

# The Philatelic Extract.

The Essence of the Science.

Official Journal of

## The Philatelic Order of Masons,

The Strength of Philately lies in the Confidence of Philatelists in Philatelists.

VOL. I

APRIL, 1900.

NO. 1

### Join the P. O. M.

Praden is a nice country to be interested in and easy to complete.

Better invest in one good stamp at 50 cents than in a score of the 1c to 5c varieties.

The Prince of Wales is a Philatelist and is a prominent member of English Philatelic Societies.

We will exchange one copy of the EXTRACT with any Philatelic publication. Put us on your mailing list.

The bird so much resembling the ostrich on the stamps of New South Wales is the emeu, a bird native of that country.

Beginners should make a specialty of the postage stamps of Netherland; but three stamps of this country list at over 50c.

Many Philatelists join a society and expect a benefit without partaking of the advantages offered in the various departments. Simply being a member should not satisfy one, take an active part then you can truly say Philatelic societies are a benefit.

There are many varieties of the Columbian envelopes. If you have any note these varieties. With and without periods after America and Cents after Cents only, after America only; the eagle's left wing (towards the right hand) ends in two feathers, and in one; ornaments at sides differ in length, from 3/4 to 5mm; three meridians mark of Columbus, only two; and meridians under Columbus and Liberty vary in number from 6 to 13. A complete list will be published later.

The Philatelic Order of Masons passed its first birthday April 1, 1900.

The State Dept. set 1c to 90c, unused, sold for \$14.45, at an auction in 1894. It now lists at \$51.

The law now requires all revenue stamps of the 10c denomination and up to be cancelled by cutting. The 40c, 80c, \$3 and up, will be valuable some day in consequence.

To make a watermark distinct apply gasoline or benzine to the back of the stamp and then lay it on a dark surface. This will not injure the stamp.

Until a fraternal feeling is established among Philatelists, Philately cannot reach the excellency it deserves. To stimulate this feeling is one of the objects of the P O M

Postal cards were originated by Dr Emanuel Hermann, a professor of natural economy in the Academy of Wiener, in Neustadt, Lower Austria. They were adopted by the Austrian government in 1869. The United States began to use them in 1873.

The Hawaiian provisional surcharge of 1893 mark an important era in the history of that Isle. The number of each variety surcharged are as follows: RED, 1c blue 437,500; 1c green, 25,000; 1c purple, 25,000; 2c violet, 775,000; 2c brown, 12,500; 5c ultramarine, 362,500; 5c dark blue, 12,500; 10c black, 87,500; 12c black, 67,000; 6c green, 25,000; 25c purple, 15,000. BLACK surcharge, 2c pink, 162,500; 2c vermilion, 6,750; 10c brown, 100,000; 10c vermilion 12,500; 12c puce, 61,250; 15c brown, 15,000; 18c red, 50,000; 50c red, 22,000, and \$1 red, 36,500. Worth remembering.

# April Specials

2c Play. Cards, blue, 9c  
3c and 4c '71 Prop. 22c  
6c 1878 Prop. blue 35c  
same, violet rare, 75c  
Above 5 var. only \$1 25  
Cat. value, 2 75

## Dealers,

Lot of 25 2c play. cards, blue \$1 25  
Block 4, New F'dl'd, \*10c '87 50c  
Lot 1,000 3c green, '70-'75, 65c

Money refunded if not satisfied.  
These prices good only to May 1st.

**B. G McFall, Eldred, Pa.**

Crete began issuing stamps January 1.  
Continentials are common European stamps.

Justin Lallier of Paris issued the first stamp album in 1863

The first postage stamp was issued in 1840, by Great Britain.

France is to have a new issue to commemorate the Paris Exposition.

An Essay is a printing of a design submitted to the postal authorities for their approval.

The triangular stamps of the Cape of Good Hope are very popular because of their odd shape.

An Albino is an impression of a plate without color. They are more common in U. S. envelopes.

If you like facts, subscribe.

The first Philatelic paper was published in 1862.

The oldest Philatelic paper now published, is the *Le Timbre Post*, (The Age Stamp,) a monthly established by B. Moens, a dealer in Brussels, Belgium in 1863.

The value of obsolete stamps appreciated with the increase in number of collectors. It is not the age that fixes the value but the scarcity. The first 3c stamp of U. S. issues, 1851, are thrice as valuable as the same value of 1887.

Postage stamps are getting scarce in Boer land. It is said that a large shipment has been detained at Cape Town and the Boers are forced to use the Natal stamps which have been seized and surcharged in several ways; principally 1/2c value surcharged with a type-

Remainders are those left unsold when a new series of stamps are issued. In U. S. these are available for postage at all times but some countries, notably Ecuador, Honduras, Peru and others of South and Central republics, dispose their remainders to speculators and make them of no postal value. Such stamps so treated should be collected in a useful condition.

In a recent N. Y. auction the \$500 stamp sold for \$111. It will bring double within five years. The 4c blue, Colombian error, of which but 50 were issued brought \$36. These sold for \$10 years ago. The 1851 1c, type I, sold for \$48, only \$2 below its catalogue value. Prices are upon a firmer basis than with the big discounts on the lower class a thing of the past.

phelic is pronounced fil-a-tel' ik,  
list, fi-lat'-e list and Philately, fi-

first published list of postage  
was put out by a Frenchman in

measurable study good enough for  
the Prince of Wales, the Czar of Russia the  
King of Siam, etc., is 'good enough.'

Colon, on the stamps of Chili, means  
Columbus. It is the only county that has  
placed his name and portrait on every is-  
sue of their stamps.

The Confederate 1c orange of 1864 was  
printed in London but before the consign-  
ment saw actual service; the States had  
surrendered. It is a mark of the disap-  
pointed political faction of 1861-5.

Plates are the reproductions from the  
same die and used in printing stamps  
Re-tooled means that some worn part is  
made clear by cutting away or altering  
the design. Re-engraved means that a  
new plate is made from a new die.

Many a discouragement and hard feel-  
ings have originated in the taking of  
stamps from approval selections without  
the ready cash for payment, trusting to  
luck to get it before the time for return-  
ing the selection. Because this expecta-  
tion was not fulfilled defrauding means  
were employed.

The beauty of the bi-colored stamps of  
the half-civilized countries of Congo, La-  
buan, Borneo, Tonga, etc., appeal strong-  
ly to the collecting instinct of philatelists  
and when, that is what they are made for.  
They attract, they know it, and their  
issues are made to defray nine-  
tenths of their government's expensis  
Philately.

Collectors are often discouraged be-  
cause their collection does not fill up fast  
enough. Don't! Go slow and study.

The famous Taphing collection which  
was bequeathed by the deceased T. K.  
Taphing to the British Museum is valued  
at over half a million dollars. It occu-  
pied a number of clerks several years to  
properly arrange the stamps for exhibi-  
tion.

Fac Similes are imitations of the rarer  
stamps. Words denoting their character  
such as "False," "Fac-Simile," etc., in  
small type should be printed on the face  
of them. If this is not done they are  
practically counterfeits. They are made  
extensively in Germany.

Monsieur Philip L. R. von Ferrary of  
Paris is credited with possessing the larg-  
est and best collection in the world. He  
keeps it under the charge of secretaries,  
mounted in several volumes and deposit-  
ed in steel fire and burglar-proof rooms.  
It is estimated to be worth \$1,000,000.

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Eldred, Pa.

## OUR GREETING.

In making our debut to the Philatelic public we do not come to fill a long-felt want or to revise Philately. There are two reasons for the EXTRACT's appearance, i. e., to afford a serviceable journal for the P O M and to give Philatelists a paper filled only with short, fresh, spicy articles and Philatelic historical references. This issue is put out without the blasts of tin horns or the posting of placards; we come unannounced, without an outside advertisement or a subscriber other than P O M members who are classed as such. We never saw such a statement published before. Do you believe in plain facts? If so, place us among the monthly visitors to your home. At present our prospects for a long stay are very bright but if for any un-fore-seen reason we should suspend publication all balances due subscribers or others will be refunded so Philatelists need not feel afraid of rallying to our support.

Advertisers will be welcomed as per the rates given above and we believe we can give you good service.

It will be our aim to publish promptly on the first to fifth of each month and to hold the last forms open until a few days

before that date thus giving the very best news of the month. Send your order and you get your money's worth or refund. Dealers are urged to give no trial adv., we reach reliable Philatelic good buyers and give prompt service.

Copy for next issue must be in by April 20th as we issue early to get P O M lots out on time.

RECEIVED.

MARCH Philatelic Chronicle, well constructed but Peltz furnishes the solid article....Perforator; aside from T. Reno's Review, amounted to nothing more than a book of advertisements. The queer that with so liberal an advertising patronage better reading cannot be given....Evergreen State Philatelist; Erwin S. notes were good....Jubilee Philatelist; bright, newsy and typographically perfect. Well worth price of subscription....Nebraska Philatelist; seven pages of good news matter. Page editorial, applying to the Montreal (Bach) affair commendable. We should like a confidential exposure of the 'western publisher who acts as reference for fakers,' although we believe we can guess him out.

## PHILATELISTS

are Invited to use the  
Application Blank  
which accompanies

## THE EXTRACT

this month and

## JOIN THE P. O.

# Philatelic Order of Masons

Organized April 1, 1899.  
 25 cents. Dues 25c per quarter  
 Quarters begin 1st of Feb.,  
 May, Aug., and Nov.

Remember that if dues are not paid by  
 the 15th, you do not advance until paid, and  
 notified (on 15th) 5c extra is charged.

**R. W. McFALL, S C P O M, Eldred, Pa.**

- Dues (Open to all members) Supts.  
 Auction.....S E Moisant, Kankakee, Ill  
 Fraud & Collection....D J Kielly, Jr.,  
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 Information & Examination....J W Sells  
 Librarian.....G. L. Smith, Limestone, N. Y.  
 Subscription & Advertising....H A Chapman  
 Rocky Hill, Conn  
 Benefit.....not yet elected  
 Sales.....Under the management of the  
 Exchange.....S C P O M  
 Contest.....and appointments  
 Secret.....of those attaining the degrees in ac-  
 cordance with the Rules.

We have undertaken to publish this  
 in the interest of the P O M and in so do-  
 ing extend to the Allegheny Philatelist  
 our former official paper, a most sincere  
 thanks for the kindness shown the Order  
 in its official capacity.

By issuing the EXTRACT we can hold  
 reports up to within a few days of publi-  
 cation whereas before reports were nearly  
 a month old by the time they reached the  
 members. We trust this move will be  
 appreciated and that members will strive  
 to help it along. If you receive extra  
 copies consider it a request to send them  
 to your Philatelic friends.

Supts' reports such as Auction Sales,  
 Librarian's lists, Sub. and Adv. combi-  
 ned, Benefit lists, etc., will be charg-  
 ed at the rate of 50c per column, mere  
 composition.

Members are requested to preserve all  
 reports for reference.

Degree certificates are beautiful in  
 design. Get one.

## NEW MEMBERS.

Age in ( ). Credit to member's no. following.

23 Robt. B. Irwin, (16)  
 Vaughn, Wash.—16

Members should make a special ef-  
 fort to secure new members now. Do  
 not sign as reference unless you know  
 the applicant. It is not the object of the  
 P O M to make a large list of members  
 about whom nothing is known but to form  
 a league of reliable Philatelists. Time  
 alone will show the results. Any offers  
 by members to induce applicants to use  
 blanks for their credit will be published  
 free.

## NOMINATIONS.

Nominations closed April 1 with the  
 following official list:

Atty. and Fraud Dept.  
 D. J. Kielly, Jr.

Librarian.

G. L. Smith, Ira C. Holt.

Sub. & Adv.

Treymond Babcock.

Benefit.

J. W. Sells, J. R. Friedman.

For Auction and Inform. & Exam.  
 Depts. none were made and they will be  
 appointed. The successful candidates  
 will be advanced to the first degree as  
 soon as they enter upon the duties of  
 their office. Appointed Supts. do not re-  
 ceive this advancement. Members de-  
 siring appointments should write at once.

NOTICE: The Supt. of Benefit Dept.  
 receives stamps to sell at BARGAIN prices  
 receiving 10 per cent on sales. This is  
 a bargain-benefit to the purchaser and a  
 splendid place for all to dispose of dupli-  
 cates or stocks at BARGAIN prices,

### List of Members.

Following is the list of P O M members in their present order of advancement.

#### SCPOM

1 B. G. McFall, Eldred, Pa.

#### G P O M

9 C. W. Slack, Attica, N. Y.

#### P O M

8 S. E. Moisant, Kankakee, Ill.

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5 H. A. Chapman, Rocky Hill, Conn.

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13 G. L. Smith, Limestone, N. Y.

12 C. B. Benedict, Jr., Attica, N. Y.

11 S. H. Barnes, Muselfolk, Mo.

16 J. W. Sells, 10½ N 8th St.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

14 Ira C. Holt, Spring Valley, Wis.

6 Freeman Smith, 22 Chestnut St.,  
Everett, Mass.

19 Mrs. J. E. George, Newton Junction,  
N. Hamp.

17 R. L. Doak, Pearl, O.

18 Treymond Babcock, Dayton, Tex.

20 Mrs. F. W. Battles,  
Newton Junction, N. H.

21 Clark W. Brown, 516 Irving Ave.,  
Syracuse, N. Y.

23 Ted Skinner, Attica, N. Y.

Rule 10. A member suspended shall pay back dues and a penalty of 25c on or before the end of the following quarter. Failure to do so expels. Limit on the above is Aug.

The following resignation because 'stopped collecting' Member was in standing and if no objection is made May 1, it will be accepted.

15 Harry Thompson, Franklin, N. I.

A sheet of ten unused \$20 State Dept. were exhibited by a Washington dealer at World's Fair in Chicago in 1893.

Collectors, if a dealer signs the P. O. M. letters you may feel safe in accepting his Dealers, if an applicant applies for approvals and uses the P. O. M. letters you have no fear in sending them. A list of members should be at hand in either case to their use is legitimate. Any impositions be reported at once. A complete list of P. members will be found on this page.

## Hot Shots!

15	1c Express,.....	30c
5	1c " part perf.....	24c
30	1c " .....	35c
4	1c " imperf.....	21c
15	1c Telegraph.....	50c
10c, 12c, 15c	24c unused War Dept.	30c
1c	Playing Cards, BARGAIN.....	75c
1c	1st and 2nd issues, both only.....	75c
\$2	" " " " " ".....	60c

Purchaser may return any that unsatisfactory, these are Bargains.

NOTICE: The following are not entitled to the benefits of this Order from dates set by each.

#### EXPELLED.

R. W. Tucker, Boston. Nov. 3, 99

#### SUSPENDED.

3 E. A. Norton, Alamo, Mich. Mar 1

4 Ira Richardson, Batavia, N. Y. "

B. G. McFall  
SCPOM  
Eldred, Pa.

# Department Notices.

## SALES & EXCHANGE DEPTS.

Attention has been called to the fact that certain members forward books and stamps with insufficient postage and do not register valuable selections. This is possibly wrong. Care is taken to send books carefully and if recipient who receives the benefit, will not protect them he shall be debarred from their further use.

To those entering stamps in the Sales & Exchange Depts.' books state whether you wish to exchange or sell your entries. If exchange is desired cross out the word 'Sales' on books, if to sell, cross out 'Exchange.' Those exchanging will receive a larger preliminary credit and those 'for sale' will receive monthly settlements on books until retired. State distinctly the one you wish. These Depts. are in fine shape and should be made use of by all members. Books, 5 for 10c. Try it,

## CONTEST DEPT.

Is your list of words in? \$2 free selection from the Sales & Exchange books to the member sending largest list of words which spell the same either way as eye, noon, etc., \$1 for second and 50c for the third. Contest closes May 1. There is no cost whatever and each member's list should be in at once. List of winners will be published in June issue. A small prize will win.

## INVESTMENT.

Per cent. profit were the dividends during past year. Shares 25 cents. Buy a few shares and see if it does not prove to be a good investment.

## BENEFIT.

This new dept. will be upon the principle of small prices quick sales, i. e., the Supt. will offer for sale only bargains that will prove a benefit to the purchaser. This is different from the Auction Dept. in that the prices are fixed by the owner for a sale to the first purchaser through the Supt. at 10 per cent. com and are not open for biddings.

## LIBRARY.

4th Quarter. Bro. H. A. Chapman donated 54 papers, Bro. B. G. McFall, 3 dramas written by himself and 1 share in the Investment Dept., and I have given 13 papers. 5c and postage is charged for any reasonable amount of reading, send for list. Any contributions of papers or books whether Philatelic or not, will be thankfully received and carefully acknowledged in our Official Journal. Give me your aid to make a success of this Dept. G. L. SMITH, Librarian.

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Join  
the  
Philatelic  
Order  
of Masons.

5	2c Certificate, orange.	\$2 00
3	2c Playing Cards orange	1 20
20	1c Telegraph	2 40
25	1c Express	1 00
2	25c Bond	20
4	25c Life Insurance	80
1	1 30, 1 20 perf and 1 50 imp	1 87
4	1c BLUE and BLACK fine	3 00
4	\$2 " " " "	2 40
1	\$5 " " " "	75
1	1c RED and BLACK, "	1 40
1	\$5 " " " "	75

Price \$5.00.

## A Snap,

I offer this lot of U. S. revenues at a bargain. These stamps have been neatly mended, i. e., a couple of perf added, etc., are all good sellers, and only because I secured a large supply do I offer this

## Understand,

These stamps are NOT heavily cancelled or mutilated trash, but good sellers, clean, neat with whatever mending skillfully done; and

## Further,

If, after you examine the lot you are not satisfied, return and get your money back.

I will add two \$2 red and black to this if order is received by April 20th. This is a bargain.

## The Guarantee

Of merit, is one in which the purchaser can return his purchase if he is not satisfied, and get a refund of his money. This kind of a guarantee

## Is On All

Purchases from me, and especially on my

## 'Champion' Packet

Which sell at 25c each and

## 150 var. Stamps.

This packet "Champion" is the successor to my famous "Fast Mail" which had a big run for two years and is positively the BEST.

Try the "Champion" packet and are not perfectly satisfied that it is more than a quarter, return and get your money back.

It contains a varied assortment of U. S. and foreign postage and a few more so put up that no two packets will be exactly alike.

N. B. My customers who are appreciative of my "Fast Mail" will find the "Champion" even more valuable.

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Nearly everyone in Hawaii collects stamps.

Great Britain's watermark CC means Crown Colony; CA, Crown Agency.

Spanish hole punched stamps were used in the telegraph service and not for postage.

In 1899 the unused Agriculture set was offered for sale for \$3.50; Executive, \$10, State, \$1.50 and War \$1.

Swiss locals were issued by mountain hotel proprietors to frank letters to be carried to the nearest post office.

A Cuban peso is worth only \$.932 in U. S. money. For this reason the U. S. stamps had to be surcharged for use on the Island.

In 1839 Italy issued 15, 25 and 50 cent stamps for the prepayment of letters. The plan was not a success and was withdrawn in 1836.

Representations on the 1875-9 U. S. paper stamps are as follows; 1-10 Cent; 12-96, Justice; \$1.92 Ceres; \$2.00, Victory; \$6, Clio; \$9, Minerva; \$12, Vesta; \$24, Peace; \$36, Commerce; \$60, Hebe; \$60, Minnehaha.

The inverted  $\text{H I}$  on U. S. 2c postage are extensively counterfeited in Italy.

All the Newspaper stamps sold by the government in sets to collectors were on watermarked paper.

The Lady McLeod steamship line used their stamps to prepay postage between Port of Spain and San Fernando, Trinidad.

Burele refers to a fancy colored network printed on the face or back of the stamps as a protection against forgery; Venezuela and Mexico being good illustrations.

Of the 10 ore Sweden, 1889, surcharged on the 12c blue, 1,957,000 were made and on 24c orange, 204,000. Of the official stamps surcharged, 201,000 on the 12 ore and 144,000 on the 24c were issued. Of the envelopes 88,000 were surcharged.

M. de Velayer established a penny-post in Paris in 1658, placing boxes at the street corners to receive letters. These were franked by pasting slips around them marked "Post Paid the—day of—1653." These slips were sold in various parts of the city.

7c vermilion 1870-71

Cat. at 50c

Price with year's sub. 40c

Without sub., 30c.

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Canada's 2c postage rate was adopted Jan. 1, 1899.

In 1894 a block of four \$1 Columbians sold for \$25.45 in a Chicago auction.

Look this paper over and if you like it subscribe, you will not get another sample very soon.

The official spelling of our new islands is Puerto Rico and 1½ million stamps have been ordered for use there.

The Greek Cross cancellation on the Hawaii stamps means that they were used to pay duty on opium.

It is said that the students of the Theological University of Louraine, Belgium, were the first to begin stamp collecting, in about 1850.

The Philadelphia mint in December of last year coined 50,000 dollars called the Lafayette dollars. They will be sold at \$2 each the proceeds to defray part of the expense of a monument to be erected in Paris in honor of the French hero.

Grille is the breaking of the paper fibres in the stamps to allow the cancellation ink to absorb into it, thus preventing washing. The U. S. used it from 1867 to 1870. It was done by embossing a network of small squares into each stamp.

Tete-beche, a French term, is applied to a stamp printed upside down on the sheet, caused by a die being wrong inserted in the plate.

The first commemorative issue was the Centennial envelopes by the U. S. in 1876. This custom was not generally adopted until after Great Britain issued the jubilee set and Rolland Hill the envelope in 1890.

Die A of the 2c red 1899 envelope has 39 points in the inner frame and 73 in the outer. Die B has 41 and 73. In die A the bust points to first notch of the inner edge and in die B to the middle of the second. Die A is the scarcest.

The rare die A, 2c green 1887 envelope lacks a cross on the letter G in the front neck-point points between the 3rd and 4th tooth from the bottom of the inner edge, and has 72 notches (as compared with 67 as in die B) in the outside edge.

Don't be too particular about buying slightly damaged rare stamps at low prices. They can be mended and a good appearance is made and being those ugly blank spaces they help out towards the purchase of other specimens later on.

The 5c and 10c 1847 U. S. stamps were counterfeited by the government. The original plates had been destroyed when a complete set was desired for exhibition at the Centennial, new plates were engraved. These are called "reprints" in the catalogue but they were used for postage and are really complete. A reprint is a printing from the original plates after the series had become obsolete.

Lewis Metcalf sent us a stamp is-  
the Philippine Insurgents and a  
reprinting a letter from the Phil  
containing this interesting note  
ing the stamp: "Enclosed you  
a sheet of insurrection postage  
captured at Indang. The general  
about 5,000 sheets of them to  
saving only one sheet to send in  
official report. I burnt all ex-  
cept three sheets. We destroyed the  
press and plates from which they were  
printed."

Lead paper has parallel lines in its sub-  
stance. Wove has a smooth even sub-  
stance. Pelure, is a very thin wove.  
Porous is loose wove. Ribbed paper  
shows small corrugated ridges on front or  
back and can best be seen by holding  
the surface of the stamp on a plane to-  
wards a light, on a level with the eye.  
Watermarks are figures or characters  
led into the paper. Bontonne paper has  
watermarked lines about as far apart as  
the lines on writing paper. Quadrille is  
paper having the watermark in squares.

**\$3.25 for 50 cents!**

12c Interior, soft p.  
cut. \$3.00 and year's  
sub. to EXTRACT, a  
spicy monthly, 25c.  
Both only 50 cents.

ic Extract, Eldred, Penn'a.  
Publishers! Insert this adv. to oc-  
cut 1 in. space and send copy for  
our own to be inserted in the Ex-  
change.

# The Guarantee

Of merit, is one in which the pur-  
chaser can return his purchase if  
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of his money. This kind of a last-  
ing guarantee

## Is On All

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on my

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and is positively the BEST.

Try the "Champion" packet and if you  
are not perfectly satisfied that it is worth  
more than a quarter, return and get your  
money back.

It contains a varied assortment of U S  
and foreign postage and a few revenues  
so put up that no two packets will be ex-  
actly alike.

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Eldred, Pa.

We are willing to purchase MSS that is satisfactory. Always state your price and inclose postage.

We wish to correct a transposition in the item on Hawaii stamps on first page of last issue. Of the Red surcharge 1c blue 25,000 were issued and of the 1c green 437,500.

If you received our No. 1 we don't suppose you expected to see us again. It shall be our endeavor to call on you once a month regularly—providing you send a quarter to put your name on the mailing list. This is the last sample copy you will receive.

The proof reading contest on last page should attract your attention and induce you to subscribe. In case of a tie on any premium the date received will determine the winner so send in your answer and sub. NOW. An error is a misplaced or inverted character or letter or a wrong font type. An omission we will not count an error.

This issue is sent to different names than were the first numbers and this system will be continued until from the field covered we secure a goodly number of subscribers. If you appreciate our efforts

to make this a magazine of Philately with items of value, and not filled with articles of space filling puffs, press telling how good a contemporary in a few words would express the meaning, extenuated geographical descriptions, etc., subscribe; give us support!

## RECEIVED.

APRIL. Philatelic Chronicle; says Director Vaile of the Manila post informs the philatelic public that the age due stamps of the Philippine will be sold with pen cancellation to one remitting their face value. . . . Jap stamps of the new issue have been charged with two small Japanese characters for use in Chinese ports held by Japs.

Stamp Exchange; a quarterly of pages, Most of the reading column of advertising notes were which 'tis said that 'Advertising band wagon that leads the business session. [Toot your horn in the TRACT—ED.]

Adhesive. Samuel Jory's article Chili says the 'Multado' (unpaid stamps have been withdrawn because post-letters were coining money to such extent that not one-tenth of the stamps were legitimately used. The 1895 a facsimile of a handstamp, were exclusively in Valparaiso. The second issue could be obtained in any 'made to order' either stamped stamped, by applying to the post and of course paying for them. On the appearance of the last general use all over the country,

Continued on 6th page.

# Public Order of Masons.

Organized April 1, 1899.

25 cents. Dues 25c per quarter.

Quarters begin 1st of Feb.,

May, Aug., and Nov.

Remember that if dues are not paid by

you do not advance until paid, and

(on 15th) 5c extra is charged.

B. G. MCFALL, S C P O M, Eldred, Pa.

(Open to all members) Suprs-

..... S E Moisant, Kankakee, Ill

Collection..... D J Rielly, Jr.,

220 E Parkway, Brooklyn, N Y

..... J W Sells

..... G. L. Smith, Limestone, N. Y.

..... H A Chapman

..... not yet elected

..... Under the management of the

..... S C P O M

..... and appointments

..... of those attaining the degrees in ac-

..... cordance with the Rules.

Five members nearest advancement are

2, 5, 7, 10,

Three members advance to the first de-

gree this month.

In this issue will be found the ballot

for the election of Supts, for the coming

year. Full instructions for casting your

vote is thereon and it is your duty to fol-

low them and vote for those whom have

shown their activity for the advancement

of the Order

A statement of the financial record of

the year is herewith presented. Dur-

ing the year we have secured a firm

standing among the Philatelic societies

of the country. That we have an Order

of Philatelists has been demon-

strated by the fact that not a single com-

plaint has resulted in our business relations.

And slowly but steadily our first

and earnest members But little

has been experienced in the collecting

of stamps while many societies cannot

overcome this difficulty the P O M has proven her sterling quality by the promptness of her members. Promotion rewards this promptness while the rules shift out the delinquents. No society can stand supported by a few who in their promptness try to elevate the cause by boosting up a long list of delinquents. The P O M does not carry these kind of members along to keep its membership list large. An imposing structure built upon a weak foundation is more apt to fall than is a hut built upon a rock. Along these lines the P O M will win the merited goal and place itself with the cooperation of its members, upon the pedestal of Philatelic honor and surety. We want honest, active Philatelists and all reading this are requested to join.

## FINANCIAL REPORT, P O M

Year Ending Mar. 31, 1900.

Dr.

Printing 2m circulars....	\$8 00
" stationery.....	3 75
" 1200 new cir.....	3 50
" Contest cir.....	75
A. P. Official Paper.....	82
Premium 1st Contest.....	2 00
Postage and adv.....	12 75
Premiums to new mem....	3 65
10 p c to S C P O M.....	1 77 36 99

Cr.

Loan Fund B. G. McFall	20 00
In. Fees and Dues.....	17 74 37 74

Liabilities.

Loan.....	20 00
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Resources.

Bal in Fund.....	75
21 mem. in good standing.	

Attest: B. G. MCFALL, S C P O M

Don't forget to vote.

Reports for the various departments should be in by the 20th for publication in the June issue.

Members! Dues for quarter beginning May 1 are due and should be in by the 10th to retain perfect standing.

Members wishing to offer premiums to induce applicants to use blanks sent by them may have same published free. Get to work.

#### NEW MEMBERS.

Age in ( ). Credit to member's no. following.

- 24—R. C. Robinson, (16)—1  
1209 Grand Ave. Kansas City, Mo  
25—Frank Hartley, (18) El Paso,  
Texas.—18  
26—G. R. Campbell, (35)  
38 Everett St., Charlestown,  
Mass.—6.

#### SUSPENDED.

- 3 E. A. Norton  
4 I. C. Richardson.

Expelled Aug. 1 if not reinstated before.

#### RESIGNED.

15 H. Thompson, Accepted May 1  
Next new member receives this number.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

- 11 S. H. Barnes, Marcelline, Mo.

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10c green, 1855-60,

Cat. at 35c

Price with year's sub. 35c

Without sub., 20c.

RECEIVED.

ters excelled in disposing of their to collectors. This did not last matter was reported to headquarters the stamps were peremptorily retired circulation. [And these remained five million, have been sold to special by the Director of the Treasury—

Evergreen State Philatelist. quotes that the 1 novice lilac Bosnia is an error of color and was put into actual use. They were cancelled with blue pencil marks and the government to an Austrian 'Era' says that 786 cancelling were in use last year in the various offices in the country, 450 being the American Postal Machine Co. ton..... A new service insigna carrier department may be adopted length of service being denoted by on the sleeves of the coat. One star for five years' service; two one red for fifteen, two for twenty silver for twenty five, two for thirty gold for thirty-five, and two for There are 29,615 miles of steam service in the U. S., 19,461 miles in Alaska, 1871 miles in Florida 1106 miles in Washington. The service costs nearly three times as the Alaskan..... The Northern Mutual Life Ins. Co., of Milwaukee \$55,643.49 worth of war tax last year..... The Editor says that the best postoffice building in the U. S. in the world, is that in Virginia. It receives two mails daily except It is in the form of a piano box long, 5 feet high and 3 feet wide. "box equipment" consists of five drawers.



# BARGAIN.

12c Interior, Soft Paper, unused,

Cat. Value \$3.00

With Years Sub. 50c.

## P O M BALLOT, 1900.

ATTORNEY:

D. J. Rielly, Jr. ....

LIBRARIAN:

G. L. Smith .....

ISA C. Holt. ....

DESCRIPTION & ADVERTISING

Freymond Babcock. ....

EDITOR:

W. Sells. ....

R. Friedman. ....

SIGNED

### —INSTRUCTIONS.—

Vote for one for each office, mark a cross (x) after the name voted for. Sign and place ballot in an envelope, seal, mark "P O M BALLOT" across the left end of the envelope, direct to

C. W. SLACK, G P O M

Attica, N. Y.,

and mail not before the 1st nor after the 10th of May and put no other communication in the envelope.

..... P O M No. ....

this....day of May, 1900

# No X Rays Needed

To find typographical errors in the article. They are here, some of them are rather obscure, so to see what kind of critics our readers we will give to the first one sending a quarter for a year's subscription to this paper with this page returned with all the errors marked.

Hawaii 5c blue, 1859, Scoti's No. 21, Cat. at \$5.00

2od list, Argentine, ,, ,, 8, ,, ,, 2.50

3rd list, 25c rev. **Protest** sides imp. Cat. 2

4th list, 1c rev. blue and black cat. 75c

5th list, 10c yellow 1869 cat. 75c

6th list, 6c blue Prop. cat. 60c

7th list 1c Express p p cat. 50c.

## OFFER CLOSES MAY 31st.

If on that date no complete lists have been received the premium will be given according to the nearness of answers; nearest list receives first premium, and so on. If two have the same numbers of errors marked the date received will declare the winner,

Names of the winners will be published in July **EXTRACT**.

Don't put this aside as containing any catches for these premiums will positively be given.

Fill these out.      Date MAY.....      No ERRORS.....

NAME:.....

ADDRESS.....

# PHILATELIC EXTRACT,

Eldred, Pe



# The Philatelic Extract.

The Essence of the Science,

Official Journal of

## Philatelic Order of Masons,

The Strength of Philately lies in the Confidence of Philatelists in Philatelists.

VOL. I

JUNE-JULY 1900,

NO. 3

Dan Vasca de Gama in whose honor Portugal issued sets of stamps for her own and colonies' use in 1894, was born in Sines, Portugal, December 24, 1460. He loved the sea, was brave and educated. He was selected by King Joao to find a southern route to India but before he started this king died and a delay followed. Manoel, the Fortunate, the new king, however favored the plan, fitted out four vessels manned by 160 men, and after giving de Gama letters of introduction to men whom he was likely to meet, he set out on the long journey from Lisbon, July 8, 1497. Many hardships from lack of food, want of water, and lack of resources were encountered by this brave man, but in spite of all these he worked his way around Africa and across the Indian ocean to India. The Arab merchants, seeing the new comer and incited the king of Calicut against him, and he had to sail away out of the harbor, returning to Portugal where he was warmly received. An attempt to colonize later had but few results and he remained in India for nearly 20 years inactive.— He was needed and was called

to make another trip to India, this time by Joao III, and it was his last voyage for death overtook him at Cochin. His remains were brought back to Portugal and buried with great ceremony.

The \$10 black 1898 revenue is bringing full catalogue value for fine copies.

The 1c of 1869 is very much overpriced as they can be bought for 25c of nearly any dealer.

\$1,100 was paid for a 6kr 1856 Austrian Mercury newspaper stamp, in perfect condition, a year ago.

During the coming summer months when the demand is lighter on the stamp market watch out for snags.

Look out for Mexican remainders and don't pay fancy prices supposing them to be worth what the catalog indicates.

About ten and a half million of the 1894-98 issues of Puerto Rico were sold at auction on October 15, 1898. Those of the last set issued that are likely to be scarce are the 4m, 4c, 40c, 60c, 80c, 1p and 2p of which collectors should secure copies now.

# The Philatelic Extract.

A Spicy Monthly in the Interest of Philately.

Subscription 25c per year.

## ADVERTISING RATES.

1 in 25c; 2 in 40c; 3 in 50c  
1/2 page 85c; 1 page \$1.50 2 pages \$2.75.

These prices are for one insertion; 25 per cent. discount on ads. standing for 3 insertions, space by contact, write. No ad. will be inserted unless cash accompanies copy. P O M members are entitled to 10 per cent. discount on these rates.

Address, B. G. McFALL, S C P O M,  
Eldred, Pa.

In buying an unused stamp of a foreign country look up in your coin table and see how much its face value is in U. S. coin. A 1,000 reis of Brazil is worth but 30c in our money; Portugal's 1,000 reis, \$1, while the pence of Great Britain and colonies is worth nearly 2c.

With this issue we also mail to some a copy of No. 2 that they may see what the regular size contains. The July and August numbers will be issued as one about August 1, owing to lack of time and because of hot weather. With the beginning of the fall season you may look for many improvements.

## RECEIVED.

MAY. Perforator. C. T. Reno begins his History of the P. S. A. He says the A. P. A. generated the S. of P. because of excessive dues which kept the younger collectors out. He then says that this later society, forgetting the very reason for which they had organized inserted a clause in their constitution requiring the President to be at least 21 years old. This was unfair to all concerned (If we remember correctly C. W. Kissenger was the ALL concerned) \* \* \* a gross piece of ruthless and indefensible inconsistency

Animated by nothing (?) more sincere to serve the society (C. W. the P. P. too) Clifford W. K. was presented as a candidate for the office. Mr. K. was but eighteen years of age (look up this item in the P. P. time again Friend Reno) and was allowed to be a candidate. [Why NOT the executive officer he old to transact the society's business LY? If the constitution which all to upon joining, debarred Mr. K. it a 'gross inconsistency' that the stitution was enforced? What an incorporated P. S. of A., do MISRE present that? Plain questions Friends just to help make these plain.—Ed

W. L. Doak, Pearl, O., offers a subscription to the Ohio Philatelic applicants to the P O M using blank by him.

## Philatelic Order of M

Organized April 1, 1898.  
Initiation 25 cents. Dues 25c per

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B. G. McFALL, S C P O M, Eldred

DEPTS. (Open to all members)  
Auction.....S E Moisan, Kane  
Fraud & Collection....D J Rielly, Jr.,  
2260 E Parkway, Brook  
Information & Examination....J W S  
Librarian.....G. L. Smith, Limestone  
Subscription & Advertising....H A C  
Rocky

Benefit.....not  
Sales.....Under the management  
Exchange.....S C P O M  
Contest.....and appointments  
Secret.....of those attaining the degree  
Investment.....cordiance with the

This month we chronicle our  
foreign member of the Order. M

er the interests of the P O M  
land. He is obliging and  
changing, prompt and will be  
near from brother members.  
month to get a reply.

S: That the following ad-  
have been made dating from  
each, and that same are now  
ed to all privileges of said degrees:

G P O M

E. Molant, May 5, 1900

R. Friedman, May 21, 1900

C P O M

W. Slack, May 7, 1900

Approved: B. G. McFALL, S C P O M

ve members nearest degrees, 7, 10,  
2, 6

NEW MEMBERS.

In ( ). Credit to member's no. following.

R. T. Seymour, (15) Attica, N. Y.-9

R. J. Boone, (13) " "

Warren Spann, (11) " "

(Take No. of H. Thompson, resign)

W. H. Clarke, (23) Ye Aroha,  
Auckland, New Zealand.

SUSPENDED.

E. A. Norton.

I. Richardson.

illed Aug. 1 if not re-instated before.

Illustration of the benefits of the P  
is shown in the advancement of Bro  
has been a member of the Or-  
a year paying in dues to the  
In return he receives a  
with \$2.50. Besides this he is  
the beginning of a series of  
which greater benefits are  
Philatelists are invited to  
these facts, investigate these  
to join the P O M. Do  
recognize the fact that the \$3.00  
in Contest No. 2 were very  
Get in line on No. 3.

A circular and application blank is sent  
to many with this issue and you are re-  
quested to join. Your attention is called  
to the paragraph referring to the rapid ad-  
vancement of Bro. G. W. Slack, to the  
2nd degree, C P O M. What he has done  
others can do, and many who have a  
large correspondence can do even better  
for he has secured none but acquaintances.

**NOTICE!** For members who are  
unable to secure new members for ad-  
vancement a time advancement has been  
adopted. To illustrate: After the Pri-  
mary Year, every G P O M who is not  
delinquent for 2 years will be advanced  
to the 2nd degree, receiving the prem-  
ium worth \$2 50. C P O M after 1 year;  
H P O M, 4 years; B P O M, 2 years. In  
this form a way is provided for the young  
members and for others having not the  
time to work for new members. Re-  
member that the premiums of the degrees  
just as listed on circular no matter in  
what manner your advancement is made,  
are given to all,

ATTICA, N. Y., May 29, 1900.

B. G. McFALL, S C P O M,

Dear Brother,

Your favor of the 28th inst with \$1.00  
Columbian as premium in the Second Degree of  
the P O M received today. The premium is as  
fine a specimen of this scarce stamp as it would  
be possible to obtain, and is in every way satis-  
factory.

Too much cannot be said of the efficient man-  
ner in which the P O M is managed. The Sales  
& Exchange depts. have not only proved a bene-  
fit to me, but to several others in this locality  
who have within the past year became members  
of this Order, and who one and all express them-  
selves as eminently pleased with the results ob-  
tained by them through their membership in the  
P O M.

Yours truly,

C. W. SLACK, C P O M

# Department Notices.

## SALES & EXCHANGE DEPTS.

Bal. last report.....	\$254.83
21 books ent. dur. quar.	176 94 431 77
24 books retired yal.....	234 73
Balance .....	197 04
Sales for quar.....	44 51

No more books will be accepted if high prices are made. List books at \$5 or over. Don't send trash.

## INVESTMENT.

Sales .32, less com. and costs leaves 14c for dividend, plus .02 from last quarter, .16, there are 18 shares this will have to remain undivided until the next quarter Value of stamps now in \$7.46 with 56c on hand for investment.

Sales in this dept. were small because of the stamps being in books not much circulated.

## CONTEST DEPT.

Mrs. J. E. George, 27 words,  
F. W. Smith, 22 words,

Exclamations, prefixes, etc., were counted. Only the two lists were ed, both of which could have been beaten as there are at least 40 easy which spell both ways. Members keep their eyes open to these contests.

**CONTEST NO. 3.** To the securing the most new members November 1 will receive \$2 00.

The Contest No. 3, now on, attracts the attention of all members prize in no ways interferes or less value of the premiums which are in the degrees. As will be seen by ing to the report of Contest No. 2 the premiums were won as you want a draft for \$2 now is the begin work. Notice is hereby given those desiring circulars and blanks send 5c to pay postage on same. say how many are wanted and be judiciously.

# Happy Days Watch Coupons WANTED.

I will give 8c each from discount sheets, 4c from net  
or pay 3c in cash for every coupon.  
Write me if you have any, I will give  
value for them.

B. G. McFall, - - - - Eldred