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The Exchange.

VOLUME 2.

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NUMBER 4.

What Have You To Exchange?

Advertise it in the "Exchange." We give best results. Three lines, 10 cents. Give us a trial.

Stamps! Stamps!

Send for my approval sheets. The finest stamps at less than catalogue prices. Send your name and address and receive them by next mail.

F. B. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.

Blank Approval Sheets.

Finest quality paper

50 sheets	10cts
250 "	30cts
500 "	50cts

Your name and address. 25 cents extra. Send for samples.

Quincy Stamp Co., Quincy, Ill.

WANTED.

Stamp correspondents in all countries. F. B. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.

A Few Fine Packets.

500 varieties	\$1.50
1000 "	5.50
1500 "	8.00

These are from my own collection and are the very best.

W. P. Kelley,

3222 Perry Ave, Kansas City, Mo.

I buy, sell, and exchange anything What have you and what do you want?

F. B. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.

We recommend that collectors, no matter what they collect, should send 10 cents to J. T. Brodstone, and receive "The Philatelic West" for three months. The "West" is one of the best magazines for collectors published. Try it.

Send 10 cts, and have your name printed in the Postal Card Exchange F. B. Wilson.

The Camera Editor has received samples of the new developing paper "Kruxo" and says it is the best he has used. Better than Velox. For particulars write the Kilborn Photo Paper Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Shells! Shells!

Shells of all kinds, send 10 cents for price list and samples. F. B. Wilson

I will exchange postal cards with anyone. A Sure reply.

Harry Green, Kirksville, Mo.

Revenues.

U. S. Match, Medicine, Beer, Cigarette, State and Proprietary, also Foreign revenues. We bought them cheap and are selling them cheap Iowa Stamp Co., Clearfield Iowa.

The Best Ever.

Send us one dime, a one cent stamp reference, some collectors names and we will send you 1000 hinges, 100 good foreign, and 50 different U. S. stamps. Wabash Stamp Co., Terre Haute, Indiana.

Send for my latest catalogue of Souvenir Postal Cards

Fred Wittemore, 932 Center Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Send me 25 cents and get a monster list of good postal card collectors from 50 different countries.

T. D. Elers, George Iowa.

Get My Bargain List.

Large, new, eight page price list, just off press. It's complete and full of bargains, Free! Ask for it.

Chas. S. Rybolt, Mulberry, Ohio.

Send 10 cents for sample dozen Never-pull-off Batton Fasteners.

F. B. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.

The Exchange.

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F. B. Wilson, Editor.

Harry Green, As'st. Editor.

Advertising Rates.

Three lines	10cts.
Five lines	15cts.
Ten lines	25cts.
Twenty-five lines	50cts.

Address the editor.

The following persons will exchange postal cards with anyone. Poor cards refused.

(Your name here for .10 cents.)

Mildred E. Currie, 376 Arch St Meadville, Pa.

F. L. Gregory, Hamburg, N.J.

Harry Green, Kirksville, Mo.

Fred Hoffman, 549 S. Grand St Los Angeles, Cal.

Frank G. Johnson, 2 Gault St., Oneonta, N. Y.

M. J. Hallet, Merle, Cal.

Daniel Webster, Bristol, Tenn.

U. S. and foriegn stamps exchanged for same, J. D. Bartlett, Hico, Tex.

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Try an ad in the Exchange Three lines for ten cents.

Precancelled stamps wanted for cash. Frank McChesney, Elkton, Md.

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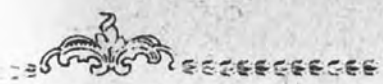
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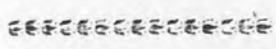
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FEBRUARY, 1906

THE EXCHANGE.



MAGAZINE FOR POST
CARD AND STAMP
COLLECTORS



PUBLISHED MONTHLY
BY

F. B. WILSON,
KIRKSVILLE, MO



THE EXCHANGE

A NEW LINE OF

COMIC POST CARD

Funniest yet issued. SAMPLE
10c. if you mention this paper.

HOBSON PRINTING

1505 HOWARD ST., OMAHA, N

BURNET COMIC PO CARDS

Are CHEAPER than the CHEE
EST and more amusing than the B
in the MARKET. ALL ARE ORI
AL and COMICAL. No rule or o
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PRICES: 10 for 15C, 20
20C, 30 for 25C, 40 for 3
50 for 40C.

~~1-11~~ Special prices to dealers.

THE BURNET POST CARD CO

1448 WILLARD ST.

SAN FRANCISCO,

ITEMS OF INTEREST.



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He would be glad to hear from others
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An autograph of Lincoln sold for \$100,000 in New York sometime ago.

New South Wales has had in use for fifty years an adhesive stamp known as the 'grand stamp of Philately.' It is a square 5 pence green, always green and always printed from the same steel plate.

The new Italian postage stamps do not bear the monarch's head, but a variety of different designs, such as the sea, the rising sun, an Alpine landscape, a ship at sea, a railway train, a wire telegraph station, etc.

It isn't the magazine with the largest circulation that always brings the best results. It is far better to advertise in a magazine that reaches the people whom you want as customers, and who are interested in your goods, than to advertise in a magazine with a circulation five times as large when its readers are not interested in your goods.

Souvenir Card and Stamp dealers, at this fair, isn't it true? Then let us have your Ad.

REVIEWS.

Wishers who send the editor copies of their mail will receive an impartial review in these pages.

Smith's Partner has a Stamp Dep't. and it is a good one. The editor mainly knows his business.

We are in receipt of a copy of the "Philatelic Star," Madison, N. Y.

"Star" is one of the old "stand by" papers still up to standard.

The Philocartist News and Camera Club," published by the Souvenir Postcard Co., Stillwell, Okla., is now the official Organ of the Pacific Souvenir Collector's Society. The "News" is a bright paper of 32 pages is "just the thing" for Card Collectors and Camera Fiends.

We have a copy of the "Youths Gem" published in Adairville, Ky. "The Gem" is a very fair little paper and has a good stamp dep't. conducted by Mr. D. McCurdy, Westernport, Md. We have one fault to find with the "The Gem" we would improve it's printing as the copy we have is so blurred that part of it cannot be read.

POST CARD REVIEW

Dealers are requested to send the originals or copies of their new cards as soon as published and they will be impartially viewed in this column. Cards must reach us by the 20th of the month.

S. D. Pierce, Bethel, Minn. remembers us this month with a packet of latest comic cards. Mr. Pierce publishes nothing trashy—only the latest and best designs and they are suitable for any day collection.

We have received a packet of fine comic cards published by the Hopson Printing Co., Omaha, Nebr. These are copies of the finest quality—not trash as generally seen. If you are interested in collecting cards you should write to us for prices.

H. A. Lorberg, Portsmouth, N. H. sends us a fine packet of local views. These are some of the best that we have received. Mr. Lorberg is a publisher that handles only the best. If you want any views you want printed write to us for prices.

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EXCHANGE COLUMN.

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WHAT HAVE YOU TO EXCHANGE

Advertise it in these columns.

One cent a word. 50 words, 25 cents.

I will exchange stamps with reliable collectors. Send selection and receive mine.

I Eckhardt, Anderson,

Grimes Co., Texas.

I have 2,000 magazines and books to exchange for stamps or advertising. Write for list.

S. W. Haverstick, Carlisle, Pa.

I buy, sell, and exchange anything.

What have you and what do you want?

B. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.

I will send ten cents and have your name printed on the post card exchange.

I will exchange post cards with any one. Sure reply.

Harry Green, Kirksville, Mo.

TRY AN AD. IN THE
 EXCHANGE. BEST
 RESULTS GIVEN.

VOL. 2.

FEBRUARY, 1906.

No.

PUBLISHED MONTHLY AT KIRKSVILLE, MO.
SUBSCRIPTION RATE.

Three months

Six months

One year

ADVERTISING RATES.

Three lines

Five lines

Ten lines

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1 page

ADDRESS,

F. B. WILSON,

KIRKSVILLE, MO.

THE EXCHANGE columns are
ways open to collectors and dealers who
have something to say that will help.

We invite correspondence, news items
and articles relating to collecting of
descriptions.

The dealer who advertises and does
it correctly can make his business
success but he can not do it by adver-
tising only when the spirit moves him.

He must keep his name before the
public all the time. My plan was to
keep your name before the public.

at month we will publish a coin de-
ment. Watch for it. Dealers will
ell to send Ads. and catalogs before
oth.

o have engaged the service of M. Jean
rrest to write us a series of detective
s relating to Philately. The first
appear next month.

e have a copy of the "Boys' Compan
This is a neat little paper published
onthly by Geo. Kilpatrick, Memphis
and price is only 10c per year.
rite to him for particulars,

ll Sec'ts. of Auction Sales please
us their priced catalogs as we are
iling a catalog on the present market
of stamps. We will give full cred
companies sending us same in these
ons and also in booklet, when pub.

e Union Stamp Co., 1149-1151 Mar-
e Bldg., Chicago, Ill. are selling
stamps at auction than any other
n the U. S., so we are told. We
receipt of their catalogs to date and
ow their stamps are as rare as those
e by any firm.

POST CARD COLLECTOR

Are you interested in Novelty Post
Cards? Send for circular.

T. D. EILERS,

LOCK DRAWER 2, GEORGE, IOWA

A FINE COLLECTION

of stamps cataloging over 25c to all
apply for my approval sheets. Send
name and reference and receive them
next mail.

F. B. WILSON,

KIRKSVILLE, MO

QUINCY STAMP CO
P. O. BOX 28. QUINCY, ILL

PRINTERS.

the Colorado News Co., Denver, Colo
us a few cards this month. We are
familiar with their cards but if you
not it is time you wrote them for
s. They sell to dealers only.

are in receipt of a copy of "The Col
r," a magazine for Autograph Collect
It contains an accout of all the Au-
graph auction sales and the current
s of autographs.

have received from the H. J. Funk
Chicago, Ill., a packet of souvenir
e containing views from all over the
d. We can say, and still do full jus
to other publishers who have sent us
s, that the cards sent us by Mr. Funk
he finest we have yet received. We
not praise too highly the fine work-
ship of these cards. Many of them
hand painted and all of them are
tifully colored.

r. Funk has been in the Post Card
ness for many years and knows just
t cards please, and carries only the
in stock. See his Ad on another page

POST CARD EXCHANGE

The following persons will exchange
souvenir post cards with anyone.

POOR CARDS REFUSED,

(YOUR NAME HERE FOR 10c.)

Harry Green, Kirksville, Mo.

H. E. Yaltup, 29 Grand St.,

Oneonta, N. Y.

Ellsworth O. Reeme, Box 203,

Toledo, Ohio.

Geo. H. Bush, 32½ Ormono, St.,

Rochester, N.

Daniel Webster, Bristol, Tenn.

Miss. Lucile Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.

Paul Rockwell, Kirksville, Mo.

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SEND 25C TO

T. D. EILERS,

GEORGE, IOWA

AND RECEIVE A MONSTER
OF GOOD POSTAL CARD
LECTORS, FROM 50 DIFFERENT
COUNTRIES.

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FRAUD DEPARTMENT.

The Stamp collector and dealer in their ranging sending out stamps on approval get many losses through dishonest persons. To protect the honest collector and dealers from these persons, THE EXCHANGE publishes monthly a list of such frauds as come to our notice.

If you have had stamps kept dishonest send us a full account of the transaction and we will publish it in this column if you prefer, we will endeavor to collect our claim. If successful we will charge a charge of 25c on the dollar.

Enclose 4c in stamps with each name, address all matter to the Editor of this department,

PAUL ROCKWELL,

KIRKSVILLE, MO.

QUESTION DEPT.

PAUL ROCKWELL, EDITOR.

We will endeavor to answer all questions asked us, concerning stamps or other matter when 2c are enclosed in letter.

\$100.00 PAID FOR POSTAGE STAMPS

Two cent denomination used since

Description, full particulars and
prices we pay for other cancelled post
and revenue stamps for 10c.

1000 FAULTLESS
HINGES

5000

300

100 Approval sheets,

100 ,, return sheets,

100 Small envelopes,

Name and address printed on 15c

100 Dif. foreign stamps, cat 1c,

50 ,, ,, ,, 2c,

25 ,, ,, ,, 3c

25 ,, ,, ,, \$3.00

These are all bargains, Order to

If a dealer send for wholesale price

We buy sell and exchange stamps

What have you and what do you want

We allow 80 per cent in exchange

QUINCY STAMP CO

P. O. BOX 28, QUINCY, ILL.

This is your last chance to procure some of these memorative cards where over 600 people lost their lives. Special price while they last. 4 Cards 5c.

POST CARD ALBUMS.

No. 200 Holds 24 cards (Pocket size)	ONLY	.15	Postfree.
201 Holds 40 cards 7x9	"	.25	"
202 Holds 108 cards 8x13	"	.50	"
203 Holds 208 cards 9x12	"	\$1.00	"

OUR MOTTO "SATISFACTION"

THE H. J. FUNK CO.,

171 A 25TH PLACE, CHICAGO, ILLS.

\$100.00 PAID POSTAGE STAMPS

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HINGES
5000 300

100 Approval sheets,

100 " return sheets,

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STAMPS! STAMPS!

- *Set of 10 Nicaragua Envelopes
- „ 6 Spain stamps
- „ 4 Costa Rica „
- „ 3 Chile „
- * „ 2 Ecuador „
- * „ 2 Salvador (bars across top)
- * „ Guatemala

* Means unused.

THESE ARE BARGAINS
AND WILL NOT LAST
VERY LONG.

SCOTT'S 1906 CATALOG
PRICE 50C. BY MAIL



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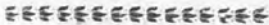
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THIRD YEAR PUBLISHED

SPECIAL FEATURES

Prices realized at the various Auctions held in previous month for all kinds of British and Colonial Stamps.

New Issue, miscellaneous items of interest

Short Adverts., 6 words. 10/-

Six insertions for price of 10/-

Subscription 1/- 6 per annum

Includes an 18 word free advertisement for three months and a copy of every issue up to No. 36.

Unused mint postage stamps accepted—higher values please.

CIRCULATION 2,500 REGULAR

All journals reproducing this advertisement will receive similar space in THE EXCHANGE & M. Publishers:

PHILATELIC PRINTING

Guernsey, C. I., Eng.

THE EXCHANGE

THE CENTRAL POST CARD EXCHANGE.

Prof. Rockwell, Kirksville, Mo.

Miss. Majorie G. Taylor,

Leonard St. Dorchester, Mass.

Wm. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.

Miss Anna Brown Kirksville, Mo.

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new ideas of running a club.

Join now we are going to give
you post cards free. Send in your

our new ideas is the following

contest. The member sending to

the prettiest post card before

and marking it "contest" will

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Member sending the second best will

receive cards.

Prices are so low that anyone can

and who join receive the EXCH

for one year. Think of it!

Join in the finest exchange club

in the S., and a full years subscrip

to the best Philocartist paper, for

Doesn't this strike you?

Wm. Wilson, Sec't, Kirksville, Mo.

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Anna Brown, " "

Anna Brown, " "

John Green, " "

THE EXCHANGE

6. Marjorie G. Taylor, 11 Leonard
Dorchester, Mass.
 7. Mrs. R. J. Cochrane, Leroy St.,
Dorchester, Mass.
 8. Mrs. E. G. Keen, Warwick, Pa.
 9. H. E. Lathrop, Oneonta, N. Y.
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POST CARDS.

Can you do better than this?

New York cards, in blk & white, do	
" " colored,	
World's Fair cards, fine,	
Comic Cards,	
Chicago Cards,	10 for
Artistic Indian Cards,	10 "
Comic Coons,	6 "
Niagra Cards, hand colored,	6 "
Easter Post Cards,	10 "
World's Fair, Cards, fine,	3 "
Albums of all kinds	
25 percent discount on above to	
bers of CENTRAL.	

F. B. WILSON, Kirksville, Mo.

We are going to make the following offer to secure 500 subscribers before 1, 1906.

To all who send us 10c for 3 months trial subscription we will give FREE 20 word exchange notice: or, if you send 25c for six months subscription we will add a dozen post cards to the above.

Remember this offer expires Apr.

R. BROWN, STAMP EXPERT.

By M. Jean Deforrest.

MY FIRST CASE.

that's me. I am J. R. Brown
my business is detecting frauds in
stamps and assisting collectors and deal-
ers in every way. I might as well say
I am a detective, as most of my busi-
ness is along that line.

I will remember my first case. It was
when I had hung out my shingle in New
York. James Fulton, a friend of mine
in the stamp business, had dropped into
my office and we were having a friendly
talk when he mentioned that he had had
some of his rarest stamps stolen from

"Why don't you get a detective?" I

"I don't know any who would take
the job," he replied.

"Let me try my hand at it," I asked,
and I thought what a task I might be
undertaking.

"Sure, if you want to," he answered;
"come down to my office and look it over."
On arriving at his office I asked him to
give me a full account of his loss, with all
the details.

"Well," he said, "as you know I have my rarest stamps on exhibition in my office and at night I leave them lying on my desk, as my rooms are burglar proof. I have no safe.

"Three days ago, when I opened my office I noticed that two of my rarest stamps were gone. I examined the door and windows but they were untouched. I called the watchman and questioned him but he said that no one had been near my room since I had left.

"I then phoned for the police and they sent two sleek looking individuals who nosed around for a while and then said they had had a delusion, as no one could possibly have entered the room.

"Well, it was hard to lose those stamps but the only thing I could do was to charge them up to profit and loss.

Last night I lost three more. I again called up the police but they were inclined to think I was seeking notoriety and would not even come to my office. Here I am, out five stamps worth the weight in gold and the police won't touch my case."

"Are you sure none of your employees took them? Or possibly one of your visitors walked off with them."

"No that could not be, because I know they were there when I locked up at night."

"You are positive they were there then?"

"Yes I am positive."

Well", I said, "I don't see how they
ably could have disappeared, but I'll
around."

Fulton's office was an average sized
room with three windows at one end
a door at the other.

examined these very closely and satis
myself that no one could have enter
ru them.

the room had been piped for steam
and the radiators had been put in,
the furnace had not yet been complet
the pipes had not been used.

was certain the rooms had not been en
by force and Mr. Fulton knew the
os were there when he locked up at

How did the stamps disappear?
e was something very mysterious a
this deal and I determined to fath-

concluded in the April number.)

is company has purchased outright
Mss. of M. Jean DeForrest relating
adventures of the stamp expert J.
own, which will appear serially in the
CHANGE. We also have engaged
ervices of several other prominent
elic writers, such as R. E. Ramsey
Funk and others.

OUR OFFER TO NEW SUB-
ERS ON PAGE 5

COIN DEPARTMENT

Paul Rockwell, Editor.

As a great number of our subscribers have written us concerning a coin department we have set aside this space for it. We are glad to have anyone—whether a subscriber or not—write us criticising this magazine in any way.

Coin collecting is more interesting than some than collecting stamps as coins seem to represent a more tangible value than stamps.

We will be glad to publish any interesting notes on coins in this department. We will give full credit to the one sending in same.

We wish coin companies would send us their catalogs, and any other material we can use. In return we will review their catalogs in this column. Send us two catalogs; one for the editor of this department and one for the managing editor.

The present king of Italy is a very enthusiastic collector of coins. His collection contains over 50,000 pieces.

One of the most interesting coins to be found is the old Spanish "cob". It was struck in the silver mines of Mexico, Peru, and circulated as one real (6¼c). The coins are irregular in shape and the design is very crude, having across

Spanish coat of arms on one side and value and last two figures of the date the other.

We have a story by Mr. H. J. Funk our next issue. Mr. Funk is a very able writer and we know our readers enjoy his story. Watch for it.

Are you a member of the central? If you collect Post Cards you should join. They are giving FREE one dozen post cards to all who join. Send in your dues.

As we go to press we learn that the Chicago Stamp News has discontinued publication. We are exceedingly sorry to hear this as the News was a very promising paper. We are always sorry to hear of a really good stamp paper discontinuing as there are so few truly good ones published.

We notice with joy that Mr. Andrew Kirby, 173 W. Canonicus St., North Weymouth, R. I. is again in the stamp business. Mr. Kirby is one of the oldest dealers in the U. S. Up to fifteen years ago he was one of the largest advertisers but at that time, for business reasons, he quit the stamp business. We are glad to say he is now back in the old trade with some of the best offers we have noticed.

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Box 14

Kirksville, Mo.

EDITORIALS.

We wish to exchange advertising space with other publishers. Write us send copy of your paper.

We are exceedingly sorry that, because of lack of space, we could not publish all of Mr. DeForrest's story, but promise our subscribers it will not occur again if we can help it.

The 'Philacartist News' for Feb. asks "Does your paper pay it's running expenses?" and we will answer for ourselves 'No!' With the Feb. issue a new firm took charge of the EXCHANGE and yet our accounts are all on the wrong side.

THE EXCHANGE

POST CARD REVIEW.

Dealers are requested to send the edit-
copies of their new cards as soon as
lished and they will be impartially re-
vel in this column. Cards must
ht us by the 20th of the month.

Mr. J. M. McQueen, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
als us a fine packet of cards this month
is firm puts out the finest cards of N. Y.
y published. If you want the best,
te them.

We have just received a packet of post
ds in the form of tags. These are
most unique ideas in cards that
as been our good luck to run across
we recommend that dealers should
te to Mr. R. Steinman, St. Paul,
an, for prices.

The latest thing in post cards are the
tto cards. These are fast becoming pop-
r with the best collectors. Among
best we have reviewed in this line are
se published by Ralph B. Platt, Rox-
y, Mass. Mr. Platt not only publish
motto cards, but numerous other views
would like to send you his list.

Joshua Zumbo, Patten Mill, O., rem-
bers us this month with a few of his fine
otographic Cards. Mr. Zumbo visits
places of interest, photographs them,
l prints them on cards. He uses Kruxo
ds, and that, combined with his expert

THE EXCHANGE

work, makes them the best obtainable. He informs us that he now is preparing a set of Easter cards, samples for 10c.

How about that ad? If you have anything you want to sell, let us advertise for you. We get results.

STAMPS! STAMPS!

What do you think of these?

12 rare Australian stamps, cat 15c,
9 ,, Pictorial ,, ,, 35c,
2 fine Salvador, (unused) ,, 15c,
100 ,, mixed, cat about \$1,00,
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My approval sheets at 50 percent discount are the best. To all who apply for them and mention this paper I will give a fine collection FREE. Send name and address and receive them by next mail.

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Correspondents wanted in all countries.

F. B. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.

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Coins, Curios, and collectors of everything. Write to any of our advertisers and ask what results they are getting. Do not this look fair to you? Think over it and let us have that ad.

It is our purpose to run the "EX-
CHANGE" for at least one year, regard
of expense. So readers it is up to
to help us by sending in your sub-
scriptions. Advertisers it is to your in-
terest to let us have your ad.

THE SOUVENIR POSTAL PUB.

Stillwater, Okla. calls our attention
to a mistake in our review of their maga-
zine in our last issue. It should read
"Stillwater, Okla." instead of "Stillwell"
so, by accident, we did not give the
company credit for the article on
advertising on page 2 of the Feb. issue
we wish to do so now.

While we are about it, we might men-
tion that their magazine is one of the
best in their line. They inform us that
they expect to add a Stamp, Coin and Cu-
re Dep't. This will make other Philatel-
ists hustle as the editors of this pa-
per are workers.

The H. J. Funk Co. have instituted a
unique plan to aid their customers in
buying post cards. To all who apply
we send a packet of excellent cards on
approval (we know, because we have a
lot). The customer selects what he
likes and returns the rest. In this way
the customer knows what he is buying,
and he may change the sale of post cards
in the U. S. as so many firms are putting
out poor cards and are charging high
prices. Watch the card review in a good

philocartist paper and buy from the one they recommend.

There is a graft in the stamp business that all honest dealers should help to prevent. There are several firms in the S. that advertise very extensively in boys' paper and amateur publications. These firms send to the boys who answer their ads. sheets marked at about one-third their catalog value. This discourages stamp collecting and, in cases that the author knows personally, has actually ruined several who had good collections. Something should be done to make these firms at least charge a reasonable price for their goods, as nobody could buy stamps very long from them at the prices they charge.

This leads the young collectors to believe that all dealers charge the same high prices as these firms, and they stop collecting.

A good many of these firms are located at Toledo, O., and we are informed that they are all owned by the same person but run under different names. We can easily believe this as their approval stamps are the same, their stamps are the same, their price lists are the same, being on the same sized folders. The only thing that is different is the name.

DEALERS—Think this over and if you do not agree with the author that this grafting should be stopped.

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TRAUD DEPARTMENT.

is open to all dealers and collectors. Send in names of all who have kept your approval sheets with each name, and we will publish their names on this page. Remember--We do not take any responsibility.

We will endeavor to collect all claims, if you desired. If successful, will make a charge of 25 per cent. No charges if we fail. Send full account of action with name.

Gold, Abram S., 283 William Ave.
Providence, R. I.

On his request I sent him sheets and stamps, but were not returned. P. R.

Graha, Alfred E., 43 Liberty St.,
Belford, Mass. Same as above.

Holler, Louis, 70 Henry St. N-Y. City
On his request was sent sheets, some of which he returned after substituting cheap stamps for ones sent him, the other sheets he kept. P. R.

We received a copy of THE COLUMBIAN PHILATELIST too late to insert the magazine review. The Philatelist is certainly fine. It contains items of interest to all collectors and they are written in an exceedingly interesting style. There are several different departments, and we are informed they are going to add a Card department to their others. If you desire a sample copy write them at Columbus, Ohio.

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Every journal reproducing this advertisement will receive 30 British Colonial Stamps or 30 view cards.

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WE WILL GIVE
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Send NOW for our price list which contains
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Madison, N. Y.

ST. LOUIS STAMP COLLECTORS SOCIETY

Two important varieties of the cur 2c U. S. envelope have been discovered by members of the society. The first a very decided round "O" in the "two", instead of the usual elliptical. The second variety is of the ordinary type, but printed in a pure pink.

Only a very few copies of the first have been found. Any further discovery of a new type will be of particular interest and information will be appreciated.

T. C. MANN, Sec't.,

1416 Hickory St., St. Louis, Mo.

THE EXCHANGE

MAGAZINE REVIEW

The Chicago Stamp News is out again as the only Chicago stamp paper that lasted for six months and that is say a good deal for Chicago.

The Philatelic Advertiser sends us a copy of their magazine and it is fine. It is so low in price that anyone can take it and get full value for your money.

The Oologist, Albion, N. Y., sends us a copy of their magazine. It is one of the best we have seen on the subject of taxidermy and like hobbies.

The Philatelic Inter-Ocean sends us a copy of the first number of their ninth volume. The "Inter-Ocean" has been published for seven years and it is still one of the best. This speaks well for any magazine.

We have a copy of the Exchange News published by A. Evans at St. Louis, Mo. The News is published in the interest of The International Souvenir Card Exchange and it amply fills the bill.

We are in receipt of a copy of the Perforator, and it certainly is "great", if we use that expression. It contains a valuable number of frauds for the last year and this column is alone worth the price of the paper.

THE EXCHANGE

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Other publishers send in a copy of your magazine and we will review it in our column.

QUESTION DEPT.

We are glad to announce that we have secured Mr. Robert E. Ramsey, 136 Madison St. Poughkeepsie, N. Y., to be in charge of this department in the future. Mr. Ramsey is well posted on all subjects relating to Philately, and if "you run a stump" tell him your troubles and we will try to help you.

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PAUL ROCKWELL,

901 S. FIRST ST.,

KIRKSVILLE

COLLECTORS ATTENTION

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Write today, before you forget,

THE AMERICAN YOUTH,

R. F. D. 1,

MORGAN

NOTE—We have examined this paper and know it to be all that its promoters claim it to be.—Editor Exchange

THE EXCHANGE.

A MAGAZINE FOR POST CARD AND STAMP COLLECTORS.

VOL. 3.

APRIL, 1906.

No. 1.

J. R. BROWN: Stamp Expert.

By M. Jean DeForrest.

I. MY FIRST CASE.

(Continued.)

I was examining the desk on which the stamps had lain and on moving my hand over the desk it struck several rough places. On examination I found it was dried glue of a very strong solution. How did this get there? I examined the walls and found traces of glue on them. As I was making a closer examination I noticed that the paint on the steam pipes was scarred in several places. This was strange. I examined the pipes and found this one was loose and could easily be unscrewed. Ah ha, the room above! I rushed into the hall, up the stairs and into the room above Fulton's office—but it was empty.

I called the janitor and he said the room had never been used, but I thot differently. I told Fulton to close his office as it nothing had happened and I would stay and watch. I took my station in the doorway opposite the room above Fulton's office and waited.

About eleven o'clock a man came cautiously into the hall and went into the room. After waiting about fifteen minutes I opened the door and surprised the man on his knees over the hole where the steam pipe had been. He had unscrewed the pipe, and, tying a chunk of lead to a string and putting an exceedingly strong solution of glue on the lead, lowered it thru the hole. By

quickly raising it up and down he could swing the lead to the table, and the stamps, sticking to it, could be drawn up.

Here was the greatest genius of a stamp thief I have ever met. In the trial it developed that his name was Frank Wright. The judge gave him three years but he broke jail after being in a short time.

How A Brother Found His Sister Thru Post Cards.

By H. J. FUNK.

It was many years since George C. left his native town, Strasburg, in Germany, for America. He had been in Chicago for about two years, when he decided to go to Colorado. While he was going he had an accident on the train and was sick for a year and a half. He had not heard from his parents during that time, as they did not know his whereabouts. After George had recovered he desired to write to his parents, but all his letters were returned unclaimed.

Many years had passed and George became a wealthy merchant in Denver, of great integrity and renown. He married a very beautiful young American lady. His oldest daughter, now sixteen summers joined the Union Post Card Exchange, and started to exchange post cards, which she enjoyed very much. Her father looked upon the

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Yes, we are late this month, but it couldn't be helped. Our printer quit the business and we had to hunt another. We have found one who suits us and we hope to be on time in the future.

How do you like this number? We have improved considerably since this firm first took charge in January. We expect to make it 8 pages next month. Help it along by sending in your subscription.

For the benefit of foreign dealers, we will give them advertising space in THE EXCHANGE in trade for stamps, coins, post cards, etc. Send us some of the above with your ad and we will insert it in our next issue.

On account of lack of space, we had to omit several departments,

but we will continue them next month.

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(Continued from page 1.)

hobby with great disapproval and considered it a waste of time and money.

A very unique incident occurred while she was exchanging cards with a Mrs. Baum, of Capetown, South Africa. Mrs. Baum wrote her asking whether her father's name was George C., or if he knew anyone of that name. She consulted her father about the matter and he decided to write Mrs. Baum. Two months elapsed before he received a letter telling him Mrs. Baum was his only sister. George C. immediately departed for South Africa, and now he encourages his daughter to exchange cards.

The CENTRAL Post Card Exchange.

President, PAUL ROCKWELL.
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Treasurer, Miss Annie Brown.
Official Translator, Alois Vedernjak, 221
E. 85th St., New York City.

(Always send return postage when asking for a translation.)

Yearly Dues, 35 Cents.

The contest of last month will not close until May 1, so send in your cards and enter it. Remember, the member sending the Secretary the prettiest card and marking it: "Contest", will receive 25 fine cards as a prize. The member sending the second best will receive 15 cards.

How hard are you working for

The Elder Monthly
new members? We want to make
this exchange the best in the U. S.,
so get your friends to join. We give
you a fine present for every new
member you secure.

We have secured Mr. Alois Vedernjak as our official translator. He will translate cards for members of this exchange if return postage is sent.

New Members.

10. A. L. V. Jenkins, Fairy St., Warrnambool, Victoria, Australia.

11. Erma L. Ponscarn, 3117 Lucas St., St. Louis, Mo.

J. D. Neddo, Ticonderoga, N. Y.

Emma C. Larkin, 29 Hayden St., Malboro, Mass.

Emily F. Salles, 246 Adams St., Dorchester, Mass.

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Sample for 1c stamp.

Send today, before we withdraw this offer. Address:

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99 PLEASANT ST.,
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Exchange Column.

Stamps! 4 Guatemela '02, 5c. 2 Hayti, 5c. Both, 8c. Good postals, 5c. Little Spring Stamp Co., Montclair, N. J.

Stamp cataloging 5c to all who send for our price list. Gate City Stamp Co, 6030 Morgan St., Keokuk, Iowa.

Ads in this column pay at 1c per word.

Good British Colonials to exchange for post cards. Souvenir cards exchanged with anyone. Paul Rockwell, Kirksville, Mo.

I buy, sell, and exchange anything. What have you and what do you want? F. B. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.

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EXCHANGE.

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—Editor Exchange.

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May, 1906.

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These cards are fine and are bound to go. Send now.

F. B. WILSON,

Kirksville Mo.

The Exchange.

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No. 2.

The Collection of M. E.

By Robert E. Ramsay.

It was a winter's evening and Mary Elizabeth had drawn her arm chair up near the radiator and had begun to look over her small yet select collection of souvenir cards. They were not mounted, only packed very carefully away in a writing-paper box. Yet, one looking on could see she treasured those cards as if they were bits of gold and not bits of cardboard on which the printer or lithographer had left his mark. Just then the door opened and another woman entered the room. She was farther advanced in years than Mary E. and wore a troubled look. "Mary put those cards away please. I want to talk to you. Nearly every time I come in to speak to you, you are playing with those cards." "Yes, I will directly," returned the girl. Again she stopped to gaze at the last card in the bunch. The older lady moved her chair nearer to the girl and said, "Now, I did not mean to be harsh and I suppose I need not have told you to put

those cards away, for all I have to tell you is that Jack asked permission"—at this Mary E's cheeks glowed—"to take you to a party next week at Belwins, and I wanted to know if you wanted to go." "Go!" stated the girl, "yes I do, and with no one but Jack. But while we are speaking of Jack and I have these cards, I will tell you something, Mrs. Southern. You know that you are my guardian and all that, but my mother had given me the privilege of choosing my own husband. Well, I have, or suppose I have. Most every one around has mentioned Jack's and my name together and it is true. But a few weeks ago Jack made me a little angry at something and the dear boy wanted me to give him some penance to do for he said it was his fault. I believe it was the date of our announcing our wedding or something like that, and, just for the sake of acquiescing, I told him I would name the day when he sent me a souvenir card from

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F. B. WILSON,

Kirksville Mo.

The Exchange.

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No. 2.

The Collection of M. E.

By Robert E. Ramsay.

It was a winter's evening and Mary Elizabeth had drawn her arm chair up near the radiator and had begun to look over her small yet select collection of souvenir cards. They were not mounted, only packed very carefully away in a writing-paper box. Yet, one looking on could see she treasured those cards as if they were bits of gold and not bits of cardboard on which the printer or lithographer had left his mark. Just then the door opened and another woman entered the room. She was farther advanced in years than Mary E. and wore a troubled look. "Mary put those cards away please. I want to talk to you. Nearly every time I come in to speak to you, you are playing with those cards." "Yes, I will directly," returned the girl. Again she stopped to gaze at the last card in the bunch. The older lady moved her chair nearer to the girl and said, "Now, I did not mean to be harsh and I suppose I need not have told you to put those cards away, for all I have to tell you is that Jack asked permission"—at this Mary E's cheeks glowed—"to take you to a party next week at Belwins, and I wanted to know if you wanted to go." "Go!" stated the girl, "yes I do, and with no one but Jack. But while we are speaking of Jack and I have these cards, I will tell you something, Mrs. Southern. You know that you are my guardian and all that, but my mother had given me the privilege of choosing my own husband. Well, I have, or suppose I have. Most every one around has mentioned Jack's and my name together and it is true. But a few weeks ago Jack made me a little angry at something and the dear boy wanted me to give him some penance to do for he said it was his fault. I believe it was the date of our announcing our wedding or something like that, and, just for the sake of acquiescing, I told him I would name the day when he sent me a souvenir card from

every town or city that the initials of my name would spell. He has sent a card from every town except Z and I received a note from him today saying that Zanesville, O., would soon furnish that and the day will be set-

led as soon as the card arrives. Oh! the dear boy and the cards. "It seems to be a case of philocarty and phila- John Wilson." With this she closed the lid of her box.

Magazine Review.

The "Californian", San Jose, Cal. is now numbered among our exchanges. It is published for amateur journalists, and has a very fine post card dep't. among other good things.

We are in receipt of "The Time and Tide", Bloomdale, Ohio, and must say that it is very good. Such a paper should carry more reading matter to the amount of advertising matter.

We are very sorry to learn that the "Minnesota Amateur" has discontinued publication for a short time. It was always a welcome visitor to the desk.

We have a copy of the "Elder Monthly." It is great. Let us whisper to you, it is the finest paper of its kind (Coins) that we know of. Take our hint and write to them.

The "Stamp Collector," Bethlehem, Pa., is still as interesting as ever. It has one department that appeals to all,—the stamp-lovers column. Better send

for a sample.

We have received a copy of the "Aurora," the official organ of the Aurora Post Card Exchange of Mexico. This is a fine paper and contains several articles in English. See their ad elsewhere.

Others that have been received:

Philocartist News and Camera Craft.

Conawago Curio.

Hobby Horse.

Columbus Philatelist.

Philatelic Star.

The Star.

The West. Fine issue this month.

McKeel's Weekly Stamp News

Philatelic Advertiser.

Exchange News.

The American Youth.

The Collectors World.

The Perforator.

ADVERTISERS We are making a special price for the next issue of this paper. One page for \$2.00 or ½ page for \$1.00. Nothing less than ¼ page taken at this price.

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All Collectors sending us a colored Souvenir Post Card, can have their name and address printed for one issue in this column.

O. B. Pranty, 148 Weller Ave.,
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Flora M. Howard, 1229 Tracy
Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

M. J. Cing, 50, Oakland, Cal.

Chas. E. Leach, Bloomfield, Ia.

H. E. Lathrop, Oneonta, N. Y.



Stamp Collectors.

All collectors sending us a stamp cataloging 10c or over can have their name printed as a collector for one issue in this column.

Paul Rockwell, Newport, Tenn.

F. B. Wilson, Newport, Tenn.

Maurice Mayer, King City,
Mo.



Sketches.

All dealers and publishers sending us copies of their catalogues, etc., will have same reviewed in this column.

We have catalogues from the following firms: H. J. Funk Co., Excelsior Stamp Co., Makins and Co., Alfred Holzman, Bluff City Stamp Co., and J. M. McQueen and Co.



Post Card Review

We have received cards from only a few firms this month. The best of these were from the H. J. Funk Co. Without exception this firm handle the best cards that it has ever been our good luck to review. All their cards are colored, most of them by hand, and a good many are imported. They also send us one of their imported Japanese prints. This print is of the best Japanese workmanship and is sold at a very low price. We expect to have a cut of this to show you next month.

We have received a few cards from these firms:

F. B. Wilson, "Everybody Works but Father".

Ralph Platt, "Motto Cards".

Joshua Zumbo, "Photographic Cards".



Question Department.

Mr. Robert E. Ramsey, 51 Market St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y., will answer any questions concerning collecting of any kind in this column. If reply by letter is wanted, enclose 5c for postage.

U. N. :—What stamps are good investments?

Your question is rather hard to answer. Of course no ironclad rule could be laid down. There is a wide divergence of opinion on the used and unused question but otherwise the press seems to voice the opinion that the best stamps to buy are those that you have trouble in buying on want lists. That is,—stamps that you cannot see offered in every shop.

Uninitiated:—What is there to stamp collection aside from getting a lot of stamps?

The best advice we could say is in your nomen—get initiated. It is the joys of bringing up the past by means of stamp. This subject receives a large amount of notice in the philatelic journals every year. "What Philately Teaches," by Mr. Luff, has the largest circulation on the subject.

What is the way of determining prices of stamps?

Get the only catalog that is used throughout the U. S.—that is—Scott's. Published by them in New York.

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Exchanges We wish to X2 copies with other publishers.

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Editorials

The "Time and Tide" for April contains an editorial criticizing us on our article in our March number on "Stamp Grafting". They seem to get the impression that we referred to the Toledo Stamp Co. when we referred to "several Toledo firms". We did not mean to leave this impression as we think this company is as honest and fair in their dealings as any firm in the United States. If the "Time and Tide" will write us we can send them sheets from another Toledo firm containing stamps at three-fourths above catalog value. We can send them price lists of several Toledo firms that are identical except in name. We can also put them in correspondence with many firms all over the United States who are selling above catalog value.

We have received many letters agreeing with us on this subject, one of which we will quote:

"Just received March "Exchange" and looked it over. This number is great. One thing impressed me, and that was the article about "graft" dealers. I am of the same opinion as you are, and would

almost vouch from examining their sheets and price lists that they are only different in name. Wish you could bring more evidence on the same."

The writer of this letter is a prominent philatelist and we will furnish his name to all who wish it. We are preparing another article on stamp grafting and it will appear in an early issue.

In conclusion, don't get the impression that we referred to any particular firm—least of all the Toledo Stamp Co. We meant to include all in the United States who are addicted to pricing their stamps above catalog, and only used Toledo as an example.

The "Stamp Lovers Weekly" for March 31st contains a very excellent article on "The Decline of American Stamp Journalism." It reviews the stamp periodicals of the past from a very unprejudiced point of view, but the writer is very seriously mistaken in his review of present days stamp journals.

He first says that there are only three good monthly stamp papers now in America: the "West," the "American Journal of Philately," and the "Perforator." While I would not detract from the importance of these papers in any way, I would like to call Mr. Quackenbush's attention to the "Philatelic Inter-Ocean," the "Columbus Philatelist," and several others. He seems to class these under the head of "some three or four (perhaps a half dozen) little sheets in existence that are devoted, in a small way, to stamp collecting. But they make

so little impress on the philatelic thought of the time that we could not undertake to set down with any certainty even their names and places of publication."

He also states that Chicago has not a stamp paper. What about the "Chicago Stamp News" that we understand has just renewed publication?

We are not criticising Mr. Quackenbush in the least. We only want to correct what seems to be an error in his statements.

The "Columbus Philatelist" claims to be the "neatest looking, best printed philatelic paper published." Well, there are others.

We will still accept stamps, coins, etc., from our foreign readers, in exchange for advertising and printing.

A Good Stamp Club.

A stamp club that offers many benefits to local as well as corresponding members is the Universal Philatelic Union. To the corresponding member, whose dues are \$1.00 a year, one year's subscription to the "Philatelic West", the privilege of the auction and sales department, the use of the library, and exchange notices free, are offered. To corresponding members who are already subscribers to the "West", 50c per annum is charged. The local members pay 15c per month, and 40c per year for library assessments, and in return receive the "Philatelic West", have the use of the library, exchange, sales, auction, inquiry and protective departments. He can also exhibit his stamps and has a chance of winning valuable prizes. For particulars write to Geo. Clement, Secretary, 2141 Gladys Avenue, Chicago.

CENTRAL POST CARD EXCHANGE

President, Paul Rockwell, Newport, Tenn.; Vice President, Miss Marjorie G. Taylor, Dorchester, Mass.; Treasurer, Miss Annie Brown, Kirksville, Mo.; Secretary, F. B. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.; Official Translator, Alois Vedernjak, 221 E. 85th St., New York City. (Always enclose postage.) Dues 3c per year.

The committee has awarded the prize for the prettiest card sent the secretary, to Emma C. Larkin, No. 13. The second prize was not awarded on account of lack of contestants. What's the matter? We want this to be the best card exchange in the United States, but cannot hope for it to be without the help of the members. Get your friends to join. We sent each member last month several printed circulars for you to enclose with your correspondence and send to your friends. If you need more, write to the secretary. He will be glad to send you a supply free. We are continually getting out something new in the way of advertising for this exchange and will send members a supply soon as out. Use it to best advantage.

By a contract with a large firm, the secretary can supply members with a rubber stamp containing name, address and number (three lines) for 25 cents.

NEW MEMBERS

15. John Litt, Georgetown, Demerara, British Guiana.

16. Chas. F. Leach, Bloomfield, Iowa.

17. Alf. Castellanos Haaf, Apartado 26, Durango, Mexico. Exchanges post cards only on his demand.

Change of address:—2. Paul Rockwell, from Kirksville, Mo., to Newport, Tenn.



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Exchange cards with me. Illustrated only. Anna Brown, Kirksville, Mo.

Wanted—Sample copies and ad rates of post card and stamp papers. F. B. Wilson, Kirksville, Mo.



Question Box.

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Yes, there is a small booklet put out by Bullard & Co., of Boston, called "The Collectors Own," and sells for ten cents.

Mr. S. —What are permits, I hear of them often?

The correct name, we presume, is permit numbers. Any firm mailing over 2,000 pieces of identical mail at one time gets a permit and pays the postage in cash. On one corner there is a prescribed wording which gives the permit number, etc. R. E. RAMSEY.

Notes From Kansas City.

Kansas city now has an enthusiastic stamp collectors club of which it need not be ashamed. The Kansas City Stamp Club, which was organized the first week in February, 1905, is now a growing organization with no fewer than twenty members. The club meets on the second and fourth Friday nights of each month in its own club room situated in the center of the business district. The meetings, without exception, are very enjoyable. After the business has been disposed of, the members are treated to a display of stamps by some one of the members. Open exchange after the meetings and auction sales once a month are regular features. One of the features of the meetings which has proven very popular is the stamp drawing contest in which the members draw blank cards from a box. On the back of each card is affixed a postage stamp. The member drawing the card with the stamp of the highest denomination is awarded the prize which is usually a stamp cataloging from fifty cents to a dollar. The club's library now contains several books relating to philately and some three hundred philatelic periodicals, among which is "The Exchange." In addition to this it is receiving twenty of the foremost American and foreign papers as issued. These members are privileged to take to their homes and read between meetings. The Philatelic West is the club's Official Organ. Further particulars may be obtained from the Secretary, A. L. Nelson, 1823 W. Prospect Place, Kansas City, Mo.

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Editor: Clement Guihot, 38 Rue de Chalon, Le Creusot (S.-et-L.). France

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The "Exchange News", of St. Louis, has been taken over by Mr. A. Selige and will be published by him hereafter. The late publishers of this paper, the Exchange News Pub. Co., have changed their name to the Hudson-Gallagher Pub. Co., and will publish a new magazine called the "Post Card World". We have received the first number of this paper and it makes a good start in the philocartie world. It has sixteen well filled pages and is the official organ of the Universal Philocartist Protective Association. The "Post Card World" has our best wishes for a long and prosperous future.

Since the first pages of this magazine went to press we have received the following exchanges:

- Hobbies, Vol. 1, No. 1.
- The Banner, Vol. 1, No. 1.
- Junior American, Vol. 1, No. 2.
- Opportunity, Vol. 1, No. 1.
- Juvenile Philatelist, Vol. 1, No. 2.
- United Stamp Journal, Vol. 1, No. 4.
- Dauntless Monthly.
- The Stamp.

We are glad to see so many new magazines in the field and only hope that they will be able to keep up the good showing that they make in their first numbers.

I wish to receive, to buy, stamps, separate and in series, of all countries except Europe, by 10, 25, 50, or 100 lots. Especially desire Central America and neighboring states.

L. Morelli,

Corso Duca di Geneva, 46

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THE CAUSE.

By Robert E. Ramsay.

The little village of Ogohiens had long been proud of being free from pestersome and eccentric persons. But one of its inhabitants had long on the sly been known as a collector of postage stamps. That man was no other than the prosperous town commissioner, Mr. Cady. He was not born in that town but had when about twenty came from the East and settled there. No one knew any thing of his life before that time and no one took the trouble of looking back into early life, for he carried himself very well and worked hard in that town. Step by step he had mounted up their little ladder of fame and was now at the top as the Commissioner of the town. His en-labour an old man had for the last term allowed his helper to do all the work. So when the time for the nominating a man for the office of County Commissioner the idle tongues around the store fire-sides talked and wondered how young Mr. Cady, now past thirty-five, would stand in line. It was true he was a good man yet when the County Chairman approached him a fair contribution to help

make the nomination he absolutely said he would not for he had no money. And that brought up the fact that he gave but a very meagre sum to the town committee the year before. He lived in a very good mansion in the town and seemed to be well. No one knew of him investing money. He received only a few letters and kept no bank account. Of course the tongues once started soon began to point out their previous favorite as a miser. But on looking up his property they found it mortgaged for all it was worth. Then where did the money go? That was the question that perplexed the people. Mr. Cady could not but know that his every act for years was being gonged to see what became of the money that they knew he had made. The little man bore it all and seemed to forget the people around him. He always presented a careworn face yet the public could not tell where the trouble was. Despite the fact that he refused to give any money to the Chairman they continued to work for him and had him nominated. Shortly after the nomi-

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THE CAUSE.

By Robert E. Ramsay.

The little village of Ogoliens had long been proud of being free from pestersome and eccentric persons. But one of its inhabitants had long on the shy been known as a collector of postage stamps. That man was no other than the prosperous town commissioner, Mr. Cady. He was not born in that town but had when about twenty came from the East and settled there. No one knew any thing of his life before that time and no one took the trouble of looking back into early life, for he carried himself very well and worked hard in that town. Step by step he had mounted up their little ladder of fame and was now at the top as the Commissioner of the town. His co-labourer an old man had for the last term allowed his helper to do all the work. So when the time for the nominating a man for the office of County Commissioner the idle tongues around the store firesides talked and wondered how young Mr. Cady, now past thirty-five, would stand in line. It was true he was a good man yet when the County Chairman approached him a fair contribution to help

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nation took place along early in a long reprieve but I can not September Mr. Cady asked for help but tell you that I have some of the clerks to relieve him done all in my power to fulfill as Town Commissioner. This my attentions. Even this house was granted as they at once concluded he was going to electioneer is mortgaged for more than it is as the saying is. But he did not worth. I have to my own possession instead he withdrew to his home not a thing that will value over a few dollars." Here the and was seldom seen in public. Stranger arose and interrupted One evening not long after he him, "Yes you have, or may have, had withdrawn himself from the I do not know done all in your workings of the town a visitor power in this instance but you was seen at his door. He was a did not do all that was in your stranger in the town. And looked power over sixteen years ago back not a little like Mr. Cady except in Sus—" "Stop" thundered Cady. I was a fool to think I could reason with you. I will The Stranger stood and gazed on withdraw my name as a candidate on the morrow and leave Cady for a few minutes, then said very abruptly, "I suppose for parts unknown" "Yes," began the stranger, "you will Mr. Cady. You know that just fifteen years ago you made that promise with me, a man whom you had ruined that if at the end fifteen years you did not have as many varieties of stamps as the years I gave you, that when I should come you would stop whatever you were at and disappear. Disappear you must for it was over a measly collection of stamps that caused my ruin and your undertaking. You have failed to keep your contract will you keep your word?" "Yes," was all he said as he picked up his hat to depart.

the Hon. Mr. Cady you know why I am here tonight. Do you remember that night in September just fifteen years ago. Of course you do, well I have not forgotten nor do you appear to have a bad memory." Seemingly having exhausted himself or as if that was all he had to say the Stranger ceased and seated himself. Mr. Cady stood wrapped in thought for a long time and then he turned and began. "I need not ask for 'Quarter' you have given me

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his ad on cover.



This is a cut of Mr. H. J. Funk, president of the H. J. Funk Company of Chicago. Mr. Funk, is a dealer in high grade post cards of all countries. He has imported many cards from all parts of Europe and some from Japan. Also his stock of American cards cannot be surpassed outside of New York. This company sells more cards through the Mail than any other Chicago firm.

Possibly the most unique article that this firm handles are the Japanese prints imported directly from Japan. Mr. Funk has sent us a few of these prints and they are beautiful. They come in many designs one of which we reproduce below.

Mr. Funk is an extensive advertiser and has carried an ad in the "Exchange" for many months. Concerning the pulling qualities of the "Exchange" he says—"We wish to say that we were well pleased with our ads in the "Exchange." The approval scheme proved a success." Mr. Funk first tried this unique scheme in this paper and it was so successful that he is now advertising it all over the U. S. See



Post Card Collectors.

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Edward Biele, 316 E. 54 St.,
New York City.

Joshua Zumbro, Chesterhill, O.
Bonnie Buchanan, No. 775,
Roseburg, Ore.

Sketches.

All dealers and publishers sending us copies of their catalogues etc. will have same reviewed in this column.

Latest auction catalog of the J. M. Bartels Co., Boston. This is the last sale for the season of this company and it certainly is not the least.

Auction catalog of Western Stamp Co., Omaha, Neb., listing many rare U. S. stamps in wholesale lots.

Latest Marks catalog for dealers.

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Editorial.

Note our change of price! Our regular subscription rate from this month on will be 25c per year and 10c for three months. Advertisers note that our advertising rates have been lowered permanently to \$2.00 per page and \$1.00 per half page. Other rates remain the same. All year and half year subscribers will have their subscriptions extended two months and four month as the case may be.

The "Central" has also lowered the price of membership to 25c per year for foreign and American members. All members will have their membership extended two months.

Get out your dictionaries. I've a new one for you. Here it is—"Philocartistically". Mr. Ferris, the enterprising secretary of the Columbine Post Card Club, signs himself "Philocartistically Yours, Henry C. Ferris."

Let the good work go on. This

word just fills a vacant place in the philocartist vocabulary, Before long they will have to write an addendum to the dictionary and this word will be in it.

Our editorial in the March number on stamp grafting is still exciting some editors to smear good paper and waste a few bottles of ink trying to show their readers that we are mistaken. We thought that philatelic papers could not be bribed but some few little sheets are still publishing the ads of those firms who raise the value of stamps above catalog value and in this manner tend to discourage stamp collecting among those who receive the stamps. They are bribed by big advertising contracts to write editorials against our paper and several others who are trying to stop such business. We have not yet had our way. Our correspondents in several cities are now working for us on this subject and we expect to have an article in our next number that will surprise many of our mud-slinging contemporaries.

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The Premium Book.

By C. W. Stutesman.

A book that has long been needed by coin, stamp, and curio collectors is one that states concisely the face value of coins or stamps and also gives the premium on them. Mr. Stutesman has written a book that covers all the ground.

This book gives the date of issue of all U. S. coins, face value, definite and concise description, and premium. It has a history of the American Colonial coins; Fractional Currency; Colonial, Continental, and Confederate, paper money; Postage Currency; Commemorative issues, including the Lafayette silver and Louisiana gold dollars; Private coins; Tokens; in fact, everything that concerns coins in any manner.

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Under the head of "The First Post Offices and Postage Stamps in the U. S." Mr. Stutesman gives a complete history of the beginning and development of U. S. stamps.

The book is published by the Coin and Stamp Exchange, Peru, Ind., and sells for 25c.

Queries.

Mr. Robert E. Ramsey, 51 Market St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. will answer any questions, concerning collecting of any kind in this column. If reply by letter is wanted enclose 5c for postage.

6. What firm is best to buy from?

We can not give the name of any special firm. But outlining the principles we would say buy of a firm that gives medium priced stamps in fair condition at a discount.

7. What catalog is most used?

We presume you mean in the United States, and so state the Scott catalog. For a cheaper one you can get Collectors Own published by Bullard of Boston, Mass.

8. What are the advantages to be derived from a Philatelic Society?

They are many. Good fellowship, sales departments, an annual convention, etc.

9. What are reprints and would you collect them?

We can not do justice to this query in the short space allotted to us here. However, to sum up our opinion, they are illegitimate issues born under the winking eye of the government. Personally we collect no such stamps.

10. What stamps are most popular with collectors?

We should say that British Colonials are the most popular the world over.

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Reviews.

Vol. I, No. 1 of the "Juvenile Philatelist" is on our table. The leading article in this issue is, "What's the Use?" wherein Mr. Dorpat gives several valid reasons why the collecting of stamps is only interesting, pleasing, and instructing, but valuable. We are corresponding with Mr. Dorpat and hope to have articles by him in our future issues.

Unless we see the "Philatelic Advertiser," the "~~Philatelic Letter Ocean~~," the "Philatelic Star" the "Exchange News", and one or two others on our desk in a very short time or hear from them why they do not return our exchange, we will discontinue sending them copies.

Dominion Philatelist, Canada.

We are sorry to announce that both the "Time and Tide" of Bloomfield, O. and the "Post Card World of St. Louis, Mo. will suspend publication with their next number. These magazines were two of the best and we regret to lose them. They will make good all subscriptions so subscribers will not lose by their suspension.

"Opportunity," is a bright little magazine containing interesting stories and articles. It also has a few stamp ads.

The West.

The Philocartist News and Camera Craft.

The Californian.

Browning's Magazine.

The Post Card World.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News.

The Hobby Horse.

The Aurora.

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The Star.

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Semi-Occasional Cedar Pointer

The Perforator.

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The Little Advertiser.

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The Journal.

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Miss Emma C. Larkin, who won the first prize in our last contest writes: "Have just received the twenty-five cards as direct prize in your contest and am much pleased with them. Thank you very much for them. Emma C. Larkin, (13)

We intend to have another contest similar to the last one in September and we hope all members will partake in it.

We have a supply of application blanks, rules, etc. on hand. Members who can use them write to the secretary for a few. They are just the size to slip into an envelope with your letter when you are writing to a friend.

NEW MEMBERS.

18. Harry C. Ferris, Sec'y. Col umbine, No. 720, Denver, Colo.

19. H. A. Holmes, Greenland, N. H.

20. R. A. Donaldson, Sec'y. "National", Fultonville, N. Y.

21. Bonnie Buchanan, Roseburg, Ore

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