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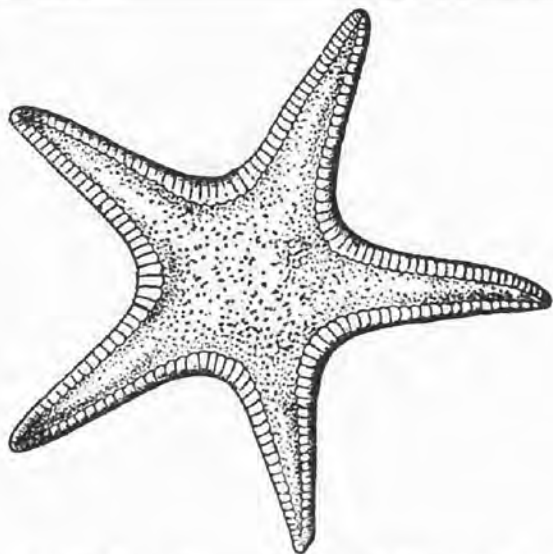
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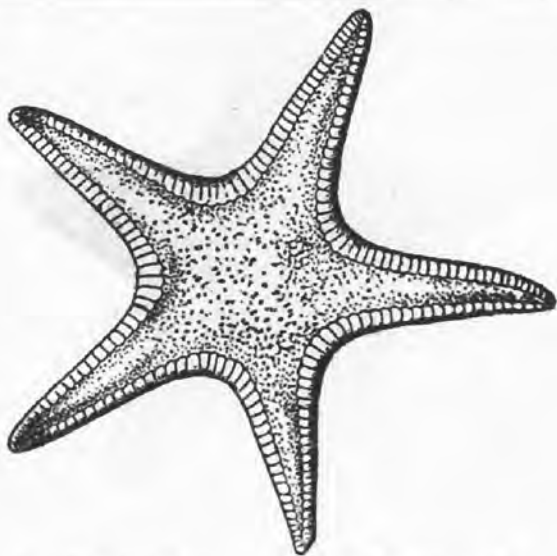
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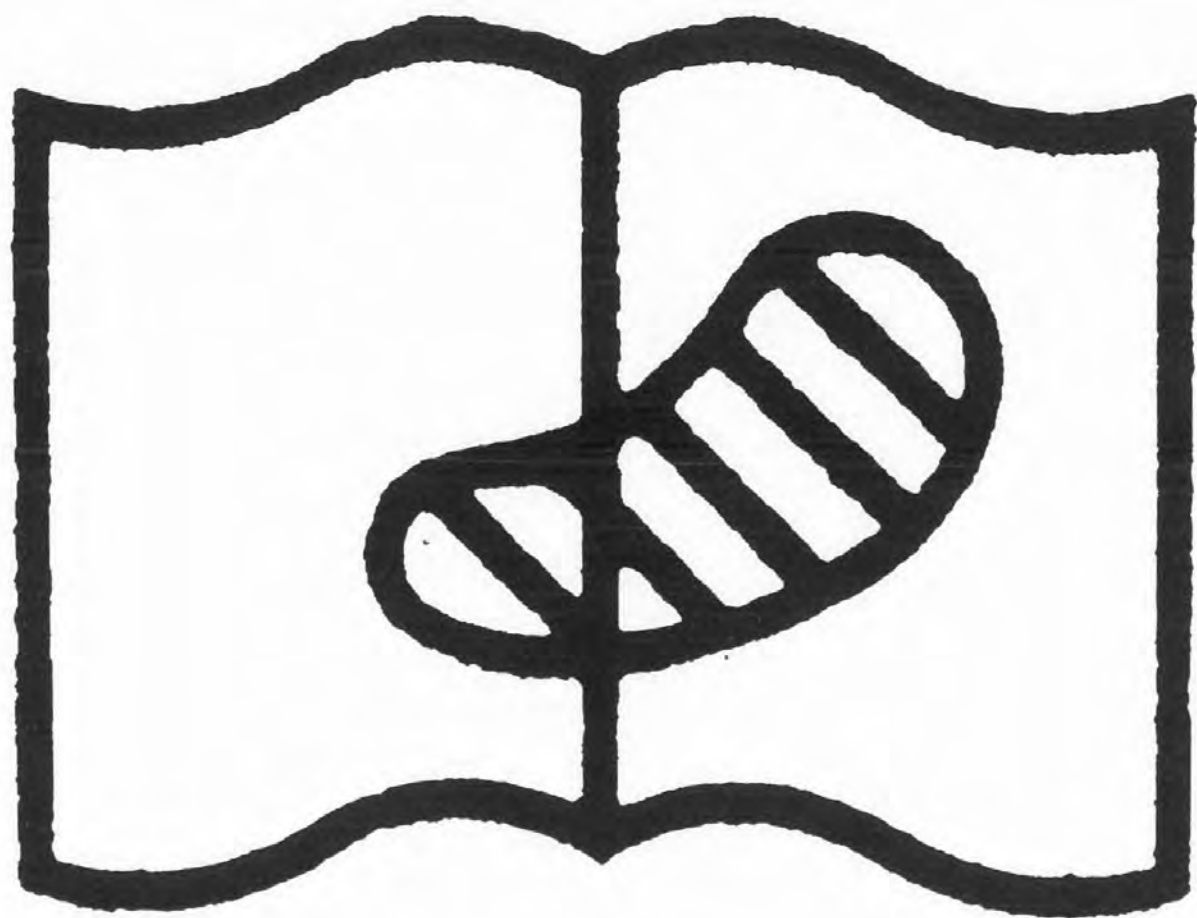
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the sea shore have seen specimens of the common five finger thrown upon the beach, and perhaps passed it by as not worthy of notice, yet there is sufficient material in a star fish to fill a large volume.

It is a very innocent and helpless looking creature, yet this same fel-

low has probably devoured countless numbers of edible molluscs, and has likely excited the anger of many a fisher man.

The star fish is a terrible foe to molluscs, and although its body is soft, and it is destitute of any jaws or levers, yet it is able to devour even



MAMMOTH STAR FISH.

the tightly shut bivalves however firmly they may close their shells.

This feat the star fish accomplish in a very simple and easy manner as nature has supplied them with a secretion which is very poisonous to molluscs and the contact of which renders them helpless.

Star fish are very tenacious of life and may be cut in two or three pieces which instead of killing it only makes that number of star fish, each piece rapidly puts forth new rays and after a time each piece develops into a perfect star fish.

Star fish are of all colors tints and

shells and many are really beautiful when nicely cleaned and thoroughly dried make very handsome specimens. The illustration on first page represents one of the most popular varieties found on the Pacific coast. The illustration on the opposite page represents the Mammoth star from the Bahamas.

There are a great variety of star fish. I have seen six different and distinct kinds in a radius of less than 100 feet square in the upper waters of Engel Sound.

F. C.

NOTES ON UNITED STATES LAND SHELLS.

BY W. F. WEBB.

Under so broad a title I can only hope to give the general collector a little idea of what Land Shells are found in our large country, and not pretend to give any minute descriptions.

There are about 500 species of Land Shells in the United States. The largest number of species are found in the more temperate latitude rather than the far north, or the very warm southern portions.

Beginning the list, as they are now classified, there is one species of *Cerionopoma*, a small shell about 1-2 inch, being a straggler from the Bahamas, found in South Florida. The same applies to one species of *Chenopoma*. There are five species of

Truncatella, a small spiral shell about 1-4 to 3-8 inch. Four species of *Helicina*, a small solid shell about 1-4 inch high.

Next follows 8 species of *Helix* shells that are really foreigner's but at some time in the past have been introduced here, like the English Sparrow and have obtained a good foothold.

They include three species of true *Helix*, 2 species of *Higromia* and 3 of *Helicina*, the latter two are sub-genus, being included under *Helicidae*.

The next 34 species and its varieties, are strictly western and southern forms, being found from Washington to the southern part of California, and a few from Arizona and New Mexico, they are mainly what are now called *Epiphragmophora*, and are our prettiest Land Shell.

They run from 1-2 to 1 1-2 inches in breadth and are many of them beautifully banded, like the forms of Austria and middle Europe. In fact some of them are very close to Tyrol, Austria forms of *Helices*.

Then follows a form of *Cepolis* (*Helix*) from the Bahamas now living in South Florida, one species of *Acanthinula*, a very minute shell, but pretty under the microscope.

Nos. 55 to 62 in Check list, are minute forms of *Helix*, not much over 1-16th of an inch wide. They are pretty shapely specimens, however under the lens.

Nos. 63 to 63. *Turanophora*, are small to minute forms of *Helix*, of

very thin and fragile structure. They are mainly from our extreme Southern border, mainly in Texas.

Nos. 71 to 156 are now all included under the great family *polygyra*, a family nearly all of whose representatives are from the U. S. A few are found in Mexico and Cent' America and in the Bahama Islands. They are mostly of a brownish to a horn color, and vary from 1-4 inch to considerable over an inch in diameter.

They are practically all found east of the Rockies and no part of this territory is without some representatives of this great group. They are of great interest owing to curious forms.

Nos. 157-158 and 159 are a small group found mainly in Idaho and California, called *Polygyrella*. They are closely allied to the *Polygyras*.

Nos. 160 to 178a, represent a variety of groups as follows. *Bulimulus* and *Drymaeus*, being shells that range from 1-2 to 1 1-2 inches and are found mainly in Texas and other southern states. *Oxytla* and *Lignus* are found in Florida and in suitable localities can be found so thick that a quart measure could be filled off a single tree. They run 1-2 to 2 inches long and climb up the trees to feed on the green leaves. These two groups are confined to warm and tropical climates.

Urocoptis, *Macroceramus*, and *Holospira* are small shells about 1-8 inch wide to 1-2 or 3-4 inch long, composed of many whorls, and various

forms. They are exclusively southern forms along the U. S. border, and are in a large measure stragglers from warmer climates to the south.

Cerion, of which there is one species and its variety is only found in South Florida, and really belongs in the Bahama fauna, where at least 100 species have been described.

From 188 to 241 are included what forms of Pupa we have in the U. S. They are now divided up into groups called *Rissidaria*, Pupa proper and *Vertigo*. All are small, none being over 1-8 of an inch long, and some not over 1-16 to 1-32 of an inch.

They are really handsome and interesting species, and exactly mimic the much larger forms from Europe and the East Indies.

No. 242 to 245 include some small spiral shells called *Opeas*. They are really natives of the West Indies.

Rumina decollata is also a West India form, as well as *Caecilicopa acicula*, *Cochlicopa lubrica*, and its variety. The *Glandinas* of which

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Mrs. Q. E. Gingrich,
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there are 5 species and varieties are mainly Texan and Fla. range from 1 to 2 inches long, and are fine specimens of their kind. 254 to 330 include the small Zonitoid forms of shells, found among rotten wood, and under leaves in the woods. They as a rule have a simple sharp lip, and are greenish to whitish and reddish color and are found over the entire continent. They are divided into groups called Circularia, Omyhalios, Vitri-zonites, Vitrina, Vitrea, Conulus, Zanitoides, Gastrodonta and Pristionoma. No. 336 to 355 include the American Slugs, a form of Land Animal devoid of any shell proper, but whose entire anatomy is in close affinity with the Land shells, that do not have an external shell. They are classed as Naked molluscs and are found over the entire continent.

No. 361 to 378 include the Pryamula group that is found largely in Idaho, Utah, and from there west. The Helicodiscus found in the East and the Punctum that are found in all the states. The last two groups being small to minute.

379 to 401 are a class of land shells found in moist and wet places, ranging in size from 1-8 to 1-4 inch, whose shell is very thin and delicate.

This concludes the entire list, showing 401 good species to which are added about 100 varieties. The numbers used are from my new check list, which I shall be glad to mail to any one who would be interested in same for a two cent stamp. We shall be

pleased to identify any land shells, and if desired in some later number will give full directions for collecting. W. F. Webb, Albion, N. Y.

BOYS AND GIRLS Prize letter DEPARTMENT.

We received several nice letters from boys and girls for this issue, but for lack of space can give only the one that won the prize.

Dear Editor.

When I received a sample copy of The Curio Exchange I knew in a moment it was just the paper I wanted. I have a beautiful shell in my collection. I would like to learn the name. It is like a snail shell, about six inches long - gray with brown spots, all covered with fluted ruffles, each lined with a lovely pink. We have a Chinese Gin Pot and bowl which were brought from China years ago.

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Leland Colman. (age 9 years).

We expect to enlarge this department next issue. Send in your letters. Prize, a nice collection of sea shells.

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Many fine lists of subscribers received from club raisers. Largest so far received was from Mrs. E. J. Parr Pendleton, Ore., who sent us a list of thirty.

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SCALLOP

The scallop is a very pretty shell. This shell fish is a bivalve of the genus pectan, often used for food. These shells occur in abundance on the coast of Palestine, and were formerly worn by the Pilgrims as a mark that they had been to the Holy Land.

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Dear Editor:—

Received your paper and the shells yesterday. I like the paper very much, especially the exchange column and the prize letters. I have a piece of Indian money in my collection which is a cone shaped shell with a small hole on top and black stripes on the sides. It is about one half inch high and two inches in circumference. I have a small collection of Indian arrowheads, shells and minerals but would like to exchange my arrow heads for shells.

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— Ohio Philatelist.

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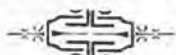
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Coin Department.

Conducted by A. P. Wylie.

To the readers of The Curio Exchange, The management of this Magazine desire to give their numismatic friends a department and have asked me to edit it. We therefore take charge assuming that all interested in coins will give us their support, write us about your collections why you began, whether you collect everything or specialize, etc.

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Payson, Arizona, 5-2-'01.

Dear Editor:—

My curios are nearly all surface finds; as all bones and fine curios are buried so deep that it is impossible for me to get down to them: but fine skulls, bones and stone implements have been excavated in nearly all parts of the Territory.

My most cherished possession in the curio line, is an almost perfect skull of large dimensions, which was found, along with the rest of the bones, on the floor of a cliff dwelling; it is supposed to be the skull of an Apache Indian who crawled there to die of wounds inflicted by the soldiers.

I have fine red stone, volcanic glass, and different colored flint arrow-heads of various shapes; fragments of beautifully decorated pottery in red and yellow, and black and white; supposed to be prehistoric, also odd blue and white bone beads supposed to have been worn by the vanished race.

I have fossil shells, fossilized leaves and branches of trees found near here; petrified wood and pitch, prehistoric iron, sea shells with holes in them, which I dug up along with the skeleton of a child supposed to have been worn as a necklace.

I have pure rock salt which came from a salt mine near here, it is of a deep violet color, and is much admired, looking as it does like some large precious stone.

The Apache paint rock is what the Indians used to paint their faces with before they started on their bloody raids through the country.

My collection of Arizona diamonds is very fine; they are beautifully cut by nature's hand; quantities of them may be found adhering to the limestone cliffs.

I have about thirty metal rocks, these are rocks that were used by the Indians who occupied the ruins here. to grind corn for bread, they are of various shapes and colors, round and oblong, white and black, etc.

That is about all of my specimens that I know the names of, so will stop for this time.

Hoping this letter will be of interest to the readers of your useful little magazine. I am respectfully Mrs. Edna M. Lawson.



Centralia, Kansas, 5-11-'01

Dear Editor:—

I have received several copies of "The Curio Exchange" and enjoy them very much.

I have been for several years collecting Geological and Conchological specimens. Have about 180 varieties and prize them very highly. Have Indian arrow heads, coral, and many strange petrifications, shells from Cuba, Florida, Philippines and the California coast. Most Cordially

A. McCull

Apr. 25, 1901.

Curio Exchange,

Dear Editor:-

I just received April issue of The Curio Exchange. I take two other papers, but like yours best, and think this No. far better than former issues.

I have been collecting Indian relics for about two years, and now have 200 perfect arrows; from Indiana, Ohio, and Va. I have 19 bird points and war points, also 27 spears from Tenn. and Mo., and ten nice white shells from Ohio. I have one fine polished green granite celt 8 inches long and 3 inches wide; found in Miami Co. Ohio. I also have one polished blue stone skinner, and one fine quartzite bell shape pestel, both taken from an Indian grave in Delaware, Mercer Co., Pa., by myself.

At one time there was an Indian village on my Brother-in-law's farm here and I often find fine arrows, drills and scrapers in the spring when the ground is being ploughed.

I also have one shotgun which was bought from Cuba by a member of Roosevelt's Rough Riders.

I have many other relics too numerous to mention.

I got part of my relics by finding on different farms, and some by exchanging foreign copper coins for them. I always have a lot of coins in exchange for any perfect Indian relics. Yours Truly,

Ernest Ritter, Fredonia, Pa.



Nebraska, Texas, 5-4-1901.

The Curio Exchange,

Dear Editor:-

Received the shells and paper a

few days ago and I like your paper so well I thought I would write you these few lines about my collection.

I have been collecting for many years, and have in my collection about 100 sea shells, moss that came from Galveston; I also have some sea beans, and about 30 arrow points, some of which were found many years ago. I also have about 300 postage stamps from all over the world, and I am also a collector of birds eggs, and would like to exchange some for sea curios. Thanking you for the shells, and trusting your paper will grow in size, I remain

Sincerely George E. Dorge.



We omitted to mention in last No. the name of the prize winner for best letter for this department. The prize was awarded to Miss Florence E. Lawson, Payson, Arizona.

Miss Elma M. Lawson of the same place wins the prize this time.



4-22-1901.

Editor Curio Exchange,

New Kamiehe, Wn.

Dear Mr. Gingrich:-

Your postal came today also the shells; I thank you very much for answering my questions, and more for the prize; I cannot find words to thank you for the lovely collection of shells, which surpassed my expectation a hundred times, and are much nicer than I ever saw before, and it makes me twice as anxious to have a fine collection. I thank you so much for them, and will write another letter soon. Respectfully

Miss F. E. Lawson.

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San Diego, Cal.

HOW many readers of The Curio Exchange have begun an herbarium? If you have not commenced one, begin today—if the sun shines. In collecting herbarium specimens arrange each plant or spray so that it will appear "as pretty as a picture" when dry.

A "specimen" consists of as much as you can place on a sheet of paper 11x16 inches, without crowding; if a tree or shrub, a well selected branch or spray, if a small annual, two or three or more must be placed on one sheet to make a "specimen." When possible, root, foliage, flower and fruit should appear; but it is often necessary to make specimens of flower and fruit at different seasons, which requires separate sheets.

Be sure to preserve with each specimen the date when obtained, the exact locality, and as many notes as possible—color of flower, as it may fade, size of plant, color and character of bark, if tree or shrub, character of root, if not possible to preserve, character of soil, sandy, loamy etc., whether growing in sunshine or shade, and any other facts that the specimen itself cannot tell.

Collect freely, everything wild or cultivated, weeds, and all, and at least five sheets of each kind is desirable. A professional collector will collect fifty of a kind, and you may be glad of that many for exchange.

Do not mix two kinds on one sheet.

Begin a catalogue at once. Number each species to conform with the catalogue, copy all the notes into the catalogue, and preserve the same notes on each label, and you will have started right, and in time possess a valuable collection if you persevere.

Never apply the same number to two or more lots of specimens, even if from the same locality but collected on different date. When in doubt about the names, send sheets numbered to correspond with what you retain, to any botanist—just get his permission—between stout sheets of pasteboard and you will easily get them identified. At the same time begin a library too, and determine the names for yourself whenever you can, and verify names given by others, the best botanists sometimes makes mistakes.

Write us about your troubles, your joys, your finds, and let us become acquainted—perhaps in time a correspondence club may be formed.



A PLANT THAT COUGHS.

The vine called the Coughing bean—*Eutada tuisius*—is a native of moist tropical regions. By accidental transportation of its seeds it has gradually spread to much less congenial spots, especially railroad embankments, where it endures the drouth very well, though its growth is stunted. But there is one thing which it cannot stand, and that is dust.

When the breathing pores become choked with dust the gasses accumulate within the leaves for a time and

then are forcibly expelled in an audible paroxysm of coughing and sneezing, which makes the leaves tremble violently. It is sometimes cultivated as a house plant, and when the floor is swept it is thrown into a violent fit of coughing, much to the astonishment of those not acquainted with its peculiarities.



EDUCATIONAL VALUE OF CURIO COLLECTING.

Curio collecting is becoming more and more popular as the educational value of the practice is becoming better understood.

Some may ask:- wherein does the educational value lie?

I answer, first:- in the knowledge gained of the object itself, whether it be arrowhead, shell, stamp, coin, or what not. There is always something to be learned from every object with which we come in contact and curio collecting not only furnishes the object, but calls especial attention to it.

Secondly:- Different curios must be sought in different countries or in different parts of the same country, and thus geographical knowledge is

gained, not only in regard to political geography, is knowledge gained, but also in regard to physical geography; for upon the climatic conditions and other physical features of the country are the collectors largely dependent for their specimens.

Thirdly:- Upon the relics and curios are we largely dependent for the history of our country and the customs of its people, and the collecting of these relics and curios naturally creates within the collector an interest in history.

The wider the range of his collections the more knowledge there is to be gained.

I think that young people especially should be encouraged in curio collecting, for they will gain knowledge in this way that they will fail to find elsewhere.

It inspires them with a love for the beautiful, the novel and the useful things of this life.

They naturally learn geography in making their collections and also learn to like history, and not only like it, but to study it. Therefore I say, curio collecting is of great educational value and should be encouraged. C. M. D.



PACKETS.

WHEN you have begged from a friend the last stamp he has, when friends seem to have departed, and when your last duplicates for exchanging have become exhausted; then it is that one falls back upon the never-failing source of supply, the packets put up by dealers. It is true they come from year to year with a discouraging quantity of the continentals so common that they have become trash even to the youngest collectors, (I am speaking of the 100 varieties for ten cents, and 500 well mixed for ten cents, packets). But there is always the pleasure of seeking for some hidden treasure among the lot. Collectors who have large collections, the accumulation of years, confess to the same enjoyment in assorting these common lots that the collector with 150 varieties has. One good stamp will often leaven the whole

lot of trash, and mean the difference between satisfaction and discontent to the purchaser.

As the years pass by, the collector who every few months purchases one of these packets, finds new varieties creeping into them, the result of new issues in the larger countries. The old German stamps with the coat of arms, that gave the tone to packets of a few years ago are being displaced by the new Germans with Germania symbolized.

The old 15 centime blue of France, which tinged whole packets an amethyst hue and gave the hopeful collector the blues too, is being replaced by the new type of French stamps. So the packets vary and the collector's interest is kept up in his never-ending search for varieties.

Besides the occasional upturning of a good scarce stamp in the common packets, there is another feature that adds to their interest. Many common stamps from time to time are discovered to have minor varieties of impression or manufacture and the quantities secured in a packet give ample opportunity to search

for these and occasionally amply reward the investigator.

Perhaps you yourself may be the discoverer of such new variety in looking over quantities of stamps. One of the easiest ways of detecting a variety in stamps is to have a number of the same kind spread out before one, when any variance at once attracts the attention and a little study shows the cause of the variance.

You may increase your collection, buy from sheet and become an advanced philatelist and a specialist, but the pleasure in looking over job lots of old or foreign stamps for snags will never leave you.

Therefore, Resolved; that the common packet is one of the greatest means of sustaining the interest of collectors and one of the unfailing pleasures of stamp-collecting.

Chas. E. Jenney.



Philately seems to have a very strong showing at the late Paris exposition. A Chicago newspaper, commenting upon it, says, 'There are collections there whose face-val-

ue is only a few shillings, and which are priced at hundreds of thousands of francs. The larger number of single stamps in the exhibition are valued at 1000 francs (\$200) apiece.

There is a stamp from Baden, dated 1850, valued at 6500 francs: there are two from the Cape of Good Hope, value 8,000 francs apiece; two Cape stamps, 10,000 francs; three from the island of Mauritius, of the first year of the government there, value one penny, valued at 26,000 francs apiece.'



There is some talk that in the next issue of English stamps, the 1d. mauve, will be changed to Royal scarlet or red.



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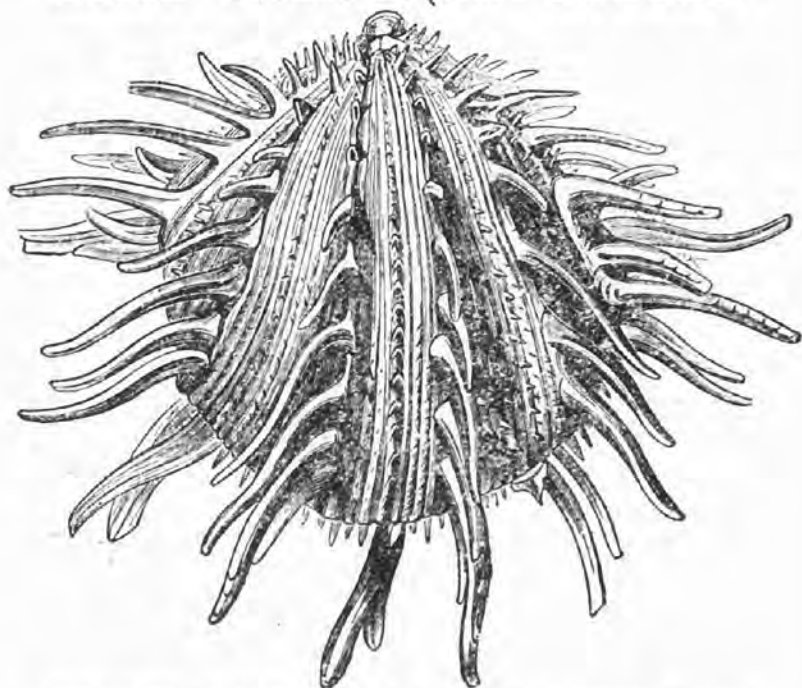
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United States Dimes.

The most interesting and valuable of the United States dimes, or ten cent pieces, is the "Experimental" dime of 1792, usually termed "disme," and the counterpart of the better known 1692 half-disme.

This piece has for obverse the bust of Martha Washington, and was coined from Washington's old silver plate, and intended more as family souvenirs for presentation by Washington to friends. It is of French origin, as far as the designing and the making of the dies are concerned, the word "disme" plainly showing the fact. The legend on the obverse of the 1792 dime is "Liberty Parent of Science and Indus." The reverse side has a small flying eagle surrounded by a wreath. The 1792 dime was struck in two metals, silver and copper; the fictitious value from \$50 to \$100 as to condition and metal. The regular issue of the dimes did not occur until 1796, there was a bill passed by Congress

previous to 1796, ordering an issue of "double dimes" or twenty cent pieces, but nothing of this kind was ever

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shank, excepting perhaps a pattern piece, until 1875 when the twenty-cent piece became a regular United States coin, and continued until 1878 when this coin was dispensed with. The 1796, 1797 and 1798 dimes bore the same designs, with the exception of the number of stars, which varied from thirteen to fifteen. Obverse, bust of Liberty with flowing hair, the legend "Liberty" above, stars upon either side, and beneath the bust the date.

The design on the reverse side of the 1800 dime represented a large spread eagle, and the obverse exhibited a change in the bust from the flowing hair variety to the "Bust Head". The latter design continued until 1809, when the capped head of Liberty, with the word "Liberty" on the cap, appeared, with a smaller eagle on the reverse.

There was no coinage of dimes for the years 1799, 1806, 1808, 1810, 1812, 1813 and from 1815 to 1819 inclusive. The first issues from 1796 to 1820 are respectively in values as follows: 1804, 1800, 1797, 1801, 1796, 1802, 1796, 1811, 1809 and 1806.

In 1820 the dimes reappeared, and continued until 1825 inclusive, the rarest being the 1822. There was no coinage of dimes for 1826, but they were issued regularly after this date to the present time.

The Philadelphia and the New Orleans mints, both coined dimes, the former from the year 1796, and the latter from 1837. In 1837, an important change was made in a portion of the issue; the stars and legend being omitted, and the starless dimes continued during 1837 and 1838, with and without the mintmark "O".

A portion of the half-dimes of these years were also starless. The dimes of the following years, up to and including 1860, bore the stars upon either side of a seated figure of the Goddess of Liberty; the reverse presented the words "One Dime," in two lines, inside of a laurel wreath, which was surrounded with the legend "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA."

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St. Paul, Minn.,

June 24th 1901.

Dear Editor:-

In response to your invitation to collectors to tell your readers something of their collections, I will try and give them some idea of mine.

I have been a diligent collector for a long time, and so have made several collections, one of archaeological relics, one of shells and marine life, one of coins, one of autographs, one of minerals, and one of curios in general. But I have given the greatest attention to my archaeological collection, which now numbers twelve thousand items, of stone, bone, copper, shell, pottery, &c. These relics come from all over America, some from Asia, and some from Europe.

Almost all of these are pre-historic,

With a very few that are "Post-Columbian" or "modern."

In stone relics, I have arrow heads, spear heads, axes, celts, chisels, gouges, tomahawk-blades, daggers, knives, hammers, war clubs, war-club blades, spades, hoes, ceremonial maces, leaf-shaped implements, scrapers, skinners, mortars, pestels, moccasin last, discoidal stones, plummets, rollers, cones, mauls, various ceremonial stones, adzes, drills, awls, rubbing stones, gambling stones, mano-stone, amulets, gorgets, idols, sinkers, slung shots, paint cups, pipes, saws, tubes, "crooks," club-heads, beads, masks, rings, bolas, needles, Egyptian scarabs, Egyptian tiles, and un-named articles.

The stone relics number nearly eight thousand (8,000,) and are of many kinds of stone, including flint, jasper, chalcedony, agate, sand stone, lime stone, trap-rock, slate, jade, obsidian, horn-stone, &c., &c.

My arrow heads include over six hundred (600) of the "gem points" from Oregon, Arizona, California, New Mexico, and many little ones from Japan. My arrows and spears range from one quarter of an inch long, up to eleven inches long.

In copper relics, I have over three hundred (300) specimens, such as spears, arrows, knives, awls, axes, celts, chisels, spuds, fish hooks, sickle, beads, needles, gorgets, spades, bangles, idols, brackets, nose-rings, crescents, &c. &c.

In bone, I have awls, knives, celts, fish hooks, spears, arrows, tubes, scrapers, chisels, human skulls, &c.

In shell, I have beads, anklets, head-dresses, breast-plates, gorgets,

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hair pins, ear rings, masks, ornaments, &c. &c.

I have also a few ancient relics of wood, and ancient baskets, &c.

In ancient pottery, I have about 150 good relics, such as cups, dishes, bowls, water bottles, pipes, idols, lamps, paint cups, beads, perforated discs, rattle, ball, images, discoidals, &c. &c.

Many of the bowls and water bottles are effigies of human beings and beasts, &c.

My shell and marine life collection consists of several thousand specimens, from all over the world. My coins are not very great in number, but about five hundred of them are very old Roman, Greek, Byzantine etc., many being over two thousand years old.

I have not very many autographs.

But my mineral collection is large and fine, including many fine fossils.

And I have quite a number of curios in general, outside of the other collections.

But my letter is already too long, so I must close. Perhaps at another time I may speak more in detail of my curios, and tell you something of my special pets in my collection.

Yours Truly

EDWARD C. MITCHELL.

Fairfield, Ohio.

July 15th, 1901.

Dear Editor:

My favorite collection is that of stamps. I remember well when first I saw one of those "three hundred mixed packets." That one packet, though it did not belong to me, was the cause of my start in

stamp collecting. At first I bought them altogether in packet, but I soon accumulated so many duplicates that I found it necessary to find a few other collector with whom to exchange; and one of these I am pleased to find a reader of your magazine.

Then a well known company sent me a few approval sheets unsolicited.

By this means I found many stamps which I wanted and could not obtain otherwise, but they cost so much more that I soon discontinued it.

Meanwhile in spare hours I would occasionally run on my wheel to some neighbor, an aged person who had had a great deal of correspondence in former years, and look over their old letters and commercial papers.

The first time I went on such an errand I found over a hundred old bank checks with stamps ranging in value from one to ten cents. These I had agreed to sell to a company and divide the profits with the owner; but when I looked at them again, I paid the other party half their value and kept them all myself.

I now have six or seven hundred varieties, chiefly of the United States and other American countries. They are all nicely mounted in an album, and although I am not as active a collector as I was once, yet my collection is my pride, and I would not dispose of it for its cost.

I also have a collection of arrow heads and spear heads. These may be found occasionally here, but are usually broken; and unless an arrow head is very nearly complete, it has no attraction for me. I would prefer one complete one to a dozen pieces.

Yours respectfully, A.F. Shull.

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New Kamilche,

July 6th 1901.

Editor Curio Exchange:-

This month brought us five other Curio papers besides yours, but it is not a case of "six of one and a half a dozen of another" for yours' is the best of the lot, most interesting, best illustrated and all around the best paper.

The shells described being so nicely illustrated each issue fixes the form as well as the name in a busy collector's mind; and I predict your paper will long continue (in Washington at any rate) before it meets the fate of the nutmeg, "which sooner or later meets with the grater."

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Aug. 20th 01.

The Curio Exchange,

Dear Editor:

I received your card and the shell some time ago, the shell is a very pretty one. Thanks for it.

I would have written sooner, but have been very busy.

The Curio Exchange is the best paper I ever used for exchange notice's, I could not take take up half the offers received from last issue.

Since last writing I have received ten pipes, one is only one inch long

and three fourths of an inch wide, and on it is represented the face of an Indian in war paint. Some have lizards carved on them. I have one piece carved from stone, it looks like a little dog with large ears.

I also have a bone awl, and two bone needles. The needles unlike the one's we use, hav the eyes in the center.

Yours Very Truly

Ernest Ritter.

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EDITORIAL.

Thank the Lord, the hot weather is over at last.

Had the temperature been as high here on the Pacific Coast as it was east, we fear there would have been an end to the "Moss Backs."

Another paper lost to Philately, is The Auxiliary Philatelist, which quietly passed away last month.

By consulting front cover page, you will see that we have raised our subscription price to 30c a year. At this price we will be able to give our readers better service.

We will however accept trial subscriptions at 25c per year, and renewals at 15c, until the first of November.

Mr. F. E. Barth of Seattle Wash., acting General Secretary of the American Society of Young Scientists, is thinking seriously of organizing a new society, to be called, The Pacific Coast Curio Club, with The Curio Exchange for Official Organ.

The Editor of this paper would be pleased to hear at

once from all in favor of such an organization, and if enough interest is manifested by our readers, the society will be started and organized at once.

All in favor "holler I!" on a postal card right-a-way-quick!

E. C. Mitchell wins in the Prize Letter contest this time.

STAMPS

The publishers of this paper are not stamp dealers, and do not intend to become such, but having been offered a lot of very fine packets at a bargain, we purchased them, and will now give our readers the advantage of our bargain.

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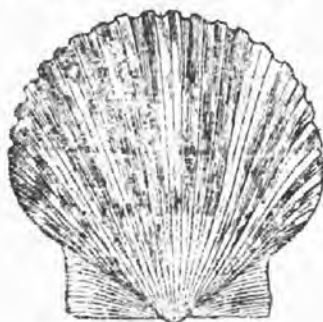
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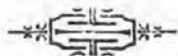


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R.D. Hay, Winston, N. C.

I will X stamps for a button with picture of State Seal, or picture of candidates for governor of the different states. Write. Roy B. Clark, O.F.N. Wolverine, Mich.

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There are numbers of varieties of the dimes, such as 'over dates,' large and small dates, etc.

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SOME ADVICE TO YOUNG COLLECTORS.

Advice from one collector to another as to what to collect and what not to, is sometimes regarded as entirely uncalled for. I recognise this fact and have myself often advocated each collector gathering just what most pleases himself. Still a collector of twenty years standing, in looking back over philatelic history, may have something to say to beginners that will benefit them in maintaining their interest in the hobby and securing the most enjoyment from it.

There are three things I would advise a young collector to do: The first is COLLECT REGULAR GOVERNMENT ISSUES. In this I think most older collectors will agree with me. I mean, stick to the regular postal issues and leave alone varieties, errors, shades and oddities. It may seem strange that I who have written so much about the side lines of collecting should advocate this, but I am not inconsistent for the other articles were written for advanced collectors or at least those who for lack of new material were liable to

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lose their interest temporarily in philately. The printed International albums are one of the best guides for a beginner, although even into these creep some not strictly authoritative outputs. Until after you have 2500 varieties in your collection leave alone shades, errors, perforations and all the numerous varieties that specialists go into. Do not long for inverted Buffalo stamps or the peculiarly spelled surcharges of countries dominated by a philatelic printer. Of course if such come your way at no expense you may either save them or better still trade them for some more desirable standard issues.

COLLECT OLD ISSUES. This advice in these latter days will be contested by some collectors, of what I may call the new school. They advocate collecting the bright new issues as they come out, keeping up to date and affirming that they increase in value more rapidly than the old issues. This is only partly true; up to a certain extent they do, but not in the long run. They even go so far some of this new school as to collect only stamps issued since 1890 or 1900.

But stick to the old issues. They are growing scarcer every day, especially the common ones which are not guarded so carefully as the rare ones.

If you do not secure them while they are common, some day you will wake to the fact that the despised has become scarce and have to pay well for what once you threw away.

Don't let the bright and gaudy new issues deceive you. Their colors will not last like some of the stamps now fifty years old and no better engraving is done to-day than on the earliest

issues. Do our Buffalo stamps equal the 1869 issue either in beauty of design or excellence of engraving? Not by a long ways. And the ordinary current set with its aniline colors will be very insignificant when compared with our first issues, twenty years from now.

COLLECT POOR SPECIMENS WHEN BETTER CAN NOT BE HAD.

This advice will raise a howl from the vast majority of collectors, because for many years they have had the contrary advice poured upon them from every stamp paper published. Some collectors have earned their fastidiousness in this matter to a point that seems almost insanity even to a confirmed crank. Collectors should remember that the great majority of stamps as they come to hand after service in the mails are only in an average condition and be satisfied if their collection consists of such copies. Avoid paying a high price for a stamp for condition. Of course, of two copies select the better; that goes without saying. But a slightly damaged copy at ten cents will pay a better profit in the course of years than a perfect copy at \$1.00 in spite of all talk to the contrary.

Just now, or rather perhaps a year ago the demand for only perfect specimens was at its height, and poorer copies at a great discount, but the tide is beginning to turn. We do not collect stamps alone for their clean and pretty appearance. This is one of the least considerations with me, although I think lack of neatness is not a great fault with me. There are many stamps torn or peeled off

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otherwise not perfect that condition cranks reject which when placed in your album cannot be distinguished from perfect stamps without a careful examination; nor does their defect exclude a careful study of their detail.

Such stamps should be sought, not rejected, by every collector when they can be obtained as at present at such a discount from perfect stamps.

In purchasing stamps I always consider cheapness before condition.

With a little extra neatness and care of my stamps on my own part I am willing to exhibit my collection in a comparison with anyone who has paid especial attention to condition at the expense of his purse, as a proof that my method has obtained greater value for the money invested and all the satisfaction of the latter.

CHARLES E. JENNY.

SOME HINTS IN STUDY- ING YOUR STAMPS.

When collecting stamps have you ever taken notice of the historical connection they have with the country by which they are made? If not here are some facts concerning them.

In this country the first issue of stamps which represents a historical event are the ones issued in 1876, the time when the centennial took place.

The Centennial, most of you know, was held to celebrate the signing of the Declaration of Independence, which made our country free from the rule of Great Britain.

The second set was issued about the time Garfield was assassinated by Guitteau. The third set was issued in

1893, the year in which the Columbian Exposition was held. The designs of these stamp show some of the important events which happened in the life of Columbus.

The next two issues are the Omaha and Pan-American. They show in their designs the advance of this country in civilization and invention.

All these stamps distinctly mark periods in the history of our country, worth well to be remembered.

The stamps of England also mark historical events; nearly all of her stamps that are in circulation at the present time, have the head of Queen Victoria on them. The "Judice" and "Christmas" stamps show a prosperous period in her history. The English government is now designing new stamps to bear the head of the new Ruler.

Franco in her changes from an Empire to a Republic, are historical facts; these changes are shown in her stamps.

There are many more countries that could be mentioned, and many stamps issued by these countries have designs which show the noted places of the country. Many countries have stamps with noted men represented on them, and frequently the countries coat of arms are used.

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BOTANY.

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Prof. J. W. Toumey describes a new "Century plant" from Arizona under the name *Agave Treleasei*, in honor of Dr. Trelease, director of the Missouri Botanical Garden.

Prof. Trelease reports a Pacific-slope Palmetto from near Ures, Sonora, Mexico, and names it *Sabal Uresana*, in the 12th report of the Missouri Botanical Garden, just issued.

In the same publication appears an article by H.C. Irish on "Garden beans cultivated as esculents," and other papers of interest.

S B. Parish is soon to publish an annotated list of the plants of Southern California.

New plants are being continually discovered on the Pacific Coast, and young collectors may hope to find others for many years to come.

Resident Botanists are needed in every section, that may be on guard, as it were, for new flowers everywhere they appear. While the coast has been well traversed by botanists, it is only possible to find

all the plants in a region by continuous residence.

Some plants bloom in one month, others in another, and many forms are restricted to comparatively small areas, and thus escape notice until some one chances to visit the spot at the right season.

In southern California many plants grow only in wet seasons, and many have bloomed during 1901 that have not been seen at all during the past five or six "dry" years—when too little rain fall occurred to suit the requirements of these semi aquatic.

Our readers are desired to note as far as possible what plants are peculiar to the neighborhood of mines of known value—certain kinds grow only in the vicinity of certain metals or minerals, and knowledge of these facts may lead to the discovery of rich mines.

There are plants only known in limestone regions; others grow only near deposits of zinc ores; *Cereus Engelmanni* seems to like best to be near ledges of quartz which may or may not contain gold, but some plants have gained false reputation from being noticed near

some good mine, when in fact it might have been seen in many localities of different characters. This is only one subject open to the young Botanist for observation- let our readers suggest other fields to conquer.

C. R. ORCUTT.

HOW TO COLLECT WOODS.

It is very desirable to have a collection of woods in connection with or separate from the leaves of the different trees and shrubs you have gathered. I have my specimens cut so that one side shows the bark, and the other nicely planed and polished showing the grain.

A convenient size to have them is 4 by 4 or 4 by 5 inches by $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1 inch in thickness.

Of course those of shrubs will have to be made of smaller size. If you can get printed labels it will add greatly to the appearance of your collection. These should have the family name, genus and common and scientific name printed on them. (Ex)

W. J. Wintemberg.

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BY OLIVE OAKLEAF.

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I have in mind three pieces, one is a perfect heart with a flower outlined on one side and some initials and a date on the other. A small cake just like a cake of soap and last a small ring with a tipsy-looking handle. This was molded by hand.

TO PRESS FLOWERS

place them between two Blot-ers. The blotting paper will absorb all moisture and prevents staining the leaves of books. To press Ferns and delicate plants and flowers place between two sheets of cotton then in a large book, an old geography is fine for this.

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are curious and pretty with rows of round holes where the buttons have been cut out, leaving the rest of the shell uninjured.

HOW TO CLEAN CORAL.

Coral and all kinds of fancy sea shells can be easily and quickly cleaned, when they become soiled, in the following manner: go to the drug store and get ten cents worth of muriatic acid, the cheapest, pour it into one quart of hot water, have water in an earthen vessel, into this dip your coral or shells, letting them remain in the solution about half a minute; then rinse well in clean water and they will come out as bright and beautiful as ever.

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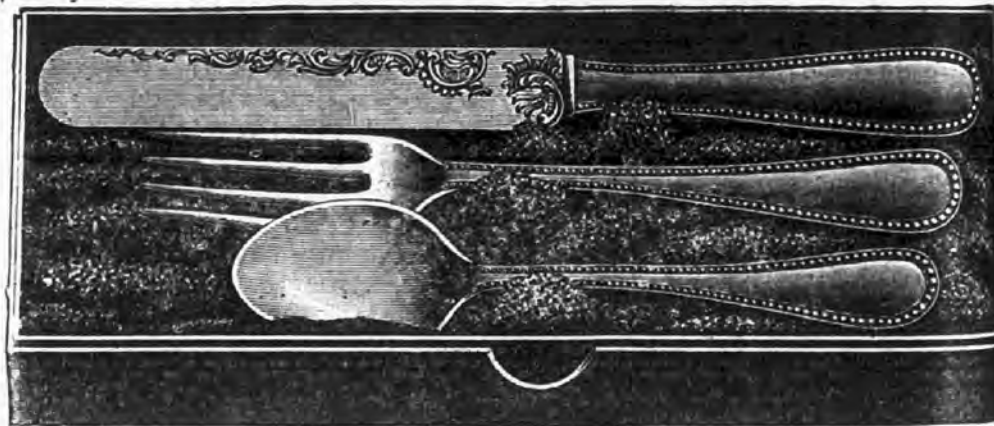
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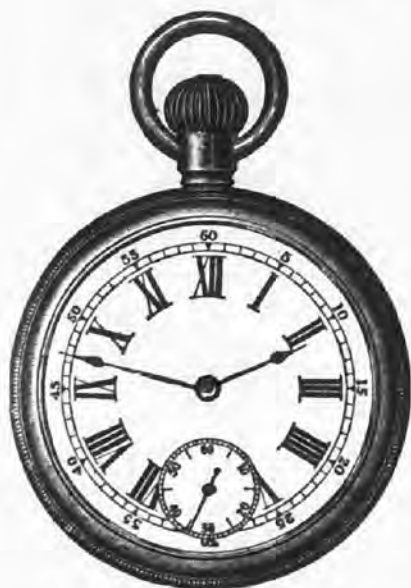


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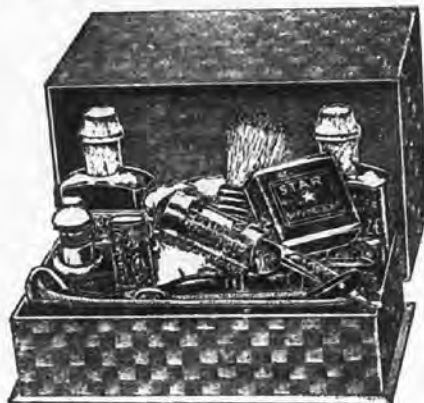
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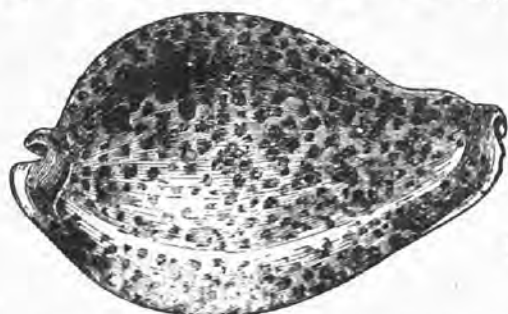
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Illinois and vicinity where I resided before coming here.

The pottery from Arizona is very interesting indeed.

The bones came from Colorado and are of very large sizes compared with the average man's skeleton at present.

In shells I have a number of interesting finds; among these may be mentioned the Pearly Nautilus, Worm shell, Chiton, Money cowry, East India clam, Triton, etc., besides a great number of interesting small shells. Also have good collection of crustacea, insects, alcoholic specimens, plants, woods, etc., but will not go into details as this letter would be too long; and also a very large amount of petrified wood and agates from this vicinity.

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These stamps were in use for one day only, and the number of known specimens that were used is said to be only one, the balance, to the number of 999 having been secured by Mr. Phixt. It will thus be seen that while these are a legitimate issue they are likely to become extremely rare.

Mr. Phixt has kindly consented to oblige his personal friends with a few copies at the very reasonable figure of \$23.00 each. Strips with plate numbers at the same rate.

The Government of the United States of Altruria has decided to issue a new set of stamps in commemoration of the 352nd anniversary of the discovery of the Great Sea Serpent.

While this issue may seem not entirely necessary to the general public owing to the existence of three current sets of postage stamps, it will be readily understood when they learn that an official in high standing recently absconded with the contents of the treasury vaults, which deficit must be made good.

Collectors of Rubbyshinia are tak-

ing a great interest in the issue of stamps gotten out by the U.S. of Europe to make good the deficit caused by war with the former country. It is said that the conquered country will in this way pay off the entire debt of the conquering nation.

It is needless to state that the diplomatist who devised this scheme is a stamp dealer of some note who has control of a large block of the issue.

The Dealers Iron Clad Trust, which has just been incorporated with a capital stock of unlimited gail and half a million dollars worth of advertising space, announces in its prospectus that it intends to double the price of stamps of which it has a large stock; to issue all the standard catalogues in existence, and to particularly boom therein stocks of which it is a large holder.

The advance sheets of this catalogue, it is stated, will show marked declines in all desirable stamps of which it has none in stock. One of the prominent stockholders of said Trust is the well-known prominent philatelist who for years past has been employed in discovering undiscoversable varities in U.S. stamps, for promoting the sales of a large firm, his remuneration being, in addition to a small salary, the consideration of having himself advertised in house organs as "a prominent U.S. Specialist."

Speaking of specialist's, we had the patience recently to look over the splendid collection of Mr. Sharp's

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two-cent red 1895 issue of the U. S.

Mr. Sharp has discovered 2973 varieties of shades in this stamp, most of which he has in his collection. He recently thought he had made another valuable discovery of a new shade, but it proved to be a stamp that had been exposed to the light fifty seconds longer than the next lightest shade.

We are about to begin in our next issue an extensive article on "Advice to beginners." This will be especially timely just now as no article on this subject has appeared in the philatelic press since day before yesterday (at least, if so, it has not reached our office to date). We have secured a very competent writer to handle these instructions, Mr. A. Neman, who has already begun.

Messrs. A. G. Haul & Co. are putting up a new packet of 10,000 varieties. Their method is to select 9,500 stamps worth from one-tenth to one-half cent each and the balance of stamps catalogued at one cent each.

These packets are to be put on the market at \$105. net. No doubt many collectors will avail themselves of the chance to secure a start in philately.

Chas. E. Jenney.

POST MARKS AND STAMPS.

The stamp collector, having long ago discarded his youthful hobby of postmark collecting, is apt to look down with

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in youth, started out first with a postmark collection, I think, and they will find as they live and learn in philately that postmarks are more closely connected with stamps than they had thought. Years ago I forsook my postmarks and traded them off for stamps and today my stamp collection numbers over 15,000 varieties, but I confess that a good collection of postmarks would interest me as much to-day as ever, perhaps more than when I was collecting myself.

Everything learned by the postmark collector will be of benefit to the stamp collector.

On entire envelopes the postmark gives added information that the stamp does not give and often serves to supplement a complete knowledge of the stamp's issue. The value of some stamps is increased ten, twenty and an hundred fold by the postmark upon them.

Many of the old English stamps, in the days before sets were issued for each of Britian's colonies, were shipped out to the colonies and there used. To-day these are only distinguished by a certain can-

cilation peculiar to each colony or by the postmark showing, yet have a great pecuniary value to collectors above the ordinary stamps used in England at the time. A notable case of this and the one perhaps most frequently met with is the postmark of Malta on English stamps of from 1850 to 1870.

Some of the common stamps of Chili were used in Perue at the time of the Chilian invasion and are much sought after by collectors, usually in vain. The only method of distinguishing them is by discerning the postmarks of a few Peruvian cities upon them.

Even of a later date there may be mentioned U.S. stamps used in the Phillippines without surcharge and U.S. stamps showing the Hong keng and Shanghai Postal Agency postmarks, and also those of other Chinese ports.

I could continue with scores of instances where the postmark adds to the interest and value of stamps. It is needless to mention their usefulness on entires, showing the travels of the letter, and I

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would suggest as an interesting exhibit of entire envelopes, letters from Alaska, Hawaii, China, Japan, Philippines, Guam, Cuba and Porto Rico, all prepaid by U. S. stamps only, as can be secured without much trouble. It is the postmark that tells the story on these.

From the above it will be seen that one should not study alone the stamp details of perforation, engraving and ink, but the cancellations and postmarks showing on them and one will learn thus more than can be taught by many works published by others who have done the observing.

When you get an entire envelope, do not look to the stamp alone for information but examine the postmark or postmarks for there are usually two and in case of foreign letters several, and in the course of time you will find you are able to give the man who studies unused stamps only, a good many pointers.

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Coin Department.

Conducted by A. P. WYLIE.

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During the hot days of summer he had become apathetic to the charms of Numismatics.

Now during the leisure of the lengthening evenings he again overhauls his collection and notes his possessions as well as his non-possession and gets as many of the latter as his pocket-book will allow.

The past season has been a very active one in the coin trade and there is now a bright outlook for the coming one.

Certain of the rarer U. S. coins are rapidly advancing in value: for instance the 1856

nickle cent which sold in proof condition a year ago for \$5. now \$10 to \$12 is the price at the auction sales. At the Mill's auction sale of coins in New York July 22 U. S. coins were sold at the following prices, viz: cents 1793 chain good \$7.25, ditto wreath 3.15,

1794 very good 1.15, 1804 nearly fine 12.50, ditto about good 4.10, 1808 fine 3.00, 1809 good 1.60, 1811 very good 2.00, 1856 nickle ex fine 11.00; two cents 1873 proof 4.65; twenty cents 1877 proof 2.70; 1878 ditto 2.35; quarters 1853 no arrows good 3.20; 1893 Isabella unc. 1.05.

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Forrest Gaines won in the Prize letter contest this time.

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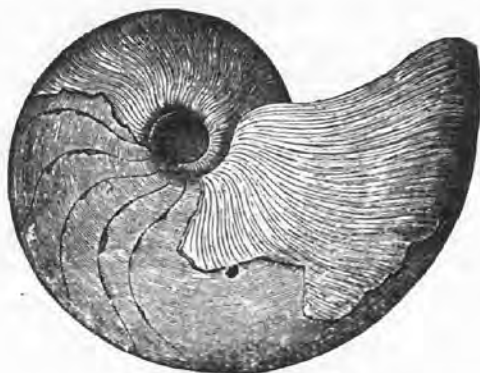
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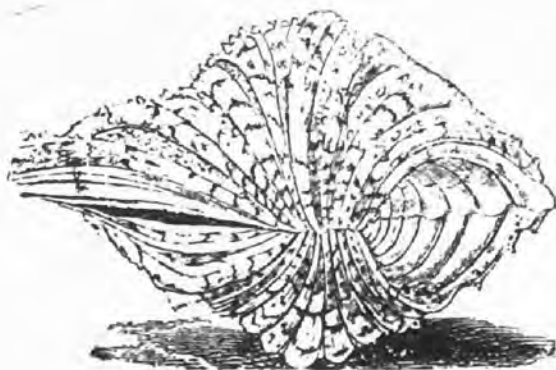
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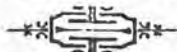
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