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### Sawdust.

Charlotte Center postoffice has been discontinued.

The Dundee postoffice has been made a salaried office, and its post-mastership is now appointive.

The portrait of Queen Victoria appears on 741 adhesive stamps, 83 envelopes and wrappers and 82 postal cards of the British empire and colonies.

The first postoffice in use in Pavilion was a wooden cupboard, three feet high, twenty inches wide and ten inches deep. It is now in the possession of W. H. Gilmore.

TOBAGO.—A new adhesive and post-card have been received from this island. Adhesive ½d., brownish lilac, wink, CC and crown. Perf. 14. Postcard, 1½d. brown. The 5s. adhesives are now only used for fiscal purposes.—*Well Post.*

In Japan the first regular Post-office system was established in 1871. There is now a post-office in every city and town in the empire. Where there are no railroads mails are carried by messengers on foot, who travel an average of forty miles per day with the mails.

The United States postal card factory at Castleton has begun operations and up to last week had printed 1,250,000 postals. The employes add largely to the working population of the village.

### NORWAY.

A new Post Card for Thronbjems has been issued by the Local Post.

### COSTA RICA.

A new series is announced as follows: 1, 5, 25, and 50 cents. Also 1, 3 and 5 dollars.

Burglars raided the Rondout post-office the other night, obtaining \$6 in silver. An ineffectual attempt was made to blow open the safe.

TOBAGO.—A new 4d. green, and the 1 penny stamp now have the word "Postage" below the Queen's head.

### INDIA.

The color of the six pies is to be changed to blue and the 2 andas to green. Two new values 1 1-2 and 3 1-2 annas are to be issued.

If you have not time to see your friends and get their subscriptions, send us their address and we will forward them sample copies.

Costa Rica will issue an entire new series next year.

*Entered at the Post Office as Second class Mail matter.*

### Postage Stamps

[Taken from an old Philatelic paper.]

As soon as they emerge from the hydraulic press, postage stamps are gummed. The paste is made from clear starch, or rather its dextrin, which is acted upon chemically and then boiled forming a clear, smooth, slightly sweet mixture.

Each sheet of stamps is taken separately, and placed back upon a flat board, and its edges covered with a light metal frame. Then the paste is smeared on with a large whitewash brush, and the sheet is laid between two wire racks and placed on a pile with others to dry. Great care is taken in the manufacture of this paste, which is perfectly harmless. This gratifying fact has been conclusively proved by an analysis recently made by an eminent chemist. After the gumming, another pressing in the hydraulic press follows. Then more counting, in fact, stamps are counted no less than thirteen times during their process of manufacture. The sheets are then cut in half, each portion containing 100 stamps, this being done by girls with ordinary hand shears.

Next follows the perforation, which is performed by machinery, the perforations are first made in a perpendicular line. Another pressing follows, this time to get rid of the raised edges on the back of the stamps made by the dies, and this ends the manufacturing.

A separate apartment is devoted to the packing and sending off of the stamps to the different Post Offices. It will be seen by this account that any absurd rumors concerning the poisonous, or unclean, properties of the postage stamps, are utterly without foundation.

We shall be pleased to exchange papers with any publisher, providing papers are sent regularly.

### Anecdote of a Child.

A gentleman was, some little time since, called upon to visit a dying female. He quickly obeyed the call; and, entering the humble cottage where she dwelt, he heard, in an adjoining room, an infant voice. He listened, and found that it was the child of the poor dying woman, engaged in prayer. "O Lord, bless my poor mother," cried the little boy, "and prepare her to die. O God, I thank thee that I have been sent to a Sunday-school and there have been taught to read my Bible, and there learned that when my father and mother forsake me, thou wilt take me up. This comforts me, now my poor mother is going to leave me. May it comfort her, and may she go to heaven! and may I go there too! O Jesus, pity a poor child, and pity my poor mother, and help me to say, 'Thy will be done!'" He ceased, and the visitor, opening the door, approached the bedside of the poor woman.

"Your child has been praying with you," said he: "I have listened to his prayer."

"Yes," said she, making an effort to rise, "he is a dear child: thank God, he has been sent to a Sunday-school. I cannot read myself, but he can, and he has read the Bible to me; and I hope I have reason to bless God for it. Yes, I have learned from him that I am a sinner; I have learned from him of Jesus Christ; and I do—yes, I do, as a poor sinner—put my trust in him. I hope he will forgive me; I hope he *has* forgiven me. I am going to die; but I am not afraid. My dear child has been made the means of saving my soul. Oh, how thankful am I that he was sent to a Sunday-school!" Such was the hope, full of immortality, with which the sufferer awaited death; and thus, in the providence of God, this dear child, educated at a Sunday-school, became the spiritual parent of his mother.

Show this paper to your friends and ask them to subscribe.

### Exchange Box.

Every Subscriber is entitled to a notice under this head, of forty words.

Foreign stamps, Minerals, post-marks, U. S. stamps, (pre-issues) and curiosities of value, for Indian relics, ores, minerals, ocean curiosities. Specimens of all kinds for a cabinet. Clinton Smith, Galesbury, Kalamazoo Co., Mich.

The prayer of Faith, beautifully bound, and quite new. Rollo's Museum, 200 beautiful picture cards, the Bridal Keepsake, fifty English and Canadian stamps, one half cent, silver minerals, a gold Broach, and twenty five postmarks, for a Printing press, which must be in good order. Benjamin Illing.

A hand bracket saw in good order, (cost when new fifty cents) and a new Purse, for a fount of type, or cut of any kind. Address the editor of this paper.

Four axes, 110 Indian arrow-heads, a tobacco pouch, medicine bowl, and other curiosities, for offers. No stamps desired. W. P. SHORTRIDGE,

358 Howe Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

A 75ct. printing press for stamps or type address publisher of this paper.

The Philatelic Triumph sent to your address for one year on receipt of price, or 250 foreign stamps. Get your friends to subscribe. Will those who get a copy of this paper out side of Buffalo, let us know.

### A LITTLE BOY'S REASONS

Why should I learn to smoke or chew?

No reasons good I know;

It helps not body, heart, or soul!

And is it manly? No!

Why should I not? It injures health;

'Tis filthy, leads to sin,

Costs money, time and intellect!

No, no! I'll not begin.

—Youth's Temperance Banner.

### Tim's Kit.

It surprised the shiners and news-boys around the post-office the other day to see "Limpty Tim" come among them in quiet way and to hear him say, "Boys, I want to sell my kit. Here's two brushes, a hull box of blackin, a good stout box—and the outfit goes for two shillings."

"Goin away, Tim?" queried one.

"Not 'zactly, but I want a quarter the awfulest kind jist nów."

"Going out a scursion?" asked another.

"Not to-day, but I must have a quarter," he answered.

One of the lads passed over the change and took the kit; Tim walked straight to the counting-room of a daily paper, put down his money, and said, "I guess I can write it if you'll give me a pencil."

With slow moving fingers he wrote a death-notice. It went into the paper almost as he wrote it. But you might not have seen it. He wrote:

"Died—little Ted—of scarlet fever; aiged three yeres. Funeral tomorrer; gon up to Hevin; left won brother."

"Was it your brother?" asked the cashier.

Tim tried to brace up, but he could not. The big tears came up, his chin quivered, and pointing to the notice on the counter, he gasped,

"I—I had to sell my kit to do it, b—but he had his arms around my neck when he died."

He hurried away home, but the news went to the boys, and they gathered in a group and talked. Tim had not been home an hour before a bare-footed boy left the kit on the doorstep, and in the box was a bouquet of flowers which had been purchased in the market with pennies contributed by the crowd of ragged but big-hearted urchins.

Did God ever make a heart which would not respond if the right chord was touched?

—"From Baca to Beulah."

ADVERTISEMENTS, 3 CTS. PER LINE.

## 50 Foreign Stamps!

Including Jamaica, Belgium, Denmark, Brunswick, Spain, Norway &c. 6 cts.

### BARGAINS!!

	No. in set.	Price.
New Zealand,	3	3cts.
Peru,	2	6
Brunswick,	4	3
Canada Beaver,	1	5
Denmark,	2	3
Italy,	3	5
Jamaica,	3	5
Mexico,	2	4
Norway,	4	5
Queensland,	1	3
W. Australia,	2	5
Canada, Registered,	3	8
Hungary,	3	5
Portugal,	2	5
Spain,	3	5
U. S. unpaid,	3	6
Japaneese.	3	5
Romania,	3	6
New South Wales,	2	1
Persia,	2	2
Sandwich Island,	3	4
Germany,	4	3
Cape Verde,	2	3
British Guiana,	3	4
Costa Rica,	3	3
Cuba,	4	5

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50 CHROMO CARDS, no two alike, with any name printed neatly upon them for only 4 3-cent stamps 6 packs for 20 3-cent stamps Union Card Co. Montpelier Vt.

100 Beautiful Cards for 40 cents.  
GRANT BROS., Buffalo, N. Y.

\$10. For a 3 cent stamp. Boys and GIRLS—Send stamp for \$10 worth of our Greenbacks which are free to all. Only 1,000 dollars left.  
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A large 16 page monthly journal devoted to the Temperance cause. It does not belong to any clique or faction, but is an independent, out-spoken, temperance journal. Subscriptions 35c per annum. Advertising rates 10c a line, \$1 per inch, payable quarterly in advance. Discount on repeated insertions as follows: 15 per cent on 3 mos.; 25 per cent on 6 mos.; 35 per cent off on 12 mos. The BANNER is the only temperance paper published in a city of over 88,000 inhabitants and has a larger local circulation, besides being sent to subscribers, temperance societies, Y. M. C. A. rooms, etc. all over the land. Send us a trial adv. Address, BANNER PUBLISHING CO., Rochester, N. Y.

### OUR NEWS!

No 2 will be ready October 30th, printed in different form and enlarged. DEALERS advertise at 40c per inch. A Sample Copy of No. 1 sent FREE.

CHAS. C. COLLINS.

Forest Ave., Cincinnati, O.

Subscriptions per year, 15cts.

LOOK Send a 3ct stamp to the Editor of this paper and receive 15cts in return. Send at once ere it be to late.

F. A. Strassenburgh,

Publisher of

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HENRIETTA,

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## Sawdust.

Spain has 212 varieties of adhesive stamps.

Fifteen centimes, blue, of the French Colony, is now in the market.

BRITISH GUIANA.—A new registered envelope, color, vermilion on white paper.

Dutch India issue a twelve-and-a-half cent card sur-charged with a large figure five.

Two new postal cards, of the value of six and ten ore have been received

A gray and buff postal card of the value of one and half pence is now used in Sierra Leone.

A letter received at the Cedarville Onondaga county, postoffice was addressed "Seat of Ale, Onon county." Clever clerk that to decipher its destination.

Private Daizell is a candidate for Postmaster of the House of representatives. He would be an admirable man in the place. At any rate he would not let the establishment run down for want of business.

Germany has the most accomodating of postoffices. It daily transmits birds, beasts, and fishes, if of a harmless sort. A goose, unintelligibly directed, was lately put up for auction sale, when \$875 was found under its left pinion. The sender has not been discovered.

The English postoffice authorities are trying the experiment of supplying postmen in country districts with bicycles and tricycles. This has been done particularly in Ireland, where the distances to be traversed by foot-messengers are longer than in Great Britain. The authorities are watching the experiment with a considerable degree of interest, owing to the fact that not a few casualties have occurred in the use of their new means of locomotion.

"Mother, I don't thing Solomon was so rich as they say he was. "Why, my dear, what could have put that in your head?" "Why, the Bible says he slept with his father; and I think if he had been so rich he would have had a bed of h's own."

Send 10 cents, and subscribe for this paper six month's.

### A DEADLY SERPENT.

Some time ago a party of sailors visited the Zoological Gardens. One of them, excited by the liquor he had taken, and as an act of bravado to his companions, took hold of a deadly serpent. He held it up, having seized it by the nape of the neck in such a way that it could not sting him. As he held it, the snake unobserved by him, coiled itself around his arm, and at length it got a firm grasp, and wound tighter and tighter, so that he was unable to detach it. As the pressure of the snake increased the danger grew, and at length the sailor was unable to maintain his hold on the neck of the venomous reptile, and was compelled to loose it. What did the snake do then? It turned around and stung him, and he died. So it is with the appetite for strong drink. We can control it at first, but in a little while it controls us. We can hold its influences in our grasp for a short time, so that it shall be powerless, but afterward "it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder."

—Selected.

Philatelic writers, in attempting to point out to school children the benefits of stamp collecting, seldom go beyond the fact that it is an aid in geography, teaching the money values of every country, its government, etc. All this is true, but we can feel attracted to stamp collecting for other reasons. When a young gentleman informs us that he is an enthusiastic collector, it is an assurance to us that he possesses more than ordinary seriousness and intelligence, and through his hobby he becomes imbued with artistic ideas which, when developed in after years, mark him as a gentleman of culture.

### A KISS FOR A BLOW.

"I strike 'ou!" cried a little girl, in a sharp tone to her brother. "I kiss 'ou," said he, stretching out his arms, and putting up his lips. Susie looked a look of wonder. Did her ears hear aright? They did; for there was a kiss on Tommy's lips. A smile broke over her angry face, like sunshine on a black cloud. "I kiss, too," she then said; and the little brother and sister hugged and kissed each other right heartily. A kiss for a blow is better than a tit for tat, isn't it?

The Sanitary Editor of the *New York Independent*, Dr. Ezra M. Hunt, writing of the "Tobacco habit," says: "While neither are needed for the economy in health, the ability of tobacco to limit health, to unnerve the system, and to prepare for premature break-down is, we think, greater than that of alcohol." May this timely warning be widely proclaimed, especially among young men and boys everywhere.

No man was ever accepted of Christ for what he brought to Him. They are best welcome who bring nothing, and yet expect all things.

### MIND THE RULE.

Children, when you go to school  
Always try to mind the rule—  
Strive your teacher to obey,  
And your lessons well to say.  
School-hours past, books put away  
Merry then will be your play.

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50 stamps, Ocean curiosities, 30 picture cards etc. for fount of type, or cut of any kind. Address Editor of this paper.

25 foreign stamps all different 15cts. 10 picture cards, 6cts. 10 transparent cards 10cts. A. V. Raud,  
Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

C. Smith, Pittston, Pa., (Box 636) wishes to exchange the following stamps: Egypt, Argentine Republic, Hong Kong, Peru, Italy, etc. for curiosities, Foreign Coins, or anything for a museum.

The Philatelic Triumph sent to your address for one year on receipt of price, or 250 foreign stamps. Get your friends to subscribe. Will those who get a copy of this paper out side of Buffalo, let us know.

875 stamps all different, 2 books, Swiss Family Robinson, Out of the Depths, and a small steam engine, for a Bicycle, front wheel not less than 42 inches. A. V. Rand,  
Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

Hayti.—10 centimes has appeared.

Guatemala.—5 centavoes sur-charged on  $\frac{1}{2}$ red.

Cape of Good Hope again circulates the three pence stamp, without the sur-charged numeral 3.

**Worthy of Notice.**

The Stamp World is an excellent advertising medium.

The Enterprise received, flushed with the spirit of success.

No 14 of the Stamp World comes out in all its beauty. It must meet with success.

The Philatelic Triumph is just the paper we have been looking for. It deserves all the encouragement it gets.  
*Christian Triumph.*

The Philatelic Triumph is the best advertising medium, we have yet seen.  
*Grant Bros.*

Our Home and Science Gossip is worthy of attention. Try it.

See advertisement of Grant & Bros. on last page of this paper.

The Builders Journal on the first of January, 1882 will come out in a brand new dress. We wish it success.

The Informer, published by Fred A. Strassenburgh, at Henrietta, N. Y. is a dressy little semi-monthly.

The Monthly Reporter, published at Montpelier, Vt., is a delightful sheet.

Fail not to send to Grant & Co. for Christmas Presents. See ad.

A young school girl was so deficient in the faculty of arrangement that she was continually drawing from her mother, a careful and orderly lady, the admonition to have "a place for everything, and everything in its place." It had little effect, and at length the girl went to boarding-school. Soon after, in one of her letters home the following sentence occurred: "O mother, I've found a place for everything! It's in the bottom drawer of my bureau."

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Mexico,	2	5
Norway,	4	3
Queensland,	1	5
W. Australia,	2	8
Canada, Registered,	3	5
Hungary,	3	5
Portugal,	2	5
Spain,	3	6
U. S. unpaid,	3	5
Japaneese,	3	6
Romania,	3	1
New South Wales,	2	2
Persia,	2	4
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**P**RESENTS for the holidays FREE! This is your last chance! Send a 3ct stamp. Boys and Girls don't fail to write at once. Grant & Co. Buffalo N. Y.

**\$1.00** Worth of Christmas Presents never before seen for 10cts. 30cts worth for 5cts. Address, W. F. Billings, Post Office, Buffalo, N. Y.

**1000** Stamps well assorted all foreign. 20cts. Cape Verde, 2 for 3 cents. Persia 2 for 2 cents. Three sets, 8cts. Address, W. Jerrems, 3657 Vincennes Ave., Chicago Ill.

### Don't read This.

Only fancy for 2-3ct stamps you will receive 500 worth of curiosities. This offer can't be had every day in the week. Address the Editor of this paper.

**CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.** We want every person who reads the TRIUMPH to send their name and address with stamp to us at once. A beautiful CHROMO FREE! Grant & Co. Buffalo, N. Y.

### NAUGHTY BUT NICE.

We will send a photo of a ballet Dancer (cabinet size) post paid for only ten cents. Boys send for it. Enterprise, Box 76, Eastport, N. Y.

**\$10.** For a 3 cent stamp. We will send 10 DOLLARS in greenbacks to every reader of this paper. Also a beautiful Chromo Free! Boys and GIRLS send at once, as we have only a few left. NO HUMBUG! Be sure and send stamp. Address, GRANT & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

**1 PACKET** Of Christmas & New Years cards all different and very funny for only 10cts. Do not miss this rare chance Address the Editor of this paper.

### LOOK HERE BOYS!

I will send you 50 cents worth of curiosities for 4-3ct stamps Don't miss this chance. Address, W. E. Billings, Post Office Buffalo, N. Y.

### OH FOR CHRISTMAS!

Readers send me a 5ct stamp for a lot of beautiful Christmas Presents. Lots of fun but no Plum Dough. Address, Beautiful Dreamer, care of Grant and Bros., 50 Seneca St. Buffalo, N. Y.

**BOYS** Seven good novels for 6-3ct stamps. Benjamin Hellyer Care of Grant & Co., 50 Seneca St Buffalo, N. Y.





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Advertisements 3cts. per line or 25c. per inch.

In answering advertisements, please say: "Saw advertisement in the Philatelic Triumph."

## Sawdust.

Turks Island.—New Postal union card has made its appearance. Same design as usual. For W. I. Colonies. 1½d. Brown on buff card.

Wurttemberg.—A new series of officials is in preparation.

United States.—The 1ct. stamp is newly engraved.

New Zealand.—A 1d. stamp will shortly appear with the inscription, "For postage on receipt."

Greece.—40L. has appeared without numerals on the back.

United States.—The 1ct. post card has appeared with the inscription changed. It now reads, "Nothing but the address can be placed on this side."

Peru.—Postal cards of the denomination of 4 centavoes have been prepared. Black on white.

### THE POSTAL CARD

A treatise on the postal card has just been published in Berlin. The originator of this great idea is said to be Dr. Stephan, a German state official, who

wrote an essay on this subject. In the year 1869, Austria adopted it, and the first three months witnessed the passage of 2,900,000 cards through the mails. The next year Germany followed suit; and in Berlin alone, the first day after their introduction 95,478 passed through the mail, and in two months 2,000,000 were used. Other countries soon adopted. During the Franco-prussian war the postal card system was a great boon to both armies. The greatest proportional consumption occurs unquestionably in the United States. The whole of Europe uses annually 350,000,000, while 230,000,000 are consumed in the United States. Austria, which has the honor of first putting the plan into practical execution, has cards of the poorest material and most inconvenient form. A new postal card will undoubtedly be issued in the United States, by which money orders of low denominations can be sent.

### AN OPEN CONFESSION.

A Washington despatch quotes a Canadian Government postoffice officer as saying: "Our folks think they were over-reached in the postal treaty made with Postmaster-General Jewell in regard to newspapers. Each Government was to receive and retain the postage upon newspapers mailed on its own side of the border, and transport without charge, those received in the mail from the other side. It proves to be a fact that more American papers are sent to Canada than Canadian papers sent to the United States. and, under this treaty, we believe your department has made about \$4 to our \$1. I suppose our people could see no other way to get even than by stealing your sacks and pouches."

## Editorial Column

### TO OUR READERS.

Good morning! dear readers. Hope you have enjoyed the holidays. If you haven't, we have. You see this paper the Philatelic Triumph is enlarged almost twice the size it formerly was. We hope you will do all you can to help us along, always remembering it's not the size that makes the paper. With this No. we commence our letter box, which is free to all. If this paper does not become a king, it is because the Public does not offer its support by subscribing or advertising. The first to subscribe for this paper with the January number, we will give free, a beautiful New Year's gift. The winner's name and address will be inserted in our next No., so as to avoid any mistake whatever. Having said this much we await the approval or disapproval of our readers. Yours very truly,

The Editor.

Editors desiring to exchange ads with us, must notify us of the fact. Any Publisher may have a 5 line adv't inserted in this paper 1 mo. for only 10cts. 2 mos. - 15cts. Don't miss this rare chance, to Publishers only.

### THE PENNY POST.

It may not be generally known that, from two years before the death—in 1165—of Charles II., a penny post had been established in London.

Robert Murray, an upholsterer, enjoys the honor of having suggested that as the city had grown too large for messengers a post should be started from one part of London to another. Murray's post was afterwards assigned to William Dockwra. Among the early regulations was one to the effect that all letters not exceeding a pound in weight should be charged one penny for the city and suburbs, and twopence for any distance within a radius of ten miles.

**Postage stamp Exhibition**

The queer Show that was opened last Month in Vienna—Some Statistics of Letter Writing.

N. Y. Sun, Nov. 12.

On the 14th of November there was opened at Vienna an exhibition of postal and telegraph stamps. It was gotten up by the club of the Philatelists, a society of collectors who regard the study of stamps a branch of history and desire to raise it to the level of Numismatics and Sphrogistics. The collection formed by these enthusiasts, though interesting and instructive, is decidedly monotonous to the eyes of ordinary mortals. Nevertheless the display of stamps, envelopes, postal cards, and the like gives a striking picture of the development, within the last forty years, of communication, in all parts of the world, and of the facility and cheapness with which it is carried on. It may be added that such collections of stamps will be invaluable to future writers of history, by enabling them to test the genuineness of documents by these official marks, thus corroborating the evidence that can be drawn from the water mark on the seal. That such a collection contains real historic material is seen in Dr. Moschkan's collection of stamps during the Franco-Prussian war. He exhibits the stamps and the envelopes of the German and French field post offices, and of the field post office of the Swiss corps of observation, a postage stamp for Alsace issued by the North German Bund Aug. 1. 1870, balloon letters from Paris and Metz, the photographically reduced letters for the pigeon post, stamps issued under Gambetta's dictatorship, and others by private firms who managed the postal communication during the Commune. He exhibits the first stamps of the German empire and of the French republic, and one which bears the head of the Count de Chambord, issued by the Legitimists in 1870, in anticipation of a Bourbon restoration. Among the portraits of postal reformers which grace the walls of the exhibition are those of Sir Rowland Hill and the Duchess Longueville. This heroine of the Fronde introduced

ENVELOPES IN 1635

for letters carried, by the Paris city post. Envelopes with an impressed stamp were first used in Sardinia in

1819. The Spanish stamps reflect, in the heads of Isabella, Amadeo, Don Carlos, and Alfonso, the dynastic changes that have taken place. A collection of Spanish stamps from 1850 to 1853 is valued at \$150. The Austrian stamps, including those for Holstein under the Austrian occupation. There are 120 postal cards belonging to the General Postal Union, and a good collection of forged stamps prepared expressly for the benefit of collectors. The verdict of the visitors is that our stamp with the head of Washington is the most beautiful one in exhibition. In connection with this exhibition, some figures of the operations of the General Postal Union may be interesting. It extends to twenty-five states and to the British, Dutch and colonies. It forwarded in the year 1879, 4,940,000,000 letters and cards. This total may be divided into 3,481,000,000 for Europe, 1,246,000,000 for America, 175,000,000 for Asia, 11,000,000 for Africa, and 36,000,000 for Australia. Including newspapers, printed matter, and samples, the Postal Union forwarded 6,776,000,000 packages. Of the various European nations the English write the most letters. It is reckoned that in the whole world the daily requirements are 12,000,000 letters and cards, giving every inhabitant of the globe a yearly average of 3 1-2 written communications. The annual average of European countries for each inhabitant is: England 36. Switzerland, 25. Germany, 18. Holland, 17. Belgium, 15. France, 14. Denmark, 13. Austria, 11. In England there is a post office for every 2,463 inhabitants, in Germany for every 5,037, in Austria for every 5,488, and in France for every 6,242. Switzerland possesses most the post-offices in proportion.

Judging from the letter of the Washington correspondent of the *Cleveland Leader* the Republicans are paying the way for increasing the pay of nearly the whole force in the Postoffice Department, notwithstanding the salaries were made in 1865, when prices were at the war figure. If the matter is brought up in Congress the Republicans will make a serious mistake, for the people are in no mood to increase the pay of clerks now receiving \$3,500, and they will learn this to their cost.

**Suppose.**

Suppose there were never any quarrels between brothers and sisters!

Suppose brothers were never rough and thoughtless, and never peevish or pervers!

Suppose "I shan't" were words never heard from little lips, and little fists were never clenched to strike!

Suppose tears of passion were never shed, and the sun never went down on anger between little ones!

Suppose all this to be the case, and would not some homes be brighter, would not father and mother be happier, and would not the great Father "which is in heaven" see it all with approving eye?

**A TOUCHING STORY.**

The language of maternal love and maternal grief is the same among all races, and the signs that speak it are no less plain and pathetic because the mourner is a barbarian. A touching story is told of an Indian woman who had lost her baby;

Watching her opportunity, she entered the home of a white family, and seized their pretty baby in her arms.

The white mother was horrified. She sprang forward and clasped her child in her own arms, when the poor, bereft Indian gathered up the corner of her blanket as one would hold a sick child, and uttered a low, mournful cry.

Tears ran down her cheeks as the white mother put her pretty babe back in the Indian's arms. She passed her hands over it very tenderly and gratefully, and departed.

In a week she came again bringing a peck of ripe wild plums, and the next time, two buffalo tongues.

She asked permission by signs to kiss the baby, and it was granted. Then she departed, and never came again.

"If I was a horse now" mused a boy, "I'd be stabled, rubbed down and fed; But I'm a boy, and I've got to go home, clean off snow, bring in wood, tote in water, and rock the baby for an hour or two."

Carpenter—"Well my young man, how are you getting on with those tools?" Young man—"I've ground all the tools but this yer saw, sur, and I can't get all the gaps out of it!"

**Exchange Box.**

Every Subscriber is entitled to a notice under this head of forty words.

Ocean Curiosities for stamps, W. E. Billings, P. O. Buffalo, N. Y.

Shells for Indian relics or stamps. E. Hantoon, Box 666 Paterson, N. Y.

A 75ct printing press for stamps or type address publisher of this paper.

100 well mixed foreign stamps for only 10cts. Address W. E. Billings, P. O., Buffalo, N. Y.

A gold plated Broach for type or stamps. Address publisher of this paper.

I will exchange paper money, for Birds Eggs. Send postal to arrange exchange. Casper Sonelss, York, Pa.

50 stamps, Ocean curiosities, 30 picture cards etc. for fount of type, or cut of any kind. Address Editor of this paper.

The Philatelic Triumph sent to your address for one year on receipt of price, or 250 foreign stamps. Get your friends to subscribe.

25 Post marks all different, for any kind of ore except iron, as copper &c.

Glenn Mathers, Galesbury, Kalamazoo, Co., Mich.

Shells from the Bahama Islands for curiosities. Stamps not wanted. L. Gimkel, 124 West Second st., Dayton, Ohio.

Advertisements for this paper must reach us by 3rd to insure insertion in the next number. Mention this paper when answering advertisements.

I. Nasu of Greencastle, Ind., wishes to exchange 200 varieties of choice foreign stamps for either one of the following; U. S. 1851, 90c; 1861, 90c; 1869, 50; Confederate states 1862, 10c.

FREE! for 25cts we will send you this paper one year together with any one of the following premiums. 1st 10 funny chromos. 2nd, the Christian Triumph a 16 page Journal, 3rd, a pretty picture, 4th, \$10 worth of greenbacks. Address Benj. Illing, Editor and Publisher of this paper.

**COLLECTORS & ADVERTISERS**

Will do well to advertise in this paper. 700 copies circulated free among collectors, every month.

Benjamin Illing 48 & 50 East Seneca St., Buffalo, N. Y.

**Letter Box.**

Chicago, Ill.  
Dec., 1881.

Mr. Editor,

Dear sir;

Your paper received. Was very much pleased with it. Enclosed please find 20c. for one year's subscription. I'm so pleased to know that you are going to have a Letter Box for us little ones. May I write to it soon? Yours etc. C. Covetney.

Yes of course you may write again. Your writing is certainly very plain. You will see that we have enlarged this paper.

New York City.

I like your paper, very much indeed Tim's Kit was a splendid little story. I hope you will print more like it. C. Newton.

Chicago Nov., 15, 1881

Mr. Editor; I am much pleased with your paper the Philatelic Triumph. Enclosed please find 43cts. for advertisement and subscription.

W. Jerrens

Rochester, N. Y.

I have just received your nice paper the "Philatelic Triumph." I'm sure it must meet with success. Enclosed find 20 cts. for one year's subscription. I have a little robin named Jack, that I want to tell you about. When he was a young bird, he was so ugly that no one would look at him. But all of a sudden he got so very pretty, that every one admired him. He is now very tame. He will eat out of my hand and sing on my head. Good Bye for this time. Bessie Smith.

Dear Editor; Please send on your Journal for six months at least, it is so very cheap. Emma Griffin.

Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

Dear Editor No. 1 of the Philatelic Triumph received. It is a delightful little monthly. A. V. Rand.

London, Ontario.

I am very much pleased to know that you are going to have a letter box in your little monthly. I shall enjoy myself reading the different letters. I have to mice, one white and one brown one. They are so tame they will run up my sleeve and play with me like a little dog. Last week they had 4 little young ones. They are all living. I have two brothers and one sister.

Yours truly,

Jessie Young.

Greenfield, Ind.

Dear sir:

The Philatelic Triumph, No. 2 and a lot of beautiful cards received. I am much pleased with them. Your paper is interesting and readable I wish you success. Yours Respt., J. Aason.

**Worthy of Notice.**

Advertise in the Philatelic Triumph.

The Philatelic Triumph has a circulation in England and Canada. Try it.

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The Assistant is worthy of our attention. We wish it good speed.

The Philatelic Medium is a bright little monthly.

The Philatelic Monthly is a neat and tasty sheet.

The Monthly Reporter, published at Montpelier, Vt., is a delightful sheet.

The Philatelic Triumph is the best advertising medium, we have yet seen.

Grant Bros.

The Philatelic Triumph is just the paper we have been looking for. It deserves all the encouragement it gets.

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The Philatelic Triumph published by Benjamin Illing at 48 and 50 E. Seneca St., Buffalo, N. Y. is a bright, spicy monthly. Price 20cts per year. Postage stamp collectors will find it especially interesting.

Buffalo Telegraph

A little girl who is accustomed to the plainest style of living, was taken by her mother out to dine with a rich friend lately. On returning to her humble home she called out to her sister, in an ecstasy of triumph and delight, "Oh, Polly, we had four dinners, all one after another!"

"My son" said a mother to a little boy, four years old, "who above all others will you wish to see when you enter the spirit world?" "Goliath!" shouted the child, with joyous anticipation, "unless" he quickly added "there's a bigger feller there."

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Norway,	4	5
Queensland,	1	3
W. Australia.	2	5
Canada, Registered,	3	8
Hungary,	3	5
Portugal,	2	5
Spain,	3	5
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Japanese.	3	5
Romania,	3	6
New South Wales,	2	1
Persia,	2	2
Sandwich Island,	3	4
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British Guiana,	3	4
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A Sample copy of a 16 page Journal, and 100 Foreign stamps for only 10cts. Benj. Illing.

**25** FINE CARDS, no two alike with name neatly printed for 10cts. postpaid. 25 A. No. 1 white bristol, 20cts. Agents wanted. T. W. SIDDALL JR., 1706 Venango St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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## »APOLOGY.«

Being suddenly called to England, several months ago, we hastily placed the publication of the "PHILATELIC TRIUMPH" in apparently reliable hands and thought all would be well, but we find on our return an unexpected accumulation of mail matter, including no few anxious inquiries as to its discontinuance. We are sorry for this, and hereby tender our disappointed patrons our sincerest apology. The PHILATELIC TRIUMPH will hereafter appear every other month as a twelve-page paper, and will receive our devoted personal attention.—Ed.

## EDITOR'S TABLE.

—This journal will hereafter be illustrated and printed regularly on the 15th of every other month. It will be sent to dealers one year free on receipt of 300 foreign stamps. We give this rare offer with a view of getting a very large subscription list.

—The Buckeye Stamp Journal is now enlarged and issued quarterly.

—E. D. Smith, stamp dealer, now address, Santa Ave, California.

—The cuts used to illustrate this journal are as good as new, and will be sold for 23c. apiece or three for 60c., postpaid. First come first served. Be sure and subscribe for this paper. Those sending in the largest advertisement for "Illing's Annual Philatelic Advertiser" will receive three pages free. Compete for this rare chance. See adv't elsewhere.

—Write and tell us how you like the PHILATELIC TRIUMPH in its new dress. Judge for yourselves.

Here we are, right at B. M. Hammond's, stamp dealer. He is honest and reliable and you should try him. See adv'ts.

—Business men, if you do not wish to be afflicted with a rush of business, do not commit the sad error of advertising in this journal.

—We should be pleased to receive a copy of the "Stamp Dealers' Annual Advertiser," compiled by C. Townsend. Don't be hard now, Mr. T.

We will send the "Philatelic Triumph" three years (free) for the best article on Philately.

—Advertisers and dealers, just take a glance at our patrons' advertisements; some have really two and three different ads. in this issue. Judge for yourselves whether it pays to advertise in the "Philatelic Triumph" or not.

## PHILATELIC FINDINGS.

**BOSNIA.**—A double kr. card and a 5 kr. envelope, red.

**AUSTRIA.**—An entire new set is said to be in preparation.

**CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.**—1d. newsband, color brown and buff.

**GREECE.**—The 20 lepta of the present issue has been withdrawn.

**ORANGE FREE STATES.**—The 5 sh., green, has been surcharged 1d.

**CANADA.**—Our special correspondent of Canada sends us our first new card, 1c, blue. The news wrapper is of the same design.

**SANDWICH ISLANDS.**—The new set consists of three values, viz.: 1c blue, 10c black, and 15c red and brown.

**PERAK.**—2c brown Straits Settlements surcharged Perak.

**ST. LUCIA.**—Provisional  $\frac{1}{2}$ d, black on green;  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d, black on red; also a  $1\frac{1}{2}$  card.

**COSTA RICA.**—We are told of a new series, as follows: 1, 5, 10, 25 and 50c, and 1, 2, 3 dollars; colors as yet unknown.

**BHAPAL.**—3 new adhesive 1 anna, brown, 2 annas, blue, and 4 annas, bistre.

**SWITZERLAND.**—8 centimes, brown, and 20 centimes, green.

**UNITED STATES.**—We have not seen the 5c Garfield envelope. Too bad; can't someone favor with same?

**NEW ZEALAND.**—1 penny, rose, and 6 pence, green, are now used for postage and revenue.

**NEVIS.**—Another value has been added, 4 pence, blue.

**BOLIVAR.**—A 5 pesas and 100 pesas lately issued.

**HONG KONG.**—The one-dollar "Stamp Duty" is now being used for postage.

**HOLLAND.**—The fiscal stamps of the present issue have all been changed in color. What next?

**NEPAL.**—New issues as follows: 1 anna, blue; 2 annas, violet. Good for Nepal.

**PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.**—3 new values: 1248c de peso, 20c de peso, bistre, and 50c de peso, brownish with violet.

**TONGA.**—According to rumor, a series of stamps is being prepared for these islands.

**INDIA.**—A 3 anna, orange, has been issued.

**VICTORIA.**—The die of the one-penny envelopes having been worn out, a new one was made, but little different from the old one; color green, as before.

**NEW GRANADA.**—New set.

1 centavos, green.

5 centavos, lilac.

10 centavos, green.

20 centavos, vermillion.

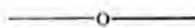
50 centavos, olive.

Union card, 2 centavos, vermillion.

Registration envelopes, 10 centavos, violet.

**FERNANDO P. O.**—Three new values have been issued, 1, 2 and 5 cts. de peso.

**BOLIVIA.**—Has two new issues, 80 centavos, green; 1 peso, orange.



## A BLOOD-STAINED STAMP COLLECTION.

In August, 1880, an acquaintance of ours received from a friend a letter beginning: "I have just come into possession of a stamp collection. I have also some very rare ones which I carried in my trowser pocket all through the Afghan war. Some of them are stained with the blood which flowed from a wound given me by an arab during that memorable campaign, and they are therefore today the most valued in my collection."—ED.



## Our Philatelic Friends.

—The Philatelic Medium is a large four page pamphlet, and is an excellent advertiser.

—The Philatelic Monthly, published by L. W. Durbin, is a grand little sheet. See advertisement.

—The Western Amateur, published by C. C. Hollenback, is the brightest little monthly we have as yet seen. Its editor is altogether too funny. Go it, Hollenback!

—The Stamp Collectors' Bureau deserves success.

—The Buckeye Stamp Journal, published by C. Townsend, is indeed a daisy.

—The Collectors' Library Table is an excellent monthly and well illustrated. Success to our friend Smith.

—The Philatelic Times, of Margate, England, is a daisy. Success to our friend Gale.

—The Philatelic Record is a high class monthly illustrated magazine.

—The Stamp World is certainly the best for the price.

—We are in receipt of an eight-page paper issued at New York City entitled the "Empire City Philatelist." It is gotten up in excellent form and is worthy of patronage.

—The following received, with thanks to their respective publishers:

Buckeye Stamp Journal for June, Stamp World, Philatelic Times, N. J. Philatelist, The Messenger, H. F. Tarbell's Catalogue, second series, Youth's Mentor, Queen City Collector, Temperance Banner, Sawyer's Monthly, Wholesale Price List of Edward Healey, Our Gem, Monthly Reporter.

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WE wish to announce that we are in no way connected with the "Philatelic Publishing Co., of this city, as they are classed as frauds.

STAMP Collecting is instructive to big as well as little people. It teaches history or rather insists upon the study of history. Take the changes in stamps produced in the last twenty years by changes in nationality, or by assemblage of States hitherto individual and separate. We have the German Empire created; the Italian Kingdom completed; the Roumanian, Servian, Roumalian, Montenegrin States assuming powers of autonomy; we have the rise and fall of the Confederate States; we have the creation of a new and solid confederation of the British North American Colonies, covering half a continent with its sovereignty and of course its postal system. Here is enough of historical change to make alone a wonderful change in the kaleidoscope of nations and countries. Stamp collecting obliges a study of facts like these; *en revanche* this study makes collecting not a trivial amusement, but a scientific occupation.—*Philatelic Courier*.

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DOES Postmaster-General Howe wish to convey the impression that there was a deficit of \$3,000,000 in the department under James? He has asked the House Committee on Appropriations to make provisions for a deficiency of \$2,000,000 not reported by his predecessor, thus leading the public to infer that it occurred during the administration of James, which probably is not the case. If there is a deficiency of that amount it is doubtless chargeable to that fine old stick Hayes made Postmaster-General, for James was not long enough in office to spend \$2,000,000 in excess of the appropriations.

## PHILATELIC JOTTINGS.

(By the Editor.)

### THE SINGING POSTMAN.

A U. S. postman comes singing,  
Singing a song to you,  
He's singing of bright, cheerful letters,  
For you he has one or two.

He's singing of a good day coming,  
When two-cent postage shall sway,  
When the world shall be sweet with flowers,  
Oh, hasten that long looked-for day.

Why should we not have two-cent postage,  
Like old England, far, far o'er the sea?  
Come, rise up, you lazy philatelists,  
And have two-cent postage, not three.

—Editor Townsend intends visiting some relatives in Dunkirk some time this month.

—Garrett has gone one story higher, Chicago.

—Tie a rope, decorated with postage stamps, around Davitt's throat and save Guiteau, his better.

—It is rumored that Davitt, the land-leaguer, received three hundred letters in the months of May and June.

—The Philatelic Triumph is on deck again.

—Guiteau has received hundreds of letters daily.

—Our citizens ought to make a determined effort for two-cent postage. We know of no better time than the present.

—Vote as you pray for 2c. postage.

—A letter hotly threatening the London Times, and supposed to be of Fenian origin, has set the police to watching the premises. We are glad an organization is being started to oppose that bad society. Success to the opposers.

—Davitt was a letter carrier in England in 1868.

—Send in your advertisements for "Illing's Annual Philatelic Advertiser." See advertisements.

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## OUR OWN EXCHANGE BOX.

*Under this head will be inserted, free of charge, exchanges of not more than thirty words, sent by subscribers only.*

### TWO-CENT POSTAGE.

[From N. Y. Sun.]

If Congress desires to earn the thanks of the people, it will not end the session without reducing letter postage. It has sufficient ground for doing this in the existing state of the Postal Department, whose receipts are now about equal to its expenditures, whereas they have always hitherto been behind. In Great Britain letter postage is one penny, or two of our cents, for a single letter, and there is no sufficient reason why the people of the United States should now pay a higher rate, especially as double the weight can be sent in England in a single letter. It is true that the compactness of the population in the British Isles makes the transportation and the distribution of the mails less costly there than in our country of enormous distances and small, scattered settlements. But the British service, including its distant possessions, is not only self-supporting, but yields a considerable surplus revenue. Hence, if our own postal service is not required to be more than self-supporting, this, with the fact that our weight for single postage is only half an ounce, should make up for the advantage which the British service has in its shorter distances. The time is ripe for two-cent postage in this country.

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## READ—MISCELLANEOUS INDUCEMENTS.

Hurrah! for Christmas! Send 20c. for our Santa Claus Christmas Prize. A Prize for everyone in the family, and your lady friend. No. 3 of the Philatelic Triumph will be twice the size it now is, owing to the grand and unexpected success that it has met. Subscribe and get No. 3.—Boys and Girls, try our 10c. Christmas Boxes. Lots of fun, but no plum pudding.—Be sure and subscribe for the Philatelic Triumph.—Send 3c. stamp for a 10c journal, 16 pgs. Only 5,000 left.—Boys and girls don't tread this. The Great London Prize Packet, containing candies, jokes, songs, curiosities, funny men, comical women, naughty boys and shy girls, all for 5c. Sent post-paid for 2c. extra. Siht daer tnod.—100 beautiful cards with your name, only 20c post-paid.—Look, boys for four 3c. stamps you will receive 7 good novels, also a beautiful chromo. Address B. Illing, 48 & 50 Seneca st., Buffalo, N. Y.

 **FIRST-CLASS REFERENCE GIVEN.** 

## FOR AND ABOUT PHILATELISTS.

—Queen Victoria has sent a letter of thanks to the Postmaster-General for a handsome copy of the five cent Garfield stamp.

—Mr. John O'Connor, the Postmaster-General of Canada, was born in Boston.

—President Arthur's new Postmaster at Wiscoy is G. Whitney. As the "Philatelic Triumph" predicted, the office has been rejuvenated.

—There are 6,000 kinds of postage stamps in the various countries of the Eastern and Western Hemispheres.

—In Great Britain any person ordering stamps to the amount of four or five hundred dollars at one time may have their initials, or those of their firm, perforated in the stamps. Why not in America the same?

—The editor and proprietor of this journal was born in London, England, in the year 1863.

—Will agents, advertisers and dealers kindly give us a trial advertisement? You'll find it will pay. Circulation nearly 2,000.

—O, it's just too sweet to be an editor of a paper like this. The girls always giggle when we go out. Does any young lady want to be a wife?

—Philatelists, have you got a copy of Handford's Collectors' Directory? If not we would strongly advise you to get one. See advertisement.

—C. H. Garrett, formerly of Ann Arbor, Mich., has changed his address to 3904 Cottage Grove ave., Chicago, Ill.

—We are sorry to announce that our friend Chas. A. Townsend, editor and publisher of the "Buckeye Stamp Journal," is going to close the B. S. J., but he promises to give it a good send-off. We are really sorry, as that publication seemed to be a promising sheet, but if the dealers do not render their support, how

can a man run a sheet at all?

—Postmasters appointed in Western and Central New York:

L. Dives, Lake Ridge, Tompkins Co.

C. H. Ives, New Hudson, Allegany Co.

Wm. B. Graves, Taberg, Oneida Co.

—The postoffice department at Washington was draped and closed on June 17 in honor of the dead ex-Postmaster-General Dennison.

### THE LAW AGAINST MAILING INDECENT MATTER.

The United States Circuit Court in Kentucky decides that a profane postal card is not within the act of Congress prohibiting the mailing of indecent and immoral matter, and accordingly has quashed an information charging the defendant with having mailed a card in which he called the person to whom it was directed "a damn scoundrel and rascal." It was contended by the prosecution that this language is indecent within the meaning of the law. The Court gives the statute a more limited construction, and holds that since Congress struck out the word "scurrilous" in 1876 the purpose and effect of the law are to prevent the mails from being used for immoral purposes, such as the circulation of obscene literature pictures, &c. "The connection in which the word 'indecent' is used," says Judge Barr, "taken with the history of the legislation upon the subject, leads me to the conclusion that it means immodest, impure, and that language which is coarse or unbecoming is not within inhibition of this act."

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## HERE AND THERE.

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Philatelists keep your eyes open for *Illing's Annual Philatelic Advertiser*.

Postal changes for the past week: A new office at Grove Springs, Steuben county, Clarence S. Rutherford, postmaster. Postmasters appointed: Charles W. Simmons, Allen's Hill, Ontario county; Charles Vanney, Epratch, Fulton county; E. G. Allen, Farrington, Ontario county; John F. Lockwood, Hunter, Green county; Wm. Stanner, Lake Ridge, Tompkins county.

The Postmaster-General has been modestly informed by the railways between Chicago and Omaha that owing to their pooling arrangement they cannot put in a special fast mail. It won't be surprising if they next desire to send U. S. mail by stage.

A Chicago woman, when accused of hugging and kissing a postman in a railway car, said that "she was too much of a lady to indulge in anything so rapid."

Here we feel, yea, every hour,  
That philatelists are in power.

William Carroll, the postoffice poet, is a candidate for sheriff.

Buffalo rejoices over the prospects of a new postoffice.

—Jonathan Scoville will pay \$90,000 for the First Presbyterian Church ground for a postoffice. There is no disputing the fact that this site would be the most advantageous, because it is near the City Hall, and in time the

houses near the Hall will be filled by lawyers' offices.

Vote for two-cent postage.

Postmaster Bedford is a very industrious man.

The House has adopted the amendment appropriating \$30000, to repair the Buffalo postoffice.

What wise men my philatelic friends must be,  
On every topic they agree with me.

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## PERFORATED STAMPS.

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A subject of great importance has been brought to the attention of the P. O. Department by the Philadelphia Maritime Exchange. It is an admitted fact that many firms and corporations, which have an extensive correspondence, lose annually many dollars through the theft of postage stamps by their employees. The department has been petitioned to have the English system, which has proven so effective, adopted here. In Great Britain any person ordering stamps to the value of four or five hundred dollars at one time, may have their initials, or those of their firm, perforated in the stamps. Stamps thus perforated would be difficult to sell and the systematic robbery which has been going on for a long time would be checked. Collectors have no doubt noticed the perforations in the English and other stamps and wondered why it was done. The above will explain it.

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—On June 16th the Senate confirmed Frank C. Chamberlain as postmaster at Canandaigua.

—Surplus postoffice receipts for the past year nearly \$1,000,000.

—Little Valley postoffice burglarized the fourth time in eighteen months.



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## THE STAMPS OF GREAT BRITAIN.

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When young collectors see the heading, "The Stamps of Great Britain," they will probably expect a long, dry list of British stamps, such as may be found in the catalogue of any dealer. But we shall give you no such dish, but will explain simply a few troublesome points. The variations between the different issues of this country are so slight that we doubt whether half the collectors of the present day have their English stamps correctly inserted in their albums.

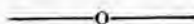
We have often noticed that when a country requires some study in the classing of its stamps, after you have mastered the difficult points that this page will always obtain from you, while turning the pages of your album, more than the average amount of attention. You all know and can not mistake the first issue, the two large Mulready envelopes. Next came the 1840 issue, resembling very closely the one and two penny stamps of the 1862 issue, which are so common. The difference consists of a check-work in the upper corners of the 1840 issue, while there are letters in the corners of the 1862 issue.

There is a two-pence, blue, 1841 issue, which differs from the two-pence of the 1840, only in having white lines at the top and bottom of the stamp. The one cent stamp of the 1841 issue differs in color from the 1840, and we have observed the following varieties, all of which should be noted: one penny red, the common variety; one penny brownish red; one penny red on bluish paper, unperforated; and one penny on bluish paper, perforated.

The collector will probably confound the 1855, the 1862, the 1865 and the 1873 issues. The distinguishing points may be thus briefly stated. The 1855 issue have four blank corners, the 1862 issue have small letters in the corners, the

1865 have large white letters, and the 1873 have large colored letters in the corners. The 6 d. of the 1870 issue, is distinguished from the 6 d. of the 1873 issue, by having white letters in the corners.

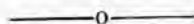
Now, boys, if you have your British stamps glued tightly into your albums, each one in the wrong place, arrange them correctly and be sure to mount them neatly upon prepared hinges.—Stamp-World.



## CALL HIM PHIL. A. TELLY.

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A Canadian journal announces the ruler of Siam's youngest brother, Prince Tschanfu Banurenghi Surang Wong Chom-Luang Bannhangtwonghi Wordate has been appointed Postmaster-General, and adds: "It is not out of place to observe that his Royal Highness has recently imported from Leipsic a Philatelic album equipped with specimens of all postage stamps known to collectors." So we may fairly claim him to be "one of us"—a Philatelist. Now let us take a brotherly interest in the poor fellow and select a decent name for him.—Stamp Collector's Review.



## SIX THOUSAND KINDS OF STAMPS.

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It is estimated that there are 6,000 kinds of postage stamps in the various countries of the Eastern and Western Hemispheres. Among them may be found pictures of five emperors, eighteen kings, three queens and a large number of presidents. Some of the stamps bear coats-of-arms, and others such emblems as crowns, keys, anchors, eagles, lions, horses, railway trains and other things.

## THE POSTMAN

Has delivered to Guiteau many a threatening letter, some containing threats to shoot him, some to exhibit his dead body about the country he so shamefully wronged. Alas, poor Guiteau, no rest for the wicked!

Delivered a love letter to a young lady the other day, and didn't she blush!

Carries Garfield three or four times a day.

Is fond of postage stamps. So are we.

Robert Harris has been appointed at Waterport, Orleans Co.

Is like the rest of folks, fond of his glass.

Was favored with a smile the other day. Who from? A young lady, to be sure.

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## THINGS IN BRIEF.

—The office at Rosenhagen, in Cumberland, has been discontinued.

—Advertise in "Illing's Philatelic Advertiser." Compete for the 3-page advertisement free. This will be a good way to see what dealers are really made of. Don't you forget it!

—Jacob Adams, charged with sending obscene matter through the mails, was examined on June 21st before U. S. Commissioner Seroggs and discharged.

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**A GOOD MOVE.**—Senator Ferry has introduced a bill to return dead letters free of postage to the writers. On the face of it this appears to be a trifling matter, but it is a move in the right direction. The less red tape in the postoffice the better.

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## ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Fiddlehead, - - -	.12
Scallop, ½ doz., - - -	.10
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Coffee, per pair, - - -	.3
Bleeding Teeth, per pair, - - -	.5
Small Mixed, per 100, - - -	.10
Sea Beans, - - -	.6
Liver Beans, - - -	.6
Licorice Seeds, per doz., - - -	.6
Ivory Nut, West Indies, - - -	.6
Corroso Nut, - - -	.8
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**EDITOR'S TABLE.**

—This journal will be illustrated and printed regularly on the 10th of every other month. It will be sent free to dealers one year on receipt of 400 foreign stamps.

—We will send the "Philatelic Triumph" three years for the best article on philately.

—B. M. Hammond, formerly of Dallas, Texas, has changed his ad-

dress to San Antonio, Texas. Collectors should give him a trial. See advertisement.

—Mr. C. H. Garrett has changed his address to 220 and 222 Rose St., Kalamazoo, Mich. Dealers and collectors will find it to their advantage to correspond with him.

—We know of no more promising a dealer than C. H. Garrett, Kalamazoo, Mich., whose sheets are remarkably cheap.

—We are promised several brief articles next month from the pens of two well-known writers, J. J. Grant, and Editor Crosby, of this city. Some interesting verses by the former will be found in another column.

—Our advertising columns are completely run over this month.

—It seems rather strange that English dealers not only support their home publications, but ours as well.

—During our recent visit to England we receive quite a number of unsolicited subscriptions.

—We recommend to those of our readers who desire a beautiful ink the advertisement of B. M. Moore.

—A. M. Crouter, editor and proprietor of the "Empire City Philatelist," made us a call a few days since, but owing to our absence we missed the pleasure of a very agreeable chat.

—Starr & Champion, of Coldwater, Mich., offer for sale some of the cheapest stamps we have seen.

—We have over 1,000 bona-fide subscribers in England and Canada, and do not regret our visit.

—Boys and girls, don't forget that this paper will be sent to your address one year free for any kind of story book.

—Philatelists who have written us congratulations will please accept thanks. We shall always remember them as our sincerest friends.

There was a young man named James,  
Who lived on the river Thames;  
He tried his hand at stamp collecting,  
Without ever once reflecting  
That it requires a good deal of brains.

—It is the fashion nowadays to see who can get the best stamp collection.

—We advise you to get a copy of the "Stamp Collector's Companion," compiled by C. Collins, Cincinnati, O.

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### A SENSIBLE MOTHER.

How pleasant it is to gaze on the innocent amusement of happy childhood! There is little Freddie, assorting letters, and arranging new issues of stamps in a fine new album which his sensible mother has bought him. What a bright mite of humanity he looks while thus engaged in a pleasant and useful pastime. Ah, here we see the fruits of a mother's good sense. She knows her son cannot be put to a more useful and instructive amusement than stamp collecting. Thus we see that by encouraging children in their stamp collections, we enlarge their faculties of observation, memory, and their geographical knowledge in general.—Ed.

*Written for the Philatelic Triumph.*

### ON A "PENNY VICTORIA."

He's one of the real right stamp, said she,  
He's a regular foreign tramp, said we,—  
For, see! a woman's picture he carries—  
Victoria! Wonder who next he marries?

Why, look, he's worth only two paltry cents,  
(As much as one of your Presidents!)  
I wonder what fair, sweet lips last touched  
His back, what post-clerk his face besmudged?

Well, since the poor thing has come so far,  
By sea and land, by ship and car,  
And brought such valuable tidings to me,  
I'll lick it and send it, my love, to thee.

Right jolly companions it will find  
Among your collection, if you don't mind,  
For they'll love him for the female face  
He carries, and treat him with royal grace.

J. J. GRANT.

### PHILATELIC TIDINGS.

**LIBERIA.**—Two new stamps have appeared. The colors are brighter than the previous issues. The appended illustrations make further description unnecessary:



**SOUTH AUSTRIA.**—New half stamp has made its appearance; color green.

**TURKEY.**—Specimens of the 20 para stamps, type of the 1879 issue, have been received, with a large surcharge, printed in pale gray, and also a 5-piastre, pale red.



The illustration of the new three anna stamp lately emitted for India is here given. It is neat and pretty, as will be seen.

**WURTEMBERG.**—The 5-pf. cards are now entirely printed in lilac blue.

**GREECE.**—The 80-lepta has been seen without numerals on back.

**BRAZIL.**—The 200 reis, red, of the new type, is now in use.

**ICELAND.**—Our correspondent informs us that stamps of the value of 3 ore, yellow, for both general and official use, are in preparation.



**CANADA.**—The half-cent adhesive stamp has been replaced by a little stamp of a smaller design. Color black. Find illustration annexed.

**DOMINICA.**—A provisional postal card, unstamped, red on white, is in use.

**BARBADOS ISLANDS.**—Whole new set of a new design is announced, the set consisting of eight values, same as the English set.

**U. S.**—The new 5c envelope stamp does not reflect credit on Uncle Sam. It is an ugly affair.

**ANTIQUA.**—New stamp, color green, value  $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

**NEW ZEALAND.**—New set out, composed as follows :

1d Rose,	6d Brown,
2d Mauve,	8d Red,
3d Yellow,	1s. Dark Red,
4d Green.	

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—New 5-lb postage and telegraph stamp has made its appearance and is made of large and handsome design.

**ANTIQUA.**—Half-penny stamp for this English colony has been issued.

**ITALY.**—2-lire of the current issue has made its appearance.

**MEXICO.**—New issues have been received by B. M. Hammond.

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1 Cornet, with box and attachments.

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1 Song, with music, "Chide but Forgive."

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Address J. J. G., care this paper.

—25 Foreign stamps, all different, some very rare, for offers.—A. V. Rand, Wolfville, Nova Scotia.

—The Philatelic Triumph six months for a good story book. Address this paper.

—2000 Foreign stamps, mixed, 100 Postmarks, 10 Indian arrowheads, 10 minerals, for a printing press and outfit.

G. Mathers, Galesburg, Mich.

—Something worth 10c, for 500 good American stamps. Send stamps first.

Illing & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

—1000 rare postmarks for 200 stamps; must be rare.—Grant & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

—I will send a grand Xmas present to anybody for some good stamps and a 5c stamp to pay postage.—Chas. A. Brown, P. O., Buffalo, N. Y.

It is reported that the postoffice department does not consider that Great Britain in seizing suspicious mail matter from this country is exceeding its conceded rights under the Universal Postal Union.

**A** GRAND PRESENT for a 2c. stamp to pay postage. This office.





Above we present the modest physiognomy of the publisher of the **PHILATELIC TRIUMPH**. As we are too bashful to appear before our friends in person, we adopt this method of smiling our gratitude at 5 cents per copy. The engraving was executed by Mr. Fred. F. Heath, of Milwaukee, Wis., the excellence of whose work is highly recommended.

### *Our Philatelic Friends.*

—The *Messenger from Downsville* is well edited, but might be improved.

—We have received with thanks to the compiler, the *“Stamp Dealer’s Annual Advertiser,”* of Akron, O. Worthy of notice.

—The *“Advertiser and Budget of Fun”* received. It is a large 12-page, and is gotten up in neat style.

—Still another, the *“Telegram,”* of Woodville, N. H. We cheerfully exchange.

—*“Our Home”* is an interesting monthly, and everyone should subscribe. See ad.

*“Useful Instructor”* deserves the name it bears,

—The *“New Jersey Philatelist”* is immense.

—The *“Queen City Collector”* is a large four-page philatelist, well gotten up and carefully edited. Wish you success, George.

—*“Stars and Stripes,”* No. 1, for July, received. A little improvement will make it one of the best of its kind published.

—*“Guide and Friend,”* appears in neat form.

*“The Philatelic Monthly,”* with its list of new issues and interesting scraps, arrived promptly.

—The *“Collector’s Library Table”* is always welcome.

—The *“Philatelic Advertiser,”* published by W. G. Darvill, of London, England, is a grand advertising medium.

The *“Stamp Collector’s Bureau”* is one of our best X’s.

—*“The Empire City Philatelist”* is admirable.

—*“Agents’ World,”* of Lockport, N. Y., is enterprising.

—*“Granite State Philatelist”* is the name of a stamp paper announced to be ready Sept. 20.

—*Our Gem*—August number of this little gem at hand. Contains a fine story entitled *“The Hidden Treasure.”*

—*“Philatelists’ Gazette,”* England, received with thanks.

—Several others have been received, but space forbids extended comment. Among them are:

Hubbard's Coin Catalogue & Wholesale Price-List of Stamps, Whitefield, King & Co., Ipswich, England.

Stamp Price List, wholesale, Nicholas Butler & Co.

Foreign Stamp Collector's Journal.  
—See next issue.

WE cheerfully acknowledge the receipt of "The National Amateur," the official organ of the National Amateur Press Association," which held its 7th annual convention at Detroit, Mich., on July 11th. It contains a full account of the convention, and its typography and press-work indicate that it is gotten up in a first-class establishment. Chas. G. Steele, Jr., of Buffalo, N. Y., is the publisher.

Whoever sends in the largest advertisement for the October number of the "Philatelic Triumph" will receive as premium a column to advertise in, free.

AFTER this issue we will have to respectfully decline all exchange ads, as the large number of cash ads received will prevent their acceptance.

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Only 3c a line	to secure an	D 3c	I
Only 3c a line	advertisement	V 3c	I
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Only 3c a line	to be printed.	S 3c	I
Only 3c a line	Every	E 3c	N
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72 all different,	22	6 Greece	13
50 Foreign, good,	10	4 Heliogoland	14
12 with Journal,	7	6 Cashmere	15
10 Hungary,	8	3 Canada reg'd	10
3 Victoria,	7	3 Mexico	8
4 Cuba,	8	3 U. S. unpaid	8
5 Germany,	4	25 U. S. Revenue	25
10 England,	8	10 Austria 1850	12
4 Brazil,	7	10 Spain, war tax	12
4 S'th Australia,	10	10 Turkey, etc.	10
6 Wurttemberg,	6	25 Natal, etc	35
10 France,	8	25 Prussia, etc	35
10 Italy,	8	10 Hanover, etc	10
4 War,	8	10 Queens'nd, etc	10
10 Denmark,	7	10 Bavaria, etc	10
10 Sweden,	7	10 N'w S'th Wales	10
5 Cape G'd Hope	14	10 Holland, etc	10
6 British Guinea	14		
6 Japan,	14		
4 Siena Leono	14		
3 Bod'n Land Post	14		
1 Prince Edw Is	14		
8 Roman States	16		
6 Costa Rico	12		
6 S'th Afric'n Rp	14		
4 Virgin Isles	14		
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12 Spain	20		

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Spain..... 25 " 20	*Hungary, 1871..... 6 " 12
Angola..... 2 " 12	Italy, 1881..... 4 " 10
Azores..... 2 " 10	" 1886..... 2 " 10
Brazil..... 7 " 10	" unpaid..... 12 " 75
*Bergedorf..... 5 " 15	Japan..... 5 " 10
Belgium..... 6 " 5	"..... 7 " 15
Bermuda..... 3 " 10	New Foundland..... 4 " 12
*Baden, unpaid..... 3 " 10	Norway..... 8 " 12
Cuba..... 3 " 10	Orange Free States..... 4 " 18
"..... 5 " 15	Persia, 1879..... 5 " \$1
China..... 3 " 20	Portugal..... 7 " 15
Cape Verd..... 2 " 10	*Porto Rico, 1882..... 6 " 15
Denmark, 1864..... 5 " 12	Sweden, "..... " 12
" 1870..... 6 " 16	Sandwich Islands..... 13 " 10
" 1875..... 10 " 16	*Servia..... 6 " 25
" Official..... 4 " 10	*Sardinia..... 10 " 12
Egypt..... 9 " 25	U. S. of Columbia..... 3 " 10
" Official..... 3 " 10	UNITED STATES.....
France..... 10 " 5	*2 of 1847..... " 30
Fernando Po..... 2 " 20	*2 Carriers'..... " 12
Great Britain..... 1 " 5	10 War Department..... " 60

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—Dealers will be found an interesting article upon the paper of Mr. J. J. Grant, entitled "The Progress of the 'Trade' and 'Postage'." A. M. Kennedy writes the "Editor" to advise that philatelic dealers are to be made aware of some philatelic notices for the purpose of philatelic information, a complete catalogue, and a list of names to which attention is directed. It is believed that the publication of these notices will be of great value.

## Philatelic Tidings.



—Mexico. We have an interesting illustration of the new issue of Mexico.

—The new issue of the 1882-83 is a very good one, and we have been engaged in a project to supply in England the supplies used in the year 1887.



—South America. The new postage stamps of this country are very good. A very high watermark is visible in the center, and the paper is of a very fine quality. It will make a good companion to the 1881-82 issue.



—Canada. The 2-cent issue of 1882 is a very good one.

—Great Britain. We are indebted to Mr. T. Martin Wood for the discovery of new double post cards. They come in full and dark blue and red.

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[Written for the Philatelic Triumph.]

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clopaedia. In all its variegated hues, massive or delicate design, and diminutive portraiture lies before us a stamp collection, reminding us of civilization in formerly inaccessible parts of the world, of pre-historic facts or geographical localities. This diminutive postal currency, this official seal, call it what we may, comes from everywhere; from distant China, where human heads were once held as cheap as those of hogs at Chicago and Cincinnati; from cold Russia, where the Emperor dare not venture out of doors for fear of assassination, and where drunken priests sleep in the public alleys and carts; from Turkey, where girls are bought to become wives at the age of ten, and dogs are looked upon a sacred public property; from Iceland, the land of the short, little people who dress in furs and live upon fish, deer's meat and tallow; from Zululand, where an entire army of forty thousand English soldiers were recently slain in several hours, leaving scarcely one to tell the tale; from Arabia, the site of the great sandy desert, whose vast expanse was once strewn with the bones of zealous native pilgrims and murdered travelers; from Egypt, conspicuous in the Bible, as well as to-day, the wholesale slaughter of Christians at Alexandria and Cairo being still fresh in our minds. We might thus go on in endless enumeration, but let us take a glance at our own continent. The pretty U. S. three cent bears unto us from all parts of America the classic features of our first President; from the cold forests of the North and the cotton fields of the sunny South, the wild West and the puritanic East; it comes to us from balmy, fertile, golden California, via steamship and the dangerous plains; from the coal fields of Pennsylvania, the home of the secret Molly Maguires, and the oil regions, where men become rich in a day; alike from smoky Pittsburgh and Wheeling, and the numerous rural Greenvilles, Springvilles, Forestvilles, Brookvilles, Jonesvilles, Smithfields, *etcetera ad infinitum*. In our own cities and villages the U. S. two cent Jacksonian brings us missives from our sweetheart, living only in the next block, notices from our lodges, and our tax and gas offices, dunning bills and

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Buffalo, N. Y.

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The number of post-offices established and re-established the past fiscal year was 3,200; discontinued, 1,500. The estimated total of postage collected the past fiscal year in the United States (not including the registration fee) on registered articles of mail exchanged with foreign countries was \$1,957,000.

The acting Postmaster-General has directed the New York postoffice to afford all facilities to both state campaign committees in getting mail matter to depots and places of delivery, and ordering wagons placed at the disposal of each.

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Written for THE PHILATELIC TRIUMPH.

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T. MARTIN WEARS.

*To the Editor of the "Philatelic Triumph."* Sir, permit me to make a few remarks on the continuation of my notes by G. H. F. Gale in your contemporary the *Stamp World* for July last. I will have nothing fresh to criticise as they are mainly composed of captious attempts at correcting what I have previously written, but attempts only as will be shown further on. I am blamed for giving the name of Mr. T. A. Stodart, Dublin, as the publisher of Capt. Evans' catalogue in the March number of that paper, whereas it ought to have been Pemberton, Wilson & Co., of London. For the information of stamp collectors in general and Mr. Gale in particular, I may mention that the author's original intention was to entrust Mr. Stodart with its publication, in fact such it was which I wrote previously on the subject. The electrotypes were to be placed at his disposal by Stanley, Gibbons & Co., but through some misapprehension on the part of that firm, this method of illustrating had to be abandoned—in short, the probability is the work would have had to appear devoid of cuts. Rather than his catalogue should go minus this acquisition

Capt. Evans entered into negotiations with Pemberton, Wilson & Co., who agreed to publish it, provided however, they were permitted to affix prices to the stamps, and make it their priced catalogue. When I wrote, regarding the work, "I have seen no notice of it in the philatelic journals, but received information by circular," he might have known my statements were backed up by good authority. It would thus have been entirely wrong on my part to have given the name Mr. Gale now gives, at that time; and it is very easy for him to come forward three months after the matter is settled, and try to tackle me on my knowledge of philatelic affairs in Britain, which will stand favorable comparison with his. I never heard until I saw it in the *Stamp World* that the publishers of the *Philatelic Review* had got a second edition of their first volume printed at great expense, and looking to the source it comes from I certainly view the statement with great caution. The only magazine that has lately had several numbers reprinted is the *Record*, a few to make up several complete files of volume one.

Our sapient critic circulates nearly 700 copies a month of his gratis venture—another very questionable fact—but very few are subscribers. Quite likely! yet alas, he will circulate no more!

But the crowning victory I have over Mr. Gale, *alias* Bishop, &c., is regarding the proposed society for collectors. Of this he writes in your contemporary, "Mr. Wears seems to think a Collectors' Philatelic society *no good*. Surely he is blinded by prejudice," while shortly before he wrote me on the same subject as follows: "The society for collectors will come to nothing, and I shall not care a rapp. What can a little society do? They can form a club, that is all. There will be no science in it, and if a few youths are to be the heads of it, no gentleman would care to bow to the chair occupied most likely by a boy of 17 or 18." After this I need add no more. Yours, &c.,

T. MARTIN WEARS,

Rosemount, Downfield (late correspondent to the *Stamp World*) near Dundee, Scotland.—September 21st, 1882.

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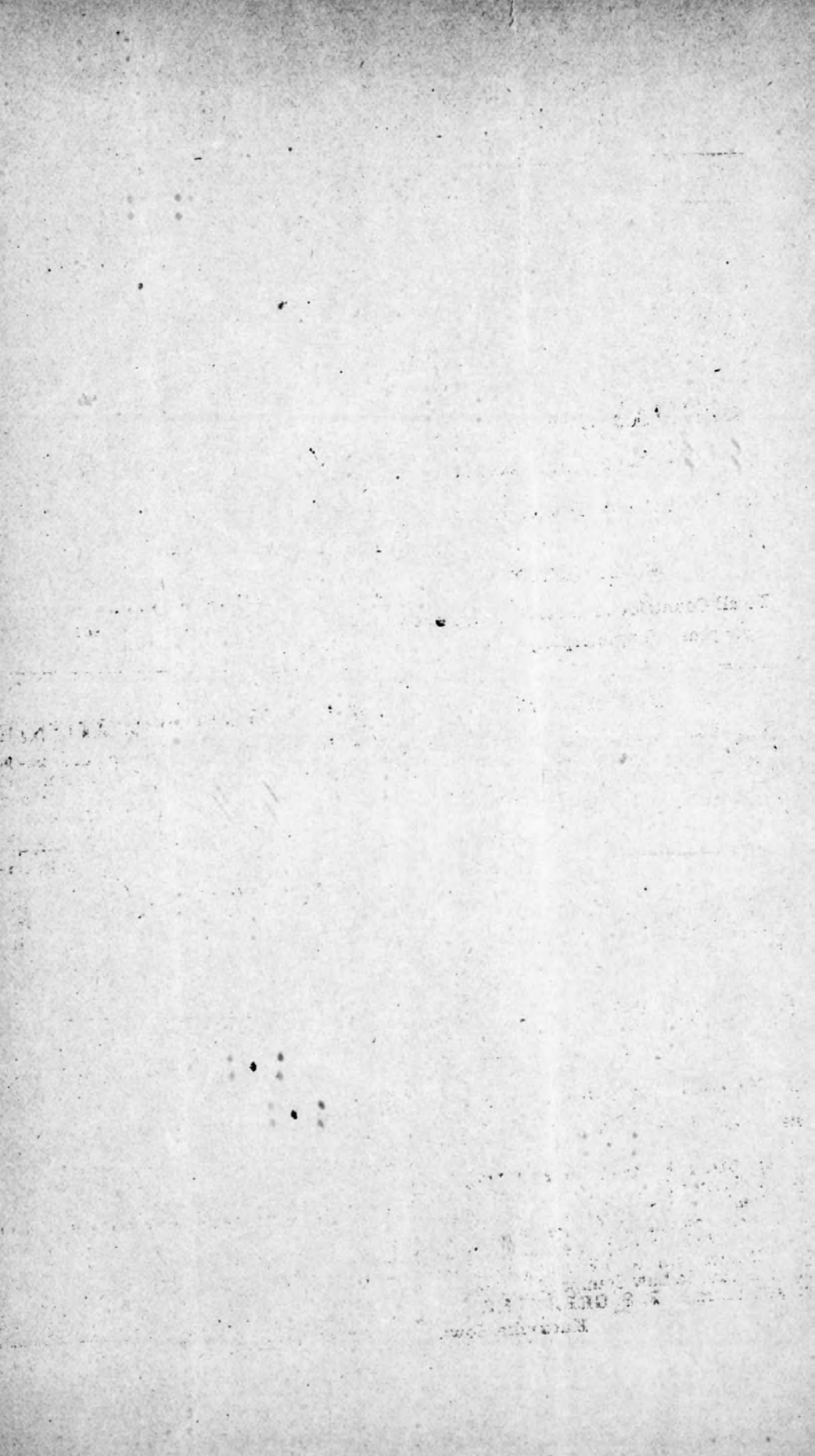
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When my chum's ma scraped his pants she said there was not an egg represented on there that was less than two years old. The Sunday school folks have all gone back on me, since I put some kyan pepper on the stove, when they were singing "Little Drops of Water," and they all had to go out doors and air themselves, but I didn't mean to let the pepper drop on the stove. I was just holding it over the stove to warm it, when my chum hit the funny bone of my elbow. Pa says I am a terror to cats. Every time pa says anything, it gives me a new idea. I tell you pa has got a great brain, but sometimes he don't have it with him. When he said I was a terror to cats I thought what fun there is in cats, and me and my chum went to stealing cats right off, and before night we had eleven cats caged. We had one in the canary bird cage, three in pa's old hat boxes, three in ma's band boxes, four in valises, two in a trunk, and the rest in a closet up stairs. That night pa said he wanted me to stay at home, because the committee that is going to get up an oyster supper in the church was going to meet at our house, and they might want to send me on errands. I asked him if my chum could not stay too, 'cause he is the healthiest infant to run after errands that ever was, and pa said he could stay, but we must remember that there musn't be no monkey business going on. I told him there shouldn't be no monkey business, but I didn't promise nothing about cats. Well, sir, you'd a dide. The committee was in the library, by the back stairs, and me and my chum got the cat boxes all together at the top of the stairs, and we took them all out and put them in a clothes basket and just as the minister

was speaking, and telling what great good was being done by these oyster sociables in bringing the young people together, and taking their minds from the wickedness of the world and turning their thoughts into different channels, one of the tomcats in the basket gave a "purmeow," that sounded like the wail of a lost soul or a challenge to battle. I told my chum that we couldn't hold the bread-board over the clothes basket much longer, when two or three cats began to yowl, and the minister stopped talking, and pa told ma to open the stair door and tell the hired girl to see what was the matter up there. She thought our cat had got shut up in the storm door, and she opened the stair door to yell to the girl, and then I pushed the clothes basket, cats and all down the back stairs. Well, sir, I spose no committee for an oyster supper was ever more astonished. I heard ma fall over a willow rocking chair, and say "scat," and I heard pa say, "well I'm damd," and a girl that sings in the choir say, "Heavens, I am stabbed," then my chum and me ran to the front of the house and came down the front stairs looking as innocent as could be, and we went in the library, and I was just going to tell pa if there was any errands he wanted run my chum and me was just aching to run them, when a yellow cat without any tail was walking over the minister, and pa was throwing a hassock at two cats that were clawing each other under the piano, and ma was trying to get her frizzes back on her head, and the choir girl was standing on the lounge with her dress pulled up trying to scare cats with her striped stockings, and the minister was holding his hands up, and I guess he was asking a blessing on the

cats, and my chum opened the front door and all the cats went out. Pa and ma looked at me and I said it wasn't me and the minister wanted to know how so much cat hair got on my coat and vest, and I said a cat met me in the hall and kicked me and ma cried, and pa said that beats hell and the minister said I would be all right if I had been properly brought up, and then ma was mad, and the committee broke up. Well, 'to tell the honest truth pa basted me, and yanked me around until I had to have my arm in a sling, but what's the use of making a fuss about a few cats. Ma said she never wanted any company again 'cause I spoiled everything. But I got even with pa for basting me, this morning, and I dassent go home. You see, ma has got a great big bath sponge as big as a chair cushion, and this morning I took the sponge and filled it with warm water, and took the feather cushion out of the chair pa sits in at the table, and put the sponge in its place, and covered it over with the cushion cover, and when we all got set down to the table pa came in and sat down on it to ask a blessing. He started in by closing his eyes and placing his hands up in front of him like a letter V and then he began to ask that the food we were about to partake of be blessed, and then he was going on to ask that all of us be made to see the error of our ways, when he began to hitch around, and he opened one eye and looked at me, and I looked as pious as a boy can when he knows the pancakes are getting cold, and pa he kind of sighed and said "Amen" sort of snappish, and he got up and told ma he didn't feel well, and she would have to take his place and pass around the sassidge and potatoes, and he looked

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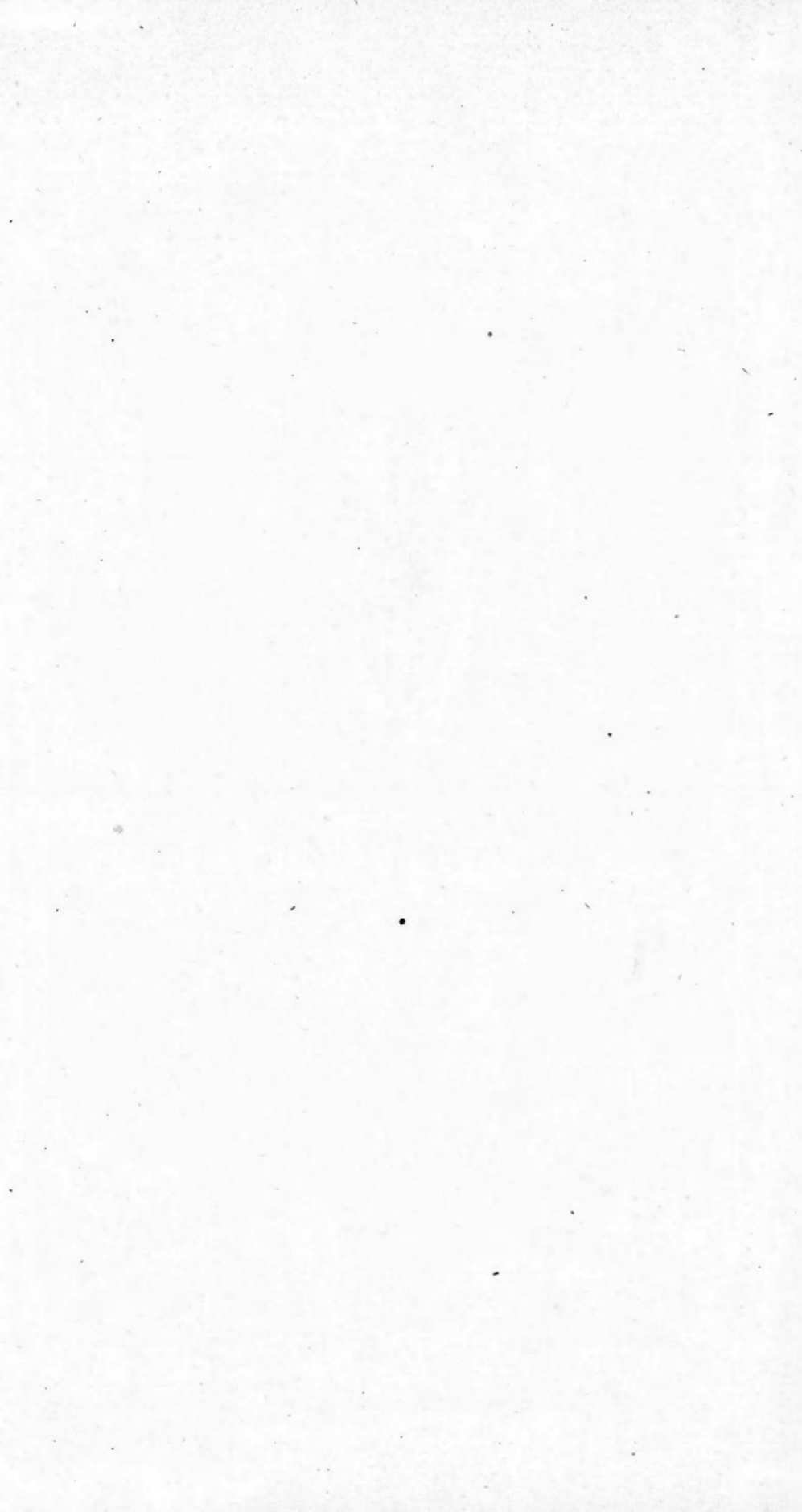
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