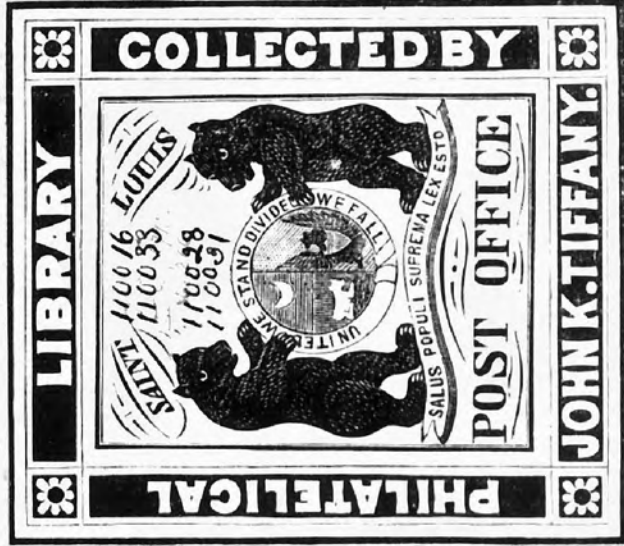


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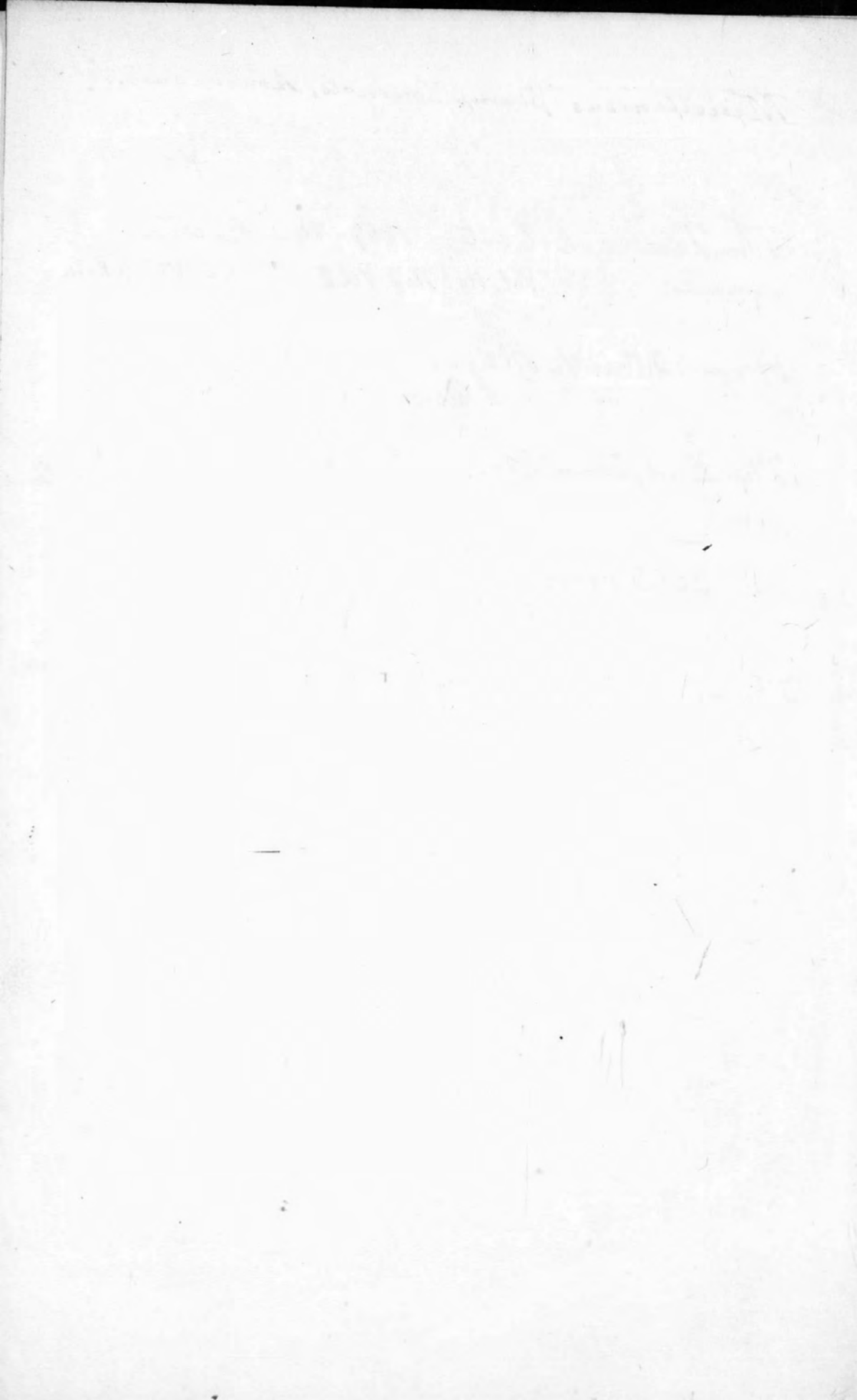
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## The Timbrophilist.

C. A. LYFORD, Publisher & Proprietor.

The Timbrophilist is the organ of the Stamp Collectors of America, and the foe of the British imposters, counterfeiters, and knaves, whilom the friend of the true science of Timbrophily, and its motto is,

*"Semper Paratus."*

### NEW CALEDONIA.

BY A MERRY-CUSS.

The stamps of New Caledonia have in times of the past, afforded ground for much argument, and even now collectors introduce them into their albums more from the force of example, than from any well grounded conclusions in their own mind as to their real or fraudulent character. If the reader will only take the trouble to analyze the various statements and comments which have from time to time been published regarding them, he will have little difficulty in reconciling himself to the fact that "doubtful things are very uncertain." The alleged history of their issue, according to the latest Parisian authority, is that in the year 1857 the governor of the island of New Caledonia employed a certain Sergeant Triquera, a soldier of the garrison and a lithographer by occupation, to manufacture postage stamps, though *why* we are not informed, as there was at that time but one P. O. (that of Port de France), on the entire island. For what purpose then could the stamp have been used? there being no postal route on the island, which is itself in a semi-barbarous condition, for it is only a few years since a small party of soldiers, who went on an exploring expedition were overpowered and converted into a nutritious fricassee by the natives, who are an omniverous and anthropogagic race, since which time soger-soup,

French cutlets and Zouave a-la-mode, have been the prevailing delicacies at the tables of the aborigines.

Next Mr. Mahe of the Timbrophile, whose statement we have in hand, tells the world that the lithographed stamps were engraved with the point of a pin. Sadly must that garrison have needed stamps indeed when the engraver was driven to execute them with a pin point. Where was the surgeon of the garrison? could'nt he have lent a probe or scalpel? Secondly, it may be interesting to know that in the lithographic process a pointed instrument is not used. The design being *drawn* on the stone with a pencil, after which the balance of the stone being covered with an insoluble varnish is subjected to the action of sulphuric acid, the effects of which is to cause the drawing to be affected by the acid, while the balance of the stone being protected by the varnish remains intact; and for further details of the lithographic process let the reader consult the Cyclopedia or any printed work on the subject. Next the sapient Mahe tells us that each of the fifty New Caledonia stamps differs from its fellow for the reason that the artist had not the wherewithal to "transfer" them. This is very singular indeed, seeing that Mr. Tiquera had no difficulty about the wherewithal to *print* them when done,—the transferring process being equivalent to printing them. And then, according to the legend, the lamented Triquera died, and was buried in the deep blue lone sea, and the secret and history of the New Caledonia stamps perished with him, and the waves went over him. Selah! But then Mr. Sergeant Triquera had heirs in France, and these heirs became the proprietors of a large number of lithographic stones, from which the New Caledonia stamps had been printed, for it appears that the lamented sergeant had prepared a large number of different stones and was taking them home to France, for he had already heard out in New Caledonia (likely story) of the purchase of one

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of the stones which he had previously sent home on speculation, and of which stone Mons. Mahe himself confesses he was the purchaser. Further, the heirs of M. Triquera had caused him to "reprint" a number of the stamps before he left the colony for that France which he was fated never more to see; but that statement is of course intended for the squeamish stomachs of the collectors of the moonstruck anti-reprint Pembertonian tribe.

Now by Mahe's own confession, he is the possessor of one of the various stones from which the stamps of New Caledonia were printed, and of course he will swear to their authenticity, for has not his purchase made him "celebrated;" and Messrs. Smith & Co., of Bath, Bergerlevrault, and the rest of the swindlers certify to Mahe's truthfulness by their corroborative statements and opinions. Our columns will not permit us to dilate further on the various swindling and humbugging games of the Parisian counterfeiters and their British and Franco-American fellow scoundrels; but one thing we must say, that we imagine the French Emperor would do France a service if, instead of persecuting crazy editors, like Rochefort, he would send the "celebrated" dealer of the Rue de Cannelles, to Cayenne, to expiate the crime of swindling his subjects with fraudulent caricatures of the countenance of the nephew of his uncle.

## REVIEW.

*The Permanent Stamp Album*, by Co. Van Rinsum. Fine feathers make fine birds, and the Album in question is in no exception to the rule. Its cover is a masterpiece of the gilder's art, and defies criticism. Of the contents, the less said the better, we forbear comment in pity to the poor deluded young man who compiled it. The *Industrial American* says of it:—It is the latest and poorest apology for a Stamp Album we have ever seen, and we fully endorse the opinion of our cotemporary.

*Der Bazaar fur Briefmarken Sammler*, Wilhelm, Faber & Co. This is the latest "Magazine" and is published in the melodious language of the Teutons. Its editor is a chip off the same block as Van Rinsum, though, perhaps, hardly so magnificent a rascal as that demented scapegrace. "The Bazaar will close soon."

The Stamp Mercury, Devilliers, Torr & Perkins, Proprietors. A weak emanation of a weaker brain, devoid of grammar, logic, sense, or any redeeming virtue that we ever heard of, devoted in greater part to the dissemination of the writings of a few "Numis-matologists" who are tickled at the idea of seeing their brilliant productions in print.

The proprietor of the Mercury is a man of many resources: illegal gambling at cards, with the unsophisticated youth of this city, being one of his sources of revenue. That particular branch of emolument has, however, lately received a check at the hands of the police, and the "little game" has been discontinued for the present for obvious reasons. The Mercury is the promoter of the Paraguayan Stamps; also, the 12 Reales Ecuador, a number of which the Editor lately disposed of at the rate of a dollar a dozen.

His *friends* have lately furnished him with a certificate of good character, which he needed even worse than a dictionary. The names of these "friends" and their occupations and addresses will be published in our next.

## L. W. D.

The above are the initials of the Numismatic and Timbrophilic swindlers and impositionists, Mason & Co. L. W. Durbin formerly dwelt in St. Louis, but his sojourn in that city was abbreviated, and his exodus therefrom was accelerated by the vigilance committee, who told him to "get up and git."

"True patriot he, for be it understood,  
He left Missouri for Missouri's good."

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Antioquia 2 1-2	15
Antigua, 1d	5
"    6d	8
Azores, 5, 10 reis	5
Argentine Republic, head, 5 cen.	10
"    "    10 cen.	15
"    "    5 cen., 1867	20
Austria, 1850, 1, 2 kr.	5
"    1850, 3, 6, 9 kr.	3
"    1858, head to left, 2, 3 kr.	6
"    1859, "    "    3, 5, 10, 15 kr.	4
"    1861, "    "    right, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15 kr.	3
"    1863, Eagle, 2, 3, 5, 10 kr.	4
"    1867, head, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15 kr.	5
"    1867, "    "    25, 50 kr.	8
"    Newspaper Stamps,	
"    head of Mercury, blue	6
"    arms, 1, 2 kr.	6
"    "    2 kr. red, green or brown	8
"    1867, lilac	5
Austrian Italy, 1850, 5, 10 cen.	15
"    "    1850, 15, 30, 45 cen.	4
"    "    1858, 2 10, 5, 15 sol.	6
"    "    1858, 3 sol.	10
"    "    1861, 5 sol.	6
"    "    1863, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15 sol.	5
"    "    1867, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 25 sol.	6
Baden figure, 1, 3, 6, 9 kr.	4
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"    Envelope, 3 kr.	3
"    "    6, 9 kr.	6
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"    1867, 1, 3, 6, 9 kr.	4
"    Return Stamp, black	8
Belgium, 1849, 10, 20 cen.	12
"    1850, 1, 10, 20, 40	5
"    1865, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 30, 40 cen., 1 fr.	5
Bergedorf, 1-2, 1 sch.	4
Bermuda, 1d.	8
Brazil, head, 10 r.	5
"    20, 200 r.	8
"    50, 80, 100	10
Bremen, 1, 2, 3, 5	8
"    Envelopes	8
British Columbia, 2 1-2d.	10
British Honduras, 1d.	8
British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 12 cen.	8
Brunswick, 1-4, 1-3, 1-2, 1, 2, 3 gr.	3
"    oval, 1-2, 1, 2, 3	5
Buenos Ayres, 1p, blue	18
Bolivia, 5c., green	25
Canada, 6d.	25
"    3d.	10
"    1, 2, 5, 10 c.	3
"    12 1-2, 17 c.	5
"    1868, 1-2, 1, 2, 3, 6	2
Cape of Good Hope, triangle, 1, 4d.	6
"    "    6d, 1s.	12
"    "    square, 1, 4d, 1s	5
"    "    6d	8
Ceylon, 1-2, 1, 2, 6d, 1s.	6
"    3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 2s.	12
Chili, 1, 5, 10, 20 cen.	10
"    1867, 2 cen.	10
"    1868, 1, 5, 10, 20 cen.	8
Confederate States, 5, 10 c.	4
"    2, 20 c.	4
Denmark, 2, 4, 8, 16s.	8
"    1864, 2, 3, 4, 16s.	5
Schleswig Holstein, 1, 2 sch.	5
"    1-2, 1 1-3, 1 1-4	5
"    2, 4	5
Ecuador, 1-2, 1, 8 r.	5
Egypt, 5, 10 p.	8
"    1867, 5, 10 p.	8
France Republic, 10, 15, 1 f.	15
"    Empire, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20, 40, 80	3
"    25	10
"    1867, 10, 20, 30	4
French Colonies, 1, 10, 40	5
"    20, 80	8

	CTS.
Germany, North, colored paper, 1, 2, 3	10
"    "    1-4, 1-3, 1-2	4
"    "    white paper, 1-4, 1, 2, 3	3
"    "    1-2, green	10
"    "    1-3	5
"    "    5, 10	15
"    "    Envelopes, 1, 2, 6, 9	5
"    "    South, colored paper, 1, 3, 6, 9	3
"    "    white paper, 1, 3, 6, 9	3
"    "    15, 30 kr.	10
"    "    1868, 1, 2, 3, 5 kr.	6
"    "    Envelopes, 1, 2, 3, 6, 9	5
New Grenada, 1c	8
"    2 1-2c.	8
Great Britain, 1d, black	8
"    1d, red on green	6
"    2d, without lines	10
"    6d, 1s, oct.	8
"    10d, 2s, 5s	8
Greece, 1, 2, 20 l.	4
"    5, 10, 40, 80 l.	6
Granada, 1d, 6d	8
Hamburg, 1-4, 1, 7	3
"    2, 3, 4, 9	4
"    1 1-4, 1 1-2	5
"    2 1-2	6
"    1-2	2
Hanover, 1g, blue	2
"    1, 1-30, 1-15, 1-10	8
"    3 p., rose green	6
"    Head, 1, 2, 3	5
"    Envelope, 1	8
Heligoland, 1-2, 1 sch.	5
Holstein, 1-2, 1 1-2, 1 1-3, 1 1-4	5
Holland, 5, 10, 15	4
"    1865, 5, 10, 15	4
"    1867, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50	5
"    1869, 1, 1 1-2, 2 c.	5
Hong Kong, 2, 6, 8, 24	4
"    12, 18, 30, 48, 96	5
India, 1st issue, 1-2, 1, 2, 4	8
"    1-2, 1, 2, 4, 8 an. 8 p.	2
"    6 an., 8 p.	8
"    Envelope, 1-2, 1	15
Italy, 1851, 1852, 1854, 20c.	15
"    1856, 5, 20, 40	4
"    1864, 5, 10, 15, 30, 40, 60	3
"    1867, 20c.	4
"    Newspaper, 1, 2	4
Java, 10c	10
Jamaica, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6d, 1s.	5
Liberia, 6, 24	8
Lubeck, 1-2, 1, 2, 2 1-2	4
"    oval, 1-2, 1	5
"    1 1-4, 1 1-2	8
Luxemburg, 10c. 1 sgr.	10
"    1, 2, 4, 10, 12 1-2	6
"    20, 40	8
Malta, 1 1-2 d.	5
Modena, 5	5
Mecklenburg, Schwerin, 1-4	4
"    Strelitz, 1-4, 1-3	8
Mexico, 1, 2	18
"    2, 4, 8	15
Moldo Wallachia, 2, 5 p.	8
"    1868, 2 b.	5
"    4 b.	18
"    18 b.	35
Montevideo, 6, 8, 10, 12	10
Naples, 1, 2, 5	6
Natal, 1, 3, 6d	6
Nevis, 1d.	8
New Brunswick, 3d.	12
"    6d.	90
"    1, 2, 5, 10	3
"    12 1-2	8
"    17	25
Newfoundland, 1, 2c.	5
"    5, 10, 13	8
New South Wales, diadem, 1, 3, 6d, 1s	6
"    Envelope, 1d	8
New Zealand, 1, 2, 6d, 1s	5
Nicaragua, 2c.	10
Norway, head, 2, 3, 4, 8	5
"    lion, 2, 3, 4, 8	5
"    1867, 2, 4, 8	5
Nova Scotia, 1, 6d	20



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Nova Scotia, 3d. . . . .	3
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“ 12 1-2 . . . . .	8
Oldenburg, 1-30 . . . . .	8
“ 1-4, 1-3, 1-2, 1, 2, 3. . . . .	6
Orange Free State, 1d. . . . .	8
Parma, 5, 10, 15, 25 . . . . .	10
Peru, 1d, 1p, 5c. . . . .	8
Portugal, 5, 10, 15, 25, 1.20 . . . . .	6
Prince Edward Island, 1d. . . . .	5
“ 2d, 3d, 6d. . . . .	6
“ 9d, 4d. . . . .	12
Prussia, 4, 6, 1, 2, 3. . . . .	3
“ arms 3 4, 6 . . . . .	3
“ 1, 2, 3. . . . .	2
“ 1867, 1, 2, 3, 6, 9. . . . .	6
Queensland, 1 2, 3, 4, 6d, 1s . . . . .	5
Russia, 1, 10 k. . . . .	4
“ 3, 5, 20, 30 k. . . . .	8
“ Poland, 10 k. . . . .	15
Romagna, 1-2, 1 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 20 . . . . .	5
Roman States, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 . . . . .	5
“ 1867, 5, 10, 20, 80 . . . . .	6
Salvador, 1-2, 4r. . . . .	20
“ 1, 2r. . . . .	15
St. Helena 1d. . . . .	8
St. Lucia, red, black . . . . .	8
St. Thomas, 3c. . . . .	8
St. Vincent, 1d, 6d. . . . .	8
Sandwich Islands 2c, head . . . . .	12
“ 5c, head . . . . .	15
“ 13c. . . . .	50
Saxony, 1-2 1 2 3, head . . . . .	4
“ 3, 1-2, 1, 2, 3, 5, arms . . . . .	4
“ Envelope, 1-2, 1, 2, 3. . . . .	5
Sierra Leone, 6d. . . . .	25
Sicily, 2g. . . . .	10
“ 1 5, 10, 20g. . . . .	15
South Australia, 1, 2, 6d, 1s. . . . .	6
Spain, 1854, 1 6c. . . . .	8
“ 1855, 4c, 2r. . . . .	8
“ 1862, 2c, 4c, 1, 2r. . . . .	8
“ 1864, 4c, 2r. . . . .	5
“ 1865, 2c, 1 2r. . . . .	5
“ 1866, 2, 4, 20c. . . . .	6
“ 1867, 5m. . . . .	5
“ 10m . . . . .	8
Sweden, 1858, 5, 9, 12, 24, 30 . . . . .	3
Straits Settlement, 1867, 2, 3, 8, 24c . . . . .	8
“ 1868, 6, 8, 12, 18, 24, 32c . . . . .	5
“ 96c. . . . .	15
Switzerland, 1, 2, 3 rayon . . . . .	10
“ Franco, 2 5, 10, 15 20, 40 . . . . .	5
“ Helvetia, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, 30 40, 1f. . . . .	4
“ 1867, 10, 30 50c. . . . .	5
“ Envelopes, 1867, 5c. . . . .	6
“ “ 10c. . . . .	5
“ “ 1868, 30c. . . . .	10
Schleswig, 1-2, 1 1-4, 1 1-3 . . . . .	8
Servia, head, 1, 2p. . . . .	6
“ arms, 1, 2p. . . . .	8
“ head, 1869, 1 h. . . . .	5
Trinidad, 4, 6d. . . . .	5
Turks Island, 1d. . . . .	8
Tuscany, Lion, 1, 2, 4, 6 cr. . . . .	5
Virgin Island, 1d, 4d. . . . .	8
Victoria, 1, 2, 3, 4d. . . . .	5
West Australia, 1, 2d. . . . .	5
Wurtemberg, . . . . .	3

tain tenure of the thread of human life.

The lines commend themselves peculiarly to the Timbrophilic Journals of the day—whose hold on a precarious existence is at once so brief and uncertain, and in a particular manner do they apply themselves to one Cornelius Van Rinsum, the late publisher of a serio-comic journal, facetiously termed the “Continental Philatelic Magazine.” The C. P. M., itself a libel on the English language, has passed away, and nothing in its life became it like the leaving of it. The editor of the precious magazine was a young Dutchman of tender years and extensive conceit, and like others of his class, possessed of more money than wit.

His gushing effusions were distinguished by a singular and remarkable disposition to maltreat and abuse the English language, in the commission of which damnable atrocity the aforesaid Van Rinsum seemed to take a fiendish delight. The rest of his crimes we have not space to enumerate in full.

His disregard for the ninth commandment and his contempt for the dictionary coupled with the fact that he was the German agent of Mahe & Co., of Paris, the notorious counterfeiters and dealers in fictitious stamps, were cause enough and sufficient to sink to the lowest depths of perdition better men than he. Mr. V. R., in his advertisement undertakes to furnish a complete set of new U. S. stamps, *unused*, and a set of Brazilian stamps, in like condition, for the trifling consideration of 25 c. Further comment on the character and disposition of a dealer who makes announcements of that character are superfluous; let Timbrophilists therefore be thankful that Satan has one emissary the less even in Germany.

The C. P. M. and its prospects of earthly greatness are no more, and the dark waters of oblivion have closed over it forever without leaving even a bubble to show that such a lying, miserable, worthless, contemptible libel on the English language ever had place or name, on this submundane sphere.

## OBITUARY.

“Leaves have their time to fall,  
And flowers to wither at the north wind's breath,  
And stars to set — but all,  
Thou hast all seasons for thine own,  
Oh Death.”

Briefly and pathetically hath the poet, in the lines above, descanted on the mutability of temporal affairs and the vague uncer-

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## NEW STAMPS.

### Holland.

The color of the 1c has been changed from black to pale green.

### Hawaii.

A two cent stamp has just appeared; the design is the portrait of King Kamehameha V. as depicted on the present 5 cent stamp, with inscription at bottom, *Elua Keneta*, and a figure 2 in each of the upper angles. The color is similar to the old 2c vermilion red.

### Transvaal Republic (Southern Africa.)



We insert an engraving of the Transvaal Republic stamp, but we do so with all due reserve, as there is a bare chance that our transatlantic brethren are only playing another of their little games like unto the Clara Rothe St. Thomas affair.

The values are said to be one penny, three pence, six pence, and one shilling.

Russian Local Stamps are appearing in all directions, and we would desire to add that we do not believe that a single one of the series ever had any origin other than in the establishments in Paris and Bath, where the knaves who invent stamps lay awake nights thinking of new impostures and inventions.

Beware of all Russian Locals.

### Angola.

A stamp has been emitted by the Portuguese Colony of Angola, according to the European authorities. The design is a crown within a rectangular frame, the words Angola at top and value in words at bottom, and numeral of value in each of the angles.

### Servia.

The new stamps, with portrait of the present ruler, have appeared. They represent a school-boy's countenance, looking to the left, within a circle, with the Runic characters usual on the Servian stamps. The

values and colors are: 1 para, yellow; 10 paras, brown; 15 p. orange; 20 p. blue; 25 p. carmine; 35 p. light green; 40 p. purple; and 50 p. deep green.

## BEWARE.

An English swellmobman named Buckley, hailing from Birmingham, England, is at present in this country on a tour of observation and acquisition. Said Buckley is a Briton of about 5 feet 10 inches in height, and 18 inches diameter, complexion of the amaranthine tint, produced by an excess of "alf and alf you know."

He wears a very heavy brass watch chain, with a "loket" of massive circumference attached, and looks "Brummagem" all over. He is a friend of crazy Pemberton's, the two of them having once journeyed from Hengland to Haustralia together on a voyage of restricted leisure, their passages having been kindly defrayed by a benevolent government.

They are now both at large, and Buckley is come "hover to try 'is luck with the bloody Hamericans."

With a knowledge of the presence of this ticket of leave man, it behoves dealers to guard their treasures well.

## TO DEALERS ONLY.

C. A. Lyford desires to state to the trade that he has purchased the entire remaining stock of the following Confederate stamps, from the late Assistant P. M. General of the Confederacy, and is prepared to supply them in quantities of not less than twenty-five, at rates much lower than they have heretefore been quoted at on the price list of any dealer in the world, viz:

- 1c. yellow, head of J. C. Calhoun.
- 2c. green, head of A. Jackson.
- 10c. blue, head of Thos. Jefferson.
- Ten c. blue, head of Jefferson Davis.

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## STAMP JOURNALS.

Wanted a copy of each of the Journals mentioned below, for which a fair price will be paid, viz :

Stamp Collector's Review, Nos. 1 to 15 inclusive.

Stamp Collector's Miscellany, Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7.

Weymouth Stamp and Crest Advertiser, Nos. 1 and 2 1st series, 4 2nd series.

National Stamp Express, Nos. 1, 3, 4.

Northumberland and Durham Stamp Advertiser, Nos. 2, 6, 7, 9, 10.

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Collector's Circular, Aug., Sept., 1866.

North of England Stamp Review, Oct., Nov., Dec., 1864.

Liverpool Stamp Advertiser, July, 1863.

Newcastle and Gateshead Review, Nos. 1, 2, 4.

Liverpool and Newport Stamp Advertiser, Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12.

Boys' Agency Circular, No. 1.

International Stamp Recorder, file.

Boys' Telegram, "

Bath Stamp and Coin Gazette, "

S. C. Journal, (E. C. Hall's.) "

Parties having any of these and desirous of disposing of them may address

L. J. BALFOUR,  
BOSTON, MASS.

## SMITH & CO.

Messrs. Smith & Co. are an English firm, who have been established a matter of about six years. Their price list states in plain terms that all stamps sold by them are warranted genuine, but if the reader will take the trouble to examine their list he will find Canada *buff paper* envelopes quoted at one shilling each, Honduras 2 reals at one shilling and ninepence each, and a numerous tribe of impositions of like nature at fanciful prices. It is a well established fact, we believe, that if moral turpitude be shown to

exist in the disposition of a person in one form, that it is extremely probable that it exists in many other shapes, which only require time and the force of circumstances to bring them to the surface. The rule is a sound one, and holds good in the case of Messrs. Smith on this particular occasion at least.

In the early part of June last the publisher of this journal forwarded to Messrs. A. Smith & Co., in a prepaid letter, American stamps amounting to thirteen pounds, two shillings and sixpence, according to the price list of those gentlemen. To which no return has as yet (September 4th) been received. It may be that Messrs. Smith do not intend to swindle C. A. Lyford out of the sum of \$85.00, or it may be that they do; but as the only acknowledgment he has yet received has been a couple of copies of their Monthly Magazine, it seems very much as if he would be unwillingly obliged to come to the latter conclusion.

## SAD BUT TRUE.

The common honesty of the British dealers of the present day is sadly below par.

With one honorable exception in Liverpool, one in Plymouth, and a couple in London, we know of no dealer in Her Majesty of England's dominions, to whom we would willingly consign a dollar with any ultimate expectation of ever receiving any return to the same.

It is a sad state of affairs, but so it is, the "trade" in Great Britain is made up at the present time of a diatribe of great rogues, little rogues, office boys, and Jeremy Diddlers who would remove the coppers from the optics of a departed sinner with even less compunction than a certain Boston dealer would "change the score" at the little game of euchre.

But such is the way of the world you know.

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## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

F. A. D., MONTROSE, PA.—The Clara Rothe stamps, which you say were warranted genuine to you by a Boston dealer, are fraudulent. A stamp perforated 16x60 is very different from one perforated 15x45. So also is a stamp attached to a letter with sealing-wax very different from one affixed in the ordinary manner.

A. MERRY CUSS, SUFFIELD, CONN.—Thanks for your article on the New Caledonia Stamp. We have enclosed you \$15.00 by registered letter for same. Write again.

W. P. F., WEST CHESTER, PENN.—We are sorry to hear that you had anything to do with L. W. Durbin, alias Mason & Co. He has long been notorious as a vender of fraudulent stamps, and we regret to hear that you are another of his victims.

P. FERGUSON, ATLANTA, GA.—Our own collection numbers 3,301 stamps, and is the largest in America. The chemical changes and varieties of perforations, are not of course included, or it would swell the aggregate number to 6,602.

E. W. V., BERGEN CITY, N. J.—The dealer you allude to has recently levanted, and is now an attache of the school-ship in Boston Harbor. He will return in two years.

E. T. H., WINCHESTER.—We are sorry for you, but trust the lesson you have received will be a warning to you in future to avoid unprincipled vagabonds and worthless French mongrel scallawags.

P. T. H., ALBANY, N. Y.—The Hamburg Boten stamps, sold in Packet G, are the same as sold by other Boston dealers, and by the dealers of New York, Philadelphia, and other cities, at prices ranging from 75c. to \$1.50 per set. They are sold in Europe by the dealers there at 2 shillings sterling per set, postage extra, you can therefore easily see which is the cheapest.

C. V. R., AMSTERDAM.—The name of George Stewart is an alias assumed by the establishment of Trifet & Co., for the purpose of carrying out some of their numerous tricks. The editor of the Gazette, of New Brunswick is above any dodges of that kind.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMBROPHILIST:—My attention having been called to a statement published during my absence from the city, in a paper called the Mercury, "edited" by one Trifet, to the effect that he (Trifet) saw sundry various colored 2 real St. Domingo stamps in a collection belonging to me, and which collection he alleges a dealer of this city had for sale, I desire to say that the statement in question is utterly and unqualifiedly false in every particular.

JAMES M. CHUTE.

## ALBUMS, &c.

THE NONPARIEL STAMP ALBUM contains spaces for over 1100 stamps, and a description of the current issues of stamps of all countries, bound in boards. Price by mail 55 cents.

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The Flags of all Nations, beautifully printed in colors, suitable for Hill's Album. Price by mail, 25 cents.

The Arms of all Nations, companion sheet to the above. Price by mail, 25 cents.

## CHEAP SETS OF STAMPS.

Pacific Steam Nav. Co.	Set of 8	\$0.15
Spain, (1866)	" 6	.10
Bergedorf,	" 5	.15
Hamburg,	" 10	.15
Saxony,	" 6	.10
Moldavia,	" 3	.10
Bremen,	" 6	.15
Brunswick,	" 9	.12
Venezuela,	" 4	.12
New Grenada,	" 8	.15
Lubec,	" 5	.12
Hamburg (Locals),	" 116	.25
La Guaira,	" 4	.10
Romagna,	" 6	.15
Servia,	" 5	.20
Saxony, Dresden,	" 12	.20
Greece,	" 7	.20
Bolivia,	" 6	.15
New Caledonia, (complete),	" 50	.15
Hayti,	" 4	.20
Shanghai,	" 5	.20
Paraguay,	" 5	.25
Ionian Islands,	" 3	.30
Hamburg Envelopes,	" 5	.30

## TO DEALERS.

### U. S. Local or Express Stamps.

QUALITY SAME AS SOLD BY OTHER DEALERS.

25 Different Varieties,	\$0.15
50 " " "	0.25
100 " " "	0.50
150 " " "	0.75
200 " " "	1.25
250 " " "	2.00

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Vol. I.

C. A. LYFORD, Proprietor.

No. 7.

## THE ROGUE'S GALLERY.

We herewith redeem our promise made to our readers in our last number, by presenting to them a portrait of the Champion Swindler of Christendom, furnished us by the kindness of the Minister of Police of Amsterdam, in Holland. It will be observed that he is a cheerful looking youth, and his name is Van Rinsum.



We would have given his portrait ere this, but he has been in prison at Heidelberg, the disastrous result of a piratical descent made by him upon the hen-roosts of that ancient city, but neither the sumptuous fare of the Heidelberg gaol, nor yet the involuntary gymnastics of its treadmill, have succeeded in making his shadow one whit the less, and here he is, fat, happy, and impudent as ever.

Our artist has endeavored in vain to depict his spectacles, but after spoiling a quire of tracing paper, and a gross of lead pencils, he has finally given it up in despair, which we do regret sadly, as the specs did add much gravity to his youthful countenance.

We are Mr. Van Rinsum's friend and second, and we stand ready to back him with the sum of \$25,000 Confederate currency, to out-lie Pemberton, to out-swindle Alfred Smith, to out-blow Jack Scott, to out-steal Leo Durbin, to beat Trifet at euchre, (even if Trif has five aces up his sleeve,) and last of all, as an appropriator of other people's moveable property of a timbrophilic nature, we challenge Beelzebub himself.

"Come on, Macduff!"

The new United States stamps will appear April 1st.

## "WHERE IGNORANCE IS BLISS," &C.

The average amount of intelligence possessed by the self-sufficient "Philatelists," and so-called monograpers and illusionists, who control the stamp journals of the present day, has never been better exemplified than in the case of the dubious Antioquia stamps, the mysterious initials "E. S." which appear thereon, having completely dumbfounded the noisy clan aforesaid, the learned author of the word "collaborator," included.

The long-winded Pemberton confesses himself stumped. Dr. Muggins thinks and judges, and supposes that he doesn't know, while Tomkit and the balance "guv it up," as Bones would say.

"E. S. de Antioquia" simply means Estado Soberano de Antioquia, Anglicised, Sovereign State of Antioquia, and we don't consider it a very hard conundrum, although the Philatelists have found it a tougher subject than the Paraguay stamp, and it, we all know, was very tough indeed.

## THE HONDURAS STAMPS.

The engraving which is here subjoined, and which purports to be a stamp for Honduras, was first given to the world in *Le Timbre Poste*, for July, 1865. It was duly noticed in the *Stamp Collector's Magazine*, and in the *Stamp Collector's*



Record for August of that year, the former journal stating incidentally, that the stamp was "executed by a Belgian firm," but otherwise assenting to its character as an authentic postage stamp.

The Honduras Stamp accordingly took its place on the price lists of the European dealers at a very reasonable price, Messrs. A. Smith & Co., proprietors of the *S. C. Magazine*, quoting it in their 1867 list at one and ninepence sterling, while singularly enough, the Ecuador, 2 Real Stamp, is quoted on the same list at three and sixpence sterling, being just double the price of the Honduras Stamp, both stamps being of exactly the same monetary value. In Messrs. Smith & Co.'s list for 1869, the Honduras Stamp is not mentioned, nor is any explanation of the reason of its "expulsion" given, but in a subsequent number of their magazine, collectors are

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informed that a German youth residing in San Francisco, one Lomler by name, has seen a post-marked or cancelled copy, and consequently the inference, that notwithstanding its omission from their list, it was, or is still, an undoubted genuine stamp, it having been warranted as such for over two years by the aforesaid Smith & Co.

Feeling conscious ourselves, that Messrs. Smith & Co. had perpetrated a most outrageous fraud, we sometime since addressed to the Postmaster General, or Director of Posts in Honduras, an inquiry into the matter, to which we received the following reply, which we opine to be eminently satisfactory.

COMAYAGUA, HONDURAS,  
Dec. 8 1869.

SIR:—

In reply to your communication of November 5th, I have to inform you that postage stamps are not used in this Republic, and the design representing a stamp for Honduras, which you enclose, is a thing entirely new to me, and certainly has never been used as a stamp, or for any other purpose that I am aware of in Honduras.

I remain sir, yours, &c.

MIGUEL AGARDES, Director of Postes.

The Honduras Labels having been warranted genuine by Messrs. Smith & Co. for upwards of two years, the following statistical queries now present themselves.

How many Honduras labels did Messrs. A. Smith & Co. sell at forty-two cents each, during the two years?

What amount in Sterling money, did Messrs. A. Smith & Co. realize from the little transaction?

What did the Honduras labels cost Messrs. A. Smith & Co. in the first place?

Is it on record that Messrs. A. Smith & Co. (the immaculately virtuous, and extremely honest dealers, and just men) ever refunded any of the one and ninepences which they accepted as the equivalent of the fraudulent labels aforesaid?

We pause for a reply, and as a moral to the anecdote, we remind collectors that they who howl loudest about honesty, integrity, and the rest, are not always the saints they seem to be, as this chapter on Honduras doth aptly illustrate.

## THE ST. LOUIS "STAMPS."

A great deal has been written about the above mentioned articles of commerce, and we have no doubt a great deal more will be written, and we have therefore concluded to give our readers the benefits of the facts in the case, which briefly recounted, are as follows.

In the year 1863, there resided in St. Louis, an

enterprising young fellow, named Gregory, whose business at odd times was that of bar-tender and grocery clerk. He became afflicted with Timbromania, a disease now known to the keepers of lunatic asylums as Philately, and he collected stamps with might and main for a short time. In the course of events he became acquainted with a profligate inebriate copper-plate engraver, who used to counterfeit bank notes, and who for certain pecillioes in that line, was "wanted" by the police of a northern city, and who had made a pilgrimage to that western Mecca of unfledged vagabonds, as being the nearest harbor where a veteran counterfeiter could rest in peace, and secure from Yankee detectives, gently commit suicide by a little attentive sampling of the chain lightning, and other delectable fluids sold at the "bars" of that God-forgotten city.

Between this engraver and Mr. Gregory, a rapid intimacy sprung up, and finally for, and in consideration of sundry drinks of the chain lightning aforesaid, and the sum of one dollar and fifty cents in specie, the engraver was induced to make a miniature specimen of the arms of the State on copper, and the further addition of the words, St. Louis Post Office, five cents and ten cents.

These "stamps" were from time to time carefully *shoved* on the market, the manipulators in the United States being one Durbin, the friend and fellow scoundrel of Mason & Co., whose notoriety as first-class swindlers, has long since entitled them to be regarded as the Alfred Smith & Co. of America, while in Great Britain they are promoted by one Pemberton, a crack-bra'ined moonstruck warbler, late an inmate of a lunatic asylum, and at present existing in Birmingham, on the dubious security of a ticket-of-leave, a portion of his term of transportation to the British penal colony in Australia for certain misdeeds, having been mercifully remitted, in consideration of his mental aberration. The other British promoter is one Philbrick, formerly a British officer, but drummed out of the army for conduct unbecoming a gentleman, and at present doing an extensive business as a "diner out," where his fund of revamped wit, and Munchausenic anecdote is wont to set the table in a roar.

These two very excellent persons are the channels through which the St. Louis impostures are foisted on the British collectors, and if any of them after this, are foolish enough to be gulled by them, we at least have the satisfaction of knowing that we have, in regard to the matter, humbly done our duty.

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## OUR COTEMPORARIES.

A glance at the Stamp Journals of to-day, reveals some strange incompatibilities, and indicates a very retrogressive movement on the part of the editors and the gushing genii, whose forte is writing for the Timbrophilic press. Contrasted with what stamp journals were a few years ago, those of to-day appear in a very unfavorable light. Take up a stamp journal now, and what does it contain? Why, little or nothing about stamps, but a long, prosy monologue about perforations, denticulations, water-marks, the paper on which stamps are printed, the parties who print them, and a thousand and one other subjects, which have no more relation to stamps than the Man in the Moon.

Whether the European or American journals are the weakest, it would perhaps, be a difficult question to decide. The American Journal of Philately gives a long official (?) letter from the Commissioner of Inland Revenue, regarding whiskey barrel stamps, which letter with a short paragraph, said to be from the "Express," (whether Adams, or not, is not stated,) is about the sum total of its contents. The item from the Express states that the proprietor and editor of the journal is the largest dealer in stamps in America.

Two of the "writers" for the journal have come to grief, one of them, A. E. Finkell by name, having been fined two hundred dollars and costs, for complicity with Dr. James A. Petrie, also a "writer," in an abortive attempt to defraud our beloved country by means of fraudulent stamps. The medicine man has not been tried yet, but will doubtless be convicted, as his confederate, Finkell, *pleaded guilty* to the charge, and became States' evidence, thereby evincing a very characteristic principle.

The Mercury comes freighted with very valuable information. Six pages from the Encyclopedia, and a lengthy article of a dissertation on the "Vision of Constantine of the Holy Cross." Only think of the bright idea of introducing one of the miraculous legends of the "mother church" into a Stamp paper, for the edification of the faithful; but we would be happy to hear a dissertation on the winking picture of Naples, the weeping Madonna of Pisa, or the miraculous liquefaction of the blood of St. Januarius, i. e., when the Constantine story is finished, for we are fain to imagine that one at a time of those veracious legends, would be as much as collectors could stand. Such are the Stamp journals of the day, from whose monographs, deliver us.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

W. E. L., CHICAGO, ILL.—This correspondent complains that he has been swindled out of thirty-nine stamps by F. T. & Co. Well, probably he is rightly served, but it certainly is rather hard that a respectable young man should be done in that manner by such an unprincipled gambling firm as F. T. & Co.; but if you deal with such characters, so you will be served.

E. B. M., MACHIAS, ME.—The fifteen cent U. S. stamps in various colors, which you say there are spaces provided for in Lallier's Album, never had any existence whatever, and are purely imaginary. Foreigners know nothing after all, regarding the stamps of the United States, when their "writings" are fairly analyzed. No foreign published album can possibly be any guide in relation to United States stamps. Bear that in mind.

L. B. DEVEREAUX, OMAHA, NEB.—We are not at all surprised at your not receiving any reply to your communication to F. T. & Co., and we should be very much surprised if you did.

W. S. E., BOSTON.—The whole number of stamps issued, is a little over 2200, but you have an undoubted right to put anything in your album you like, either a dozen three cent U. S. stamps, or fifty British one penny specimens, by doing which you can easily bring your album up to the five or six thousand standard, as well as your friends.

W. F. MILLER, N. Y.—We await your coming, and have chartered the Black Maria to convey you to your apartments.

L. D. H., BUFFALO, N. Y.—The new Caledonia stamps are a complete imposture from beginning to end. Those warranted genuine are simply downright counterfeits, notwithstanding the "warrant" of the dealer you mention.

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Moldavia,	- - - -	" 3	.10
Brunswick,	- - - -	" 9	.12
Lubec,	- - - -	" 5	.12
Hamburg, (Locals)	- - - -	" 116	.25
Romagna,	- - - -	" 6	.15
Servia,	- - - -	" 5	.20
New Caledonia, (complete)	- - - -	" 50	.15
Hayti,	- - - -	" 4	.20
Shanghai,	- - - -	" 5	.20

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Packet N contains 100 U. S. locals, including Floyd's, Westervelt's, &c., price 50c.

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Packet P contains 50 unused stamps, including Schleswig Holstein, Uruguay, Ecuador, &c., price 75c.

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Packet S contains 50 used and unused stamps, including Modena, Argentine Republic, Chili, &c., price 75c.

Packet T contains 100 stamps, including New Servia, New Holland, Venezuela, &c., price \$1.00.

Packet U contains 200 rare U. S. locals, including Bryant & Stratton College stamps, Roadman's, Russel's, &c., price \$1.25.

Packet V contains 50 rare obsolete stamps, including Sicily, Mexico, Naples, &c. This packet contains no stamps of the present issue, and I highly recommend it as being worth upwards of \$5.00, price \$2.00.]

Packet W contains 250 U. S. locals, contains all of the other varieties mentioned in the other packets, besides many other very rare ones, price \$2.00.

Packet X contains 300 foreign stamps. This packet would form a very good collection, price \$3.00.

Packet Y contains 50 rare stamps, including old U. S. thirty and ninety cents, Nova Scotia 6d., San Salvador, and other rare stamps, price \$5.00.

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Vol. II.

C. A. LYFORD, Proprietor.

No. 1.



C. A. LYFORD, thankful for past patronage, has the honor to announce to the Stamp Collecting public the following new styles of Packets of Foreign Postage Stamps, which he warrants to be as represented. He also begs to call attention to the fact that he does not seek, by any equivocal wording of his announcements, nor by such bombastic assertions as being the largest dealer in America, oldest established house in the world, only wholesale house in America, &c., to impose on the credulity of inexperienced collectors, a practice which is at the present time extensively practiced by various so called dealers in stamps, but which practice is alike contemptible and reprehensible.

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## The Timbrophilist.

C. A. LYFORD, Publisher & Proprietor.

The Timbrophilist is the organ of the Stamp Collectors of America, and the foe of the British impostors, counterfeiters, and knaves, whilom the friend of the true science of Timbrophily, and its motto is,

*"Semper Paratus."*

### POSTAGE STAMP PORTRAITS.

No. III.

#### JACQUES CARTIER.

JACQUES CARTIER, whom Canada honors as the first to explore her great river and name it, as he was the first to attempt to colonize its banks, and whose portrait appears on two of her postage stamps, was born at St. Malo, in France, of a good family, in December, 1494 — only two years after the voyage of Columbus. He early took to the sea, as did so many of the people of St. Malo, and by his skill, intrepidity, and resource, soon became master pilot. At the age of twenty-five he married Mary Catherine des Granches, the daughter of a French chevalier, which shows that he had risen in the world.

In 1534, Philip Chabot, Admiral of France, introduced Cartier to the French King as one capable of exploring the New World, and seeking a new realm for France. He started from St. Malo, April 2, with two little vessels, sailed around Newfoundland, and named many points there and on the Gulf of St. Lawrence, taking possession in the name of the king.

The next year, in three ships—the Great and Little Hermino, and the Emerellon, with a number of volunteers, some of them nobles, full of a youthful spirit of adventure, with the blessing of the Church, sol-

emnly given by the bishop, he sailed to secure Canada for France.

He crossed safely, ascended the river, contracted friendly relations with the Indians at Quebec, and leaving his ships at the mouth of the little river St. Charles, he went up in boats to Montreal Island, then the site of an Indian town, Hochelaga, who also received him with friendship.

Their town was well built, with large cabins of bark, and surrounded by a circular palisade, well constructed for the defence of the place.

The natives looked to the white strangers as envoys from heaven, and expected miraculous cures at their hands.

Leaving these friendly Indians, Cartier returned to the rock of Quebec, on which was Stadacona, an Indian village of less pretension, but with as friendly a race.

A little settlement had meantime grown up on the St. Charles. Barracks had been erected for his people, surrounded by an intrenchment sufficient to defend it against sudden attack. The site of this cradle of French colonization was at the junction of the St. Charles and Lairet.

Here, with his ships riding at anchor in the river, Cartier passed the winter, scourged, as all our early colonists were, with that terrible disease the scurvy, from which, however, Indian treatment relieved them.

In the spring he sailed back, and though his report was favorable, colonization was not followed up till 1540, when the Sieur de Roberval came forward to attempt the settlement on a large scale. He induced Cartier to join him, but the affair was mismanaged, and fell through, ending in useless expense. The second settlement was not at the old spot, but somewhat higher up, where Charlesbourg Royal was founded, soon, however, to vanish.

Cartier then returned to his estate of Li-

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moilon, near St. Eblo, which still bears his name, and having been ennobled by the king, died there in 1555.

When Champlain finally settled Quebec, the ditches of Cartier's fort on the St. Charles were still visible, and within its lines a chimney, squared timbers and cannon balls, proved its occupancy.

Here, where Cartier's Benedictine monks had celebrated the solemn rites of the Catholic Church, the Jesuits then erected their chapel, called "Our Lady of the Angels."

## "DR." PETRIE.

THIS aspiring but misguided young man, whose timbrophilic researches unfortunately led him into bad company, from which he speedily diverged into criminal channels, has again intruded his countenance into the ranks of stamp collectors. While we are unwilling to trample on a fallen sinner, we still think that the "Doctor" might have had just modesty enough to have taken a back seat for the present; but, since he still persists in his characteristic audacity, we feel impelled to give him the benefit of a brief review, and which is strictly true in every particular, nor in the least exaggerated, nor set down in malice.

Be it known, therefore, that Dr. James A. Petrie of Elizabeth, Union County, in the State of New Jersey, was, at the term of the U. S. District Court held at Trenton in March last, found guilty (or pleaded guilty) of vending fraudulent stamps, and was then and there sentenced to pay a fine of three hundred dollars and costs for the commission of said offence.

Dr. Petrie was the agent of Messrs. Alfred Smith & Co., of England, dealers in "Stamps," but his name as agent was expunged from their lists as soon as news of his misfortunes reached them. It will be seen, therefore, that Messrs. Smith are as

mendacious as they are unscrupulous, thus to desert their agent in his hour of adversity; but few who know Messrs. A. Smith & Co. will expect either honesty or honorable treatment from them.

## THE TIMBROPHILIC PRESS OF AMERICA.

ARRANGED IN THE ORDER OF THEIR ISSUE.

- \*The Canada Stamp Collector's Record.
- The Stamp Collector's Record.
- The Coin and Stamp Journal. (Chicago.)
- \*The Stamp Collector's Gazette.
- \*The Stamp Argus.
- The Curiosity Shop.
- The Stamp Circular.
- \*The Postman's Knock.
- The Collector's Guide.
- The Stamp Collector's Review.
- Mason's Coin and Stamp Magazine.
- The Postage Stamp Reporter.
- The Stamp Journal.
- The American Stamp Mercury.
- The Coin and Stamp Journal. (Meriden.)
- The Stamp Buyer.
- The American Journal of Philately.
- The New England Journal of Philately.
- The Timbrophilist.
- The Boy's Stamp Gazette.
- The American Stamp Collector's Guide.
- The Curiosity Cabinet.

\* Those marked with a \* were published in the British Provinces.

## AMERICAN STAMP MANUALS.

The Stamp Collector's Manual; by A. C. Kline, 1862; three editions.

A Catalogue of Postage Stamps, American and Foreign; Sever & Francis, 1863.

The Stamp Collector's Handbook; by C. M. Seltz, 1867.

We shall, in all probability, soon have another series of French Republic Stamps.

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## THE PRESS.

The *Young Sportsman* has been consolidated with *Merry's Museum*, and its gifted editor, Mr. Terhune, is retained to add his influence to augment the circulation of the compound periodicals. New Jersey's star will be in descendant since his exodus, and the event will be a calamity to "Alert," and the rest of the writers from whom he has been taken away in his youth, and who are now left like sheep without a leader, "poor fellows."

*The Boys' Advertiser*, Birmingham, Conn. W. H. Downs. Downsey is one of the bright lights of the amateur press, and his journal is above our criticism. It well deserves the success which has attended its appearance.

*The Ranger*, of New Bedford, Wheaton, director, and otherwise known as Thundermug, is out a little behindhand; but better late than never. Its editor is a smart man, or he thinks he is, which suits his purpose about as well. With him scissors are trumps, and what he can't clip, he is qualified to steal. He is the slangwhanger of the amateur press. Whirr-r-roo! and who'll tread on the tail of his coat? We are averse to telling our neighbors what they should do, but we cannot help remarking that it is just possible for a paper to have an existence, and be published with some other object than to show silly boys "a piece about themselves in a paper," for the average of persons whom he abuses, would rather see it than otherwise, and like to have their names in print even if they are abused. It is an absurd sheet, published with an absurd purpose, and its deserts are the public contempt.

*The Sunny Side* is published at Bergen City, N. J., by E. W. Vreeland. It is neatly printed, ably edited, and devotes a portion of its columns to Stamps. If merit is to succeed it must certainly be a success.

*The Story Teller*, published by A. E. Hoerber, N. Y., is an extremely neat little paper, and its editor one of the most genial members of the amateur press.

*The Speck*, published at Hudson City, N. J., by Jeremiah Jingle, Jr., Esq. Good, but not much of it.

*The Boy of the Period Journal*. Washington, D. C., Gaston Folnay. And if there be any other journal like it that either is, was, or will be, we would like to gaze on its pages. It is printed with a mallet, on dog-eared paper, and its contents are just about the tallest in the high literary line that we ever want to see. Blank verse, such as Milton gave the world, is Gasty's forte. This is how he does it: he takes the works of Shakespeare, Dante, Schiller, Milton, Massinger, and other authors, and picks out a line from each, "chucks" them together and calls it blank verse by Gaston Folnay. He is a boy of the period, not of the comma, by any means. He despises commas and sich, "while far above laughs the pale moon," &c.

*The Young Enterprise*, Toledo, Ohio, is chiefly noticeable for the amount of paper and ornamental type it uses. It is a milk and water journal of the weakest pattern, but its typographical appearance is excellent. We wish it were otherwise.

*The Eastern Banner*, Elder Brothers, Leverett St., Boston, is one of the neatest of our exchanges. Its typography is unexceptionable, and its editorial department second to none. Messrs. Elder can hardly be termed amateurs. They are professionals or we mistake much. Its advertising rates are five cents per line.

## STAMP AUCTIONS.

An auction sale of Postage Stamps is announced to come off in a short time at the auction rooms in the Astor Place Opera House Building, N. Y. The sale is to take

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place under the auspices of the champion humbuggist of America, E. Mason, Jr.; and the auctioneer has engaged for the occasion, the services of the renowned financier, Peter Funk, Esq., whose palatial residence is located in Chatham street. E. M., Jr. will preside. The "Sale" will be opened with prayer by Dr. Petrie, after which a short lecture on the Ethics of Copartnerships will be delivered by E. M., Jr.; after which, valuable lots of Stamps will then be offered for sale to the audience. Our readers will please take notice that we say *offered*, for we consider it improbable that in an enlightened age and country any purchaser will be found for the Stamps and other articles of *vertu*, (not virtue) which a yellow covered pamphlet informs us will be offered for sale on the eventful occasion in question.

This same yellow covered document sets forth a "conspectus" of the articles to be sold, but we consider the catalogue itself as being a greater curiosity than anything mentioned in its pages, which are sixteen in number.

Lot 3 is an old price list of a German Stamp firm.

Lot 5 is a single copy of C. M. Seltz's Handbook, elsewhere mentioned for sale in our columns.

Lot 10 is a sheet of the Flags of all Nations, which can be purchased at any bookstore for twenty-five cents.

Lot 29 is a "set" of six of the Cashmere impostures, announced as *rare*.

Lot 64 is one Sandwich Island one cent stamp!!!

Lot 84 is a two cent U. S. newspaper wrapper!!!

Lot 106 consists of seven *photographic* U. S. Revenue Essays, whatever that may mean.

Lot 112 is ten English one penny stamps, cancelled!!!

Lot 188 consists of 111 Hamburg Local

stamps, and Lot 232 comprises three of the mythical and non-existent Gaucho Buenos Ayres stamps, things which every child ought to know are a downright imposture, and which even their promoters do not pretend were ever in use. These, with a calm mendacity only to be acquired by a lifelong experience in arrant humbuggery and constructive imposture, are coolly warranted genuine, and a gratuitous statement is appended to the effect that the owner paid \$40 for them, but our readers, we trust, are of a sufficiently calculative turn of mind to take into consideration just about how much the warrant of that second hand edition of Jack Falstaff, known as E. Mason, Jr. is worth.

With these brief remarks we dismiss the paltry subject, and likewise the yellow covered catalogue, to the waste paper basket.

## LYING AS A SCIENCE.

If the father of lies was afflicted with the quite superfluous desire of establishing a branch office in the city of New York, we know of one locality at least, where it would be entirely unnecessary for him to remove the present inhabitants.

And if a trial of scientific skill, in the way of lying at a mark, was likely to occur between the persons in question, and the personage mentioned in the first line of this chapter, we should feel inclined to back the New Yorkers against the combined hosts of perdition with Lucifer at their head, and a certain Jersey doctor bringing up the rear. Only we know that such a trial will not take place, for the reason that if his Brimstone Majesty should only read the circular of the parties we allude to, he would incontinently give it up in despair. They are Stamp dealers, they are, and more is the pity. Their circular sets forth that they are the largest dealers in the world, that they were established some ten or fifteen years since,

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that their journal is the largest, best, most reliable, best printed, most widely circulated, and in all respects, the best thing in the Stamp line to be found on the earthly side of the moon and the gallows, and that its editors, (heaven save the mark) proprietors, publishers, printers and general factotums generally, are the most extensive articles of the kind usually manufactured.

What they say is true, correct and proper. There is no discount on it, not the least. It is the Timbrophilic standard, and any deviation from it is a deviation from the perpendicular. Their doxy is orthodoxy, and any other doxy is heterodoxy, all of which doctrines look very well printed on good paper, with a modicum of sulphuretted hydrogen to fill up the blank spaces. But when measured with the tape line of truth, and the sliding scale of common sense, they will be found somewhat simmered down, and the whole establishment alluded to, will be found to be concentrated in one ubiquitous individual, who works the bellows, and another less distinguished, but more important personage, who furnishes the necessary greenbacks to keep the bellows employed. And that is the whole gigantic establishment; and its counting room, office, sales rooms, and the rest are comprised in a room of about twelve by sixteen feet, on the third story of a tall building; and this for the benefit of the uninitiated, who have probably heard of the trite adage:—

“That distance lends enchantment to the view,”

## BEWARE!

Just about this time we advise collectors to be on their guard against Field Post Envelopes, Battalion Envelopes, and other articles in that line which they may see advertised or offered for sale by unprincipled dealers, either in Europe or America. All such are either fraudulent impostures, or worthless things, having no *postal* character.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMBROPHILIST,

DEAR SIR:—In Section 103 of the U. S. Postal Laws and Regulations, Act of Congress, of March 3, 1855, it is printed that

“It shall not be lawful for any Postmaster or other person, to sell any Postage Stamps or stamped Envelopes for any larger sum than that indicated upon the face thereof of such Postage Stamp, or for any larger sum than that charged therefor by the Post Office Department.

And any person who shall violate this provision, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be fined in any sum not less than ten, nor more than five hundred dollars.”

Now, Mr. Editor, if you think this isn't in the Post Office Laws, and if you can't get the book it is in, in Boston, I will send you my one if you will first send two pence in currency of the Dominion of Canada, to pay the postage to you, and I think you ought to go to a Justice of the Peace, and make a complaint about it, for there are one or two American Stamp dealers that charge a cent more than the value for some of the higher denominations of the United States stamps, and I think it is an outrageous swindle and ought to be stopped. It is bad enough to have to pay ninety cents for a stamp, but when it comes to ninety-one, I think it is too much of a good thing. There are no dealers here now that would dare do it. If they did, Judge Coursol would soon fix them off, I guess. When I send seventeen cent Canadas to the American dealers, of course I expect to get thirty-five cents a piece for them, but then you know Dominion stamps are a good deal rarer than Yankee stamps, and besides they are worth gold, and Yankee stamps are at twelve per cent. discount.

Mr. Editor, I think you ought to see to

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this. If you are afraid, or don't want to go to a Justice of the Peace, if you will pay my fare to Boston, I will do it for you. It won't cost you anything for my board while I am in Boston, for I have an aunt there, Mrs. H. M——, who keeps a cracker bakery, and besides I have a cousin who keeps a large hash factory, and I could stop there while I was in your city.

I remain, yours respectfully,

B. R. WALCH.

Montreal, June 21, 1870.

Comment on the above is quite unnecessary. It bears its moral on the face thereof. The views of Mr. Walch and ourself are the same muchly, and as he has kindly volunteered to aid us in the unpleasant part of the affair, and as our business engagements, and the largely increased circulation of our journal, (31,000 monthly) will prevent us from attending to the matter personally, we have concluded to let Mr. Walch "come on and do it."

We have therefore forwarded to Montreal, via Lake Champlain and the River Richelieu, the first class Boston side wheel steamer, "Island Home," fully provisioned and manned, to convey Mr. W. to the ancient Cradle of Liberty. Jonas Clark, Jr., the well known mariner, is commander. We have also arranged with the proprietor of the Deer Island and City Point line of omnibuses for the exclusive use of the elegant ironclad conveyance, "Yellow Sal," on the day of his arrival, which will convey him to apartments at the palatial domicile of Mr. J. M. Clark, Esq., the tall man with the weak eyes, located on Charles Street, near Cambridge, and commanding an extensive view of the Back Bay, West Boston bridge, the Cambridge Glue Factory, and other objects of public interest, and we trust Mr. Walch will accept our courtesy, and instead of standing on the order of his coming, "come to wonst."

EDITOR.

## GONE UP.

The entire stock in trade, fixtures, gasometer, and other property, belonging to Cornelius Van Rinsum, late a Stamp dealer in Holland, but now bankrupt, and morally defunct, was sold in New York about two months since at public auction. The results of the sale were as follows:

Auctioneer's fees, . . . .	\$5.00
Gross receipts, . . . .	2.14

Balance payable to the auctioneer, 2.86

It will thus be seen that a just retribution is always certain to overtake the transgressor.

## PHILATELY.

We were somewhat amused by noticing in the New York *Ledger*, a few weeks since, a request from a correspondent to the editor of that celebrated paper, as to what "Philately" was. The person who takes charge of the Correspondents' column, is supposed to know everything, but he confessed himself "stumped," and unable to answer.

Said he: "We have searched cyclopedias and dictionaries in vain, and can find no trace of 'Philately.' It means a friend of *something*, but what that something is, is the thing that puzzles us. The *ately* part of the word is neither Latin, Greek, French, German, Italian, Spanish, or Hebrew, and admits of no interpretation as a noun substantive in either of those languages. Perhaps it is Sanscrit or Chinese. Write to Koopmanschop, of San Francisco, and maybe he can enlighten you."

This opinion is respectfully submitted to publishers of "Philatelic" works, journals of Philately, &c., &c., and an interpretation of the word is solicited.

Great Britain is shortly to issue Postal Cards; value, one half-penny each.

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## OH, DEAR! WHAT CAN THE MATTER BE?

Where is the everlasting, never-ending, long-winded monographer and perfectionist, Neddy Pemberton?

We have not heard his bugle blow in several months. Whither has he gone? Is he laid up with another attack of the blue devils! or has he been returned to his old apartment in the Lunatic Asylum? and where is the latent "advocate," Philbrick, the Ph. D. and diner-out, the briefless barrister, and unfledged disciple of Coke and Blackstone? We demand that the Stamp Collector's Magazine shall tell us of the abiding place of the Punch and Judy of Timbrophily. Where are they? Are they gone on a seven year's visit to New South Wales, or are they gone to the paradise of Fiske, Jr., the land where the woodbine twineth. That's what we want to know.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

*F. W. W., Boston.* — As a first class specimen of an unmitigated falsifier, you are entitled to the champion's medal. Call on Capt. Robbins of South Boston, and receive it; also three months' board at his model boarding house, gratis.

*F. Secor, St. John, N. B.* — D. Dykes Dawson is a swindler and fraud of the first water. Beware of him.

*T. S., Toledo, O.* — What is the price of old Monongahela in your small village, and how many square feet of that seductive fluid can you personally hold?

*F. S. P., San Francisco.* — We feel extremely sorry that you should allow your evil temper to so far prevail over you as to induce you to make a pyrotechnical display of your album and stamps. Liberia stamps are rare, and you are not likely to get more in a hurry, and you had better preserve them. However if you will burn them, we would suggest that a little benzine judiciously sprinkled over and between the leaves of the album, will greatly facilitate its destruction. A little tar and turpentine added will further expedite matters. We make no charge for advice.

*K. H., Omaha, Neb.* — H. S. Parmelee, (dealer) is a downright thief. Of that be certain.

*C. E. T., Lockport, N. Y.* — When your collection amounts to one hundred stamps, it will be time to give your opinion. As it is, you only make yourself ridiculous.

## ALBUMS, &c.

THE NONPAREIL STAMP ALBUM contains spaces for over 1100 stamps, and a description of the current issues of stamps of all countries, bound in boards. Price by mail 55 cents.

LALLIER'S ALBUM, containing a full description of all stamps issued up to date. The most complete album published. Bound in cloth, with clasp. Price by mail \$5.50.

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The Flags of all Nations, beautifully printed in colors, suitable for Hill's Album. Price by mail, 15 cents.

The Arms of all Nations, companion sheet to the above. Price by mail, 25 cents.

## CHEAP SETS OF STAMPS.

Pacific Steam Nav. Co.	Set of 8	\$0.15
Spain, (1866)	" 6	.10
Bergedorf,	" 5	.15
Hamburg	" 8	.15
Moldavia	" 3	.10
Lubec,	" 6	.12
Hamburg (Locals)	" 116	.25
Servia	" 5	.10
Greece	" 7	.20
Bolivia	" 6	.15
New Caledonia, (complete)	" 50	.15
Paraguay	" 5	.25
Schleswig	" 7	.20
Prussia	" 5	.15
Turkey	" 8	.25
Straits Settlements	" 8	.20
Hong Kong	" 10	.20
Heligoland	" 4	.15
Montevideo	" 5	.15
Servia (1870)	" 8	.20
Liberia	" 3	.12
St. Lucia	" 4	.20
British Guiana	" 6	.15
Salvador	" 12	.12
Transvaal Republic	" 6	.15
Egypt	" 6	.15
Cuba	" 4	.12
St. Domingo	" 4	.12
Luxemburg	" 5	.15
Tuscany	" 8	.20

## TO DEALERS.

### U. S. Local or Express Stamps.

QUALITY SAME AS SOLD BY OTHER DEALERS.

25 Different Varieties	\$0.15
50 " "	0.25
100 " "	0.50
150 " "	0.75
200 " "	1.25
250 " "	2.00



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Will be published monthly, and will be furnished without charge, to the patrons of

**CHAS. A. LYFORD & CO., Stamp Dealers,**

*P. O. Box 2719, Boston, Mass.*

Our catalogue this year will be found to contain all the stamps which have an existence, also all the albums that are of any genuine worth, and our customers will find no relaxation in the promptness, fairness, and liberality, which we think we can say without boasting, has hitherto distinguished our house. As it is universally admitted that ours is the leading establishment in this line of business in the United States, we are, from its extent, enabled to furnish articles in our line at lower prices than the numerous small fry and bogus concerns who are "without a local habitation or a name."

Satisfaction is, as heretofore, guaranteed to all our patrons, and all stamps sold by us are guaranteed and warranted genuine, or money refunded.

### LIST OF PACKETS FOR 1871.

- Packet No. 1 contains 25 used stamps, including Italy, Austria, Bavaria, &c., price 15c.
- Packet No. 2 contains 15 unused stamps, including Lubec, Belgium, Servia, &c., price 15c.
- Packet No. 3 contains the Photographic sheet of 50 New Caledonia, for which spaces are provided in Lallier's Album, price 15c.
- Packet No. 4 contains 10 British Colonial stamps, including Queensland, Hong-Kong, India, &c., price 15c.
- Packet No. 5 contains 25 U. S. Local stamps, including Boyd's Hussey's &c., price 15c.
- Packet No. 6 contains 50 Confederate "fac simile," including Mobile, Livingston, &c., price 15c.
- Packet No. 7 contains 50 used stamps, including Switzerland, Baden, Wurtemberg, &c., price 25c.
- Packet No. 8 contains 25 unused stamps, including Brunswick, Spain, &c., price 25c.
- Packet No. 9 contains 20 British Colonial stamps, including Heligoland, Barbadoes, &c., price 25c.
- Packet No. 10 contains 25 obsolete stamps, including Wurtemberg, (figure) Lubec, &c., price 25c.
- Packet No. 11 contains 50 U. S. Local stamps, including Blood's, Floyd's, American Express Co's, &c., price 25c.

Packet No. 12 contains the complete set of 116 Hamburg Locals, or Boten Stamps, including Hamer's envelope, Van Diemen's, Scheerenbeck's, both varieties, &c., price 25c.

Collectors will please understand that the Hamburg Local or Boten, sold by us, are *warranted genuine*, or money refunded, and attention is called to the circumstance that other dealers charge various prices, from \$0.75 to \$1.25 per set, while we offer them at the low price of twenty-five cents.

Packet No. 13 contains 50 rare stamps, including Norway, Russia, &c., price 50c.

Packet No. 14 contains 40 unused stamps, including Egypt, Transvaal Republic, Turkey, &c., price 50c.

Packet No. 15 contains 40 British Colonial, and other stamps, including West Australia, St. Domingo, &c., price 50c.

Packet No. 16 contains 40 obsolete stamps, including Tuscany, Moldavia, Spain, &c., price 50c.

Packet No. 17 contains 100 U. S. Locals, including Trifet's Donkey Express, and other rare varieties, price 50c.

Packet No. 20 contains 50 used and unused stamps, including Modena, Chili, Schleswig, &c., price 75c.

Packet No. 21 contains 150 U. S. Locals, including Bryant & Stratton College stamps, Bancroft's, &c., price 75c.

Packet No. 22 contains 75 used stamps, including Bolivia, Chili, Transvaal Republic, &c., price \$1.00.

Packet No. 23 contains 50 used and unused stamps, including Uruguay, Ecuador, &c., price \$1.00.

Packet No. 24 contains 200 rare U. S. Locals, including Pomeroy's, St. Louis, Brattleboro, &c., price \$1.25.

Packet No. 25 contains 150 rare stamps, including Peru, Argentine Republic, Venezuela, &c., price \$2.00.

Packet No. 26 contains 250 U. S. Locals. This packet contains every U. S. Local known to exist, price \$2.00.

Packet 27 contains 250 rare stamps. This packet would form a very good collection, as it contains a stamp of nearly every country, price \$3.00.

Packet No. 27 contains 50 rare stamps, including Montevideo, Mexico, Sicily, San Salvador, &c. The stamps in this packet, if bought at list prices, would cost over \$10, price \$5.00.

Packet No. 28 contains 100 very rare stamps, including Confederate States, 1c., Sandwich Island, 13 (king), African Republic, 1s., and other stamps equally as rare. This packet is undoubtedly the best packet for the money, in the world, price \$10.

*(None of the above Packets contain duplicates.)*

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## DEALERS' PACKETS.

- Packet No. 29 contains 100 mixed stamps, price 35c.  
 Packet No. 30 contains 500 mixed stamps, price \$1.25.  
 Packet No. 31 contains 1000 mixed Continentals, price \$2.00.  
 Packet 32 contains 1000 mixed Continentals, better quality, price \$3.00.  
 Packet 33 contains 500 mixed Continentals and Colonials, price \$3.00.  
 Packet 34 contains 1000 mixed Continentals and Colonials, good quality, price \$5.00.  
 Packet No. 35 contains 1000 stamps, including unused stamps; Colonials, present and obsolete issues, &c., &c., price \$20.00.

## CHEAP SETS OF STAMPS.

	Set of	Price
British Guiana	6	\$.15
Bergedorf	5	.15
Brunswick	8	.15
Bolivia	5	.15
Bremen	5	.15
Cuba, 1870	4	.15
Egypt	6	.15
Greece	7	.20
Hamburg	8	.15
Hamburg (Locals)	116	.25
Hayti	4	.15
Hong Kong	10	.25
Heligoland	4	.20
Ionian Islands	3	.20
Lubec	6	.15
Liberia	3	.15
Luxemburg	5	.15
Montevideo	5	.20
Moldavia	3	.15
Mexico	5	.20
Nevis	4	.20
New Caledonia	50	.15
Pacific Steam Nav. Co.	8	.15
Paraguay, (steamship)	5	.15
Prussia	6	.15
Roumania	5	.20
Servia	5	.15
Servia, 1870	8	.20
Spain, 1870	4	.15
Straits Settlements	8	.20
South African Republic	6	.20
St. Thomas	8	.20
St. Lucia	4	.15
St. Domingo	5	.15
Salvador	4	.15
Shanghai	5	.20
Saxony	6	.15
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## SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE TIMBROPHILIST is published semi-occasionally, and is distributed to such of our patrons as are found worthy. No copies will, in any case where we can avoid it, be given to Philozleists, Phlatologists or Philatelists. We also beg to intimate that we have no use for the services of any "Masters of Arts," as we already employ two of them to polish our boots. We have great confidence in our ability to edit this Journal ourselves, and in consequence have no use for any "Stamp Articles" unless signed by Gen. F. E. Spinner, of Washington and his friend John Allison, all of which circumstances our numerous patrons will please take note of.

## WHY IS THIS THUS?

What ails the A. J. of Philately, and wherefore has that windy oracle ceased to blow its own trumpet? Is the gasometer of the gigantic establishment out of order, or has the refining influences, Latin idioms and long-winded perorations of the unmannered Hibernian who "edits" the thing, quite clogged up its speaking trumpet? Clearly the Journal will lose its character of champion blower of the world unless more hydrogen is introduced into its columns, and we trust that the modest Mr. John Walter S. and his henchman Charley will arrange with the Manhattan Gas Co. for an additional supply as rapidly as possible.

## THE LATEST DODGE.

The latest swindling device by which stamp collectors have been victimized, is the Stamp Paper "trick." It is very simple, and this is how it is done: A youthful aspirant for the gallows gets out (on credit probably), No. 1 of the "Philatelic Whistle," the "Stamp Collector's Fiddle," or some other sweet sounding organ. The writers of stamp jargon see a chance for their names to get into print, and they assist him with a few subscriptions, and an "article," particu-

larly the latter, on the existence of "Philatelic Rhomboids in the nucleus of the lower Silurian," or some other such interesting subject. Then the enterprising young publisher retires from the field, and the gushing philatelists mourn and refuse to be comforted. The last instance of this little game occurred in Cincinnati, where Horace L. Wood acted as chief operator. In Quebec, one F. N. Wurtele and in St. John a chap named Billy Bruce played this dodge with apparent success, while in Chicago one Hansen has tried his hand to a considerable extent. Evidently the absence of these young confidence men from the State's prison is a fraud on that useful institution.

## TOO BAD.

We learn that the London Philatelic Society, about which such a flourish of trumpets was made a few years ago, has ceased to exist, except in the character of a sort of "free and easy," where bitter beer, you know, ah, and Philately, you know, ah, are discussed by a parcel of brainless idiots whose only noticeable peculiarity is the very tremendous quantity of 'alf and 'alf they can consume at a single seance.

The notorious Pemberton was obliged to attend the last meeting in disguise, (he came down the chimney attired as a chimney sweep,) on account of the presence of several sheriffs' officers at the door, who wanted him in reference to several small accounts which he owes to respectable tradesmen in Birmingham.

**Notice.**—We desire to state to the precious bevy of unfledged babies who publish little amateur papers, that we don't care to waste our time in exchanging papers, nor to advertise in their mighty columns, nor to subscribe to their absurdities. Not much; we ain't on it; but if these innocent creatures will inform us what time last winter their doting mammas first arrayed them in jacket and trousers, we will gladly publish the date as a matter of information.

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IF we have not appeared before our readers for a considerable period, we trust none of them will have erroneously come to the conclusion that we have gone up, suspended, busted, or otherwise emigrated to that paradise where the woodbine twineth. Nothing of the sort; we have only been recuperating and invigorating our energies preparatory to the timbrophilic campaign now about commencing, and we distinctly desire our friends and enemies alike to understand that in our bright lexicon there is no such word as fail.

#### NEW ISSUES, &c.

Things looking like postage stamps, and bearing a portrait, have been for some time in the market. The dealers who sell them inform us that these are the new Don Carlos stamps of Spain, and that the portrait is that of Don Carlos of course. These are downright frauds of the meanest description, and the dealers who dispose of them ought to be furnished with employment in some State prison. They are manufactured at Brussels, by Moens, the pious philatelist, who has made a great many more impostures of similar style, and the Don Carlos abortions are among the poorest his factory ever turned out. Our advice to collectors is, when a reliable dealer offers you a "Don Carlos" thing and warrants it genuine, just take that reliable dealer by the back of the neck, turn him around and apply your foot to the nether termination of his spinal column with vigor and celerity. It is an infallible cure for lying.

#### RUSSIAN LOCALS.

The hideous impostures called Russian Locals still continue to appear with wonted regularity, and for their evangelical character the stamp magazines are willing to swear. In the columns of this journal over five years ago we cautioned our readers against them, but a few misguided and ignorant amateurs have always been ready to accept anything and everything in the shape of a new stamp, provided it was something of unusual or extraordinary design. Knowing this peculiarity, the Russian Locals have increased and multiplied, and now their name is legion. We beg to state that we have contracted to shingle a meeting-house with Russian Locals, and we hope the manufacturer will hurry up the remainder, as we only lack about six square feet, and wet weather will shortly set in. Please make one for Sniv-

elbolkskanoff, as we believe that beautiful little village has been neglected thus far very sadly. The Count Shovelowitch will furnish the design for half a dollar. Hurry up Snivelbolkskanoff.

**Dominica.**—The British West India Island of Dominica has issued a set of stamps, the design being similar to that used by the Island of St. Christopher. The values and colors are one penny purple, sixpence green, and one shilling red.

**Lagos.**—A British settlement in Africa called Lagos, has also issued a set of stamps of similar design, the values and varieties being somewhat different, viz.: one penny purple, twopence blue, fourpence red, and sixpence green.

#### Answers to Correspondents.

NICHOLAS SEEBECK, N. Y.

We are informed that the N. Y. Philatelic Society will, until further notice, hold its conferences in the premises lately vacated in consequence of the untimely decease of Old Betts' yaller dog. The Black Maria will convey passengers to the meeting free of charge on application to Geo. Kallock, Sup't of the Out-door Poor, or to the Resident Physician of the Lunatic Asylum, on Blackwell's Island.

F. A. G., Philadelphia.

The article to which you refer was published in *Harper's Magazine*, for October, 1871, and was illustrated with 100 beautiful engravings of postage stamps. It was written by James M. Chute, of Boston, the oldest and best writer on stamps in America, and is the only article on the subject ever published by any reputable magazine in the world, the absurd little stories published in Cassell's paper being in most part totally erroneous. Notwithstanding the great demand, it is still to be procured at Harper's establishment, at the usual price.

D. JIGGER, Newburgh.

You will find the story of Ananias and Sapphira his wife in the fifth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, in a book called the New Testament. There is no reasonable doubt but that Ananias and his esteemed lady were philatelists, and we trust their melancholy conclusion will be a warning and an example to you.

H. BOYNTON, N. Y.

The European Stamp Co. advertised in Western New York is a fraud of the most barefaced character. One of our special agents made enquiry on the subject at their advertised headquarters, and learned from the

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P. M. that there is no doubt on the subject. The European Co. (so called) which for a month or so had a location in New York in the year 1872, has no connection with this latter affair that we know of. The young reprobate, Milliken by name, who "owned" the latter Co. has disappeared from view, and is supposed to be in a lunatic asylum out west.

### THE BERFORD ABOMINATIONS.

There have been many wonderful discoveries of rare and curious stamps in these latter days of stamp collecting, and finally it has been demonstrated that the United States Express Post Stamps, or as a degenerate class of collectors call them, "U. S. Locals," is a very fruitful mine in which to dig and unearth rare, unique, and curious things to be sold to collectors who have fat pocket-books, and are not overburdened with keen perception or good common sense. Discovering "Locals" has got to be quite a good business, and doubtless will continue to be a good business just as long as purchasers at high prices can be found for curious and rare novelties, coming from nobody knows where, and certified to by some self-created and self-sufficient authority who professes to know all about them, or at least thinks he does, which suits his purpose as well. Last winter there was a magnificent discovery of this class, apropos of the discussion of which there hangeth a tale considerably longer than that of the late comet. It was Berford's Stamps this time, and the story of the discovery was somewhat as follows: That a little over twenty years ago a man called Berford had an express for the purpose of conveying letters from the Atlantic seaboard to California, and that in a fortunate hour a diligent local stamp discoverer hunted him up, and discovered him, discovered that he had stamps which he had used twenty years ago, and discovered a few, a very few of them remaining, which as a personal favor the distinguished discoverer would kindly sell to stamp collectors, for which kind favor they would of course feel sincerely grateful. The discoverer of these stamps was an upright man of course, and an honest man, of course, his name was Casey with Joseph in front; his calling that of a pedagogue in one of the down-town public schools, his status a Master of Arts, his profession a Lotus Club man, and an Editor, Editor of a Journal, a Journal of Philately. True a friend of ours suggested that as this distinguished and shining citizen and discoverer had formerly resided in James Street, New York, in the loudest part of the Fourth Ward, and that as his youthful surroundings had been those furnished by the vineyards of vice and spawning beds of

sin peculiar to that fragrant precinct, that perhaps his moral standing and perception were not as good as they might be, but we remembered that the good Mr. Casey was a Master of Arts, and like Brutus, an honorable man, and we repudiated the idea with indignation. Then we invested in Berford Local Stamps to a large extent; we bought one set from a small boy, and we gave them to an individual possessed of a good deal of experience in the matter of local stamps; in fact, to be plain, the individual in question, (whose name we suppress as there is no insurance on his life,) has had a good deal to do with local stamps; he is strongly suspected of having made some locals in his time, and in the language of the lamented Boss, "he knows how it is himself." But he was the man for the job, and he done it tolerably well, for after sundry investigations, he finally reported that the rare and curious Berford stamps, the beautiful (?) and costly locals of the year '51, these lovely things about which columns on columns had been written, *were made one day last winter in the office of the New York Graphic Company Photo-Lithographers, and that the edition consisted of 300 sets, which were duly paid for at the usual price of such work, and if the promoter and concoctor of the Berford Stamps has any reply to make to this assertion, we think we herewith give him a fair challenge.*

### Programme of the Inaugurative Entertainment of the N. Y. P. S.

- The exercises will commence with a grand procession to Kreutzer's Lager Beer Hall, (5 minutes for refreshments.)
- Religious exercises, Dr. Petrie.
- High Dutch Philately, by Nick Seebeck.
- Lecture on the Hydrostatic Benefits of Fourth Ward Philately, by Rev. Mr. Casey, D. D.
- Evolutions on the tight rope by Mr. Mason, of Brooklyn.
- Promenade to the Bar, all hands.
- Remarks on Euchre and Bankruptcy, by Mr. Trifet DeVilliers, of Cayenne.
- Japanese Song and Jig, Wm. Brown, of Yokohama.
- Pocket-picking, with illustrations, Mr. Wurtele, of the Dominion of Canada.
- Promenade to the Bar, all hands.
- Comic Song, by Charley Scott.
- Lecture on the Sinful Effects of Philatelic Lunacy, by John Walter Scott, of Great Britain.
- Benediction, S. Allan Taylor, of Boston.
- Grand Promenade to the Bar, all hands.
- Such of the members as are indisposed, will be assisted to their homes by the brethren.

# THE STAMP COLLECTOR'S RECORD.

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