

Chicago Stamp News.

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IN introducing our monthly to the large array of stamp collectors, we make no pretense of entering the field of philatelic journalism. The CHICAGO STAMP NEWS is a monthly trade paper devoted to the interests of our stamp business and our customers. It is published because our business requires an advertising medium of this nature, and it will be sent free to stamp buyers all over the world.

It will be our endeavor to supply each month enough news and items of interest to make our paper a welcome visitor to those receiving it, and we trust in return to receive a share of their patronage when we can offer anything that suits them.

We shall be glad to exchange either one or two copies with any publication devoted to collecting. Books, pamphlets, etc., relating to stamps which may be sent us will receive proper notice in these columns.

AMONG our visitors during the past month we have had Mr. R. F. McRae, Montreal, Can.; B. Bradford, ex-Secretary of the A. P. A.; J. E. L. Gurley, Danville, Ill.; H. W. Wilson, Parisville, Ohio; Rev. W. P. Everett, Joliet, Ill.; and E. L. Davenport, Joliet, Ill. We are always glad to meet our philatelic friends, and trust that all who visit our city will call on us before departing.

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In Memoriam.

PATRICK CHALMERS, DIED OCT. 30, 1891.

It is with unfeigned regret that we announce the death of Mr. Patrick Chalmers, who passed away on Saturday, October 30, at his residence in Wimbledon. He leaves a wife and two daughters, who have our sincere sympathy in their bereavement. Although not a philatelist himself, his name is known to all from his strenuous and lifelong fight in support of his father's claim as inventor of the adhesive postage stamps. Whether he was right or wrong is not our province here to discuss, nor is this the fitting time; but we know all will unite with us in saying that Patrick Chalmers died as he had lived, a brave English gentleman, fighting to the last for what he believed to be the right.—*Ph. Chronicle & Adv.*

PHILATELIC interest in this city is pretty thoroughly alive at the present time. Local buyers are very regular in their attendance at our store, and we also have many visitors from out of the city, some of whom leave their names and some do not. With two good philatelic societies here—the Chicago Philatelic Society and the Chicago branch of the Western Philatelic Union—there is no reason why stamps should not have a boom. Our public auction sales have also added very materially to the local interest.

DURING the fair at the opening of the new Armory of the first Regiment, I. N. G., the celebrated Elgin Band has furnished the music. Messrs B. B. Keyes and Arnold Kohler are members of the band and enthusiastic philatelists, both being members of the Elgin Philatelic Society.

FOLLOWING are some of the prices realized at our second auction sale, held October 20th.

UNITED STATES.

1849-Carrier, 1c buff, on letter	\$5.55
1851-Carrier, 1c red, long rays	5.00
1851-5c. uns. pair, one clipped	5.00
1860-90c. used	4.50
1870-30c. grilled.....	5.00
Set of executive, unused, no gum	10.05
Set of executive "specimens"	5.00
War envelopes, 10c, amber, Plympton, cut square, unused.....	6.00
6c. proprietary, orange, damaged.....	4.03
50c. blue and black, inverted medallion	4.60
Mobile, 5c. blue, damaged	3.50

FOREIGN.

British Columbia, \$1 green.....	5.60
Brunswick, 1/2s green, rouletted.....	5.51
—, 1s, yellow paper, roul.; partially clipped.....	7.96
Cape of Good Hope, 1d red, wood block	4.60
Ceylon, 1sh 9d, unp.....	5.61
—, 2sh blue, unp.....	11.05
Great Britain, Mulready env. *2d blue	5.15
Japan, 1875, 1s brown, no syl. char...	4.00
Mexico, 1868, 100c. brown on brn., damaged.....	5.00
Spain, 1853, 1c. bronze.....	3.60
Tasmania, 1853, 1d blue.....	6.06
Total for 445 lots.....	599.96

OUR third auction sale will take place on December 16th, and will consist of the collection of Mr. William H. Leckie, of this city. The collection has been over twenty years in forming and contains many very desirable stamps. The most noteworthy stamp in the sale is the Nashville 10c. green.

THERE are quite a number of very fine cut envelopes in the sale, many in the most superb condition. Those described as corners of envelopes are just what the words imply, with the two thicknesses of the paper and very ample margins preserved. Collectors should avail themselves of this opportunity to secure these fine specimens.

OUR fourth sale will be held about the middle of January, and will consist of a very fine lot of goods consigned to us by various parties. The success of our first two sales has firmly established our auction department, and our customers can count on our sales at regular intervals.

WE solicit consignments of stamps to be sold at auction. It is not necessary that a large collection be offered. We are continually having consignments of single rare stamps, or small lots, to be sold at auction, and by combining these we can frequently present a better sale than that made in a single large collection.

OUR charge for selling at auction is 20 per cent of the price the lot brings. This includes cataloguing and all the attendant expenses of auctioneering the stamps. We employ some of the best auction firms in this city and every lot is sold without reserve. We guarantee to judiciously circulate 2500 copies of each auction catalogue.

THE bad weather on the Atlantic just prior to our second sale prevented our receiving in time the bids of our foreign friends, a number of which reached us several days after the sale. We shall endeavor in future to mail the foreign edition of our catalogues in ample time to give everyone an opportunity to get in their bids.

DON'T send us a lot of bids and instruct us not to make purchases over a certain amount. In the hurry of a public sale it is impossible to keep track of such matters, and we therefore cannot pay any attention to such bids. When a lot of stamps is duplicated and the purchaser instructs us to purchase only one lot, and not more than one, we can attend to it.

PRICED CATALOGUES of our first and second auction sales may be had for fifty cents each, post free. As auction sales are largely instrumental in fixing the value of scarce stamps, it is evident that priced sale catalogues are the best guide for prices a collector can have.

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A GREAT COLOMBIAN DISCOVERY.

From the American Journal of Philately.

For some weeks New York has been alive with talk about a wonderful rarity in the possession of one of its numerous dealers, namely an unsevered pair of Colombians, 1863, 20c red and 50c red, on part of a letter addressed from Bogota to some other place, the name of which was unfortunately torn from the envelope. We understand that as much as \$200 has been offered and refused for this *vera avis*, and we were indeed curious to have a look at the article. At the convivial meeting of the Staten Island Philatelic Society held on the evening of Oct. 14th, we were fortunate enough to obtain a glance at the stamp in question, and we found that besides the pair there was also a single specimen of the 50c red on a piece of entire letter. The moment that we glanced at the stamps they appeared suspicious to us, and we requested the privilege of making a careful examination. We told the possessor of the rarity of our suspicions and showed him a great many points on which we based them. In particular we were struck by the dull color of the stamps and also with the exactness with which the stars before and after the value were drawn. They were as perfect as the North star on a clear winter's night, and in our experience all the stars in question of the Colombian issue of 1863 look very much as though they had been on a prolonged spree. However, to be serious, on a careful examination we found that our original suspicions were well founded, and we detected the following differences between the genuine stamps of 1863 and those thus submitted to us: The color is much duller, as in all genuine specimens the 20c is in very bright red; the size of the stamps is $\frac{1}{4}$ mm. smaller; the genuine; the right hand lower twig is perfectly formed, whereas it is roughly broken off in the genuine; the lower right hand leaf ends in 3 ragged lines, whereas in the genuine the lines formed a perfect leaf; the second leaf from the bottom, on the left, is cut off by the frame,

whereas in the genuine it is a perfect leaf and barely touches the frame.

The 20c which accompanied the 50c is of the same type, and the same description will answer for it.

The holder of the stamp has had a lucky escape from selling a counterfeit, and in justice to him we must state that he has heartily thanked us for our information. The stamps were sent to him for sale on commission, and had we not discovered the fraud he would have been compelled, at some future day, to repay out of his own pocket the amount he would have received for the stamps.

WE recently purchased a lot of about fifty envelopes of the current issue, all of which were Albinos, mis-strikes, and other oddities. They formed a very interesting collection and were at once gathered in by the collector to whom we sent them on approval.

ALL stamps catalogued by us for sale at public auction are sold absolutely *without reserve*, as stated in our catalogues. This rule is rigidly enforced, and our patrons may rest assured that every lot knocked down by the auctioneer will be a *bona fide* sale.

We are informed that some auction sales are so conducted that an owner may protect his property with reserve bids, and on such lots as are knocked down to him no commission, or a percentage of the commission, will be charged. *We make no such deals* as this, and it is useless to ask us to do so. Our sales are well advertised and patronized, and the prices realized will average well. If a prospective seller is not satisfied to take his chances with the market it will be a waste of time to apply to us.

As a matter of course, the great majority of the bids sent in to our sales are sent to us, and in consequence the bulk of the sale is knocked down to Mr. Bradt, our manager, who attends in person to the executing of all bids sent to the Company. In the conduct of our two sales we have not received a single complaint, but on the other hand, have had scores of commendatory letters.

Of course we purchase largely for ourselves at these sales. It is a necessity of our business to continually renew our stock, and we improve every opportunity to do so advantageously. We have secured numerous bargains at both our own and other auction sales, and we expect to secure many more in the future.

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91 AND 93 WABASH AVENUE

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MAILED FREE TO ALL STAMP PURCHASERS.

Correspondents are requested to give their full address in each letter, and to enclose a stamp for return postage on letters of inquiry and orders under \$1.00. Remit by P. O. Order, Registered Letter or by Draft on Chicago or New York. Small amounts may be sent by registered mail in unused postage stamps.

WE have added to our library business a choice line of water colors, etchings and fine engravings and will be pleased to furnish prices, etc., to any of our customers interested in this line. We shall also carry in season, a fine line of Christmas and New Year cards.

WE have lately purchased from Mr. E. B. Sterling, of Trenton, N. J., the remainder of his stock of U. S. match and medicine stamps. Mr. Sterling is now giving his attention solely to U. S. tax paid stamps and has closed out all others. It is our intention in future to give especial attention to United States revenue stamps, and collectors in this line will do well to correspond with us. We have a very large stock of these stamps and as soon as it is put into proper shape our readers will hear from us.

IN considering what Christmas presents to make, do not forget postage stamps. No better present can be made a young friend than an album and a few stamps.

An interesting album is kept in the stamp division of the P. O. Department, containing sets of all the stamps that the government has ever issued. The book is worth a lot of money merely for the face value represented by its contents. On the first page are the stamps of Uncle Sam's issue in 1847. Before that year letters were distributed by mail in packages with accompanying way-bills, and postage charged according to distance. On another page are found our first perforated stamps, which appeared in 1857. Up to that time the stamps had to be cut apart with shears. The perforations were then much finer than they are now. The British government paid a large sum for the idea, but the United States did not give a cent for its use. One page is occupied by the stamps of 1869, most of which are printed in two separate colors, and as a stamp produced in two tints had to go through the presses twice the entire series was soon suppressed. They were so beautiful that the printing of them cost too much money.—*Robert S. Hobbs, in the American Philatelist.*

OUR "Packet '93," of 1000 varieties, is launched upon a market already full of similar packets. Yet there is a steady demand for large variety selections and the result of so much competition results advantageously to the collector, in raising the quality of the goods. Our packets are put up in our own establishment and are guaranteed to give satisfaction. Not only are they desirable for the beginner or trader, but almost any collector will find them well worth the price.

WE are continually purchasing collections of stamps—large and small, old and modern—and in this manner are enabled to obtain many desirable stamps generally in the market. Collectors will advance their own interests by keeping their want list on file with us.

Mr. Kinzaburo Nakayama, a Japanese philatelist who has been spending the last three years in this country, called on us recently.

have received the following for publi-

8, GAWLER STREET, LONDON, W. C.

1st October, 1891.

NEW FORGERIES.

CIRCULAR NO. 2.

THE PHILATELIC PROTECTION ASSOCIATION hereby warn Philatelists against the following *forgeries* which have been brought to their notice since the issue of the last circular—

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802.—18 kreuzer, perf., both light and green.

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850.—12 kr. red and 18 kr. yellow.

These are also dangerous, and have various marks).

BRITISH BECHUANALAND.

Most of the surcharges on the Cape stamps on the English 1-2d. have been shown to Association both with inverted and double surcharges.

BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

2 anna, 1st issued on English 1d., with surcharge.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

8 green, triangular.

CEYLON.

Various postcards with forged surcharges, also bogus surcharges.

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874. The 3d. green and 6d. rose, with new value in cents, and V. R. in blue or pink type.

MEXICO.

868. The full set of four values, new dangerous imitations.

SCINDE DAWK.

2 anna, white.

The committee of Experts of the Philatelic Protection Association will be happy to ex-

amine and report upon any specimens of the above mentioned stamps, on condition that such stamps are sent to the Secretary accompanied with sufficient postage for reply.

CHARLES J. PHILLIPS, *Sec'y.*

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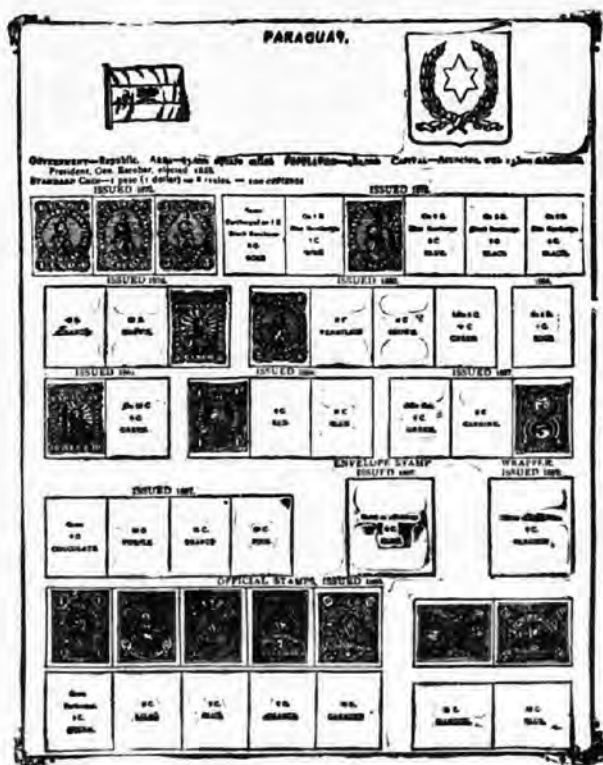
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MR. JOHN K. TIFFANY, president of the American Philatelic Association, spent a few hours with us last Saturday. He reports that the affairs of the A. P. A. are progressing finely, and expects within the next thirty days to have the incorporation of the Association an accomplished fact. Many members have wondered why certain appointments and other acts suggested or authorized by the last convention have not been carried out by the official board of the Association. As a matter of fact, it was not advisable to take these steps until the incorporation question could be settled, and the board has done everything in its power to expedite that matter. The first steps to be taken after incorporation, Mr. Tiffany assured us, would be the appointment of the much-needed World's Fair committee and the call for an election of trustees. Such other steps as are necessary will immediately follow. The Association will be incorporated under the laws of West Virginia, and as a stock company. The direction and laws of the Association will be practically unaltered, the only important change being the necessity of holding elections annually instead of biennially.

MANY, in fact the majority, of our readers are not members of the American Philatelic Association. Those desiring further information concerning it should address the secretary, Millard F. Walton, Lock Box 38, Philadelphia, Pa., who will furnish application blanks and all necessary information.

WE ARE selling a very superior gummed paper hinge for mounting stamps, put up in packages of 1000, price 10c. a package, or three packages for 25c.

A COLLECTION we recently purchased gave our collection of counterfeit stamps a decided boom. Among the lot were the bogus Prince Edward Island stamps that made their appearance almost as soon as the original set, and were chronicled and sold as a part of the government issue. Even the leading dealers at the time were taken in by them, and albums having spaces for them were published. In addition to the above, there were a number of Paraguay and Guatemala, both fine specimens of workmanship, and many other of the bogus and counterfeit stamps that bothered collectors some years ago and are now seldom met with.

WE are glad to find that the STAMP NEWS pleases our customers. As one of the most substantial commendations sent us, we print the following letter: "—, Dec. 9, 1891. Gentlemen:—I enclose you \$1.00, for which please send me regularly the CHICAGO STAMP NEWS and copies of your sale catalogues, price lists, etc. Yours, — —." As our paper is sent *free*, we forwarded our correspondent a selection of stamps, with the information that we had placed the dollar sent us to his credit.

A CHICAGO firm has recently published a "Portfolio of the World's Columbian Exhibition." The book is oblong, $6\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and contains 15 beautifully colored illustrations from water color drawings of the World's Fair buildings. The work is the finest of the kind we have ever seen turned out by an American establishment, and is a particularly good thing to send to friends abroad. Copies may be obtained of us, post free, for 50c.

A NEW departure is made in our auction business this month. Our fourth sale and all future ones will be placed on exhibition in New York City for several days prior to the sale, thus giving our eastern customers an equal opportunity with local philatelists to inspect the stamps to be sold. Mr. R. F. Albrecht, the well known Exchange Manager of the Staten Island Philatelic Society, will have the stamps on exhibition from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m., on January 11, 12 and 13, at room 1, 25 Ann St., New York.

THE unchronicled Victoria surcharge offered in our fourth sale, came from the collection of Mr. W. H. Leckie, the bulk of whose collection formed our third sale. The cancellation, which is a dated one, is clearly over the surcharge, and the whole appearance of the stamp is such as to convince one, almost at a glance, of the genuineness of the surcharge.

BIDS for our third auction sale have come in much more promptly than at either of our prior sales. Few auction buyers seem to realize the importance of sending in their bids early, yet it often happens to their advantage if they do so. To illustrate: A sends a bid on a certain lot, later on, a number of bids are received on the same lot—some of less amount and some exactly the same figure. If the stamp is knocked down at the price A offered he gets it, although several other collectors are willing to pay the same price.

And this duplicating of bids is by no means an exceptional occurrence, for at every sale a score or more of such cases come up. Consider this and send your bids in early in future.

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For several years past our manager, Mr. Bradt, has been paying especial attention to the stamps of Italy and the Italian States. The results of this are offered in our third sale, which includes Mr. Bradt's Italian collection. The newspaper stamp with hyphen between "Franco Bollo" is the only specimen of that error we have ever seen or heard of, although thousands of the stamps have been looked over since Mr. Bradt discovered the error. The same can be said of the 1862-8 stamps with extra outer line. The common stamps in the collection were nicely shaded, and any one interested in this particular line will do well to improve this opportunity.

Our fifth sale will include the collection and philatelic library of Mr. S. B. Bradford, late secretary of the American Philatelic Association. The date has not yet been fixed, but will be given in our January issue.

While we are at all times ready to execute auction bids for our customers, it sometimes happens that the latter would prefer to have their bids executed by other parties. We have therefore made arrangements with some of our best known local philatelists, who are both A. P. A. and C. P. S. members, to attend to any auction bids entrusted to them. Customers not wishing to send bids direct to us may send them to any of the following:

P. H. Dilg, 289 Bissell St., Chicago;
A. L. Holman, 2115 Indiana Av., Chicago;
Sam'l Leland, P. O. Drawer 651, Chicago;
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THIS is the season of the year when the Chicago philatelist delights in refreshing the inner man. On January 7th, the Chicago Philatelic Society will celebrate the inauguration of its sixth board of officers with a banquet at Drake's famous hostelry, the Grand Pacific Hotel.

THE 52nd edition of Scott's Standard Postage Stamp catalogue will be ready about the time this paper reaches our readers. We will send a copy post free to any address in the postal union on receipt of 33 cts. The catalogue will be sold at our store at the publishers' price, 25 cents.

PHILATELIC PUBLICATIONS.

We have on hand a few complete files of the following periodicals:

The Collector's Companion, (Chicago)	
17 nos.	\$4.00
The Stamp Collector (Chicago, 1886)	
2 nos. ....	.40
The Stamp Collector (Chicago, 1891)	
2 nos. ....	.25
The Western Philatelist (Chicago, 1887-8)	17 nos.
	3.00
The Philatelic Gazette (Chicago)	17 nos.
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Phil's Monthly (Grand Crossing, Ill.)	
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C. P. S. Bulletin (Grand Crossing, Ill.)	2 nos.
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We also have in stock

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GOOD, staid old Philadelphia is even beginning to feel the pulse-beat of philately and to awaken from its lethargy. A call has been made for a meeting preliminary to the organization of a good society there; and our old friend Hanes, of Durbin & Hanes, announces some first class auction sales in preparation. Here's luck!

And this reminds us that we ought to confess our having copied the style of the STAMP NEWS from Durbin & Hanes' *Philatelic Monthly*, the oldest stamp paper in America. It is said that next to the originator of a good thing is the one who copies it, of course, giving due credit, and anything as good as the *Monthly* is certainly worthy of being copied.

FOR an arrant knave, and a silly one withal, commend us to the Topeka correspondent who solicited an approval lot of stamps from us and returned our book with a remittance of 6c, after having taken out one-third the leaves (and stamps) and one stamp valued at six cents. The scamp attempted to conceal his roguery by altering the figures giving the value of the book, but made a very unskillful job of it. There could be no possibility of doubt in the matter as the book was a new one that had never left our office before. Any Topeka collector who may be interested in the matter may obtain the name and address of the party from us.

WE HAVE received from A. B. Merrill a copy of "Philatelic Frauds," a little pamphlet devoted to the exposure of philatelic beats.

WE received recently a visit from Mr. M. E. Rudel, a well known philatelist of Fort Wayne, Ind.

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WE had the pleasure a few days ago of meeting Mr. A. C. Grosholz, of Philadelphia, who has been enjoying a pleasure trip in this region. Come again, and see the World's Fair!

MR. C. W. SPARR, formerly of Eureka, Kansas, and for some time past lost to philatelic view in the regions of Montana, wafted in on us a few days ago, en route for Washington, where he expects to pass the winter.

THE new edition (tenth) of the favorite International Postage Stamp Album has made its appearance since our last issue. It well fulfils the promises of the publishers and is in every respect a great improvement on former editions.

MESSRS. SLASON THOMPSON & CO. of this city are using a new machine that promises to make a revolution in circular advertising. We received from them recently an envelope containing several circulars which were folded, inserted in the envelope, the flap turned in, and stamp affixed, by this machinery. The next step should be a machine for turning out approved forms of advertising, in order to save the mental strain of attempting to formulate original ideas.

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OWING to errors in the catalogue of our Third Auction Sale, we find it necessary to withdraw lots numbered 169, 291, 308, 334, 419, 423 and 450. We regret this exceedingly, and will endeavor to avoid the occurrence of such errors in future.

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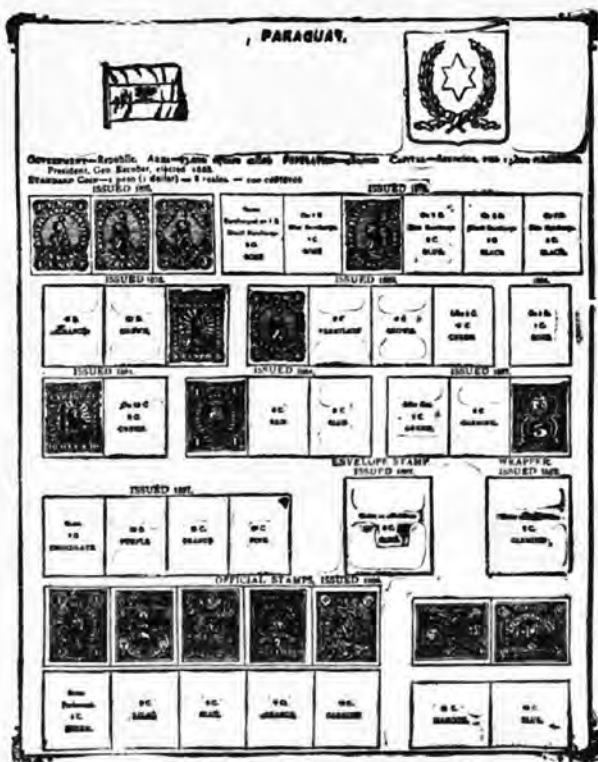
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On the evening of January 7th, the Chicago Philatelic Society celebrated its sixth annual installation of officers with a banquet at the Grand Pacific Hotel. Those present were: Mr. J. K. Tiffany and Mr. I. A. McKeel, of St. Louis, Mr. W. B. Bourne, of St. Paul, and the following local philatelists: Messrs. Bradt, Carrington, Drury, Fritz, Holman, Leland, Levy, Macdonald, Masforth, Petford, Pierce, Rowley, Severn, White, and Wolsieffer.

It goes without saying that the affair was a most pleasant one. The presence of Mr. Tiffany added greatly to the enjoyment, as he is unexcelled as toast master, and at President Wolsieffer's invitation he presided over the banquet. Much interest was manifested at the reading of letters of regret from those unable to attend.

As the banquet progressed and the more immediate needs of the guests began to be provided for, a general loosing of tongues resulted. Everybody had something to say and Messrs. Carrington and Holman particularly distinguished themselves. Mr. Tiffany, as usual, made the speech of the evening, and favored those present with some very pertinent remarks on stamp collecting versus philately.

It was twelve o'clock when the party resplendently broke up, each declaring as he prepared to depart that he would never willingly miss a C. P. S. banquet.

Some six or seven years ago the name of C. E. Swope was well known in philatelic journalism, largely from his efforts to unite poetry with philately. A few days ago Mr. Swope dropped into our office and informed that he was once more in harness and,

although his time is largely taken up by business, ready to join the ranks again.

THE genial secretary of the Chicago Philatelic Society, Mr. C. E. Severn, has of late had life made a burden to him on account of some verses printed in one of the papers over the initials "C. E. S." and erroneously accredited to him. Is it not quite likely that the verses in question were reprinted from one of the old papers that Mr. C. E. Swope used to contribute to? At least the initials are the same.

MR. FRANK S. LOMBARD, Secretary of the Elgin Philatelic Society, called on us recently. He reports the Society to be in a flourishing condition.

THE new United States postal cards made their appearance just before Christmas. The small card is rather neat but the large one is an abomination. We received the first small card on December 22d, from Mr. F. F. Gilbert of this city, and the first large one on the 27th, from Mr. E. W. Heusinger, of San Antonio, Texas.

ST. LOUIS and St. Paul seems to be a bad combination, at any rate Mr. Tiffany and Mr. Bourne each brought cold weather with them to the banquet, and the result was a blizzard for Chicago.

SPECIAL attention is called to our packet number 99, containing sixty varieties of United States medicine stamps. The catalogue value of this packet is considerably greater than twice the price asked for it, but our large stock enables us to offer this bargain.

OUR third auction sale was held on the evening of December 19th, about thirty collectors being in attendance. Competition was quite lively and at times the bidding made things exceedingly interesting, especially on the Nashville and the Fiji surcharges. Most of the good stamps realized prices that indicate a rising market. At the same time the bargain seeker found many opportunities to buy to advantage. Following are some of the prices realized:

UNITED STATES.

*1860, 90c.....	\$3.55
1861, 5c., yellow.....	2.95
1869, 24c.....	2.75
—, 90c.....	6.10
1870, 10c.....	5.75
*1872, 24, 30, 90c.....	4.25
Agriculture, set.....	3.00
Executive, 6c.....	3.00
—, 10c.....	3.05
Justice, 24, 30c.....	3.00
—, 90c.....	4.40
Navy, 90c.....	2.25

CUT ENVELOPES.

1853, 3c, wide s. label, white.....	\$7.05
*—, 10c narrow label, white.....	7.50
*1870, 12c. cream.....	3.00
*—, 24c, cream.....	4.80
*—, 30c, cream.....	3.85
*—, 90c, white.....	4.15
*—, 90c, cream.....	4.05
*1874, 90c, cream.....	6.00
*1884, 2c. red on b., Kellogg.....	6.75
*—, 2c. red on man., Kellogg.....	6.75

MATCH AND CONFEDERATE.

Chicago Match Co.....	7.00
Memphis, 5c. red.....	4.75
Mobile, 5c. blue on envelope.....	5.00
Nashville, 10c. green.....	49.50

FOREIGN.

Azores, 1868, 50c. green, perf.....	2.40
Bavaria, 1870, 12 kr.....	2.60
Canada, 1855, 10d, very fine.....	3.65
Fiji, 1875, 2d on 12c. rose.....	9.75
—, 1875, 2d on 6d. green, red sur.....	9.50
Hawaii, 1867, 5c. blue, uns. pair.....	3.80

Japan, 1874, 4s.....	2.00
Madeira, 1869, 50r. damaged.....	7.00
—, 1869, 24or.....	3.00
Nevis, 1867, 1d., entire sheet of 12.....	3.25
New Brunswick, 1851, 3d red, on env.....	6.15
N. S. Wales, 1850, 1d. red, 1st plate.....	4.00
—, 1850, 2d. blue, 2d plate.....	4.00
St. Vincent, 1869, 1st slate blue, p.....	3.50
15½.....	2.00
Wurtemberg, 1873, 70.kr.....	2.00

OWING to a rather unexpected trip of Europe Mr. Albrecht will not be able to personally exhibit our fourth auction lot in New York City. However, arrangements have been made with Mr. C. Witt to exhibit the stamps at the same time and place. Mr. Albrecht expects to return in time to attend to future exhibits.

OUR Fifth Auction Sale will be held on the evening of March 23d.

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Don't send us a lot of bids and instruct us not to make purchases over a certain amount. In the hurry of a public sale it is impossible to keep track of such matters, and we therefore cannot pay any attention to such bids. Where a lot of stamps is duplicated and the purchaser instructs us to purchase any one lot, and not more than one, we can attend to it.

PRICED CATALOGUES of our first three auction sales may be had for fifty cents each, post free. As auction sales are largely instrumental in fixing the values of scarce stamps, it is evident that priced sale catalogues are the best guide for prices a collector can have.

Don't send us auction bids unless you are prepared to pay for your purchases on receipt of bill for same. Auction business is strictly cash, and no credit should be asked for or expected. Bidders who are unknown to us should send commercial reference with their orders.

The 32nd edition of Scott's Standard Postage Stamp catalogue will be ready about the time this paper reaches our readers. We will send a copy post free to any address in the postal union on receipt of 33 cts. The catalogue will be sold at our store at the publishers' price, 25 cents.

WHILE we are at all times ready to execute auction bids for our customers, it sometimes happens that the latter would prefer to have their bids executed by other parties. We have therefore made arrangements with some of our best known local philatelists, who are both A. P. A. and C. P. S. members, to attend to any auction bids entrusted to them. Customers not wishing to send bids direct to us may send them to any of the following:

- P. H. Dilg, 289 Bissell St., Chicago;
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Sam'l Leland, P. O. Drawer 651, Chicago;
J. W. Palmer, Oak Park, Ill;
C. E. Severn, 448 Racine Av., Chicago;
P. M. Wolseffer, P. O. Drawer 707, Chicago.

PHILATELIC PUBLICATIONS.

We have on hand a few complete files of the following periodicals:

The Collector's Companion, (Chicago)		
17 nos.	\$4.00	
The Stamp Collector (Chicago, 1886)		
2 nos. ....	.40
The Stamp Collector (Chicago, 1891)		
2 nos. ....	.25
The Western Philatelist (Chicago, 1887-8)	17 nos.	3.00
The Philatelic Gazette (Chicago)	17 nos.	3.00
Philo's Monthly (Grand Crossing, Ill.)		
4 nos. ....	.25
C. P. S. Bulletin (Grand Crossing, Ill.)	2 nos.20
Philatelic Magazine (La Grange, Ill.)		
9 nos.65	

We also have in stock

Tiffany's Stamps of the U. S., paper	
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In the *Chicago Times* of January 10th, there appeared an unusually good newspaper article on stamp collecting. The C. P. S. banquet was taken as a text and the writer proceeded to discourse on philately in general, with particular attention to its present prospect in Chicago. We give below a few extracts from the article, which occupied a column and a half in the *Times*.

"POPULAR ignorance and consequent indifference in regard to the methods and inner workings of many a business and profession are naturally to be expected. It is not strange, then, that this science and profession and business of philately, or stamp collecting, followed as it is by those who are so interested in it themselves that they have little time to try to interest others in it, should be almost unknown outside of the circle of its devotees, or, if not unknown, at least 'unhonored and unsung.' The opinion, existing to a certain extent, that stamp collectors are cranks and their work only a

fad-unworthy of serious attention, does exist only because of ignorance of the subject."

"As a business philately is of much greater magnitude than is realized by those outside of it. All over the United States are dealers whose only business is to buy and sell stamps. Some of these are, of course, of little note, and are only schoolboys or agents for other dealers. Of those whose business reaches considerable proportions there must be two score or more. The philatelic press is an important branch of the business. Many and many stamp papers have been born that have lived but a few months, and 'Volume 1,' Number 1, is a standing joke. Still, several commendable publications are issued."

"THE scientific value of the pursuit is recognized in every museum and other educational institution. It has passed long since any liability to be truthfully called only a fad or a craze. A recent collection bequeathed to the British Museum at the death of a wealthy Londoner was valued at £60,000, and is to have a special room provided for it in the museum."

THE delay in the publication of Scott's 52d catalogue has caused us a great amount of annoyance. We have received many orders for the catalogue and naturally enough those who sent them become impatient at not receiving it. All orders will be filled as soon as the publishers forward us the catalogues.

W. ELLIOT WOODWARD, a prominent antiquarian of Boston, died in Roxbury, Mass., on the 5th inst., aged sixty-one. Mr. Woodward catalogued many coin sales, and was well known to philatelists.

WE should be pleased to receive any information regarding C. N. Bishop, who gave his address as 409 Prescott Street, Toledo, Ohio. We have been unable to obtain response from numerous communications addressed as above.

We are indebted to Mr. C. C. Morency, of Quebec, for a number of additions to our counterfeit collection, also for a specimen of the new Canadian postal card.

We are selling a very superior gummed paper hinge for mounting stamps, put up in packages of 1000, price 10c. a package, or three packages for 25c.

A CHICAGO firm has recently published a "Portfolio of the World's Columbian Exhibition." The book is oblong, $6\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and contains 15 beautifully colored illustrations from water color drawings of the World's Fair buildings. The work is the finest of the kind we have ever seen turned out by an American establishment, and is a particularly good thing to send to friends abroad. Copies may be obtained of us, post free, for 50c.

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29. 1870, 1c. blue—2c. brown—3c. green, embossing on back, 3 in lot.
30. —, 6c. pink, embossing on back.
31. 1871, 7c. vermilion—embossing on back.
32. —, The same.
33. 1872, 7c. vermilion—24c. purple.
34. 1888, 30c. puce brown—block of 4.
35. —, 30c. puce brown—90c. purple, uns. pair, 1872—90c. 4 in lot.
36. —, *90c. purple.
37. —, 90c. purple—block of 24. (Res. \$6.00.)
38. 1875, Newspaper stamps, *4c., *8c., *10c., black—12c., 36c., carmine, 6 in lot.
39. 1873, Executive—(specimen)—*1c., 1c., *2c., *3c., 4 in lot.
40. —, War—*7c., *24c., *90c. Interior, 30c. and 90c. (5 in lot.)
41. —, Interior—1c., 2c., 3c., 6c., 10c., 12c., 15c., unused, 7 in lot.
42. —, Justice—*6c., 10c., 12c., *15c., 24c., *3c., 6 in lot.
43. —, Navy—1c., 2c., 6c., 7c., 10c., 12c., 15c., 24c., 8 in lot.
44. —, Postoffice—*10c., 24c., *30c., *90c.—*Postoffice Seal, 5 in lot.
45. —, State—*1c., *2c., *3c., *6c., 7c., *10c., 6 in lot.
46. —, Treasury, complete set of eleven.
47. —, Postoffice, 2c., 3c., 30c. Agriculture, 3c., 4 in lot.

U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE AND PROPRIETARY.

48. —, \$1.90 blue and black, head in circle, second issue.
 49. —, The same.
 50. —, 1.30, blue and black, head in circle, second issue.
 51. —, Western Union Telegraph stamps '84, violet—'85, green—'86, mauve—'87, violet brown—'88, blu—'89, blue green, 6 in lot.
 52. 1860. Wells, Fargo & Co. Pony Express 25c. red—1d. red, 2 in lot.
 52C. —, 25c cert., double perf.; 1 dollar lease unperf., 2c. blue cert., unperf. 3 in lot.

CONFEDERATE.

53. 1861. New Orleans, 5c. brown and blue.
 54. 1861. 5c. green.
 55. 1863. Ten cents blue on piece of envelope fine.

U. S. ENVELOPES CUT SQUARE.

56. 1853. 10c. green on buff paper, die 4, fine.
 57. The same.
 58. 1864. *2c. black on buff paper—3c. pink white paper—*3c. pink, buff paper.
 59. 1864, 3c. pink, buff paper. 1861, *3c. pink, buff paper, and 1887, 2c. green on white paper, reprint, 3 in lot.
 60. —, A lot of envelope stamps including 1853, 3c. red. 1864, *2c. black or orange—1874, 10c. brown and 3c. green, 6 in lot.
 61. 1870. *2c. brown amber paper. 1879—*2c. vermilion—fawn, die C., 2 in lot.
 62. 1874, 6c. carmine, white paper.
 63. —, 6c. carmine, amber paper.

ENTIRE ENVELOPES.

64. 1861, 2c. black wrapper.
 65. 1870, 7c. vermilion on amber.
 66. 1876. 3c. green centennial, die A.
 67. —, *3c. green centennial, die B.
 68. 1882, *5c. brown on white paper.
 69. 1884, *2c. red on fawn paper, 2 in lot.
 70. —, *2c. red on blue paper, 2 in lot.
 71. —, *2c. brown on fawn paper, 4 in lot.
 72. —, *2c. brown on blue paper, retouched die.
 73. 1887, *2c. green on white paper, rejected die, 6 in lot.
 74. —, *4c., carmine on amber manilla, extra official, 25 in lot.

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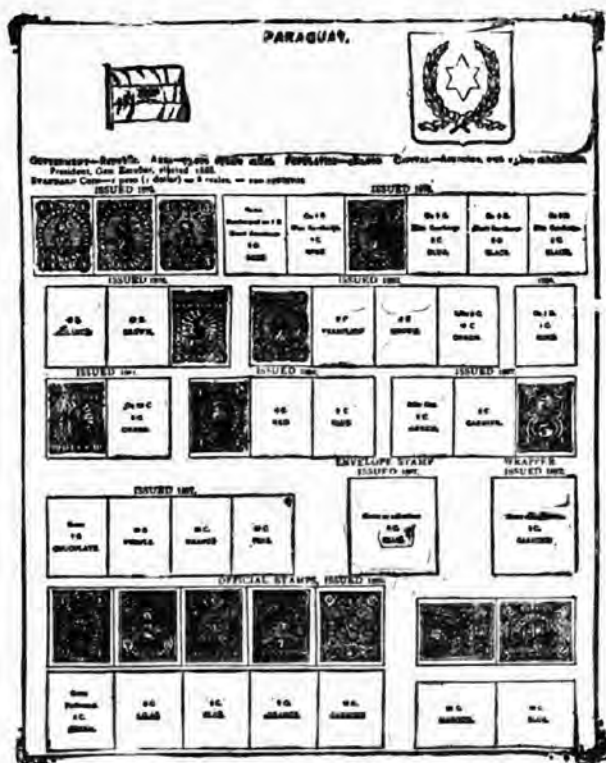
75. 1862. Bahamas, 4 p. rose—1 sh. green, 2 in lot.
 76. 1856, *Corrientes, 1 r., blue paper, value barred, reprint.
 77. 1891. *Mauritius, 2c. on 4c. carmine uns. pair.
 78. —, 2c. on 38c. violet uns. pair.
 79. 1871, *New South Wales, 2 p. blue, 5 in lot.
 80. 1867, *Victoria, 6 p. blue, 4 in lot.
 81. 1877, *Canada, 3c. red (2) 1c. blue ent. env., 4 different postals, one used, 7 in lot.

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CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The 136th regular meeting held at the Grand Pacific Hotel, February 4, was attended by fifteen members, President Wolsieffer in the chair.

Auctioneer Niemz reported on auction sales, and Messrs. Withrow and Bradt were thanked for donations made the society library.

W. C. H. Duensing, Chicago, and Wm. Oyster, Chelsea, Mass., were unanimously elected members of the C. P. S.

After discussion of present-day philatelic topics, adjournment was taken at 10:15 p. m.

The 137th regular meeting, held Feb. 18, was called to order by President Wolsieffer, in the presence of twelve members.

Roll from secretary ordered paid.

Auctioneer Niemz submitted a report, thanking upon Mr. Bradt's kindness in allowing the use of the "CHICAGO STAMP NEWS" in advertising the March auction sale.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Bradt, accordingly.

A "World's Fair" subscription list was drawn, the several members subscribing amounts to be paid monthly, to the treasurer.

Mr. J. C. Church, Chicago; A. R. Rogers, New York City; C. Witt, New York City, and G. B. Tutill, Sioux Falls, S. D., were unanimously elected to membership.

After recess, adjournment at 10:10 p. m.

C. E. SEVERN, Secretary.

P. S. GOSSIP.

Vice President Janssen's collection of U. S. adhesives is an admirable one.

The loquacious "Kennelm" shows a commendable appreciation of the C. P. S. in his "Chicago Notes."

Gussie Cottlow, whose accomplishments as a child pianist are known, is a sister to member B. A. Cottlow, the embryo Hippocrates.

A. P. Hosmer is in receipt of many oddities and scarce varieties of Venezuela, which are to increase his Venezuelan collection; the same being one of his specialities.

B. S. Ross appears a veritable Pooh Bah in the administration of affairs of the W. P. U., of which he is a trustee and librarian, and he also officiates as auctioneer and exchange superintendent of the Chicago branch of that society.

C. E. SEVERN.

THE identity of "Kennelm," the best known of the many Chicago correspondents of philatelic papers, seems to puzzle many of his readers. As the editor of this paper is frequently asked if he and "Kennelm" are one, we wish to state that such is not the case.

THE fatality that seems to attach to every paper that attempts to act as the "official organ" of the Chicago Philatelic Society, has led that society to abandon for the present any official publication. The long list of "official" failures, however, does not seem to have a depressing effect on other aspirants, for as soon as the society loses an "organ" any amount of offers to go on with the work spring up. We have tendered the society a portion of our space to make public anything they think of interest, and it is their intention to issue separate catalogues when they hold auction sales.

THE fine collection of Match and Medicine stamps that Mr. W. H. Nienstedt, of St. Louis, has for years been gathering, was recently placed in our hands for disposal at auction. A large portion of this collection was beautifully mounted on sheets of cardboard, arranged in artistic designs and making a magnificent appearance. It seemed a pity to destroy such a work of art, so we looked about for a customer for the entire lot of sheets, and we very soon found one in Mr. H. E. Deats, of Flemington, N. J. We are well aware of the many philatelic treasures that Mr. Deats possesses, but we venture to say that he has none that he will cherish more highly than this new acquisition.

THE balance of Mr. Nienstedt's stamps, which includes the unmounted portion of his collection, the duplicates, etc., will be offered for sale at our Sixth Auction, catalogue of which is mailed with this issue of the STAMP NEWS. This catalogue will be of great interest to collectors of United States revenue stamps, as the sale is largely made up of this class, and many stamps are offered that are not to be met with often. The sale will occur on the evening of April 20th.

THE lots comprising our Sixth Auction Sale will be on exhibition in New York City, April 11th to 13th, at the office of the new stamp firm, Messrs. Albrecht & Witt, Room 52, No. 90 Nassau St. Mr. Albrecht, who has become well-known as the exchange manager of the Staten Island Society, has recently returned from a European trip, during which he laid in a large stock of stamps.

MR. C. N. BISHOP, of Toledo, Ohio, about whom we recently made some inquiry, informs us he is still doing business at the old stand; sickness and family affairs having interfered with his stamp interests for a time. Mr. Bishop is president of the Ohio Philatelic Association, and invites membership and cooperation.

THE two varieties of the first U. S. perforated three-cent stamp seems a source of great perplexity to the majority of collectors. We receive more inquiries on this point than any other, and therefore will try and explain the difference as clearly as possible. The first, and scarcer of the two stamps, is precisely like the unperforated stamp of the same issue. Above the label containing the words "U. S. Postage," is a fine red line about as thick as the white space that separates it from the label; and below the label containing the words "Three cents" is a similar line. Owing to the closeness of the perforation of this stamp it is almost impossible to obtain a specimen showing both the top and bottom lines clearly, but this is not necessary, for if the line is visible at either top or bottom it must have existed at both. In the second, the common variety, both these lines are lacking. If you will compare your copy with the unperforated stamp you will not have the least difficulty in determining whether it is the first or second die.

WE observe that one A. H. Eklund, of Worcester, Mass., has issued a philatelic paper. We should be greatly obliged to the publisher (?) if he would settle his small account with us.

WE solicit consignments of stamps to be sold at auction. It is not necessary that a large collection be offered. We are continually having consignments of single rare stamps, or small lots, to be sold at auction, and by combining these we can frequently present a better sale than that made by a single large collection.

OUR charge for selling at auction is 20 per cent of the price the lot brings. This includes cataloguing and all the attendant expenses of auctioneering the stamps. We employ one of the best auction firms in this city and every lot is sold without reserve. We guarantee to judiciously circulate not less than 1000 copies of each auction catalogue.

PRICED CATALOGUES of our first five auction sales may be had for fifty cents each, post free. As auction sales are largely instrumental in fixing the values of scarce stamps, it is evident that priced sale catalogues are the best guide for prices a collector can have.

DON'T send us auction bids unless you are prepared to pay for your purchases on receipt of bill for same. Auction business is strictly cash, and no credit should be asked for or expected. Bidders who are unknown to us should send commercial reference with their orders.

DON'T send us a lot of bids and instruct us not to make purchases over a certain amount. In the hurry of a public sale it is impossible to keep track of such matters, and we therefore cannot pay any attention to such bids. Where a lot of stamps is duplicated and the purchaser instructs us to purchase any one lot, and not more than one, we can attend to it.

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7. Beatrice Gadsden, Brookline Park, Ill.
8. Wm. C. H. Duensing, Chicago.
9. H. C. H. Janssen, Chicago.
10. Ernst Brantner, Chicago.
11. Fred Doughty, Saginaw, E. S., Mich.
12. C. H. Harraden, Chicago.

WHILE we are at all times ready to execute auction bids for our customers, it sometimes happens that the latter would prefer to have their bids executed by other parties. We have therefore made arrangements with some of our best known local philatelists, who are both A. P. A. and C. P. S. members, to attend to any auction bids entrusted to them. Customers not wishing to send bids direct to us may send them to any of the following:

- P. H. Dilg, 289 Bissell St., Chicago;
- A. L. Holman, Phenix Bldg., Chicago;
- Sam'l Leland, P. O. Drawer 651, Chicago;
- J. W. Palmer, Oak Park, Ill.;
- C. E. Severn, 448 Racine Av., Chicago;
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PHILATELIC PUBLICATIONS.

We have on hand a few complete files of the following periodicals:

The Collector's Companion, (Chicago)		
17 nos.	\$4.00	
The Stamp Collector (Chicago, 1886)		
2 nos. ....	.40
The Stamp Collector (Chicago, 1891)		
2 nos. ....	.25
The Western Philatelist (Chicago, 1887-8)	17 nos.	3.00
Th Philatelic Gazette (Chicago)	17 nos.	3.00
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C. P. S. Bulletin (Grand Crossing, Ill.)	2 nos.20
Philatelic Magazine (La Grange, Ill.)	9 nos.65

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Tiffany's Stamps of the U. S., paper \$1.00; cloth.	1.50
Tiffany's Stamp Collector's Library Companion, 25c; addenda, 6c; the two.30
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"We think that the most nonsensical variety of a stamp that has yet been admitted to a catalogue, is the five-cent Garfield, with ground of crossed lines; there are not two dies of this stamp."—*Philatelic Monthly*. We quite agree with Brother Haines in the above remarks.

THE Chicago Philatelic Society has recently started a "World's Fair Fund" that promises to ripen into what is needed to properly entertain the many visitors we expect for the World's Fair. It is expected that the Society will provide a philatelic head-quarters in the business district, finely fitted up and with every convenience for their guests. A place where every philatelist will be made welcome and to feel at home.

It is not often that we have the pleasure of meeting any of the San Francisco collectors, and on this account we were doubly pleased to meet Mr. William E. Loy, who recently spent a few days in our city. We hope to see more representatives from the Pacific Coast in the near future.

We had a visit from Mr. E. J. Haines, of Sandusky, Ohio, a few days ago. Mr. Haines has a very fine collection of U. S. document, match and medicine stamps, to which we had the pleasure of adding a few specimens.

OUR Illinois friends, Mr. W. F. T. Gurley, of Danville, and Mr. J. A. Heibelman, of Cullom, Ill., dropped in on us again last month. Mr. Gurley had a good piece of luck in unearthing a lot of old issues and document stamps, at a Michigan county sale recently.

It is a long time since we have heard of our old friends, the Stebbins Brothers, of Adrian, Mich. A few days ago "Ed" surprised us with a brief call on his way South. He says his interest in philately is only slumbering, and is liable to break out again at any time.

MR. W. G. JERREMS, JR., who recently left our city to take charge of the St. Paul branch of "Nicoll the Tailor," spent a few days here last month.

THE article in our February issue on German Cancellations was not a translation from the foreign papers, but was specially written for this paper. As it was written in German, however, we had to call in the services of a translator.

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ATTENTION is called to the Salvador stamps, 1891 issue, advertised in another column. The prices quoted by us will be maintained by all dealers, as the stamps are supplied this year only on agreeing not to cut prices.

The question of amalgamating all the so-called "National" Societies in one, is being agitated, and will, we trust, result in some beneficial action. The American Philatelic Association is now incorporated, and offers every inducement possible for membership. The sooner the other societies fall into its ranks the better it will be for them and for philately in general.

The Portfolio of the World's Columbian Exposition, which we have for sale, seems to meet with general favor. Most of our customers who have ordered it have sent in orders for more copies, presumably to send to their friends. The book is oblong, $6\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and contains 15 beautifully colored illustrations from water-color drawings of the World's Fair buildings. Price 50c each, post free.

It is probable that our Seventh Auction Sale (May) will be the last we will hold this season. In September we will again resume our sales, and expect to offer some good collections at auction. We invite correspondence during the summer months relative to fall and winter sales.

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*Guatemala, 1878, 4 var.....	.35		
*Guatemala, 1881, 5 var.....	.20		
*Guatemala, 1881, Prov., 5 var.....	.60		
*Guatemala, env., 4 var.....	.35		
*Hamburgh, env., 7 var.....	.15		
*Heligoland, 21 var.....	.40		
*Honduras, 1865, 2 var.....	.15		
*Honduras, 1878-89, 7 var.....	.50		
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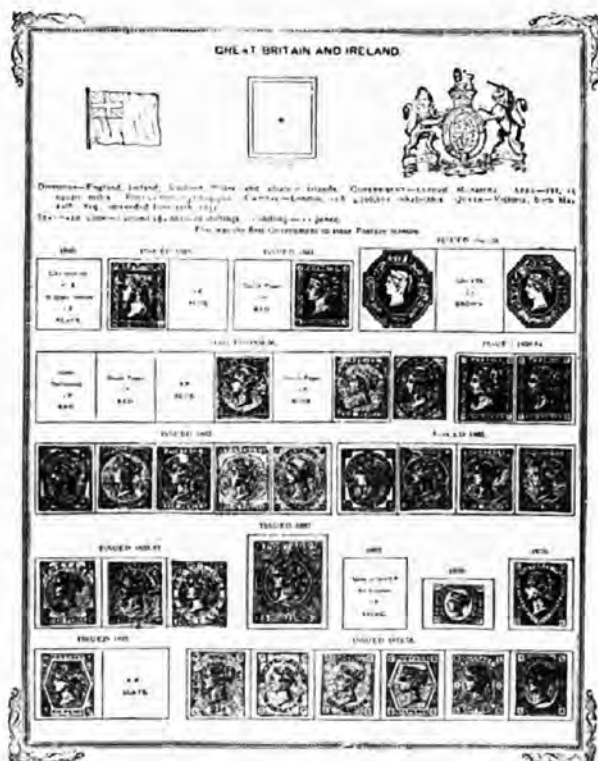
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This change was necessitated from the fact that the building which we were located is to be torn down and replaced with more modern structure.

We take this opportunity to ask the indulgence of our correspondents for any delays that have occurred during our removal, and invite them all to call at our new store when visiting this city.

IMPORTANT

As we are about to revise our mailing list we request every one who wishes to receive this paper regularly in the future to send us his or her name and address on a postal card.

OUR NEW MAILING LIST will comprise ONLY THOSE WHO COMPLY WITH THIS REQUEST, so if you wish the paper send the card at once.

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CHICAGO, ILL., U. S. A.

CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The 132nd regular meeting, held at the "Grand Pacific Hotel," March 3, was attended by ten members, President Wolsieffer in the chair.

A complaint against a local member was ordered to be investigated.

It was decided that a local "World's Fair" committee be appointed, as soon as practical.

Messrs. Geo. L. Toppan, Chicago; C. W. Statesman, Bunker Hill, Ind.; H. C. Bordewich, Duluth, Minn., and F. H. Knowlton, Fremont, Neb., were unanimously elected to membership. After a short "social session" adjournment was taken at 9:45 p. m.

The 133rd regular meeting, held March 17, was called to order by President Wolsieffer, in the presence of nineteen members and four visitors.

Bill from secretary ordered paid.

A discussion of "World's Fair" philatelic topics was followed by the President endorsing Mr. Rogers' views, as promulgated by him in an address to the Society.

Mr. Morgan H. Stafford, Marquette, Mich., was elected C. P. S. member, 283.

The advertised auction sale was then held; at its conclusion adjournment was moved at 10:20 p. m.

C. E. SEVERN,
Secretary.

C. P. S. GOSSIP.

Bradt's auction sales, always bring out a full complement of C. P. S.-ites.

Mr. W. G. Janssen's collection of Austrian revenues is extensive and interesting.

Pres. A. P. A. Tiffany, of St. Louis, passed through Chicago, and called on several members.

Exchange Manager Dilg will become the patentee of an innovation in mail-bag locks.

A beautiful U. S. 3c rose, 1868, grilled all over, and an 1860, 10c green, used entire envelope, were shown at last meeting.

There are indications that pure-minded

President "P. M.," is being drawn into the maelstrom of municipal politics.

to E. S.

OWING to our removal this month and the large amount of extra work caused thereby we have decided to hold no auction sale this month. Our fifth sale, April 20th, was therefore close the season, which has been highly gratifying one to us; and judging from the many commendatory letters we have received it has been equally satisfactory to our patrons.

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Mr. Wolsieffer is so well known to stamp collectors that it is unnecessary for us to do more than to announce his connection with us. He will give his attention to city stamp trade as well as to music.

PHILATELIC PUBLICATIONS.

We have on hand a few complete files of the following periodicals:

The Collector's Companion, (Chicago)	
17 nos.	\$4.00
The Stamp Collector (Chicago, 1886)	
2 nos. ....	.40
The Stamp Collector (Chicago, 1891)	
2 nos. ....	.25
The Western Philatelist (Chicago, 1887-8) 17 nos.	3.00
Th Philatelic Gazette (Chicago) 17 nos.	3.00
Philo's Monthly (Grand Crossing, Ill.)	
4 nos. ....	.25
C. P. S. Bulletin (Grand Crossing, Ill.) 2 nos. ....	.20
Philatelic Magazine (La Grange, Ill.)	
9 nos. ....	.65

We also have in stock

Scott's Catalogue, 52d ed50
Tiffany's Stamps of the U. S., paper	
\$1.00; cloth	1.50
Tiffany's Stamp Collector's Library Companion, 25c; addenda, 6c; the two30
Tiffany's Address, 2d A. P. A. Convention ..	.15
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AT THE 24th Auction Sale of the Chicago Philatelic Society the following prices were obtained on United States stamps:

1851, 12c black, uns. pair.....	\$2.70
1861, 5c yellow.....	2.65
1868, 90c.....	6.10
1869, 24c.....	2.70
Another.....	2.30
1888, 90c, block of 24.....	8.10

THE identity of that popular paragrapher, "Kenelm," has at last been disclosed, and Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer has acknowledged himself to be the guilty man. Mr. Wolsieffer is now a member of this company, so it will not do for us to score him too severely.

FOLLOWING are some of the prices realized at our Fifth Auction Sale, held March 23 and 24.

UNITED STATES.	
Lot No.	Price
3 Sheet of Providence.....	\$51.00
14 1851, 5c, uns. pair.....	11.33
34 *1861, 24c, dbl. perf. on each side	5.30
46 1868, 90c.....	6.10
55 1869, 90c.....	6.60
59 1870, 6c, uns. block of 3.....	11.05
80 *6.00 Periodical.....	8.10
81 *9.00 Periodical.....	10.00
82 *12.00 Periodical.....	12.30
83 *24.00 Periodical.....	18.25
84 *36.00 Periodical.....	24.25
85 *48.00 Periodical.....	25.50
86 *60.00 Periodical.....	31.00
87 *Agriculture, set.....	5.50
94 *Executive, set of "Specimens".....	5.05
104 Justice, 90c.....	5.00
106 Navy, 1c to 30c.....	6.05
111 Officially sealed, imp.....	14.10
123 1853, cut env., 3c white, K corners	12.05

CONFEDERATE.	
232 Petersburg, 5c, on env.....	10.25

FOREIGN.	
261 Bamera, 1890, yellow p., uns. pr.	5.00
334 Brunswick, 1 sg., yellow p., noul	12.75
346 Canada, 1855, 10d, on env.....	7.10
364 Cape, 1d, red, wood block.....	9.25
365 Cape, 4d, blue, wood block.....	5.05
409 Fiji, 1875, 2c on 1d.....	5.25
490 Mauritius, 1848, 1d red, blue p.	6.80
506a New Brunswick, 1851, 6d yellow and half of 3d, on env.....	9.50
520 New South Wales, 1850, 1d, blue p.....	8.50
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THE Portfolio of the World's Columbian Exposition, which we have for sale, seems to meet with general favor. Most of our customers who have ordered it have sent in orders for more copies, presumably to send to their friends. The book is oblong, $6\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and contains 15 beautifully colored illustrations from water-color drawings of the World's Fair buildings. Price 50c each, post free.

MR. FRANK S. LOMBARD, Secretary of the Elgin Philatelic Society, sent us for inspection, a very scarce Jamaica provisional, viz.: the 1d 1858, cut in half diagonally and used as a half penny. The stamp was on the original cover and in fine condition.

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Austria, 1850-63, 11 var.....	\$.10
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Baden, 10 var.....	.25
*Baden, Land Post, 3 var.....	.06
*Bavaria, return letter, 6 var.....	.10
*Bergedorf, 5 var.....	.10
Bosnia, 7 var.....	.25
*British Guiana, 1890, 1c on \$1, \$2, & \$3.....	.35
Bulgaria, 9 var.....	.20
*Canada, bill stamps, 3d issue, 1c to \$3, 17 var.....	2.00
Cape of Good Hope, 1/2d to 1 sh, 6 var	.06
Ceylon, 10 var.....	.20
*Corea, 5 var.....	.25
Cuba, 25 var.....	.50
*Cuba, 1888, black, 6 var.....	.15
*Cuba, 1890, 6 var.....	.10
*Danube, perf. 4 var.....	.12
*Danube, unperf., 4 var.....	.25
Denmark, 19 var.....	.15
Dominican Republic, 1880, 1c to 1 peso, 9 var.....	1.25
Egypt, 9 var.....	.15
Egypt, 1889, unpaid, 4 var.....	.20
Firland, 6 var., inc. 1 M.....	.10
*Germany, Thurn & T., 14 var.....	.75
Great Britain, 34 var.....	.75
Great Britain, 1880-90, 1/2d to 5 sh, 14 var.....	.25
Great Britain, official, 4 var.....	.25
*Guatemala, 1875, 4 var.....	.25
*Guatemala, 1878, 4 var.....	.35
*Guatemala, 1881, 5 var.....	.20
*Guatemala, 1881, Prov., 5 var.....	.60
*Guatemala, env., 4 var.....	.35
*Hamburgh, env., 7 var.....	.15
*Heligoland, 21 var.....	*.40
*Honduras, 1865, 2 var.....	.15
*Honduras, 1878-89, 7 var.....	.50
Hungary, 1888, 7 var.....	.15
Iceland, 10 var.....	.35
*Italy, 1853, 3 var.....	1.00
*Italy, 1854, 3 var.....	.75
*Italy, 1890, News, Prov., 6 var.....	.10
Japan, 20 var.....	.50
*Mexico, 1864, 4 var.....	.10

*Nicaragua, 1882, 7 var.....	.40
*Nicaragua, 1890, 10 var.....	.50
*Nicaragua, 1890, env., 5 var.....	.25
*Nicaragua, 1890, wrappers, 3 var.....	.10
Persia, 5 fr and 10 fr.....	.25
Russia, 12 var.....	.12
*Salvador, 1887-9, 7 var.....	.35
*Salvador, 1890, 9 var.....	.50
*Samoa, 1877-82, 8 var.....	.25
*Saxony, 1863, 5 var.....	.12
*Spain, official, 4 var.....	.15
Sweden, 10 var.....	.10
Sweden, Losen, 10 var.....	.20
Sweden, official, 11 var.....	.20
*Switzerland, 1862-78, 9 var.....	.15
U. S. Postage due, set of 7.....	.45
*U. S. Interior, complete set of 10...	2.25
*U. S. Interior, 1c and 2c.....	.25
U. S. Treasury Dept., 11 var.....	2.75
U. S. Am. Rapid Tel., 16 var.....	.50
U. S., B. & O. Telegraph, Am. B. N. Co., 4 var.....	.50
U. S., B. & O. Telegraph, Kendall, 4 var.....	.10
U. S., B. & O. Telegraph, Kendall, thick glazed paper, 4 var.....	.50
*U. S., Allen's Locals, 3 var.....	.20

Orders under 50c must contain return postage.

*Sets marked thus are unused.

SALVADOR

1891.

On April 1st the unused remainders of last year's issue of Salvador were placed on the market. The prices for complete sets are as follows:

Adhesive stamps, 1c to 1 peso, 10 var...	.50
Envelopes on amber, 1c to 22c, 7 var...	.40
Wrappers, 2c, 3c, 6c, 12 1/2c, 4 var...	.20
Postal cards, 4 var.....	.20

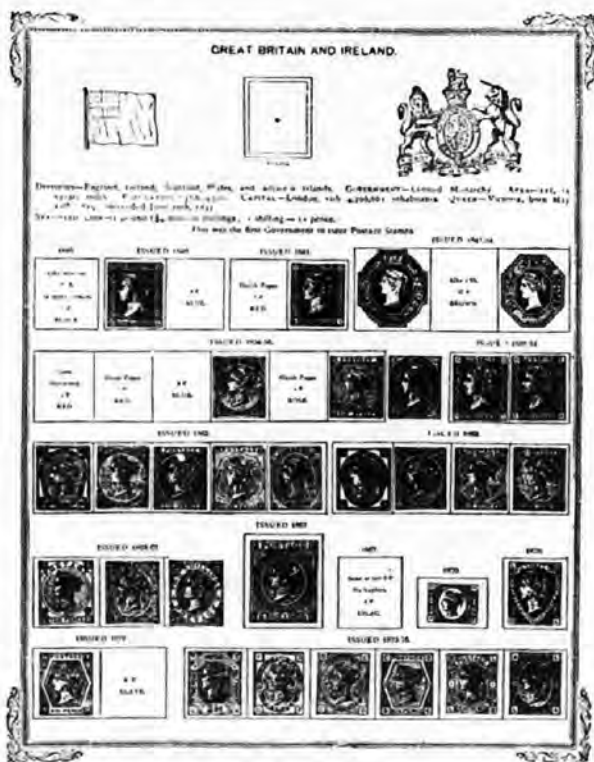
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Auctioneer Niemz made a report on auction affairs, and stated that no sale will be held in May.

Mr. E. Doebelin, Allegheny City, Pa., was elected to membership. After a conversational half hour, meeting adjourned at 9.45 p. m.

The 135th regular meeting, held April 21st, was called to order by Vice-President Janssen, in the presence of five members.

The resignation of Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer as President of the Society was tendered, and after a discussion, in which Mr. Wolsieffer's consistency was applauded, it was duly accepted, and a vote of thanks was given him for his efficiency as an officer. Mr. Wolsieffer voluntarily resigned, in consequence of having become associated with the S. B. Bradt Company.

Mr. Chas. Beamish, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pa., was elected C. P. S. member, 285.

Adjourned at 10.45 p. m.

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C. P. S. GOSSIP.

Member A. E. Fritz's penchant appears to be Mexico and Guatamala.

W. H. McDonald has been reclaimed; converted by United States revenues.

Our P. M. Wolsieffer has been elected an honorary member of the Detroit Philatelic Society.

The multitudinous Chicago correspondents do not seem to flourish at present with their accustomed frequency, in the philatelic press.

If the much discussed and popular "consolidation" scheme prevails, would it not be advisable for the C. P. S. to retrench its operations to the field of local members only?

At the last meeting, Mr. Pierce exhibited a block of 25 unused 5c. brown, U. S., 1857 issue. Mr. Ranney showed counterfeits of the early Hawaii issues; and the rouletted U. S. official seal was seen.

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Mr. Wolsieffer is so well known to stamp collectors that it is unnecessary for us to do more than to announce his connection with us. He will give his attention to city stamp trade as well as to music.

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Philatelic Magazine (La Grange, Ill.)		
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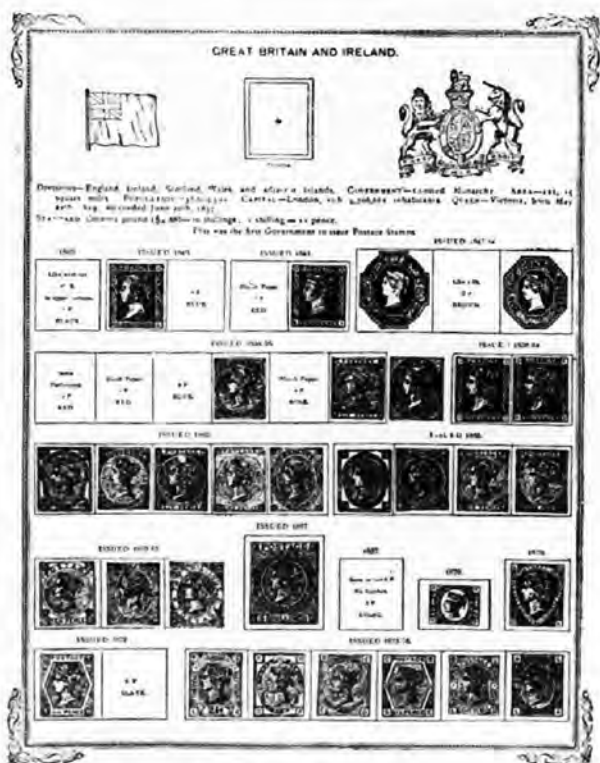
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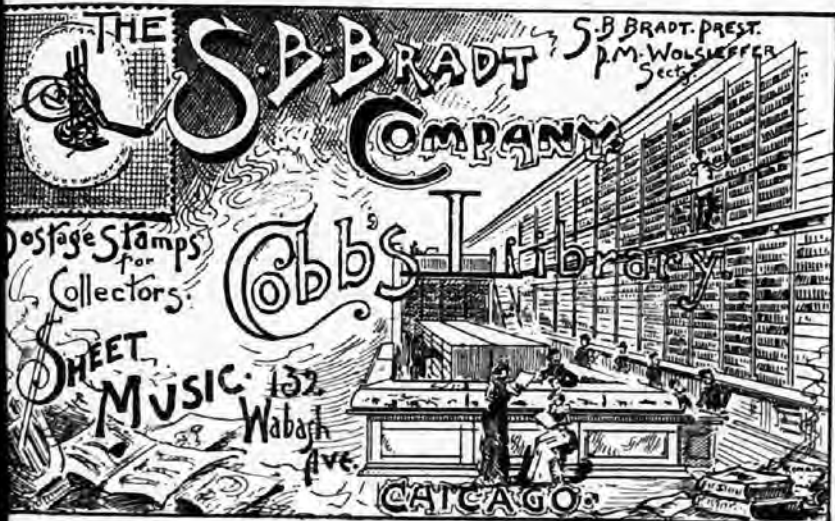


UNIVERSAL HAMMOND.

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CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The P. S. held no meeting on the evening of May 5th, as, through an inadvertency, the meeting place was not reserved for the night at the hotel.

The 36th regular meeting was held May 12th at Mr. J. A. Pierce's office, 191 South Clark St., eight members and a visitor being present. In the absence of President and Vice-President, Mr. Wolsieffer presided.

A communication from W. A. Withrow was read, and a report read from ex-Superintendent Exchange Bradt.

The organization of an official organ was determined. Mr. Wolsieffer was selected for President, to fill the term of Mr. Wolsieffer's unexpired term, while Mr. Withrow was appointed Vice-President by the Board, to fill vacancy caused by Mr. Wolsieffer's advancement.

Mr. Wolsieffer, 132 Wabash Ave., was elected member.

The office of Mr. J. A. Pierce, 191 S. Clark St., room 7, is the temporary meeting place and headquarters of the Society.

Adjournment 10.20 p. m.

C. E. SEVERN, *Secretary.*

C. P. S. GOSSIP.

Member W. A. Withrow has removed to Chicago.

A number of the members are giving, at present, their especial attention to philatelic literature.

In selecting the Chicago portion of the A. P. A. World's Exhibition Committee, President Tiffany has exercised commendable judiciousness.

Mr. Holman displayed a valuable selection of rarities at last meeting; Mr. Wolsieffer showed 5 and 10 cent entire envelopes of 1860 issue, Canada.

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DURING the month just past we have been favored with calls from quite a number of our correspondents, among them being Messrs. R. K. Albright, of Buffalo, N. Y.; W. G. Jerrems, Jr., of St. Paul, Minn.; Secretary Lombard, of the Elgin, Ill., Philatelic Society; M. H. Stafford, Marquette, Mich.; Rev. J. de Q. Donehoo, Marion, O.; W. H. Atwood, Hudson, N. Y.; F. D. Shaw, Medford, Wis., and W. H. Beyerle, Goshen, Ind.

It is expected that Mr. W. H. Nienstedt, of St. Louis, will shortly locate here. The philatelists of this city will be glad to welcome him.

WITH deep regret we learn of the death of Mr. William A. Warner, of New York, which occurred very recently. Mr. Warner was an unusually earnest worker in the cause of philately and his early death is a painful surprise to his many corresponding friends.

THE RAREST STAMP.

We are often asked which is the rarest stamp and in answer we always say that the "Post Office Mauritius," as it is called, is considered to be the most valuable stamp in the world, but in reality there are quite a number that are scarcer than this particular variety. Some twenty or so of the "Post Office Mauritius" are known to exist, but there are a number of stamps of which fewer are known. There are two values of the Mauritius, viz: one penny red, and twopence blue. According to authorities, these stamps were printed singly from separate dies, and that about 500 of each value were placed on sale preparatory to the issue which followed with "Post Paid" in place of the words "Post Office" at the side. Both varieties of the "Post Office Mauritius" are quoted at the modest price of £200 each, and photos are sold at sixpence. Specimens of both values are in the "Tapling" collection now in possession of the Trustees of the British Museum.—*The Stamp Collector.*

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6. *T. P. Stanwood, Chicago.*
7. Beatrice Gadsden, Brookline Park, Ill.
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10. Ernst Brantner, Chicago.
11. Fred Doughty, Saginaw, E. S., Mich.
12. *C. H. Haraden, Chicago.*
13. Scott Jordan, Chicago.
14. L. S. Oviatt, Chicago.
15. *C. H. Imhoff, Lincoln, Neb.*
16. F. Sanderson, Chicago.

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WE HAVE received from the Galveston Philatelic Association a tastefully gotten up invitation to attend their first anniversary, which was celebrated on June 4th. Sorry, gentlemen, very sorry, indeed, that we could not be with you. We admire push and progress, and the Galveston Society seems to be well favored in both respects. Hope to see you here next year.

WE cannot supply back numbers of THE STAMP NEWS. Each issue is exhausted shortly after publication, a few copies only being reserved to form complete files later on.

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WE shall be glad to exchange either one or two copies with any publication devoted to collecting. Books, pamphlets, etc., relating to stamps, which may be sent us will receive proper notice in these columns.

AT last the Official Board of the American Philatelic Association has appointed a committee on the philatelic exhibit to be held in connection with the World's Fair. The committee is a large one and embraces members in all the philatelic centers of the country. Chicago is represented by Messrs. Holman, Leland, Chapman, Janssen, and Bradt; the gentlemen also comprise the "hanging committee," of which Mr. Holman is chairman and Mr. Bradt, secretary. There has been much complaint about the delay in appointing this committee, but there is still plenty of time to accomplish the work if the committee goes at it in earnest. For our part we are ready now, and at any time, to do anything in our power to make the exhibit attractive, as one that will reflect credit on the association which fosters it.

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NEXT year will undoubtedly be a trying one to most Chicagoans. The world will be our guests for a period of several months and the hospitality of our citizens will be taxed to the utmost. A remark overheard at luncheon a few days ago is illustrative of the typical Chicago spirit. "We must get what pleasure we can this summer," the gentleman said, "for next summer we will be kept hard at work entertaining our friends and acquaintances who will visit the Fair. For my part I expect to have my house full all the time and to get but little rest until the Fair is over. That is the kind of talk we like to hear and we feel safe in assuring all philatelic visitors of a hearty reception from their brethren in this city."

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Baden, 10 var.....	.25	*New Brunswick, 1c, 2c, 17c, 3 var....	.50
Bavaria, Land Post, 3 var.....	.06	*Nicaragua, 1882, 7 var.....	.40
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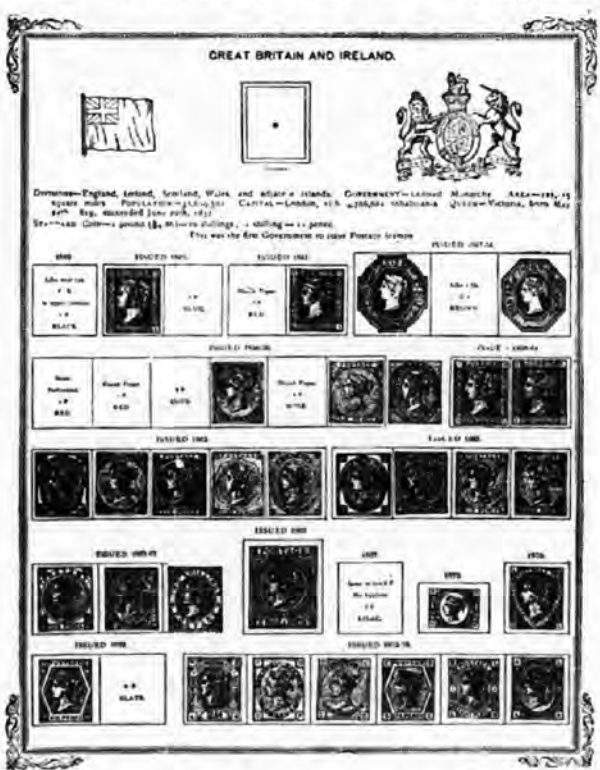
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AMALGAMATION.

At the meeting of July 7th the following resolution was submitted to the Chicago Philatelic Society:

WHEREAS, There having been considerable agitation upon the advisability of consolidating all Philatelic societies in the United States, which are *National* in their character, and

WHEREAS, Such consolidation would in our opinion be of the greatest service to the cause of Philately, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Chicago Philatelic Society being one the largest societies to be affected by such action, hereby appoint the governing Board a Committee to so revise and amend the Constitution as to eliminate all features which tend to make the society *National* in its aims, and to place the society upon a purely local basis, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to each Passive member with a recommendation that they identify themselves with

the typical society, the American Philatelic Association, which will give them all the benefits they have enjoyed in the Chicago Philatelic Society and many others.

The above was signed by P. M. Wolsieffer, S. B. Bradt, Samuel Leland, John W. Palmer, Geo. L. Toppan, A. L. Holman.

THE recently appointed "Hanging Committee" of the A. P. A. has formally organized and is ready to attend to any business referred to it.

WE have received from Mr. John K. Tiffany an invitation to meet the members of the St. Louis Philatelic Society at his residence on the evening of July 6th. The invitation is unique in design, the background consisting of a fac-simile of the St. Louis local enlarged to about 2x3 inches, and printed in a light brown tint.

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CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The 137th regular meeting held at 191 South Clark street, on the evening of June 2d, was called to order in the presence of nine members.

Resignations of Messrs. A. B. S. DeWolfe and B. Abraham were received and accepted. Bill from Keen & DeLang and one from Secretary were ordered to be paid.

After exhibiting and exchanging specimens, meeting adjourned at 10.10 P. M.

The 138th regular meeting was called to order by Vice-President Toppan, on the evening of June 16th. Seven members were present.

Communication read from P. M. Wolsieffer, also an invitation received from the "Twin City Philatelic Society," Pittsburgh, Pa., inviting a Chicago representative to their banquet, held June 15th.

A. W. Lanz, Alexander, S. D., was elected a passive member.

After talking stamps and stamp matters, adjournment was taken at 10 P. M.

C. E. SEVERN, *Secretary.*

C. P. S. GOSSIP.

The C. P. S. will appoint shortly, a local "World's Exposition" committee.

Must we confess that the society is developing slight symptoms of philatelic *inertia*?

It is expected that permanent quarters for the C. P. S. will be procured soon in the downtown district.

A number of the regular attendants are missed at the meetings, being absent from the city enjoying their vacations.

Mr. A. E. Fritz showed the specimens obtained in his recent "find," which yielded the fortunate participant a lot of U. S. entire envelopes, issue of 1853, including those of the rarest dies.

Friend Kurzweg, he of the beaming philanthropy, still collects entire U. S. envelopes in a rather desultory manner, however. Mr. Kurzweg's collection of U. S. envelopes was notable at one time for its completeness.

One of the most interesting communications ever read before the society was the one in which ex-President Wolsieffer announced the addition of a baby daughter to his home-circle. Personal felicitations were postponed, because of his absence, until the next meeting.

C. E. SEVERN.

OUR visiting record shows that the following Philatelist have called on us since we went to press last month: A. F. Weidenbacker, Nashville, Tenn.; Chas. A. Townsend, Akron, O.; W. J. McCullough, Davenport, Ia.; F. M. Hunter, New York City; J. A. Heckelman, Cullom, Ill.; B. B. Keyser, Elgin, Ill.; O. W. Briggs, Paw Paw, Ill.; Jas. A. Cook, Waterloo, Ia.; Geo. S. Wilson, Jacksonville, Fla.; Fred'k Forehand, Worcester, Mass.; Rev. Dr. W. P. Everett, Elgin, Ill.; Major C. E. Dutton, U. S. A., San Antonio, Tex.; V. Gurdji, Galveston, Tex.; Brewster C. Kenyon, Los Angeles, Cal.

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WE are continually in receipt of requests for wholesale lots and quotations, and therefore wish to state that we do only a retail business in stamps.

WE are indebted to the Durbin & Hanes Co. for a priced catalogue of their 34th auction sale.

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CHICAGO A. P. A. BRANCH No. 1.

At a meeting of Chicago Branch No. 1, A. P. A., twelve members being present, the following ticket was placed in nomination for the coming election.

President—John K. Tiffany, St. Louis, Mo.

Vice-President—W. C. Van Derlip, Boston, Mass.

Secretary—Millard F. Walton, Philadelphia, Pa.

Treasurer—Alfred I. Holman, Chicago, Ill.
Int. Secretary—Jos. Bechert, Hoboken, N. J.

Trustees—Geo. H. Watson, Henry Cleland and G. B. Calman.

Recommendations for appointive offices were made as follows:

Librarian—Alvah Davison, New York City

Superintendent of Sales—S. B. Bradt, Chicago, Ill.

Purchasing Agent—Wm. Sellschopp, San Francisco, Cal.

Mr. Holman accepted the nomination on the supposition that Mr. Gregory would not accept the office. In case Mr. Gregory becomes a candidate for re-election Mr. Holman wishes to withdraw in his favor.

A motion prevailed that the Chicago Branch while preferring to see the *American Philatelist* continued, would be willing to abide by whatever action the convention thought best to take.

In the matter of annual dues the Branch considered it unwise to reduce them below

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Egypt, 9 var.15	Sweden, 10 var.10
Egypt, 1889, unpaid, 4 var.20	Sweden, Losen, 10 var.20
Finland, 6 var., inc. 1 M.10	Sweden, official, 11 var.20
French Colonies, 1881, 6 var.10	*Switzerland, 1862-78, 9 var.15
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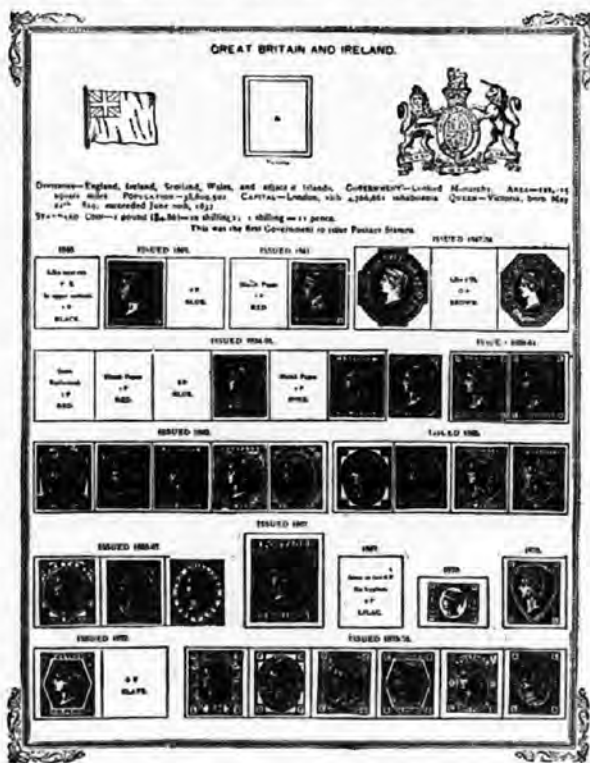
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THE LEADING CHICAGO STAMP FIRM.

The following article, descriptive of our business, appeared in the July issue of *Plain Talk*:

While the S. B. Bradt Co. is comparatively new firm in the stamp business, its President and Manager, Mr. S. B. Bradt, has been a stamp dealer for a number of years, and is well known, both with collectors and dealers. Mr. Bradt was one of the chief workers for the organization of the A. P. A., having been the one to start the agitation in Chicago. His name was the first to plead for the society, and he sounded the keynote in the *Philatelic*

Journal of America, and prepared the circular letter that was the first intimation to collectors that such an organization was contemplated.

Mr. Bradt was elected the first Secretary of the A. P. A., receiving at that time more votes than any other candidate voted for. The cares of this office, together with the small mail business he at that time carried on were too much in connection with regular work, so he resigned his position and adopted Philately as a profession.

After carrying on the business alone for

some years, Mr. Bradt, in May of last year, merged his business into the present corporation, the S. B. Bradt Co., at the same time purchasing the old established "Cobb's Library," with which every resident of the Windy City is familiar. The corporation was a close one, only two persons besides Mr. Bradt being interested. The capital stock is \$10,000, fully paid up.

In the spring of this year the S. B. Bradt Co. were forced to vacate the store occupied by them, as the building was about to be torn down and replaced by a finer one. As the company had a lease running to 1895 it cost considerable to get them out—in fact, we understand that they received an amount about equal to their capital stock for the surrender of the lease. Marshall Field was the purchaser.

The new quarters occupied by the S. B. Bradt Co., at 132 Wabash ave., are simply perfect. The location could not be better and no expense has been spared in fittings. A double store, sixty feet front and over a hundred deep, is occupied by the Company and the Chicago Exchange for Woman's Work, each occupying one half the width. The front is one of the most attractive in the city, with its fine plate windows set within and without with mirrors. The floors are covered with Brussels carpets and the entire appearance is one of elegance and comfort.

When the removal was made this spring the company branched out into the music business, both as publishers and retailers, and have already issued a number of fine vocal and instrumental pieces. This department of the business is in charge of P. M. Wolsieffer, who has for years been connected with the music trade and who is now the Secretary of the S. B. Bradt Company,

Mr. Wolsieffer is also one of the best known philatelists in the country. He has been an officer and active worker of the Chicago Philatelic Society since its inception and has just resigned from its presidency. He is also well known from his contributions to the press, which, written over the *nom de plume* of

"Kennelm" for a long time have been eagerly read.

The union of Messrs. Bradt and Wolsieffer in the stamp business forms a combination that is impossible to equal in Chicago, and difficult to exceed in any city.

The business has been greatly aided and extended by the series of six auction sales which the company held last season. Up to last August, Chicago had never experienced a stamp auction, aside from the small sales held by the societies. The S. B. Bradt Co.'s first sale, held during the "dog days," realized nearly \$1,700, and proved conclusively that Chicago was a good field for auction business. The five sales held subsequently have all been very successful and Mr. Bradt promises a series of sales for next season that will even exceed last year's.

The firm publish a monthly called THE CHICAGO STAMP NEWS, which they mail regularly, free of charge, to any one interested in stamp collecting. The paper is, of course, devoted to the interests of the company, but it contains in each issue much that interests every collector—and you should not look a gift horse in the mouth, you know.

Of course everybody will go to the World's Fair, and of course every stamp collector who goes will call and see the S. B. Bradt Co., at 132 Wabash Ave.

ON August 15th the seventh convention of the American Philatelic Association will open at Niagara Falls, N. Y. This is the first convention since the incorporation of the Society and will no doubt be the most important meeting the A. P. A. has ever held. There is a movement on foot to abolish the official journal, the *American Philatelist*, and to have the official reports published by one of the leading stamp journals. This policy we believe to be unwise and we trust that members will be careful to fully instruct their proxies on this point. Our Manager, Mr. Bradt, will attend the Convention, and will probably be the only representative there from this city.

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MR. C. D. REIMERS, formerly of Rock Island, Ill., has taken up his residence in Chicago. Mr. Reimers is a philatelic hustler, and he has already actively identified himself with the Chicago Philatelic Society, and issued a number of the *Western Philatelist*.

OUR Seventh Auction Sale will be held on the evening of September 14th. The sale comprises 421 lots and is composed of the class of stamps likely to be wanted by the rearrange collector. Our eighth sale will be held in October, consignments for which should be sent us without delay.

WE ARE indebted to Mr. A. W. Dunning for a specimen of the "Central American Steamship Co.'s" stamps. Mr. Dunning is half owner of the remaining stock of the stamps. The supply is quite limited, so understand.

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Bavaria, '49-62, 6 var.....	.08	*Nicaragua, 1890, env., 5 var.....	.25
*Bergedorf, 5 var.....	.10	*Nicaragua, 1890, wrappers, 3 var....	.10
Bosnia, 7 var.....	.25	Persia, 5 fr and 10 fr.....	.25
*British Guiana, 1890, 1c on \$1, \$2, & \$3.....	.35	*Porto Rico, 1892, 8 var.....	.10
Bulgaria, 9 var.....	.20	Roumania, 1890, 8 var.....	.15
*Canada, bill stamps, 3d issue, 1c to \$3, 17 var.....	2.00	Russia, 12 var.....	.12
Cape of Good Hope, ½d to 1 sh, 6 var	.06	*Salvador, 1887-9, 7 var.....	.35
Ceylon, 10 var.....	.20	*Salvador, 1890, 9 var.....	.50
*Corea, 5 var.....	.25	*Salvador, 1891, 1c to 1 peso, 10 var....	.50
Cuba, 25 var.....	.50	*Salvador, 1891, env. on amber, 7 var..	.40
*Cuba, 1888, black, 6 var.....	.15	*Salvador, 1891, wrappers, 4 var.....	.20
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Egypt, 1889, unpaid, 4 var.....	.20	Sweden, Losen, 10 var.....	.20
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French Colonies, 1881, 6 var.....	.10	*Switzerland, 1862-78, 9 var.....	.15
*Germany, Thurn & T., 14 var.....	.75	U. S. Postage due, set of 7.....	.45
Great Britain, 34 var.....	.75	*U. S. Interior, complete set of 10.....	2.25
Great Britain, 1880-90, ½d to 5sh, 14 var.....	.25	*U. S. Interior, 1c and 2c.....	.25
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*Guatemala, 1878, 4 var.....	.35	U. S., B. & O. Telegraph, Am. B. N. Co., 4 var.....	.50
*Guatemala, 1881, 5 var.....	.20	U. S., B. & O. Telegraph, Kendall, 4 var.....	.10
*Guatemala, 1881, Prov., 4 var.....	.75	U. S., B. & O. Telegraph, Kendall, thick glazed paper, 4 var.....	.50
*Guatemala, 1886, Prov., 5 var.....	.60	*U. S. Allen's Locals, 3 var.....	.20
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*Hamburgh, env., 7 var.....	.15	*Sets marked thus are unused.	
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*Italy, 1853, 3 var.....	1.00		

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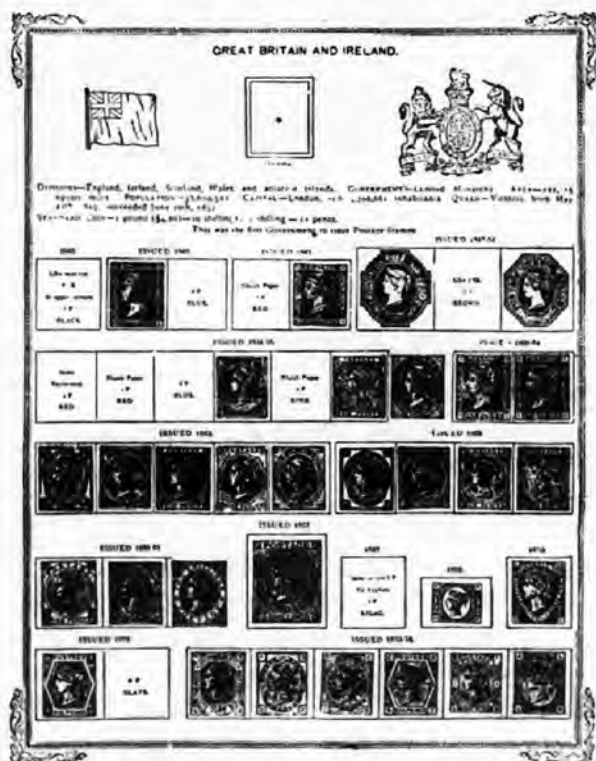
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THE CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The 141st regular meeting, held at 191 S. Clark street, was called to order by Vice-President Toppan on the evening of August 10th, in the presence of twelve members.

Resignations of Benn W. Carrington and J. A. Heckleman were accepted, and bill from I. A. Pierce ordered paid.

The committee on permanent headquarters was then appointed, its personnel Messrs. Wolseffer, A. S. Pierce and Severn. An order was drawn upon the Treasurer for a sum sufficient to balance all claims of creditors against the old exchange department; Mr. Bradt, ex Superintendent. Action on the resolutions submitted July 7th, was deferred until the second meeting in October, the members to have one month's notification before it comes up for action. After a short social session during which some desirable

stamps were shown, meeting adjourned at 10:15 P. M.

The 142d regular meeting was held September 1st, with nine members in attendance. Mr. Holman was elected President *pro tem*.

Resignation of W. A. King accepted. Resignation of Otto Schieble laid on the table.

Auctioneer Niemz showed auction lots for next sale; and after a general discussion of auction affairs it was decided to take some action regarding them at next meeting. Committee on permanent headquarters reported and was discharged.

After informal discussion on stamp matters, adjournment was taken at 9:30 P. M.

C. E. SEVERN, *Secretary*.

WE are indebted to Mr. V. Gurdji for a piece of philatelic music, the Postal Galop, by Louis Billant. It is a French publication with a neat and characteristic title-page.

OUR Eighth Auction Sale will be held on the evening of October 19th and will comprise the collection of Mr. Chas. A. Townsend, the well known collector of Akron, Ohio. The sale embraces 511 lots, over one hundred of which are U. S. As the dedicatory ceremonies of the World's Fair occur the same week as the sale it is to be expected that an unusual number of strangers will be present.

AUCTION buyers should bear in mind that this sale will be the last before the new catalogue is issued. As a considerable advance is anticipated the knowing ones will be likely to improve this opportunity.

OUR Eighth Sale will be on exhibition in New York City at the office of R. F. Albrecht & Co., 90 Nassau street, on Oct. 5, 6 and 7.

OUR visitor's register shows that the following collectors have recently favored us with a call: Chas. E. Babcock, Indianapolis, Ind.; J. C. Woodbury, Rochester, N. Y.; H. E. French, Grand Rapids, Mich.; C. W. Sparr, Helena, Mont.; Philip La Tourette, New York City; A. B. Slater, Providence, R. I.; N. E. Carter, Delavan, Wis.; O. W. Briggs, Pau Pau, Ill.

THE 53d edition of Scott's Standard Catalogue is promised for next month. The price will be the same as that now asked for the 52d edition, 50 cents. We shall receive an early supply of catalogues and shall be glad to have our customers send in advance orders. Many changes in prices can be expected.

WHILE Mr. J. D. Rice, of Trenton, N. J., was enjoying himself at the A. P. A. Convention some one stole from his place of business the best part of his U. S. collection and a book of rare duplicates. The lot included a complete set of Department and Periodical stamps, used, unused, and specimens. The collection was mounted on Staten Island sheets and the duplicates were in a Stanley Gibbons album.

PULCHRITUDE.

Our learned friend, the Secretary of the Chicago Philatelic Society, recently used the above word in his society notes in this paper. As a result we have been besieged with inquiries as to the meaning of the term and where Mr. Severn found it. We therefore append the following, taken from Webster's Unabridged:

Pul'-chri-tude. 1. That quality of appearance which pleases the eye; beauty; comeliness; grace; loveliness. 2. Attractive moral excellence; moral beauty.

N. B.—*Philatelic Monthly* please note the above.

WE have received an invitation to attend the first annual convention of the Iowa Philatelic Association, at the Kirkwood House, Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 30th and 31st. We were unable to be present but trust the gathering proved a successful one.

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VARIETIES OF THE U. S. POSTAGE DUE STAMPS.

Since the 1891 issue of due stamps, bright claret in color, has appeared, nearly every catalogue gives a list with prices of both the yellow-brown issue of 1879 (?) but says nothing of any further varieties in color of these interesting stamps. The United States due stamp first appeared in August of the year 1879, and the color was decidedly a yellow-brown, gradually appearing in a darker shade until we had the full set in red-brown as catalogued, although I do not remember the year they first appeared in this color. There is as much, if not more, difference between the shades of yellow-brown and red-brown above mentioned as there is in the due stamps used in 1890 and the bright-claret issue of 1891. In fact, the red-brown issue also gradually grew brighter and lighter in color until there is really so slight a difference between this and the claret issue that collectors who do not make a specialty of United States stamps do not collect the two sets, and many collectors, even in the United States, would not think of noticing the difference but for the standard catalogues of the day. I have found sets of these stamps in all of the following shades and colors, viz., yellow-brown, brown, red-brown, claret-brown and bright claret. Although I like to see every collector follow his own views as what to collect (as "variety is the spice of life"), still I would strongly advise everyone to get a set of the yellow-brown, red-brown and bright claret, as in a few years these stamps will be worth something, while the price is now quite reasonable. In examining many different collections of stamps I have hardly ever seen the full set of due stamps in exactly the same shade of color. One who has never noticed a set of all shades in comparison with one of the same shade has no idea of the dismal appearance of the former compared with the beauty of the latter. — *Weekly Stamp News.*

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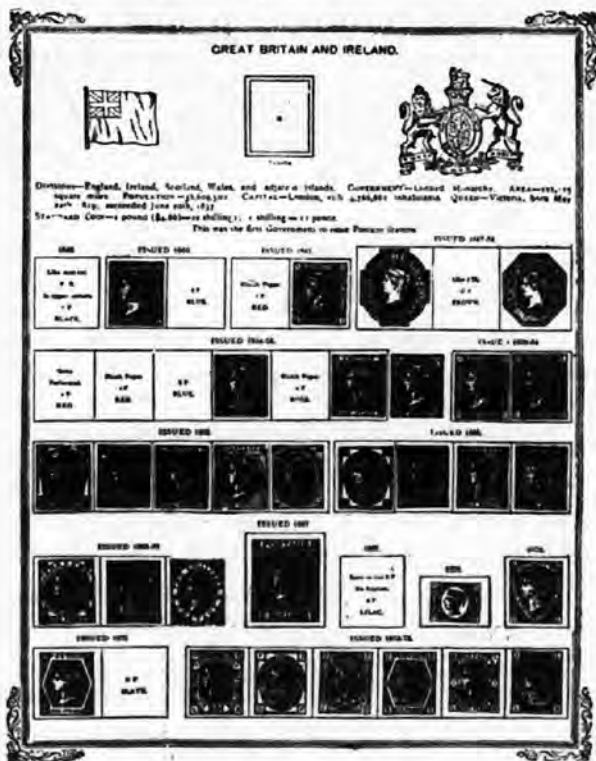
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THE CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY

The 142d regular meeting was held on the evening of Sept. 1st, nine members being present.

Mr. Holman presided, in the absence of the President and Vice-President. Resignations of Messrs. W. R. King, Grand Island, Neb., and Otto Schieble, Chicago, were received, and on motion the resignation of Mr. Schieble was laid on the table, while Mr. King's was accepted. Auctioneer Niemz reported on auction affairs and showed the lots that will comprise the next sale.

Chairman Wolsieffer of the committee on permanent headquarters reported that the committee's labors were without suitable result; their report was accepted and committee discharged.

After an informal stamp and social session, meeting adjourned at 9:20 P. M.

On Sept. 15th only four members were present, being one less than needed to constitute a quorum.

C. E. Severn, Secretary.

C. P. S. GOSSIP.

W. C. Kurzweg is an occasional contributor to the *Chicago Dramatic News*.

P. M. Wolsieffer is ambitious of becoming a judge of elections, he now being an election clerk.

A. E. Fritz has had his philatelic papers tastefully bound, thereby giving him the nucleus of a fine library.

Passive member G. A. Martin has sustained a bereavement by the recent death of his mother. Mr. Martin has returned to Merrimack, Wis., his former home.

The practicability of the C. P. S. purchasing one hundred "World's Exposition" souvenir half dollars and by this means affording members an opportunity to procure same at a slight advance over cost price, will come up for discussion at next meeting.

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UNITED STATES.

*1847, 5c, 10c, reprints	\$ 2.60
*1857, red brown, slight tear	5.60
1861, 5c, yellow	3.10
*1861, 90c	2.80
1868, 90c	5.30
1869, 24c	2.70
*1869, 30c	3.65
1870, 6c	2.25
*1872, 24c, full gum	2.05
*Executive, set of "specimens"	5.05
Justice, 30c	2.80
*Navy, 7c	2.00
*Navy, 90c	2.40
*Post Office, seal, "Post Obitum"	4.40
*State, 90c	\$2.75 and 2.85
*State, \$2.	4.05
Treasury, set of 11	2.40
Env., 1874, 3c, olive green on white	3.50
Env., 1880, 3c, die C, amber	2.00
*New Orleans, 5c, brown	2.10
Conf., 1863, 10c, blue, perf. on env.	3.30

FOREIGN.

*Barbadoes, 1852, 4d, red, blue p.	2.30
*Bolivia, 1867, 50c, blue	6.25
Brazil, 1843, 90r	2.60
*British Bechuanaland, 1887, 5 sh.	3.15
Canada, 1862, 6d, wove p.	2.25
Canada, 1868, 1c, watermarked	2.10
Cape Good Hope, 4d, blue, wood blk.	4.30
*Ceylon, 1861, 9d, brown, star wmk	3.10
Ceylon, 1861, 1 sh. 9d, star	8.05
*Ceylon, 1861, 2 sh, star	4.05
Congo, 1886, 5 fr.	3.25
Great Britain, 1888, 1 £, block of 4	7.50
*Labuan, 1885, 16c, blue, C.A. sideways, uns. pair	5.50
*Madeira, 1868, 50 r, unp.	3.30
Gadalajara, 1867, 2r, green wove	3.50
*Nevis, 1861, 6d, gray-lilac	3.60
Nova Scotia, 1857, 1d	2.60
Nova Scotia, another, unused	5.00
Nova Scotia, 1857 6d	3.00
Nova Scotia, another, unused	4.10
Sweden, 1855, 3s. b.	3.60
Sweden, 1885, 24s b.	5.50
*Trinidad, 1850, 1 sh., blue black	3.10
Wurtemberg, 1852, 18 kr.	2.80

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Argentina 9 var.	\$. 15
Austria, 1850-63, 11 var.10
Austria, 1890, inc. 24 & 30 kr. 7 var.20
Austrian Italy, 9 var. ....	.20
Baden, 10 var. ....	.25
Baden, Land Post, 3 var. ....	.06
Bavaria, 1881, 1m, 2m. ....	.06
Bavaria, Return Letter, 6 var. ....	.10
Bavaria, '49-62, 6 var. ....	.08
Bergedorf, 5 var. ....	.10
Bolivar, 1880, 6 var, complete.	1.00
Bolivar, 1882, 6 var, complete.	1.00
Bolivar, 1883, 6 var, complete.	1.00
Bolivar, 1884, 6 var, complete.	1.00
Bolivar, 1885, 6 var, complete.	1.00
Bosnia, 7 var. ....	.25
Brit. Guiana, 1890, 1c on \$1, \$2, and \$3, ....	.35
Brit. Honduras, 1888, 2 on 1, 3 on 3. ....	.15
Bruswick, 1865, 4 var, complete. ....	.15
Canada Bill. 3d issue, 1c to \$3, 17 var.	2.00
Cape of Good Hope, 1/2d to 1 sh, 6 var. ....	.06
Ceylon, 1888 90, 2c. on 4c., 5 var. ....	.20
Corea, 5 var. ....	.25
Cuba, 25 var. ....	.50
Cuba, 1888, black, 6 var. ....	.15
Cuba, 1890, 6 var. ....	.10
Danube, perf. 4 var. ....	.12
Danube, unperf., 4 var. ....	.25
Denmark, 1851 3, 4 var. ....	.10
Denmark, 19 var. ....	.15
Dominican Rep., 1880, 1c to 1 peso, 9 var. ....	.25
Ecuador, 1865, 1/2r, 1r. ....	.10
Egypt, 9 var. ....	.15
Egypt, 1880, unpaid, 4 var. ....	.20
Finland, 1875 85, 6 var., inc. 1 M. ....	.10
French Colonies, 1881, 6 var. ....	.10
Germany, Thurn & T., 14 var. ....	.75
Great Britain, 34 var. ....	.75
Great Britain, 1880-90, 1/2d to 5sh, 14 var. ....	.25
Great Britain, official, 4 var. ....	.25
Guatemala, 1875, 4 varieties. ....	.25
Guatemala, 1878, 4 var. ....	.35
Guatemala, 1881, 5 var. ....	.20
Guatemala, 1881, Prov., 4 var. ....	.75
Guatemala, 1886, Prov., 5 var. ....	.60
Guatemala, env., 4 var. ....	.35
Hamburg, 7 var. ....	.15
Heligoland, 21 var. ....	.40
Honduras, 1865, 2 var. ....	.15
Honduras, 1878-89, 7 var. ....	.50
Honduras, 1890, 11 var, complete. ....	.50
Honduras, 1890, off., 11 var, complete. ....	.25
Honduras, 1890, env., 8 var, complete. ....	.35
Honduras, 1890, wrappers, 4 var, comp. ....	.12
Hungary, 1888, 8 var, 1 m to fl. ....	.20
Hungary, 1888, 7 var. ....	.15
Italy, 1853, 3 var.	1.00
Italy, 1854, 3 var. ....	.75
Italy, 1890, News, Prov., 6 var. ....	.10
Italy, Postal Packet, 3 var. ....	.15
Japan, 20 var. ....	.50
*Macau, 1883 5, 6 var. ....	.85
*Mexico, 1864, 4 var. ....	.10
*Mexico, 1856, 1r, 2r. ....	.12
*Mexico, 1879, thick p. 25, 50, 85 & 100c, 1.40	
*Mexico, 1882, 12, 18 and 24c. ....	.30
*Mozambique, 1877 85, 9 var. ....	.80
*New Brunswick, 1c, 2c, 17c, 3 var. ....	.50
*Nicaragua, 1871, 1c, 1872, 2, 10 & 25c, ....	.30
*Nicaragua, 1882, 7 var. ....	.40
*Nicaragua, 1890, 10 var. ....	.50
*Nicaragua, 1890, off., 10 var. ....	.50
*Nicaragua, 1890, env., 5 var.25
*Nicaragua, 1890, wrappers, 3 var.10
*Nicaragua, 1891, 10 var.50
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*Nicaragua, 1891, env., 6 var.25
*Nicaragua, 1891, wrappers, 3 var.10
*Nicaragua, 1891, post cards, 4 var.25
Persia, off., 1881, 4 var. ....	.25
*Porto Rico, 1892, 6 var. ....	.10
Porto Rico, 1890, 3, 5, 8 and 10c. ....	.10
*Portuguese Colonies, 16 var. ....	.40
*Portuguese Indies, 1882, 7 var. ....	.40
Roumania, 1872, 6 var. ....	.10
Roumania, 1876 80, 12 var. ....	.15
Roumania, 1885 7, 12 var. ....	.20
Roumania, 1890, 8 var. ....	.15
Roumania, unpaid, 1881, 5 var. ....	.25
Russia, 12 var. ....	.12
*St. Thomas, 1869 81, 6 var. ....	.30
*Salvador, 1887-9, 7 var. ....	.35
*Salvador, 1890, 9 var. ....	.50
*Salvador, 1891, 1c to 1 peso, 10 var. ....	.50
*Salvador, 1891, env, on amber, 7 var. ....	.40
*Salvador, 1891, wrappers, 4 var. ....	.20
*Salvador, 1891, postal cards, 4 var. ....	.20
*Samoa, 1877-82, 8 var. ....	.25
*Saxony, 1863, 5 var. ....	.12
*Serbia, 1881, 6 var, complete. ....	.15
South African Rep., 1885, 7 var. comp. ....	.20
*Spain, 1 var, 1879, 7 var, complete.	1.40
*Spain, official, 4 var. ....	.15
Sweden, 10 var. ....	.10
Sweden, Losen, 10 var. ....	.20
Sweden, official, 11 var. ....	.20
*Switzerland, 1862-78, 9 var. ....	.15
U. S., 1870, 1c., 2c., 3c., grided. ....	.25
U. S., 1872, 11 varieties, complete.	1.00
U. S., 1875 88, 15 var.20
U. S. Postage due, set of 7.45
*U. S. Interior, complete set of 10.	2.25
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U. S. Am. Rapid Tel., 16 var.50
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U. S., B. & O. Tel., Kendall, 4 var.10
U. S., B. & O. Telegraph, Kendall, thick glazed paper, 4 var.50
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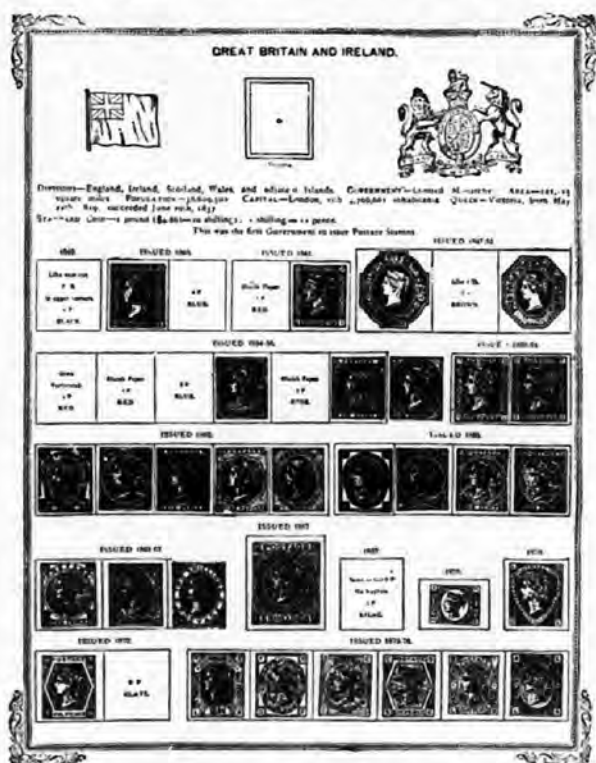
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1851, 5c., with small nick.....	\$3 25
1861, 5c., yellow.....	2 95
1868, 90c.....	6.00 and 6 75
1869, *24c., no grill.....	3 25
187c, *90c., fine.....	13 25
1865, News *25.....	3 25
1875, News *9c.....	2 90
1863, env. 1853, 10c., white, narrow label, clipped.....	4 00
*1875, env., 5c., die A, fawn.....	2 85
*1887, env., 90c., amber.....	3 25
*1887, env., 90c., manilla.....	3 25
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1853, ent. env., 3c., white, wide label, H. 39.....	8 50
Justice, 30c.....	2 90
State, *2.00.....	4 60

Foreign.

Cape of Good Hope, 4d., blue, wood block, damaged.....	2 75
Guadalajara, 1867, 2r., wove rose p. . .	3 00
Nevis, 1861, 1 sh., gray p.....	4 10
Nevis, 1867, 1 sh.....	2 10
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In making this change we have also dropped our music department. Our stamp business is growing to such an extent that it requires all our attention and we find it best to cut off this new department. Mr. Wolsieffer, who has had charge of the music department, will carry on that business in a new location, where he also intends to carry a stock of postage stamps. His many friends will welcome this step, we feel sure, and he also has our best wishes for success in the venture.

WE have fitted up a room adjoining our store as a home for the philatelic societies of this city. The room has an entrance from our store and also a hall entrance. Keys will be furnished the secretary of each society so that access can be had at any time. Gas and steam heat are also supplied. Visiting philatelists are invited to make themselves at home in this philatelic den while in the city.

ON the evening of Oct. 18th, Mr. S. B. Bradt gave an informal reception to Mr. H. E. Deats, at 132 Wabash avenue. About thirty philatelists were present and greatly enjoyed meeting Mr. Deats, and inspecting the treasures he had on exhibition. Mr. Deats spent a week with us and appeared to enjoy himself to the utmost. He is a hearty admirer of our city, in which respect he differs from many eastern men we have met.

A FEW WORDS TO BEGINNERS.

If the editor refrain from ringing the bell on me I'll endeavor to say a few words to that class of collectors we all desire to see increased, the beginners. These are the ones who are to perpetuate our pursuit and carry it on after we have given up the struggle, that is those who, having once began, keep up their interest and persevere in becoming philatelists.

Various causes result in starting persons on the road to philately. Some take it up because they have become interested in the doings of some stamp collecting friend, some on account of something they may have seen written on the subject, while others take it up because of an instinct that seems to have been born in them to *collect something*, and stamps chance to be the direction in which their choice is made. This latter class is the one most likely to graduate philatelists, and to which the original stamp collector must have belonged.

The boy or girl, man or woman, becomes interested in stamp collecting. He naturally seeks to obtain as many as possible at the start, in order to get past the beginner's point as quickly as possible. If he has plenty of money at his command perhaps he will buy freely and soon amass a large number. That is *not collecting*; that is *acquiring* stamps. Let the beginner "make haste slowly." Let him first pick up specimens from his friends and acquaintances, as far as he may be able, and familiarize himself with them as he goes along. To start right the beginner should provide himself with a standard catalogue and album—the latter being one with spaces provided for all issues and giving illustrations. A good stamp paper is also advisable, several if the collector can afford them.

Having the album and catalogue, let the collector first turn his attention to them and see what the field is he is about to enter. These will give him ideas and somewhat familiarize him with the specimens he is about to collect. A little industrious search among old papers, and inquiry among friends will result in his obtaining a few specimens. These will occupy some little time in classi-

fying and arranging in the allotted place in the album. It may be some specimen will prove a puzzler to the novice and he will be unable to locate it. In that event put the specimen aside until you meet some friend who is acquainted with it, or develop a correspondence that will aid you in such cases.

There is no reason whatever why any intelligent person should not, unassisted, master the intricacies of philately in a reasonably short time, with all the aids accessible to the present generation. Not that anyone can become an expert in a few months, not by a good deal. There are really surprisingly few who can justly be called experts in philately, just as the experts in any other pursuit are limited in number. But all can become amateurs and attain a greater or less degree of success.

The beginner having exhausted the resources of his friend and himself, now desires another means of adding to his possessions. On the start it is advisable to purchase packets and the cheaper sets of stamps. These will do for but a short time, however, as the variety of packet stamps is quite limited and the buyer soon finds that he is getting duplicates instead of additions to his collection. Yet the purchase of packets has its fascinations and aids greatly in instructing the beginner. For in accumulating duplicates he is led to a closer examination of the stamps, which often leads him to find varieties where he was in ignorance of their existence. Now is the time to begin buying from catalogue or from approval sheets.

And here arises a question that can best be settled by individual preferences, whether it is better to seek to complete sets or to obtain a smattering of all countries. Both plans have their advocates, but either can be followed with good results. Then, too, arises the question of minor variations and specialism. In regard to specialism I would say that a good general collection has by far a greater attraction for me, and is also likely to attract more general attention than the finest collection of oddities, minor variations and errors that ever gladdened the heart of a specialist. First give your attention to general issues, then if your inclinations incline toward specialism take it up.

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Argentine 9 var.....	\$.15
Austria, 1850-63, 11 var.....	.10
Austria, 1890, inc. 24 & 30 kr. 7 var..	.20
Austrian Italy, 9 var.....	.20
Baden, 10 var.....	.25
*Baden, Land Post, 3 var.....	.06
Bavaria, 1881, 1m, 2m.....	.06
*Bavaria, Return Letter, 6 var.....	.10
Bavaria, '49-62, 6 var.....	.08
*Bergedorf, 5 var.....	.10
Bolivar, 1880, 6 var, complete.....	1.00
Bolivar, 1882, 6 var, complete.....	1.00
Bolivar, 1883, 6 var, complete.....	1.00
Bolivar, 1884, 6 var, complete.....	1.00
Bolivar, 1885, 6 var, complete.....	1.00
Bosnia, 7 var.....	.25
*Brit. Guiana, 1890, 1c on \$1, \$2, and \$3,	.35
*Brit. Honduras, 1888, 2 on 1, 3 on 3....	.15
*Brunswick, 1865, 4 var, complete.....	.15
*Canada Bill, 3d issue, 1c to \$3, 17 var.	2.00
Cape of Good Hope, 1/2d to 1 sh, 6 var	.06
Ceylon, 1888-90, 2c. on 4c., 5 var.....	.20
*Corea, 5 var.....	.25
Cuba, 25 var.....	.50
*Cuba, 1888, black, 6 var.....	.15
*Cuba, 1890, 6 var.....	.10
*Danube, perf. 4 var.....	.12
*Danube, unperf., 4 var.....	.25
Denmark, 1851-3, 4 var.....	.10
Denmark, 19 var.....	.15
Dominican Rep., 1880, 1c to 1 peso, 9 var	1.25
Ecuador, 1865, 1/2r, 1r.....	.10
Egypt, 9 var.....	.15
Egypt, 1889, unpaid, 4 var.....	.20
Finland, 1875-85, 6 var., inc. 1 M....	.10
French Colonies, 1881, 6 var.....	.10
*Germany, Thurn & T., 14 var.....	.75
Great Britain, 34 var.....	.75
Great Britain, 1880-90, 1/2d to 5sh, 14	
var.....	.25
Great Britain, official, 4 var.....	.25
*Guatemala, 1875, 4 varieties.....	.25
*Guatemala, 1878, 4 var.....	.35
*Guatemala, 1881, 5 var.....	.20
*Guatemala, 1881, Prov., 4 var.....	.75
*Guatemala, 1886, Prov., 5 var.....	.60
*Guatemala, env., 4 var.....	.35
*Hamburgh, env., 7 var.....	.15
*Heligoland, 21 var.....	.40
*Honduras, 1865, 2 var.....	.15
*Honduras, 1878-89, 7 var.....	.50
*Honduras, 1890, 11 var, complete.....	.50
*Honduras, 1890, off., 11 var, complete	.25
*Honduras, 1890, env., 8 var, complete	.35
*Honduras, 1890, wrappers, 4 var, comp.	.12
Hungary, 1888, 8 var, 1 m to fl.....	.20
Hungary, 1888, 7 var.....	.15
*Italy, 1853, 3 var.....	1.00
*Italy, 1854, 3 var.....	.75
*Italy, 1890, News, Prov., 6 var.....	.10
Italy, Postal Packet, 3 var.....	.15
Japan, 20 var.....	.50
*Macau, 1883-5, 6 var.....	.85
*Mexico, 1864, 4 var.....	.10
Mexico, 1856, 1r, 2r.....	.12
*Mexico, 1879, thick p, 25, 50, 85 & 100c,	1.40
*Mexico, 1882, 12, 18 and 24c.....	.30
*Mozambique, 1877-85, 9 var. ....	.80
*New Brunswick, 1c, 2c, 17c, 3 var.....	.50
*Nicaragua, 1871, 1c, 1872, 10 & 25c,	.30
*Nicaragua, 1882, 7 var.....	.40
*Nicaragua, 1890, 10 var.....	.50
*Nicaragua, 1890, off., 10 var.....	.50
*Nicaragua, 1890, env., 5 var.....	.25
*Nicaragua, 1890, wrappers, 3 var.....	.10
*Nicaragua, 1891, 10 var.....	.50
*Nicaragua, 1891, off., 10 var.....	.50
*Nicaragua, 1891, env., 6 var.....	.25
*Nicaragua, 1891, wrappers, 3 var.....	.10
*Nicaragua, 1891, post cards, 4 var.....	.25
Persia, off., 1881, 4 var.....	.25
*Porto Rico, 1892, 6 var.....	.10
Porto Rico, 1890, 3, 5, 8 and 10c.....	.10
*Portuguese Colonies, 16 var.....	.40
*Portuguese Indies, 1882, 7 var.....	.40
Roumania, 1872, 6 var.....	.10
Roumania, 1876-80, 12 var.....	.15
Roumania, 1885-7, 12 var.....	.20
Roumania, 1890, 8 var.....	.15
Roumania, unpaid, 1881, 5 var.....	.25
Russia, 12 var.....	.12
*St. Thomas, 1869-81, 6 var.....	.30
*Salvador, 1887-9, 7 var.....	.35
*Salvador, 1890, 9 var.....	.50
*Salvador, 1891, 1c to 1 peso, 10 var....	.50
*Salvador, 1891, env. on amber, 7 var....	.40
*Salvador, 1891, wrappers, 4 var.....	.20
*Salvador, 1891, postal cards, 4 var.....	.20
*Samoa, 1877-82, 8 var.....	.25
*Saxony, 1863, 5 var.....	.12
*Servia, 1881, 6 var, complete.....	.15
South African Rep., 1885, 7 var. comp.	.20
*Spain, 1 var, 1879, 7 var, complete....	1.40
*Spain, official, 4 var.....	.15
Sweden, 10 var.....	.10
Sweden, Losen, 10 var.....	.20
Sweden, official, 11 var.....	.20
*Switzerland, 1862-78, 9 var.....	.15
U. S., 1870, 1c., 2c., 3c., grided.....	.25
U. S., 1872, 11 varieties, complete....	1.25
U. S., 1875-88, 15 var.....	.20
U. S. Postage due, set of 7.....	.65
*U. S. Interior, complete set of 10....	2.50
*U. S. Interior, 1c and 2c.....	.25
U. S. Treasury Dept., 11 var.....	3.25
U. S. Am. Rapid Tel., 16 var.....	.50
U. S., B. & O. Tel., Am. B.N.Co., 4 var.	.50
U. S., B. & O. Tel., Kendall, 4 var....	.10
U. S., B. & O. Telegraph, Kendall,	
thick glazed paper, 4 var.....	.50
U. S., B. & O. Tel., Hoen, 3 var.....	.60
*U. S. Allen's Locals, 3 var.....	.20

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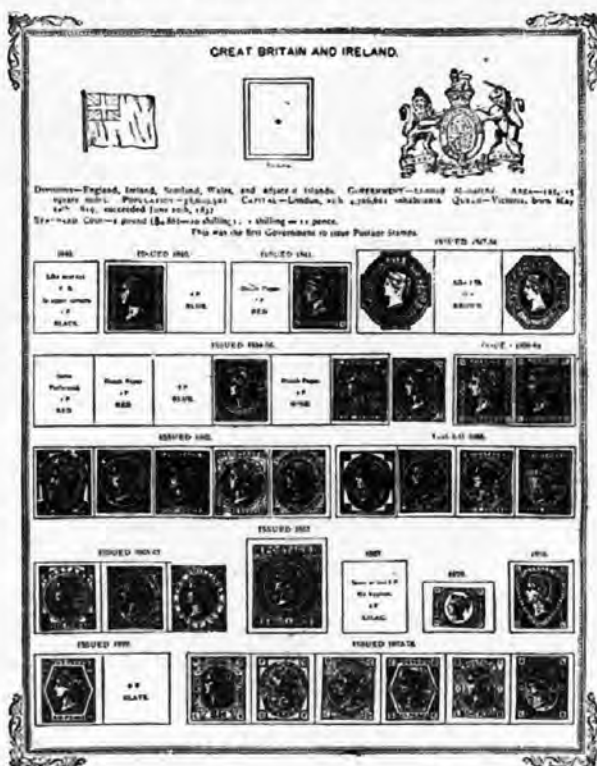
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MR. A. L. HOLMAN.

MR. A. L. HOLMAN, whose picture is before our readers this month, is as well or better known in the East as in this city. He first saw the light in old Massachusetts, back in the fifties, and his philatelic friends think his gaze must have encountered stamps in some form without much delay, he is so thoroughly imbued with a love for the delightful bits of paper. He has been a resident of Chicago for a number of years, and for some time past

been quite prominent in stamp society matters, having been president of the Chicago Society and a trustee of the A. P. A. He is a member of almost every society of note, including those of London and Dresden.

Mr. Holman's magnificent general collection used to be the admiration and pride of our local collectors, but it has recently been disposed of, and Mr. Holman is now collecting in special lines only.

CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The 145th regular meeting was held Nov. 3rd. Mr. Leland officiated as chairman, and five members were present. It was decided that the "Governing Board" hold a meeting on the evening of Nov. 8th, to consider the various matters referred to them by the Society. Mr. Bradt's offer, in the nature of the following proposition, was accepted with thanks: A suitable room at his place of business, 136 Wabash Ave., second floor, will be given as the Society's permanent home, free of charge; the C. P. S. to occupy it in company with the various local stamp societies, and members to have access to it at any time.

Adjournment, 9:20 P. M.

The 146th meeting was held on Nov. 17th, and presided over by P. M. Wolsieffer. Seven members and two visitors were present. Communication regarding the formation of an Illinois State Society was read. Secretary was instructed to write the sender, Mr. J. A. Heckelman, Cullom, Ill. The report of the "Governing Board" was read and accepted. P. M. Wolsieffer was appointed a committee of one to confer with similar committees to be appointed by the two local societies, to arrange for the furnishing of the societies' room.

Auction and Exchange Department affairs were talked over, and the Board was asked to give certain matters in this connection their attention.

Adjournment at 9:15 P. M.

C. E. Severn, Sec'y.

C. P. S. GOSSIP.

IT IS H. E. Deats' intention to spend a number of months in Chicago, during the course of the coming year.

ACCORDING to a Chicago correspondent, Member Ross is the proud possessor of a specimen of the extremely rare Brattleboro. Mr. Ross, who certainly ought to know, avers that he is not the owner of so rare a stamp.

THE Society is now installed in its new headquarters, and all visiting philatelists are

invited to make it their Mecca during the period of their pilgrimage in Chicago. The location is central: 136 Wabash Ave., second floor.

PRESIDENT JANSSEN speaks of casting off all collecting ties and of disposing of his collection. Mr. Janssen's collection of U. S. adhesives is probably the finest, as regards shade varieties, that is possessed in this city.

PURE-MINDED WOLSIEFFER seems to be sadly changed since the result of the election became known. There is a certain reckless abandon that now characterizes his actions, which is as marked as it is lamentable, and in lieu of the shy, engaging light that once shone from his eyes, there is a free and bold expression, all of which adduces the impression that P. M. has become, in some manner, strangely altered.

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WE extend our thanks to Mr. W. Kelsey Hall for an invitation to meet the "Bachelors of Peterborough" at a picnic assembly on December 8th. We feel assured that the "Bachelors" will not be lonesome, as the invitation includes the names of a number of "Lady Patronesses," who will undoubtedly, if given time and opportunity, make the Bachelors wish they were Benedicts.

A glance at our set and packet list will convince you that we are offering bargains to our customers.

CHECKS.

We have a few sets of check stamps, 8 varieties, which we offer while they last, at fifty cents a set. All are entire and principally unused.

We shall be glad to exchange either one or two copies with any publication devoted to collecting. Books, pamphlets, etc., relating to stamps, which may be sent us will receive proper notice in these columns.

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We are continually in receipt of requests for wholesale lots and quotations, and therefore wish to state that we do only a retail business in stamps.

DURING the World's Fair we intend to hold three sales of unusual importance. We are desirous of securing rarities for these sales and solicit correspondence with collectors and dealers having such. In the case of extreme rarities reserve prices will be permitted and the reserve price printed in the catalogue. Our regular charge of twenty per cent. of the price realized will be observed.

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FROM J. W. Palmer, Strand, London, we have received a copy of the "Philatelist's Almanack" for 1893. The little book contains many items of interest to the stamp collector.

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14. L. S. Ovitt, Chicago.
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17. K. Nakayama, Chicago.
18. B. S. Bingham, Chicago.
19. L. H. Palmer, Oak Park, Ill.
20. Cash.

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OUR 10th auction sale, catalogue of which is mailed with this issue of the NEWS, affords an opportunity of securing many stamps of the class that is hard to get, and at the same time not considered as rarities. Every lot in the sale is desirable, there being a total absence of the "job" lots so common in auction sales. Most of the stamps came from the fine collection of Mr. Bernard Maier, of this city, and many were secured by him only after years of patient search. The catalogue will well repay a careful examination.

The collectors who keep their want lists on file with us, secure many desirable stamps from the numerous collections we are constantly adding to our stock.

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Austrian Italy, 9 var.....	.20	Mexico, 1856, 1r, 2r.....	.12
*Baden, Land Post, 3 var.....	.06	*Mexico, 1879, thick p, 25, 50, 85 & 100c, 1.40	
Bavaria, 1881, 1m, 2m.....	.06	*Mexico, 1882, 12, 18 and 24c.....	.30
Bavaria, Return Letter, 6 var.....	.10	*Mozambique, 1877-85, 9 var.....	.80
Bavaria, '49-62, 6 var.....	.08	*New Brunswick, 1c, 2c, 17c, 3 var....	.50
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Bolivar, 1880, 6 var, complete.....	1.00	*Nicaragua, 1882, 7 var.....	.40
Bolivar, 1882, 6 var, complete.....	1.00	*Nicaragua, 1890, 10 var.....	.50
Bolivar, 1885, 6 var, complete.....	1.00	*Nicaragua, 1890, off; 10 var.....	.50
Bolivar, 1884, 6 var, complete.....	1.00	*Nicaragua, 1890, env., 5 var.....	.25
Bolivar, 1885, 6 var, complete.....	1.00	*Nicaragua, 1890, wrappers, 3 var.....	.10
Bosnia, 7 var.....	.25	*Nicaragua, 1891, 10 var.....	.50
*Brit. Guiana, 1890, 1c on \$1, \$2, and \$3,	.35	*Nicaragua, 1891, off., 10 var.....	.50
*Brit. Honduras, 1888, 2 on 1, 3 on 3.....	.15	*Nicaragua, 1891, env., 6 var.....	.25
*Brunswick, 1865, 4 var, complete.....	.15	*Nicaragua, 1891, wrappers, 3 var.....	.10
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Denmark, 19 var.....	.15	*Salvador, 1887-9, 7 var.....	.35
Dominican Rep. 1880, 1c to 1 peso, 9 var	1.25	*Salvador, 1890, 9 var.....	.50
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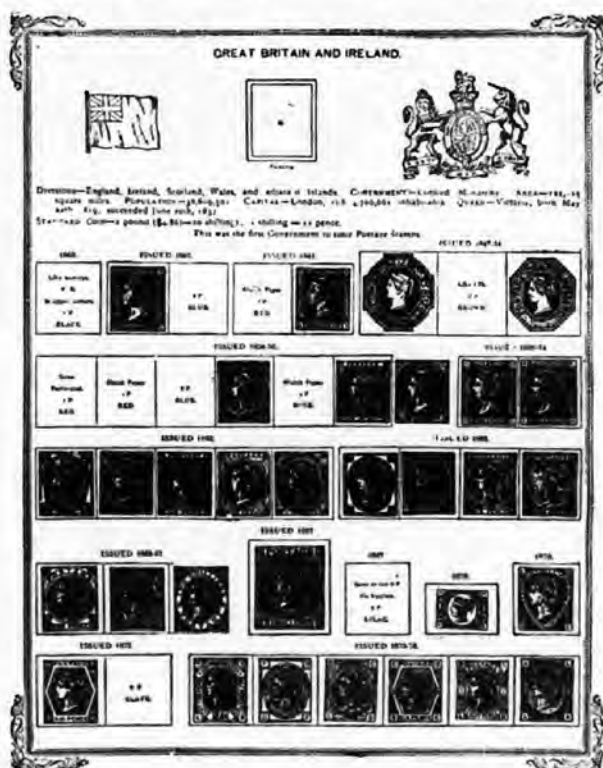
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