps

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We will conduct an Exchange, Fraud and Club column, free to subscribers.

All subscribers who are interested in clubs are invited to send us notice of the proceedings of their club for publication.

We would like correspondents from all over to write for this paper.

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PHILATELIC NOTES (Continued)

are to be withdrawn from use, the engraving being unsatisfactory.

Two parties from Brazil, were lately offering the early issues in wholesale lots at a price far higher each than they were catalogue at retail by American dealers. They stated, they were buying all they could get, and hold them for a rise.

Look out for the early issues, keep all you have and get all you can. They are bound to go higher.

The invention of postal cards is due to Dr. Emanuel Herrmann of Vienna. They were first used in Austria October 1st, 1869.

The first unpaid letter stamps were issued and used in France in 1859.

In November 1861, the first issue of bergedorf stamps appeared, and were in use only eleven days. The rare and common stamps of this country are all from the same dies.

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Mr. Geo. Byron Weller, who has a fine knowledge of stamps, has consented to write for us. In our next issue will appear the opening chapters of an interesting story intitled, 'Born to be a Collector'

Be sure and read it.

---THE---

Salt City Philatelist

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Philatelic Notes

Ger. Hazen in *The World*, gives some interesting statistics. In the last twelve months 37 million worth of stamps have been sold. It is barely fifty years ago since they were used in England, and 1847 Congress first authorized their use in the United States. During the three years after stamps were first adopted, from 1847 to 1851, only four million stamps in round numbers were sold. In 1852 (when the postage was reduced to three cents,) the volume of letters increased almost fifty millions in a single year.

Postal cards were first issued in May 1873, and during the first two months of their use, there were thirty one million of them sold, during the following year ninety millions, in 1878, two hundred and during the past year, three hundred and eighty million.

In Peru, in 1527, the Spanish invaders found a regular system of post in operation along the great Highway from Quito to Cuzco, and messages, as the progress of the invasion as well as other subjects were forwarded to the Incas by fleet footed runners who wound around their waists the Quipu a species of sign writing by means of knotted cords.

The one penny red of the first issue of Great Britain, has been turned black by the use of chemicals, and is being offered to collectors.—Post Office

In 1790 there were but seventy five Post offices in the United States, there are now about twenty seven million.

Bolivia has a new set of stamps, the design is the same as the old issues.

The confederate post office commenced business officially on June 1st. 1861.

It is reported that Luxemburg will have a new set of stamps by the 1st. of November.

This years Honduras Postal Union cards are printed from altered plates of the Internal cards, but from some over-sight of the maker the last two letters of the word 'rate' were not erased, thus increasing our little stock of errors by one. - Mekeel Weekly

The first Tuscany stamps appeared in 1850. The rarest Tuscan is the 3 lire ochre, it being catalogued at about \$15.

The annual number of dead-letters of the United States is about two million five hundred thousand.

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Business Manager

W. J. Spire

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We received THE COLLECTOR for Oct. It's fine and how it grows.

BORN TO BE A PHILATELIST

By G B Weller

CHAPTER I

Charlie Home

Charlie Saunders, the hero of our story, was a bright studious, energetic boy six years of age. He had piercing black eyes and a face which bore a pleasant look at all times. His parents were in comfortable circumstances, and although their home was not very luxurious, it was neat and comfortable. They lived in Herford, Mass., a small city of about sixteen thousand inhabitants. The making of the city had been the Ferriscot river which ran through the center of it. The source of the Ferriscot river was in the Green Mountains, from thence it flowed in an easterly direction and emptied into Massachusetts Bay. Charlie had many a time paddled up the river with the Herford Canoe Club of which he was a member. The river as it wended its way through the city was crossed by four bridges, all of them just having been completed.

Main street was, as its name implied, the principal street in the city. Charlie lived, quite a distance from the center of the city on Main St.. Frank Munroe, a boy about fifteen years old, was Charlie's most intimate friend, and they were together a good deal of the time. They were in the same class at school and they lived across the road from each other their fathers worked at the Crescent Wollen Mills.

CHAPTER II

Charlie makes an investment.

As Charlie and Frank were walking down Main St. towards school, one morning in the month of Sept. 188—; Charlie said, "Frank stamp collecting is flourishing in this city and promises to be livelier this winter, than ever before: why, yesterday I notice that nearly every boy in our school had sheets of stamps." "I know it, and I would like to be a collector myself:" replied Frank. "So you have caught the stamp fever?" said Charlie. "Yes I have and I am going to start to collect today." he ans.

To be continued

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PHILATELIC NOTES

Of the Augsburg return letter Stamp of Bavaria there are said to exist no less than one hundred and eighteen varieties.

Of Bloods-One Cent Dispatch, black on bronze, three different counterfeits exist. One is evidently a first attempt, for it is very different from the original, and the letters are larger; the second is also a crude affair, in this the L looks like an inverted T. The third is dangerous. It may be detected by the flourish over the N in one; in the genuine the flourish is directly over the N. In the counterfeit it extends from O to E of cent. New Hampshire Phil.

Mauritius has four more provisionals, 2c. 30c. violet; 2c. on 4c. rose; 2c. on 17c. rose, 2c. 38c. over 9c. violet. The above are all surcharges in black.

British Honduras has two new surcharges issued the 27th of Oct.

No. 1 Five surcharged in black over three cent on three pence, black and brown, 1888 issue, the 3 crossed by a bar.

No. 2 15c. on 6c. on 3 pence, blue; 1891 issue, red surcharge. Mekeel's Weekly

In France, during the last year, it is said there was for each inhabitant 19 letters: in England each inhabitant got 45; in the United States 30; Germany 22.

Mekeel's Weekly has exposed another fraud in that of E. C. HOLMES, of station A Boston Mass. His method is to send a check, for goods, The checks are void

GOLDEN HOURS CORRESPONDING CLUB of **WIND GAP PA.**

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EDITORIAL

This month we reduce our subscription and advertising rates. We want 200 more subscriptions before Feb. 1, and as an inducement, will make the following offer, to the first 25 persons subscribing we will give a set of Constantinople free, to the fifth person we will give a set of Heligoland Webers. We intend to make this paper a benefit to every subscriber. We will conduct an Exchange, Fraud, and Club column, free to subscribers.

Our next number will be enlarged from 24 to 32 pages.

6 inches, or very near twice as large as now, and advertising and subscription must be received before January 16th, to take advantage of the reduced rates.

Want some good Philatelic manuscript and correspondents to write for this paper.

We would like to exchange two or more copies with other Stamp and Collectors papers.

We would like to exchange advertising space for good American stamps; also for space in other paper.

In the last number, the last line on the second page should read Thousands, instead of Millions.

--:Exchang's:--

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We have received the New Hampshire Philatelist for November.

The Philatelic Fraud Reporter received for Oct. rather late but just as bad for the frauds.

The Collector received for Dec. It contains a good article on specialies.

BORN TO BE A PHILATELIST

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CHAPTER II — continued

“Frank” said Charlie “I’m glad you’re going to be a collector, so am I”. “I always wanted to be a stamp collector, in fact I think I was born to be a philatelist, why this morning when I saw the sheets of Jack Rogers it sent a thrill through me and I decided at once that I would be a collector that is how I came to speak of stamps this morning” “Then we can trade stamps which we get a like of and in that way can help each other a good deal” replied Frank warmly. The next day at school had been dismissed in the afternoon Charlie met Frank and said “I’ve got a dandy, Frank” “What is it?” responded Frank inquiringly. “Well I’ll tell you said our hero quietly, because you’re my friend and I know you will keep it shady until it is arranged”, “Well” asked Frank all eager

ow, "What is it" ? "The fact is" said Charlie continuing, "I have about twelve dollars which I've saved by doing the chores and I am going to buy ten dollar worth of stamp and be a dealer myself, "That will be fine!" exclaimed Frank, you've got a great head for business and pleasure combined. The next day Charley sent for the stamps and in a few days he received them and was much pleased.

CHAPTER III

THE THEFT.

The next morning when Charlie went to school he took his stamps with him. He had arranged them in a neat and tasty manner on some sheet according to their value.

At recess, Charlie was kept quite busy, nearly every boy in school was interested in stamps, and Charlie consequently had a large crowd around him eager to get the first chance at his sheets. During the fifteen minutes which was allowed for recess he sold about three dollars worth of his stamps leaving about a dollar.

(To be continued.)

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NO. 4.

THE POSTAL MUSEUM.

Postmaster General Wanamaker is about to start a Postal Museum.

Already they are busy at the General Office building in Washington preparing rooms, and sorting the numerous objects already on hand, which probably will be trebled.

The Museum, according to the views of its founder, shall represent the history of the past and present mail service of the world, this country in particular.

The specimens for the United States collection are very near complete, a precise outfit of the Pony Express rider in its minute details can be seen.

Contributions have already been received from Germany, Russia, France, Italy and Persia.

South American Republic intend to be represented in the Museum. A large and varied collection is to be had from England.

Austria - Hungary has sent a collection which is very unique, it even has the notes to the airs which the Post man of that country are accustomed to play on their Post Horns.

Among the many things that have been promised will be the various Uniforms; Model letter boxes, Stage Coaches, (in miniature) Photographs of Foreign post office building,

From the Poland regions will be Rein-deer sleds, Dog sleds with teams, Skates and Snow shoes.

From the Orient, will be letter carriers mounted on camels or riding in carts drawn by Indian buffaloes, fording streams on rafts constructed on large clay jars.

The method of carrying letters in South Africa, which is quite unique, will be represented by a model.

The method is for a naked negro lad to put oil all over his person and then roll in dust to keep the

flies and insects from bothering him, the letter is then given to him in the end of a split stick, which he plants in the ground when resting and holds above his head when fording streams, he is not allowed to touch the letter, for fear of soiling it.

Other models in the new museum will represent the wonderful postal couriers who carry royal messages in China.

They are the most rapid riders in the world, and have been known to make the entire distance of three thousand from Lassa, to Peking in twenty five days.

They eat and sleep but little, dismounting once in a while to smoke a little opium. Before leaving his point of departure each, such courier, has his dispatches placed in the lining of his robe, which is sealed upon his person, so that he can not open that garment during his journey. There will also be a fine Philatelic display such as is seldom found.

Erips

The first regular systemized post for general accommodation in Europe was established in 1516 in Tyrol, connecting Germany and Italy, by Roger, count of Thurn and Taxis.

PHILATELIC NOTES.

Hawaiian Islands have a new issue which was placed on sale November 1st. The general design is the same as the 1875 issue except that it bears a portrait of Queen Liliuokalani.

1891 2c purple.

British Honduras has another postal issue.

1891 1c. on 1d. green black and red charge.

The French Colonies are to have new stamps January 1st, 1892.

The design is two seated figures representing Commerce and Navigation.

At the top *Republique Française* Colonies Poste, at the bottom a label with name of the Colony. Mo. Phil.

Portugal is to have a new issue of stamps with the effigy of King Carlos.

The first postal system in the Colonies was organized by Franklin, Holt, and Hazard, Franklin was appointed Postmaster General with a salary of One Thousand a year, his residence to be in Philadelphia,

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EDITORIAL

This month we come out in enlarged form, but subscription and adv. rates are just the same.

If you are not a subscriber you should subscribe at once; to all subscribing before Feb. 16 we will send the back numbers FREE and 12 numbers from date of subscription it received.

We would like to exchange advertising space with other papers.

The Eastern Philatelist for December has 28 pages, 16 pages of these are solid reading matter.

We see Chas. H. Fullaway, care of Gregg Mfg. Co., is advertised as a fraud look out for him.

The Bay State Co. are offering two dollars for a name for their new semi-monthly dealers paper, we would suggest THE PHILATELIC DEALER.

The Philatelic Fraud Reporter received for November; only four pages this issue, but two of these are filled with frauds.

The New Hampshire Philatelist to hand for December. It contains some very good reading matter.

The British Museum has received as bequest the Tapling collection of stamps, containing 200,000 specimens exclusive of many cards and envelopes, and valued at between 250 and 300 thousand dollars. Mr. Tapling was more than twenty years in making it. It is pronounced the finest in existence.

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CHAPTER III — continued

So Charlie was well pleased with his investment and reasoned that if he did as well at that every day he would soon be able to make quite a business selling stamps. That noon he told his mother what he had done and she was much pleased. When Charlie was about to start for school she said, "I'm glad you have been so successful in selling your stamps Charlie and I hope you will continue to be successful, you have worked hard for every penny you have invested.

The next morning Charlie and Frank walked rather fast to school and arrived there a few minutes after eight. Not a boy was in the school yard yet and Charlie and Frank did not hardly know what to do, especially Charlie who had left his stamps in his desk the night before. They were standing near the window of their class-room talking when they heard some one walking across the room inside, they listened intently for a minute and heard no sound from within again.

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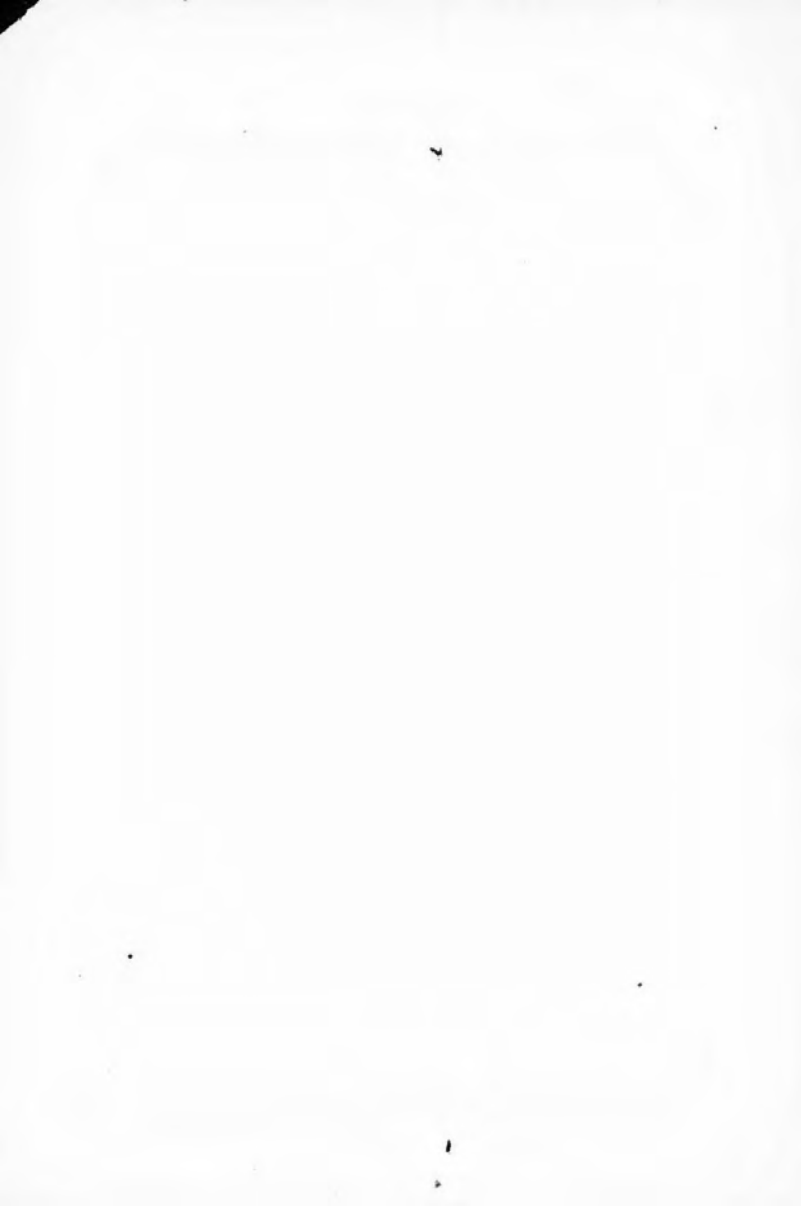
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NO. 5.

MEXICO

The stamps of no country affords the philatelist such a field of research and interest as those of Mexico. Having been interested in the stamps of this country many years; it has been my good fortune to see and examine many fine collections of Mexican stamps. As many of my friends are making a specialty of this interesting country, therefore I endeavor to write a few things which I hope will be of interest and benefit to my readers.

The first stamps appeared in July 1861 with a three-quarter face portrait of Hidalgo in an oval printed with colored ink on white wove paper, unperfected; of this issue five values appeared which were surcharged with names of different towns. Reprints were also made and the unused specimens usually found with are reprints. The plates from which these reprints were made re-

today in the Government printing office in the city of Mexico. The fact that a stamp is found without a surcharged Post Office name is not evidence of it being a reprint, as some were used in this way.

The one and two reals are said to come sur. $\frac{1}{2}$ in large black figures with the name Vera Cruz.

The next issue appeared in January 1861 with the same type, printed in black on colored wove paper, unperfected. Of these five regular values appeared. Also a 1 real on rose paper was printed. In Nov. of the same year the 2r, 4r and 8r appeared printed on colored wove paper with colored ink, the type of these was the same as in the January issue. They were surcharged with names of towns in black. Being printed from the plates of the last issue, these may be regarded as reprints.

The 2r Nov. 1861 has never been chronicled although it is not scarce.

Between the years of 1856 and 63 the stamps were cut to represent lower values. During these years the stamps were not sold to the public but were applied to the article by the postal clerk upon receiving the fee. When they were short of lower value stamps the higher values were cut to represent the amount desired.

These stamps are of value to collectors only when on the original covers; showing them to be genuine.

ONE-CENT POSTAGE.

To reduce letter postage to a uniform rate of 1 cent means exactly that the Department will lose one-half of this amount of receipts. One half would be \$20,716,034.75. But there has been a different history connected with past reductions of the rate of postage from that which would probably follow a reduction to 1 cent. For example, the reduction of 1883 from 3 to 2 cents was followed the succeeding year by a loss of revenue of only \$1,660,000, but there were large compensations. There was in the first place the great stimulus imparted to

correspondence at the lower rate. In second place, the stimulus given was an inducement to employ sealed letters in place of unsealed circulars, where the Department reaped a large profit. In the third place, the increase caused by the inducement to employ sealed letters in lieu of postal cards, where the gain was still larger.

It must be borne in mind all this that there could be no such compensation in the case of a reduction of postage to 1 cent.

In fact there would be little or no gain set the sweeping loss besides the increase in correspondence brought about by the lower rate, because a change from postal cards at 1 cent to sealed letters at 1 cent the Department would gain nothing but the cost of manufacture of the card, and this would be offset probably by the increase of carriage of the greater weight by a change from unsealed circulars at 1 cent to sealed letters at 1 cent. There would be no gain whatever.

We have therefore to face in the first place a serious financial problem, assuming that it is ripe

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How do you like our appearance this month; well enough to subscribe?

We circulate six hundred copies this month, dealers why not try an adv.

Our thanks to Wm. v d. Wettern Jr. for a copy of his wholesale price list, prices are very reasonable.

We wish to thank Mr. A. B. Merrill,

Everett, Mass., for a copy of his Fraud List. This list contains the names of six hundred advertised frauds, with interleaved blank pages. Every dealer and collector ought to have one price 25cts.

---: Exchanges :---

We have received the Nov. and Dec. numbers of One Dime. It is as bright, and newsy as the best.

The Stamp World at hand, t¹ is paper is the same age as ourselves.

The Philatelic Fraud Reporter received for December.

A new one received from Washington The United Association Philatelist, published in the interests of the United Philatelic Association.

The Collector received for Jan. Many thanks for your good wishes.

We have also received The Curiosity Collector, The Eastern Stamp, and no. 2 of The United Association Philatelist.

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solution by 1893, a clear loss to the revenue of not less than 21,000,000 under present conditions which, if the Department were to receive it due in regard to the credits belonging to it, would be reduced to a deficit of from ten to eleven Millon.

As a first step towards 1 cent postage Mr. Wanamaker recommends the passage of an act to credit the Department for all mail carried. He recommends the simplification of postal rates and the consolidation of third and fourth classes of postage, And as one of the results of this merely business-like management of affairs shows how new papers may all be transported from July 1, 1893 free.

Quaker City Philatelist

Philatelic Notes

The magnificent collection of Mr T. K. Tapling which was left to the British Museum is now in that institution unpacked just as received from

the home of the donor. The near not getting it at all as there is a tax on all legacies left in England as this one is valued at over one hundred thousand dollars, the tax would amount to a considerable sum. It was got over by a special act of Parliament remitting the tax.

An insurance of 20,000 pounds was obtained on it, but only through the threat of recalling other business was not done, but this does not cover the value of the collection. Post Office

The origin of Stamp Collecting is somewhat obscure, the name of the collector and the year when collecting began being facts indefinitely known.

Some authorities claim the distinction for England, while others refer to France. In all probability stamp collecting sprang up spontaneously all over the world at the time of the introduction of stamps for the purpose of prepaying postage. A rough calculation places the number of collectors in this country at upward of 300,000 persons. G. De

British North American stamps

in a great jump in Scott's new catalogue. Some of the notable are, Newfoundland 3c vermilion from 10c to 60c; black from 30c to one dollar. Canada 5c live 1875 from 8c to 25c; registry from 40c to 75c and many more to numerous to mention.

The colony of Mozambique has recently been changed to the Free State of Eastern Africa, and it is divided into two provinces, Mozambique and Senzo—Marques

Turkey has a new issue with arms of the Sultan in a circle, in the centre. Values in upper corners in Turkish numerals and in lower corners in Arabic. The values are 10 paras green; 5 paras rose; 1 piastre blue. The said letter stamps are of the same color and will be all black. Q. City Phil

In 1824 the French posts which hitherto only transmitted the orders and messages of the Kings and Nobles were opened to the public.

THE POSTAL UNION.

The United States has always been greatly interested in the Postal Union. In 1863, at the instance of the Post Office Department of this country, the leading postal officials of the world, being aware of the enormous possibilities of postal communication due to the development of steam communication on land and sea, had a conference in Paris; but it was not until 1874 that the general Postal Union was formed at Berne. It was composed of the United States, all of the countries of Europe, with the exception of France, of Asiatic Turkey, and of Cuba. Its purpose was to make a single postal territory of all these countries.

The principles of the treaty which it was necessary to sign provided that the actual carriage of mails should rest with the country of origin; that between two neighboring countries this duty should cease at the boundary; that each country should keep the whole of its postal collections, and that each should give the same transit advantage to foreign

as to domestic mails.

In the matter of votes the participating States were equal. Almost all of the civilized countries had entered the union by the time of the third meeting at Lisbon in 1881.

BORN TO BE A PHILATELIST.

BY GEO. B. WELLER.

Finely Frank said laughingly, Charlie I believe that noise was all our imagination, no, said Charlie I think noise was some one in the school house, and it wasn't the teacher either for she don't get here before half-past eight and now its only about quarter past. I left my sheets in my desk last night and they are worth seven dollars and probably can be sold for twelve dollars at retail. Do you suppose if any one saw me put them in my desk that they would steal them. Why if any one that was not honest saw you put them in your desk they would probably try to

steal them, responded Frank.

Dan Severs sets across from said Charlie, and I would'nt let him no farther than I could see

(To be continued)

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STAMPS

I was showing my collection to some friends the other day, who by the way were not collectors. I had just turned the first page when I was surprised by the question, you have quite a lot of stamps here, but of what use are they, you can not use them for they have been used, could'nt you spend your time more profitably collecting some thing that would bring you some returns. Turning, I took up my album and opened it at random, it opened to Bosnia, I asked him if he knew where Bosnia was and he reluctantly acknowledged that he didn't. I then told him where it was, who ruled and the population, turning over again I struck East Roumelia and again stuck him. Turning over the page I came to Ecuador, I asked him if he knew how much a peso was in our money, no he said, I told him how the value differed in some of the countries namely, a Peso was worth a dollar in

Ecuador, Paragay, Venezuela, Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras. ninety six cents in Argentine, eighty three cents in Bolivia, eighty cents in Chili, and Costa-Rica, and seventy five cts. in Nicaragua.

Well he said if this is stamp collecting I think I will try my hand at it. I then showed him some of our large stamp papers, and the advance in prices in stamps in the last few year, and asked him if he could make a better investment than to invest in stamps, no he said and I am going to try stamp collecting if you will start me in the right course. I was only to glad to add another stampy to the ranks and told him so,

After my friends had gone I sit thinking, if people who were not interested in philately would not condemn it until they had investigated, how many there would be added to our rank, for Philately gives employment for your leisure moments. and you learn, the currency the Geography, and the History of the world, and it is also a

great incentive to learn the language.

Philatelic Notes.

Postal Card collecting is beginning to attract collectors, card collectors are increasing daily.

Postal cards are not to be obtained as easy as stamps it is true but then a collector can get a complete collection of cards at a cost that would not make a very big show in stamps. A good collection of cards nicely mounted, makes a very interesting study.

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We see by the January Fraud Reporter that A. Burmeister alias A. B. Quigly has at last been caught.

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The faces on the stamps are sharply criticised and the greatest care is taken to get designs which will be popular and appropriate.

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The growth of the S. of P. has certainly been marvellous, from a small insignificant society one year ago, has grown to be the second largest philatelic society in the U. S., having this date almost 200 members.

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EDITORIAL

Where is the New Hampshire Philatelist, we have not seen it since December.

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We are in receipt of an 8 page paper called 'The Scissors' from Beaver Dam, Wis. It is partly Philatelic.

The Jan. number of the Fraud Reporter received, this number starts its second vol.

One Dime is out on time at last. We have received the Jan. and Feb number in one wrapper.

The Quaker City Philatelist for Feb. has on the first page the portraits of the board of trustees of the Western Philatelic Union. It also contains some very interesting reading.

The collector at hand for Feb. Bright, as usual.

The Philatelic Era hardly deigns to notice such a small sheet as ourselves, however the mighty Oak from an acorn grew

Just after our February number had gone to press we received the Philatelic Tribune. It contained Stanton's fiftieth Auction catalogue.

BORN TO BE A PHILATELIST

By Geo. B. Weller

Their earnest conversation was interrupted by the boys who now began to arrive.

The school bell soon began to ring and the doors were unlocked for those who wished to go to their rooms before school began.

Frank waited outside while Charlie went in to get his stamps. Charlie went immediately to his seat and opened his desk to get his stamps.

Imagine his surprise and amazement when he discovered that his stamps were gone.

(To be Continued.)

The proposition of the post office inspectors, who have been in session lately, to reduce letter postage by furnishing one and two cent stamped envelopes at the par value of the stamp, making the envelope free, is well received and will be presented to Congress.

It is conceded on all hands that penny postage cannot be had yet a free envelopes with stamps is regarded as a very wise and conservative step in the direction of penny postage, and will be the best compromise for the present. It is thought that penny postage will be a fact within four years at the furthest.

Auction Sales are all the rage, and in rural it is a good thing. In several of the exchanges we see Auction Sales conducted, they all contained many desirable stamps and Philatelic literature.

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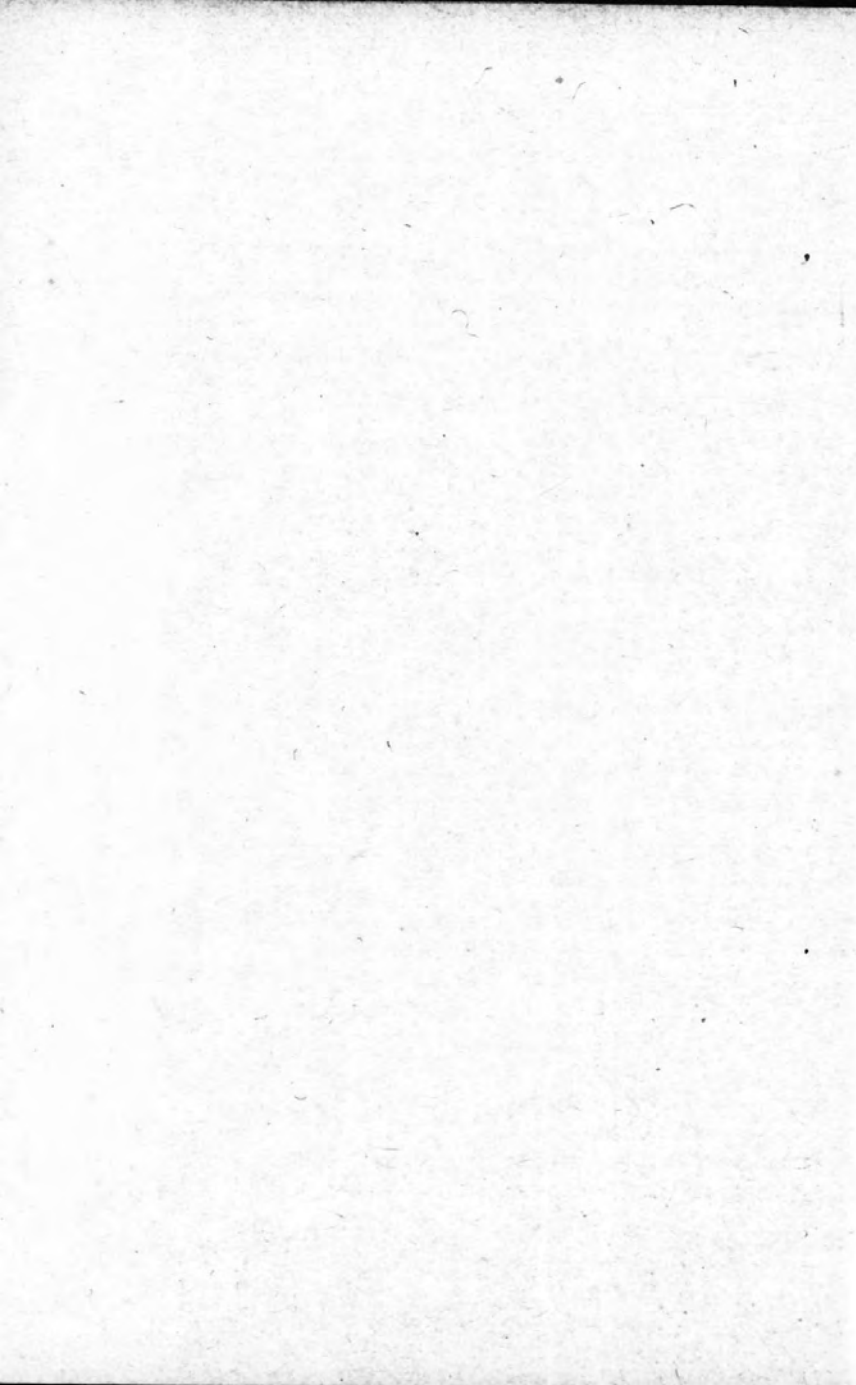
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→ A GREAT MACHINE ←

(SYRACUSE HERALD)

At the Post Office here they have lately put in a Hey and Dolphin cancelling machine, the machine is calculated to do the work of twelve men and can mail forty five thousand letter cards an hour. The government has contracted to rent machines enough to do the stamping work of all the first and second class Post Offices in the country.

The work of cancelling letters as done by the old method, hand stamp is the great hindrance to a quick and satisfactory postal service in cities. It sometimes happens that letters are deposited in the Post Office in such quantities just before the closing of the mail that the clerks are unable to cancell them in time, consequently a part of them are detained until the next mail. Fast mail trains and faithful carriers are of no avail for letters detained because of insufficient time to cancell.

I have lately seen some postal cards with the design in the middle of the card, and on one side.

An incident of the recent heavy snows has just come to hand. A Postmaster walked twelve miles on snow-shoes to get his mail and return.

The distinction between the Hartford and Philadelphia dies of the Centennial envelope is this, the envelopes were first printed in Hartford but the die was removed to Philadelphia during the exhibition and on its removal the line under the word postage in some way became injured, and to remedy it the line was reingraved, making a double line of it.

S. Lucia has a provisional issue on account of the shortage of the $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1d. stamps.

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Philatelic Note's

BY J.N.B.

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There is quite a talk of consolidating all the Philatelic Societies into one. In my opinion this would prove disastrous to Philatelia, as it would debar many young collectors, for whom there would not be any inducements, and who could not afford the expense. Alvin Davison is the leader in this idea.

Albrecht and Witts have lately gone into the stamp business in New York City. I wish them success.

Placido R. De Torres alias Rosondo Fernaudiz, visit to America to sell stamps was not a very pleasant one.

It is that "The Post Office" receives the largest amount of philatelic advertising of any philatelic paper published in the United States.

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I notice that A.A.Crittenden has entered into partnership with Edvard B. They will publish the Detroit Philatelist about April first

Er. Ferrari, of Paris, is believed to be the most enthusiastic stamp collector in the world. He has abundant means to gratify his whim and will pay almost any price for a specimen he does not possess. He has spent about four hundred thousand dollars and has a collection which numbers over one hundred thousand.

Er. Ferrari employs constantly several secretaries to handle new, revise, rearrange the old ones, and assemble, mount, and catalogue the stamps. They are constantly pouring in.

Golden H

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EDITORIAL

We are a little late this time, owing to a change. We promise to be out on the next issue, loaded with good things

A. E. Eklund Stamp and Pub. Co. is a fraud. Look out for them.

We have received a copy of the Essex County Philatelist. Good! come gain.

We are in receipt of the Hoosier Stamp. The contents were very good.

A new one received from Sterling N. Y., it is called the Royal Philatelist. Milton E. Marsh, Editor and Pub.

The New Hampshire Philatelist for January has been received, glad they are alive.

The New York Stamp is a new paper published by Grevning and Spconer. They have started remarkably well, and we wish them all possible success.

The Curiosity Collector is improving in appearance.

What a walk over the Frauds get in the March Frauk Reporter. Three pages and a half of frauds Whew!

A paper was received this month, called the Monthly Visitor It contained a vere good article on Amateurs also on How to Collect

We have also received the following The United Association Philatelist, The Stamp World, One Dime, The Collector, The North Star, The Tribune

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(VISITOR)

There are quite a number of collector in this country who will not think of buying a stamp unless its price is forty per cent below the catalogue price.

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THE STAMPS OF BELGIUM.

BY GUSTAV POHL.

In Belgium, stamps were issued as soon 1847, but first issued in 1849. The first stamps were very plain, the head of King Leapold the first without any rim around the head. Only two values were issued 10ct. [2c] for local postage, and a 20ct. for interior service. These stamps bore the water mark of L. L. (Leapold) they were printed in several colors, but only the brown 10 and the blue 20ct were issued the others are very rare, and have no interest for collectors.

In the year 1850 they issued new stamps and added the value of 40ct. for foreign countries. These differed slightly from former, the head being enclosed in an oval, they were printed in different colors for

trial, but the following colors were adopted, 10 brown 20ct blue, 40ct red. These as the first, bore the watermark of two LL. In 1861 a new value was added for newspapers it was 1ct. green. In 1863 all stamps were perforated.

In the beginning of 1865 a new issue engraved quite different from the 3 first. The postage on the letters for some foreign countries having been reduced to 30cts, they issued this value; and one of the value of 1 franc, the colors were 10ct. grey, 20ct blue, 30ct brown, 40 ct red, 1 franc violet. King Leapold is represented as older than in the former issue, (He was then 75 years old.) He died on Dec. 10th, 1865.

In 1866 the first newspaper stamps were issued with the Belgian Lion in place of the Kings head, they were 1ct grey

2ct blue and 5ct brown.

18669-70 a whole new series was emitted from 1 to 8 ct. for newspapers and from 10 ct. to 1 F.. with the head of Leopold, for postage. The values and colors were, 1ct green, 2ct blue 5ct brown, 8 violet, 10 green, 20 blue, 30 brown, 40 red, and 1 F. violet. In the year penny postage was introduced throughtout the whole country.

In 1877 Belgian entered the Universal Postal Union and issued a 25 ct yellow, and 50ct grey. The 30ct having become useless, was suppressed as well as the of 8ct.

In 1879 there was issued a stamp of 5 Francs, brown on blue, which was suppressed 3 years later.

In 1883 a new issue appeared with the colors adopted by the universal postal union. the head of King Lepold has a longer beard than on the other stamps, the colors were 1ct carmine, 20 greenish grey, 25 blue

50 violet, for newspaper greenish grey, and 5 green. Some months afterwards 1ct was issued in grey. This issue was not long in use. A year afterward other stamps were issued on colored paper the 10ct red, and 1F. brown were issued first, ('84) then the 20 yellowish green on green, 25ct blue on red, 30 yellow brown on pale brown, 2 F. violet on light violet.

In 1889 the newspaper stamp of 2ct was issued in blue.

In August 1891 a new value was issued, value 35ct for land registered or rapid letter the color brown on pale blue.

Two Postage Due stamps were issued in 1879, and reissued in 1883 unperforated. They were 10ct green, 20 blue. The 10ct was cut into 100 parts and used as 5ct..

Written for S. C.

In our next issue will appear an interesting article on the Postal Card of Belgium, written expressly for the paper by Gustav Pohl.

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come of the Narragansett Stamp Co.,
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The Collector received for April. It
contains the Constitution of the S of P
This society has now 214 members.

One Dime on hand for April. The
contents are exceptionally good.

The Philatelic Tribune says that Con-
solidation of most all of the philatelic so-
cieties must come or they are going to
die. Guess they have not seen the Col-
lector lately and noted the growth of the
S. P.

The April number of the Post Office
contains Portraits of Alvia Davison and
Henry Gremmel.

The Royal for April to hand, it is
very badly printed.

The New Long Island Philatelist is
a dandy, 18pages and cover.

The Fraud Reporter to hand for
April. It is looking remarkably fine
12 pages and cover. 3 pages of frauds.

Put an adv. in while the rates are low

PHILATELIC NOTE'S

France has a new issue of stamps, bearing on the back a diagram of crossed lines the 15ct blue is the only one on sale as yet.

New stamps have been issued for Portugal with the head of the young King Don Carlos

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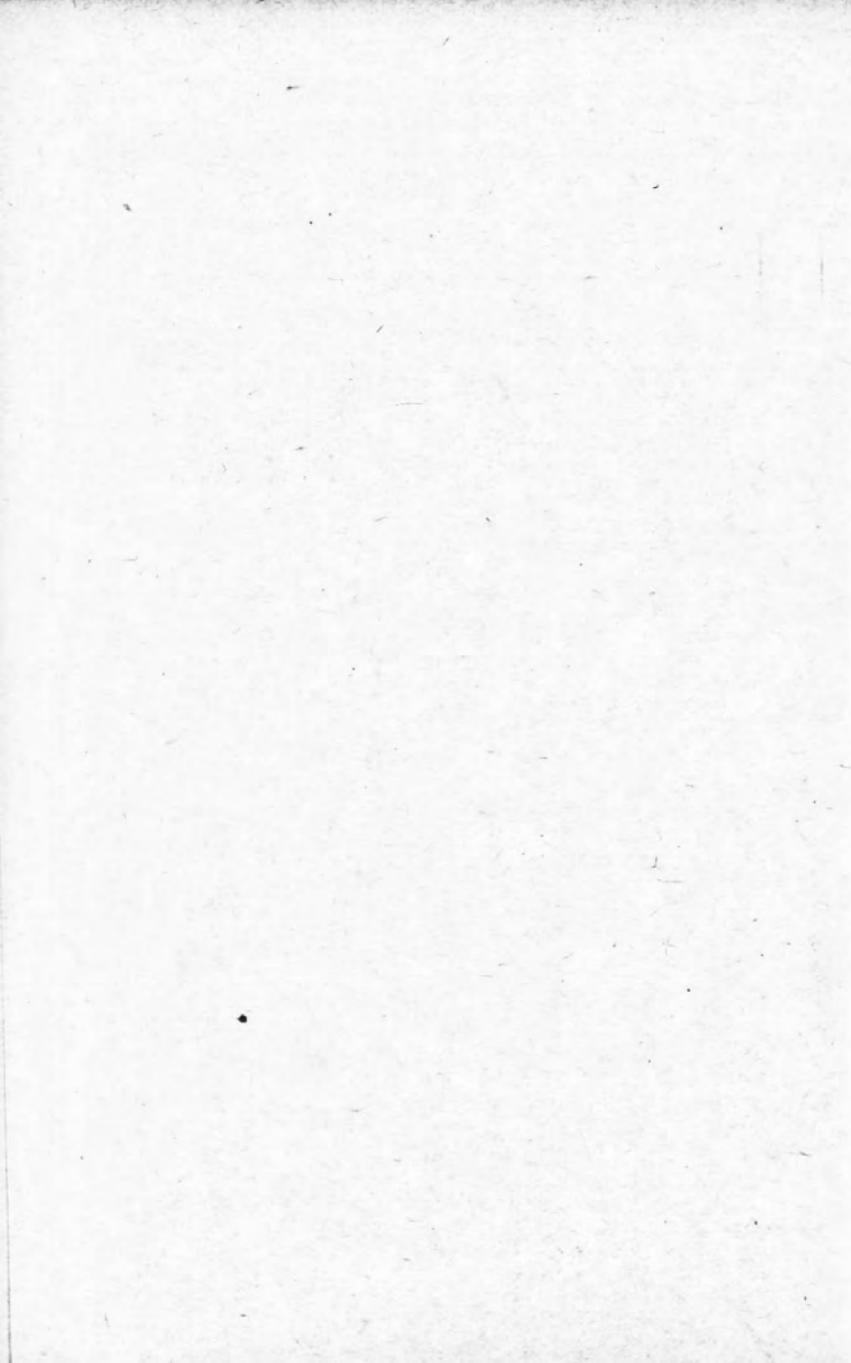
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POSTAL CARDS OF BELGIUM

By GUSTAV POHL

Postal cards were first issued in 1871.

The first was a local of 5ct. For interior postage a 5ct stamp was added.

The design was an allegoric figure representing Industry and Commerce seated near the Belgian weapon, on the right side was the stamp and on both sides it bore instructions in Flemish and French.

The color was brown. This card is very scarce.

In '72 the instructions were suppressed.

In '73 the cards were printed in grey.

In '75 two cards were issued in violet, 10 ct black with a border.

In '76 the 10ct was changed to green. In '77 the border was suppressed.

In '79 new cards were issued as follows, 5ct green on yellowish paper, 10ct red on blue (stamp the 10ct of 1879) .

In '89 a change was made in the 10ct the cut was changed for the 10ct of '84.

The cards with paid reply were first introduced for inland postage in '73, for foreign countries in '80. In '73 a postal envelope was issued. The stamp was oval and printed in green the envelope was issued in two sizes 115 x 75 MM. and 145 x 115 MM. In '88 a letter envelope was issued of 10 cts red on blue. The letter envelope resembles the American letter sheet, It looks like an open envelope with the message written on the inside.

The letter cards were intro-

duced in '82, the first was a 10 ct red on blue (stamp like 10 ct 1869) for inland postage. In '83 a 25 ct was issued for foreign countries, 25 ct blue on pale red. (stamp like 25 ct '75)

In '86 the stamp of the 10ct card was changed to the design of '85 and in '89 a new design for the stamp was issued.

In '89 some letter cards of the 10 ct were by error printed on the pale red of the 25 ct.

The letter card-white on the inside.

In 1889 the 10 ct letter card was printed on a wholly blue card.

NOTES & COMMENTS

BY PHOENIX

We have seen a copy of the "San Marino Philatelist" of which our readers have doubtless read advertisements. It consists of four fair sized pages but has only one column of reading matter, and that un-

interesting, the rest of paper being filled with several of which are the American dealers. The stamps used in paying the postage on the paper, which are stated to be worth double the subscription price, are the 5c orange issue, catalogued at only 1 cent each. The publication also requires all communications to be sent in four cent stamped envelopes.

The letters he will receive will be few if this is done. These high value envelopes for sale at the larger Post Office only, and but a few of these have them. Some of the adv's are printed in two languages, some in two, in one

The 1860 issue of New Brunswick has fallen greatly in price recently, a certain dealer offers the 5c green of this issue, without gum however for \$2.90 per hundred.

We would advise collect

find out where the supply comes from before buying.

Some say that a large lot of remainders has recently been discovered, and this caused a big drop in prices. But if they are remainders, why do they have no gum? If we are not mistaken, they are what dealers selling at such low prices would probably call "reprints" if cornered, but in quality, finely executed counterfeits. Of course some are all right, but these cannot be purchased at the low prices asked for the ungentine.

It is queer to what extreme lengths some collectors will go in the collection of oddities.

Some go so far that one would hardly call them anything but cranks on the subject.

The editor of the New York Stamp is evidently of the same opinion, if we are to judge from his remarks in the May number of his paper, in which he looks for a writer in the Metro-

politan Philatelist, who thinks otherwise.

While the author does not think Philately is a hobby, yet there may be Philatelist who have their hobbies, such as the collection of entire sheets of certain stamps, of oddities, etc.

A dealer can not do his customer justice by selling stamps in packets, and the collector will nine times out ten be dissatisfied in the quality of his purchase if he buys packets for a dealer can put all the torn, dirty and worthless stamps in a packet he wants to, and then by puffing it up in his advertisement sells it readily.

The majority of collectors prefer approval sheets, as they can thus see just what they are getting.

About the only collectors who prefer to buy packets are those who have less than 400 varieties.

The MONUMENTAL STAMP Co. has 'busted', but it advs. continue to appear in various Philatelic papers.

Written for S. C. P. by G. E. M.

It was but last Saturday that I made my way to Mrs. Billings, an elderly lady, who, as everybody supposed, was not exactly prime in her "upper story", but never-the-less she was a nice old lady. I entered her house, which was a very small one on a side street, and found her occupied in cleaning house; she had just brought down some old rubbish which had been on the top shelf in the garret and was picking it over. In notice some envelopes with the backs up, I ask permission to help her, and immediately set to work getting the old envelopes out.

I turned them over, could I believe my eyes, there were some of the old issues of U. S. 1868, and such, on original envelopes. She gave them to me saying they were of no use to her, and that she would have to throw them away. I now have a fine collection of stamps on the original envelopes, and

take more pleasure in them than in my collection, which comprises several thousand varieties.

We recently received a letter from a person in Nova Scotia asking us what price we would give for 40 pence Nova Scotia stamps by the hundred. I replied to his letter, and for a sample, we received 400 and we believe that they are doubtly counterfeits.

A New England telegraph company has issued the telegraph stamps. The device is a bell surrounded by the inscription Good for messages between all points in Connecticut.

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The dull season, as dealers term it, is at hand, the season when the Philatelist is on his summer vacation, goes through "empty garrets" and old hair banks, seldom with any success. Now is the time also to pick up good bargains.

We have a few more of those postal cards (Belgium unused) left, send in a subscription before they are all gone and get one free.

TRY AN ADV.

We have received a copy of the Detroit Philatelist. It is a first class paper.

The Missouri Philatelist for May contains some very interesting reading.

Vol. 1, No. 1 of the Toronto Journal of Philately, has been received, it is an interesting paper, and we wish it success.

The Philatelic Tribune for June 1st. contains the names of the present rulers of stamp issuing countries.

We have received a paper called the Stamp World, there is not a thing about stamps in it.

We have received the following papers; The Collector, The Curiosity Collector, One Dime, The Royal Philatelist, The American Philatelist and Collector, The Philatelic Fraud Reporter, The Missouri Philatelist, The Essex County Philatelist.

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Tale of Horror

BY ERNESTINE

It was a gloomy place; wild, solitary, lonely, three miles from any human dwelling, and commonly known as "Lynching Hollow".

The night too, was in keeping with the place. The wind moaning and sighing like a restless spirit: the rumble of distant thunder growing more and more distinct every second made the scene more weird. Nearer and nearer came the storm, louder and louder grew the thunder, flashes of lightning following each other in quick succession till the whole seemed a blaze of light.

Suddenly two tall dark forms approach each other; there is a flash, a crash, a smash, a smash and a dull

thud!!! Both are lying on the ground while from each the life blood oozes steadily.

The dark deed is done. Who shall unearth the blood curdling mystery?

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The following item appeared in the "Scintillant Philatelist" of the neighboring hamlet a few days after the storm.

"While searching for rare stamps in Lynching Hollow we discovered that two gigantic trees had been struck by lightning. They laid side by side on the damp ground where they had fallen, content to die as they had lived, with their mighty arms interlaced and twined lovingly about each other.

As we gazed upon them it seemed impossible to find a more fitting illustration of

that beautiful familiar poem, which no doubt all will recognize, though we revise it to suit the occasion,

“Comrades, comrades, ever since they were trees,

Sharing each others sorrows, sharing the gentle breeze.

Comrades when trouble overtook them,

Comrades whatever betide, When they were struck by the lightning,

They fell side by side.

CLIPPINGS

BY SHORTY

It is reported that the United States 50 cent Due stamp will be withdrawn from circulation; as but 600 of these stamps were issued during the past year, they are apt to become quite scarce. Collectors will do well to secure a USED specimen before the price goes up. As the 30 cent stamp will be substituted largely in place of the 50 cent, they may possibly

become more plenty, and the price will probably be greatly effected. 1670 30cent stamps were issued year. Gold

HOW UNCLE SAM IS ROBBED.

LONG ISLAND

A postal curiosity recently fell into my hands in the form of a plain ordinary envelope of a registered letter. It is a common U. S. two cent envelope, white laid paper of the present issue. Instead of having the regular ten cent stamp for registration there is a specimen of the present issue.

The envelope is postmarked Mauch Chunk, Pa., and dated February 27th, 1892. It is addressed to a concern in New York, who have, however, moved their office to Philadelphia, so this letter passed through both the New

and Philadelphia post offices without the detection of the error.

Possibly the green envelope stamp was mistaken for a "tenner" by some short sighted postmaster or clerk. And, yet, nearly every day, we hear some talk about "those lynx-eyed Post Office clerks."

The Bolivia 50c blue stamp of 1867 is being counterfeited finely. It is one of the most carefully executed counterfeit in existence.

People still say that stamp dealing as well as collecting is all a farce and yet a New York dealer bought a stamp, a Melbourne Local, for \$1000 and sold it for \$1500. - Essex Co.

The postal card factory in Shelton, Conn. is turning out 2,500,000 cards a day. The biggest days output so far is one of a few days ago, when 2,800,000 were printed.

There is talk of having reply cards in the United States, it

is said the factories are now engaged in turning them out, if this so we may expect to have them on sale soon. This will be a move that will be greatly appreciated.

"Is the postmaster in?" asked an elderly lady, of one of the men who preside behind the numerous windows in the Philadelphia Post Office, not long ago. "No ma'am," replied the clerk, he is not. Do you want to see him personally The lady paused a moment and then replied that she did.

"What do you want to see him for?" "I want to buy a two cent stamp," was the reply: She got it without seeing the postmaster, to her evident surprise.

A Philatelist recently received a letter with a 20p blue Serbia, 1869 issue on the envelope. It would have been quite a curiosity had the keen eyes of the stamper, at the Post Office, not seen it. But he did and it had to have a 1 cent due stamp placed on it.

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The Long Island philatelist for June contains a good serial story, it is a pity more papers do not take up this department. We have not received

No.3, please send us a copy

This paper is now published in Wood Haven N. Y.

The Essex County Philatelist has issued a special number of Philatelia number. This paper is rapidly coming to the front.

The Golden Star for June has a new way well got up paper about to start its 3rds volume.

The June number of the Royal Philatelist at hand has been enlarged and is quite a credible appearance.

The June number of the Dime is very slouchy, but the reading matter is of a good quality.

The special number of the American Philatelist at hand, we see on the part of the collector is a hand, we see on the part of the paper that 19 members are present, while the secretary's report shows a membership of 363. The election will be held Oct. 1st. The next meeting to be held Aug. 18, 19, 20, in Chicago.

Collector for June has
received.

We have also received
the following amateur
papers; The Pearl, Leisure Mo-
ment, The Courier Mid Florida
Herald.

Of the above the "Pearl" de-
merits special mention as be-
ing the best printed and most
various.

A SOCIETY

In union there is strength.

Syracuse has been trying to
start a society for the last four
years, and on May 16, 1890 a
society was formed, called the
"Syracuse Philatelic Society"
but after 8 months, owing
to the members being mostly
season collectors, the
society was disbanded. Another
attempt was made in 1891,
but was as unsuccessful as the
first. Now we propose to organ-
ize another society, this to be

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erial to make a first class so-
ciety in this city. Let all
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out communicate with either
the Editor or Bus. Manager.

U.S. SPIRIT AND TOBACCO STAMPS.

I was recently talking with
a collector who claims to be
well posted on stamp matters
in general, and a little discus-
sion arose about the U. S. Spirit
and Tobacco stamps. He main-
tained that they should not be
collected, while I said and still
say that they should.

One of the reasons he gave to
support his theory was that
many of them are too large to
be conveniently placed in any
of the albums now published,
as some of them will occupy al-
most a page by themselves.

The size of these stamps

should not deter any one from collecting them, as therein lies one of their chief attractions.

We are all eager to obtain the large U. S. newspaper stamps issued in 1865, I am sure and if any of us are fortunate enough to own even the commonest one, we would be averse to casting it out of our albums, because of its size, although four of them fill a page in the albums. Take also the Insured Letter stamps of Columbia, many of them as large if not larger than the revenues in question, yet space is given for all these stamps in our albums, and they are eagerly sought after by all collectors.

Several other examples might be mentioned to show that the size of these stamps can be of no possible obstruction to the collecting of them.

Another statement he made was that it was almost impossible to obtain a good specimen of the older issues.

I will admit this is partially,

but not wholly true, as of them can be found in good condition as one wish for. If they are damaged a little skilfull patching improve them, and if dirt a little weak ammonia will remove the greater of the dirt.

Again he said that they were poorly engraved and the were poor.

This was one of the statements he made.

I have a collection of revenues, not very large what I have I am proud of many of them are very beautiful both in color and design.

The stamps used for Insured Cigars and Tobacco deserve special mention.

Many of them are printed in two or more colors, and we can truly say they are beautiful.

The designs on these stamps the other Spirit and Tobacco stamps are various.

Some represent no

nts in the history of our country, others the portraits of our noted men. All the designs are of the finest workmanship. Most of them are plates and are nearly all good likenesses of the men they represent. A collector who possesses a collection of these stamps has an array of portraits to be proud of.

In the course of the conversation I asked him if he did collect Match and Medicine stamps.

"Oh, certainly," he replied, and further stated that he took much interest in that part of his collection as any other.

And yet the revenues against which he was prejudiced surmount these stamps in design and color. A collector who collects match and medicine stamps should not say anything against the revenues in question. — PHOENIX

The Azores Islands are divided into three districts, and stamps similar to the new Por-

tuguese stamps, but with the names Augra, Horta and Ponto Delgada in place of the word Continents, are to be used there.

It is announced that Paraguay is to have a new issue of stamps, each stamp to bear the portrait of one of the presidents of the Republic since 1871.

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NO. 1

THE OLDEN TIMES OF STAMP COLLECTING

BY E. E. ASHLEY

Years and years ago there
ed in America Mr. John K.
ffany, now president of the
merican Philatelic Associa-
n, Mr. J. W. Scott and Au-
st De Jonge.

On the island called Prince
ward Island there lived a
r. Geo. Dill.

These were among the gentle-
sa who were first known to
and by and uphold the ban-
er of Philately.

They often may have wished
at they had stored up a few
ousand of those Brattlebro's
e; at least we wish they had
ved a few to give away, but
as they knew not that they
ould ever be worth the enor-
ous sum that they are now.

In those days you might have
picked them up at any time,
but at the present day few col-
lectors possess them.

We read a thrilling account,
once in while, where somebody
finds a heap of unused ones,
but these are merely fish
stories, written to interest
the collecting public.

Mount Brown of London, Eng-
land, and Monsieur Moens of
Brussels who are generally
called the first collectors of
postage stamps, probably saw
stamps at a low price which in
these days are hard to obtain
at any price.

In those days the collector
had a great deal to contend
with; counterfeit stamps over-
flowed the market and collect-
ors were constantly looked up-
on as being insane. They dar-
ed not openly confess their hob-

ly, but to-day we have passed from those dark days, and found a place where we are proud to show our collections

STAMP NOTES

By Phoenix.

That cut of the 10 pence Ceylon envelope, that appears in the small ads. of the Standard Stamp Co., is so familiar that a paper is regarded with suspicion that does not contain it.

That mysterious design that appears in S. B. Brad's Co., ads. is also a familiar land-mark.

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The first U. S. postage stamp was issued in May 1873. There were only eight varieties in all ever issued. Every loyal collector should have them all. We recently saw an entire collection of stamps all neatly arranged in a frame with a glass front. No arrangement could be neater and it attracted every one's eye.

Speaking of frames, there is no neater way of disposing of your old cards and envelopes than to get a cheap frame, hang them in it and hang it on the wall. A frame can be purchased very cheaply and needs but few envelopes or cards to fill one.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Next month will appear a very interesting article on the mail service in France during the Prussian War.

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EDITORIAL

We hope our subscribers and advertisers will pardon this long delay, we had the misfortune to lose our press, but now having bought a new press and outfit, we will issue our paper promptly, and will endeavor to make it larger and more interesting than ever.

We wish to acknowledge receipt of the following papers: Philatelic Fraud Reporter, The Dime, Monthly Visitor, Postal Card, Collector, Chicago Stamp News, The Stamp.

We have also received the following Amateur papers: Peoples Favorite, Little Bummer, Amateur American, Northwestern Monthly, Ink Drops, Pearl, Youngster Buckeye, The People.

We are in receipt of an invitation to attend a reception to be tendered Mr. H. E. Deats, our thanks for same, we regret that it would be impossible for us to attend.

We now see through the open door well established magazines and societies, surrounded by dealers and collectors linked in with the chain of friendship.

NOTES FROM TAUNTON.

BY E. E. ASHLEY.

A. J. Kirby, publisher of the "Golden Star", recently purchased a lot of mixed U. S. stamps and upon looking them over found a number of rarities among which was one catalogued at over \$7.00.

The Taunton Philatelic Society held a meeting Sept. 9th having been disbanded during

the summer.

There are many collectors in this city, some collect from all countries, and others collect U. S. exclusively, among the latter is Mr. H. H. Elliot, the man of "philatelic finds."

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E. E. Ashley, Taunton,

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SYRACUSE, N. Y., DEC., 1892.

NO. 2.

THE POSTAGE OF FRANCE

DURING THE
"PRUSSIAN WAR".

At the beginning of the war in 1870 the postage stamps issued in France were those of the Empire; 1, 2, 4, 10, 20, 30, and 80cs. and 5fr. with the crowned head of the Emperor, which were issued in 1865, and 5cs. green of the issue of 1864, which was forgotten in the reimpression of 1863.

At the beginning of the war the Germans, having conquered Alsace and Lorraine, occupied and administered those countries. There they issued plain stamps of the following values:- 1cs. olive, 2 red, 5 green, 10 pale brown, 20 blue, 25 dark brown. These stamps were suppressed after the war when Alsace and Lorraine were annexed to the

German Empire, and replaced by the German stamps.

After the capitulation of Sedan the republic was proclaimed on Sept. 4, 1870.

The new stamps with the head of liberty were issued in Bordeaux. They were lithographed and unperforated, and resemble those of 1849.

They were printed on colored paper and the printing was very defective. The stamps were (large figures) 1 cs. olive, 2 brown, 4 grey (small figures) 5 green, 10 pale brown, 20 blue, 30 dark brown, 40 orange and 80 carmine. They were issued toward the end of 1870 and were used throughout France, except Paris.

In the meantime Paris was besieged and the inhabitants of that place sent their letters by postage balloons. Many balloons sent for this purpose were loaded with from 300 to

500 kilo of letters, so the price of the ballons was very well compensated. Those letters had no special fee to pay, but they are much sought out by collectors. They bear the postage of Paris with dates from Sept. 17, 1870, to Feb. 1, 1871. Most of these balloons reached their destination. Some were captured by the Prussians and one was driven by a heavy storm over the North Sea and fell in a village of Norway.

During the seige the first stamps of the republic were issued in Oct. 1870. The two first values 10 and 20 centimes.

They were typographed and perforated. Afterward they issued the whole series (?) perforated 1c., 2c., 4c., 5c., 40c., 80c. Those perforated stamps were used throughout France after peace was proclaimed.

It is said that the first list of postage stamps ever issued was published in 1862 by a London dealer named Brown

NOTES FROM TAUNTON

BY E. E. ASHLEY.

Philately in Taunton is booming and with Mr. Kirby's paper we feel that we have a good representative of the official organ of the P. S.

The Taunton Philatelic Society will undoubtedly see climbing up the ladder the name of the Bristol Philatelic Society, which has been remodeled; and it is under the good management of some of Taunton's expert philatelists.

Several of the collectors here are buying up a few 30 and 50ct. due stamps and spy them on sheets. Very likely the 50ct. due will rise in the next catalogue.

The Massachusetts Philatelist will appear from here in a month or two under the management of the writer. It will be an eight to twelve page monthly devoted to our hobby.

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Our thanks to the S. B. Bradt
 for a priced catalogue of
 his 8th sale.

During the past month we
 have received the following
 orders: International Philate-
 list Nos. 1 and 2, Philatelic
 and Reporter, Collector, Chi-
 cago Stamp News, New Jersey
 Philatelist, One Dime, Pearl,
 Monthly Visitor, Buckeye
 Nos. 8 and 9, Odds and Ends,
 Youngster, Amateur Ameri-
 can, Forest & Field, North-

eastern Monthly, Ink Drops,
 Monthly Enterprise, Reporter.

We have seen a copy of R.
 M. Miller's new Weekly and
 it is a beauty.

The new COLLECTORS PRESS
 is a consolidation of the Col-
 lectors Press of Richmond, the
 Pentucket Phil. of Haverhill
 and the Malden Philatelist.

It will hereafter be issued
 from Malden, Mass.

The American Philatelic
 Magazine has appeared. It is
 a well printed, 16 page paper
 with cover and deserves suc-
 cess.

COLUMBIAN STAMPS.

The new Columbian stamps
 are to be issued Jan, 1st. The
 denominations are to be the
 same as those of the old series
 except that a 50ct. is substitu-
 ted for the 90ct., and that 25c
 \$1, \$2, \$3, \$4, and \$5 are added
 these being intended for large
 parcels of first class matter to
 foreign destinations. The
 number of new stamps to be
 issued is fixed at 3,000,000,000,
 equal to one years supply of the
 regular stamps.

They will be about double the size of the present stamps and their cost to the gov't will be more than double the present contract price. Under the contract with the American Bank Note Co. the present stamps are made for 7 1-2 cts. per thousand but the new ones are to cost the government 17 cts. per thousand. Notwithstanding this increased cost it is expected that the net profits from this issue will be large.

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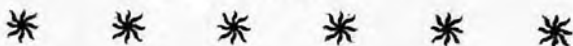
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SYRACUSE, N. Y.





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SYRACUSE, N. Y., MAR., 1892.

NO. 3.

THE STAMPS OF FRANCE.

POSTAGE stamps were permanently introduced in France about 1843 having been first issued for the first time by the Republicans. The series consisted of a model impression of the personification of Liberty, but these were soon replaced by the stamps of the President bearing the picture of Napoleon.

Upon the accession to the throne of Louis Napoleon a new issue was emitted on which the words "Republicaines" were changed to "Empire francies". The 1863 issue was with the impression of Napoleon III.

Stamps of the Emperor's Majesty crowned with the profile of the Caesars, remained in use until the fall of the Empire, when the Republicans issued a set similar to those of the Empire. In 1870 this issue being discontinued during the siege of Paris. The last issue was made in 1870 which is in use yet. The

stamps are usually prepared in the Paris mint. All the stamps of France, including fiscal, colonial and Grecian are all from the same resource.

The stamps are subject to four operations the result of it being proof against forgeries.

After the stamps are finished, they are inspected by officials, who throw out all the imperfect and forward the remaining to the Administration de Poste.

The mails were first carried on railways in the United States in 1837, while regular mail cars for the assorting of letters in transit were first introduced in 1861.

Free delivery was introduced in 1825, registry in 1854, money orders in 1861.

The first stamp dealers and collectors in the United States arose in 1861. The first hand-book appeared in '63, the first philatelic paper in '65, and the first album in '63.

U. S. WITH GRILLS.

THE first issue of grilled stamps occurred in June 1867 when the entire back of the three cent stamp was embossed. This stamp was in use only a few weeks and is now rare. It was succeeded by a rectangular grill upon the same series which continued in use until January 1868, when the size of the grill was reduced the whole set of same year being grilled. This also had but a few weeks circulation, and in the same year the grill was further reduced.

The real can only be distinguished from the reprints of 1869, when the gum is left on the back. The original had a very brown, dark gum while the reprints had a very light gum. The use of grills continued until 1879, and the specimens of the last are an interesting feature in a collection of U. S.

COLUMBIAN STAMPS.

SINCE the appearance of the new Columbian Stamps much comment has been drawn forth.

The idea appears to have been abroad that they are not postage stamps, just as people have been looking at them and they have in some instances been severely criticised.

The magazine of Art after describing them at length, speaks of them as follows: the series as a whole shows great novelty of conception. To reduce so many pictures to the size of a postage stamp was a confession of ignorance of the principle of art which demands that a work should be placed to its place.

Little pictures are out of place on stamps. The artist was missed to ask of the artist original designs of every kind but not without a touch of symbolism which would have been tied out the radical idea.

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mp, namely a seal or badge
 ed to a letter.

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 entions little chromo-liths
 ch in all but a couple of in-
 nces are filled with many
 figures that produce no
 et. These stamps are also
 large.

What is needed is smaller
 mp, not only because there
 often no room to spare on
 envelope but because the
 aller surface to be moisten-
 the better for obvious
 sons.

BUYING OLD STAMPS.

n a recent issue of the New
 k Times was an article on
 ing old stamps abstracts
 n which we give below.

leading wholesale dealer
 old postage stamps is in
 arl-st. His business may be
 en as a type of the whole-
 a trade, where the old
 mp come to him, not in en-
 ope or boxes, but often by

the barrel. Of course the
 "many nickels" that make
 muckle come in envelopes and
 in small packages of every dis-
 cription. For these the market
 price is \$5 per 100,000 used
 stamps of any sort whether
 American or foreign. This
 price is for unassorted stamps
 and dealers do not like to boti-
 er with lot of less than 50,000
 pieces. If the stamps are thor-
 oughly assorted, and every
 value, color, and variety is
 sent separate, they bring \$7.50
 per 100,000.

Inasmuch as some of the
 stamps used between the years
 1842 and 1869, with the except-
 tion of those of low denomina-
 tion, are worth considerably
 more than the common ruck of
 old stamps, such stamps
 should be sent separate, and
 the dealers, most of whom
 are responsible and honest
 men, will examine them and
 offer such prices as they are
 willing to pay for them.

Such stamps are mainly sold
 to collectors abroad, and some
 of them are worth from \$1.00
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E. T. Parkers Price List No. 59 contains 100 pages, and is something fine in the way of a price list.

We failed to give credit for our last issue for the postage on The Postage of France the same was written for paper Gustave Phol of Paris who is a regular correspondent of this paper.

We have received a creditable paper called "Miscellany", although after it devotes some space to Philatelic's.

We will give a subscription to this paper and Monthly Fraud List, a book should be without, for 20 cts, or this paper and "Monthly Enterprise", Amateur paper, for one for 15 cts, or the the the 25 cents.

We have received the following: Yankoe, Philatelic & Express, Collector's Press, Rocky Mountain Chicago, Fraud Register Illinois, Northwest, Monthly Enterprise, E Amateur, Pearl, Ink Youths Magazine, Red Star.

copy of J. N. Burtons
sale price list has been
ived, the prices are very
onable.

Our rates are low;
Tis surely so;
To make things go
All have a show.

he Austrian stamps of one
two Guldens have been sur-
ged in black Turkish values
he use of Austrian post in
stantinople. The one gul-
is surcharged 10 piasters,
ldens 20 piasters.

Luxenberg the new series
the head of the Duke
1) has been continued by
values of 2 1-2, 20, 30, 37 1-2
1 50 centimes.

Gracious! What brought
here " said the letter-box
he Columbian Stamp.
rong lick" responded the
er sadly. - Journal.

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tention of Philatelists quite a
good deal lately.

The exhibit is to be placed
in the U. S. Government build-
ing in a large gallery overlook-
ing the Post Office exhibit. The
gallery is 65 ft. long and 25 ft
wide. It is expected that this
space will accomodate a col-
lection of fifty thousands
stamps. The exhibit is being
looked after by committee
from the A. P. A., and all per-
sons having any complete coun-
tries who would be willing to
exhibit the same are requested
to notify the committee, when
sheets will be sent them to
mount their stamps on, and
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SMITH, at Bethlehem, Ind. sample free,
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→ A SUMMER'S ROMANCE ←

By ERNESTINE

She liked him. She told me so—confidentially, of course—and I won't tell her name, so that will be just the same as keeping it a secret. Girls don't like to have such things advertised, She did like him, you could see it in every action. Her excuse was she felt so sorry for him. His father was so stern and his mother was almost as bad, and so that was how it came about.

He had no one to confide in. She was bright and winning so he confided in her. It was such a relief to tell her all his troubles, to see her blue eyes flash indignantly at the wrong he suffered and sometimes I feared—from what she told me when we were alone—that he stretched the truth a little—just to make it more interesting. But she believed every word.

Once he told us of an accident which happened in the city. A large scow passing

through the locks had been clean in two because the doors were shut too quickly.

"Did any of the people on the boat get hurt?" she asked.

"No, every one was safe," he answered. "Wasn't that a lucky thing?"

The papers gave no account of the accident and I never heard anyone else speak of it but he was very positive and quietly told me I was nice. He didn't like me as well as his sister (she was my sister).

You see he was frank about his charming character. My sister thought so.

I could not see any fault. He was very charming about it. She was young, 'sweet sixteen'—just the age when a girl is young and all the world is 'fair'.

One evening she was called over. His parents were very kind, she said, but for his part the invitation was accepted.

They were sitting side by side in the parlor. He drew her sweet, sympathetic face to his and whispered

"a secret to tell you. You
 't tell Mama will you? She
 ld laugh at me."

"No", she answered "What
 ? He drew a long, deep
 of relief. "Aye, I do like
 . I thing I'll have to marry

ie twined her arms around
 and kissed him. It was
 only answer but it satis-
 him. He was six years

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