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A FEW HINTS TO AUTOGRAPH COLLECTORS.

MOST young men now-a-days who devote their spare time to collecting, collect stamps and coins; but there is another field just as wide although not as fully occupied, which is autograph collecting. Now what I mean by an autograph collector, in the true sense of the term, is not the person who accidentally is the recipient of some noted person's favor, but one who goes at it in earnest and exercises good judgment while doing the same. To exercise good judgment and properly keep within the bounds of sense and propriety one must study the particular points about this person whose autograph you seek, not writing your letter in a stereotyped or formal manner, but make it a personal and perhaps complimentary letter, and the person written to in such a manner will invariably be glad to accommodate you. Always, if possible, when writing to a person, enclose a card (if you want signature only) and a stamp and self-addressed envelope. If you do not succeed the first time, try again; but write an entirely different letter the second time.

The best way to begin is to take some particular field or autograph specialty, that is, if you are of a literary turn of mind, collect autographs of literary men and women; if you are interested in history, take such men as come before you who have had their turn in shaping the destinies of nations; if you have a mania for productions on the stage, pick out the noted celebrities in this line; and last, but not least, do not forget the autographs of the noted men in this country. It is a good thing, also, to have a portrait to go with each manuscript or autograph.

Be a collector first, for before you can be a dealer get some autographs. You are badly mistaken if you think that collecting autographs of great men is an easy thing. Your collection will never be complete, so do not think when you get a few hundred manuscripts or signatures that you have completed the work you started out to do. There is no need of always asking plainly for his scribbling, but sometimes when writing commend some particular work he or she has done. Some receive your commendation as a compliment, and some will take it but with a marked degree of coldness.

Young collectors, let autograph collecting be up to a high standard, and do not show your formality, insincerity or boorishness. Autograph collecting can now only be compared with a small shoot springing from the seed, but giving evidence of future prosperity and vigorous growth. Stamps and coins have arrived at such a stage that they are to some an exclusive business, and it is hoped that each and every individual collector of scrawling or hen-tracks will help to endow it with, and maintain a high degree of excellence. Do not be discouraged if, after writing a letter to some person, you receive a reply from his private secretary saying "that he appreciated but could not comply with the many requests that come to him of that nature." Such men are far in the minority. There are so many peculiarities and differences in the many autographs that it is quite amusing and also instructive to look them over, seeing in one perhaps a hand similar to Horace Greeley's, making a person think he had tried to show the difference between mountains and hills on paper; or take the clear and well-written hand of Blaine's, Logan's or Cleveland's suggesting that they considered their writing an essential part of their prosperity. Do not always look at a handwriting in a way indicating curiosity; but possibly after looking at it in a thoughtful manner, it may suggest to you something which might help you, after considering your own writing, to make yourself more proficient in the art. A premium, may some day be put on your autograph so it will be much better to your interests if you have a good business hand. HARRY SHERMAN

U. S. CENTS.

Some Notes for beginners in that line.

THESE were the earliest coins issued by the U. S., and were first coined in 1793, there being but one break to the present day. In 1815 none were issued from the mint, but alterations are quite plentiful, and are generally made from 1845, a few, however, are made from 1813. No collector, should have one in his collection as they are worse than a counterfeit.

Among the easiest and mostly altered dates are 1799 from 1798, 1804 from 1801 to 1806, the latter is more like the 1804 on reverse side as on some specimens of 1800 the stems are as close as on the 1804. The 1801, however, is easier to alter on the obverse. 1811 is also very much altered from 1814, and many are indeed well done. Certain dealers are in the habit of making them ; but no honest dealer would do so though. If they keep on making 1811 from 1813 the latter will be scarce and the other curious, as hundreds have already been deformed in this way.

1823 is next on the list, and is generally altered from 1828, large date. Some of these are very dangerous, and would deceive an ordinary collector. The 3 on the original is knobbed, while on the altered ones it is not the case. The 1856 is very neatly altered from 1858, and collectors should be careful when purchasing.

A complete set of cents, without any duplicates, is worth in fair condition about $20 to $25. The same in good condition are worth from $50 to $100. A really fine set are worth a little fortune, and where duplicates are collected they foot up in the thousands. A good collection of 300 or so duplicated with a fine 1793, 1799 and 1808 should not cost over $50. An 1804 cent was lately sold for $100, but was of course a beautiful specimen and supposed to be the best known. It was brilliant red, just as it left the press.

Among other high prices paid for U. S. cents were an 1793 that sold at $75. A Liberty Cap of the same year is now on sale at N. J. which cost the owner $100. Some of the commoner dates are sold at $5 to $15. Such prices, however, only find their way in advanced cabinets or rich ones, as the average collector is satisfied with a good specimen. It is better to buy a good specimen at once than to buy a poor one, then a fair one, and so on, as poor specimens are not wanted, only when very rare.

In buying cents great care should be taken as they are sometimes not what is represented. In Half-Dollars or other silver coins, the condition does not alter the price as much as in the case of cents, although the condition has as much to do with the price of any coin, as if pure or not, as the rareness itself.

GEO. J. BAUER.

[In our next the writer will probably begin a history of the U. S Cents, giving some of the most important varieties, etc.]

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OWING to the hot summer months we will issue our paper monthly until September when it will not only be a semi-monthly in name but in fact.

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WE have received the following papers todate—Quaker City Philatelist, American Philatelist, The Stamp, Curiosity World, Plain Talk, The Collector of N. Y., American Journal of Philately, International Philatelist and Exchange and Mart. We thank these firms and ask a continuance of their favors.

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CONTRIBUTIONS will be gladly received from interested parties on any of the subjects herein mentioned, and if they will communicate with us we might be able to arrange suitable terms.

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

A. M. WRIGHT has bought the International Philatelic Advertiser from Kreb Bros., we hope he will find a success in this new venture.

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MESSRS BANGS & CO. of New York City, sold at auction from May 21 to 25, one of the finest collections of coins and medals ever sold, excepting possibly the Mickley sale of 1857. W. E. Woodward of Roxbury, Mass. and E. Fassard of New York, compiled the catalogue, which was illustrated and finely gotten up. The sale passed off satisfactorily and high prices were the rule.

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W. H. MONTAGUE, it is said, owns one of the only two specimens of a penny belonging to the reign of Acthaebald of England, in existence. He owned the two not long ago but sold his duplicate.

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A VERY curious relic of the ages when Chemistry was used to search for the philosophers stone has been added to the ceramics in the museum at Serres. It is an alchemist's furnace in terra cotta covered with fluer de bis and the letters P. P. inscribed upon the shield of a coat of arms. It was found near Beauvais which is not far from Villers Cotterets. It was at the latter place that Phillipe, Duke of Orleans, took up the study of alchemy.

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FROM a perusal of our advertising columns an advertisement of John B. McLeod's will be noticed. He has personally been known to us for a number of years and all he says we will indorse. He suffered himself for fourteen years with asthma and after taking advantage of the skill of the noted doctors, met a physician in Europe who recommended a certain medicine to him. This immediately had a beneficial effect and he has never been troubled since? He frankly says "All the money in the treasury at Washington would not weigh in comparison with the benefit and relief I obtained." Notice that none is genuine except it has the McLeod's coat of arms on the seal. See advertisement for particulars.

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NOTES ON PHILATELY.

MANY years ago, beyond the recollection of the oldest inhabitants, a person who was teaching school in Paris thought he had discovered a way to teach his pupils geography. He proposed or advised his scholars to secure the different specimens of stamps from each country. There was a general search among old letters to secure these little bits of bright colored paper. Friends and parents were asked to save the stamps from their letters; strangers at the post-office were pounced upon for the stamp the moment they received their letters. From this the origin of stamp collecting is supposed to have begun. It was at first limited to the younger people, but it excited the older people to see their children gathering these bits of colored paper, till at last, led by their earnest endeavor to please their children and acquaintances, they themselves began to take an interest in the hobby. From a pleasure it gradually became a study, and a most fascinating one at that. To-day, many people turn with pleasure from the cares of their life to the beautiful and well-filled pages of their album to look over the numerous evidences of the growth of the postal system, or to help some friend in the arrangement of the numerous varieties in his stamp album. In spite of the ridicule cast upon the collector, the interest in it has not died away, but has been increased ten fold. All over the world are to be found stamp merchants, and stamp papers started to supply the continually increasing demand both of the advanced and young collectors. Societies are formed in all parts of the continent, at the meetings of which are read most learned papers showing the why and wherefore of this or that stamp.

Collecting is called Philately from two Greek words meaning the love of stamps. Those engaged in the pleasure of the pursuit are called Philatelists.

EDWARD SAMUELS.

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Will. M. Clemens of San Diego, Cal., will hold his fifth auction sale of U. S. and foreign philatelic papers, July 25th.

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There is an orange tree 460 years old in the gardens of Versailles, planted by Eleanor of Castile in 1416.

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Theodore Irwin of Oswego, N. Y., owns one of the most valuable bibles in the world. It is a 62 folio vol., the only one of its kind, and is illustrated with 20,000 engravings.

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It is expected before long the Postal Union will adopt a universal stamp. 20 pfennigs of Germany are equal to 25 centimes of France, less ¼ centime and the 10 Kreuzer of Austria is worth only 21 centimes 4 centimes less.

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Paul Desgranger of Philadelphia has a collection of 1,000,000 cancelled postage stamps divided in forty packages.

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The *Texas Philatelic Journal* will start again but we hope it will not have such a fate as has lately befallen the *Western Philatelist.*

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* " 38c on 9d, violet	60c
Netherlands, 82, 2½ gulden	12c
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Their Habits and History.

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In the structure of animals intended to fly, the union of strength and lightness becomes necessary. The bony substance has, with this view, been rendered very dense, and most of the bones have been made hollow. The stems of the feathers, too, are fastened into hollow cylinders, which are very strong in relation to their weight. By these means a skeleton becomes very light.—that of the white pelican, for example, which is five feet long, weighing only twenty-three ounces, while the bird itself often weighs twenty-five pounds. Large air-cells are placed in various parts of the body in order to supply the cavities of the bones with air; and this air, when rarefied by the ascent of the bird into the upper or lighter atmosphere, finds an exit, by means of canals, into the air passages of the lungs. Notwithstanding this great lightness and delicacy of structure, birds are capable of exerting much strength. The leg of a man may be broken by a flap of a swan's wing, and a blow of the same kind from an eagle has been known to be immediately fatal.

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A Plea for Young Collectors.

PERHAPS in no direction is the go-ahead tendency of this age more apparent than in the great strides which have been made in the science of journalism. Improved and gigantic printing presses, lithographed engravings, special correspondents, telegraphic news, are all the outcome of that great onward march which the intellectual civilization of the day has taken, and in this great advance Philately has not been behind hand. Its journals are well supplied with information which is calculated to meet with due appreciation from all classes. These journals are very numerous, there being some two hundred published annually, and their writers, if not profound, are well intrusted in their hobby. But, while the periodical issue philatelic literature is to be welcomed and commended, it is manifest to the young collector they afford little or no information, and are in fact so many collections of jargon which he does not understand until he has in some way learned the rudiments of the business. To meet this want and to provide a good reliable and a simple guide is something that is needed. The collection of stamps is now admitted to be an interesting as well as an instructive study, and as a study, some guide to its varied features and phases is absolutely necessary. The Philatelic journals of to-day have discontinued the description of stamps of this or that country, and why? There is no particular reason, but some person who thought that he knew so much, claimed that a description was only copied from a catalogue, and that it was all bosh to fill a paper with such nonsense, and from that time on it has been discontinued and in its place is substituted such articles which do little for philately. Now there are many things that I believe would be more instructive and of better interest than such articles, as, "Stamp collecting 100 years hence," &c. What we ought to to dwell on, is the stamp collecting of to-day, and not of a century or more hence. Should not the papers have articles which treat of the stamp and its manufacture, gum, ink, paper, perforation, etc? The origin and description of the water mark, and some sound advice as to the arrangement of a collection, and that often repeated question, "What am I to collect, should be dwelt upon, together with literary ideas and illustrations, concerning the best way of advantageously disposing of one's duplicates. You should fall back to the old form and give the description of a country's stamps, as well as other needed information. I, for one, believe, then and only then, will our philatelic journals secure the support of the many young collectors.

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A CONVICT SHIP.

I was enabled this morning to inspect the internal arrangements of the Russian convict transport Nizhni-Novgorod, which sails hence this evening with 460 criminal deportes for the Russian penal island of Saghalien. The Nizhni-Novgorod is an iron steamer of about 3,800 tons burden and is especially fitted as a convict transport. With a full complement of convicts the vessel carries 652. The more desperate characters are manacled and chained to iron staples in their berths, from which they are released when necessary. Among the 460 convicts carriedby the Nizhni-Novgorod about 160 are murderers. Upon the greater number of these murderers, in addition to their various terms of hard labor in the mines and quarries, will be inflicted upon their arrival a number of blows from the knout, varying from 50 to 125, according to their crimes. Manacled and crouching at the end of one of these cages was a convict about 35 years of age. There was nothing particularly villianous in the man's face, though it was by no means well favored by nature. What struck one especially was his pallid look and apparently general bodily languor. Seven years ago this man had committed murder and was sent to Siberia for life, the first five years hard labor, to be worked in the mines, after the expiration of his mine-labor he managed to escape and was only rearrested after committing a second murder. He is now sentenced to mine labor in Saghalien for life, to receive 125 blows with the knout on arrival on the island, and thereafter to be chained to his barrow or hand-wagon for the first twelve months of his sentence. In these cases there is no unchaining—the chains are welded on the convict's limbs.

"How long do you imagine this poor wretch will exist under the conditions of his first year's punishment?" I asked my guide, who has spent some years of official service in Saghalien.

"Possibly a month or two. The shorter the better for the poor devil."

It is this question which does not appear to occur to the "humanitarian" defenders of the Russian penal code, whether capital punishment were not an unqualified mercy to such criminals—and their number is terribly large in Russia. The convict's horror and dread of having to live out these sentences is shown by the desperate attemps at self-destruction he is ever ready to make. The scene on board these departing ships is altogether saddening and depressing, perhaps the more so that one does not hear a murmur or lament from the stolid-looking and broken-spirited wretches crowded behind the bars of these cages, which remind the spectator only too forcibly, of the wild-beast dens we are accustomed to see in a traveling menagerie.—*London News.*

ALL THE COLORS OF THE RAINBOW.

"The cochineal insects furnish a great many of the very fine colors," said an artist recently to a reporter for the *Mail and Express.* "Among them are the gorgeous carmine, the crimson, scarlet carmine and purple lakes. The cuttle fish gives the sepia. It is the inky fluid which the fish discharges in order to render the water opaque when attacked. Indian yellow comes from the camel. Ivory chips produce the ivory black and hone black. The exquisite Prussian blue is made by fusing horses' hoofs and other refuse animal matter with impure potassium carbonate. This color was discovered accidently. Various lakes are derived from roots, bakrs and gums. Blue black comes from the charcoal of the vine stalk Lamp black is soot from certain resinous subtances. Turkey red is mud from the madder plant, which grows in Hindostan. The yellow sap of a tree of Siam produces gamboge, the natives catch the sap in cocoanut shells. Raw sienna is the natural earth from the neighborhood of Sienna, Italy. Raw umber is also an earth found near Umbria and burnt. India ink is made from burnt camphor. The Chinese are the only manufacturers of this ink, and they will not reveal the secret of its manufacture. Mastic is from the gum sf the mastic tree, which grows in the Grecian Archipelago. Bister is the soot of wood ashes. Very little ultra-marine is found in the market. It is obtained from the precious lapis-lazuli, and commands a fabulous price. Chinese wh item zinc, scarlet is iodide of mercury, and native vermillion is from the quicksilver ore called cinnabar."

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From our Canadian Correspondent.

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Geo. Walker for Ontario.
R. A. B. Harte for Quebec.
A. J. Craig for Nova Scotia.
H. S. Harte for New Brunswick.
J. R. Davidson for Manitoba.
W. Brown for P. E. I.
J. H. Todd for British Columbia.

There were four candidates for Secretary, (H. E. French withdrew). Mr. T. J. Minn was elected with a small majority.

Mr. H. L. Harte, of Halifax, was elected for Treasurer by acclamation.

Mr. Greany was chosen Exchange Superintendent.

The office of Librarian was gallôped by J. A. Leighton.

H. Morrell was everybody's man for Counterfeit Detector.

H. F. Ketcheson for Purchasing Agent.

Thos. Larsen for Official Editor, and the Halifax *Philatelist* for Official Organ.

Executive Committee. J.R. Hooper, C. C. Morrency, and F. C. Kay.

Convention 1889, will be held at Halifax.

There were several good things done during the convention. The most noted is Mr. Niesser catching F. E. Book, of Niagara Falls, counterfeiting Peruvian Surcharges. Beware of him. Mr. B. was expelled from the Association. S. Taylor is not in Canada, but anoiher has taken his place. The Ontario *Stamp Journal* has appeared. It Goes for Mr. Lowe with a broad-axe. OSES.

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THE U. S. CENT,

—BY NUMIS—

(*Continued*)

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1804—Two varieties are well known among collectors viz; the plain and cracked die variety. The latter has a carck connecting the letters RTY of Liberty with the border on the obverse side and the letters MERIC of America.

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—BY CURO—

(*Continued from Sep't.*)

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