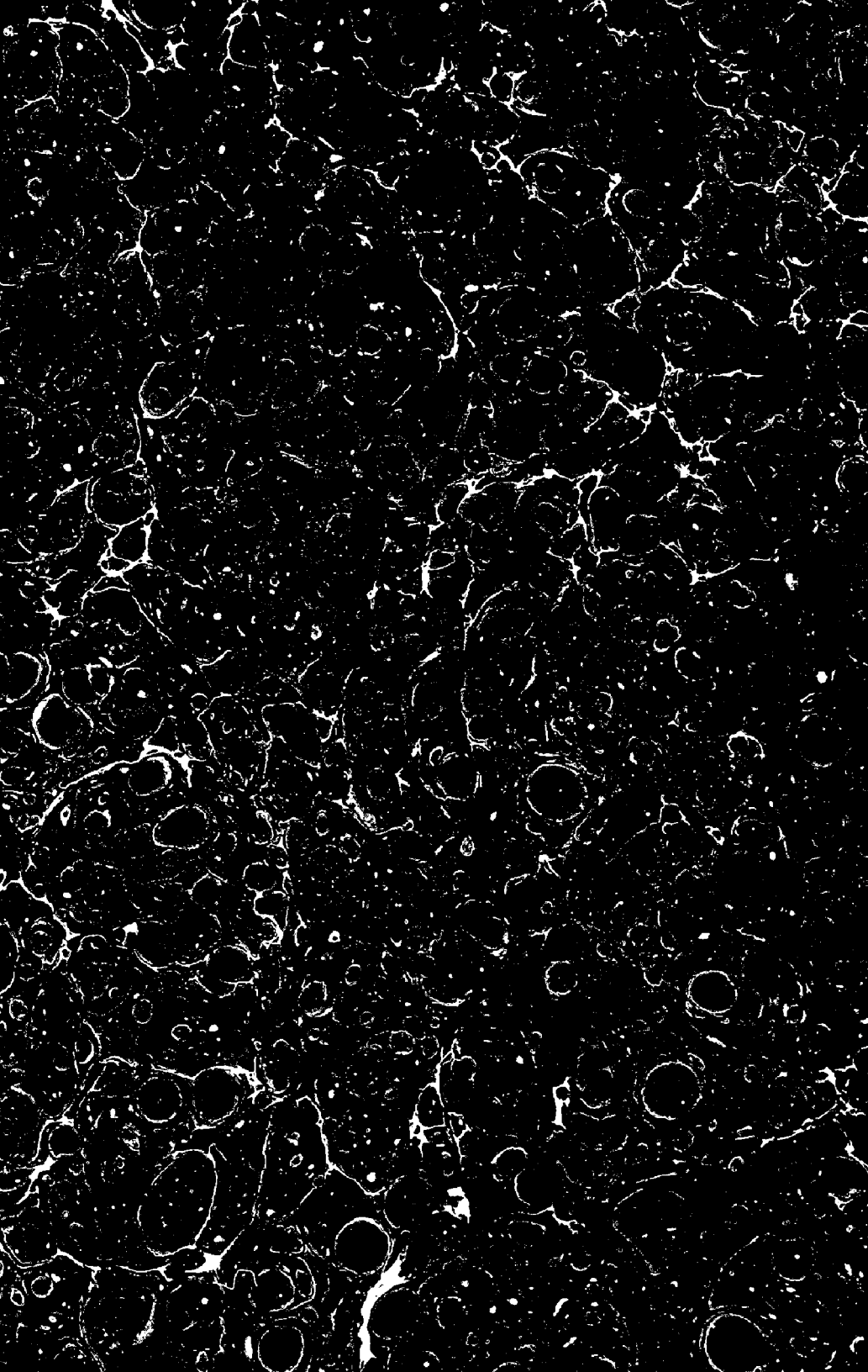
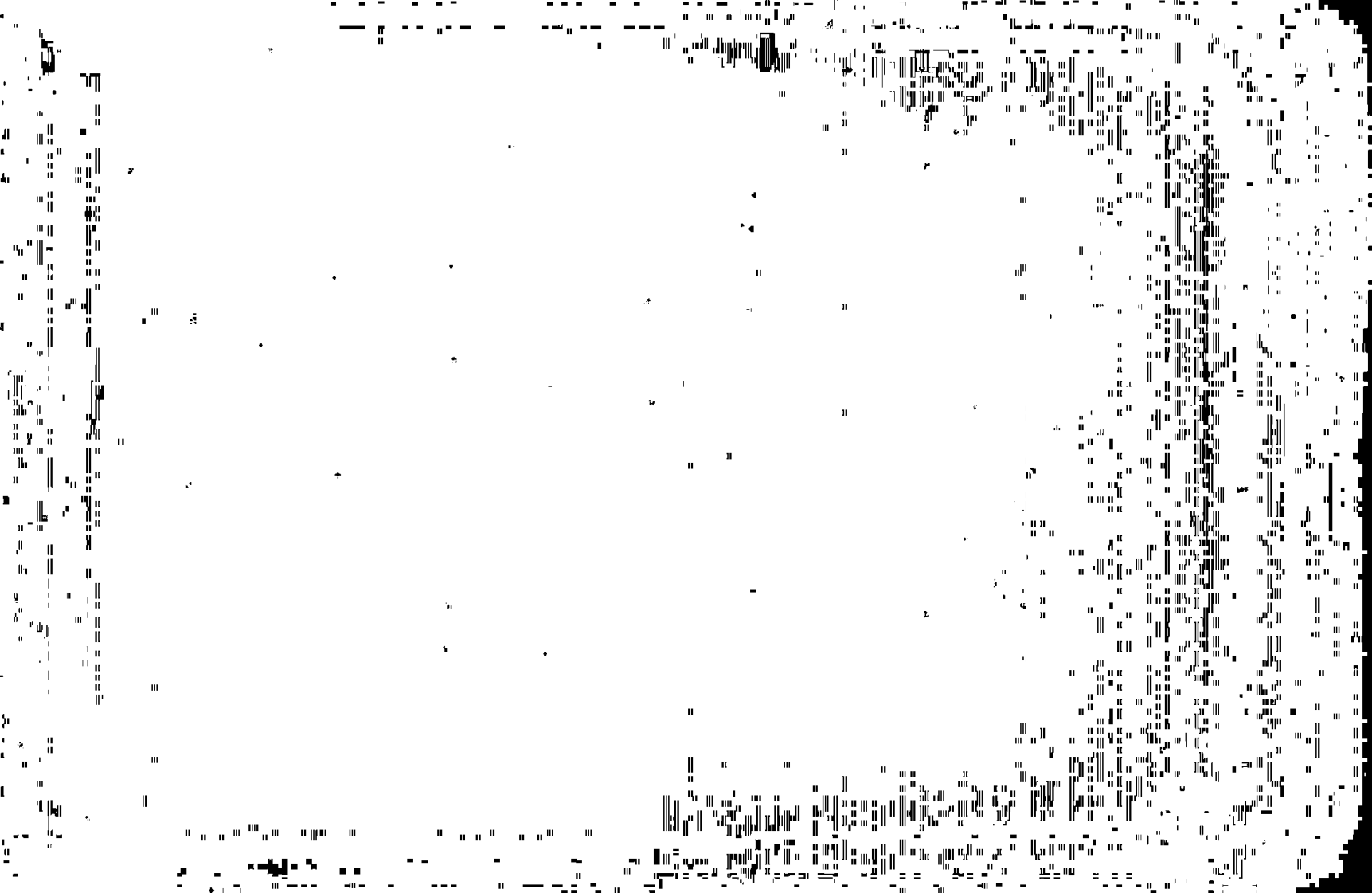


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1851	1c blue type II	12	1873	2c brown, ribbed	05
	1c III	4.00		3c green	15
	10c green	30		12c black violet	20
	12c black	85		15c yellow orange	25
1856	1c blue type II	45		Printed by the Am. B. N. Co.	
	1c III	06	1879	4c ultramarine	01
	10c green	15		2c vermilion unused	10
	12c black	38		3c green unused	15
1801	3c rose (unused)	06		15c red orange unused	20
	5c brown	16		30c full black	06
	10c green	06		30c greenish black	07
	12c black	18		90c carmine	40
	15c	25	1898	30c orange brown unused	46
	24c lilac	16		90c purple	46
	30c orange	23	1890	2c lake	01
1867	10c green 11x13	35		2c left 2 capped	01
	12c black	23		2c both 2s capped	01
	24c lilac	2.10		30c black, unused	35
1860	1c buff	30		90c orange	22
	2c brown or yellow brown	05	Cal	30c orange brown	15
	6c blue	31		50c slate blue	20
	10c yellow	35	1885	10c spec Deliv, unused	14
	12c green	25		10c " " used	05
	Printed by National B. N. Co.			Unpaid letter stamps	
1870	1c ultramarine	05	1879	3c yellow brown	03
	2c red brown [unused N. G.]	35		3c " unused	15
	3c green	01		3c brown	02
	6c carmine	03		5c " "	05
	7c vermilion	25	1899	3c red brown	20
	10c brown	05		5c " "	03
	12c violet	20		Agriculture, 2c yellow, unused	40
	30c black	20		" 6c	30
	90c carmine	50		Justice 3c purple, poor copy	15
	1891 5c bright claret	03			

## First Issue Revenues

	Imp	P	P	Perf		Imp	P	P	Perf
1c Prop				.02	50c Con	.60	.07		.61
1c Tel				.06	50c Entry goods		.25		.02
2c Certif, blue				.20	50c Forn Exch	.50			
2c Exp, blue	.12		.25	.02	50c Orig. Proc	.15			.01
2c Play Cards, orange	\$10			.20	50c Lease	.50			.18
2c Prop, blue				.03	50c Surety Bond	3.50			.05
2c Prop, orange				-.60	50c Passage ticket	2.10			
3c Prop				.09	\$ 1.00 Power Atty	.38			.03
3c Prop				.09	1.00 Conv	.17			
5c Forn. Exch				.01	1.00 Forn Exch	.34			.01
5c Playing cards				.35	1.00 In Exchange	.06			.01
5c Prop				.35	1.00 Lease	.85			.05
10c Power of Atty	\$ 9				1.00 Manifest	.65			.29
10c Certif				.60	2.00 Conv				.05
10c Bill Lading				.70	2.00 Mort	1.10			.07
10c Forn Exch				.18	2.00 Probate of Will				.40
25c Bond	2.50			.05	2.50 In Exch				.05
25c Protest	.30		.70		5.00 Conv (fair copy)	.40			
25c Warehouse Receipt				.25	5.00 Charty Party	1.20			
30c Forn Exch				.70	5.00 Mort	1.50			.40
					5.00 Probate of will				.40
					20.00 Conv (poor copy)				.50

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18 var Canada all postpaid per 100 snap	15c
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Cheaper grade 100	30c
Common mixed per 1000 good grade	25c
Lots of 25 asst 2nd Canada bill in strips pairs and singles Fine	70c
1 lot only Australians cat over \$20.00 a few damaged	\$1.75
Entire sheet's of 1863 issue Costa Rico 1/4r blue, rare thus	75c
Canada post card used (error)head to left	1.00
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250 fine entires from everywhere old and new issues per 25 assorted	35c
V R 1 on Orange Free State 1/4d orange and 1d violet first printing low dots wholesale price 24c each. Snap each	15c
Netherland unused 3c green new issue	3c
" " " 7 1/2c brown	6c
" " " Unpaid letter 1/2 blue	1c
" " " " 1c	1c
" " " " 1 1/2c	2c
" " " " 2 1/2c	2c
Cuba per 5 varieties unused	5c
Can be had in blocks or pairs	
Honduras per 5 varieties unused	8c
Assorted unused stamps 10 for	12c
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Old issues Canada Post Carls per 100	10c
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US 1869 5c blue unused cat \$1.00 fine	\$1.25

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Lot No	Cat
1 U S 100 1/2 gray doc'tary uncut	1 00
2 " 1000 1c blue	10 00
3 " 1000 2c red	10 00
4 " 100 3c blue	2 00
5 " 100 4c carmine	2 00
6 " 500 10c brown	5 00
7 " 100 25c purple brown	3 00
8 " 100 50c slate	3 00
9 " 100 \$1 green	2 00
10 " 100 sets 1/2 to \$1-9 var uncut	16 00
11 " 100 \$1 gray cut	2 00
12 " 100 \$2 " "	2 00
13 " 100 \$1 green & black 1902 cut	
14 " 100 5c express	6 00
15 " 100 3c 1851 on original covers	2 00
16 " 100 3c 1856 on original covers	2 00
17 " 100 3c 1861	1 00
18 " 3c Power of Attorney Imperf wide margins, very fine	30 00
19 Peru Revenues very handsome set of 5 unused face value	36 25
20 Spain 1882 15c unused double impression	
21 U S 100 5c Certificate	1 00
22 " 100 2c orange Bank check	1 00
23 " 25 3c Interior	75
24 " 100 1c Buffalo	1 00
25 " 100 2c Buffalo	1 00
25 " 1000 3c 1870-82	
26 " 1000 2c 1890	10 00
27 Costa Rica 1892 complete unused	19 14
28 500 varieties of stamps in Imperial album, none damaged heavily cancelled and no cut cards, envelopes or trash.	
29 U S \$1 Proprietary, very skillfully repaired and unnoticeable. Sent on approval to responsible parties giving first class reference	\$100
30 U S 1892 \$50 black and green, uncut, a beauty	

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*Finland Mourning (novelty)	..... 03	*Crete 1900, 1c unused	..... 02
U S Col 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 & 10	..... 10	Chiri, Telegraph, set of 3 (large)	..... 02

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Jamaica, jul 1900 or 1901, 1d, each	..... 02	100 diff selected stamps & an album O K packet to 1000 hinges & album	..... 10
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| 80 bistre " 1.....                                             | 10    | 02    |
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| 2 00 green " 10.....                                           |       | 25    |
| 3 00 brown " 5.....                                            |       | 12    |
| 3 00 gray " 1.....                                             |       | 08    |
| 5 00 orange " 1.....                                           | 12    | 06    |
| 5 00 gray " 1.....                                             |       | 05    |
| 5 00 green " 1.....                                            |       | 12    |
| 10 00 black " 1.....                                           |       | 30    |
| 10 00 gray " 1.....                                            |       | 40    |
| 10 00 green " 1.....                                           |       | 40    |
| 1d Serbia cat 15 unused.....                                   | 05    |       |
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The WEST is anxious to start and continue an enthusiastic campaign to raise the membership to 1000 before

Send your P. S. of A. proxies to the editor of the WEST or to the business manager and they will be in safe keeping. Look out for these fellows who send out circular letters to members begging their proxies. Unless you know them personally, beware of some ulterior motives.

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Next month will occur the conven-

## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

tion of the Philatelic Sons of America—America's best society for the average collector—at Denver, Colorado. While there have been some objections from certain quarters because of the action of the board of directors in changing the location, we believe that this was done after a careful canvas had demonstrated perspicuously that it was a case of hold the convention in Denver or—no convention. The most successful convention the organization ever had was in Denver—that augurs well for the coming meet. The principle objection to Springfield is that rail road rates are not noticeably reduced for the occasion, while to Denver the rates, always low in summer (\$25.00 round trip from Chicago and St. Louis), may be still lower on account of the Elks convention at Salt Lake City.

And then—it's cool in Denver in August.

To fortunates who attended the convention held at Denver in 1895 no urging is needed to get them to repeat the trip; they all remember the remarkable—unusual—hospitality of the Denver, folks no matter whether collectors or not.

To those who have attended a convention held in some other city, it may be said that the good time you will have in Denver will far surpass your experiences elsewhere.

To those unfortunates who have never attended a convention, commiseration is first in order. Then the hearty invitation—be with us in Denver. You will get enough pleasure—and some knowledge—out of those three days to last you three years. Come.

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According to a wit in the Australian Journal of Philately, collectors are those who have collections and know

nothing about stamps, while philatelists are those who know all about stamps but have no collections.

Which would you prefer—the knowledge, or the collection?

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While we do not all fancy post mark collecting, this particular fad has points of attraction for a surprisingly large number. The illustrated articles on postmarks appearing in the WEST are novel and are attracting considerable attention. They are authoritative, concise and thorough, and we are glad to note that the painstaking work of the author is duly appreciated.

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We congratulate our Associate Editor Roy Farrell Greene, on the fine write-up given him in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat of April 27th. Poet laureate is punned as follows:

"If the much used title "poet lariat" was to be awarded, it should go to Greene. The inspiration to become a poet came to him while breaking horses on a ranch. He mastered the bronco as he mastered Pegasus.

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The postponement of the St. Louis Exposition to 1904 clears the philatelic convention location atmosphere somewhat. Advocates of St Louis can now support or contest Chicago for '03, but should remember to do nothing that will injure St Louis' chance for '04. It is a little early to talk about '04 now, but remember the fable about the early bird.

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A philatelic appellation coming into vogue is the term "fiscallist", as applied to the collector of revenue stamps.

Revenue collector—fiscallist; ergo, postal collector—postalist. Some day, perchance, these distinctive terms will

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be used, the term philatelist being used to denote the collector who pays attention to both postage and revenue stamps.

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Many stamp dealers seem to regard the stamp business as a sort of get rich quick scheme. They want their profits to average forty or fifty per cent., and endeavor to guide their purchasing and selling on that basis. This is where they make a mistake. While many sales can be made, and are made where forty per cent. profit, or more, is realized, the average profit is far less.

Many prominent firms base their ordinary sales on a minimum profit of ten per cent. Fortunate purchasers of old collections and at auction sales will often afford a much greater profit, but the average buy-at-wholesale sell-at-retail transactions can not be expected to bring in double the amount invested. If a dealer so orders his affairs that he is certain of twenty per cent profit on all sales he is doing well and is realizing a much larger per cent. than most dealers in the ordinary lines of trade.

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## CHANGES IN CATALOGUE PRICES.

We note the following changes in catalogue prices as announced in the American Journal of Philately.

| UNITED STATES    |             | New   | Used |
|------------------|-------------|-------|------|
| 163              | 1873 15c    | 15.00 |      |
| FRANCE.          |             |       |      |
| 107a             | 50c         | 1.25  |      |
| FRENCH COLONIES. |             |       |      |
| 26               | 1877 30c 75 | 75    |      |
| 28               | " 75c 1.50  | 1.50  |      |
| 36               | " 35c 75    | 75    |      |
| PORTO RICO.      |             |       |      |
| 14               | 1877 10c    | 1.50  |      |
| 29               | 1880 ¼c     | 3.00  |      |
| 51               | 1881 5c     | 1.00  |      |
| 52               | " 8c        | 1.50  |      |

The 2s 6p, 5s and one pound values of most of the British Colonies have all been advanced from 10c to 50c. No doubt further advances will follow, and investments in any of the shilling and pound values will be profitable.

We also note the elimination of the 5s and the 10s Gold Coast.

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## ADVERTISERS

The August number of the WEST will be issued a few days prior to the conventions.

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## OMAHA SOCIETIES

The annual election of the Omaha Collectors Club held June 20 resulted as follows: Pres, E H Wilkinson; Vice Pres, F S Parmelee; Secy-Treas, C L Pond.

Annual reports showed the organization to be flourishing.

The following are the new officers of the Omaha Philatelic Society:

Pres, W C Thorson; Vice Pres, Chas Bruegman; Secy-Treas, J F Negreen; Auc Mgr, S Mortenson; Counterfeit Detector, S Mortenson; Attorney, H A Whipple; Trustees, E H Wilkinson, Thos. McCogge, A H Hennings.

The latter society will continue to meet during the summer regardless of the hot weather.

C. Dalton, Stillwater, Okla. I got answers to my ad every day. WEST is all right.



## Counterfeits and Their Detection

By Lucas Viridis

### VIRGIN ISLANDS.

The earlier issues of the Virgin Islands are an exception among the stamps of the British West Indies, as they were not made by Perkins, Bacon & Co., the makers of all other early British West Indian issues, nor by De 'la Rue & Co., but by the London firm of Nissen and Parker. The productions of this firm lack the fine finish of the Perkins, Bacon & Co. and De la Rue products and for this reason lithographed forgeries are apt to be dangerous to the novice. I have several such before me and will describe two of them.

The first one is in the type of the 1 penny green (Scott Type A 1), but it is hard to tell whether the forger meant it for the issue of 1866, perf. 12, the issue of 1667, perf. 15, or the issue of 1879, perf. 14, water-marked Crown C C, as there is no watermark and the perforation is too ragged to gauge accurately. The execution of this forgery otherwise is not half bad. The network forming the background within the rectangular frame is rather coarse and indistinct, but this in itself is no very reliable guide, as the network on the genuine stamps is seldom clearly printed. The central figure is quite well imitated, so that only an enlarged reproduction would show any material differences. The background of the central oval, formed of horizontal lines, is much too coarse; the twelve lamps surrounding the virgin—six on the right, five on the left and one in maiden's hand—are rather clumsily drawn, with heavy lines, especially those converging above, while on the

genuine stamps all these lines are so fine that the lamps look more like white spots and only close examination will show the upper lines of each. The inscriptions exhibit some differences also. On the genuine stamp the I of Island is exactly vertical, so that its prolongation would run straight down through the neck of the maiden; on the forgery this I is slightly inclined to the right at the top, so that its prolongation downwards would strike the chin of the maiden.—By the way, the upper part of the halo over the virgin's head on the genuine stamp is quite horizontal, while on the forgery it hangs downward to the right. The L and A of Islands on the forgery runs into each other, while they should be distinctly separate. The value One Penny in the lower label is much too tall, so that the letters take up most of vertical width of the label, while on the genuine stamp the letters are low and rather squat, so that they take up only about half the width of the label.—The color of this forgery is well imitated, at least compared with the specimens of the 1d in my collection.

Now as to the other forgery. It is one of the 6 pence rose, though here also it is hard to tell whether the forger meant the issue of 1866, perf. 12, or that of the 1867, perf. 15, as the perforation of the forgery gauges exactly 15. This in itself is sufficient for its detection, but there are other variations. The central figure is not nearly so well drawn as on the other forgery, let alone the pretty figure of the original. It is too tall, so that the halo touches the upper frame line, instead of being  $\frac{1}{2}$  mm. away from it. The graceful lines of the leg, as shown on the original, have here become a mere straight line; the feet are clumsy and resemble doll's feet.

(To be continued)

# DENVER

If there is a pleasanter spot, on the globe to visit than Denver, in the summer time, it must be very hard to find. No one ever came to Denver for his summer vacation that didn't want to come back. Denver is the ideal convention city and the Denverites have grown used to strangers and a beribboned man or woman with some new convention ribbon or badge on is always welcomed as one of our very own.

A visit to the Rocky mountains is an ideal one and from the numerous cuts in this issue it will be noticed that a garden spot is located away out west. Many kind things have been said about Denver in years past. All that were at the P. S. of A. meet in of '95" will bear witness that the largest crowd of any year was present.

The directors of the P. S. of A. have decided that it is to the best interests of the society to change the date of meeting to August and the meeting place to Denver. As they are regularly instructed to do this it should be welcomed with pleasure by those P. S. of A. members who were present at the previous meeting in 1895. It has also been suggested that the Kansas and Nebraska philatelic Societies hold their annual convention in Denver at the same time. Roy Farrell Greene also suggests that the Society of Curio Collectors may also come and join with us at the same time. As this is the week just preceding the Elks convention in Salt Lake City, we should have a goodly attendance and a fine time. P. S. of A. members will take notice of this change in place of meeting and join with the officers in making this the gala meet of them all. Several matters of importance are to come before this meeting and it is to the interest of the society that we have a good attendance.

ONEY K. CARSTARPHEN, Acting Secretary P. S. of A.

## DENVER, COLORADO, The City of Sunshine

Denver, the Queen City of the Plains, is especially blessed in the possession of numerous parks. The largest and most prominent of them, "City Park," is unsurpassed in beauty and attractions by any western park and rivals the famous Lincoln Park of Chicago. Amusements to satiate the desires of all may be found. Particular attention is given the floral display and boats are in readiness for those who enjoy rides on the spacious lake. Refreshments of the most delicious sort may be obtained at the pavilion and this feature is especially enjoyed by cyclists. Constant and valuable additions are being made to the zoological part which bids fair to eclipse the much renowned Philadelphian Zoo. Satriano's celebrated band delights the music lover with perfect renditions of carefully selected and classical music. Two concerts are given daily, beginning at 2:30 P. M. and 7:30 P. M. respectively.

Unlike eastern parks, "City Park" is for the complete enjoyment of the public. "Keep off the grass" signs are conspicuous by their absence and those who frequent this delightful pleasure ground may perambulate the velvet lawn at will. With its other attractions and advantages, a well kept cycling path, a ball ground, a race track and a shaded boulevard do much to make "City Park" a fair rival for even the "Quaker City's" much praised parks.

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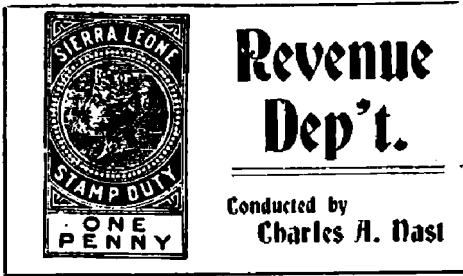
**Elitche's Gardens.**—Mary Elitche Long, Proprietor and Manager.  
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**Street Car Lines.**—The street car rides about Denver are among the finest and most picturesque in the world. 150 miles of well laid rails cover the surrounding country of 20 miles. Among the prettiest rides for the tourist to enjoy the following are recommended. University Park 7 miles; Fairmont Cemetery 7 miles; Riverside Cemetery 6 miles; Fort Logan 10 miles; Arvada 8 miles; Berkeley Lake 6 miles; Rocky Mountain Lake 5 miles; Elitche Garden 5 miles; Manhattan Beach 5 miles; Orchard Place 6 miles. Montclair Aurora 5 miles. City Park 7½ miles. Harman 3 miles. Myrtle Hill 4 miles. Argo 3 miles.

## WHAT TO DO

## WHERE TO GO



During the month a friend has sent me a local newspaper stamp, which he says is not common and he wonders why it is not in the catalogue, when plenty of other locals are found there and plenty of stamps too which are neither local provisional, fiscal, or any other kind except a mere label. Take for instance the Western Union Telegraph labels and the Postal Telegraph labels. There is simply a date on these, no numeral, or word or sign to give it a fiscal character. Why are these catalogued and priced? Is it simply because there are people who collect them and are willing to pay for them? If so then certainly stamped U. S. paper and U. S. checks and Railroad and Newspaper stamps should be listed for certainly these are receiving more attention now than ever before. I do not mention that peculiar class which the law forbids and frowns upon, but the class which it is perfectly legitimate to have, to hold and to barter and sell.

I shall from time to time take up some of these matters and to begin with today I shall call attention to the Chicago and Northwestern R. R. Co's newspaper stamps. There are three values on different colored paper. The 1ct on orange 2ct on green, 5ct on red paper, all have white backs and are two and three eighths inches by exactly three inches in size. They are signed by "N. A. Phillips General Baggage Agent" and are issued for the transportation of newspapers on any train not having express service and are good only within the limit of 50 miles from Chicago.

In the lower left hand corner of each stamp in an octagonal frame the words 1 cent or 2 cents or 5 cents occur, and the numeral of each value is printed in red ink across the face of the stamp with large stencil numerals.

These stamps are sold to the general public and by their use newspapers (but these only) can be sent on any train leaving the city which does not carry mail or express. These are provisional newspaper stamps and should in my opinion be catalogued in preference to many things already contained therein. I forgot to say there is another series of these on slightly different paper with the printed signature of "F. D. Taylor General Baggage Agent". There are no doubt some interesting varieties extant.

In a growing science like Philately it is well to observe strictly terms and definitions. The term "Pre-cancelled Postage" stamps is proper, not so the term "Pre-cancelled Proprietaries". In the former case the government is the proper authority to cancel and that too within the building of the Post office, so when the privilege is extended to big firms to cancel their stamps by reprinting them, the term precancellation is properly used. But with proprietary stamps it is entirely different, here the government distinctly eschews this right and makes it obligating for persons "in the outside" to do the cancelling, so there should be no "pre" before the word, simply "Cancelled Proprietaries."

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It is said on good authority that the \$50.00 black and green has been printed. This will undoubtedly be the last U. S. Revenue for some time as everything in this line stops on July 1st or before this reaches the readers eye.

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Lately I was shown a beautiful lot of U. S. Revenues of whose use however I



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(Adhesives only.)

For the Month Ending June 28.  
Compiled by Albert H. Hall

are not quite clear. They are used as lock seals in the bonded warehouses. They belong to E. B. Sterling of this city and so far as workmanship, engraving and printing are concerned they are works of art in every sense of the word. Quite a number of the head of Liberty on them and although small, about the size of ordinary postage stamps, they are often printed in two and three colors, giving them a very brilliant appearance some of these combinations are:

|        |                     |                  |
|--------|---------------------|------------------|
| Lilac  | on white paper with | carmine numerals |
| Blue   | "                   | red              |
| Blue   | "                   | orange           |
| Black  | "                   | green            |
| Black  | "                   | carmine          |
| Yellow | "                   | red              |
| Lilac  | "                   | blue             |
| Yellow | "                   | blue etc         |

Some have two square holes cut into them, evidently made for the clasp of a padlock to fit into. Though seldom seen, they were on the whole a very interesting lot.

**BOILED DOWN**

A traveler is authority for the statement that stamps for Mozambique are issued un gummed, owing to excessive heat and moisture of the climate. Purchasers of stamps are furnished with gum to do sticking.

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The watermark "E T" and crown on the Greek stamps mean "Greek Post Office". Every stamp is watermarked, although the watermark is unperceptible in many.

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The \$50 gray revenue is already found as the coming rara avis. Copies are scarce—unobtainable—and there is no present source of supply.

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A scrutiny of the returns of the current auction sales seems to indicate that bargains are uncommon. The season just closed has been a prosperous one all along the line and all signs point to more prosperity than ever next winter.

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The letters "PS" lately surcharged on stamps of Bussahir, refer to Padam Singh, a ruling celebrity of this little-known country.

|                            |                           |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>France</b>              | Regular Issue             |                     |
|                            | 20 centimes, brown-purple |                     |
|                            | 30 centimes, lilac        |                     |
| <b>Gambia</b>              | Regular Issue             | Kings Head          |
|                            | ½ penny                   | green               |
|                            | 2 pence,                  | orange and lilac    |
|                            | 3                         | ultramarine         |
|                            | 4                         | mauve and blue      |
|                            | 4                         | brown and blue      |
|                            | 6                         | green and carmine   |
|                            | 1 shilling,               | violet and green    |
|                            | 4                         | gray and buff       |
| <b>Gold Coast</b>          | Regular Issue             | King's Head         |
|                            | ½ penny,                  | lilac and green     |
|                            | 1                         | carmine             |
|                            | 2½ pence                  | blue                |
|                            | 3                         | orange              |
|                            | 6                         | mauve               |
|                            | 1 shilling,               | green and black     |
|                            | 2                         | carmine             |
|                            | 5                         | violet              |
|                            | 10                        | brown               |
|                            | 20                        | black on red        |
| <b>Grenada</b>             | Regular Issue             | King's Head         |
|                            | ½ penny,                  | lilac and green     |
|                            | 1                         | carmine             |
|                            | 2 pence                   | brown               |
|                            | 2½                        | blue                |
|                            | 3                         | ochre               |
|                            | 6                         | green               |
|                            | 1 shilling,               | green and ochre     |
|                            | 2                         | blue                |
|                            | 5                         | carmine             |
|                            | 10                        | mauve               |
| <b>Persia</b>              | Regular Issue             |                     |
|                            | 1 shahi,                  | gray, red surcharge |
|                            | 2 shahis,                 | brown               |
|                            | 3                         | green               |
|                            | 5                         | red-brwn            |
|                            | 10                        | olive-yellow        |
|                            | 12                        | ultramarine         |
| <b>Somali Coast</b>        | Regular Issue             |                     |
|                            | 5 centimes,               | yellow-green        |
| <b>Straits Settlements</b> | Regular Issue             | King's Head         |
|                            | 3 cents,                  | lilac and red       |
|                            | 8                         | purple on blue      |

T. Hayward, Colo.—WEST as a whole has proved "the only monthly."

### Our German Letter

By Harold Roe-Smith, Stuttgart, Germany.

Dfutsches Reich seems still to be the most interesting topic amongst stamp collectors and dealers. Strange as it may appear, the "error" occurs in two sheets—making the first E in Dfutsches on F, but not on the same sheet—probably one fifth of the total number of sheets had the error on the 3pf stamps but comparatively few were sold before they were recalled, the people have the laugh on the government for putting on the stamp that the empire is N. G. or "played out" being the meaning of the word Dfutsches, what the price will settle down at for the stamp is hard to tell some have paid 10 marks—others 1 mark and the luckier fellows but 3pf each and to use the slang term "I didn't get left" having 1000 marks with me I used it buying sheets of 3pf stamps—although there was but 1 "error" stamp in a sheet of 100 stamps but I selected sheets having the error—even if I did cause confusion in a German postoffice where not a word of English was spoken—it was however but one of my many experiences since coming here. As to new issues, British Levant, St. Helena and Transvaal now have the new king's head on their stamps, the latter having many varieties. Orange River Colony has a new surcharge 4 on 6d blue.

Am afraid I will have the pleasure of writing but one more letter from Stuttgart, as I leave here July 1st.

The kaiser of Germany has showed in a marked way his appreciation of the kindness manifested by the people of the United States toward his brother Prince Henry, during his recent visit. He has ordered struck from the German mint a silver coin of the value of three marks, or 72 cents, bearing on the obverse side bas-reliefs of Presi-

dent Roosevelt and Prince Henry and on the reverse side a representation of an ocean liner. Above the ship are words. "In remembrance of the journey to America, 1902." This is the first time the face of a president has ever appeared on a foreign coin, but its appearance in this instance must be taken as a proof of the admiration which an ancient monarchy entertains for the people and chief ruler of the great republic of the new world.

### Australia and New Zealand Notes.

Head Office, Stamp Department:  
Wellington, 29th April, 1902.

SIR:—In reply to your enquiry of the 17th., inst., I have to inform you that the number of Green Pictorial sixpenny stamps printed in England was 1,820,000, and of the same stamp printed in New Zealand 180,000.

This department does not keep any record of the number of each colour, but only of the denomination; in this instance I am able to give the information because only one lot was printed in New Zealand previous to the colour being changed.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) C. A. HICKSON,  
Secretary for Stamps.

H. W. Mackisack, Esq.,  
Dunedin

### Victoria New Stamp

May 10 the first print of a new \$2 stamp for Victoria was received from the Government printer. The stamp, which is blue in colour, has a bust of the King, surrounded by the figure 2. It will not be used to any great extent by the public.

L. Beebe, Yonkers, N.Y.--WEST ads pays and one hears from them long after the supply advertised is gone.

**Foreign Revenues.**

By Orron F. Hallman

Many people wonder why it is that so few stamp collectors are interested in foreign revenue stamps. Most of the collectors who have anything to speak of in the way of a collection, never amount to much in this direction. Their paltry few foreign revenues appear as if they were lost strayed or stolen, or more gently said, it looks as if their owner had chancelly come upon these spare ones in the accumulation of the thousands of the more favored stamps.

The foreign revenue is certainly as attractive as any other kind of stamp has the good will of every collector. Any person who has seen a decent showing of these stamps cannot but acknowledge that they present a good looking appearance. These biased collectors who stick to postage stamps only, surely do not complain of the field occupied by revenues as being too limited. Nor can I believe that they cast aside this interesting phase as not worthy of their brain, for there are details upon details to be sought out before all the links in the continuous chain of issues are completed in such a collection.

None of these suggestions would cover the case, although doubtless in our ranks there are numerous characters who, not approving of one of them, might another. I suppose the reason is that we are all partial to a certain class of stamps. And why should we not be partial to them as well as to anything else? I can see no reason. On the contrary, partiality would be the natural conclusion of one who set to work to figure the matter out.

Partiality resembles beauty, for it "covereth a multitude of sins; it likewise causeth more than a pestilence". Conceive a planet whereon this partiality is altogether unknown; conceive it I say, and approach it; one single glance suffices to show that planet not our own.

Philatelic articles do not generally, I

think, contain a moral, therefore I leave out that which would appropriately follow this.

**ST. LOUIS NOTES**

BY A. L. WISSMAN

Our genial fellow collector and profound philatelic student Mr. H. A. d' Ailly has been suffering with a severe attack of siatic rhenmatism. He is getting better now but still uses a cane when walking. We sympathized with him in his misfortune, but we were also indiscreet when we asked him if that was his hurry-cane. His answer was a thundering "No" accompanied by a look of withering scorn. Even this did not dismay us for we feel certain he must have gotten his rheumatic pains by spending so much of his time in his attic room looking through old hair trunks for varieties of which we know he possesses a goodly number.

At last it has been decided to postpone the Louisiana Purchase Exposition to 1904. The Officials of the Worlds Fair were doing everything in their power to open the great show in 1903 but were continually met with assertion from intending exhibitors that the time was too short to get such exhibits as were worthy of the name together by 1903. To cap the climax the manufacturers of structural iron and steel would not guarantee to deliver the material entering into the construction of the various great buildings in the limited time intervening between 1902 and 1903. Even the United States government could not get specific promises from the iron mills as to prompt delivery of material for the government building, owing to the great demand for iron and steel and the probability of strikes etc. So after mature consideration it was decided to postpone the Worlds Fair for one year so as to give any and every body whether at home or abroad ample time, so that the Louisiana Purchase Exposition may be the greatest show the world has ever seen.

**CHIPS.**

(By E. R. Steinbrueck.)

The other day I saw the commemorative issues of our Expositions compared to the speculative issues of Seebeck manufactures. There is a vast difference between them. Sebeck got paid in his own stamps for the making and he of course used his share for to make good his pay. The Columbians, Omahas, Buffolos, as well as the Brussels, the divers Jubilees, weddings and so on were not issued for speculation of any kind but for the commemoration and celebration of national events of importance.

Stamps have ceased to be certificates of "postage paid" long ago. Numerals have disappeared and an occasional reappearance of these artless stamps has been scorned more or less. All the countries of the globe contend in beautiful artistic designs not only, but let their stamps speak to the world. They present their famous men, they tell us about their change of rulers or the mode of government, or of their botany or commerce and they announce to the general public of the world great events as happening in their country. Although the Seebecks are very artistically designed, insinuate to the eye, the philatelist looks at them with more or less suspicion rightfully, unless they are properly postally cancelled—and not to order.

Deplorable is the progress of the black art of defraudations. Stamps cancelled to order is but a slight matter in comparison to all the tricks and schemes hatched out now in our progressive age. Counterfits are manufactured of any stamp of value. They are sometimes very difficult to be detected. But when some stamp dealers even go so far as to bribing printers for the purpose of falsifying stamps or surcharges intentionally

then such misprints will cease to be looked upon as "errors" and such errors will become as valueless as the Seebecks.

The surcharges "Via Panama" and *via* Puerto Barrios and the stamps of Guatamala were printed to order of a certain Ship transportation company at San Jose, for the direction of their letters. Of what value these stamps are to Philatelists everybody may judge for himself. Wonder whether any misprints will occur.

Germany the leader in science has comparatively the most stamp collectors and consequently also the most counterfeit manufacturers.

There are about 15948 different postage stamps in existence, not counting varieties of shades, paper or watermarks. What time will it take to collect them and what money?

**Good Advice**  
Canada Stamp Sheet.

The hot weather has caused very many stamp albums to be closed for a spell. The great majority of collectors, however accumulate all summer, and many a fine stamp falls into their hands for a comparative trifle compared to catalogue owing to the break in demand. Our advise to our readers is to keep their eyes and pocket books open all through the hot season and they will be amply rewarded for any sacrifices made by the number of valuable specimens they will have picked up at away down prices before autumn.

**For Investors**  
The Metropolitan Magazine

Collectors who are on the look out for stamps to speculate in cannot do better than buy all the £1 and £5 Great Britain, German 1,3 and 5 marks. Dealers are buying up in quantity at over catalogue. As a rule every British colonial of five shillings face value or over is a good purchase.

## Jottings From Old England By Regular Correspondent

The Financial Times of May 22nd devotes a column or so to the chances of the new Republic of Cuba surviving the storms of National existence. Most interesting to stamp collectors is that the article starts and finishes, in fact, takes its text from the advice desired to convey to collectors to buy Cuban Republic stamps while the Republic survives. Perhaps the Financial Times writer wrote his article along this line merely as a plausible excuse for the sentiments therein expressed, but nevertheless it is interesting as showing familiarity of at least one financial authority with philately, even though this familiarity has more to do with the speculator.

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The correct name for souvenir card collecting is "philocarty."

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King Edward stamps are being issued in all quarters of the world, new arrivals being chronicled each month. Without doubt these new issues being of a noteworthy historical nature, will bring in many recruits to the philatelic army. Many people get an idea they will just "save" a few stamps of Queen Victoria as a keepsake and from that to saving the King Edward's because they are easy to get is a short step. Then on to collecting is the natural and frequent bent.

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Collectors who want to specialize in an easy field should go in for King Edward issues. The only objection I can see to this is the great similarity of the sets produced by various colonies. Artistically they are all right. An album for the accomodation of such specialists has just been published by Stanley Gibbons, containing space for these stamps only.

Some versatile newspaper reporter has pointed out, at the risk of making himself an object of ridicule, that the pearls in the crown above the head on the new King stamps do not coincide with the number on the real crown. While each arch of the real crown contains nine pearls, the penny adhesive shows but seven, the embossed penny five. The Postmaster General has reassured solicitous inquirers that no alteration is contemplated.

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The small value of fire insurance on stamps is illustrated by the appeal case recently lost by a collector of Jersey who had his collection insured for \$5000.00 with the Sun Fire Office. Fire damaged the stamps, making a total loss, but he has been unable to recover owing to absurd technicalities in the contract which the Sun people were quick to take advantage of. The valuation of the stamps was not questioned, but without doubt the fact that the insured property consisted of such intangible goods influenced the decision.

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Stamps of Martinique have been in the center of the philatelic stage since the terrific volcanic disaster. Several dealers tell me that within a week after the publication of the dispatches heralding the news of the destruction, their stocks were cleaned out. Mr. Ewen had calls for St. Pierre at Miquelon, superficial collectors confusing it with St. Pierre of Martinique. Evidently some collectors whom philately has not given that thorough knowledge of geography so generally ascribed to collectors.

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Lieut. Col. Gerbault of the French army stationed at Martinique, a collector of note, perished in this cataclysm, and it is supposed that his remarkable collection of French Colonies suffered a like fate.



## Stamp Collectors Invading Washington.

By L. G. Dorpat.

Comparing matters of to-day and of twelve years ago, we find a great change to the better in regard to the keeping track on the doings of the U. S. General Post Office and the manufacturers of our U. S. stamps. Stamp collectors have gained access to the office and the Bureau of engraving and printing. They are recognized there and gain many bits of valuable information which they diffuse through the philatelic press, information which 12 years ago was accessible to a favored few only. Even concessions have been made to collectors; the commemorative issues were made partly for them; the periodicals were reprinted for them; and their advice in regard to stamps is no longer quite despised.

Moreover, the General Post Office has learned that there is some use in making a stamp collection; it has a collection of its own, which, though begun more than twelve years ago, has since that time been much improved—partly, we take for granted, by philatelic help outside of the official circle.

This is all very encouraging and pleasant to witness, if the collectors so favored with official recognition will remain steadfast against temptation of seeking personal gains and favors, such as having a sheet or two printed with inverted centres, or in a wrong color, or having it pass around the perforating machine instead of through it. I do not say that such things have happened in our country, but I do say that, if ever a chance comes to do it, there will be a very strong temptation for those who see the chance, and if they succumb it will be detrimental to stamp collecting and to the postal administration. Thus a friendly warning does not seem out of place.

We have gained much. Let us make it a point of honor not to seek too much, and, if possible, to let the administration know that stamp collectors in general abhor all "philatelic"? meddling with stamps before their proper issue.

One of the causes, that brought philately and the officials in touch was probably the collecting of plate numbers. This naturally brought collectors to seek information from the department, and their persistent inquiries finally resulted in creating interest among the officials for those persistent inquirers. Thus they became better known to each other, and, as it now appears, even a sort of friendship has been contracted. If this be cultivated in strict honesty, it may have the greatest influence for keeping our postal issues clean from speculative issues and stamp-collecting in our country in a healthy condition.

Our aim in Washington must be to learn facts and not to make facts, rather prevent them when they threaten to corrupt our postal issues.

## Gilt Edge Stock

American Journal of Philately.

The demand for perfect centering and fine condition is with us and it has come to stay. Dealers will have to price their stamps according to condition and collectors must learn that those who demand perfection must pay for it, while those who are content with something less will have less to pay, and the collector who requires fifty per cent. discount may get things worth fifty per cent. or he may not. The last point will be settled when the buyer attempts to realize on his investments. Perfection is a high priced commodity, but it is like "gilt edge" stock when you want to turn it into cash.

J. Welsch, Australia.—WEST is the best and most interesting paper I see.

**The Stamps of Roumania.**

Authorized Translation from the  
French of Count d' Assche in  
"Le Philatelite Francais"

BY R. R. THIELE.

**B. MELDO-WALLACHIA.**

(Continued From Last Issue.)

Their examples has not been follwed, for all the catalogues before me call Type I the one with Greek border beginning at the left, Type II beginning at right.

The setting of these two types on the stone varies. Messers. Duerst and Beckton were able to find three sittings: one used for all the stamps on thick paper and some of those on thin paper, the other on thin paper only. The exact composition of the first setting is not known, as no full sheets could be found; in the second setting there are 68 Type I (Scott Type II) and 132 Type II (Scott Type I); in the third setting there are 69 Type I (Scott Type II); and 131 Type II (Scott Type I). Under the circumstances — there being nearly twice as many of Scott's Type I as of his Type II—it seems odd that Scott prices them alike.)

**ISSUE OF 1868.**

Roumania having adopted the decimal system with the lue as unit, divided into 100 bani, it become necessary to change the stamps; the design was very slightly modified, but the stamps were lithographed in color on white paper of medium thickness from plates composed of blocks of eight stamps in two rows of four, thus;

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FEBRUARY 1st 1868.

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| SCOTT<br>TYPE<br>A 8 |
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49. 2 bani light yellow and orange Type I (Scott No 33 and 33a).

50. 2 bani light yellow, dark yellow and orange Type II (not numbered

separately by Scott).

51. 4 bani pale blue (Scott No. 35

52. 18 bani flesh color, bright rose. (Scott No. 36)

The two types of the 2 bani are distinguished by the distance separating the top of the head from the paraled circle.

**VARIETIES.**

**A. The 2 bani yellow, pale orange.**

1. A white line within the thick line, over the rosette of the left corner.
2. Noteing has been found on this stamp.
3. The S of posta broken.
4. Two colorless dots, often merging into a small dash, under the ornament of the left lower corner.
5. The frame line between the S and T of posta is broken.
6. The left line of the upper lable is too long and touches the outer line of the frame. There is a small yellow dot outside of the stamp 7 millimeters to the right of the top.
7. The pearl under the N of Romana is considerably smaller than the other types.
8. The Greek border in the upper corner begins with a vertical stroke.

**B. The 4 bani blue.**

1. The cross of the left upper corner is joined by a thick white line to the Greek border underneath.
2. There is a dot in the Greek borker of the right upper corner.
3. The right lower spandrel is dotted instead of being lined.
4. There is a dot between the N and I of Bani.
5. There is a thin diagonal line cutting the Greek border in the right lower corner.

**C. The 18 bani rose.**

1. A small white dot between the rosette and the frame in the right upper corner.
2. A sort of accent is detached from the white line over the rosette in the left upper corner.
3. Over the heavy frame line, in the right upper corner, there is a small white horizontal dash.
4. A thin vertical dash joins two of the horizontal lines of the Greek border in the left lower corner.

(To be Continued).

**DEPARTMENT  
OF INQUIRY**

Conducted by  
L. G. DORPAT, Sheboygan, Wis.



Questions relative to stamps will be answered in this column free of charge to subscribers. All questions must be sent to the above address, and a 2c stamp must accompany each letter containing questions. When stamps are sent for examination, return postage must be included besides the fee above provided for.

43.—WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE HARTFORD AND THE PHILADELPHIA DIES OF THE CENTENIAL ENVELOPE STAMP?—The Hartford has one, the Philadelphia die has two white lines under "Postage".

44.—WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE LONDON AND LOCAL PRINTS OF THE 5c BLUE, CONFEDERATE?—The London prints are on glazed paper, the local prints on common.

45.—WHAT PRODUCES THE IMPERFORATE VARIETIES OF REGULAR PERFORATED ISSUES?—Every case has its own particular history, and we can give here a few only of the most prominent causes. The first is error pure and simple; the second pressure of demand when perforating machines are out of order, or workmen wanting, in which case stamps are issued unfinished to satisfy the demand for the moment. In some cases printers waste may have been obtained and the imperforate stamps cut out. In many cases perforated specimens are fraudulently trimmed with scissors; this can effectively be done when the stamps are unevenly centered some have a very wide margin. I have a two cents U S present issue with the following margins clear of the perforation:  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 1,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  and 2 mm. Another one with  $\frac{1}{2}$  mm below,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  on top;  $\frac{1}{2}$  mm of the design of the next stamp at the left; and only on the right side the perforation touches the design. A 3c 1861 close below, but 1mm at top and parts of the next stamps both at right and left.

46.—HOW ARE POSTMARKS COLLECTED?—The term postmark, as commonly used, has no reference to the postage stamp, hence the postage stamp has no place in a collection of postmarks. But sometimes the postage stamps bear part of the mark, and then they are retained not because of what they are, but because of the mark they bear. Postmarks may be collected with or without the "daubers"; I would prefer the latter. See recent articles in the WEST.

47.—WHAT IS THE MEANING OF LETTERS FORMED BY PERFORATIONS IN STAMPS?—In the case of "T." on the stamps of Tunis, the stamps are thereby changed in character from the regular issue to due stamps. In most cases of European stamps these perforated letters are merely private marks used to keep dishonest clerks from using or selling their masters' stamps.

48.—WHY IS THE FINLAND MOURNING STAMP NOT CATALOGUED BY SCOTT?—This is more than we can tell; perhaps the Scott Co. will explain.

49.—WHAT STAMPS ARE MOST APT TO INCREASE IN PRICE?—That is impossible to say with any certainty. The price depends upon the supply and demand. Only where both could be known beforehand, a prediction could be made. Otherwise its mostly guesswork.

13.—Mr. S. Allan of Boston thinks I am in error regarding the U. S. counterfeits of 1847, when I say they were made for the Philadelphia exposition of 1876. Mr. T. gives two reasons: 1st because they were made more than a year before the opening of the exposition and issued for sale to collectors along with other sets of U. S. stamps in March 1875; 2nd because only ONE of each stamp was exhibited at the exposition. I do not consider these reasons sufficient proof against my opinion, because it is quite natural that the exhibit should have been prepared some time before it was placed

in the exposition, and because it seems immaterial how many specimens were really exhibited. I admit, though, that there may have been other causes for counterfeiting those stamps, and that the demand of collectors may have been one of them.

24.—Mr. F. Wethrington of Paducah, Ky. who served with the 39 Inf. in the Philippines has been so kind as to send me an envelope with a pair of the 2c red "Aguinaldo" postage stamp which he found among other papers in the town of Bulan, Luzon. His regiment destroyed the presses and plates of these

and other stamps and divided an unused sheet of the 2c postage among its members. The sheet was made up of 50 stamps, 5 rows of 10 each. Mr. D. W. Osgood of South Fork, Colo. has favored me with one of the 2c postage, 2 telegraph, 1 certificate and one inscribed "Trans de Ganados." Another gentleman furnished me with 11 varieties Philippine revenues (Spanish issue) mistaking them for insurgents' stamps. More information is yet desired, and all that may be forthcoming shall be given to the readers of the WEST. For mention of these stamps see Mekeels Weekly Stamp News 1899, p. 80, 101, 427.

## Entre Nous

It is the persistent advertiser—the month in month out fellow—who achieves success.

Desultory advertising may bring returns, but not success, viewed in the light of a solid business supported by a steady trade.

J. W. Scott has this to say on the subject:

"Bear in mind that a small general advertisement is thrown away."

"It is not reasonable to expect that stamp buyers will rush to try an unknown man when they are well served by the old and tried firm, but by persistent advertising you become known to all, and sooner or later something will transpire which will bring you an order, which, well and promptly attended to, will secure you a customer, and thus, in the course of a year you will be rewarded by hundreds of orders."

"There are cases on record where a dollar advertisement has brought a customer from whom hundreds of dollars have been made in a single week; but this is not business, simply luck. Busi-

ness is steady, hard work. The returns are sure but sometimes tardy."

Can't we fix up that 100 inch contract with you?

Our terms are seductive.

And the returns are sure.

"Regarding our advertisement in the WEST, we may say we have received replies from all parts of the world." M. S. Hill & Co., Scarborough, England.

And here's another—a good one, too.

"Please investigate my address on your circulation list, as I have not yet received the WEST for April, the only copy of my ad which I have seen being the proof which you sent me. There's no doubt it was in the WEST—at least you would think so if you saw the returns. They'er great. I can recommend the WEST as the "great and only" ad medium for prompt and lingering returns that I have yet found." Frederic L. Kline, Ridgway, Pa.

Convincing, isn't it?

## Clippings from the Foreign Press

The General Direction of Posts has been authorized to pay the sum of 690 pounds 12sh. 4d. to the order of the Consul General of Salvador in London. Mark J. Kelly in payment for the engraving of 3303000 postage stamps to be made by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., Ltd., London and to serve the postal requirements of the Republic for the next years. This expenditure is to be included under extraordinary expenditures by this department.  
[El Diario del Salvador, Dec. 25, 1901.]

The 2c black on 1c red-lilac provisional of Nicaragua is a bogus production of a speculator who had 800 or 1000 of them made to order. The surcharge was not officially authorized but the officials let these stamps pass by favor.

[Ill. Bfm. Journal.]

Of the old Danish West Indies 14c stamp in circulation from 1873 to 1877, there were originally printed 100000 copies. Of this number barely a tenth was really used as the Finance Department for the islands recently ordered 90158 copies to be destroyed. This bonfire is hardly in the right proportion to the issue of so many new stamps and postage dues made since Jan. 1st. just before the cession of the islands to the United States and seems to indicate a desire to provide for "remainders" which may afterwards be sold to the highest bidder for a goodly sum.

[Sv. Fil. Tidskr.]

Our Brazilian correspondent announces that the Director of Posts has requested permission from the Department of Industry to have printed a stamp for the prepayment of official correspondence. According to his proposal the new stamps will be in the national colors and

will bear the arms of the Republic. The series will consist of the following: 30, 50, 100, 200, 300, 500, 700, 1000, 2000, 5000 and 10000 rev. A new issue, from 10 to 2000 reis, has been ordered from Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., of London.  
[Filatelia.]

The Danish postal authorities have opened a competition for Danish artists for a design for new Danish stamps which may contain a portrait, the coat of arms or other emblems. Stamps must be adapted for printing in one or two colors. Prizes of 500 and 300 Kroner are given; other designs may be bought at 200 Kroner. The closing term is July 1st.

[D. Br.—Ztg.]

As regards the above I gather from other sources that this was primarily due to a proposed change in the postal rates. The P. M. G. was so sure that the law would be passed that he opened this competition. The bill was not passed but the competition goes on anyway.

Collectors are warned against purchasing unused 2 mark stamps of Wurtemberg on the basis of catalogue prices. The 2 mark value was first issued in 1875 and has of course now been superseded by ordinary German stamps. Never during its lifetime of 27 years has it been sold to the public, with the result that the 2 mark yellow is catalogued \$40 unused, the 2 mark red \$45 and the 2 mark black and orange \$3.50 to \$5. Now that Wurtemberg stamps are obsolete, however, the restriction on the sale of this particular value has been removed and it can be bought at Stuttgart for face value. No doubt many collectors will think they have a bargain when it is offered to them at  $\frac{1}{3}$  or  $\frac{1}{4}$  catalogue price but our readers will have no excuse if they allow themselves to be caught napping.

[E. W. S. N.]

The French 30c violet stamp has undergone an important change: the small frame which bore the value has been replaced by an elegant escutcheon surrounded by olive leaves. The word postes now figures in a small oblong label which is found in the upper part of the stamp. The effect is indisputably much more graceful than the one we have had heretofore.

[R. Ph. Fr.]

**Inscriptions on Stamps**

By L. G. Dorpat

(Continued from last number.)

On the first issue of Colombia we read: "CONFED GRANADINA" for Confederacion Granadina, Nueva Granada being another (older) name of Colombia. Later we find: "CORREOS NALES" for Correos Nacionales, and the name is also given differently: "REPUBLICA DE COLOMBIA" or "ESTADOS UNIDOS DE COLOMBIA." The latter is sometimes abbreviated: "E. E. U. U. DE COL.," while "EO SO AUT." stands for "ESTADO (state) SOBERANO (sovereign) ANTIOQUIA." "SOBRE PORTE" is postage due. "RETARDO": too late, "REJISTRO", "AUOTACION", "RECOMENDADA", all mean registered. "URBANO" is the same as our urban.

With this we may as well dismiss Spanish America, reserving dates and names of jubilee issues for special articles, the meaning of the words being too plain to need explanation. The Spanish numerals are read as follows:

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| 1: uno (un) una | 16: diez y seis         |
| 2: dos          | 20: veinte              |
| 3: tres         | 21: veintiuno (a)       |
| 4: cuatro       | 30: treinta             |
| 5: cinco        | 40: cuarenta            |
| 6: seis         | 50: cincuenta           |
| 7: siete        | 60: sesenta             |
| 8: ocho         | 70: ochenta             |
| 9: nueve        | 80: ochenta             |
| 10: diez        | 90: noventa             |
| 11: once        | 100: ciento (cien)      |
| 12: doce        | 101: ciento y uno (a)   |
| 13: trece       | 116: ciento diez y seis |
| 14: catorce     | 200: doscientos (as)    |
| 15: quince      | 1000: mil               |

From 16 to 19 and from 31 to 99 the tens and units are joined by y (and), but the twenties are all compounded with the units: veintidos, veintitres, veinticuarts, veinticinco, veintiseis, etc. As to pronunciation a is as in father, e as in heir, i as in mien, o as in go, u as in rule. This holds true, as a rule, for all continental European languages.

Portuguese may be considered as a modification of Spanish. It is used in Portugal, the Portuguese Colonies and Brazil. Looking over the stamps of these countries we find but few new

words. Brazil has: "TAXA DEVIDA": postage wanting (due), "THESAURS NACIONAL": National Treasury, "JOURNAES": newspapers, is found in all those countries. While y stands for and in Spanish, Portuguese has e. Portugal has on the lower values of 1894 the motto of Prince Henry the Navigator: "TALENT DE BIEU FAIRE." This is French and means "The talent (gift) of doing well." "PRIMEIRA EXPEDICAO" on the next year is "The first expedition." "SAGRES" is the name of the most southern port and city of Portugal where Prince Henry had his residence. (By the way: Prince Henry the Navigator of Portugal and Prince Henrich of Hohenzollern must not be confounded). The issue of 1898 has on the 5 reis "V GAMA CHEGA A CALICUT": Vasco de Gama arrives at Calicut, on the 10 reis "DETERMINE IDE ASSIM NOS EMBARCAMUS, LUS. IV. XCIII": "Departure from Assim, we embark, Lusial, Canto 4, 73." The words are taken from Camoes' great poem on this expedition, one of the masterpieces of Portuguese literature. The inscription on the 50 reis I could not decipher; perhaps one of the readers will help me out.

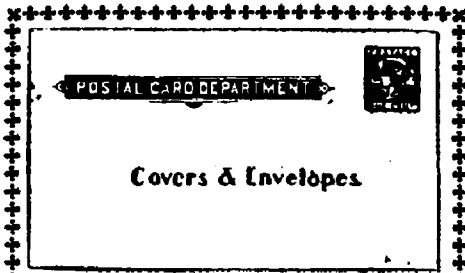
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**HAWAIIAN REMAINDERS.**

Mckeel's Weekly Stamp News.

The following were given as the number of the remainders of the Hawaiian official stamps that were on hand at the time of the island's annexation to the United States; the remainders were bought up by a speculator, we believe:

|            |        |
|------------|--------|
| 2c, .....  | 6,100  |
| 5c, .....  | 22,450 |
| 6c, .....  | 3,150  |
| 10c, ..... | 36,050 |
| 12c, ..... | 4,250  |
| 25c, ..... | 4,300  |



**Observations on  
Some Original Covers**

By R. R. THIELE.

(Continued from Last Issue)

On the back of the envelope there are two registration postmarks. One reads

NEW YORK, N. Y.  
12-2  
1897  
REGY. DIV.

in a doublelined oval, the inscription being between the two ovals, and the date in the center. The other reads

REGISTERED  
DEC.  
2  
1897

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

in a double circle, the inscription being between the two circles, the date in the center. This last is struck in aniline violet ink. The letter was directed to a well known stamp firm in Philadelphia. Unfortunately there are no other postmarks to show the route taken by the letter; from the fact that New York was the exchange office and from the fast time made I would conclude that it came via the Isthmus of Panama. What lends a special interest to the letter is a rubber handstamp in its left upper corner showing that it came from

WILLIAMS Y CA.  
Casilla 348  
LIMA.

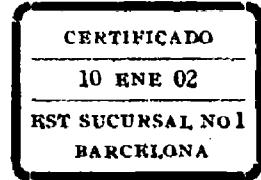
There is many a dealer and collector in whose heart this name will awaken mournful memories. This letter seems to be to the credit of this "famous" firm,

for it evidently enclosed valuable stamps, whereas it has hitherto been the popular opinion that Williams & Co. never returned anything valuable. Here, it seems, is an instance of their doing so.

Here is a registered letter from Spain bearing two 20c black and two 5c green stamps of the present boy-king issue. It came from the Dominican Consul at Barcelona and bears on its face and back the handstamp

CONSULADO  
DE LA  
REPUBLICA DOMINICANA

The date stamp reads



in an octagon. Ene is the abbreviation of Enero=January; Certificado is the Spanish equivalent of "Registered". Est. stands for Estacion=Station; Est Sucursal means literally "assistant station" and is the equivalent of our "branch office", this being Branch No. 1 at Barcelona. For international requirements there is added another registration mark



handstamped in black ink. Espagne of course, is Spain. The registration number is placed elsewhere on the envelope in blue ink by means of a numbering machine. The only other postmark is the wellknown one of the Registry Division at New York dated 1-25, which is pretty fair time. Singularly enough the New York office added no registration number, though the letter went beyond New York,

(To be Continued.)

## The Origin of the "West Town" Local.

By H. Trehearne  
Brighton, England.

Many collectors of U. S. locals have the curious little bronze stamp for West Town in their albums but few can tell you anything about it.

In 1859 the "West Town Boarding School", an institution located in West Town township, Chester Co., Pa., issued a local postage stamp for payment of the carriage of all outgoing letters between the school and the nearest post office, which is, or was located at Street Road station, on the West Chester and Philadelphia railroad, a distance of about one and a half miles. The revenue derived from these stamps was applied to the support of a daily stage line between the school and the station. The stamps were sold at 2c each, but no value is expressed on the stamp. The design consists of the name of West Town surrounded by a wide ornamented border. They are lithographed in bronze on white paper in sheets of 225. About 10,000 were used yearly, or about 170,000 in all during the time they were in use.

The usual manner of affixing the stamp was to place it on the back of the letter in the center thus serving the purpose of a seal. Numerous forgeries are in existence and the stamp has been reprinted many times. The school was established in 1799 and is intended exclusively for the benefit of the growth of the religious society of Friends and none but the children of members of body being allowed to attend it. The number of pupils average 225.

## The Illiterate Collector.

By F. E. HALBERT.

Collectors of curios or what not are found in all walks of life and not among the educated a good many would think.

The following letter is an exact copy

of one recently received by an advertiser.

August the 9 1901

S - - - Pa,

i wont to no if you can fernish me with a repret of a Bank bill \$1 bill or \$2 bill or \$5 bill, eather of these bills will do. i mean fractionol cureence of United States bill, do you no where i can git this kind of a bill at. If you can furnish me with give Price list. you will find inclose stamp

Let me here from you by Return mail and oblige me. Yours truly for answer.

W\_\_\_\_\_F\_\_\_\_\_

## A Race Around The World

R. R. ALDRICH.

In the May number W. D. Hall asks if any reader of the WEST has ever sent an envelope around the world. In reply I would say I have not one but two, which were started on the same day, Nov. 20, 1877, the one of which went eastward and the other westward and were kept moving but unfortunately sent by different routes, so that it was not a race over the same course although New York, Hong Kong and San Francisco on the 24, reached the U. S. consulate at Hong Kong on Jan. 7. and remained a week, leaving there on Jan. 14, reached Marseilles at 5 o'clock Feb., 20 and Tunis which was the forwarded destination on the 23, New York on the 6 of March and Benson, Minn. on the 9th in the afternoon.

The eastbound reached New York at 1 P.M., Nov. 25. Alexandria, Egypt its destination just a month later, was forwarded to Shanghai which it reached early in February, passing Bolom bo (date illegible) and Hong Kong on Jan. 15, arrived at San Francisco on March 22 and back home on March 24 in the night time, being beaten by fifteen days. Unfortunately the greater part of the postmarks on the later letter are poorly impressed and partial illegible. So far as I know I believe this race to be unique.



**Washington Notes.**  
**C. M.**

The postal currency scheme has assumed a dignified shape. A bill has been introduced in the lower house providing for such checks to be issued in books, in even multiples of five and ten cents, but not above one dollar. These are to be payable at any moneyorder post-office. A fee of one cent will be charged for each check issued, this fee to be paid by affixing a stamp to the order. For odd amounts it is provided that adhesive stamps to nine cents or less may be affixed to a check. This bill will hardly become law at this session (rumors of adjournment are in the air, and will probably work out by July 15) but next December will see it through. It is doubtful whether this will largely decrease the use of stamps for small amounts—the object of the scheme: over 25 cents will probably be sent by check, but under that amount will still be remitted in the stickers.

**NEW ISSUE OF STAMPS AND CARDS.**

|                     |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 cent card.....    | McKinley              |
| Double card.....    | Sherman               |
| 4 cent adhesive.... | Grant                 |
| 5 " ".....          | Lincoln               |
| 8 " ".....          | Go. Washington's wife |
| 13 " ".....         | Harrison              |
| 51 " ".....         | Decatur               |

The special delivery stamp will carry a representation of a messenger mounted upon a bicycle, and will be printed in red, instead of a messenger running.

The Department has its hands full in the controversy as to the classification of the periodical mail matter. It scored a point in the case of Chicago Business College, the court refusing to consider a business college as a "regularly incorporated institution of learning". In the case of certain railroad guides the Department was required to grant the second-class rates asked for. A resolution has been introduced in the House of Representatives to inquire into the whole matter.

A uniform method for the precancellation of stamps is receiving the attention of the Department. The methods at present vary from a simple pen-

stroke across the stamps in a sheet to elaborate designs and date dies. One of the journals reports a forgery in this line, precancellations on the Omaha series, for the city of Omaha.

Overprinted or enameled postal cards may be used until August 1, after which time they will be unservicable for postal purposes. The postponement is due to the many requests for time in which to dispose of stocks of these cards. They will be redeemed from the original purchasers after that date, by the Government.

President Palma, Cuban Republic, was the head of the Cuban Junta which in 1894 (or thereabout) issued the speculative Cuban Republic set for sale to collectors.

**"YOURS TRULY" UNTRUE.**

**Shrunk Canadians Again**

**The Adhesive.**

The editors who have criticised me concerning these stamps have never quoted me correctly. They have omitted, garbled and credited me with language I never used. One editor said these stamps were normally so long and so wide. I have seen them the so-called "normal" width and the so-called "normal" length, but all had either shrunk one way or the other, if the normal statement is correct. In any event, I never used the term shrunk wider as "Yours Truly" says. In making such an insinuation he apes the usual style of the generally unfair anonymous critic.

**Letters to Sovereigns.**

King Edward receives 1000 letters daily; the German Emperor 600 to 700 letters; the King of Italy about 500; the Queen of Holland 100 to 150. The Pope's daily receipt of letters and papers amounts to from 22,000 to 23,000, and he requires the services of thirty-five secretaries.



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#### REVIEW OF FOREIGN PAPERS

Under the caption "What stamps show us" the Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina in its April number begins a series of articles descriptive of various little known celebrities on South Central American stamps. As we ought to know these dignitaries better and few works of reference contain any information about them. I quote somewhat from these articles.

On the issue of 1883-84 Costa Rica gives us the portrait of President Prospero Fernandez. He entered on his duties on August 10, 1882 succeeding Saturnino Lizano. Under his administration the Jesuits were expelled and the foreign debt regulated. He died at Atenas, Costa Rico as he was about to take command of his troops in the war against Guatemala.

On the issues of 1887-89 of the same country we find President Bernardo Soto, who succeeded Fernandez, under whom he had been Secretary of the Interior. In April 1886 he was regularly elected to the presidency for the term 1886 to 1890. He was a good president and paid much attention to education, establishing a normal school and other

institutions of learning. In 1890 he resigned and on May 8, 1890 Dr. Jose Joaquin Rodriguez succeeded him.

The 1 centimo of 1901 is of particular interest to us because it recalls the famous filibustering expedition of William Walker in 1855 and 1856. Walker landed at Realejo in Nicaragua ostensibly in aid of Francisco Castellon who carried on a civil war against Fruto Chamorro, then president of Nicaragua, but his real object was to conquer Central America in the interest of Southern slaveholders and to establish slave states there. The president of Costa Rica, Juan Rafael Mora, became aware of this and accordingly took a hand in the fight, marching against Walker. After various engagements a final battle took place on April 11, 1856 at Rivas. The filibusters were entrenched in a building from which they could not be dislodged and it became necessary to set fire to the building, which meant certain death to the one undertaking it. A drummer named Juan Santamaria volunteered and succeeded in firing the building, thus forcing the filibusters out, though he paid for it with his life. This stamp depicts the statue erected in his honor; you see him bearing the firebrand.

The two centimos red of this series bears the portrait of Juan Mora Fernandez, the first president of Costa Rica. He was born at San Jose on July 12, 1784. On Sept. 8, 1824 he was elected president and in 1829 he was reelected. He showed such high virtues in his office Congress ordered his portrait hung in the Hall of the Assembly bearing this inscription: "This place is occupied by Citizen Ex-President Juan Mora because of his virtues and it shall be occupied thereafter by those who in the same office show themselves worthy of him."

An item of interest to collectors of stamps with original gum only is found

in No. 258 of *Le Collectionneur Timbres Poste*. A correspondent writes from Mozambique: "Passing through Beira the end of January I bought at the Postoffice the stamps of the Mozambique Company. Except the 15 and 20 reis all values are without gum. In the Postoffice a pot of mucilage is at the disposal of the public and you paste your stamps on your letters yourself. The damp heat of the country keeps the backs of the stamps continually in a sticky condition causing them to stick to each other and to the sheets between which they are kept. It is thought that before long all the values will be without gum. At Mozambique all the stamps are the same, except the 50 reis which has its gum."

*Le Timbrophile Belge* gives us news of an impending deluge of Portuguese Colonials in its June number. To begin with, as I have already foretold some time past, the remainders (whose auction sale ended so sadly) will be surcharged with new values; the various African colonies together will furnish 44 varieties of the 65 reis surcharge, 36 of the 115 reis, 35 of the 130 reis, 36 of the 400 reis; India will have 2 varieties of the 1 reis surcharge, 2 of the 2 reis, 2 of the 2½ reis, 3 of the 3 reis, 3 of the 2½ tangas, 3 of the 5 tangas; Macas and Timor 5 varieties of the 5 avos, 16 of the 6 avos, 4 of the 9 avos, 5 of the 15 avos, 12 of the 18 avos, 3 of the 22 avos. Altogether there will be a crop of 211 different surcharges, all at once. But don't you ever believe that is all and that you are going to escape as cheaply as that; no, there is more coming. On January 1st, 1903 Portugal will surprise us with entirely new sets as follows:

For the African colonies of Guine, Cabo Verde, S. Thome e Principe, Angola, Congo, Mozambique, Lourenzo-Marquez, Zambesia and Inhambane (a newcomer) there will be sets of 2½, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50, 65, 75, 100, 115, 130, 200, 400, 500, 700 reis each, with a full complement of cards.

For Portuguese India there will be 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 3, 4½, 6, 9 reis; 1, 2, 2½, 4, 5, 8, 12 tangas; 1 and 2 rupees and cards; for Macoa ½, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 22, 31, 47, 78 avos and cards; for Timor ½, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 22, 31, 47 and 78 avos and cards galore.

Moreover a number of values will be changed in color and these stamps in the old colors will be surcharged Provisorio and sold thus until used up.-- Language fails me to express my sentiments at such proceedings!

The *Circulo Filalelico Matritense* has issued a neat little catalogue of the stamps of Spain and its former colonies. It is quite comprehensive, including all telegraph stamps and the various Frank stamps, such as the Dr. Thebussem stamps. The text is illustrated by nine plates of illustrations.--The society was led to issue this catalogue because it considered the usual catalogue prices for Spanish stamps untrustworthy; how far it has succeeded in pricing them more correctly, is not for me to say. At all events the little book is decidedly interesting and I would advise amateurs to obtain it; the price is only 15c.

In *Le Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste* for May M. Maury begins an interesting article on the symbolical designs found on the stamps of China, Japan and Corea. He begins with the dragon of China; this is usually accompanied by lines representing water and clouds and a round disk variously interpreted as fire, the sun or thunder. Next comes the wild goose, the letter-carrying bird; then the carp, the messenger fish of the Chinese. On the 1 and 9 cand. of 1894 you will find five conventionalized bats around the circle; they represent the "five happinesses": luck, riches, long life, health, serenity. This because the words for "bat" and "happiness" are pronounced alike. On the 4 cand. the peony is represented; the Chinese con-

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sider it the queen of flowers. On the Korean set of 1900 you will see the plum blossom; its Korean name is Hi, which is also the name of the present imperial dynasty. The peach tree on the Chinese 44 cand. of 1894 is the symbol of longevity; it is said to live 3000 ydars. The passion flower on the 2 cand. of the same set stands for "favorable auspices", and the immortalle on the 5 cand. stands for "long life." This flower is also found on the series of 1898, on the values from 1 to 10c, its name, Ching, is also that of the present Chinese dynasty. The curious character found on the Korean stamps and on the Chinese 1 and 5 cand. of 1894 is called Yn Yang and represents the two opposing forces of Nature: male and female, day and night, life and death. The archaic character Shou found in the center of the Chinese 1 cand. of 1894 stands for longevity. On the 3 cand. of this issue and on several Korean stamps you will see the mystic characters known as Pa Koua, invented 2900 B. C. by Fou-Hi. They are as follows:

- |          |                         |
|----------|-------------------------|
| 1. — — — | Heaven, male principle  |
| 2. — — — | Vapor, lakes, damp heat |
| 3. — — — | Fire, heat, light       |
| 4. — — — | Thunder                 |
| 5. — — — | Wind                    |
| 6. — — — | Water                   |
| 7. — — — | Mountains               |
| 8. — — — | Earth, female principal |

Corea on its 1895 series has used only Nos. 1, 3, 6, 8.

M. Maury advises us that one of the victims of the terrible disaster on Martinique was Paul Merwart, the French painter who designed the famous French Congo set.

As a guide to relative values this list of the numbers issued by various late Queensland stamps taken from the Australian philatelist may be of interest:

|                |             |
|----------------|-------------|
| ½d burele      | 1495 sheets |
| ½d thick paper | 950 "       |
| 1d             | 4000 "      |
| 2d             | 6875 "      |
| 1sh            | 270 "       |
| ½d secret mark | 1600 "      |
| 1d             | 1300 "      |
| 5d 2 figures   | 1500 "      |
| 2½d 4          | 1000 "      |
| ½d 4           | 17000 "     |
| 1d patriotic   | 600 "       |
| 2d             | 380 "       |
| 2sh green 1900 | 500 "       |

Each sheet contains 120 stamps.

The Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Cubana is before me in its second number, a creditable one. It devotes much space to documents relating to the ancient postal history of Cuba, though of minor interest to stamp collectors. I do not know whether it has been noted elsewhere that the Cuban Post Office Department has also issued stamps in booklets containing twelve 2 cent stamps in two sheets of 6, separated by oiled paper, and sold at 25 centavos. These stamps, when used, may be known by their never being perforated all around.

No. 63 of Madrid Filatelico in its series of articles on reprints takes up those of Finland; it may perhaps be well to defer extracts from these articles and later on, if our esteemed chief, Bro. Wilkinson, approves, to translate the entire series for the WEST.

Reprints are also a strong feature of Filatelia, our contemporary from Buenos Aires. With its double number for March and April there are eight pages of its new Argentine catalogue, profusely illustrated and fully priced for many hitherto uncatalogued varieties.

De Postzegelgids in No. 7 concludes the article on the stamps of Luebeck. The description of the various reprints and the fourteen known sets of counterfeits is interesting, but rather discouraging to the novice; I shall have occasion to recur to this at length.



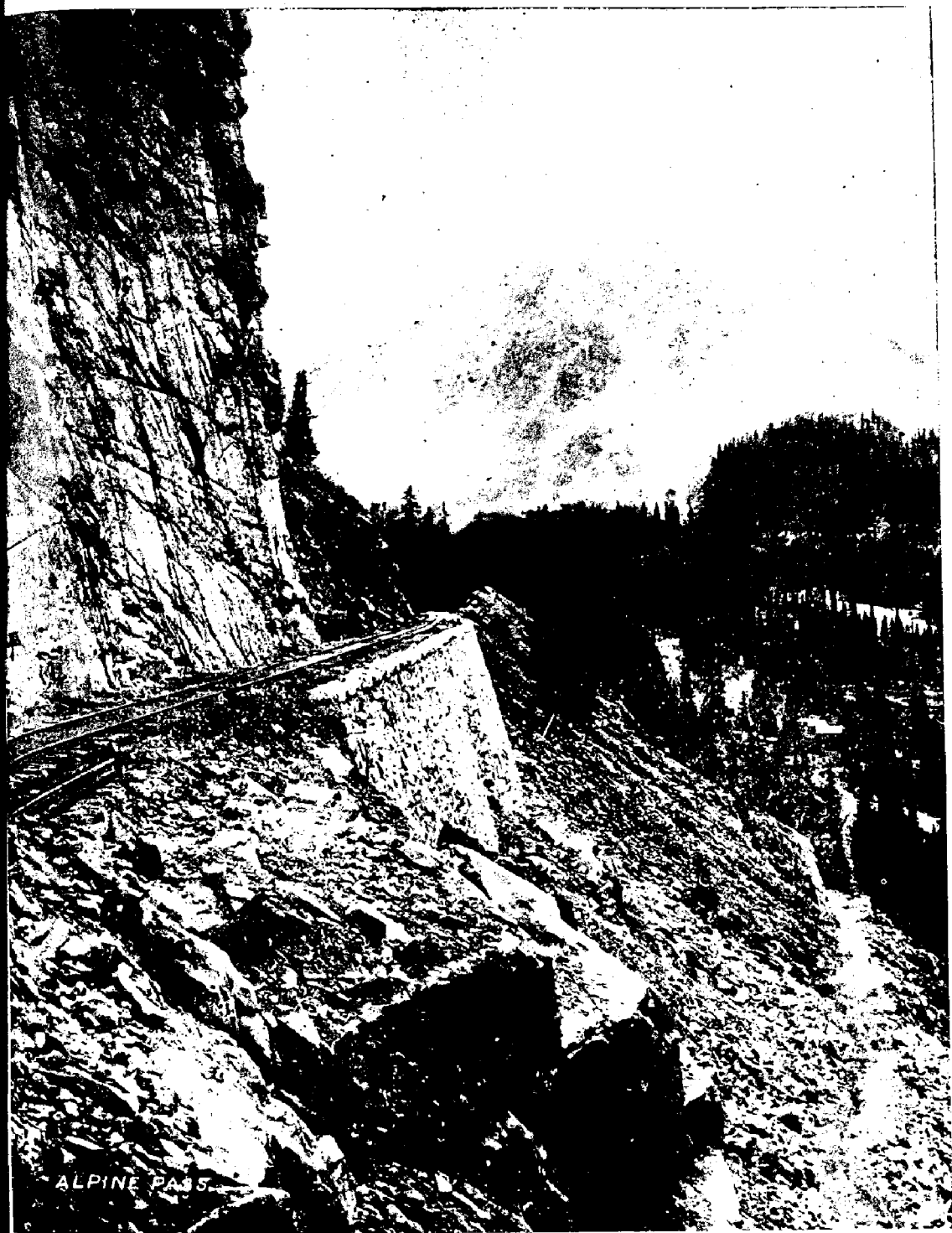
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## Our Illustrations

LYMAN H. LOW.

The picture of this office was taken last February; beginning at the left, is his assistant, Mr. Frank Scott, standing, next, L. H. Low seated at desk; third, Mr. Benjamin Betts, an old and much respected collector, who chanced to be paying a visit; last, Mr. B. L. Merrill, book-keeper.

His grand father born in Cape Ann in 1720 and added new honors to his family by creditable service in the American army during the revolution as the records of the Adj general office of Mass. show Mr. Low was born in Boston in 1844 and when the war of rebellion broke out he enlisted in the army at scarcely 17 years of age, and was mustered out on his 20th birthday and is now a member of Alexander Hamilton Post G A R of N Y City. Upon his honorable discharge he traveled as commercial traveler from Halifax, NS to the Missouri River and from St Paul to New Orleans and finely settled in in New York in 1870.

He found time to devote his time to collecting coins which pursuits he showed a special preference in 1856 and in 1883 he manifested his devotion to the study of numismatics by making the purchase and sale of coins his exclusive business.

His knowledge of this important branch of historical research is generally and deservedly recognized few of our American collectors having larger experience or put it to better service. He has twice crossed the ocean and visited the principal cities and enjoys the personal acquaintance of the prominent numismatista abroad.

Mr. Low is a member of Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York The American Numismatic and Archaeological

Society of which he has been librarian since 1885 The London Numismatic Society, and corresponding member of the Philadelphia Numismatic and Antiquarian Society. He is also associate editor with WTR Marvin of the American Journal of Numismatics.

Send for a copy of his Auction catalogue, best I have seen. See his ad on another page.

A. R. TALBOT.

Was born at Wallingford, Conn. in November 1880 and has lived there ever since. Started stamp collecting in 1894 and has about 4000 varieties—general issues—also has a collection of Indian relics which number about 1500 specimens. Has been dealing in stamps for the past year.

G. M. BUTLER

Was born in Lake Geneva, Wis. some 21 years ago, was educated in the schools of Chicago, and has just finished a four years course in the Colo. State School of Mines, graduating this June with degree of E. M. (Engineer of Mines and Metallurgy). Has spent the last two or three summers searching all over the state with one of the professors in the above institutions for minerals, obtaining much practical experience and knowledge in Mineralogy, Geology, etc., in which he has specialized.

Has collected stamps for 14 years and never took out a stamp once in his album, dealt or tried to run a stamp paper. He is also a member of many collectors and scientific societies, was last year V. P. P. S. of A. for Colo., and identifying Mineralogist A. S. of C. C. and is a camera crank and has other interests too numerous to mention.

He will certainly be at the "Denver Meet" and hopes to meet many friends there.

# PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

Wm. WARNER Jr.

The present Sec'y-Treas. of the A. S. of C. C. is 30 years old, 6 ft.-6½ in. tall and weighs 320 lbs., in all probability the largest collector belonging to the society (Physically) if there are others he would be pleased to hear from them.

Mr. Warner is an active collector of prehistoric Indian relics and owns a large collection, numbering up in the thousands.

## J. C. AUF DER HEIDE.

Mr. Auf der Heide of Amsterdam, Europe, was born in 1878 at Wormerveer on river Taan, 2 hours from Zaandam, wher Peter the Great of Russia learned to build ships.

He began collecting in 1884 when he was a boy of 6. Some years later at the age of 14 he began to deal in stamps in a modest manner. About this time he had taken a place as youngest clerk in a wholesale wine office, and although he was not an enemy of wine and wine-drinking, philately had more interest for him. Soon business developed well and he had to take a clerk. Now he employs five, and in Mekeel's Weekly of Nov. 7th 1901, Mr. Gregory of New York says Mr. Auf der Heide is fast pushing to the first place of stamp dealer in Amsterdam.

He is also engaged in publishing, firstly, *De Postregelgids*, a finely illustrated philatelic monthly, one of the two philatelic papers, which appear in Holland, and which is now in its third year of publication; secondly, most books on languages. The chief business however, is stamps, both postage and fiscals.

## ALPINE PASS IN COLORADO

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## Thoughts on Collecting.

By F. G. Hillman,

For about twenty years, off and on, I have been a collector of stamps and no one thing has been more noticeable to me than the harm done by misguided

zealots and avaricious desire in the multiplication of varieties: we have varieties of color, perforation, embossing, watermarks, varieties of dies, paper, cancellation and everything that the busy mind of the hair splitter can devise.

As a pastime, a harmless recreation, a division from the cares and anxieties of business, or an attractive amusement in convalescence; philately is beneficial: as a pseudo science, to be pored over with a microscope, a watermark indicator, a millimeter guage, a color chart, a pot of original gum substitute, a treatise on paper making, a chemical laboratory and a set of encyclopedias; it becomes a silly and a wicked waste of time and money, and perhaps in some cases, an incentive to crime. Collectors of postmarks, coins, old china, etc., make no such foolish and extreme points of difference.

This carrying variation to so great an extent has on one hand been extremely profitable to dealers who have unmercifully bled the deluded victims whom they have so easily entrapped; on the other hand it has reacted upon them by losing thousands of customers who have become discouraged at the ever rapidly increasing demand upon time and pocket, and have given up collecting in disgust tangled with despair.

My advice to young collectors is to collect those stamps which were intended by their respective governments to unite of separate and distinct issues. You will be happier, healthier, less irritable and dyspeptic, than your friend of the varieties, and doubtless will escape the lobotic asylum toward which he is headed. You will find too, that "straight" issues will take a fair share of your time and cash. If a man has the wealth of King Solomon, without sovereign's wisdom, and no higher demands upon his time than the study of the variation of stamps, let him collect varieties. Ordinarily, however, I believe I am justified in asserting that if the time occupied in poring over shades perforations, watermarks etc, was put into the study of some legitimate science, as Geology, Biology, Electricity or other natural forces, or the acquirement of a foreign language, it would be better for the collector individually and mankind at large though the dealer might suffer; if the goose were killed,



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## POSTMARKS

A Branch of the A. S. of G. G.  
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### NOTES FOR BEGINNERS.

We have received so many requests for it, that instead of the regular illustrated article this month, we will give some information for beginners.

The first mistake that collectors are liable to make is to cut out only the circular part of the postmark, while they throw away the dauber. Now the dauber is just as much a part of the postmark as the circle is, moreover the interest in collecting will be found more in the different kinds of daubers, and the figures in them, than simply in collecting a circle from each office. Some collectors go to the opposite extreme, of saving only the daubers.

The proper way is to cut out the whole postmark on a rectangular strip, paying no attention to the postage stamp, unless it is a valuable one.

There are several ways to get post marks. If you can get access to the mail of some large firm in your town, you will have a supply for your own collection, as well as for exchange. If you cannot get them in this way, you can exchange specimens of other lines of collecting, stamps, coins, minerals, etc. Another way is to get of the postmaster of your office envelopes in which he receives money order advices etc. If you can find old envelopes in the attic or barn loft, then you have an especially good source, as old marks are worth more, and can be readily exchanged.

The next point is what to collect. If we collect everything, American and foreign, from all offices, and every kind from each office, then we will have a large collection, a general knowledge of postmarks, and the geography that we get at the same time. On the other hand, the more we limit the collection the better it is along the certain lines we collect, and the more thorough our knowledge on the special subject. There are over 75,000 offices in the U. S. and three-fourths of them are third and fourth

class offices, that is, the small offices. These all have one style of postmark, so that a collection of these would be as much a study of names as of the varieties of postmarks. The large offices have several varieties in each, and some have hundreds of varieties. If you do not want to confine your collection like this, it would be a good plan to take a state or two, that have some large cities, and collect everything from those states. For a person who can get a large quantity of postmarks it would be as well to have a complete collection, as for a small collection to specialize. I find the interest in postmarks is filling up the sets from larger offices, including Registered, Received, "Held for Postage", and the rest of these legends which come occasionally.

The matter of a book for holding the collection seems to bother some. I do not think it is a good plan to have a book at first, for you are likely to change your mind about what you want to collect, and you ought to always be changing poor specimens of postmarks for better ones. During this time they can be kept in boxes or envelopes. Never paste your bits into a book, but use stamp hinges, but while peelable stamp hinges are good for stamps they will not hold postmarks, which are much larger, and more liable to tear out. The only way to be satisfied in an album is to have it made to order, and this will be about as cheap as a ready made book. Have unruled ledger paper with stubs in the back, one or two for each page, and stiff covers. I have one like this with 150 pages 8x9, which cost \$1.25 Then you can rule up the pages yourself and label them, leaving a half inch at the top, and keeping the different designs and classes separate, then arranging by states, alphabetically. This work will show what patience you have got, and how much talent for neatness, both in idea and work.

In next issue, "Colonial Postmarks", will describe the postmarks of Cuba, Porto Rico, Phillipines etc., since the U.S. came into possession. Illustrated.

## *A Huge Skeleton.*

BY J. M. GORDON, CORDELL, O. T.

Doubtless one of the most remarkable specimens that civilization has ever witnessed, has just been excavated on the farm of Mr. Smith 7 mi. south of Cordell, Washita Co., Okla.

It was the prehistoric remains of an unknown animal, in shape closely resembling that of a human skeleton, though much larger, it being 16 feet in height. The under jaw and teeth of same alone weighs 57 lbs. And a single tooth from the upper jaw weighs 31½ lbs. The skull varies in thickness from 3 to 5 inches and is 2 to 3 feet in diameter. And all other bones are just as large in proportion. It was buried in a vertical position; facing the north: one arm being raised just a little above a level with shoulder as if pointing to something. All the neighbors were called in by Mr. Smith to help remove the monster and the news of the discovery soon reached Cordell and as something of this kind is my delight I lost no time in going to the scene.

Many funny ideas were advanced by the farmers as to the origin of this monster. One I remember in particular said that he "truly believed that at one time such men were as common as those of 5 to 6 feet in height today". And that "the human race has gradually diminished in size to its present standing".

I do not believe this nor do I believe that it is a human skeleton. However the animal must have walked upright like man. But having only a skeleton to judge from I found myself sadly lacking, not only for a name for the creature, but for an object of such a gigantic being ever being created. It is intensely interesting to me to gaze on the remains of an animal that is doubtless older than the Bible or any other history of the dark past, and I have been assisting Mr.

Smith in trying to articulate the bones. Though our efforts were practically in vain, owing to the fact that many of the large bones were so rotten that they would not endure the weight of their neighbors. Mr. Smith will exhibit his great skeleton in Cordell after which time he expects to travel with it, and when our readers of the WEST have seen it I should be pleased to hear from them if they can give me any light on the subject.

### **Horseshoe Nail for the Wedding Ring.**

An ingenious bridegroom created a lot of amusement in Magistrate wentworth's court recently by appearing with his fiancée and asking to be married. His name was Hopkins, and he served with distinction during the fighting at Santiago, which caused a young woman to fall in love with him. The magistrate was ready to perform the ceremony when he discovered that Hopkins had failed to provide the usual wedding ring. His ingenuity asserted itself by his producing a horseshoe nail from his pocket. This he bent and slipped over the finger of the blushing bride, and the magistrate did the rest.

### **A Montana Giant.**

One of the attractions of the Montana State exhibit at the Louisiana Exposition already agreed upon by the Montana Commissioners in Edward Beaupre, the Louisiana purchase giant. Beaupre was born in Montana, is 21 old, is seven feet ten and a half inches in height and weighs 367 pounds. Beaupre is a ranchman, and he often takes a 1000 pound horse under his arm and carries it about the pasture. He can walk off with 2000 pounds on a straight lift,

Must say that WEST is the quickest trader or exchanger I have ever got and beats all papers I have ever tried. Sold and traded goods less than 1 week after paper was out.—C. Smith, Philadelphia, Pa.

An Early Coinage of the Colony of Massachusetts.

"PINE-TREE SHILLING," 1652.



Description of the Coin: Obverse—The American pine tree in center, surrounded by circle of dots. Legend, "In Masachvsets;" mint mark, a "rose of dots." Reverse—In center, "1652," and numerals "XII." (12 pence, or shilling), surrounded by beaded circle. Legend, "New England: An: Dom."

These pieces were coined in the Colony of Massachusetts by permission of England. The minthouse of the colony, it is recorded, was "sixteene foote square and tenn foote high, and located in Boston, on the land of Mr. John Hull, his residence being just south of the entrance to the present Pembroke Square.

On June 11, 1652, the "committee" prepared a form of oath, binding John Hull and Robert Saunderson, as equal officers of the mint, to the faithful performance of their general duties as such, and in particular that they should by the help of God, coin every shilling 'of three penny troj weight, and all other peeces proportionably, according to the order of Courte, so neer as you Cann."

The coinage was conducted by Hull and Saunderson, on the basis of a percentage of about one shilling in 20. John Hull, the mintmaster, died October, 1683. It is said that he had accumulated a large fortune for that period from his very profitable contract with the mint, and at his death left one of the largest estates in the

country.

There is a romantic story told of him, and which seems to have some semblance of verity. It runs in this way: When his lovely daughter was married to Judge Samuel Sewall, the founder of the town of Newbury, Mass. the prosperous mintmaker (John Hull) gave the bride as her "dowry" her weight in "silver pine tree shillings," and at the conclusion of the wedding ceremony a large steelyard was brought into the room and the blushing bride placed upon one of the platforms of the same, while into a tub upon the other side were poured these pinetree shillings until the steelyard balanced. The number of shillings so received is said to have been from "30,000" to an indefinite number, her weight having always been a matter of surmise.—Balto Paper.

**Certain Coins No Longer Issued.**

The following ceased in the years named:

The half-cent and the 1 cent copper, in 1857; the 1 cent nickle, 1864; ½ dime and 3 cents silver and 2 cents bronze, 1873; 20c silver, 1878; trade dollar, 1883; \$1 and \$3 gold and 3 cent nickle, 1889. The Columbian half dollar was coined in 1892 and 1893 and the Isabella quarter in 1893. The Lafayette dollar was struck in 1899, the date on the coin (1900) being that of the unveiling of the memorial.

**An Interesting Coin.**  
TUCSON, ARIZ., STAR., Mar. 21

An interesting coin has just been sold in Germany. It is one of the few coins in the history of the world which can be accused of having a humorous side to it. In 1679 the Danes descended on the port of Hanburg, but their attack on the famous Hanse town proved unsuccessful. The inhabitants of town struck a medal to commemorate the occasion. The legend on the coin was as follows: "The king of Denmark has been to Hamburgh, If thou wouldst know what he achieved, look on the other side." It is needless to add that "the other side" is a blank.



By Roy Farrell Green, A. S. of C. C.

The lantern fly of the Malay islands has the power of jumping several feet without opening its wings, a projection on its head, bent back and suddenly released, throwing the insect into the air.

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The Wisconsin Historical Library has received from Theodore Schoeder of Salt Lake City one of the largest collections of the history of Mormonism—eighteen hundred books, pamphlets, and other documents on polygamy.

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Hieroglyphics carved on the rocks in the peninsula of Mound Sinai show that the famous turquoise mines there, furnishing the finest stones in the world, were originally opened by the Egyptians.

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Dr. F. H. Knowlton of the United States National Museum says that perhaps the longest straight-a-way flight made by birds in their migrations is accomplished by some of the shore and water birds that nest in the islands of Behring sea and spend the winter at Hawaii and Fanning island, 2,200 miles away.

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It is said that there are now mined in this country 3,500,000 pounds a year of minerals which go to make the bottled water and tablets for headaches "the morning after." They are all made of about the same ingredients,

the chief one being a lithium carbonate, mined in California and the Black Hills. The largest and only producing mines of lepidolite and spodumene are near Palo, San Diego Co., California.

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One of the most industrious of birds is the wren. Its industry is probably due to its appetite which seems to be insatiable. Always hungry it is on the alert for means to satisfy the cravings of its appetite. A city man who gives details as to the abnormal craving for food displayed by young wrens. He found a nest and took up a position where he could watch at his leisure. The mother wren made 120 trips to the nest within four hours and a half, and this was the bill of fare which the three baby birds consumed: twenty green caterpillars, sixteen May flies, twenty-nine unidentified insects, eleven worms, two bugs, ten grasshoppers, seven spiders and a chrysalis or two.

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At a meeting of the numismatic section of the Wisconsin Natural History Society held at the public museum, in Milwaukee, the fore part of March, William Sandrock read an interesting paper on "Ancient Coins of Britain," and Herman Pereles spoke of "The Coins of France." Quite a novelty about the affair was that both papers were illustrated by collections of coins representing the eras spoken of. The coins of the ancient Britons ran largely to rings and bracelets. The French copper coinage began in the reign of Henry, the third, in 1574. Secretary Charles E. Brown announced that the Menasha public library had recently received a gift of a collection of about 8000 coins, and that this will give it the largest coin collection in the state of Wisconsin.

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The Duke of Devonshire possesses a

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book for which his father refused an offer of \$100,000. It is Claude Lorrain's "Book of Truths," the rarest book in Europe, and an heirloom in the family.

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The name meerschaum (Ger., sea-foam) is corrupted from myrshen, the name of it at Brussa, Asia Minor. It is a product of the decomposition of serpentine, and originally a soft, clay-like gray mass, which hardens to the white solid.

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Some naturalists are of the opinion that the whale was once a land animal, and that it was forced to take to water as a means of protection.

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The pin is no new contrivance. Pins are found among the mummies of Egypt, and in the prehistoric caves of Switzerland.

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A number of ornaments made of pipestone have been found in the Salt River valley. A tube or pipe made of that stone was found about three miles northwest of Phoenix, Arizona, on the surface of a small ruin or mound.

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The gigantic sea-weed, the *Nereocystis*, frequently attains the length of 300 feet. The stem is as strong as an ordinary rope, and large quantities are dried and used as such by people of the South Sea islands. As soon as a plant takes root a pear shaped balloon is formed which grows with the stem. This balloon often has a diameter of six or more feet. It keeps the stem growing upward until it soon floats on the surface of the water. The weed sometimes grows in such quantities as to impede navigation. The ropes are used for building purposes, and the balloons make serviceable vessels.

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J. S. Blackburn, of Petaluma, Calif., recently secured through the ordinary channels of trade a \$10 gold piece coined in 1846. The coin has evidently been laid away for many years, as it is not at all worn, and looks as bright and untarnished as does a coin of 1902. The gold, however, is of a different color than that used in the gold coinage of this year. The motto: "In God We Trust" is missing from the old coin, that being the only difference from the half-eagle of today.

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One of the strangest quarries in the world exists near the town of Kemmerer, Wyoming, at an elevation of 8,200 feet above sea level. This quarry is worked by hand, no blasting being permitted, owing to the fragile nature of its output. The latter consists solely of fossils, mostly those of a few varieties of fish. In operation, the shale is split into slabs, broken with sledge hammers and thrown over the bank by hand. When slabs containing the specimens are cut and taken out they are very moist and have to be dried out to about one-third of their original weight. After the drying has proceeded far enough to permit of the easy manipulation of the material, the fossils are carefully cleaned by means of special tools devised for the purpose. Many of these fish-fossils are exceedingly beautiful, every bone being plainly shown in the outline. They rank as the finest specimens of fossil fishes yet discovered.

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The bird fauna of Iceland is credited by Henry H. Slater with 103 species. Of these three are residents, twenty-seven are summer migrants, twenty-one occasional visitors and eighteen

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are rare stragglers. The land birds are few, including only seven residents and five that come in the summer to breed; but the most interesting birds now probably are the Northern wren, the great Northern diver and the falcon. Singing birds are few. There are sixteen species of ducks and geese and seven birds of prey, but the rock ptarmigan is the only game bird.

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M. Stanfuss of Zurich has taken up the old experiments of Weissmann on the variations in butterflies procured by temperature acting on the chrysalis. He finds that the chrysalids, according to the temperature to which they are exposed, have given birth to butterflies, not of the kind they are derived from, but kinds belonging to countries far from Zurich. Thus pupae of the *Vanessa urtica*, which is common to Switzerland, when kept at a temperature of 4 to 6 degrees centigrade produced the *Vanessa polaris*, a species proper to Lapland. Others of the same sort kept at 37 to 39 degrees C, produced the *Ichnusa*, found only in Sardinia and Corsica. A still higher temperature produced *Ichnusoides*, found sometimes temperate regions during hot summers. Other chrysalids gave birth to the entirely new species. The general result is that cold or heat produces butterflies found in hot or cold countries.

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The original copy of the charter bearing the signature and seal of William Penn, granting "the rights and privileges of a commonwealth to the freemen of the state of Pennsylvania" is now one of the most valued documents in the collection of George C. Thomas, head of the Drexel banking house in Philadelphia. The document consists of two sheets of parchment, in a good state of preservation. It was

purchased recently by Mr. Thomas from the estate of the late Dr. Edward Maris, who bought it eight years ago from Henry H. Almack in the little town of Fritchley, in Darby, England. Mr. Almack's father was engaged in transcribing the manuscripts of Sir Henry Fenn, and it was from this collection, said to be the largest in England, that the charter was probably obtained. Sometime ago a bill was introduced at Harrisburg providing for the purchase of the document from Dr. Maris for \$15,000. It passed both houses but was vetoed by Governor Hastings.

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Some months ago a number of citizens of Portland, Oregon, subscribed a purse to send to Germany to purchase nightingales. Sixty-five pairs of the birds were ordered, and it is planned that they shall be turned loose to mate and nest and rear their young, and incidentally to make the woods of Oregon resound with song. It is intended also by the Portlandites to import a lot of mocking-birds and cardinals from the Eastern and Southern States. So Oregon, which has been known as the land of big apples and red-cheeked girls, and of late has been a land flowing with milk and buttermilk and honey, will hereafter be filled with the notes of the sweet songsters of many lands. The mockingbirds will sing all day and the nightingales all night, so the country will be a paradise for bird-lovers and naturalists.

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## *A Rare Geographical Find.*

BY FRED WETHERINGTON.

Local geologists are much interested in what is believed to be a rare discovery made while workmen were digging out a bank of sand and gravel in Massachusetts Co., Ill. The men had been turning out many small stones from the bank of earth, and the appearance of the stones led to the conclusion that the bank was a drift formation. One of the stones turned out of the bank was broken open and it proved to be hollow geode about 3 inches in its greatest dimensions. Resting within the geode was a Trilobite perfectly preserved and unpetrified. The Trilobite was imbedded on one side of its pretty tomb in a bed of rock crystal. The appearance being as if it had been carefully mounted there by a skilled artisan.

During all the time that this little creature of the silurian age had been in its casket of rock crystal. The processes of petrification that had turned to stone all its fellow creatures, thousands of which are found along the bluffs had been stayed by the perfect scaling of the little Trilobite in its geode cell, and instead of the creature turning to stone, it had dried and the material of its contraction could be studied. The fleshy parts of the Trilobite were dried leaving only the framework or skeleton. The skeleton is of a brown hue and consists of the body. The structure is spongy and soft and when pressed spring back to its former condition. The Trilobites were among the earliest living creatures on earth and were among the lower forms of life.

Geologists say that, from the petrifications of the Trilobites found in quarries far beneath the surface of the ground they must have lived in shoals and were able to move about but little.

The specimen picked up in the bank

was the first one ever seen by local geologists. Trilobites may be found by the bushel in perfect form at several places in Illinois, but everyone that had been found, before the Trilobite in the geode was found, has been in a state of petrification.

## **The Government Autograph Collection.**

Uncle Sam is not especially interested in autographs, but in his big library at Washington he has a good many letters and papers signed by some of his most distinguished nephews. All these manuscripts, which were not well cared for until a few years ago, are now being intelligently classified and preserved. There are twenty-five thousand documents of importance.

The Washington papers are the most valuable. They include documents written and received by the first president, the reports from the secret service agents during the revolution, letters from Rochambeau and state papers.

The John Paul Jones papers fill eight volumes of the special kind of letter-file in which the national collection is being arranged. There are thirty-five volumes containing the proceedings of the commission formed for inquiring into the losses, services and claims of American loyalists. Another interesting colonial relic is of much earlier date, the record of the Virginia Company covering the years from 1619 to 1624.

New England is well represented. Mayor Peter Force of Washington sold his great collection to the government. The West is represented by the literary remains of Schoolcraft, secretary to Gen. Lewis Cass, and some papers and letters of Cass himself.

Uncle Sam has also the letter-books of President Monroe, kept while he was our minister at London, the papers of Gen. John Sullivan, the letter-books of Gen. Nathaniel Green, and the papers of Col. Ephraim Blaine, the commissary-general of the northern department of the Revolutionary army.



**SOUVENIR CARDS**

By Miss M. Keller

(Continued from last month)

I received my first one the latter part of Feb. 1902. They are a charming novelty; said to be of various designs, flowers, prints, woodland scenes, flowers in bouquets in loose sprays, or in the hair and hands of beautiful women. The reproductions are truly lifelike made as real by the sweet perfumes which are so natural, so that the different flowers are readily defined: there being violet, rose, forget-me-not, etc. Surely all collectors will long for such a card to be added to their collection. As most collectors have late souvenir cards of Bulgaria with Miss Stone and Kath. Tsilka when captured by brigands in Turkey, I will not describe the various points of interest. The new Bulgarian stamp however is used for postage on the card making it of interest to stamp fiends as well as card fiends. The "Meteor" and Hohenzollern Yacht cards are beauties.

Our American collectors are getting to be genuine enthusiasts; some are said to number some 3500 or more amongst their collection; having received 60 or more in one day. This puts me in mind of the famous collector Louis Mertz, bookdealer Sainte Marie aux Mines Elsass, Germany who lately died has left a collection of view cards numbering about 52,500 specimens. This magnificent collection is now offered for sale by his heirs. I have exchanged with this man up to the time of his death Jan. 1892 having a card of my own addressed to him the day that I received the sad news in the French postcard paper La Carte postale illustrie which I will keep in memory of his death. Although most American collectors have not secured that many yet they have accumulated some fine varieties though most of them

are only new beginners. It would prove highly interesting to have the various collectors give a write up on the points of interest of their collection only; giving descriptions of the illustration, print, coloring, etc. This would be instructive and one would naturally be glad to hear about other's progress in the fad.

I wonder, have any fellow collectors any tale of woe worth mentioning? Mine will perhaps prove to be the worst yet. I never paid very much attention to the various complaints being made about the recklessness of the Postoffice employes affixing their stamp on the illustrations of the handsomest cards causing them to be entirely ruined at times until New Year when a beautiful card came to me in a hopeless condition beyond repair, being in two parts being the size of the affixed stamp pierced or rather pounded through the centre of the picture. I was amazed at the energy of any employe putting on such useless strength especially during the rushing season, one would imagine them to lack the ambition to wield such a knock. It must have put one in mind of the "blowing up of the Maine". When it comes to tearing and pounding the very life out of my cards I draw the line. Makes one desperate. What can be done?

**Boat Many Centuries Old.**

London, March 15—A remarkable discovery has been made in County Mayo, Ireland, where a wooden boat, believed to be nearly 2000 years old, has been dug up by some laborers. The boat is beautifully carved from the trunk of an oak tree. It is forty-six feet long, and shows absolutely no signs of decay. The wood was so hard that hatchets made scarcely any impression on it. Excursions are now being organized to view this relic of Celtic handicraft, which will shortly be taken to the Dublin Museum.

## Some Eastern Montana Minerals.

*Forest Gainer, Glendive, Mont.,  
A. S. of C. C. 135*

Although not as prolific as some other sections of the state in the production of minerals, eastern, central Montana has some varieties which are of much interest to the collector, and deposits of which may in the future become of commercial value. A description of a few of these varieties may be interesting to many.

Small gypsum veins have recently been uncovered in some localities. This mineral is a calcium sulphate and occurs in several forms in mineralogy, known as massive gypsum, alabaster and selenite or crystallized gypsum. The most of the Montana finds have been of the selenite. When pure in this state the mineral is almost as clear as glass and has a decided cleavage—in fact has several times been taken for mica by prospectors. But its brittleness and softness will soon serve to distinguish it, even to the uninitiated. The uses of gypsum are mainly for plaster of paris and as a fertilizer, although in some sections of the west it is now used extensively as a plaster for houses, notably in the states of Kansas and Nebraska, where the writer has often seen it put to this use.

Alabaster is the massive gypsum colored pink usually by traces of some dissolved metal, disseminated through it. The common massive gypsum is almost a counterpart of some of the softer limestones. Workable and valuable deposits of gypsum have recently been opened near Billings, and small deposits have been found near Glendive. The latter is mostly selenite and is usually weathered on the surface by the action of erosion, wind, rain, etc. The erosion is carried on

faster because of the soft texture of the mineral.

Another common mineral near Glendive is massive impure siderite or carbonate of iron. This is mostly of volcanic origin and occurs in detached boulders, which are usually crumbling to pieces. No extensive deposits have yet been found, which as yet makes it impossible to adapt the mineral to commercial uses by mining, but there is no doubt of the richness of the ore for the writer has had analyses made by several prominent mineralogists.

Lignite or brown coal is probably the most valuable mineral found in the vicinity of Glendive. This coal as yet has to be used mainly for domestic purposes, but recent German experiments for the making of briquettes of lignite are very promising and the day is evidently not far distant when the great railroads can use this fuel as a "steamer." The Northern Pacific R. R. geologist has himself been making recent experiments in Germany towards this end.

Some few other minerals are also of great curiosity to tourists and others. These are moss-agate, petrified wood, "scoria" (a sort of red lava) and others. The agates can also be utilized for the manufacture of jewelry of various descriptions. Fergus county, Montana is also coming to the front as a producer of the well known "Montana sapphires." Let the good work go on and other discoveries be made in the near future, for Montana's mineral wealth is her chief pride.

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The powers that be, have long since decided that, along with our postage stamps we may collect Postage Due, Dept. stamps and P. O. Seals, and have issued their catalogue accordingly.

Now I wish to ask WHY NOT collect also, the congressional franks, the franks which took the place of the department stamps, and the franks of Mrs. McKinley, Mrs. Garfield and Mrs. Grant? The last three have in addition to their postal character a historical and sentimental interest for most of us. Why not different R. R. and express franks? Since they frank a certain class of communication. If the telegraph stamps of the U. S. are collectible then these R. R. and Express franks are.

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| 12 books in circulation May 22                          |       |          |
| value                                                   |       | \$181.02 |
| 5 books received since                                  | value | 12.92    |
| 17                                                      | "     | "        |
| 12                                                      | "     | 193.94   |
| " retired in June (sales were 35.85 or about 20 per ct) |       |          |
| 5 books in circulation June 23                          |       | \$12.92  |

This Dep't will be run all during the hot weather. Stamps can always be bought cheaper in summer. Send to the Sec'y and get some application blanks so if you don't collect during hot weather you can do some missionary work. Respectfully,

W. P. KELLY, Sales Sup't.

3324 Peery Ave, Kansas City, Mo.

The time for the annual election of officers is about here. It is not believed that many of the present officers are candidates for re-election. It is thought that a rotation in the officers will increase the interest of the members in the work of the society. Let the best men be chosen for the offices so that we may make the next year the best year in the society's history.

T. O. CUNNINGHAM, Secretary.

APPLICATION

G. B. Warner, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 Ref. Brodstone.

Don't expect the first or second ad in any publication to pay out. As constant dripping wears the stone, so persistency in advertising brings in the dollars.

Again the catalogues make provision for the regular and private proprietary issues of revenues. Do they do likewise for the many special tax stamps of the wholesale and retail liquor and tobacco dealers or for the different tobacco, liquor, mixed flour or customs office stamps? Yet all these are as much evidence of revenue paid to the government as are the stamps pasted on our documents or our patent medicines.

Omaha Winnebago Indians Form a Trust

George Thunder, the J. Pierpont Morgan of the tribe, the Indians have formed a trust for the sale of the articles they manufacture and sell to tourists. Officers have been elected and a set of prices promulgated.

At a regular meeting the following schedule of prices was arranged:

Bows \$1.50; bow with four arrows, \$2.50; moccasins, \$1.25 to \$2; strings of beads 25 to 75 cents a string, belts \$1.50 to \$5; shoulder straps, \$3.50 to \$9; buckskin pants \$3.50 to \$8; costumes, including coats, \$15 and up; head dresses with feathers, \$1.50 to \$4; horse hair watch chains 75 cents to \$1.50; lodge emblems, 25 to 75 cents; pipes 50 cents to \$1.50; eagle feathers, 75 cents.



ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 3, 1899.

Any stamp collector of good recommendation may become a member by applying to secretary. Benefits: Mutual co-operation for the protection of honest collectors; for the furtherance of philately in general; annihilation of frauds and schemers by exposing them; collecting, investigating and assisting members in any way. Become a member and help us. With every complaint send 4c for purpose of investigation or adjusting your claim if possible to do so. A great many will pay rather that be published.

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International Secretary—E. C. Plaisted, Penn Yan, N. Y.

Sale Supt.—J. H. DuBose, Huguenot, Ga.  
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Official Organ—The WEST.

NEW MEMBERS.

J. Perkins, Chicago, 140 Dearborn St.  
E. P. Wainright, Biltmore, N. C.  
R. Hutz, Brenningsville, Pa.  
J. Campe, Amsterdam, Holland, Eurp.  
E. Stern, N. Y. City 2113 3rd ave.  
G. B. Bryan, Ticonderoga, N. Y.

L. Lampman of LaGrange, Ind. complains of W. Clayton, Simmons, 901 Minn St, Hartford, Conn, A. Caulte 2710 Com Ave, Cairo, Ill, and Alston Carter, Hartwell, Ga.

Election of officers will be held on August 3rd. Send vote on card to Secy L. Brodstone, Superior, Neb. Can add any other names of members you wish. Vote for following: For President E. Chandlee of Ga; Vice Pres. S. Mosiant of Ill or R. G. Roberts of Ohio; Librarian, G. Ayers of Mich or G. Ingram of Texas. Sales Supt. R. DuBose of Ga; Auc Mgr. H. Wendt of Neb or F. G. Hillman of Mass. Secy H. Swensen of Minn. Int Secy, H. Goday, DC. or Cole, N. J. Trustees, Estes, Wilkinson, Hopson. Organ, WEST.

W. T. Leaming, Lexington, Ky. I have been getting 6 answers a day to my inch ad for past 2 weeks. WEST is a corker.



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Official Organ, Philatelic West

MEMBERS OF THE NEB. PHIL. SOCY;—

At our annual meeting this fall to be held in Omaha during Axsarben week, (exact date published later) Election of officers for ensuing year takes place.

The following officers have been nominated;

Pres. E. Wilkinson, C. I. Pond, Omaha  
V Pres, H T Parker, Lincoln  
Exchange Supt. and Auct. Magr. H. Wendt, Sterling

Count Detector W C Estes, Omaha  
Librarian D Joolittle, Fremont  
Trustees, W Hopson, W Hendricks,  
P Peterson, Omaha.

If impossible for you to be in Omaha at this time mail your vote to the Secretary (L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Neb.)

W. C. Estes, Pros.

FELLOW MEMBERS; Thanking you all for the courtesy shown me in electing me to the chair for the past two years.

I wish to say, that on account of extra work I will be unable to hold any offices in the coming year, and take this method of declining any nominations in advance.

Yours Truly

W. C. Estes.

Trust that many of the members may be able to take in the meetings held in Denver August 6th to 9th. It will pay any reader to do so for it is the place to learn more on stamps than by yourself in a year. Can secure low railroad rate of \$5 round trip from any place west of the Missouri river. Would be pleased to hear from all readers expecting to go, and hope to see many of them there.

Renewal, C. L. Hovet, Fairfield.  
New members, D. E. Johnson, New Castle; A. M. Stewart, Lincoln. 1904 P.S.T

# The American Society Of Curio Collectors.

President—Roy Farrell Greene, Arkansas City, Kansas

Vice President—Thomas L. Elder, 238 Sheridan Ave., Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; G.J. Remsburg, Oak Mills, Ks; Jacob Weigel, 266 Burnett St., New Brunswick, N. J.

Sec'y and Treas.—Wm., Warner Jr., High Hill, Mo.

Official Organ—The WEST.

Department of Mineralogy—G. Montague Butler, Supt., Golden, Colorado.

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Department of Colonial Curiosities and Antiques—Daniel E. Pannepacker, Supt., 34 No. Dewey St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Cost of Membership—Initiation fee, 10 cents; annual dues, 25 cents. Members receive a copy of the official organ each month. The secretary will furnish application blanks.

All honest collectors, whatever be their chosen branch of collecting, except stamps, are invited to join. We do not solicit stamp collectors as members as there are so many good philatelic societies now in existence, but collectors of stamps who collect along other lines also are invited to become members.

Free Identification Bureau for naming and classifying shells, minerals, fossils coins, etc. for members only, in charge of a competent superintendent, will examine and name doubtful specimens submitted to them by members. A list of superintendents is given above, with whom members can communicate direct.

Many other benefits accrue to collectors through membership. Address the Secretary for an application blank and fuller details or write to the President or any of the following members of the Recruit Bureau for blanks and information: Howard E. Bishop, Sayre, Penn; C G Moebling, Des Plaines, Ills.; Basil G. Hamilton, Moose Jaw Ass'n Ont. Canada; J. J. Price, 132-7 st Des Moines, Iowa; W. G. McLain, Edison, Ohio; Geo. W. Dixon, Watertown, So. Dakota; W. C. Aiken, Angwin, Calif.; or Joel H. Duhose, Huguenot, Georgia.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

FELLOW MEMBERS:—In assuming the duties of the Sec'y-Treas. of the A.S. of C.C. to which our Pres. has recently appointed me and for the honor of which I feel gratified, nevertheless realizing that there is work to be done, I must necessarily ask the co-operation of all members in order to carry out the work of the society and the office successfully, I feel that all members interested in the welfare of the society will give it.

I must call attention to the fact that there are quite a number of delinquent members on the roll, kindly look at your cards and see when same expires, and forward dues to the Sec'y and receive a new card.

I feel satisfied that there is not a single member who desires to be numbered among the delinquents, for the regular dues are within the reach of all, but that through other business cares the matter of dues of the A.S. of C.C. has been overlooked, please give this a little attention.

The recruit work done by the active members this month speaks for itself, let each member use his best efforts to secure new ones. A FREE exchange notice not to exceed 15 words will be given to all applicants when sent with the application.

Application blanks can be had by any

person or member for the asking.

WM. WARNER JR., Sec'y

## NEW MEMBERS.

- 372 Frank Toole, Bloomfield, Mo. (18) coins, paper money, eggs, etc.
- 373 Chas. J. Price, Lemon Core, Inlare Co, Calif. (11) eggs.
- 374 Arthur B. Coover, Roxabell, O. (34) Indian relics, eggs, etc..
- 375 D. E. Johnson, New Castle, Neb. [ ] Stamps, autographs, mounted birds.
- 376 M. B. Denny, Waubeck, Ia. [16] mounted birds and mammals, skins, eggs.

## APPLICATIONS.

- 377 Wm. E. High [16] Williamsport, R.R. Ind.
- 378 Ben G. Greene [42] 2343 Magnolia Ave. Chicago Ill.
- 379 O.H. Patterson [35] Alva, Okla.
- 380 Seldon K. Ogle [43] Klamath Agency, Ore.
- 381 Joseph Brown [50] Norway, Ia.
- 382 Hugh Spencer [15] St. Cloud, Minn.
- 383 J. B. Lewis [77] 910 Washington St. Petaluma, Cal.
- 384 C. E. Johnson, [46] Montgomery City, Mo.
- 385 Jas. Lenord S. Strong [17] Brantford, Ontario Can.
- 386 Harry L. Erwin [22] North English, Ia.
- 387 Henry M. Cornwell [29] Walloon Lake, Mich
- 388 Chas. Coke Woods [41] Hutchinson, Kan.
- 389 C. E. Bisbee, Newcastle, Neb.
- 390 Wm. H. Barrett [29] 1823 1/2 Howard St. San Francisco, Cal.
- 391 Gordan L. Cockburn, (18) box 90 Pembroke, Ontario, Can.
- 392 H. S. Dickey (18) Newton, Kan.
- 393 Clement L. Webster 111 Hawkins ave. Charles City, Ia.
- 394 Mrs. Carlton M. Moody (46) Beverly, N. J.

## CHANGES OF ADDRESSES

- 186 Geo G Hale R. P. D. \*35 Westport, Conn.
- 110 F. M. Henry \*11 West 135 st. N Y City
- 93 J D Anthony, Carman, Manitoba, Can.
- G M Butler, c-o Mining Reporter, Club Bldg. Denver, Colo

# PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

It is desired that all members of the society who have had any difficulty in receiving regularly the WEST, our official organ, or their copy of the society year-book, shall drop a postal card to me giving their full address. If a member lives in a large city or town be sure that we have your correct street address, or postoffice box number, if in a smaller town kindly give us the county in which you are located and P. O. box number. You can see by the year book how your address reads on our books and where street number, post office box or county is not given we should be glad to be furnished this additional information. If this is given us we can promise that mail intended for you will reach you quickly, safely and regularly. Please attend to this at once. In the matter of dues for the current year some few members are yet delinquent, and we trust all members whose number is less than 200 will look up their membership cards and notice their delinquency. If they have not remitted since January 1st and received a new card will they please send 25c to the secretary or myself, to pay the current year's dues, or send 40 cents and have their membership extended to January 1st, 1904. Everything is moving nicely in the society, great interest is being taken in the recruit work and much activity is noticeable. Again we wish to urge upon every member the fact that we expect each one to send in the applications of two new members this summer. Two new members, apiece, will push our membership roll to the 1000 mark before Christmas. Will you do your share? Blanks may be obtained from myself or the secretary and we hope every member will do his part.

ROY FARRELL GREENE.

## VICE-PRESIDENT ELDER

OFFERED A GOOD POSITION.

Thomas L. Elder, Vice-president of the A. S. of C. C., of Pittsburgh, Pa., well known to our readers, has been tendered the position of private secretary to Hon. Alfred S. Moore of Beaver, Pa., who has been recently appointed U. S. District Judge of Alaska, with headquarters at Nome. If Mr. Elder accepts the position, his salary will be \$2,500 per year, (practically 3 months work to the year,) but we understand he will not accept, preferring to remain in a country where the temperature in winter does not hover around the 40 below zero mark. Mr. Elder is 27 years of age, and besides being an enthusiastic collector is an expert telegrapher and stenographer. He was government telegrapher at the Milburn House when President McKinley was shot, and was at the Czolgosz trial.

W. J. Warner,

Secy. A.S. of C.C.

High Hill, Mo.

Dear Sir:—

Walking out one day I noticed a high bank along the road filled with little holes. I wondered what it meant, and while inspecting the place I saw bugs flying in and out like sand swallows frequent the bluffs along the sea front. The bank was literally peppered with holes. Will some one explain the habits and character of these flying bugs?

E. M. Chandlee,

A. S. of C. C. 38

Gathering shells from out the ocean,  
Picking them up on the beach;  
Yet there's thousands upon thousands  
That our hands have failed to reach.

Oh! the precious shining beauties,  
How they glitter in the sun,  
As we lift them from their live bed,  
To admire them one by one.

Mrs. S. M. Mohr, Lealman, Fla.

St. Louis Stamp Co, Ks.—We have been rushed to death during last month with orders from our last ad.

# The Spanish-American Philatelic Society.

Founded January 1, 1900

An International Association for collectors in North, Central and South America

## La Sociedad Filatelica Hispano-Americana

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Initiation and Yearly Dues \$1.00

### REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

Fellow Members:—Excellent results have been shown since last month's report and much good has been done in the way of new members. I am pleased to report as follows:

### NEW MEMBERS.

Dr. Alberto Rodriguez Alvarez, Zuleta 26, Havana Cuba.

Charles Soto Herrera, Apartado 8, Santiago Chile.

Francisco Flores, P O box 27, Camajuani, Cuba.

### APPLICATIONS

F R Hayworth, [21] reporter R G Dunn Merc Agcy, Wichita, Ks. Refs Chas W Myers, R C Edgar, Juan Francisco Steegers y Pereira, [42] Editor "La Lucha" Calle O'Reilly 9, Havana, Cuba. Refs

A D Blair and Chas Willard Myers

Rudolph Krause [37] Panuco de Coronado, Durango, Mexico, Refs, Leon Giron, Dr M N Samaniego

Joseph F A Nitseky (24) Stenographer, Wichita, Ks. Refs, Frank R Hayworth and L F Kerr

Miguel Lazaro Puentes, (38) Dealer, Obispo 39, Havana, Cuba, Ref JM Andreini, Scott Stamp & Coin Co

RENEWAL — Ramon Gonzalez, San Rafael 4, Havana, Cuba

CHANGE OF ADDRESS—Juan Carcasses, San Tomas 13, Santiago de Cuba (formerly of Phila. Penn.)

I have received many inquiries regarding the Annual or Year Book to be issued by our Association and beg to state that the booklet will be issued in the month of August. We are highly pleased with the way advertisements are coming in, and we believe it will be the most elegant in appearance and contents yet issued. There will be 1000 copies issued and each member will receive one gratis. They will contain the illustrations of the officers and members, a history of the society and a review of the various representations established over the continent. Another good feature will be the articles by prominent writers from Latin-American countries. Helpful suggestions regarding the work will be appreciated by the committee in charge.

We hope to have something interesting for our members next month and trust that the good work may go on and each member may receive more benefits than ever. Cordially yours,

CHARLES WILLARD MYERS, Sec'y.



# Camera & News



Editor, F. J. CLUTE. San Francisco

## Negative Tone.

By Wm. Judd Wood.

The every-day-professional, the learner under him, as well as the ambitious amateur, is the victim of a great number of self constituted advisors, who, with their multiplicity of varied advice, leave him hardly knowing which way to turn with credit to himself. Nearly always the "pet" hobby of the kindly informant, the process or practice on which he so nobly dilates, is but myth; of value only to the inventor to whom it owes its existence. Of late we have heard a great deal about the so-called "negative tone", and while the writer disclaims any ability to do the subject full justice, he begs to offer a few suggestions and to describe the methods by which he secures negatives of good printing quality.

First class equipment as to lenses and plates are of course necessary. His own lenses are all Dallmeyer's and one of the leading brands of plates are always used. Ortol as a developer is preferred on account of the blackish lead or slate-colored negatives which it produces. A combination composed of a sheet of both orange and ruby glass, with a sheet of tissue paper between, is used in the developing light. This gives a soft light and one that is not trying to the eyes. A fresh fixing bath of plain hypo and water is used for every batch of plates.

The developer is used as a rule, half old and half new. Development proceeds slowly. Negatives of the black tone above referred to, crisp and full of life, are the result. But Oh! some one says: you must get more coloring,

more amber to hold back the printing, more negative tone. But why not, we ask, hold them back by proper exposure, development, and clean fixing? Still it is hinted in an evasive manner that chemical effects are more satisfactory if more of the amber tone is secured. We are open to conviction and pleased to learn, and so we ask: Are you a portrait photographer, retoucher; and do you use a Faber lead to build up the face, the arms, the hands and the drapery? Do you not get the desired quality in the parts so built up with the lead? Does not the lead, the slaty black, give you all your heart desires in the way of printing quality? After all is said, is not a blackish negative, of good density and proper crispness, all that can be desired. The lead or even the metallic point with which you endow your negatives with their finest and most important touches; contains no magic coloring substance for the rendition of the "negative tone" beyond the color of "Plain old Lead".

So let us "Be Good" and strive to secure in our negatives that "tone", if such we are pleased to call it, which is in conformity to, if not identical with the artificial deposits we find so essential to the purpose of retouching, spotting and the like, upon our negatives.

### Soft Enlargements from Hard Negatives.

Give a very full exposure and use a weak developer. Rodinal, amidol, or metol are suitable. If you use rodinal, dilute one part with about 150 parts of water. Whichever you adopt, the chief thing is to expose fully and use a dilute developer, in order to secure a flat result.



# American Camera Club Exchange

President—H. V. Thornton, 11 Memorial Tower, 37 and Spruce st, Phila., Pa.  
Secretary—L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Neb.

Why not become a member? It costs you nothing if a subscriber. Membership card sent for 5c, Foreign 10c.



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5 S Dyson, Lyinn, Mass.  
6 J Vorscheren, Grand, Belgium.

### Sensitized Post Cards.

The following method of sensitizing post cards is given in the Bulletin of the Italian Philatelic Society. A little powdered carmine is added to thin starch paste, and well stirred to insure perfect mixing; it is then passed through muslin. It is applied with a brush to the cards, which are then dried, and sensitized by five minutes' flotation on ninety grains of potassium bichromate, dissolved in an ounce and a half of water, and then hung up to dry. Printing takes from five minutes to an hour, according to light, negative, etc., and the print is then washed, like ferroprussiate paper, when an image in red will be left. — Photography, London.

# The American Historical, and Natural History Photo Society.

R. H. WOODFORD, Bristol, Conn., Pres.; GEO. E. MOULTHROE, Bristol, Conn., Sec. - Treas.

An association of those interested in the collecting of photos of all American Historical Buildings, Events and Places of a Historical Interest, including State Capitols, Public Buildings, Residences of Noted Americans, Sites of Battle Fields, Monuments, Memorial Arches, Etc., also Photos of Natural History Subjects, including all Wild and Domestic Animals, Birds and Birds' Nests, and in the photographing of same.

**To Become a Member:** Send two photos of any of the above subjects with a short description, and 50c (if a photographer) if not, send an original article on a Historical or Natural History Subject, and 50c (to the secretary) either of which will entitle you to a year's membership in the Society, to a year's subscription to the WEST (a 50c monthly illustrated journal that issued over 1100 pages in 1901) an opportunity to enter all prize photo and prize literary contests on the above subjects, a privilege to accept all monthly combination offers for members, also to one free Exchange, Sale or Want Notice printed in this department the month joining and to many other advantages announced monthly.

By joining our Society it is possible to secure a collection of photos of historical places and events which would cost thousands of dollars to visit.

Address all communications to Geo. E. Moulthrope, Sec. - Treas, Bristol, Conn.

We extend our congratulations to the President of our Society Mr. R. H. Woodford, who was married in this city on June 18, and as he is intensely interested in photography we know he would be pleased to receive any interesting photos from members of the society for his new home. Trusting others will be of the same mind,

Yours Resp., THE SECY.

## CAPITOL CONTEST

We wish to secure Photos (5x7 size preferred) of every STATE CAPITOL BUILDING to reproduce here, with a few lines of information describing same, giving briefly the style, size, height, ground covered, cost, and other information of a general interest.

For each that we reproduce we will give the sender of same a fine photo print album valued at \$1.00. We also give a fine 5x7 photo of our Conn. capitol building to all sending one of their state.

No. 34 B. H. Mead, is awarded the album for the June contest for elegant photos of the Conn. state capitol building, which we trust to reproduce next month. It seems of the 12,000 readers of this journal there must be many residing in capitol cities who would be willing to join our society and sending photos of their capitol building as

above mentioned secure one of these for the first from each state that is suitable to be reproduced.

## Wanted Second Hand Cameras

If you have one for sale, or exchange, join our society and we will insert a free ad notice of same the month you join, 50c will cover the price of the notice, a year's subscription to the WFST and a year's membership in the society.

Our president and others advertising cameras in this department and sold them in a few days after their ads appeared, you can do as well; join now.

The Secy has for sale several hundred lantern slides, also will exchange with parties, for particulars address him.

## Members Monthly Directory

Corrections in last months list, No. 22 should be Willard E. Howard, Philmont, N. Y., instead of Poward as spelled. Wm. L. Hart, No. 28 instead of No. 29.

29. John M. Stone, Louisa, Va, Notice his ad later.

30. Jos. Daiser, Box 342, Sharpsburg, Pa.

31. R. H. Beebe, Arcade, Wyoming Co., N. Y. Sends some of the finest

# PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

photos of "Nest and Eggs" also "Groups of Young Birds" that we have yet received. He would be pleased to exchange with all members.

32. W. W. Gilman, Lawyer, Bos-cobel, Wis. Has for sale—cheap for cash or exchange for a 4x5 long focus cycle camera, a \$65.00 5x7 long-focus, wide-angle wizard camera, fully equip-ped with extra lenses, plate-holders,

inside kits, sole leather carrying case, tripod, etc. All good as new. Write him for particulars.

33. Arthur Inkersley, 508 Mont-gomery St., San Francisco, California, Sends very fine photos of a horse, also of a drove of wild cattle.

No. 34. B. H. Mead, No. 17, Lenox Place Hartford, Conn, sends elegant photos of the Conn. state capitol made with a Wizard camera.

**Review Notes and Combination Offers for July.**  
Under this heading we shall offer the very best publications monthly.



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# The Nebraska Camera Club

Any reader in Nebraska can become a member, a membership card free for the postage.

**FOUNDED JANUARY 1898**

President Miss L. Tillotson, 843 Park St., Omaha

Sec'y.-Treas. L. Brodstone, Superior, Neb.

New Members:—567, Miss M. Cuff, Clay Center Cyclone, western views to X; 568, J. Stone, Hardy 569, J. R. Dick, Firth; 570, H. Lester, Superior, western views to trade for others.

Applications—571, B. Bisbee, New Castle, western views of cyclones and Neb volcanos to X, write; 572, C. L. Hovet, Fairfield; 573, C. E. Hobbs Nelson.

Advise all readers to send to Hyatt, St. Louis, for his catalog. One of if not the finest yet seen.

C. Bisbee writes he has given Alfa paper a good trial and finds it first class and very satisfactory.

## Omaha Daily News Editorial Says:

The art of photography has progressed just as rapidly of late as other sciences. Vast strides have been made, and to-day the camera is able to record with absolute fidelity every passing scene of interest; to preserve for us historical events, and in fact, picture nature as it exists, in all respects save that for catching the colors. And the secret will be discovered before many years.

The camera has doubled the value of the newspaper. No matter how vividly a writer may be able to describe a certain event, a half-tone photograph reproduction of the scheme tells instantly what it would require a column to relate, and tells it in such a manner that it cannot be misunderstood.

The photographers play an important part in the affairs of the world. Day by day they record its history, and we have grown to be so dependent upon the product of their skill that we would be at a loss how to proceed without their assistance.

One of the speakers at the Neb. photographer's association gave an interesting talk of the handling of bromide papers, showing that it is easy to manipulate and that from it the best results may be secured. The manner of making enlargements, explaining that any photographer with his ordinary operating camera can make the enlargements on the ordinary or the "royal" bromide.

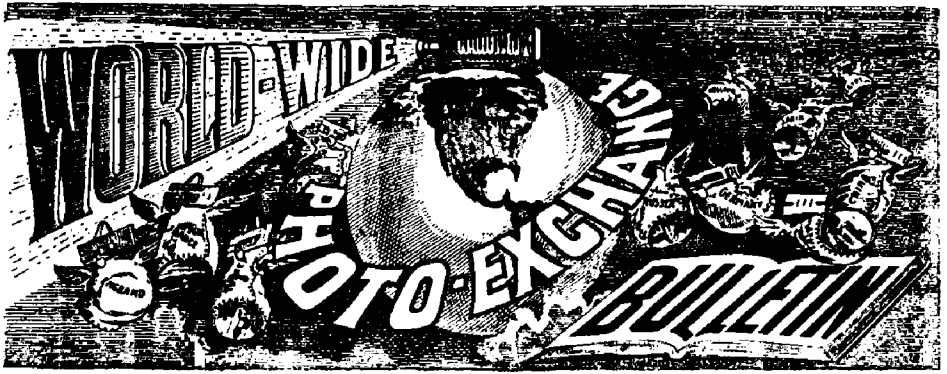
To make these enlargements, all that is necessary is to secure a window with

an unobstructed view. Block up the window and then make a box sufficiently large to hold the plate from which the enlargement is made. Cut a hole in the blocking in the full size of the box and fit the back of the camera against the box, letting the light shine through the ground glass in the back of the camera. Then fit the plate to be enlarged into the back of the camera, the light passing through the lens. The easel upon which the bromide sheet is to be placed is put in front of the lens the correct focus to be obtained by operating the rack and pinion. After this has been done the shutter is opened and the exposure made directly upon the bromide, the length of exposure to be determined by the thickness of the negative or by exposing and developing narrow strips of paper. The correct time ascertained, the full sheet is exposed and the developer is carried on in the regular way.

By making their own enlargements, photographers may add materially to their income. The expense is not great and the manipulation of the paper is not difficult.

The most successful photographer seats his subject and then gets ready for his exposure. After this the subject is engaged in conversation and at the moment when the best and most natural expression is upon the face, the exposure is made and a picture true to life is secured.

Too many of the pictures, said the speaker are expressionless, and give the idea that the sitter is preparing to go to a funeral. All of this, however, may be overcome by posing and detracting the attention of the subject from the fact that the picture is being made.



### Method In Print Exchange.

How many of the members of the photo exchange follow business methods in their exchange? I venture to say from an experience of 18 months in exchanging with various members of the W. W. P. E. that but few of them do so.

Perhaps my method would be helpful to others. First. I regard promptness as essential and always endeavor to have at least a few prints on hand for immediate exchange. In case of a delay of more than 10 days in making returns for prints received we should write to ask for time and explain the delay.

I have found only two who made no returns for prints sent to them, but many have delayed from two to four months in their exchange. After waiting three months I send a card of inquiry to each delinquent. Second. We should return prints at once which we do not wish to exchange. This is common courtesy and fair dealing. Some may think that if a stamp is not enclosed for return of prints it is unnecessary to return them. But the fact of your being a member of an exchange proves that you wish to exchange and makes the keeping of prints for which no return is made absolutely dishonest. However in sending prints for exchange we should meet the requirements of the "ad" as to subjects and kind of prints and size, or we should not send any.

Third. Number all negatives from which you make exchanges and keep a

record of prints sent to each, date sent, address, etc., then in case you make another exchange with the same person, you may be sure that you send no duplicates of the first lot.

Fourth. Report to Secretary any member who fails to make returns for prints within three months of the time sent. We ought to weed out of the society all who are as negligent. Always put your return card in corner of envelope, so that in case of non-delivery it will be returned to you. If you wish to cease exchanging, notify the secretary of your wish at once. This should be published to prevent more exchanges being sent to you.

C. E. Morton, Leland, Ill.  
W. W. P. E. 830.



### Hints From Our Readers

Clute says, I am trying to do my share in making these monthly talks of value, and I hope a few more of our readers will do the same. This department is in charge of an ordinary, every-day amateur like yourselves. He has been writing this kind of matter, during spare moments between his regular employment and the time spent with his camera and ruby lamp, for a good many months. You can at least furnish an occasional photographic hint that will prove of value to some one. All letters will be answered and every effort made to make you feel at home. I have no desire to do all the talking myself.



**A SOCIETY OF AMATEUR AND PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHERS**

Organized for the purpose of affording its members easy facilities for exchanging photographic prints, and for mutual improvement in the art.

N. E. ARNOLD, President - - - Grenoble, Pa  
F. R. ARCHIBALD, Secretary - - - - - Akron, O

To become a member of this society, subscribe or renew your subscription to the WEST through F. R. Archibald, Secy. W. W. P. E., Akron, O. Remit by stamps, money order or coin. Send the copy for exchange notice which will appear on the regular monthly installment of the exchange list. If you do not care for an exchange notice your name only will appear numbered in regular order in the list. You will receive more replies to your exchange notice if inserted here than elsewhere as it is sure to be read. All who subscribe through this medium will receive free on request a W. W. P. E. button see cut above. A directory of the first 600 names in this Exchange will be sent for 10 cents. If you wish to see the 4x5 exchange album containing 100 prints from as many members, send the fee 10c and agree to forward the album (postage 10c) to the next on the list. Send a 5x7 print for the new album or, if you do not make that size send 2 of a smaller size. This album will begin its trips as soon as filled.

The untimely death of our Secretary brings sorrow to the thousands who admired him in life and will revere him in death. The W. W. P. E. loses an old and valued friend. His age was 28 years and 6 months, leaves a wife and child. He began to exchange prints in the winter of '97 and formed the society in February '98. He credited a great deal of his improvement to the interchange of prints and letters. He was easily the best photographer of his city and had lived there only a short time over a year but had friends all over the city. He took a personal interest in his exchange friends and several deaths had occurred among them his sympathy was always great. He spent time in working for the society that should have been rest and recreation hours but his enjoyment was so keen that he did not complain. He never lost a chance to meet any of the members if the chance presented itself. He has twelve large albums filled with exchange prints. His wife will continue his photo business and photographic work but feels that she cannot do his part in the interest of the W. W. P. E.

The new secretary will be announced in the next number and the publisher wishes all members to send in any ideas or suggestions to help each member more.

**Exchange List No 53.**

No 964 Howard B Hendley, Boston, Mass, 101 Arch St has long focus Tel-photo Poco 4 x 5 Subject Historical views of Concord and Lexington to exchange.

965 C Barker, Terryville, Conn wishes to exchange.

267 C B Bolles, Aberdeen, S Dakota, Box 790.

556 L A Hall, Hartford, Conn, 105 Lawrence St, I would like to exchange with all careful members. Send 6 prints 4x5 Velox preferred.

830 C E Morton, Leland, Ill.

965 Chas W Fong, Laurel Calif, Santa Cruz, Colo.


Members send in your exchange notice, 25 words free to all paid members.

**Developer for "Black and White" Subjects**

For obtaining great contrast end intensity, Cramer's formula for bromohydro is recommended. Make two solutions as follows:

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- Distilled (or boiled) water . . . . . 25ozs
- No 2
- Carbonate of soda (crystals) . . . . . 6ozs
- Water . . . . . 25ozs

For use mix equal parts of each. This developer is excellent for copying drawings and engravings, and for all purposes where great density of the lights and clear glass in the shadows is a desideratum.



**Answers**

Queries should be addressed to Fayette J. Clute  
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No Name.—Shellac Mounting:—Use ninety-five percent alcohol and add enough shellac to give it a syrupy consistency; making almost a saturated solution. It takes about twenty-four hours for the shellac to dissolve completely. You must work very rapidly in using this mountant as it dries very quickly. My practice has been to rub down well and put under heavy pressure. I use a letter press, placing the mounted prints between blotters. Perhaps the best way will be for you to drop Mr. Cook a letter if you still fail to succeed. Address C. G. Cook, Box 791, Denver, Colo.

L. S. M.—Drying Velox Prints:—You can dry them between blotters, even using a light weight to hold them down, if you will use lintless blotters and plenty of alum in your fixing bath. Otherwise they will stick to the blotters. Perhaps the best way is to spread them out to dry on blotters or a dry towel and when they become surface dry, pile them up and finish drying under a light pressure. Stroking the backs with a straight-edge after they are dry will remove the slight curl that even the most careful drying will not prevent.

G. F. R.—A Pyro Developer for Stanley Plates:—Mr. E. H. Gough, a very successful amateur of Namiemo, B. C. claims the following developer to be the best that he has ever found:

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|       | Sodium sulphite....  | 288 grains |
|       | Sodium carbonate.... | 288 "      |
| No. 2 | Water.....           | 8 ounces   |
|       | Sulphuris acid ..... | 3 minims   |
|       | Pyro.....            | 48 grains  |

To use take equal parts. For under exposure, dilute. For over exposure add more or less of a ten per cent solution of potassium bromide. This formula may prove more satisfactory in your hands than the one you are using.

E. J. L.—Spots on Prints:—These small white spots of an irregular shape on your Vinco prints are no doubt caused by dust on the negatives. Air bubbles are the cause of round, undeveloped spots. Keep a small camel's hair brush at hand while printing and dust off the negative before placing the paper in the frame. All professional printers dust off their negatives each time a new sheet of paper is placed in position. This is all the more necessary with the newer developing papers as they are thicker and make more lint when older printing out papers.

H. F. O.—What is Meant By Matt Paper?—The term "matt" is used to designate a surface midway between the glossy and rough papers manufactured for photographic printing. Each maker uses a slightly different set of names for the different classes of paper produced by him, but the above rule will be found to apply in nearly all cases. A saturated solution of any chemical is any given quantity of water that contains as much of the chemical as it will dissolve. This is indicated by undissolved particles of the chemical remaining in the bottom of the bottle. Photograms are the same as photographs. The former word is one coined by an English publication and used therein, supposedly for advertising purposes. There is no difference between Ortho. and Iso. plates, other than that between similar plates made by different manufacturers. The two terms are trade names for the same kind of plates.

W. S. Fish, Butler, Ill.—WEST takes longer to read than any other paper, and I am subscriber to most of them.

## How I Make Contact Prints on Bromide Paper.

By Ford Lewis

While the method of printing which I am about to describe is not perfect, I venture to say that for convenience and all-around good points it will be found hard to beat.

Take a box in which a case of dry plates, 4 1-4 inches by 6 1-2 inches, have been shipped. Bore two auger holes in one end make a hole as big around as the top of an ordinary oil lamp, when the box is set on end and the lamp placed in it, so that the flue is immediately under the hole cut in end number two. Next, tack a piece of tin over the hole resting on the two cleats which you always find nailed on the end of these boxes. This leaves space enough for the hot air to pass out, and effectually cuts off all white light from the lamp. Now, take the lid of the box and convert it into a sliding door by nailing strips on the side of the box so as to make grooves for the door to fit in, and permit it to slide up and down. This makes it convenient to put the lamp in the box and take it out, or otherwise look after it. Now, take this door, and cut a hole in it 4x6 inches; take a piece of glass 5x7 inches and paste over it a single thickness of red post office paper, and hang it over the hole in the door by a muslin hinge, so that it will hang flat and cover securely the hole in the door. This will furnish a safe red light to work by. Then by attaching a small piece of muslin to the lower end of the glass for a finger-hold, you are enabled to lift the red light quickly and allow the white light from the lamp to fall on the negative in the printing frame at whatever distance from the light you may desire. I have used such a light as that for six months and have no desire whatever to change it. It stands on a work-

shelf in my dark room where it is always ready for use day or night, and I will agree to print by it a gross of cabinets for anybody in two hours, and not have a single failure.—The Photo Critic, 101 Fifth Ave., N. Y.

### To Test Your Washing Apparatus.

The enquiring mind sooner or later wants to know whether this or that washing apparatus really changes the whole body of water, or only lets out the same water that runs in. Not a few beginners think that by placing a few prints in a basin and letting the water from the tap run in and overflow, the prints are being thoroughly washed because a lot of water is used and plenty of splash made. But the prints soon sink to the bottom and there collect and soak in water heavily charged with hypo, while most of the water that comes in goes out again without ever going near the prints. To render these things easy to see and realize, try the simple experiment of mixing with the water half a teaspoon-full of thick ink. The washing out of an inkstand will do quite well. Now set your apparatus going and notice how long it is before all trace of ink is washed away. Suppose it takes ten minutes to get rid of all appearance of ink and only quite clean water is visible, then you may reasonably conclude that when plates or prints are in the apparatus you do not get more than six changes of water in the hour, and probably not so many. If you want to see the direction of the current, this you may do by cutting up a lot of very thin shreds of paper. These can be shaved off the edge of an old book, in a moment. Mix them thoroughly with the water and then set the apparatus going, and you will soon see exactly where the currents are flowing, and also the reduction of their number is some guide as to the rate at which the water is being changed. In thus testing the water flow, the apparatus should always be tried both with and without the plates or paper, as the case may be. Clean glass or old negatives will serve in one case, while sheets of note paper or old spoiled prints will answer in the other.





Our leader this month is from the pen of that master of the art, Wood, of Hays, Kansas. Mr. Wood's reputation as a portrait photographer is not confined to his own state, and that we are able to give our readers the benefit of some of his sound reasoning, based on his most successful practice, is a source of gratification to both Mr. Brodstone and myself.

Our credited article this month is clipped from the Photo Critic, that bright little monthly that sells for ten cents a copy, is worth much more, and does not cost you a cent. With every subscription is sent a coupon good for the full dollars worth of any of the Rotograph productions. In that way you do not pay one cent for the monthly visit of this meaty little journal. Address the Photograph Co., 101 Fifth Ave., N. Y. for a sample copy. They cost ten cents, but if you mention seeing this notice in the "WEST" they will do you the honors free of cost.

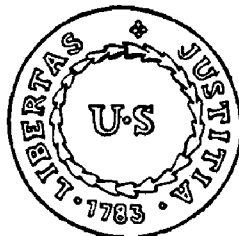
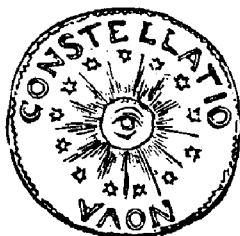
News, sad news, just reaches me that the genial secretary of the World Wide Photo Exchange, Mr. F. R. Archibald, died of typhoid fever at his home at Akron, Ohio recently; the exact date not being given in the letter which I received. For the bereaved wife I can bespeak the most heartfelt sympathy of the entire membership. To know Mr. Archibald, even through the medium of a correspondence, was to recognize in him those qualities of self sacrifice, and nobleness of character

which endeared him to so many who knew him only through such correspondence as his self-imposed duties as secretary of the Exchange entailed.

A few years ago I had a pair of the first rubber heels made, fitted to my shoes. I found they would allow me to slip about on the wet pavements we have here in San Francisco, even better than I could with the regular leather article. A month or so ago I received a pair of the new "Walkeasy" creepers from the manufacturers with a request that they be given a trial and recommended if found satisfactory. They are certainly an improvement, they are perfection. As any one knows, our pavements here are even worse, during the rainy season, than ice to walk upon. The Walkeasy Creepers, while giving all the comfort of the ordinary rubber article, prevent all possible danger of slipping on icy or wet pavements. They certainly deserve to become extremely popular.

While I think of it, why don't a few more of my readers send to the addresses, one of which is given each month in this department, and get a sample copy of these photographic publications I mention. As a rule, they are sent free. It is a poorer publication than I have ever found that is not worth sending a card. We have never made any boasts concerning our circulation, but when an advertiser or any one else whose address is given and an offer made, receives about one reply for each thousand subscribers on our list, it makes the whole outfit at this end of the line, tired, very tired. When an advertiser accuses us of having about fourteen subscribers, that being the number of replies received by him in one month, that tired feeling gets much worse. Will you kindly do a little better writing and see if it does not pay?

Cordially,  
F. J. C.



# Lyman H. Low

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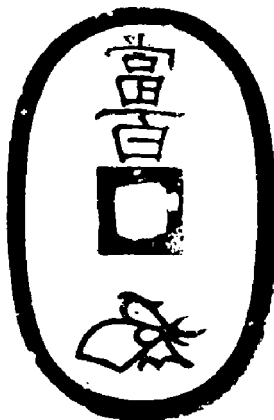
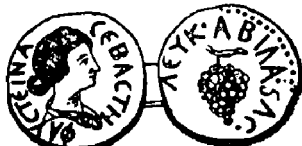
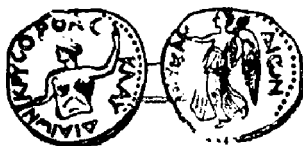
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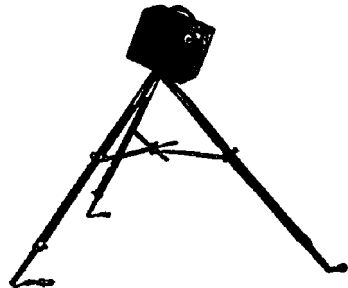
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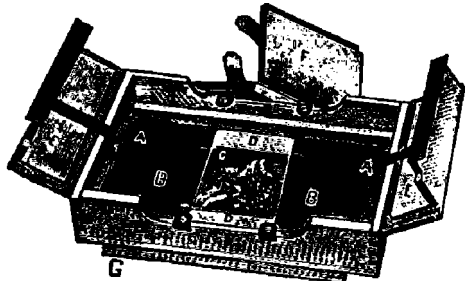
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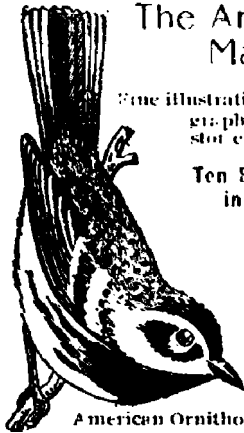
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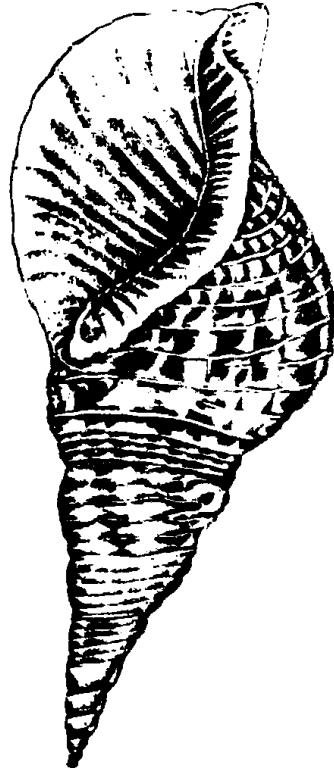
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| 14      | " 5c blue                        | 50   | 1 50  | 69      | 40c lilac                                                                                                                         | 10  | 60      |
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| 18      | " 2c " left cap                  | 50   | 1 50  |         | U. S. Env. cut og unless otherwise noted.                                                                                         |     |         |
| 19      | " 2c " two caps                  | 50   | 2 50  | 73      | 1887 4c on white, entire                                                                                                          | 10  | 50      |
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All bids to be made by mail by Lot No. Stamps are in good average condition, unless otherwise specified.

| Lot No.        | UNITED STATES                                 | No. in Lot |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------|
| 1              | 1867 2c black, grill 11x13, not well cent.    | 1          |
| 2              | " " " 9x13                                    | 1          |
| 3              | 1855 3c rose, outer line                      | 1          |
| 4              | 1879-82, 200 3c green, mixed                  | 200        |
| 5              | 1883, 200 2c red brown                        | 200        |
| 6              | 1887, 200 2c green                            | 200        |
| 7              | " " 1000 2c green env cut sq                  | 1000       |
| 8              | 1888, 50c orange brown                        | 1          |
| 9              | 100 mixed env. cut sq, before 1895            | 100        |
| 10             | 1890, 100 3, 4, 5, 8, 10c asstd               | 100        |
| 11             | 1895, 100 3, 4, 5, 8, 10c "                   | 100        |
| 12             | 1898, 1000 1c green                           | 1000       |
| 13             | " " 200 4, 5, 10c asstd                       | 200        |
| 14             | 1899, 1000 2c red env. cut sq                 | 1000       |
| 15             | 1000 common mixed U S                         | 1000       |
| 16             | U S Revenue 25c life insurance                | 1          |
| 17             | 100 U S Revenues, well asstd                  | 100        |
| 18             | 40 varieties U S                              | 40         |
| 19             | 50 " " "                                      | 50         |
| 20             | 100 " " "                                     | 100        |
| <b>FOREIGN</b> |                                               |            |
| 21             | 10 Argentine wrappers asstd                   | 10         |
| 22             | 30 var Austria all diff                       | 30         |
| 23             | 100 Austria, asstd, many issues               | 100        |
| 24             | 1864-68, Baden, 3k ultramarine, fine          | 1          |
| 25             | 15 var Bavaria                                | 15         |
| 26             | 100 Belgium, 1, 5, 10c Sunday coupon          | 100        |
| 27             | 1884, 100 Belgium, 10c rose on blue bar, can  | 100        |
| 28             | 25 var Belgium                                | 25         |
| 29             | " " 10 sets                                   | 150        |
| 30             | 50 " British Colonials good lot               | 50         |
| 31             | 1897, 100 Canada, 3c carmine M L              | 100        |
| 32             | 1898, 100 " 1c green figures                  | 100        |
| 33             | 1899, 100 " 2c carmine figures                | 100        |
| 34             | " 10 " 2 on 3c unused M L                     | 10         |
| 35             | " 10 " 2 on 2c " figures                      | 10         |
| 36             | Canada, officially sealed, fine               | 1          |
| 37             | 100 Denmark, asstd                            | 100        |
| 38             | 6 var Finland, 10 sets                        | 60         |
| 39             | 300 France, asstd good copies                 | 300        |
| 40             | 16 var German Empire                          | 16         |
| 41             | 20 var Italy diff issues                      | 20         |
| 42             | 13 var Japan 1876-92 incl 50s & 1y            | 13         |
| 43             | 1890 Mexico, 1, 2, 3, 5c unused               | 4          |
| 44             | 1867-94, 25 var Netherlands                   | 25         |
| 45             | 1899, 13 var " "                              | 14         |
| 46             | 1860-61, New Brunswick, 1, 2, 5, 10, 17c unnd | 5          |
| 47             | 100 Wurtemberg postage, asstd                 | 100        |
| 48             | 100 " official asstd                          | 100        |
| 49             | 1000 Continentals, as imported                | 1000       |
| 50             | 1000 mixed foreign, better lot                | 1000       |
| 51             | 200 " " cat over \$3                          | 200        |
| 52             | 100 " " 2 and 3c each                         | 100        |
| 53             | 300 var foreign                               | 300        |
| 54             | 500 " " "                                     | 500        |
| 55             | 25 " " 10 packets                             | 250        |
| 56             | 50 " " 10 "                                   | 500        |
| 57             | 100 " " 10 "                                  | 1000       |
| 58             | 25 " " revenues                               | 25         |
| 59             | 50 " mixed foreign revenues                   | 50         |
| 60             | 100 different postmarks, mostly U S           | 100        |

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|                                      | Uncut   | Cut |
|--------------------------------------|---------|-----|
| ½c black                             | per 10  | .04 |
| 1c Surch IR                          | " 10    | .05 |
| 2c " "                               | " 10    | .04 |
| 1c blue                              | " 100   | .05 |
| 2c red                               | " 100   | .05 |
| 3c blue                              | " 100   | .30 |
| 4c rose                              | " 100   | .20 |
| 5c lilac                             | " 100   | .05 |
| 10c brown                            | " 100   | .08 |
| 25c red violet                       | " 100   | .20 |
| 40c lilac                            | " 10    | .25 |
| 50c slate brwn                       | " 100   | .50 |
| 80c bister                           | " 1     | .10 |
| \$1 green '98                        | " 25    | .12 |
| \$1 red                              | " 10    | .15 |
| \$1 gray                             | " 100   | .20 |
| \$1 blk & grn 1902                   | per 100 | .50 |
| \$2 gray                             | per 100 | .40 |
| \$2 blk & grn 1902                   | per 10  | .25 |
| \$3 brown                            | per 5   | .15 |
| \$3 gray                             | " 1     | .10 |
| \$5 orange                           | " 1     | .12 |
| \$5 gray                             | " 1     | .06 |
| \$5 blk & grn 1902                   | per 1   | .15 |
| \$10 black                           | per 1   | .30 |
| \$10 gray                            | " 1     | .40 |
| Jamaica 1 Py Red (Falls)             |         | .02 |
| " 1 py bl red "                      |         | .03 |
| Labuan Set 9 Postage due             |         | .15 |
| New Zealand ½py lpy uni-<br>versal   |         | .02 |
| Nyassa 2½ R and 5 R                  |         | .05 |
| A R C ½ py                           |         | .03 |
| " 1 py                               |         | .04 |
| " ½ on C of G H                      |         | .03 |
| San Marino Jubilee Set of 3          |         | .22 |
| Serva 1d Cat 15                      |         | .05 |
| Greenland 1py Rev used as<br>postage |         | .06 |
| F M States set of 3                  |         | .10 |
| Rhodesia 1 py 1899                   |         | .02 |
| " 4 py 1898                          |         | .05 |
| Victoria ½d green                    |         | .02 |
| West Australia Set ½-1-2 yel         |         | .06 |
| 1000 Hinges the best                 |         | .07 |
| 20 approval sheets blank             |         | .05 |
| 100 Var stamps                       |         | .09 |
| 200 " "                              |         | .25 |
| 300 " "                              |         | .50 |

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| 1c small I. R.          | 6     | 50     | —       |
| 1c large I. R.          | ½     | 5      | —       |
| 2c large I. R.          | ½     | 4½     | 40      |
| ½c gray                 | ½     | 5      | 45      |
| 1c blue                 | ½     | 2      | 10      |
| 2c red                  | ½     | 1      | 5       |
| 3c blue                 | ½     | 4½     | 40      |
| 4c pink                 | ½     | 4      | 35      |
| 5c lilac                | ½     | 2      | 10      |
| 10c bistre              | ½     | —      | 10      |
| 25c plum                | ½     | —      | 12      |
| 40 blue cut             | 1¼    | 11     | 1.00    |
| 40 blue                 | 3     | 28     | 2.75    |
| 50c violet brown        | 1     | 8      | 40      |
| 50 " " cut ¼            | ¼     | 2      | 15      |
| \$1 green (1898)        | 1     | 7      | 65      |
| \$3 brown cut           | 4     | 35     | —       |
| \$3 brown               | 7     | 65     | —       |
| \$5 orange              | 15    | 140    | —       |
| \$1 gray cut            | ½     | 4c     | 30      |
| \$2 gray                | 1     | 5      | 50      |
| \$5 gray cut            | 6     | 50     | 4.50    |
| \$1 black & green cut 2 | 2     | 15     | 1.25    |
| \$2 " " " " 10          | 10    | 75     | —       |
| \$5 " " " " 40          | —     | —      | —       |
| \$10 " " " " 75         | —     | —      | —       |
| \$10 " " " uncut 2.00   | —     | —      | —       |

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|                                   | Per 1 | Per 10 | Per 100 |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--------|---------|
| 2c Bank check blue                | —     | 3      | 20      |
| 2c " " orange                     | —     | 2      | 15      |
| 2c U S Inter Rev.                 | —     | 1½     | 12      |
| 5c Certificate                    | ½     | 2½     | 20      |
| 5c Inland Exchange                | ½     | 3      | 25      |
| 5c Agreement                      | 2     | 12     | 1.00    |
| 5c Express (cat 6c)               | 2     | 12     | 1.00    |
| 50c Passage Ticket                | 8     | 75     | —       |
| 1c Buffalo                        | ½     | 4      | 35      |
| 2c " "                            | ¼     | 2      | 18      |
| 3c 1870-82 mixed                  | —     | 2      | 10      |
| 2c 1890 mixed                     | —     | 2      | 10      |
| 1000 mixed U. S.                  | —     | —      | 27      |
| 1000 mixed U. S. Revs             | —     | —      | 27      |
| 1000 mixed foreign                | —     | —      | 27      |
| 100 extra fine U S                | —     | —      | 12      |
| 100 extra fine U S mixed U S Revs | —     | —      | 12      |
| 100 extra fine mixed foreign      | —     | —      | 12      |
| 12 Robinson's Review trial sub.   | —     | —      | 10      |
| 100 approval sheets               | —     | —      | 20      |
| 1000 Faultless hinges             | —     | —      | 8       |
| 3 00 Faultless hinges             | —     | —      | 20      |
| 12 Robinson's Reviews on trial    | —     | —      | 10      |

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| 1888 1d violet used         | 50c per 12 |
| " 2 d green and car. used   | 10c each   |
| " 3 d brown and yellow used | 15c "      |
| " 5 d green and brown       | 18c "      |
| " 6 d violet on rose        | 30c "      |
| 1890-92 2½ violet on blue   | 12c "      |
| " 5d lilac and blue         | 40c "      |
| " 9d blue and lilac         | 60c "      |
| " 1d                        | 60c "      |

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| Afghanistan circular stamps |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| 1884 Scotts No 127 unused   | 10c "    |
| " " 131                     | 30c "    |
| 1886 " " 137, 138, and 139  | 25c "    |
| " " 143, 144 145            | \$1.00 " |

Nepal 1881 at 50c per 12 mixed

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| Hungaria 1900 3 kroua (per 10 pieces).....                             |          | 1.50    |
| Bulgaria 1901 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 25, 3c, stotinki.....                |          | 6.25    |
| Bulgaria 1901 1, 5, 15, 25, (per 1000 sets) .....                      |          | 20.00   |
| Bulgaria 1901 Jubilee 5 and 15 Stotinki .....                          |          | 9.00    |
| Bulgaria 1896 1, 5, 15 stotinki, .....                                 |          | 3.00    |
| "    sames 25 more, .....                                              |          | 6.50    |
| "    1889 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 25' 30, 50, 9 leva .....                 |          | 8.00    |
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| "    1896 Unpaid 5, 10, 30, .....                                      |          | 6.50    |
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| Bosnia 1900 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 20, 25 .....                            | 6.50     |         |
| Austria 1900 1, 2, and 4, krona .....                                  | 8.50     |         |
| "    1900 Newspaper 2, 6, 10, 20 .....                                 | 2.50     |         |
| "    1900 Unpaid letters, perforated per each complete set .....       | .45      |         |
| Turkey 1867 unused 4 varieties.....                                    | 7.50     |         |
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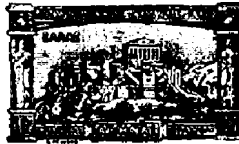
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|----------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|-----|
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| 50c Omaha .....            | .15 | 40 " " .....                | .06 |
| 2c Jackson B'lk .....      | .02 |                             |     |
| 10c yellow '69 (fair)..... | .30 | FOREIGN                     |     |
| 5c Franklyn '47 B'rn.....  | .35 | Venezuela 1900 10 50-1b.... | .10 |
| 60c In'l Ex orange.....    | .07 | Ecuador Jub 7 var .....     | .19 |
| 30c Due '95 cat 40.....    | .10 | Peru 9 var late .....       | .06 |
|                            |     | Servia 11 var cat 36 .....  | .11 |

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|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| US 50c Due Stps 1879                 | \$0 35 | \$2 50 | \$      | 200 var. Foreign                    | 15 00     |
| \$1, \$2 Gray Doc 1900..             | 01     | 03     | 12      | Mexico 1890 1 to 25c 9 var          | 04 35c    |
| 80c Doc bistre.....                  | 04     | 30     | 2 50    | " 1895 1 " 10c 8 " "                | 04 35c    |
| \$1, \$2 Grn blk Doc 1902            | 01     | 08     | 70      | " 1899 1 " 10c 5 " "                | 03 12c    |
| 50c Canada Jubilee ...               | 08     | 75     | 7 00    | " 30 varieties .....                | 15        |
| 10c " " .....                        | 05     | 45     | 4 00    | Colombia Republic .....             | 06        |
| 20c " 1892.....                      | 03     | 25     | 2 00    | Bolivia 7 var.....                  | 06        |
| \$4 " Jubilee....                    | 40     | 3 50   | 30 00   | Costa Rica 1884 1-5-10c cat         | 05 57c... |
| \$5 " " .....                        | 40     | 3 50   | 30 00   | U S Doc Rev \$3 brown uncut         | 05        |
| Hawaii 2c vermil 1864                | 08     | 70     | 6 00    | " " " 5 red " "                     | 10 60     |
| " 2c rose 1883...                    | 01     | 09     | 80      | " " " 10 black " "                  | 10 15     |
| Malta 1/2d yellow-buff               |        |        |         | " " " 10 gray cut .....             | 15        |
| wtmkd CC.....                        | 10     | 80     | 7 00    | " " " 5 " " .....                   | 03        |
| Cuba 10c Sp Del, org                 | 08     | 70     |         | " " " 3 " " .....                   | 02        |
| " 10c 1890.....                      | 07     | 60     | 5 00    | " " " 1 green & black cut           | 02        |
| " 20c 1891.....                      | 30     | 2 50   |         | present issue....                   | 02        |
| 1000 Foreign stamps .                | 10     | 90     |         | " " " 2 green & black cut           | 02        |
| 1000 US, about 50 vars               | 10     | 1 00   |         | present issue....                   | 14        |
| 1000 Japan mixed ....                | 12     | 1 20   |         | " " " 80c uncut.....                | 14        |
| 1000 Cubas mixed ....                | 50     | 5 00   |         | 1000 mixed U S 1851 to '99 about    | 15        |
| 1000 Foreign Revs....                | 1 50   |        |         | 50 var.....                         | 25        |
| 1000 San Salvador ....               | 2 00   |        |         | 1000 " " same but no 2c reds        | 4 00      |
| 1 Bolivar Venzla 1900 }              | 02     | 17     | 1.25    | Common U S per 100 lbs .....        | 12        |
| cat at 40c }                         |        |        |         | U S War Rev 1c to \$5 cut per 100   | 70        |
| 50c Ven'z'la 1900 cat 20c            | 02     | 15     | 1.00    | Fine mixture of Mexico per 1000.    | 3 00      |
| Japan sets 7 varieties               | 01     | 08     | 60      | " " " Peru " " .....                | 3 00      |
| or expressage                        |        |        |         | " " " Turkey " " .....              | 35        |
| Postage extra on all orders.         |        |        |         | " " " Canada " " .....              | 75        |
| 4 var Spec Delivery 1855 to 1900..\$ | 10     |        |         | " " " Russia " " .....              | 75        |
| 5 " Due Stamps 1 to 10c 1895...      | 04     |        |         | " " " Neth'lds " " .....            | 15        |
| 4 " 1862 U S 1-2-3-5c.....           | 30     |        |         | 50c Omaha each.....                 | 15        |
| 9 " Brazil .....                     | 05     |        |         | 1 Bolivar Venezuela 1900 unused     | 04        |
| 9 " Chili .....                      | 05     |        |         | cat 40c each.....                   | 02        |
| 9 " Peru .....                       | 05     |        |         | 50c Bolivar Venez un'd cat 20c ea   | 05        |
| 9 " Argentine .....                  | 05     |        |         | 25 Pesos Costa Rica Rev un'd each   | 30        |
| 9 " Turkey .....                     | 05     |        |         | 100 " " " " " "                     | 30        |
| 9 " Venezuela .....                  | 05     |        |         | 50 " Porto Rico " " " "             | 15        |
| 9 " Mexico.....                      | 05     |        |         | 15 " " " " " "                      | 10        |
| 9 " Ecuador.....                     | 05     |        |         | 10 " " " " " "                      | 15        |
| 15 " Canada .....                    | 05     |        |         | 10 var .....                        | 15        |
| 15 " Great Britain .....             | 05     |        |         | 10 " Costa Rica Rev unused ...      | 06        |
| 9 " Porto Rico.....                  | 05     |        |         | 1-2-4 peseta Cuba Telegraphs 6 var  | 15        |
| 9 " Cuba .....                       | 05     |        |         | 1p to 5sh Samon Express early re-   | 30        |
| 20 " Austria 1867 to 1900 .....      | 05     |        |         | prints not counterfeits per set.... | 16        |
| 5 " Cur'nt Gt Brit King's Head       | 08     |        |         | Cuba Telegraph 6 var per 100....    | 10        |
| 50 " U S Per 100 Packets.....        | 3 00   |        |         | 6c Navy dept each.....              | 20        |
| 100 " " " " .....                    | 10 00  |        |         | 1 Peso Chili each.....              | 6 00      |
| 150 " " " " .....                    | 35 00  |        |         | 1c Dan West Indies mauve un'd ea    | 6 00      |
|                                      |        |        |         | per 10,000.....                     | 6 50      |
|                                      |        |        |         | Continental per 100,000 .....       | 6 50      |

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| 15c brown For Ex.....    | 60c  | 25c |
| 6c black and orange..... | 1.00 | 55c |
| 60c " ".....             | 75c  | 40c |
| 60c " " blue.....        | 75c  | 35c |

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|                           |        |        |
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| 2c on 5c Argentine Rep    | \$3.50 | \$1.75 |
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| 8a Ea India 1865 Type 7   | 3.00   | 1.50   |
| 2p New Zealand 1872....   | 1.25   | .60    |
| 2p Queensland 1860-61..   | 2.50   | 1.25   |
| 1p St Christopher 1870 .. | .75    | .35    |
| 1sh Gt Britain 1880.....  | 1.50   | .75    |

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| 2c Bank Check, blue, imperforated (These)      | 2c            |
| 2c Certificate, blue,                          | (have) 10c    |
| 2c Express, blue,                              | (very) 15c    |
| 5c red,                                        | (fine) 20c    |
| 50c Original Process                           | (margins) 20c |
| Brunswick 1863 1/2 gr unused.....              | 8c            |
| 1865 1/2 gr .....                              | 9c            |
| 1865 1 gr .....                                | 1c            |
| 1865 2 gr .....                                | 4c            |
| Canada Jubilee 5c blue .....                   | 7c            |
| 1897 1/2c black .....                          | 1c            |
| 1897 1c green .....                            | 2c            |
| 1897 2c purple .....                           | 3c            |
| Lubeck 1859 4s green .....                     | 10c           |
| 1861 1/2s lilac .....                          | 12c           |
| 1863 1 1/2s .....                              | 17c           |
| Rhodesia 1891 1/2p .....                       | 2c            |
| 1891 1p .....                                  | 7c            |
| 1891 2p .....                                  | 5c            |
| 1891 4p .....                                  | 10c           |
| Switzerland 1862 3c black .....                | 5c            |
| Venezuela 1900 10c green .....                 | 3c            |
| 1900 50c orgn " (cat 30c).....                 | 8c            |
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| 1891 " " " .....                 | 1 00 35    |
| 1892 " " " .....                 | 1 00 35    |
| 1893 " " " .....                 | 1 00 40    |
| 1894 " " " .....                 | 1 00 40    |
| 1895 " " " .....                 | 60 20      |
| 1898 " " " .....                 | 20 07      |
| 1899 " " " .....                 | 20 10      |
| 1900 " " " .....                 | 20 07      |
| 1901 " " " .....                 | 20 07      |
| Set of 7 Ecuador unused Cat.     | 1 25 25    |
| U. S. 1869 1c Cat. ....          | 60 24      |
| U. S. 1869 2c " .....            | 12 .05     |
| U. S. 1869 6c " .....            | 60 28      |
| U. S. 1869 12 " .....            | 50 22      |

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| Hawaii 2c vermil 1864                | 08     | 70     | 6 00  | " " " 5 red                        | 10        |
| " 2c rose 1883                       | 01     | 09     | 80    | " " " 10 black                     | 60        |
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| wtmkd CC                             | 10     | 80     | 7 00  | " " " 5 " "                        | 03        |
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| " 10c 1890                           | 07     | 60     | 5 00  | " " " 1 green & black cut          | 02        |
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| cat at 40c                           |        |        |       | " " " Peru " "                     | 3 00      |
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| 9 " Chili                            |        |        | 05    | 25 Pesos Costa Rica Rev un'd each  | 05        |
| 9 " Peru                             |        |        | 05    | 100 " " " " " "                    | 30        |
| 9 " Argentine                        |        |        | 05    | 50 " Porto Rico " " " "            | 30        |
| 9 " Turkey                           |        |        | 05    | 15 " " " " " "                     | 15        |
| 9 " Venezuela                        |        |        | 05    | 10 " " " " " "                     | 10        |
| 9 " Mexico                           |        |        | 05    | 10 var " " " " " "                 | 15        |
| 9 " Ecuador                          |        |        | 05    | 10 " Costa Rica Rev unused         | 15        |
| 15 " Canada                          |        |        | 05    | 1-2-4 peseta Cuba Telegraphs 6 var | 06        |
| 15 " Great Britain                   |        |        | 05    | 1p to 5sh Samo Express early re-   |           |
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| 100 " " " " "                        |        |        | 10 00 | 5c 1891 and 15c 1896 Cuba unused   |           |
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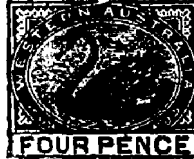
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|                                                                 |      |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------|---------|
| 2000 diff very fine cat                                         | \$80 | \$18.00 |
| 1000 " " " "                                                    | \$26 | 3.50    |
| 500 " " " and album                                             |      | 1.25    |
| 250 " " " a bargain                                             |      | .40     |
| 100 " " " good value                                            |      | .07     |
| 60 " U. S. a nice bargain                                       |      | .20     |
| 1000 finely mixed foreign                                       |      | .18     |
| 1000 " " U. S. '72 to date                                      |      | .12     |
| 1000 celebrated Faultless hinges                                |      | .08     |
| 10 blank app books (100 stamps)                                 |      | .10     |
| 50 " " sheets                                                   |      | .10     |
| 100 " " "                                                       |      | .10     |
| 1 millimetre scale, heavy cardboard                             |      | .06     |
| Dime album, bound in boards, with back and space for 600 stamps |      | .10     |

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## COMPETITION IMPOSSIBLE.

|                                 |        |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1000 Roumania 1893 1902 15 var. | 85c    |
| 10,000 " " " 15 "               | 8.00   |
| 50,000 " " " 15 "               | 35.00  |
| 100 " unpaid 1881   98 10 "     | \$1.00 |
| 500 " " " 10 "                  | 4.75   |
| 1000 " " " 10 "                 | 9.25   |

Cash with order. Wholesale exchange in better and high value stamps wanted I can give better kinds and common Roumanian and Bulgarian. Make offer or send parcel on approval all registered to **Jacques Wortman**

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Desirable stamps catalogueing 3c each and upwards will be sent on approval to all sending first class commercial references.

In Exchange for my stamps at catalogue I can use anything in the stamp line and give credit as follows:

For common mixed U. S. 10c per 1000  
For common mixed For'n 15c per 1000  
For better 1c stamps 10c to 50c per 100  
For stamps catal'g 2c to 5c each 1/2 cat  
For stamps catal'g over 5c each 2/3 cat

I can use up to 100 copies of each variety and will add 10 per cent to the above rates when stamps are sent sorted. All letters and packages must be fully prepaid. No damaged, off center, heavily cancelled, or torn stamps wanted at any price. Send for exchange circular.

If you have any stamps to sell quote lowest prices. I want 100 of each of the following stamps send at once in exchange or with your lowest cash price.

U. S 1870-71, 2c red brown, 1879, 6c pink, 1895, 2c carmine triangle I, and triangle II, 1895, 1c blue unused, 1901 1c green and black unused, 5c blue and black, Post Office 3c black Interior, 3c War 3c Envelopes 1899, 1c green amber p on buff, blue p, Wrappers 1874 80, 1c blue, 1899, 2c rose, P. O. Env., 1873, 3c black, Locals Nos. 2210, 2454, 2465, 2592, 2593, Rev. 10c Certificate, 10c Contract, 10c In Ex 50c, Conveyance, \$1 For. Ex., \$1 In. Ex., Proprietary 1878, 1c green, 2c brown 1898 Proprietary 1c green, 1 1/2 blue, 3 1/2 olive, Documentary 1900 \$1 gray, \$2 gray lightly cut

**CALVIN C. BRACKETT,**  
Lewiston, Maine.

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We positively must sell these stamps within thirty days To do this we have marked them at these remarkable low prices. It is an opportunity for both collector and dealer. We positively lose money on every stamp priced below that we sell. The prices speak for themselves, satisfaction guaranteed.

|                                                         | Cat<br>price | Our<br>price |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 10c U S 1847 .....                                      | \$ 3 50      | \$1 25       |
| 3c " 1870 reissue 2perf gone .....                      | 12 00        | 1 25         |
| 2c " 1869 unused.....                                   | 1 00         | 40           |
| 7c " 1873 " o g.....                                    | 6 00         | 2 00         |
| \$2 00" Columbian.....                                  | 1 75         | 80           |
| 1 00" " extrem fine                                     | 2 50         | 1 35         |
| 1 00" 1894 .....                                        | 1 25         | 45           |
| 3c Executive Dept.....                                  | 6 50         | 1 80         |
| 3c " " unused.....                                      | 6 50         | 2 00         |
| 7c Treasury " " 2 50                                    | 2 50         | 1 15         |
| 1c " Dep State unused.....                              | 2 50         | 90           |
| 10c " P O Dep gray paper unused.....                    | 2 00         | 75           |
| 24c " P O Dep gray paper unused.....                    | 5 00         | 1 75         |
| 30c " P O Dep.....                                      | 1 00         | 30           |
| 3c Play'g cds xtra fine copy                            | 6 00         | 2 25         |
| Canada 1852 6d.....                                     | 5 00         | 2 00         |
| " 1857 1/2d perf.....                                   | 7 50         | 2 00         |
| " " dang 3d perf und                                    | 10 00        | 80           |
| " '59-'64 " 17c und                                     | 2 50         | 65           |
| Brit Columbia 1861 2 1/2d.....                          | 5 00         | 1 25         |
| " " 1865 5c.....                                        | 4 00         | 1 25         |
| " " 1866 3d cli'pd                                      | 1 00         | 15           |
| " " 1868 2c.....                                        | 1 25         | 45           |
| " " 5c 3pf gone                                         | 5 00         | 1 10         |
| New Brunswick 1860 1c brn lilac damaged.....            | 1 50         | 20           |
| Nova Scotia 1851-53 1d und                              | 12 50        | 4 50         |
| " " 3d.....                                             | 2 00         | 80           |
| " " " dk grn und                                        | 15 00        | 2 00         |
| Philippine IIs '98 2pesos.....                          | 2 50         | 1 00         |
| Hawaii 1861 2c horizontally laid paper slightly damaged | 15 00        | 4 00         |
| Hawaii 1864 1c violet.....                              | 50           | 20           |
| " " 6c.....                                             | 60           | 20           |
| " 1882 2c unused.....                                   | 60           | 25           |
| Nevis " 1/2d.....                                       | 1 00         | 25           |
| Natal 1869 6d damaged.....                              | 1 00         | 20           |
| " 1876 1d car'e very fine                               | 2 50         | 1 00         |
| Virgin IIs 1866 1c unused.....                          | 1 75         | 60           |
| Victoria 1852 2d No 14.....                             | 1 25         | 50           |
| " 1860 3   s No 26 .....                                | 3 00         | 1 00         |
| " 1864 3   s No 58 .....                                | 1 00         | 45           |
| " 1850 3d blue Perf No 12 damaged.....                  | 11 00        | 1 25         |
| " 1857 2d lilac brown laid paper unused.....            | 1 00         | 1 00         |
| " 1867 1   s unwnkd                                     |              |              |

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------|
| No 107.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1 50                    | 35   |
| Tasmania 1856 1d carmine unused No 11.....                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1 00                    | 20   |
| Switzerland '55-62 1fr no 40                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1 00                    | 30   |
| Hon'kng 1876 10c on 12c blue                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 75                      | 25   |
| Newfoundnd 1867 1c violet                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1 50                    | 60   |
| " " 1c br lilac                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1 50                    | 60   |
| Poland only stamp.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 2 00                    | 60   |
| Malta '63 1/2d gold yel und                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 4 50                    | 1 00 |
| Antigua 1863 1d lilac rose                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1 75                    | 55   |
| " 1873 1d vermilion.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 2 50                    | 75   |
| Barbados 1861 1/2d no 13 corner gone.....                                                                                                                                                                                                | 1 00                    | 15   |
| Ceylon 1872 64c corner gone                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 50                      | 25   |
| " " 48c few perf.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 30                      | 5    |
| " 1885 28c on 48c.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 1 10                    | 35   |
| " " 5c on 64c und.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 6 00                    | 1 25 |
| Dominica 1879 6d creased.....                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 5 00                    | 1 00 |
| Tobago 1889 1   s pen mark                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 4 50                    | 40   |
| C of G H '68 1d on 1   s grn                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1 25                    | 50   |
| Cape " " 1d on 6d vio't                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 6 00                    | 1 75 |
| Dan W Ind '55 3c carm no                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 1 2 00                  | 75   |
| Denmark 1870 48 lilac brn.....                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2 50                    | 75   |
| Turks Island 1867 1d rose.....                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1 85                    | 35   |
| " " " 1   s no 3 5 00                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1 15                    | 1 15 |
| Trausvaal no 20 fine.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 3 00                    | 1 00 |
| " " 25.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 7 50                    | 2 25 |
| Prince Edward Island 1861 2d perf 9 corner gone.....                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2 50                    | 40   |
| Prince Ed Is '61 3d perf 9.....                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 7 00                    | 2 00 |
| " " " 6d " 9.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 5 00                    | 50   |
| damaged.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 5 00                    | 50   |
| Wurtemberg no 6.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 6 00                    | 1 00 |
| Gt Brit '72 3d rose unused.....                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1 50                    | 60   |
| " '80 2   s pale brwn                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 16 00                   | 5 00 |
| Ham'g Am Mail Co '76 10c 2                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 50                      | 50   |
| Curacao 1873 3c unused.....                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1 00                    | 20   |
| " " 2 1/2c grn no 1a                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 20                      | 20   |
| Heligold guar'd orig'ls no 7                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 60                      | 20   |
| " " " no 8                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1 25                    | 40   |
| " " " no 12                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 1 25                    | 40   |
| France '53-60 25c bl on bl'sh                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 75                      | 20   |
| " '81-92 unpd 2fr brn                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1 00                    | 20   |
| 1 lot of Canada, Newfoundland, N B, Bri Col and P E Isl, twenty-five stamps in lot, a few damaged, some unused, a great bargain                                                                                                          | Cat \$10 00 for \$2 50  |      |
| 1 block of 20 2c orange fish Newfoundland unused                                                                                                                                                                                         | for 70c                 |      |
| 1 approval book cat over \$10 for \$2 25                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                         |      |
| Another approval book mostly Canada and U S                                                                                                                                                                                              | Cat \$8 for \$2 00      |      |
| Still another all British Colonials some unused                                                                                                                                                                                          | Cat over \$6 for \$1 75 |      |
| Send your order at once, as many of above we have only one copy. Some are slightly damaged as specified, but every stamp above is a gilt edge investment at the prices. Postage extra under \$5, over \$5 postage and registration free. |                         |      |

### The British North American Stamp Co.,

319 Spadina Ave.,

Toronto,

Canada

# Bottom Prices

To prove the value of the WEST as an advertising medium we are going to offer some astonishing bargains this month. You will find everything offered in fine condition unless otherwise noted. We have a good stock of everything offered but would advise an early order at these prices. You know Scott's prices on these and will be sorry later if you miss this opportunity now. Always our guarantee "Money Back if not Satisfied".

|                              |     |     |                                |   |      |
|------------------------------|-----|-----|--------------------------------|---|------|
| Australia, 20 var            | -   | 6c  | *Malta '00 1 far.              | - | 10c  |
| Bolivia, '94 1 to 20c, 5 var | 5c  |     | Martinique '92 1 2 5 10c       | - | 50c  |
| Belgium, 8 var               | -   | 3c  | Netherlands '99 ½ 1 2 ½ 3      |   |      |
| Bavaria, 10 var              | -   | 5c  | 5 10 12 ½ 20c                  | - | 0.05 |
| Chile '00 - 50c brown        | -   | 9c  | *Nicaragua 78-80 1, 2, 10,     |   |      |
| " '01 - 30c orange           | -   | 7c  | 25c no gum                     | - | .15  |
| *Costa Rica, '89 1 to 50c 6  |     |     | *Nyassa 1897 10 var cat \$1.62 |   | .60  |
| var                          | -   | 5c  | *Paraguay 1887 15c orange      |   | .06  |
| Cuba, '99 1, 2 and 5c        | -   | 3c  | * " 1892 14c brown             |   | .05  |
| Dan W. I., '73 3c            | -   | 2c  | *Peru 10 var diff dates        | - | .17  |
| *Ecuador '96 Jubilee 7 var   | -   | 17c | Portugal, 1898 130r            | - | .04  |
| Gold Coast '84, 1s purple    | 5c  |     | Roumania, 1891 7 var           | - | .04  |
| Guatemala, 97 1 2 and 6      | -   | 4c  | Rhodesia 1896 1s blue & grn    |   | .09  |
| * " " 100 200 500c           | 27c |     | *Soudan 1898 1 to 5m           | - | .11  |
| " No. 55 a                   | -   | 40c | " " 10 pia                     | - | .30  |
| * " 1900 5c                  | -   | 12c | *Shanghai 1893 7 var           | - | .18  |
| *Hawaii 18 rose, no gum      | -   | 25c | * " " " unpaid                 |   | .20  |
| *Hayti '96 6 var             | -   | 25c | *Southern Nigeria ½d           | - | .02  |
| * " '98 2 and 5c             | -   | 6c  | *Servia 1894-96 1d blue grn    |   | .04  |
| Jamaica '00 Jubilee 1d       | -   | 1c  | Salvador 1867 ½ and 1r         |   | .06  |
| Labuan '96 25c 50c and 1d    | -   | 30c | *U. S. P. O. Dept. 1c black    |   | .17  |
| Labuan '97 18c               | -   | 4c  | U. S. 1896 unpaid 30 & 50c     |   | .35  |
| *Liberia, register Mon blk   | 7c  |     | *Venezuela Nos 136 137 139     |   | .14  |
|                              |     |     | and 140                        | - |      |

\* Unused. Postage extra. Imported English Reliable Hinges per 1000 10c. Our 50 var packet is a good one. We have a few wholesale lots which will be sent on approval. Give reference or send cash deposit. Send reference for our fifty per cent approval sheets.

**Security Stamp Co.,**  
 Post Office Box 706,  
 Galveston, Texas.

## August Bargains

We offer our patrons the following stamps for this month only.

1853 Envelope square die 4 10c green 1 buff paper. Cat \$4 only \$2.50  
 18 diff 1898 Revs Prop and Doc. Cat 40c only 20c  
 5 old entire envelopes Canada and Porto Rica 10c

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 200 unmounted and untuned photos of the Trans Mississippi Exposition. Any number carefully packed only one cent each.

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**New Century Stamp Co.,**  
 113-28th Ave.,  
 Seattle, Wash.

Send for approval sheets, foreign and U. S. Discount. Reference.

### ERRATA

Tiffin Stamp Stamp Co., Ohio, writes ad should be 100 blank approval sheets for 19c instead of 10c  
 G. Cramer Dry Plate Co.'s the Anchor brand is the one they refer to as the slower plate.

# Cut Down

The following prices will hold good until Sept. 15th ONLY.

|                                         | Cat pr. | Our pr. |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| U S 1851                                | \$.25   | \$.10   |
| U S 1900 1c to 10c 9 var                | .18     | .06     |
| Canada 1882 * 6c red Br                 | .35     | .15     |
| " 10c rose                              | .12     | .04     |
| " 1892 20c vermil                       | .12     | .04     |
| " 50c blue                              | .25     | .11     |
| " 1897 \$2 Jub                          | 1.50    | .55     |
| " 1898 10c br violet                    | .08     | .03     |
| Shanghai 1893 * 1/2c to 20c compl       | .51     | .20     |
| " 1893 * Unpaid compl                   | .74     | .33     |
| Ecuador 1896 * Jub compl                | 1.25    | .18     |
| Gold Coast 1884 1sh                     | .12     | .05     |
| Hawaii 1883 1c green                    | .06     | .02     |
| " 1893 * 6c green                       | .50     | .24     |
| " 1894 5c rose                          | .05     | .02     |
| Haiti 1898 15c-20c                      | .30     | .12     |
| Hong Kong 5 varieties                   | .22     | .09     |
| Mexico 1890 * 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 20, 25 | .40     | .12     |
| Newfoundland 1887 1c-3c                 | .07     | .03     |
| " 1880 * 3c blue                        | .50     | .22     |
| " 1898 1-2-3-5                          | .17     | .06     |
| Philippine * Scott No 81                | .20     | .08     |
| Phil. * Scott No 97                     | .30     | .12     |
| " " " 102                               | —       | .10     |
| " " " 102                               | .20     | .08     |
| " " " 107                               | .20     | .08     |
| " " " 108                               | .20     | .08     |
| " " " 409                               | .25     | .07     |
| Sets Settlement No 48                   | .08     | .04     |
| " " " No 76                             | .35     | .15     |
| Transvaal 1901 * " 204                  | .20     | .08     |
| Venezuela 1900 * 50c                    |         |         |
| " No 139                                | .20     | .04     |
| Venezuela 1900 * 1b No 140              | .40     | .07     |
| West Australia 1890 1p 2p 4p 1sh        | .25     | .11     |
| " 1895 * 1/2 on 3 No 71                 | .50     | .24     |
| 150 var foreign (All Postage)           | 2.00    | .20     |

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## Miller's Stamp Co.,

P. O. Box 2264  
 San Francisco, - - Calif.

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|                    |    |
|--------------------|----|
| 1902 ½d King o. g. | 03 |
| " 1d " "           | 04 |
| " 2d " "           | 07 |
| " 2½d " "          | 09 |

### This Month's Special

|                    |    |
|--------------------|----|
| Scott's            |    |
| 69 1861, 12c black | 18 |
| 70 " 24c red lilac | 45 |
| 71 " 30c orange    | 22 |

Postage extra.

We send out approval sheets to responsible parties. Send for some British Colonies King's and Queen's heads.

**UNION STAMP CO.,**  
Back Bay.,  
Boston, Mass.

## MECCA BARGAINS

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| 50 varieties unused stamps | 25c |
| 200 " Foreign              | 20c |
| 30 " U. States             | 10c |
| 60 " "                     | 25c |

### F. S. Parmalee

Of our firm will be at the P. S. of A. meet in Denver, Aug. 7th and 8th with some books of choice stamps.

"Some extra fine "Hot Weather" bargains on our sheets now, better send for a selection.

Reference is necessary.

**MECCA STAMP CO.,**  
105 S. 15th St.,  
Omaha, Neb.

## "Omega"

To Dealers:—

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Sample lots 10,000 for 35c. U. S. stamps or coin.

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Packet of 40 varieties all unused from Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea, Macao, St. Thomas and Prince Islands and Timor. Catalogue value over \$3.00. My price while they last only \$1.25.

Fine approvals at 50 per cent that will please you. Your patronage will be appreciated.

**WILLIAM H. HUSH,**  
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Baltimore, Md.

## SUMMER PRICES

|                                                           |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Great Britain 1901 King Edward, 7 var                     | ..... |
| Germany 1900, 9 var                                       | ..... |
| Spain 1900, 6 var                                         | ..... |
| France 1902, 9 var                                        | ..... |
| Pan American 1 to 10c, fine, per set                      | ..... |
| 25 var U. S.                                              | ..... |
| These six sets of sixty-two var postpaid for only         | ..... |
| U. S. Revenues, 1898-1900—½ to \$1 uncut, 14 var for only | ..... |
| cut. These 7 dollar values postpaid for only              | ..... |
| Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded.                | ..... |
| Ref. Publisher of this paper.                             | ..... |

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Before another number of the WEST appears, the 1902 national conventions will have passed into history. Less political maneuvering is noticed this year, and this is well. Let the office seek the man.

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A correspondent of the Stamp Collectors Fortnightly (England) offers some suggestions for the delinquent society exchange department accounts

that are valuable.

"If a fine of one shilling a day were imposed upon the member who did not pay his account within ten days after due—the fine to commence on the 11th day and to continue until the amount was paid the payments would be very prompt."

Modified to conform with the practices of American societies this rule would be a good one for the exchange or sale superintendents to put into



effect and enforce.

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The Occidental and Oriental Trading Company of Yokohama, in a recent letter write as follows:

"If you have not as yet secured the Japanese stamps surcharged Korean P. O. would advise your picking all of these stamps up that you can at even catalogue prices. The P. O. has been closed and there are less than 1000 sets procurable, and we have about the largest stock in the Orient. We have offered Scott to take all they had at catalogue price, but they do not seem to have them in stock.

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Mr. John Resuggan, a valued correspondent in Avoca, Victoria, sends us the following clipping from an Australian paper:

TO THE EDITOR OF THE ARGUS.

Sir:—If your correspondents who are so irate over their postage stamps losing their gum, and dropping off their letters in transit, will be sensible enough to lick the envelope instead of the stamp they will find it stick like a limpet. Yours &c., R. G. B.

South Yarra, May 6.

Mr. Resuggan says that he receives numerous letters from American correspondents lacking the necessary stamp. Perhaps this is not always the fault of the gum, either.

We are inclined to think that the application of the tongue to some envelopes would have such a disastrous effect on that sensitive organ that a speedy return to the "lick the stamp" method would be in order.

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U. S. envelopes seem to be regarded as "poor stuff" by dealers who are advertising them at alarming discounts, it apparently being deemed desirable to be rid of them at any price. One prominent dealer recently remarked that he

would be most happy to dispose of his holdings at 75 per cent off catalogue. Under these conditions any collector with a small amount of ready cash and a considerable amount of courage can form a remarkably good collection at a nominal cost. We have no doubt that some day envelope collecting will again become popular, and while purchase under present prices may not be as profitable as investments along other lines, there is no danger of loss.

A good collection of cut square envelopes would seem to have many attractive points. From a technical stand point, they are just as admissable to the album as adhesives, being official issues for postal uses. Collected entire, the great difficulty of mounting is encountered, and this and their great bulk is sufficient to discourage in many instances. No argument will overcome this objection, to be sure.

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### An Appeal to Reason

The Philatelic Sons of America, once a flourishing organization, the premier society for the young element, is now, to force the expression, a mere shadow of its former self. Internecine official strife has been the baneful force that we must hold accountable for this unfortunate condition. From an influential organization of one thousand members or more, this incessant wrangling and jangling has reduced the membership to three hundred or less—just how many no one seems to know at present.

Many of the members have been led to wonder whether the Philatelic Sons of America is a society for the benefit of its members or whether it is for the sole purpose of gratifying the personal ambitions of its officers and serving as a medium for the disgraceful exhibition of their personal likes and dislikes, so tainted with prejudice as to make them ridiculous, if nothing more.

It is not our purpose to go further and

criticise directly those who may be considered the culprits or laud those who may be thought to be deserving of praise. We write this in an unprejudiced spirit, and do not undertake to pronounce judgement. Our remarks are simply an "appeal to reason".

Will this censurable official strife continue, or will the incoming board of directors, whoever they may be, resolve to act in unity for the rehabilitating of the society? This is the question the members are going to ask the new officers. It may be well for them to remember that by electing them to the directorship, the members have deemed them worthy of confidence. It is expected that they will prove themselves by their official acts worthy of this confidence.

Let us bury the hatchet, putting aside personal dislikes, and all labor enthusiastically and harmoniously for success.

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The new McKinley postal card is out at last. The public may consider itself amply recompensed for the tardiness of the issue by the very artistic card the department has produced. The legend "The above space is reserved for postmark" is a decided innovation; in fact, the entire design is novel.

D. T. Eaton, Muscatine, Ia., sends the first card we have seen.

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We emulate our brother editors by acknowledging receipt of the neat appearing brochure "How I made a fortune in Pan American Stamps" by F. N. Davis of Brooklyn, N. Y.

## Notes for U. S. Collectors

By E. R. ALDRICH

A correspondent in Florida asks about an envelope with the stamp so placed as to be "on the bias" in the corner relative to the value and the editor of the WEST has kindly passed the communication along to me. As such envelopes bring from 25c to a dollar as they may please the fancy of the crowd present. I have one almost the same as described of two-cent green issue which cost me

thirty cents in trade.

In spite of what the majority of dealers have to say the precancelled stamp seems to be here to stay. While some of the dealers are undoubtedly honest in their conviction that it is too near akin to postmark collecting, yet I fear many if they were able to supply specimens would as gladly do so as to handle colonial cancellations on English stamps, and similar specimens where the postmark really determines the monetary value of the stamp. The leading papers have recently devoted considerable space to the new branch and it will be useless to deride the hobby. In fact while not really valuable in the sense that most specimens are, they are harder to secure an immaculate set. Indeed, the pursuit of this from our hobby is more like collecting in the early days of philately when the collector secured his specimens by exchange with his fellow philatelist, with no guiding of catalogs but with a true philatelic love of the hobby without tinge of commercialism.

## COUNTERFEITS

(Continued from last number)

6d Virgin Islands.

The background around the figure on the original consists of five wavy lines, so closely arranged that the figure stands out from a comparative darker background, while the lamps here also resemble white spots and their upper lines are discernible only on closer observation. On the forgery the wavy lines are so exceedingly thin that the background is apparently much lighter than the figure, while every line of lamps stands out distinctly. In the ornamental labels at each side the character of the fine earthwork on the original is entirely lost, so that on the forgery, while the general pattern of the original is retained, the general effect much resembles a trelliswork made of lath. Both inscriptions are in very coarse letters, much too thick and clumsy, so that apparently all the letters are too close together, especially in the word pence. Both these forgeries are "cancelled" with an imaginary "gridiron" postmark the like of which I have never seen on a Virgin Islands stamp. The postmark used for the earlier issues was A91 and stamps are usually found cancelled with this number.

(To be continued.)



Papers desiring an impartial review on the lines of those below are requested to send a copy of each issue to the address below. Foreign papers are especially desired.

Auslaendische Fachzeitungen sind hoflich gebeten ein Tauschexemplar an den Unterzeichneten zu senden.

Tous les Journaux philateliques sont pries de envoyer un exemplaire en echange a l'adresse soussonnee.

Deseamos recibir ejemplares de cambio de las publicaciones filateliclas extranjeras a la adresa ensiguiente.

R. R. THIELE.  
Box 149, Manchester, Wis., U. S. A.

Send American papers to Editor E. H. Wilkinson, Suite 101 Stanford Circle, Omaha, Neb

Filatelia, the other paper hailing from Buenos Aires, brings an illustration of a rarity hitherto unknown; it is the 1 peso blue and black of the present Argentine issue, but with inverted center. Only one copy is known, although there must be 24 others, as the sheet contains 25 stamps. This copy has been used on a package and was found at Posadas, Misiones Territory. No trace of the others has yet been found and Argentine collectors are all agog as to the value of this so far unique specimen.

In No. 260 of the *Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste* M. Maury brings the continuation of his article on the inscriptions and emblems of the stamps of the far east, this time dealing with those of Japan. I quote the following:

"The Sun. It is from the sun that Japan takes its name: the ancient Chinese called it Ni (the sun) and pon (source) because they supposed that the sun each morning came from the islands which lie to the east of their country. It is by a mispronunciation that Europeans have made from 'Nipon' the word 'Japan.' The rising sun which figures on the stamps of 1877-79 is shaded vertically,

"either accidentally or because the engraver was informed of the heraldic conventions of Europe which thus indicate red (gules.) This red disk on white ground constitutes, as is well known, the national flag of Japan.

"The wagtail. This graceful bird (it does not occur in America), called sekire-i in Japanese recalls on the 15 sen of 1875 one of the oldest legends of the country. The god under whose auspices the destinies of Japan developed amused himself in heaven with pouring sand into the sea. He thus created islands, large and small, at random. Satisfied with his work, he resolved to utilize it. Vegetation grew abundantly, animals of all kinds abounded. At last he placed thereon a man and a woman who remained innocent and had no progeny. This was contrary to the intentions of the god and therefore he sent them the wagtail. This graceful bird played about the same role as the serpent in Paradise.

"The Crane. The crane in the far east is an emblem of long life; it is supposed to live a thousand years. On this account it figures on the stamp issued in 1894 for the silver wedding of the Mikado.

"The Paulownia Imperialis. The paulownia is a tree which grows chiefly on the arid hills of Japan. Its leaves are broad and hairy; its flowers grouped in pyramidal bunches, are pale violet blue. This tree is much honored in Japan because of its historical traditions. Three leaves of the Kiri (paulownia) surmounted by three groups of flowers, as on the 1 sen of 1876-77, form the emblem of the celebrated hero Taiko Sama. The natural branch of the paulownia, as on the 1 sen of 1872 (Scott No. 10, the branch at the left) became the emblem of the taikuns.

De Postzegelgids in its June number begins a comprehensive article on the stamps of the Seychelles. The author avers that he has not been able, despite minute investigation, to find the two types of the first issue which have been described in various papers. He inclines to think that they are caused by overlooking poor impressions and the like. The surcharges of 1893 were caused by a change in the postal rates; numerous errors are noted beyond those mentioned in the catalogues. The variety of the 3c on 4 cents without "cents" (Scott No 9c) was caused by a curious mishap to the printing form. On some sheets of this value the last five rows of the surcharge slipped down somewhat towards the right so that the surcharges followed something like this from left to right:

|       |       |       |       |       |   |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| 3     |       |       |       |       |   |
| cents | 3     |       |       |       |   |
|       | cents | 3     |       |       |   |
|       |       | cents | 3     |       |   |
|       |       |       | cents | 3     |   |
|       |       |       |       | cents | 3 |

Thus the last three stamps of the first of these five rows have only the figure 3; the word "cents" is on the upper part of the stamp beneath and all the stamps below these three have "cents" above and the figure below.

The Postzegelgids reprints Mr. Nast's late eloquent plea for the collection of revenue stamps.

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Madrid Filatelico in its No 64 concludes its concise articles on the stamps of Belgium. The supplement forming a new standard work on the stamps of Spain, is now up to page 120, dealing with the issue of 1870. It bids fair to be a highly valuable work.

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La Revue Philatelique Francaise in its No 136 devotes considerable space to re-

printing the various articles which have lately appeared in the American and British press on the subject of describing counterfeits in the press. No decision is as yet given by our French colleague and I shall be curious to see which side it takes.

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The June number of Der Philatelist contains little of general interest beyond the account of the silver jubilee of the Dresden society which took place on May 24th, 25th, 26th and 27th. Everything was lovely and the goose hung away up high at Dresden during these days; they know how to jubilee over in the Fatherland.

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The June number of the Schweizer Briefmarkenzeitung takes up the question of secret marks on the stamps of France about which so much ink has already been spilled in the French papers. The author of the article assumes the existence of these secret marks and points out some varieties which may perhaps fall under this head as follows:

1. On the earlier issues the background around the head is often shaded instead of solid; the same is true of the lower labels.

2. There are variations in the six dots of the lower label between figures and words; sometimes some are missing.

3. Some letters and figures are often broken or disfigured by added dots in a peculiar manner, like a dot exactly in the center of the O.

4. A fine vertical line is often found here or there in the upper or lower labels which does not seem to be accidental.

5. A part of the frameline on the 20c blue is often thick, the rest thin.

6. Stamps often show a double

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frame line on one side instead of a single one.

7. Stamps are not always of the same size, even on the same sheet; some are as much as 1½ or 2mm taller than others.

8. The numerous tete-beche varieties can hardly be merely accidental.

Here is a good chance for individual research and interesting discoveries.

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In No. 2 of the *Nederlandsch Tijdschrift voor Postzegelkunde* an interesting letter is printed from a friend of the editor who happened to visit Djibouti; shortly after the late crop of provisionals had been produced. As his experiences are very illustrative of the ways of the French Colonial postmasters, I quote somewhat from the letter. He went to the postoffice, a mile out of town, as soon as day broke. Here, he relates, "we were received by "the postmaster, a young man, who "met us very pleasantly. He willingly "gave all information for which I "asked him, but when I wanted some "copies of the provisionals, whose "existence I asserted, he naively "answered that he was forbidden to "sell any to the public. He was very "sorry not to be able to accede to my "wishes, but, he added, if I had any "letters to send that HAD to be stamped "with the provisionals, he should be "pleased to stick some on. Then he "told me that he had sets of stamps "ready made for sale to the public, "composed as follows:

15c, 20c, 25c and 1 fr of Obock

30c, 50c and 2 fr of Djibouti

5 on 75, 10 on 1 fr and 40 on 2 fr of Djibouti

"They cost 4 fr 95c, but he could sell "only one set to each person, either "used or unused. I took one and had "my friend buy one also. The 75 on "5 fr could not be obtained. However

"much I begged and cajoled, it did no "good; I received as answer: "This "value is all sold out, but if you want "any, you can get them from Mr. X "at Djibouti, who has some, but sells "them dearly." I thus left this "curious postoffice, but wanted to "know the quantities printed. The "postmaster told me that there had "been printed:

5 on 75c, 18,000.

10 on 1 fr, 8,000

40 on 2 fr, 6,000

75 on 5 fr, 1,600

"You can imagine that I hurried to "Mr. X but here is what I was "answered: "Monsieur does not yet "sell them, he is waiting for the Pari- "sian market!!!"

If anyone feels like investing heavily in these labels after this information, it is his own affair.

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Le *Timbrophile Belge* in its July number continues its translation of Mr. Luff's exhaustive article on the Hawaiian numeral stamps, but there is no need of quoting this, as it appeared in the *American Journal of Philately*.

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As it has become the fashion for various papers to publish important works in instalments by monthly supplements, our colleague in Barcelona, *El Filatelico Esponol*, has fallen into line with the publication and distribution in parts of an important work on the postal cards of Spain—an intricate subject in the early issues.

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For once the *Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina* has almost nothing but translations in its May number—an unusual occurrence in this high-grade paper, usually so rich in original matter.

CHIPS  
By E. R. STEINBRUECK.

There are two decidedly different prints of the two-cent U. S. envelope stamps of present issue. The one shows a normal curve under the nose to the upper lip while the other is cut deeply and causes the nose to appear bigger and the upper lip protrude. I have an unused specimen of the second type with a red band across the quene. There may be other differences and varieties, which I suppose are due to a poor die.

Among a lot of stamps sent to me by a "first-cousin" of mine from Canada, I found a three cent one, type A22 Scott's. All the difference is the color. Instead of rose vermillion, carmine red or any reddish shade or tint, it is of a dark yellow brown similar to the color of the 6 cent Jubilee. I am exceedingly sorry to find just this very rare stamp damaged—one corner off. Do you think it is worthless therefore? Oh no, not for the philatelist. It may be so for the speculator or dealer, or stamp monger.

I got a blue 25 cents Dyla—Skaguay stamp unused about the size of the Columbians. It shows in a half circle on top the reading McGreelys Express and in the bottom horizontally the name Dyla—Skaguay. The picture shows the snow-peaks of Alaska and a man driving a team of six dogs dragging a loaded sledge. The stamp is guaranteed genuine and no doubt its mates have been used in actual local service forwarding mails to the outposts of civilization. The price of 25 cents for a letter is just normal to Klondyke conceptions.

"Original gum" is a nuisance. Many a good stamp got spoiled in the

society of o. g. A philatelist needs not be a connoisseur of gum. That knowledge belongs to the virtues of an expert varnish manufacturer, for inst. Gleason & Co. in Cleveland, O. Artificial o. g. is to be bought now from fraud promoters anyhow, as easily as fraudulent postmarks and stamps cancelled to order or accommodation.

Condition, gum, blocks and all that sort of stuff in one scale. Shades, watermarks, paper, postmarks, types in the other scale.

I wonder which scale will outweigh the other in the eyes of the philatelist.

Philatelists ought not gradually slide down hill into the conceptions and desires of a stamp speculator.

I have managed to obtain quite a number of 1, 2, 3 and 5 mark Germany 1900 issue, as well as whole sets of the Pfenning denomination. I am informed that this whole issue is very much in demand all around even in Germany where dealers could not lay up a sufficient supply on account of the sudden change. The 3 and 5 mark are very rare in Germany. The plates are destroyed. The surplus of the 1900 stamp is withdrawn and the use of that issue is prohibited. The 3 and 5 mark mostly were used for valuable postmatter to the outland and the demand for used copies is so great that the prices paid by dealers double more than catalogue quotation.

There are two different types of the 2 mark Germany 1902. The one more common has the inscription below: "Seid Einig, Einig, Einig," in Roman letters and the other, very rare, the first issue has these words in Gothic letters.

There are also two decidedly different types of the 3 mark 1900 Germany. The one shows the picture 33½ x 22mm, the other 34 x 21½ mm and there are two different shades black and deep dark lilac of the former size.

## Jottings from Old England

By Regular Correspondent.

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I have refrained from stuffing this column with Coronation notes, and I am not going to depart from the plan now even in the face of late developments. I suppose my readers read the daily papers, and will avoid repetition here of what they are already aware of long before these notes reach them. But I will take room to say Long live the King!

A Manchester firm advertises "Gorilla" packets, and illustrates their advertisement with cuts of this animal. The packet is said to contain as a leader, four different Borneo and Labuan with gorilla designs

The increasing shortness of what is known as the "summer season" is noticeable in London auction market. One sale occurs as late as July 8th and one particular sale held July 2nd was unusually successful. The attendance and receipts being noteworthy for any time of the year.

The many American friends of the well known firm of Smyth & Nicolle, Sydney, N.S.W. will doubtless be surprised to learn that they have dissolved partnership.

It may interest the WEST'S postmark readers to hear of the collection of Mr. G. Mackey of Birmingham. Mr. Mackey has succeeded in securing a specimen of the 1 penny black for each day in the first year of use, May 6, 1840 to May 5, 1841. That is to say, copies bearing dated postmarks for each day of that year.

Philatelic journalism is thriving in England apparently. Several new

ones announced, among them the "I.P. R." monthly and another "Philatelic Monthly Advertiser."

Anyone who likes puzzle pictures can find opportunity to pursue this pastime by looking for the lady on the current British postage stamps. The high lights on the head towards the left form a female figure, the flowing drapery being represented by a part of the King's beard.

## From Our Foreign Friends

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Mr. L. H.J. Walker writes from Natal as follows:

"Telegraph stamps here are running low. The authorities are waiting for the new stamps.

Postage stamps in three penny and six penny Queen's Head are out of issue and it is again a case of wait. The authorities may go in for a surcharge—but are trying to avoid it.

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Mr. John Resuggan, of Avoca, Victoria writes and sends clipping from Avoca Argus anent "Frank Stamps", which correspond to our penalty envelopes. We cull the following from the clipping:

"Inquiry respecting the frank stamp system reveals a most extraordinary state of things. In all the states the public departments have been permitted to frank their correspondence by impressing the envelopes with a circular stamp, setting forth the name of the department responsible. So generous have the states been that the Presidents and Speakers of the local Legislatures have also been given frank rubber stamps. The rubber stamps appear to have been placed in a "free, easy and accessible" position, and unscrupulous persons have not hesitated to take advantage of this absence of supervision over their use.

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Victoria is not singular in this respect. In all the other states the Postal departments have had similar experiences. The free service rendered the public departments have been calculated to represent a value of nearly a quarter of a million of revenue. When the Postal Rates Bill is passed, Senator Drake will be able to abolish the franking system altogether, or put it on a basis which will prevent abuse. In all probability stamped envelopes only will be issued to the different federal and state departments. A check upon the number used will thus be established."

Mr. Resuggan writes: "It is no wonder that the postal department of this state cannot pay its way and that owing to always having a deficit, it will not, for instance, join the Imperial penny postage union along with New Zealand."

"I notice a lot of dealers here are very anxious to purchase the used current Victoria issue over 2 penny. They offer as much as 1 shilling 6 pence to 6 shillings per dozen, cash. I counted 6 advertisements in the Argus recently.

I notice in collecting that any values over 2 penny are extremely hard to get. It is quite possible that dealers may have got wind of an early change in our stamp issue and are buying accordingly. I can get 4 pence per dozen cash for the 2½ penny stamps same as on the envelope enclosing these notes.

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## Notes From The Continent

By J. C. Auf Der Heide, S. H. D.  
AMSTERDAM. HOLLAND.

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Dear readers of the WEST: Mr. Publisher asks me to contribute something to the WEST each month about things that happen in Europe and which may be of interest both to stamp collectors and dealers

Now I want to say that my native

tongue is the Dutch language and I never was in England or America so I may happen to make mistakes in my English, which I hope you will be so kind as to forgive.

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The Russian government is going to issue a special set of stamps to commemorate the two hundredth anniversary of St. Petersburg, nowadays the capital of Russia, by Peter the Great. As the stamps of this country always have had a neat appearance, we may expect that the coming issue also will be neatly engraved and printed and bring some new collectors to our ranks.

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A new stamp has made its appearance in our Indies (Dutch Indies). No more 2½c being in stock, the 3 cent lilac was surcharged 2½c in big figures. I think this stamp will become very rare, for every day we expect a new series of stamps in all the Dutch Colonies.

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11000 kilogrammes of German stamps with the inscription "Reichspost" have recently been current in Berlin. The face value of these stamps was about eight hundred thousand dollars.

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Stanley Gibbons, the well known London firm, had a loss of about \$15,000 by a fire, which occurred at their printer's, Brendon & Son, of Plymouth, May 22nd.

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A wellknown German dealer, Mr. Robert Backer, of Cassel died recently. His wife will continue the business formerly done by her husband.

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Stamp business is going on very pretty in this country, although we are in the midst of the summer. Auctions take place just as in the winter and no dealer here feels the warm weather in his purse.



**The Stamps of Roumania.**

Authorized Translation from the  
French of Count d' Assche in  
"Le Philatelite Francais"  
BY R. R. THIELE.

B. MELDO-WALLACHIA.

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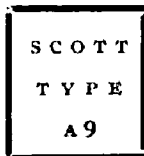
- 5 The twelfth pearl to the left counting from the pearl placed between the A and N of Bani is joined by a dash to the white line surrounding the circle.
- 6 A small dot in the left leg of the first A in Romana.
- 7 A notch in the outer line of the frame between the upper label and the rosettes at the right.
- 8 The two lower extremities of the rosette in the left lower corner are united by a white line.

NOTE OF THE TRANSLATOR

(These stamps were made at the Government printing office at Bucarest; they were lithographed in sheets of 100, but the sheets were not arranged 10x10 but in 6 rows of 15 each [=90 stamps] and a 7th row of 10 stamps, 5 stamps at the right hand end of this lower row being left out. The catalogues in general do not make any distinction between the two types of the 2 bani; I cannot now state how often the two varieties occur on the sheet. It may be well to note, by the way, that the pearly circle on the 2 bani is composed of 73 pearls, on the two other values of only 69 pearls. Most of the minor varieties above enumerated are such as will occur in lithographic printing; some, like that given under No. 3 of the 4 bani, were corrected on the stone in later printings. The 3 bani value placed with this issue by Scott's catalogue as No. 34 was not issued until 1870 and will be dealt with farther on. The eight varieties given under the values above recur in each block of

eight; it is thus possible to place any stamp of the sheet at least as regards its position in the original transfer of 8. The darker shades of these stamps might be listed as a separate issue, as the stamps were purposely printed in darker, more decided colors towards the end of 1868. The paper of these later printings was often yellowish instead of pure white; perhaps this was caused by the action of the gum upon the paper. Some minor varieties are peculiar to the later printings, other than those above mentioned; perhaps the most noticeable in one of the 2 bani, on which the P of Posta is broken so that the word reads Fosta.

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Effigy of Prince Charles I. to the left; at the top in a label the value, at bottom Bani, at the left Posta, at the right Romana in curved bands; lithographed in color on

wove paper.

A. On white wove paper.

53. 5 bani yellow (Scott No. 37)
54. 10 " blue, indigo, ultramarine (Scott No. 38-39)
55. 15 bani vermilion, carmine (Scott No 40)
56. 25 bani frame yellow or orange, center light or dark blue (Scott No 41 and 41 a)
97. 50 bani, frame light or dark blue, center light or dark red (No 42&42a)

VARIETIES.

- 58 5 bani, perf. 12½
- 59 15 " " 12½
- 60 15 " with N in Cincis inverted.
- 61 25 " with I in Douedeci too long.
- 62 50 " with center printed twice (Scott No 42 b)

B. On yellowish wove paper.

- 63 10 bani, indigo blue (not listed by Scott).
- 64 15 bani, vermilion (Scott No 40 c)

C. On white laid paper.

- 65 5 bani, yellow (not listed by Scott)
- The atamps are grouped in blocks of four in one row only:

1 2 3 4

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## St. Louis Notes.

By A. L. Wissmann

Matters philatelic are very quiet hereabouts at the present time, dealers are not doing much business, but, thanks to the cool weather which has prevailed here lately they are still in good humor, and are overhauling their stocks before taking their vacation.



There are still many people to be found who know little or nothing about stamp collecting. While in a prominent merchants office last week, the writer was talking to one of the salesman. Being desirous to know the salesman's ideas regarding stamps I picked up a pamphlet, sent over by a manufacturer in Holland, which lay on the merchants desk, and pointing to the stamp on the cover asked the salesman if he had ever before seen the new issue of the stamps of the Netherlands, after giving a negative reply he went on to say that there were some people who were "crazy" to get all the old stamps they could. He further remarked that he could not see any sense therein, etc. etc. When he had finished I gave him some good reasons why people collected stamps, told him some things about stamp collecting which really surprised him, and when we parted he was more favorably inclined toward stamp collecting than he had ever been.



Under the caption "In a few lines" McKeels Weekly in a recent issue says that "stamp collecting is also a good exercise for strengthening the memory. Perhaps no pursuit demands a more thorough knowledge of detail unless it be the hardware business". Well if that is true then honors are easy for the writer knows of at least two stamp collectors here who are also employed in

hardware houses, and perhaps more could be found if we had time to probe the matter to the bottom.



The Century Stamp Club at its last meeting decided to adjourn till summer's heat is over and will resume its meetings in September. In the meantime the members will overhaul their duplicates remount them and have everything in readiness in anticipation of some lively trade next fall.



It was announced in a local paper the other day that a new Surety Company was in process of formation and would be composed of some of the foremost business men of St. Louis. Among the names mentioned was Mr. H. A. Diamant who gives his attention exclusively to the interests of the St. Louis Commission Co., but who several years ago did a large philatelic business under the name of Eureka Stamp Co.



St. Louis has succeeded by the aid of its efficient postmaster, and with the help of the powers that be in Washington in securing an appropriation for a new Post Office Building which is to be located near the Union Station so as to facilitate the handling of the mails.



Mr. Chas. Wendemuth, one of our bright and progressive collectors, will take an extended tour during his vacation in July, and combine business with pleasure.

One of A. Herbert's ad hints:

Don't expect an ad to pay  
If written any old way.

Don't be a jay,

And stay

Away

After May,

If you want to win

Always go in

And you'll get the tin.

# *A* **Entre Nous** *so* *»* **FOR DEALERS ONLY** *»*

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There is a trade in summer as well as in the fall or spring—not so much of it, to be sure, but trade there is. If there is not so much then there is so much the greater reason why dealers should advertise to catch what is going.

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The large amount of ad space carried in the WEST this summer justifies us in asserting that the WEST is a prime hot weather “puller.”

●●  
Read what the Grayson Stamp Co., an enterprising young firm of Sherman Texas, have to say!

“The WEST is a fine ad medium. We have had splendid results.”

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The bombastic circulation claims indulged in by some publishers are not nearly as substantial as unsolicited compliments like the above.

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Printers Ink says: “Three things are necessary in an advertisement in order to make it “pull.” The first essential is that it shall contain some line, or lines, that shall arrest the attention. Secondly, it must have matter in it that will hold the attention. Thirdly, it must give assurance of something that will be to the advantage of him who reads.”

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And “fourthly,” the medium chosen should be the WEST.

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“We have recommended the WEST to lots of dealers who ask for a good paper.” This from the Marks Stamp Co., the well known wholesalers of Toronto.

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Their recommendation is based on their own experience, and is valuable.

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Would you like to discuss the matter with us?

## Alarming News.

Mekeel's Stamp Collector

The surcharge is the weak point of philately. While it is practically impossible to make an imitation of a stamp that could escape almost immediate detection at the hands of any expert, a surcharge may come so close to the original that the question of its genuineness becomes a matter of opinion rather than a statement of fact.

## Not Mercenary.

Weekly Philatelic Era

A well-known Chicago handler of the current revenue stamps called at all the offices of the brokers on the Board of Trade with the intention of purchasing their documents with the cancelled revenue stamps attached. He met with refusal in every instance but two, the heads of the various firms stating that it was their intention to destroy the documents and declining to sell, even at a good figure.

**A Method of Keeping Duplicates.**  
By CHAS. J. FISHER

Duplicates! Every collector has duplicates. From the philatelist with a collection worth a fortune down to the school boy with a 25 cent album and a collection valued at very little more.

Various are the methods of keeping duplicates. Some are convenient and systematic but the majority are clumsy.

Among beginners cigar and small paste board boxes are the most common receptacles. Many collectors use envelopes each one containing the stamps of a country. While with the more advanced collector, the stock book, such as stamp dealers employ, is largely used.

The system which I now use consists

ets were cut  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches long by  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch wide.

To serve as guides in pasting on the pockets and folding the ends, the cards should be ruled with two vertical and three horizontal lines. (By gauging distance with the eye the three horizontal lines may be dispensed with, leaving only the two vertical lines to be ruled.)

The horizontal lines are placed  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch apart, commencing from the bottom. The vertical lines  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch from each end.

By driving nails into a board, the proper distance apart to serve as rests for a rule or other straight edge, the cards may be quickly ruled with a pencil.

The easiest way of pasting the edges of the pockets is by laying them one on top of another, leaving about  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch of each pocket exposed, then applying the paste to these exposed edges. A piece of paper should be laid on the top pocket to protect it from being pasted all over. In this manner four pockets may be pasted at one.

By experience, I have found that cooked flour paste, evenly applied, (and not too much nor too little) is better than most mucilage.

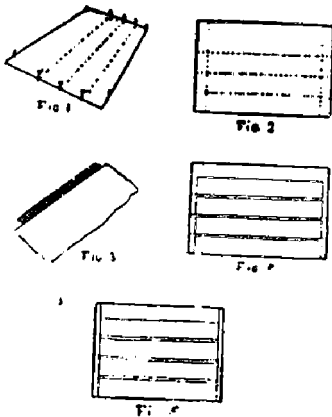
Immediately after the pockets are pasted they should be placed on the card. If the card has been ruled, simply stick the pasted edge of the pocket even with a ruled (horizontal) line. If the card has not been ruled, leave a  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch space between the top of one pocket and the bottom of the next. The bottom of the lowest pocket is placed even with the lower edge of the card.

The ends of the card are then pasted and folded over which closes the ends of the pockets. This completes the card.

As soon as the card is finished it should be placed in a book or under a weight to keep it flat and dry.

Fifty cards, such as described, will measure from 1 inch to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches in thickness according to weight of paper used. Such a set with a box to contain them will be more than sufficient to hold the duplicates of the average collector.

Each pocket will hold 5 stamps side by side and 5 deep, making 25 to each pocket or 100 to the card. If the collector has only a single stamp of each variety, he may place them so as to overlay each other; each pocket thus holding 10 or 11 stamps or 40 to 45 to the page.



of small cards, made with pockets to hold stamps, on the same principle as the page of a stock book. But arranged like the "card index" so commonly used by business houses.

The cards are compact and light and being home made are inexpensive.

The paper is the first thing to be considered. I have used light weight "tag board", but the heaviest manilla paper will do very well.

The cards I have (which provide for four pockets each) were cut 5 inches long by  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches in width. The pock-



# Revenue Dep't.

Conducted by  
**Charles A. Nast**

The following list of U. S. bank check stamps has been furnished me by E. B. Sterling of this city. As is well known, this gentleman has published a very exhaustive descriptive catalogue of U. S. Revs. the last edition appearing in 1888. Since then no one else has attempted a work of this magnitude, and copies of this catalogue are still for sale by the author at \$1.50 each, he having recently obtained eight new copies of the last edition. It is a remarkable work, and I advise all who are interested in stamped paper to send for a copy at once. The subjoined list is intended to be used as an addition to this said catalogue. They are varieties that have been discovered only lately, some of them being distinctive dies of great beauty and rarity. In that catalogue no less than 187 different varieties of the 2c Bank Check paper, of the Civil War period are listed and I subjoin a list now of 10 additional varieties.

The following issues of the Civil War series of stamped paper have been discovered during the last two years, and have never been catalogued.

1866 New York Series.

Sterling B var. 2a No 22a 2c Eagle with two lines printed in orange 16x1 mini each at base of stamp inscribed Good when issued for the payment of money.

1866 New York Series.

Sterling B var. 3a No 24a 2c Eagle with two line tablet 28x4min at base of stamp inscribed in orange.

Good when the amount  
does not exceed \$100.

1866 New York Series.

Sterling B var. 4a No 25a:2c Eagle with colored inverted tablet at base of stamp inscribed in orange two lines 34x5 min.

Good only for Checks and  
Drafts payable at sight.

1870 New York Series.

Sterling D. var 8a No 103a 2c Medallion head of Washington, with two line tablet at base of stamp. 27½x min inscribed in orange buff.

Good when the amount  
does not exceed \$100.

1872 New York Series.

Sterling F var 2a No 122a 2c orange Franklin head in oval with line band above oval inscribed

Good only for Bank Check below oval

1866 Philadelphia Series.

Sterling C. var. 1a No 82a 2c deep orange. Washington rectangular design of the 2c adhesive Rev. Bank Check. Size of stamp 19x24 min.

1869 Philadelphia Series.

Sterling I var. 1a No 138a 2c orange Flying Eagle in center of circular band with one line printed in black at left of receipt. Good when used as a receipt for the payment of money. 46x2 min.

1865-72 Certificate.

Sterling F. var. 5 No 228a 25c deep orange, large head of Franklin, without premium or redemption clause.

1871 Bond.

Sterling B. var. 1, No 197a 5c rose red Madison.

Sterling G. var. 2 No 235a 50c rose red Washington. combination value and design impressed upon First Mortgage Bond, dated 2 Oct. 1871, for \$500.

1871 Bond.

Sterling A var. 1, No. 188a, 5c deep brown, Lincoln center face of folded bond.

Sterling G var. 1, No 229a, 50c deep brown Lincoln center of Bond, Combination values and design center and outer Bond for \$500. July 1 1871

During the last month, too late for the July number I received the following letter which explains itself.

" New York, June 25th, 1902.  
Chas. A. Nast: I notice a statement in the June WEST about the Jeremiah Curtis & Son 1st block which I deem incorrect. Die I and die II are different. I made this discovery about a year ago or less and the Boston Rev. book knew nothing of it. In the October number of the American Journal of Philately 1901 you will find the following note pp 282: "Mr. Clarence Eagle has called our attention to two distinct varieties in the one cent black Jeremiah Curtis & Son, the difference lying in the numerals "1" which are placed outside of the circle

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containing the central design. The stamps on old paper show a narrow figure whereas those on watermarked paper all have a broader one." x x You will find that the "Anglo Amer. Drug Co." design have the same large I. Should the small I be found on wmk paper or the large I on old paper the catalogue price would be very different from fifty cents. Pardon my correcting you. Should be glad to hear from you on M & M matters and enjoy reading your articles very much.

Yours truly, CLARENCE EAGLE.

I take great pleasure in presenting the above, coming as it does from the foremost student of U. S. Revenues it carries a great deal of weight. It is also a pleasure to know that the WEST is watched so closely.

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I have to chronicle three new varieties of rare surcharges on the 98 proprietaries. The first is that of Chas. Fletcher on the  $\frac{3}{4}$ ct blue, inverted; the second, a compound surcharge on the  $\frac{1}{4}$ ct brown "K. & M. April 16-1900," being both straight up and inverted on the same stamp; and lastly, a new Anti-Kamnia Co's provisional on the  $3\frac{3}{4}$  grey. It consists of the letters A. K. in the well known monogram shape, but very much smaller, so placed that the A. K. appears four times (in each corner) and the word

"Co" in between each pair. The date "6, 15, 1901 is in the center. Printed in purplish ink.

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I have not seen either the green and black, or the grey \$50.00 revenue, but am assured both are out. It will be interesting to note the prices asked for these when they will appear on the market. A price of \$20.00 for the grey in uncut used condition is reported. That was the last revenue stamp printed I believe.

In response to several requests we present herewith cuts of the two rarest provisional proprietary stamps in the U. S. As will be seen by the wording of these labels, the language in both is identical. The form was prescribed and allowed by the Internal Rev. office located at St. Louis. I am told a third St. Louis house used these also, but I have never seen it. Of the Lambert Pharmacal Co. I have it from the firm themselves, that 65,000 were used. I think a much smaller number was used by the Anti Kamnia Co. for various reasons, chief among which is the fact that they used other provisionals dated July 1st 1898 in the form of hand stamps consisting of a wreath and the A. K. lozenge on the  $\frac{5}{8}$  blue and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  red current proprietary. There are some varieties of these labels I believe, in the color of ink used, and also

color of paper. They are very scarce, but extremely interesting. I have endeavored to reproduce them in actual size of the originals. I should be very glad if any of my readers would send me samples for listing in this department, so that varieties could be noted. Also any others in the U. S. revenue line that would be of general interest. They will be returned in proper shape.

## INTERNAL REVENUE TAX 2 1-2 CENTS.

Stamps not being obtainable at time of sale and shipment of this package, will be paid on sworn returns thereof to Collector of Internal Revenue, 1st Dist. Mo.

LAMBERT PHARMACAL Co., St. Louis, Mo.

## Internal Revenue Tax, 2 1/2c

Stamps not being obtainable at time of sale and shipment of this package, will be paid on sworn returns thereof to Collector of Internal Revenue, 1st District of Mo.

The Anti-Kamnia Chemical Co.,

FRANK A. RUF, Prop. & Treas.

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Pacific Stamp Co.,  
Omaha—WEST is finest  
magazine and advertiser  
I have seen.

**Ye Caustic Critic's Column.**

**By Yours Candidly**

The Perforator seems mightily afraid of printing something or other that some body will not admire.

A plaintive plaint is made in the June number for careful consideration of a few lines of nonsense by Bettie H. McDonald. The Perforator awkwardly excuses the publication of the few lines in a way that would bring blushes to the cheeks of the most iniquitous chapbook perpetrator who ever perpetrated.

If everything in the Perforator was as good as those few lines of nonsense, what a fine and dandy paper it would be.

The author takes a hard shot at Ab Leve, though. Listen,

"The man who knew all about how a stamp paper should be run tried it on the stamp people. In looking for him later a microscope was a great help."

Leve, you know, was the fellow who thought that a little paper and lots of ink would make a mighty fine stamp paper.

Poor, deluded Leve.

Here's another sample of the nonsense the Perforator considers it necessary to excuse—why, here's genius!:

The stamps of some men found and kept,  
Were not all gained by money's might—

But they, while others dreamed and slept,

Were searching garrets in the night.

I hear that Brodstone is going to add another department to that already departmentized magazine, the WEST.

This new department will be alluded to as the Department of Hieroglyphics.

Holder's of elusive missives written by

a man familiarly known over the land as Brody can gratify their inquisitiveness at last, for the purpose of the new department is to furnish authentic translations of those uncouth documents produced by this "man with the hoe".

Now anyone whoever has, is, or will endeavor to read Brodstone's undecipherable chirography will hail this new department as a gift of the Gods.

The surest way to get free advertising seems to be to incorporate. Take out papers for \$50,000.00 "paid up capital stock" and mention is sure to be made by at least one half of the American papers. Make it \$100,000.00 and every one will give the backers a write up, prophecy their success and otherwise pat them on the back for being such Napoleons of financial philately.

Seems to be kind of a grave yard appearance to the coming P. S. of A. Annual election. Is it possible that no one wants an office this year? Nay, Nay—not possible.

One thing about Clifford Kissinger when he was doing the sky rocket act—there was nothing cemetargish about him. His liveliness was contagious, too.

Mr. Brodstone has sent me an appealing little missive from Miss Amy L. Swift, who feels that I injured her fair name last month in my remarks about that famous article "Eight advantages of Revenue Collecting" as appearing in the New York Philatelist. Our fair friend seems to think I referred to herself as the party guilty of plagiarism, but I will be beamed if I can see how the paragraph can be construed that way. My reference to Miss Swift related to the great opportunity she had for criticism when reviewing the paper of which she is review editress, and a good one she

is, too.

If it was Mr. Swift instead of Miss Swift, I would say that the chip on the shoulder was very delicately balanced.

Miss Swift also seems to be under the impression that a party referred to by her as "A Mr. Wilkinson" is guilty of being the author of most every department in the WEST. I know that the editor will smile when he reads that, as I presume he is the Mr. Wilkinson so naively referred to. I have no doubt that there are some things that appear in the WEST, notably my own mediocre work, that he would not care to be accused of writing. I should say that for one occupying the important chair of review editress of the New York Philatelist, the lady is lamentably ignorant of the personnel of the editorial staff of the WEST, a paper she has so frequently reviewed.



The demise of a Canadian old timer is announced by the publisher in advance. A sort of ante mortem, as it were. Well, the Montreal Philatelist will be missed.

This is the obituary that any one could write.



"The pecuniary results are not such as to warrant the disposal of the time required to conduct the publication" says Major Wurtele in his last number. Such a plain statement is refreshing. I have no doubt that if every philatelic publisher in the land was to look at the matter in the same way and as seriously as the Major our versatile review artists would have few subjects.

The N. Y. Advisor one of the finest ad. papers published, says: "The WEST, Superior, Nebr., is a bright monthly devoted to camera fiends and stamp collectors. It certainly contains a large amount of advertising."



## BOILED DOWN

ORIGINAL AND OTHERWISE

The 2 centavos Mexico 1895 has been found printed in the color of the 1 centavo.



"Fake" surcharged stamps easily "issued" by fakirs stamping with either rubber or steel stamps, certain names or dates which make up the "surcharge" over a genuine regularly issued stamp of some foreign country, and sell these "made" stamps as "new issues of surcharges."



Rumor has it that the issue of Australian commonwealth stamps may not appear for several years.



Another error in the New German issue. The 3 pf has been found with "DEUSCHES" spelled "DEUTSSES".



A New York firm recently purchased a document on which was affixed a \$30, \$100, \$500, and \$1000 revenue of the 1898 issue in perfect uncut condition.



An eastern dealer recently found a fine used copy of the 4 cent Columbian error (color of 1 cent) in sorting several thousand and used 1 cent Columbians. This stamp is valued at \$25 00, unused, the entire supply being held by a London firm.



A curious mark has been found on the German stamps of 1900 and 1902 with the Germania design. On the lower right quarter of the breast shield there appears a large "15". The figures are one half as large as the figures of value and are very broad. They seem to be formed by the engraver strengthening the shading lines of the shield.



DEPARTMENT  
OF INQUIRY ?

Conducted by  
L. G. DORPAT, Sheboygan, Wis

Questions relative to stamps will be answered in this column free of charge to subscribers. All questions must be sent to the above address, and a 2c stamp must accompany each letter containing questions. When stamps are sent for examination, return postage must be included besides the fee above provided for.

NOTE: It is by no means desirable that any correspondent asking questions should send more than 4 cents postage; but this I must insist upon, when stamps are sent for examination and expected to be returned. Valuable lots should be registered and return postage and registration fee included. When no stamps are sent for examination, 2 cents is sufficient and, if desired, I shall answer by letter or postal card, so as to avoid delay. Names are kept secret, unless information is given when the informant will receive due credit. It is very desirable that all readers should take interest in this department and help to convey information to all who desire it. By co-operation a great deal may be done. Questions not requiring a speedy written answer may be sent without postage.

50.—WHY ARE THERE FOUR TYPES OF NETHERLANDS' AND COLONIES' UNPAIDS?—When there were only four values for the Netherlands and Dutch Indies, a separate die for each of these values was engraved making four different but similar dies. When more values were required cliches from these four dies were made and put together to form the necessary plates. After the difference of types had been noticed, all cliches from Type I, II and IV were taken out and plates formed of Type III only. In 1896 cliches from Type I were used again and as long as the design is not altogether changed we may look for a reinstallation of Type I and IV.

51.—WHAT IS A SEA POSTOFFICE?—It is a postoffice on board a steamer some-

what similar to the Rail Road Post Offices, i. e. the Mail Cars. Their principal function is to receive mail en route, to assort and deliver it to other carriers, but not the distribution to addresses, though even this may be done in a limited degree to the crew and passengers of the respective ships. They sell and accept stamps of the country under whose flag they sail and have their own postmark, cancellations, etc. The necessity and use of these postoffices may be estimated by considering that some of the large passenger steamers carry one or two thousand persons or more on each trip. Allowing but one letter every day for each person on a trip of 10 days we get an average of 10 to 20 thousand letters for such a trip, more than many a country post office handles in several months. The handling of mail received in bags from the shores is another important part of the work to be done and shows the importance of the institution.

52.—HOW IS THE APPEARANCE OF FOREIGN POSTMARKS ON U. S. STAMPS TO BE EXPLAINED?—There are two explanations. In one case the U. S. has its own post office in the treaty port of a foreign country, China for instance, in which case the post mark is not really a foreign post mark but a U. S. postmark for a U. S. office in a foreign port. In the other case a letter may have slipped through our mail uncanceled and when so detected in the office of a foreign country through which it passes the postmark of that office is applied, similarly as uncanceled letters arriving at New York from any foreign country will get the New York post mark.

53.—WHAT ARE COLLEGE STAMPS?—There are two kinds. One is but a sham used in the exercise of the students, same as sham currency and sham banking papers. The other, as in case of Keble College, Oxford, England is a private or local stamp doing duty as a real postage stamp within certain limits, principally between members and students of the college. I would like to receive specimens of either kind.

Washington Notes

By C. M.

Those who desire to procure the official bronze medal of President Roosevelt can now do so by forwarding to the Director of the mint \$2. The mint at Philadelphia has just finished these medals, which are an extremely handsome portrait.

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A valuable little handbook for those interested in the coins and coining laws of the United States is "Treasury Department Circular No. 113, Information Respecting United States Bonds, Paper Currency, Coin, Production of Precious Metals, etc." It contains about all that can be asked about United States money. Free on application to Treasury Dept.

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The United States senate changed the bill introduced to provide for certain souvenir coins for the benefit of the Washington Monument Association of Alexandria, Virginia to read "certain souvenir medals." The bill was passed and was signed by the president on July 1.

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The cancelling machine for letters is now in use in 785 different postoffices. All but 100 of the machines in use run by electricity, the 100 being the Doremus handpower machine for use where electricity is too expensive or is unavailable. The cancelling machine has been in use in the United States postal service for over twelve years, but it is only within the last year or two that foreign governments have awakened to the value of the machine.

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Complaints from patrons of the rural free delivery system have resulted in the passing of the following bill by Congress: "Whoever shall

hereafter willfully or maliciously injure x x any letter box x x on any rural free delivery route x x or destroy x x x x or take x x or steal x x any mail matter deposited therein x x shall for every such offense be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or by imprisonment for not more than three years."

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Designs for the new set of stamps are slowly being evolved: that for the four cent stamp is about complete. A 4 cent wrapper is somewhat of a novelty, it will be of extra size for large newspapers, probably simply conforming in color and design to the 4 cent envelope stamp.

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A protocol has been signed to extend the time for ratification of the Danish West Indies treaty six months. It may yet happen that Cuba will beat the islands into the Union. There is a growing movement in Denmark against the sale, while in Cuba there is a growing party in favor of annexation. But you may safely wager that Cuba will attend to having a commemorative series of postage stamps before she comes in, face value say \$25.

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ADVERTISING ON POSTMARKING STAMPS FORBIDDEN.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 14, 1902.

The attention of postmasters is called to the order of the Postmaster-General issued August 10, 1901, which is as follows: "It is hereby ordered that postmarking dies shall not be used for advertising purposes except by special permission from the Post Office Department (application for which should be made to the First Assistant Postmaster-General, Division of Correspondence), which will not be granted unless it be for some national purpose for which Congress shall have made an appropriation."

J. J. HOWLEY,

Acting First Ass't Postmaster-General

**Inscriptions on Stamps.**

**By L. G. DORPAT**

(Continued from last number.)

The only country outside of Italy which ever used Italian on its stamps was Egypt, 1872-1879 "POSTE KHEDIVE EGIZIANE": Post of the kingdom of Egypt. For the Italian offices in the Levant and for the Italian colony on the Red Sea Italian stamps were overprinted for the former: "ESTERO": outland, i. e. outside of Italy, for the latter: "COLONIA ERITREA": Red Sea Colony, erijthraea (originally Greek) meaning red.

The present kingdom of Italy has uniformly "POSTE ITALIANE": Italian Post; "BOLLO" is stamp; "GIORNALI", news-papers; "PACCHI", packet or parcel; "SEGNATASSE", designated tax i. e. postage due.

Before 1860 there were a number of independent states who had their own stamps. On those of Modena we find "POSTE ESTENSI": the extended post. The duchy was being annexed to what is now the kingdom of Italy and Modena is called "PROVINCIE MODONESI". "TASSA GAZETTE" is newspaper tax. The abbreviation "B. G." stands for Bollo Gazette: newspaper stamp.

Parma has "STATI PARMENSI": States of Parma and "DUC. DI PARMA, PIAC. ECC." for Ducato Di Parma Piacenzo ecc: Duchy of Parma, Piacenzo etc.

Romagna and the papal States need no explanation. San Marino, is yet a co-vereign republic, which it proclaims on its stamps. Its character is quite different though from modern republics in that the council is not elected by the people, but perpetuates itself, electing new members itself as may become necessary. This explains the legend on the celebration stamps of 1894 "PALAZZO DEL CONSIGLIO PRINCIPALE E SOVERANO REPUBBLICA S. MARINO, 30 SETTEMBRE 1894": Palace of the Princely (Supreme or Governing) and Sovereign

Council of the Republic of San Marino, 30 September, 1894. The motto "LIBERTAS": liberty, seems less appropriate.

Sardinia has words already translated. Sicily has "BOLLO DELLA POSTA DI SICILIA": stamp of the Post of Sicily. Naples has the same with only the name changed to the adjective. Tuscany needs no explanation except for the "extraordinary" i. e. provisional newspaper stamp.

Italian numerals read as follows:

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| ½: mezzo        | 17: diciasette |
| 0: zero         | 18: diciotto   |
| 1: uno (a)      | 19: diciannove |
| 2: due          | 20: venti      |
| 3: tre          | 21: ventuno    |
| 4: quattro      | 30: trenta     |
| 5: cinque       | 40: quaranta   |
| 6: sei          | 50: cinquanta  |
| 7: sette        | 60: sessanta   |
| 8: otto         | 70: settanta   |
| 9: nove         | 80: ottanta    |
| 10: dieci       | 90: novanta    |
| 11: undici      | 100: cento     |
| 12: dodici      | 200: duecento  |
| 13: tredici     | 1000: mille    |
| 14: quattordici | 2000: due mila |
| 15: quindici    | first: primo   |
| 16: sedici      | last: ultimo   |

c is pronounced like ch in cheap, ch like k, g like j or y, sc like sh and sch like sk.

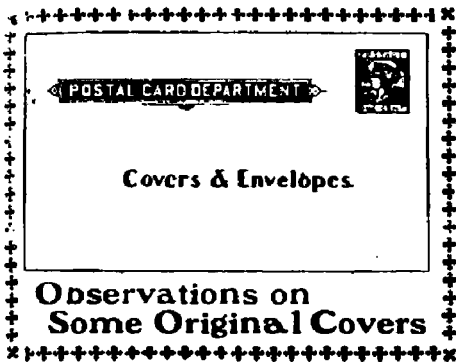
Roumanian (or Romanian) is the last of the Latin languages that we have to consider. Here we find "PORTO GAZETTE": Postage on newspapers; "PORTO SCRISORIE": Postage on letters; "JUBILEUL DE 25 ANI AL DOMNIEI REGELUI CAROL I.": Jubilee of 25 years of the reign of King Charles the First; "TAXA DE PLATA": Tax to pay (Slavic "doplatshannie": to pay); and "TAXA DE FACTAGIN": Tax for Delivery.

The numerals are:

|                 |                          |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 1: unu -a -o    | 20: doue-deci            |
| 2: doi -doue-   | 21: doue-deci si unu -a- |
| 3: trei         | 30: trei-deci            |
| 4: patru        | 40: patru-deci           |
| 5: cinci        | 50: cinci-deci           |
| 6: sese         | 60: sese-deci            |
| 7: septe        | 70: septe-deci           |
| 8: opt          | 80: opt-deci             |
| 9: noue         | 90: none-deci            |
| 10: dece        | 100: o suta              |
| 11: unuspredece | 1000: o mie              |

\*d in dece is pronounced almost as s: sce and sci as shte and shti (Bukuresci: Bukureshti; t often has the sound of ts. it then has the "cedille", a comma-shaped mark, under it.

(To be continued.)



**Observations on  
Some Original Covers**

By R. R. THIELE.

(Continued from Last Issue)

It has lately become something of a fad to use as many different varieties of stamps as possible on letters from Chinese ports and some curious vagaries in the line have been illustrated in several papers. Such a specimen has also wandered into the editorial sanctum, having been sent to me by Mr. Brodstone, to whom it was addressed by a correspondent residing at Kobe, Japan, but then temporarily at Shanghai, China. The envelope presents a gorgeous appearance bearing no less than thirteen stamps issued by five different postal administrations. At the top are three Russian stamps surcharged KITAI for the Russian officers in China, a 1 Kop. yellow a 2 Kop. green and a 4 Kop. red the 1 and three being surcharged in blue, the 2 in red. In this row there is a 5 pfennig green stamp of the new German issue (headtype) surcharged for the German officers in China. A 10 pfennig red of the same issue is under it in the next row both stamps being surcharged in black. Next in a second horizontal row comes a Japanese yellow 5 sen stamp of the present issue, surcharged in red SHI-NA for the Japanese officers in China following this to the left are three French stamps of the 1876 type (Peace and Commerce): a 5c green a 10 black on purple, a 15c blue all surcharged in red CHINE for the French officers in China. At the left of the envelope there is a vertical

row of stamps containing a 1/2c brown, a 1c red a 1c orange-brown and a 2c red of the Chinese Imperial Post Office (Waterlow) issue. Finally at the foot in the only spot left vacant there is another yellow Japanese 5 sen stamp like the one above. These two Japanese stamps are the ones that really brought the letter, for it was intrusted to the Japanese office at Shanghai, as shown by the cancellation:

SHANGHAI  
10  
APR.  
02  
I. J. P. O.

in a circle. Though the other stamps are merely ornamental appendages, they are duly cancelled by the same postmark. The two Japanese stamps just cover the Universal Postal Union rate as 10 cents of Japanese silver are equal to 5 of ours: the French Stamps are more than would be necessary, 25 centimes being the international rate; the other stamps are all insufficient to pay the letter through their respective postoffices. Two of the postoffices at Shanghai are still unrepresentable on the envelope for there is an American postoffice there, using ordinary U. S. stamps and an agency of the Hong Kong postoffice seven offices in all. The letter made pretty quick time as shown by its postmarks. On the back there is another Japanese mark:

YOKOHAMA  
14  
APR.  
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within a circle. Then comes the machine stamp of station D of the San Francisco office, dated May 3rd, and finally the postmark of Superior, Nebr. dated May 6. That isn't half bad.

Here is another interesting letter originating in China, but sent to me by a correspondent in Java, to whom it was addressed. The envelope bears a strip of fine red 2c stamps of the Chinese Imperial Post Office (Waterlow issue).

These are cancelled by the date stamp of Soochow, from where the letter came a circle divided into two unequal parts by a horizontal line, in the upper, smaller, part the name in Chinese below the line:

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(To be continued.)



Boulder Canon—One of the ideal Trips in Colorado, on line of U. P. and D. & G. Rys.



St. James Hotel, Denver, Colo., Headquarters Collectors' Meetings, August 7th and 9th



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Home, Hot Springs, S. D.



Fall River Falls, Near Hot Springs, S. D.

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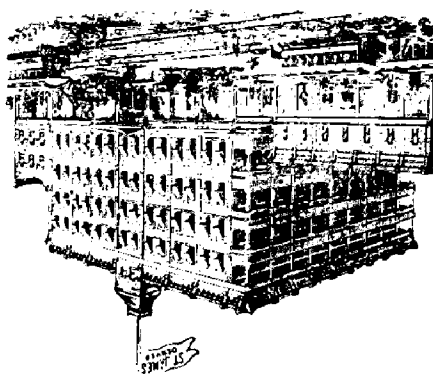


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Valley in the Black Hills

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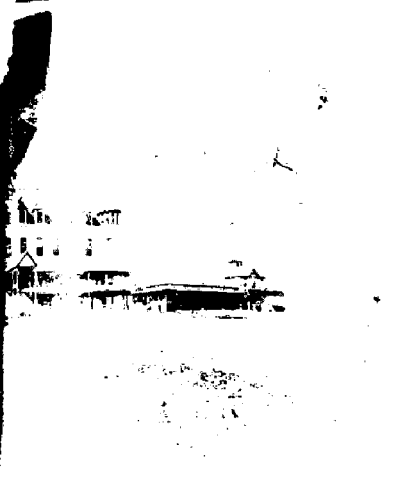


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Home, Hot Springs, S. D.



Fall River Falls, Near Hot Springs, S. D.

E. M. V. Gage, Narrow Gauge



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Valley in the Black Hills



# Our Illustrations

R. T. BUNNEY.

R. T. Bunney is a fine specimen of Colorado's best product, having first seen the light of this world on the 3rd day of April 1876, at Central City, Colo.

He moved with his parents to Golden, Colo. in 1880, where he grew to manhood, full of energy, vim and progressive ideas.

As a school boy of 12, he started to collect stamps, and now is the possessor of a collection of between 6000 and 7000. He has no desire to remove a stamp once placed in his album, but always anxious to add to it all kinds of stamps no matter how small or how great their value. He will probably attend the meet at Denver and will be pleased to show all who desire, any of the points of interest in the City.



J. K. CRANSTON

J. K. Cranston of Galt, Canada, is one of Canada's diligent and progressive business men. He has lived in Galt for about 25 years and has been at the head of one of the best known book and stationery establishments in Canada for over 16 years.

He has recently established a new business, and disposed of stationery books and is now the head of a large and thriving business in store and office specialties, advertising novelties and notions.

His aluminum brass and nickel coins and business cards are very attractive and are widely sold. Our readers would do well to send for a sample of the coins and business cards. It would pay you to do so and issue a nice pocket coin—advertisements that will live for ages after you are gone and in

the meantime pay you well. We have recently had a handsome album coin made of our own by him and they are certainly very fine and a splendid advertisement.



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Nebraska's  
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A meeting will be held during the Aksarben parade night at Omaha.

Pleased to see all members who can attend meeting at Denver Aug. 6th to 8th at St James hotel. Publisher and editor in chief will be present.

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Send in list of nominations if any others.

Applications—B. F. Burch, Wymore  
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We can use more members and hope we can see a good list for the meeting held next month.

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## POSTMARKS

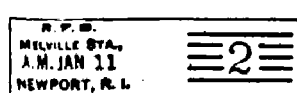
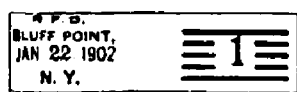
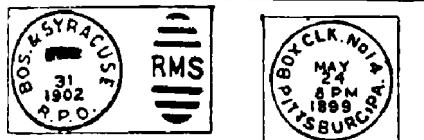
A Branch of the A. S. of C. C.

By **J. L. WHEELER**  
 10 LENOX AVE., PROVIDENCE, R. I.

### WITH THE TRAVELLERS.

In this issue we will describe some of the postmarks used by the clerks on the mail cars, and also the Rural Free Delivery Postmarks.

The mail cars are known as "Railway Post Offices", and this, abbreviated into "R. P. O." is found in nearly all the postmarks.



The earliest R. P. O. I have seen is shown in Fig 1. It has no dauber, and was probably used in a railroad station where the office was located. The earliest mark from a mail car is shown in Fig 2 dated 1887. The daubers have been of very varied pattern until within a few years, when the dauber shown in Fig 3 was substituted. The "R. M. S." stands for Railway Mail Service. In a

good many cases the old daubers are still used.

Figure 5 suggests some of the terms which are familiar to postal clerks. 2nd Div. shows the division of the force of men. TR 4, under the date is the number of the trip.

Figures, 4, 6 and 7 are some of the marks used by clerks in large cities where mail is unloaded and transferred. No. 4 and No. 6 are received marks, stamped only on the backs of letters. Figure 8 shows one of the 2nd class postmarks, which were described fully in the April number. This however is used on the electric mail cars that run around some of our large cities. Rochester, Washington and Baltimore have each several varieties. The one from Washington says "Collection and Distribution, Washington, D. C. Wagon No 1." I have never seen any other wagon mentioned.

There are also a few of the flag cancellations used which are run by electricity taken directly from the trolley wire.

The R. P. O's are as a rule the most poorly printed post marks, owing to the speed with which the men have to work. Often the same route is differently abbreviated in separate postmarks, thus making new varieties to collect.

The last two figures show the new postmarks from Rural Free Delivery offices. There are several thousand routes but the postmarks are very difficult to obtain. There is a great difference between Free Delivery, and Rural Free Delivery. The first is used only in cities and large towns, but the latter is used in country towns by carriers who collect mail with a team.

The only difference between the varieties shown is the appearance of a station in the second. There are several styles of type used both in the date mark and in the dauber. Red and blue inks are used as well as black.

Among the latest things out is a second class postmark from Woonsocket, R. I. with the word "Reg." at the bottom of the circle. This is the first case I know of where the registry notice has been combined with the common postmark.

In next issue "Latest Styles in Postmarks" will describe the new designs which have appeared during the last eight months.

**A Philatelist On the Pacific. 3 3 3 3 3**

By F. W.

It was on a very bright March morning that we first sighted the Island Kingdom of Japan. After entering the narrow-mouthed bay and passing scores of Men-of-war, their flags representing nearly every civilized country on the globe, we dropped anchor in front of Nagasaki, at 8 A. M., and were surrounded at once by swarms of native craft all eager to transport to shore the passengers who were inclined to land. I was one so disposed, and I noted with a great deal of interest that the Japanese boatmen seemed quite intelligent as well as industrious. For the small sum of five-cents I hired a jink-rickasha for an hour. This is a small buggy pulled by natives, and the "rickshaw" men are on the run continually. Their endurance is certainly remarkable.

I went at once to the Post Office and purchased complete sets of current stamps and cards. After mailing a souvenir-card home, I went to the International Bazaar, a truly wonderful place. Here they have for sale pictures, and the bits of bric a-brac for which Japan is so well noted. The customs officer would not allow a camera to be brought ashore, but at the bazaar I purchased good prints for less than the paper would cost. On leaving the bazaar I was greatly surprised to see a stamp shop directly opposite and upon going in I found the proprietor most polite, and capable of speaking a vocabulary of pretty good English. He had a fine stock of old Japanese and Chinese stamps and coins. I purchased a few old Formosa stamps at a bargain.

Leaving Japan March 24 about after sixteen days of smooth sea we reached "our island of paradise", Hawaii. This is certainly the most beautiful country on

the globe. We dropped anchor in front of Honolulu at 10:45 A. M., and upon going ashore I found several stamp shops and obtained quite a number of good Hawaiians at fair prices. The Hawaiian coins are very scarce, some what were current two years ago now demand a large premium. Reluctantly leaving Honolulu we arrived at San Francisco five days later. Here I visited several well known dealers, Selschopp, Makins, the Golden Gate Stamp Co., and others. I picked up a nice lot of coins in San Francisco's famous Chinatown. Our stay in Frisco was made more interesting by the visit of our Nation's chief Executive while we were there. After visiting Portland, Denver, St. Louis and Chicago I arrived safely home at last, richer by many philatelic and numismatic treasures.

**Field for Numismatists.**

Local numismatists of old, rare coins are falling over one another in an effort to acquire all the Porto Rico money coined prior to the time that island passed from the crown of Spain under the flag of the United States. This is due to the fact that in a few years, the Spanish coins of this island will be exceedingly scarce, for, now that the island is a colony of the United States, this government is rapidly replacing the old Spanish money of Porto Rico with our own.

Quite recently a representative of the Treasury returned from Porto Rico with \$3,000,000 of the old Spanish colonial money of the island. This vast quantity of metal, amounting to several tons, was melted down at the mint and reissued in the form of American coin. Inasmuch as Porto Rico is one of our colonies there will come a time in the future when old coin collectors will be anxious to secure samples of the money used on this island at the time it passed out of the possession of Spain into the hands of our government as this Spanish coinage of the island is rapidly becoming scarce by reason of the fact that the Treasury agents are gathering it up in every port of Porto Rico.

## Some Curious Formations

By FOREST GAINES

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GLENDIVE, MONT.

Some of the mineral formations found in the Bad Lands of eastern Montana have excited the wonder and curiosity of thousands of tourists and residents. A little explanation of a few of these "curious forms" may be received with interest.

Foremost will be described the famed "cannon balls." These are almost perfectly round balls and to a casual observer appear to be made of iron, as the rusted appearance of the outside causes this supposition. The most popular current belief is that these are genuine cannon balls, probably left by Custer's and Reno's artillery, and it is sometimes amusing to hear a person dilate on the time when the "Indians" were pursued by these weapons of war.

But the actual fact is that these formations are perfectly natural that is, formed by nature in the dim past. An analysis of a few of these by myself, disclosed the fact that their main composition is mostly iron pyrite, or sulphide of iron, which is often encountered in ordinary coal shales.

Now as to the forming of these balls. As is well known, in the far past, the Bad Lands furnished wide areas of great volcanic disturbance, before being deluged and eroded. The main probability is that a semi-molten mass of pyrite was suddenly covered with water, when a miniature volcanic explosion occurred and a small mass of pyrite was thrown some distance into the air. On coming down of course it probably alighted in a pool of water and was suddenly cooled and hardened into its spherical form. The theory for the ones that are flattened on one side, is that they did not fall into

water, but into a semi-liquid mass of volcanic material.

Two or even three of the balls are sometimes united together in dumb-bell shape, triangular, etc. During the formation of these there was probably some intervening influence which caused the original globule of material to separate into two or three parts before falling into water.

Common gun shot are formed in an almost similar manner at the present day. The drops of lead are dropped from an elevated platform into cold water. First, however, they are treated with arsenic, which makes the shot somewhat harder. This greater hardness of shot over sheet lead has probably been noted by many of our readers. But it is only an example of what technical chemistry is doing for our many industries nowadays.

The formation of the large boulders of earthy siderite found numerous throughout the Bad Lands is more of a matter of conjecture than the "cannon balls." From the surrounding strata in which they are imbedded, however, one experienced in such matters would naturally suppose that they were probably formed in cavities—that is, deposited from solution in water, by evaporation of the water as it makes or percolates its way through the rigid surrounding strata. As the cavities are naturally the most convenient places for it to collect before evaporation, so therefore, the pyrite is deposited, and later brought to light as boulders, after the surrounding strata has been washed or eroded away.

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C. S. DeSelms, Richmond, Ind., says he has always been a believer in the WEST and it may depend on a good share of his ads.



# CURIO NOTES

By ROY FARREL GREENE, A. S. of C. C.

The Rev. Henry Mason Baum, D. C. L. Washington, D. C., editor of the monthly magazine, "The Record of the Past" is spending a great deal of time and hard labor in investigating the mounds of this continent. A few weeks ago he visited Kansas City, Missouri, to consult with Rev. W.P. George, of that City, respecting the mounds of Arizona. Dr. George having lived in Arizona many years, and made some investigations there was able to give Dr. Baum valuable information. Dr. Baum went from Kansas City to Colorado, and from there goes on to Arizona to pursue further investigation in person.

Marshall Tidd, the famous gun-builder of Woburn, Mass., made his first firearm out of a spike sixty-four years ago. When he was ten years old his father died, and he was apprenticed to a shoe maker. On the day when the Boston & Lowell Railroad run its first train through Woburn the boy was one of the spectators. He picked up a spike, and the idea occurred to him that it could be fashioned into a pistol barrel. A blacksmith cut off the ends of the spike, and Marshall then bored it on his brother's lathe. He found a piece of hoop-iron, and fastening one end in a vice, made a spiral of the metal. When he got the shape that seemed best he made a tool to cut the inside of the barrel. This pistol barrel was mounted on a stock that extends the entire length of the barrel. The hammer is very old-fashioned in design, striking a percussion cap nipple. Tidd sold the weapon to another boy for \$3, and it was lost sight of for nearly a quarter of a century. One day a friend got track of it and presented it to the

maker. It is still in working order, and what an addition it would be to the collection of any of our old fire-arm collectors!

An interesting set of autographs, mostly of prominent South Africans, is possessed by Mr. J. P. Hess at Cape Town. President Kruger's signature heads one page, followed by Mr. Chamberlains. Sir Alfred Milner sent his from Bloemfontein. President Steyn wrote: "Peace can be secured if honestly desired". State Secretary Reitz wrote in Dutch: "Do right, and do not turn back." Sir Gordon Sprigg's autograph accompanied the words "British supremacy and public freedom throughout South Africa". Chief Justice (Sir Henry Villiers) wrote: "Receive what cheer you may, the night is long that never finds a day" Mr. Schreiner's words were: "Do right in scorn of consequence". This is a collection of autographs that will almost double in value with each recurring year.

Comparatively few Americans realize that right here in their new-old land are to be found counter parts of Egypt's great wonder— veritable catacombs of Mummies, as genuine as any that exist in the land of the Nile. The idea has been generally advanced, and by many accepted as true, that the so-called "Cliff-dwellers" are not an unknown race at all, but our own peace-loving Pueblo Indians, who in the old days built their great stone house much as we now build our forts, for purposes of defense. These wonderful stone houses, far up the steep cliffs of Arizona and New Mexico, abound in relics of prehistoric days, not least among them

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being mummified bodies of their former occupants.

Harvey Hall, the son of Rev. Ira D. Hall, pastor of the Baptist church of Coldwater Mich. lost a collection of rare coins, which he valued at \$400, some three months ago when the residence of the Reverend Mr. Hall was destroyed by fire. The collection is supposed to have been stolen, during the progress of the fire, by some party, as no trace of the coins could be found in the charred debris.

A cave that promises to rival the subterranean passage of the famous Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, is reported to have been discovered in Malheur Countr Oregon. The cave, it is said, has been explored for half a mile, but no end to the passage has been found. At the surface there is only a small opening, about large enough for a man to crawl into comfortable, but when in ten or twelve feet enters a large room 30 or 40 feet square, and from this room several caves enter the mountain in different directions. Plans are on foot, report says to make a systematic exploration of the cave. Will any collector who lives in or near Malheur county advise us of further explorations?

One of the ballots for Themistocles has just been found by German Excavators in the Areopagus, going back to a date earlier than 470 B. C., as that was the year in which that celebrated worker of the Athenian primaries was banished. It is an inscribed pot sherd bearing his name, and, with proper care it is good for another 2500 years. There are only three such souvenirs of old Greek elections in existence, and only this one bears the name of Themistocles.

A writer in the Saturday Evening Post recently had this to say, anent a bit of Western scenic beauty that will certainly be of interest to our geologist members: Colorado desert is a level plain of clay, relieved here and there by hills of sand. It was formerly the bottom of a great shallow lake, the rocky banks of which still remain in the shape of stony cliffs that bear the ancient water-marks upon them. The hills described are not stationary, but travel continually, though slowly, journeying over the plain as the winds direct. The sand of which they are composed is not of the ordinary kind, but of a nature marvelous. Most of the grains are transparent, others are translucent, while many are of rainbow hues, being, in fact, small gems of red carnelian, green chrysolite and vari-colored garnet. Composed of these strange materials, the sand-hills look like great snow-drifts, with here and there a gleam of color. Continually they give forth a rustling sound, as the tiny spheres are shifted by the winds, rolling slowly onward. The northern portion of the desert is paved with the most wonderful pebbles in the world in many parts so exquisitely laid as to defy successful imitation by the most skilled worker in mosaic flooring. These pebbles are of porphyry, agate, carnelian, garnet, quartz-crystal, and other beautiful materials. They are packed together so that the surface composed of them is like a floor, and they look as if pressed into it with a roller.

At Montclair, New Jersey, some three months ago, while excavating on the property in Valley Road, where the old Washington headquarters building stands, a number of old English half-pennies, dated 1732, were found by Thomas Wiggiss. The money was in

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a fair state of preservation, and is supposed to have been there for over a century. An effort was made a few years ago by the Daughters of the Revolution to raise funds for the preservation of the building, but lack of interest caused the plan to be abandoned.

V. C. Osmont of the university of California, a few weeks ago was called to Union Island to examine, and identify if possible, the skeleton of some prehistoric creature, that had been uncovered by some Japanese workmen a few days before. Mr. Osmont, after examination, confessed himself nonplussed, and vowed that since he could not tell whether the bones were of beast, bird or fish, he'd like to have the thing spoken of as "it" until more was learned. Professor Osmont believes that the bones are those of some species of the whale family. He thinks that it came up from the sea at a prehistoric time when the Sacramento Valley was all under water. Mr. Osmont was assisted in his work by James A. Barr and J. W. Wells, a photographer. They report that they found the bones in what had been an old slough. Thirty-nine bones were dug out and there were more in sight, but the water seeped in so fast that operations had to be suspended until a steam pump could be secured to drain the excavation. Among the bones recovered there were twenty-one vertebrae, ten inches in diameter, thirteen large ribs, the upper portion of a skull four feet in width at the base, a scapula two feet nine inches on one edge, and two feet one inch on the other, and what appeared to be two teeth, one of which had enamel on the under side, and both had rough edges. The first three feet of the soil where the bones were found was light sediment of recent formation, the next four feet was peat. Professor Osmond states that the soil is of a recent geo-

logical period from 200 to 1000 years. The head of the skeleton was up stream. The place is about eighteen miles west of Stockton. Professor Osmont took a tooth from the find to Berkely with him, intending to seek Professor Merriam's assistance in determining the species to which the animal belonged, if animal it was.

Wind Cave, in South Dekota, which has been rated as one of the wonders of the world, is to become the center of a government park. The Congressional committee on public lands has reported favorably on the bill providing for the establishment of a National Park to cover the country surrounding the cave, and this means that the measure will soon be carried out. The cave is in the vicinity of the Black Hills in South Dekota and those who have visited it say it is one of Nature's greatest freaks.

The silver coins of Hawaii are being retired as fast as they are received by the federal and territorial officials in the course of their public business. These coins were all minted in 1883. They amount to \$1,000,000, of which sum about \$900,000 is still in circulation.

Most interesting is the fact in connection with the vast collection of plants and flowers taken from ancient Egyptian tombs, by a Frenchman known as Mariette Bey, that exactly similar plants are still to be found growing in the valley of the Nile. The closest examination fails to reveal the slightest difference between the plants that flourished fifty centuries ago and those which the traveler sees to-day; exactly such flowers as the boy Moses and the children of Joseph picked bloom unchanged even in color. There are to be seen in the Bey's collection blue sprays of larkspur which

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loving hands laid upon the bodies of those who died a thousand years before Abraham and Sarah went down into Egypt. In the tombs of later date have been found together with hollyhocks and chrysanthemums, the various fruits, vegetables and grain for which the land has even been renowned, as figs, dates, olives, grapes, pomegranates, onions, beans, barley and wheat. Around the necks and upon the breasts of those who died at the time Salomon reigned in Jerusalem, about 1000 B. C., were found garlands of celery, which does not appear to have been used at that time as a vegetable by the Egyptians. All these plants, when they were prepared for the funeral ceremonies, were subjected to great heat, by which their form and color were preserved. Stories are told of wheat having been raised from these ancient grains, but it stands to reason that the immense and protracted heat completely destroyed their germinating power. The unscrupulous natives have sold to the travelers ancient wheat in which modern grains have been mixed, but only the modern grains can germinate.

It is now abundantly established that bird-migration is mostly carried on at night, and, further, mainly during clear nights. Only a comparatively few species, such as ducks, cranes, certain large hawks, swallows, swifts, and night hawks, migrate during the day time, and these, it will be observed, are either rapacious birds or mainly those that enjoy such power of rapid flight as to be relatively safe from capture. All the vast horde of warblers, sparrows, finches, flycatchers, thrushes and woodpeckers, as well as many waders and swimmers, migrate at night. On clear, still nights during the migration birds may often be heard calling to each other high overhead,

and woods and hedgerows that were untenanted one day may become fairly alive with birds at daylight the next morning, showing that they have arrived during the night. That they only venture on these journeys during clear nights is shown by the fact that on such nights very few birds are killed by lighthouses, monuments, or other obstructions, whereas on cloudy or rainy nights, especially such as opened clear and later become overcast, thousands of birds become confused and dash themselves against the barriers. Thus over 1500 birds have been found dead at the Bartholdi statue in New York harbor in a single morning, and 230 birds of one species, (black-poll warblers), were killed in a single night, that of September 30, 1883, by the Fire Island light. The Washington monument, although not illuminated at night, causes the death of hundreds of birds annually.

### Antiquity of Britain.

Britain was known to the Phoenicians as Barat-Anac, or "the land of tin," as far back as the year 1037 R. C. Some 500 years afterward the island was alluded to by the Romans under the name of Britannia, which subsequently became shortened into Britain.

### Neptune's Long Year.

The planet Neptune takes 60,000 of our days to journey round the sun. In other words, its year equals 165 of our years.

### Highest Chimney In America.

The highest chimney in America is that of the Grant smelter, Denver, Col. It is 325 feet in height and cost \$50,000.

Among illustrious personages with hobbies must be numbered Prince Luitpold of Bavaria. His collection of beetles is said to be the most extensive and complete in the world, and the Prince is a skilled entomologist, deeply versed in the habits of ants, bees, moths, flies, earwigs, and other denizens of the insect world generally.



## A Little Talk on Carbon

By W. GEORGE LEMAIRE

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Carbon is a constituent of all organic matter. In pure state it is found crystallized as diamond and graphite, amorphous in a more or less pure condition in the various kinds of coal, charcoal and lamp black. As Carbon Dioxide it is found in the air, as Carbonic Acid in water, as Carbonates in marble, limestone and other solids of the earth's composition.

The three different allotropic modifications of carbon differ widely from each other in their physical properties. Diamond is the purest form of carbon, in which it is crystallized in regular octahedrons, cubes or in some figure geometrically connected with these. Diamond is the hardest substance known. When heated intensely in the presence of oxygen it burns, forming Carbon Dioxide. Graphite, plumbago, or black lead is carbon crystallized in short, six-sided prisms. It is a quite rare, dark gray mineral having almost a metallic lustre. It also feels soft and greasy between the fingers and leaves a black mark when drawn over a white surface. It is used to make lead pencils, as a lubricator, in stove polish, and also as an admixture with clay it is used for crucibles.

Amorphous Carbon is always a black solid, but the hardness and specific gravity of the different kinds of amorphous coal differ widely. Amorphous carbon in the various kinds of coal is the chief agent for generating heat by combustion. In the form of lamp black it is used in printers' ink. In bone black it serves for discolorizing sugar and syrups. No form of Carbon is soluble in any of the common solvents, but it does dissolve somewhat in molten iron. On cooling, under common conditions, most of the dissolved carbon separates in the form

of graphite. When cooling takes place in high pressure small diamond like crystals may be obtained. By the intense heat produced by electricity, carbon becomes softened, and in small quantities also volatilized.

Carbon has little affinity for metals, though at high temperature it combines with many, forming compounds termed Carbides. It does not enter into combination with oxygen at ordinary heat, but at red heat it combines eagerly with free or combined oxygen serving in many cases as a deoxidizing agent. Compounds of Carbon with other non-metallic elements are mostly formed by indirect processes.

Most all organic substances containing Carbon will blacken when heated on platinum foil. Starch or sugar may be used in this test.

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## A Relic Factory

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There is in the town of Ballymena, County Down, Ireland, a factory in which stone age relics are turned out by the hundreds. It is a small factory but its location in Ballymena is known to several antiquarians who have taken interest in the matter.

The celts and axes are made in the style of the stone age. One flake of flint is chipped into shape by another. To give them the proper appearance of age they are then placed into the red ashes of a peat fire and left there until the fire goes out. After this they are "planted" in likely spots frequented by tourists, and turned up under the very eyes of the latter.

Well known ruins furnish an inexhaustible supply of these prehistoric weapons, though it would be hard to say why a XIVth Century Castle should be peppered all about its ramparts and bastions with arrowheads that date, or ought to date, before the Christian Era. The Royal Society of Antiquarians will try and break up this bogus business.

(Newspaper Clipping.)

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## Kansas Phil. Soc'y

## Interesting Post Cards.

By Miss Keller.

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The affairs of the society have been running so smoothly that the president has not been forced to lead a very "strenuous" life. Quite a number of new names have been added to our list of members and the next annual meeting will show many new and enthusiastic collectors helping to boom the K. P. S. Brother Kelly of the Sale Department is a hustler and keeps the circuits full of good things, to the mutual benefit of owner and purchaser. To those who do not belong, send at once to the secretary for application blank. Our dues are not one tenth of one per cent of the benefit if you are an active collector.

Yours fraternally,  
 Frank J. Ford,  
 Pres. Kansas Phil. Soc.

### NEW MEMBERS K. P. S.

- 44. E. L. Warner, Box 55, Grand Rapids, Mich.
- 45. H. S. Dickey, Newton, Kan.
- 46. E. D. Murdock, 211 Monroe Ave., Rochester, N. Y.

### SALES DEPT.

|                                                               |                     |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 17 books in circulation June 22nd                             |                     |
| value                                                         | \$193.94            |
| 9 books received since                                        | 109 25              |
| 26                                                            | \$303.19            |
| 12 retired during July (from which had been sold 21 per cent) | \$39.45 or \$181.02 |
| 14 books in circulation July 20                               |                     |
| value                                                         | \$122.17            |

Books are coming in fine. Members who are not in circuit are missing many good things. Stamps can be bought cheaper than from dealers. You also have about 1000 stamps in a circuit to select from.

Respectfully Yours,  
 W. P. Kelly, Sup't,

3324 Peery Ave, Kansas City, Mo.

Have the various card collectors heard about the new "Link Empire Postcard scheme, under the auspices of the Expedition to the South Pole?


The voyage of the S. S. "Discovery" commanded by Captain Scott R. N. A certain Mr Wernch London S. W. has published a set of four beautiful cards to be forwarded from various parts of call of the S. S. "Discovery". Captain Scott is said to be very deeply interested in the scheme, and it has been arranged that every card shall be postmarked with the stamp of the S. S. "Discovery".

The cards bearing views of the S. S. Discovery, a portrait of Captain Scott and his autograph, a map of the Route designs dealing with the departure of the Expedition.

Card No. 4 will be taken aboard the vessel during her wanderings among the icebergs of the Ant Arctic Seas and will be posted at a foreign Port of Call on the Expedition.

Card No.1. will be posted from London the day of departure No. 2. will be posted from a Port of Call abroad.

No. 3. probably posted in New Zealand before proceeding to the unknown regions. Cards 2, 3, and 4 will bear colonial stamps and postmarks. This is a similar scheme to the Royal visit to Australia, also the royal visit of Prince Henry to America and various others yet the "Link Empire" Postcards deal with a different subject, but equally important to all those interested in the South Polar Expedition and the cards will be appreciated as much as the relics of Nansens Expedition, as these cards will become very valuable.

 Grayson Stamp Co., Sherman, Tex.—WEST is really a fine ad medium and we had splendid results.

# The American Society Of Curio Collectors.

President—Roy Farrell Greene, Arkansas City, Kansas

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Department of Geology—F. A. Brown, East Peru, Iowa

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Cost of Membership—Initiation fee, 10 cents; annual dues, 25 cents. Members receive a copy of the official organ each month. The secretary will furnish application blanks.

All honest collectors, whatever be their chosen branch of collecting, except stamps, are invited to join. We do not solicit stamp collectors as members as there are so many good philatelic societies now in existence, but collectors of stamps who collect along other lines also are invited to become members.

Free Identification Bureau for naming and classifying shells, minerals, fossils, coins, etc. for members only, in charge of a competent superintendent, will examine and name doubtful specimens submitted to them by members. A list of superintendents is given above, with whom members can communicate direct.

Many other benefits accrue to collectors through membership. Address the Secretary for an application blank and fuller details or write to the President or any of the following members of the Recruit Bureau for blanks and information: Howard E. Bishop, Sayre, Penn.; C. G. Moehling, Des Plaines, Ills.; Basil G. Hamilton, Moose Jaw Ass'n Ont. Canada; J. J. Price, 1322-7 st Des Moines, Iowa; W. G. McLain, Edison, Ohio; Geo. W. Dixon, Watertown, So. Dakota; W. C. Aiken, Angwin, Calif.; or Joel H. Dubose, Huguenot, Georgia.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It has been thought advisable by the Board of Officers of the A. S. of C. C. to not issue a call for a "meet" or convention this year, owing to the fact that it would be hard to learn the preferences of a majority of our members upon a suitable meeting place. Many favored Put-in-Bay, Ohio, while others favored Denver, Colo. As there was no general vote of the society ordered it was impossible to secure a consensus of opinion on the subject, so the idea of holding a convention in August of this year has been abandoned. At our annual election this coming winter each member will be permitted and expected to voice his or her sentiments upon a meeting place for our grand society in July or August, 1903. In 1904 there is no doubt but that our meeting or convention will be in the World's Fair City—St. Louis.

Roy Farrell Green.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT, A. S. of C. C.

Fellow Members:—

It again becomes my painful duty to remind you who are delinquent that no organization can exist without each member doing his part, it requires finan-

ces to conduct any business and without it must surely fail, so those members who know themselves to be in arrears, will confer a favor by remitting their dues at once to the Secy. and receive a new card, the finances are as follows;

|                                                               |                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Cash rec'd from Ex Sec'y Coning                               | \$1 09         |
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| for new applications and renewals                             | 3.69           |
| Cash rec'd from R. F. Green for new applications and renewals | 6.90           |
| Cash rec'd by the Sec'y for new applications and renewals     | 4.50           |
| <b>Total receipts</b>                                         | <b>\$16.18</b> |

## EXPENDITURES

|                                                                                                                                                                           |                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Express on supplies from Coning                                                                                                                                           | 1.35           |
| Postage on Acc't Of, Packages, etc, to R. F. Greene, mailing membership cards, year book, Letters to delinquents, sending out applications, and on general correspondence | 9.79           |
| <b>Total expenses</b>                                                                                                                                                     | <b>\$11.14</b> |
| " receipts                                                                                                                                                                | 16.18          |
| " expenses                                                                                                                                                                | 11.14          |

Bal cash on hand July 21, '02. \$ 5.04

# PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

## NEW MEMBERS

- 377 Wm. F. High, Williamsport, R.R. Ind. Coins, curios, Indian relics.  
 378 Ben G. Greene, 2343 Maguolia Ave., Chicago, Ill. Curios, stamps.  
 379 O. H. Patterson, Alva, Okla. Natural history spec, Indian goods.  
 380 Seldon K. Ogle, Klamath Agency, Ore. All kinds og Indian relics, curios.  
 381 Joseph Brown, Norway, Ia. Bird eggs. Indian relics, stamps, coins, fossils.  
 382 Hugh Spencer, St. Cloud, Minn. Indian relics, shells, curios, bird eggs.  
 383 J. B. Lewis, 910 Washington St. Petaluma, Cal. Indian relics, eggs, old coins  
 384 C. E. Johnson, Montgomery City, Mo. Pre-historic Indian relics.  
 385 Jas. Lenord S. Strong, Brantford, Ontario, Can. Archaeological specimens.  
 386 Harry L. Erwin, North English, Ia. Coins, stamps, pistols, etc.  
 387 Henry M. Cornwell, Walloon Lake, Mich. Indian relics, books on Indian history.  
 388 Chas. Coke Woods, Hutchinson, Kan. Gen'l collector of curios, photos.  
 389 C. F. Bisbee, Newcastle, Neb. Min specimens  
 390 Wm. H. Barrett, 1823 1/2 Howard St., San Francisco, Cal. Curios, shells, etc.  
 391 Gordan L. Cockburn, box 90, Pembroke, Ontario, Can. War relics, Indian relics, etc.  
 392 H. S. Dickey, Newton, Kan. Coins, stamps, paper money, eggs, etc.  
 393 Clement L. Webster, 111 Hawkins Ave., Charles City, Ia. Scientific collector of geological and archaeological spec.  
 394 Mrs. Carleton M. Moody, 1909 Greene St., Philadelphia, Pa. Postmarks, stamps, coins and minerals.

## APPLICATIONS.

- Raymond Wilcox [14] 4182 Park Ave., New York City, N. Y.  
 396 I. Milton Rhoades [40], Edge Hill, Pa.  
 397 T. Parker Liddell [21], Golden, Colo.  
 398 Dr. A. J. Overholt [63], Box 654, Salida, Colo.  
 399 E. R. Emerson [71], Salida, Colo.  
 400 Julius A. Warren [20], Gordon-ton, N. C.  
 401 J. H. Fountain [48], 1027 Overton St., Los Angeles, Cala.  
 402 Mrs. Carrie M. Innes, 1416 S. Broadway, Denver, Colo.  
 403 Miss A. Davis, Denmark House, Romford, Essex, England.  
 404 Dr. W. H. Valway, 2671 Broadway, Cleveland, Ohio.  
 405 Eugene A Monroe, Newport News, Va.  
 406 Ferd Wetherington, 503 Fountain Ave. Paducah, Ky.  
 407 John P Kelly, 55 S Spring St

Concord, N H.

- 408 Charles Smith, Clarence, Ia.  
 409 E T McIntire, 218 Shotwell St, San Francisco, Calif.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- 34 G M Butler from Denver, Colo to Golden, Colo.  
 170 A L Flagg from Friends School, Providence to Woonsocket Hotel, Woonsocket, R I.  
 151 A Henry Barker from Phoebus, Va to Ft Monroe, Va [Box 42]  
 113 Frank Mears from Mansfield, Mo to 622 Jefferson, Topeka, Kan.  
 Gordon L Cockburr, Sturgeon Falls, Ont, Canada.

## DROPPED FOR DELINQUENCY

- 9 Benj F Thieband, Connersville, Ind.  
 20 Harry Elkins " "  
 42 John Strasser " "

## RESIGNED

- 209 Geo M Crofts, Herbert, Va.

## DEATHS

- 141 Young G Lee, Glenoak, Fla.  
 Wm Warner, Jr, Sec'y.

## A Rare Medal.

In one of my rambles in the Wichita Mountains of Commanche County, Okla., a Mr. Massey brought me a medal to have me make a photograph of it, of which I now have a good negative.

Mr. Massey procured this medal of a man who claimed to have dug it up in digging a post hole, but the Kiowa Indians claim it to have been burried with Mieatan, a Kiowa chief, 25 years ago.

This medal is slightly larger than a dollar, made of silver. On one side it bears the head of Monroe with the words, "John Monroe Prsident of the United States 1817". On the other side is a crossed tomahawk and peace pipe and the words "Peace and Friendship" with the clasped hand of an Indian and a United States officer. The Kiowa Indians claim to have received this from the Seminole Indians.

It is supposed to have been given to the Seminoles at the time General Jackson was sent to Georgia to quell and make peace with them at the time Seminoles, Creeks and negros went on the war path in 1817 This medal is a very rare specimen, and I understand Mr. Massey has been offered \$1,000 for it and even that I think to be a very low valuation. O. H. Papperson, Artist and Taxidermist, Alva, Okla.

STAMP COLLECTOR'S  
**Protective Assoc'n**  
 OF AMERICA

ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 3, 1899.

Any stamp collector of good recommendation may become a member by applying to secretary. Benefits: Mutual co-operation for the protection of honest collectors; for the furtherance of philately in general; annihilation of frauds and schemers by exposing them; collecting, investigating and assisting members in any way. Become a member and help us. With every complaint send 4c for purpose of investigation or adjusting your claim if possible to do so. A great many will pay rather that be published.

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Official Organ—The WEST.

Members who can be present at the St. James Hotel, Denver August 7th and 8th will be pleased to see and have a social meeting and see about our next meet.

NEW MEMBERS

Mrs. M. A. Kyle, Respa, Calif; E. G. Furbush Chicago, Ill, 652 Foster Ave; H. V. Ketchum, La Junta Col. Bx. 631; J. S. Higham, Manchester, Eng., 17 Mostley St; C. W. Smith Sadilia Mo; Trojan Stamp Co., Troy, Ohio; F. Redquiz, Stuggart, Germany; F. G. Hrewster, Flatbush N. Y., 23 Linden Boul; Excelsior Stamp Co. Bx. 27, Station G, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Election results will be announced next month.

F. G. Furbush of Chicago complains of Russel J. Esler, Tarentum, Pa., Bx 76 sent him stamps on May 2 and not been able to hear. Jack O Connell 1100 Prague at Shreveport La., got his sheets sent May 17 and got no reply. A. R. Butler of Washington D. C. complains of A Monnetto and C. Wrigly Toronto, secured \$20 of stamps from him last Feb. make no returns, they are both members of DPA and can no reply from Sec'y. and he wrote him June 7.

We are glad to help in any complaints but be sure and send 4c for each name.

Any members had square dealing with Scott Williams Co., Seattle, Wash.

Leading collector of there city and leading dealers do not consider them reliable. W.D. Phillips, Glostonbury, Conn., Car. billo Specialty Co. San Diego, Calif.

We are unable to hear regarding ads of their's, so ask if readers fare any better.

SALE SUPERINTENDANT'S REPORT.

Total number of books received to date, 122, value, \$566.53;  
 Total number of books retired to date, 114, " 499.27;  
 8 " 67.26.

Leaving bal. on hand July 20 1902,  
 Sales from books retired, \$75. 03.


Insurance fund. 2 42.

Blank circuits books furnished free on application.

Joel H. D' Bose,  
 Sales Supt, S. C. P. A.

**Tete-beche Pairs.**  
 Frank C. Young.

As a comparatively new recruit to the ranks of "stamp fiends", but a printer of many years experience, I am surpris'd at the great rarity of tete-beche pairs of stamps. In the printing of the Hawaiian numerals, many other type-set stamps and some of the earlier French stamps only half a sheet was printed at once, making two printings on each sheet. Where these two forms or plates came together the easiest and consequently normal condition was tete-beche, one head turned one way and one the other. In feeding the paper to the press, the paper being cut twice the size of the form to be printed. One edge was first placed to the guides and printed and then the sheet turned around and the other edge printed without moving the guides, thus making the central two rows of stamps on the completed sheet tete-beche. To print them any other way makes extra trouble, which is why I say that tete-beche is the normal way for the two central rows of stamps printed a half sheet at a time. If this is not plain to you, ask any of your printer friends and they will demonstrate it.



The Spanish-American Philatelic Society.

Founded January 1, 1900

An International Association for collectors in North, Central and South America

La Sociedad Filatelica Hispano-Americana

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Initiation and Yearly Dues \$1.00

Our Motto: "Get Ahead and Stay Ahead!"

Every philatelic society or organization has had its first doubtful year of existence. Many there are that never see the end of the first year. Others that do, however, manage to exist for a time, not infrequently burdened with debts and usually find it quite more convenient to quietly expire. And then, stamp societies are so much like stamp journals. You can never tell when they're coming or when they're going.

When the idea of forming an organization like the Spanish-American Philatelic Society was first advanced, collectors generally expressed the belief that it was too big an undertaking,—too likely to do like other societies have done. So, of course we had our first doubtful year. But we so persistently refused to die, that we just had to live, "to save funeral expenses" so to speak.

That was in 1900 and our second and third years have been prosperous. The society is not only self-supporting now, but keeps on a comparatively good basis with other associations. When collectors see a good thing even though there are "several" other societies besides ours, they usually "get next." If YOU are looking for something up-to-date and out of the foggy old ideas and philatelic ruts, you will not fail to appreciate the fact that we claim to be all of this and then some. So just write us for the information.

We have just enough time left to send in following names of new members and promise to have more yet next month.

Enrique Menendez Bonachea, Camajuani, Cuba.  
Frank R. Hayworth, Wichita, Kansas, U. S. A.  
Juan Francisco Steegers y Periera, Havana, Cuba  
Rudolph Crause, Panuco de Coronado, Mexico  
Joseph F. A. Knitschky, Wichita, Kansas, U. S. A.  
Miguel Lazaro Puentes, Havana Cuba

Things are progressing finely with our Philatelic Annual, and don't forget to read the announcement regarding it in this number. Cordially yours, CHARLES WILLARD MYERS, Secy.

# —INTERNATIONAL— Stamp Collectors Association

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## SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Governing board at their last meeting decided to meet in future on the 20th day of each month. Notice is hereby given that all resident vice-presidents are requested to report to the Secy the conditions for extending the membership in their respective divisions by Nov. 20. The following are the new members admitted during the month.

- R. W. Strickland, Albion, N. Y. U.S.A.
- F. C. Young, Syracuse " "
- M.H. Smith, Port of Spain, Trinidad, W. I
- F. A. Meserve, Lewiston, Maine U.S.A
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- J. T. Seybold, " " " "
- C. W. Brown, " " " "
- D. E. McCurdy, Westernport, Ind " "
- J. R. Hooper, Port Hope, Ont. Canada
- D. Longfelder, Wabash, Ind, U. S. A.
- Miss V. Innes, Newcastle, W Australia
- L. G. Rodrigues, Georgetown, British Guiana

One of the great advantages which I. S. C. A. offers its members is that you can buy unused current issues at face value. There is no other philatelic society in the world which offers this benefit to its members. The secretary receives stamps in payment of dues from almost every stamp issuing country. You can either procure from him or the resident vice presidents in their respective countries. No charge whatever is made except for return postage.

If a member you can drop the sales superintendent a card and he will send you books of stamps on approval or you can send him your duplicates mounted in books and he will find ready sale for them. The association has among its members some of the most prominent philatelists in the world as a glance over the membership list will show. We are not an international association in name only for we number our members among all races of the earth, there are very few countries which which are not repre-

sented by the association.

For the benefits which our society offers the fees and dues are remarkably low. By joining now you can secure membership to Dec. 31st 1902 for 35c this including initiation fee at 15 cents or to December 31st 1903 for 70c this including the monthly official journal, the WEST which is sent to every member free of charge. This alone is worth more than cost of membership. You have the full use of every department, a complete list of all the members, also list of all resident vice presidents with copy of constitution and by-laws, and membership certificate is sent to every member.

Any person of good recommendation interested in any branch of philately may become a member by applying to the resident vice presidents or the secretary for application blanks which are sent free on request. You will find your membership will repay you many times over for the small amount required for dues.

For application blanks send to C. H. Haas, Salamanca, N. Y. or the secretary C. W. N. Ussner, 137 Baldwin st., Toronto, Canada.

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# Camera & News



Editor, F. J. CLUTE, San Francisco

## From An Ammychure. By JAMES LAWRENCE BONDLEE

I wonder how many of the readers of this journal of ours that take pictures, have ever tried backing their plates. In less than a week my own pictures changed from mostly all bad to about all good, and backing the plate made the whole difference. I am sure that all who seek to obtain good results with the camera will like to learn how to improve their work as I did. Halation, in most cases, spoiled my work. I didn't know it by that name at the time. I called it fog. It comes from a reflection from the back of the plate when the lens projects the image on the plate. It is like a hallow around tree tops against the sky, white things against dark colored ones, or in the case of windows in interior views, like a cloud of white steam. Whether it shows or not, it is always present on every plate and no matter how good you make a picture it would have been much better if the plate had only been backed.

I used, at the advice of a friend, Newcomb's Non Halation Backing (to be had of the inventor E. W. Newcomb, Bible House, New York City, at 50 cents a cake, enough for 250 5 x 7 plates.) and found it easy to apply and just as easy to remove before developing. It is yet a new thing to many but everyone who tries it finds it more than it is claimed to be. It makes your plates give good printers, renders true perspective, gives the clouds in the sky with better detail and makes it possible to take good pictures even in fierce mid-day sunlight if necessary. I want to advise all who

would like better negatives and prettier pictures to get the genuine Newcomb backing and try as per directions. For myself I would not be without it, as well as several other very fine preparations that he makes and shows the good of in his little free catalogue. I have seen this backing endorsed by the editors of the several photo papers that I take so I am not an isolated case. Backing is necessary to every plate exposed to any subject whatever. The sooner you try it the sooner you will know it and make better negatives.

### Dealing with Over Exposure.

It often happens in the developing of plates made at this time of year, when the actinic quality of the light is very strong, that one or more plates will show a tendency of over-exposure, flashing up as soon as the developer is poured over them. It is a good plan in developing the plates or films where the exposure is at all uncertain to have on hand a stock developer made up of glycin after the following formula:

- Carbonate of soda (crystallized) . . . 1 oz.
- Sulphate of soda (crystallized) . . . ½ oz.
- Glycin . . . . . 60 grains
- Potassium bromide . . . . . 15 grains
- Water . . . . . 10 ounces

If the over-exposed plate is immediately transferred to a tray containing a quantity of this developer it may be saved, where under ordinary conditions it would be hopelessly lost. As soon as the symptoms of over-exposure appear, the plate should be removed from the original developer, rinsed under the tap, and transferred to the glycin developer, where the development will proceed slowly and with contrast. The plate after development should be fixed and washed thoroughly as in other cases.



# American Camera Club Exchange

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## MEMBERS MONTHLY DIRECTORY

35.—A. W. Pallard, Markleysburg, Fayette Co., Pa. has for sale heavy weight Belgian Hares 10lb strain healthy stock, \$2.00 and \$3.00 a pair.

36.—W. L. Newman, Photographer, Panaca, Nevada sends photos of a Coyote. He has for sale or exchange two building lots in Lawndale, New Jersey, 20x100 feet each with deeds of same. He will sell for \$50 cash or will exchange for a good 6½x8½ reversible back camera, with rapid rectilinear lens, bulb shutter and some extra plate holders, tripod, camera case and developing and fixing trays.

37.—Mess O. T. & F. A. Kirtley, Editors of Photo Clippings Hannibal, Mo.

We hope all our members will send 5c for a sample copy of their Journal as we know it will interest you. Secy.

8.—Mrs. F. M. Jerome, New Britain, Conn. writes me she sent prints to Mr. C. C. Speight, Action, Canada in return for some he sent her, and she just received them from the Dead Letter office there.

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- 574 B F Burch, Wymore  
575 C S Stasenka, Wilber  
576 H Spink, Prosser, Neb. 5x7 Premo camera. Has western scenes, R R floods, blue prints and developing paper.

We expect to hold a meeting in Omaha during the Aksarben week. Date will be announced in next no.

## Photography at the Seashore

Seashore photography presents a very seasonable subject at this time, and it is surprising what beautiful effects may be had by the proper handling of a clump of sand dunes, with the ocean in the distance, rocky crags covered with hemlocks or falling precipitously down into the sea, as well as the pictorial view possible along the docks and wharves of shipping communities and fishing towns. Subjects of this kind present unending possibilities for pictorial work, but it must always be remembered that the reflected light from large bodies of water or from the shimmering sands of the seashore is much quicker in its action on the photographic plate than where the reflecting surface is absent. An exposure that is an inland view would require half a second of time with a given stop or diaphragm, requires to be stopped down, but to a very much smaller number or the time of exposure decreased three or four times, under these conditions of light.

Systematic work and frequent reference to the note book will prove the best guide in the field of operations.

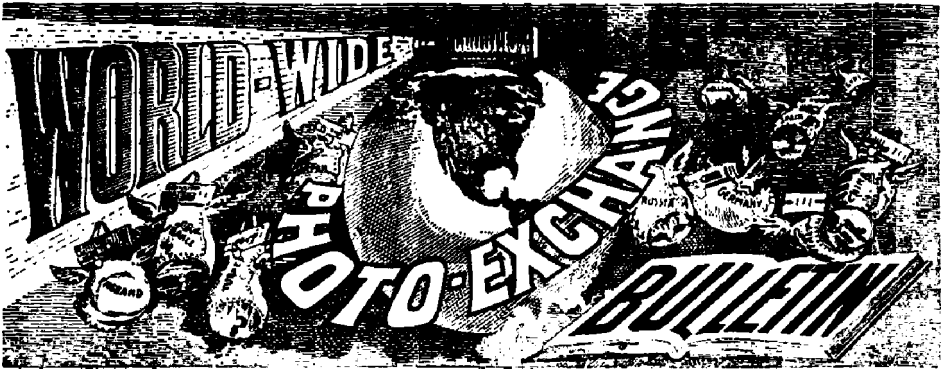
## Mounting Prints on Paper.

There are two or three ways of doing this. Cockling is due to the uniting of a print and its mount when the two have been unequally expanded by moisture, and anything which prevents this expansion, or makes it equal in two things, will obviate the difficulty. One way is by employing a mountant which does not moisten either paper or mount, such as India-rubber solution.

Another plan is by what is called "dry mounting." Each print is brushed over with mountant and allowed to dry. When ready for mounting, the mount is quickly dampened, the print laid on it in position, and the two are passed through a rolling machine under pressure.

A third plan most suitable when the prints are to be mounted on paper, and not card, is to soak both print and mount in water, and then to blot or mop this off before applying the mountant. The print has the mountant well rubbed into it, and is then laid in position on the paper and rubbed into contact. The mounted print is placed between blotting boards on a level surface, and kept under a heavy weight, and screwed up in a copying press until dry. This gives an absolutely flat result.

D. E. Johnston, New Castle, Neb. WEST is the greatest ad medium I have ever seen and my replies average 5 a day and are all from good people who do business in a liberal manner. Would not trade an inch space in WEST for three in any other collector's paper.



The other day I got a hold of something which I thought might be interesting to members. A boy came to me with a developed plate which was covered with a white coating. He said it had been all right after it had passed the developer, but in the hypo it had got the white coating. After seeing hypo, which was just like any other hypo, I found it to be starch.

Arthur H. Deute,  
Oregon City, Oregon

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HENRY C. FERRIS.

This gentleman was born in Ohio, and consequently has a right to the familiar cognomen of "Buckeye Boy".

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In the early eighties he located in Toledo, Ohio, and was connected with

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In 1893 he went West, making Denver his home, where he has since resided. Mr. Ferris is still engaged in the "Art preservative", and is proofreader at the largest printing establishment in the City and in the West.

Is a musician, having played in bands and orchestras since he was fourteen years of age. Has been correspondent for the New York Musical Courier, and also for the Typographical Journal, published at Indianapolis, Ind

Is interested in amateur photography and also a stamp collector. Is a member of the World-Wide Photo Exchange, and is a reader of the WEST.

He will be glad to meet any of the members or readers at collectors meeting, Denver, Aug. 6th to 8th, St. James Hotel.

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Will be meeting of collectors in Denver, many cameras among them, at the St James Hotel on Aug. 7th and 8th Publisher and editor expects to attend, any member who can be present, be pleased to see.

WW Jacklin, Tottessville, Pa  
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Mrs. FR Archibald, Akron, O 114 Balch St has a collection of stamps she wishes to sell, catalogue over \$50 offer at a bargain, write her regarding same.

Don't be afraid to send in any hints or suggestions for members, publisher trying to help out Dept. till Secy. has charge of same. Each member allowed free 25 word notice in the exchange columns where you can exchange prints cameras, curios, and get same etc.

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### Keep a Note Book.

An important aid to the success in the work of the beginner is system, and the details of each exposure should be carefully noted in an exposure book which can be obtained almost anywhere and at very moderate cost. Entering in this book a brief description of the subject photographed, the time of day, intensity of the light—that is, whether the sun is shining bright or is partially obscured—the size of diaphragm used and the exposure given in seconds or fractions of a second, will give the operator material upon which to base all future work. If later, after the negative is developed, a further entry is made in the book embodying the results obtained under the conditions shown by the previous records, he knows at once what kind of a negative to expect if conditions are repeated. A notebook of this kind is invaluable, and when once it has become a part of the field equipment it will be found almost as necessary as the camera itself.



## Answers

Queries should be addressed to Fayette J. Clute  
16 Marye Terrace, San  
Francisco, California

W. G. H.—Keeping Qualities of Bromide Paper.—Bromide paper will keep good for months if stored in a dry place and kept well protected from light. Dampness or any trace of sewer gas will soon cause it to become worthless. Rooms in which gas is used as an illuminant are not suitable for storing bromide paper. The fumes of ammonia also act in a detrimental manner upon the sensitive surface of both plates and paper.

S. R. P.—Twilight Effects.—To get the effect of twilight with clouds in the sky, wait until the sun is near setting, and when it is behind a cloud make an instantaneous exposure, using an old or weak developer to start with. If water can be included in the foreground the effect will be much more artistic. Some prominent object in the immediate foreground will give the required perspective.

G. B. A.—Under Exposed Negatives.—Where an under exposed negative has been carried too far in the developer and the high lights are too dense, this latter can be reduced and better relative values secured by immersing, after thoroughly eliminating the hypo, in a 3 to 5 per cent solution of persulphate of ammonia. The action of this can be stopped by flooding the plate with a ten percent solution of sulphite of soda, the plate being rubbed with the fingers when first put in the sulphite solution, to enable the latter to reach all parts of the films at one time. Otherwise the action may

continue for some time and the plate be ruined. The plate must be thoroughly washed.

Miss K. A.—Exposure From Outdoor Portraits.—For portraits out of doors, taken at a distance of from four to twenty feet, dark heavy foliage, red brick buildings and the like' give double exposure required for average landscape.

J. O. M.—Removing Silver Stains.—You can remove the silver stains from your negative by taking a piece of cotton wool and wet it with a weak solution of cyanide of potassium. Rub gently all over the negative, using a little more force on the stained parts. Wash well. Dry on blotting paper. Be careful about handling cyanide, as it is poisonous.

A. T. B.—Developer For Gas Light Papers.—The following formula, which comes with all the velox paper, will give good results on developing papers. Water, 10 ounces; metol, 7 grains; sodium sulphite (crystals) ½ ounce or 1 dram, dry; hydroquinone, 30 grains; sodium carbonate crystals, 400 grains to 200 grains, dry; 10 per cent bromide solution, 10 drops. Dissolve in the order given; shake well until thoroughly dissolved before adding next. The dry sodium sulphite and the sodium carbonate are much more reliable than the crystals, and therefore better to use. I use this same formula, undiluted, for plates and bromide papers.

### Unbreakable Focusing Screen.

In cases of emergency or for very rough traveling it may be useful to know that one can use the finest kind of engineer's tracing cloth. This may be glued to a light framework of stock thin card, which will keep it quite flat and add but very slightly to the weight of the outfit.

A t m o s p h e r e .

The term "aerial perspective" is often used to express the idea of that effect of distance produced by the intervening atmosphere, but its use in this connection can hardly be correct. Atmosphere effect are two words that will much better describe that quality in a picture that goes so far, when secured, to make the production a success. To say that the portrayal of that softening down of outline and tone that distant objects owe to the intervening atmosphere, in other words, the "atmosphere" of the painter is one of the chief elements in the production of good landscape work, would be more nearly correct. Let your picture contain any number of other good points; good composition, good lighting, good in all else, but unless there is indication of atmospheric effect, the picture will be flat and the various plains, instead of seeming to fall naturally one behind the other, will appear as if on one plane. This atmosphere effect, as seen in nature, results in two ways: It softens the outlines of all objects more or less as the distance is greater or smaller and it also asserts itself, even more strongly, by its subduing and softening effect upon all gradations of tone and color. This results in that dim gray that is so generally associated with all objects in the extreme distance. Just as all lines in perspective tend towards the vanishing point, so do all colors, be they ever so glaring, tend to this softness as the distance increases. The securing of these effects in the rendition of a landscape means much. It permits the eye to place the different planes in their correct relations to each other instead of causing it to be offended at the lack of truthfulness to nature that the loss at once proclaims. Take one of your landscape prints and with a brush and a little white or black ink, heighten the tone of some object in

the extreme distance so that it stands out clearly from its surroundings. You will at once see how discordant it becomes.

As a rule, this atmospheric effect is always present and only demands that we but avoid undue stopping down of our lens and any suspicion of under exposure. Either are fatal to securing of atmosphere. The selection of such a view that the strongest contrasts lie most near to the camera will also assist in the securing of the desired effects. Here it is well to remember that the visual and actinic value of colors are not the same. The intelligent use of color screen and the orthochromatic plate as a factor in the securing of atmospheric effect must not be neglected. As the former is inclined to hold the blue and purples back, allowing of the clearer picturing of the distance when inclined toward this shade, it is less liable to be of assistance than the isochromatic plate without its aid, but here a few trials under varying conditions of atmosphere will teach more could be written in several pages of this magazine.—St. Louis and Canadian Photographer.

Enameling Prints.

A correspondent wishes to know if there is any way of glossing prints so that water will not hurt them. The nearest approach to this is obtained by the following method: Coat a well-talced glass with enamel collodion and allow it to dry. Then coat it with a solution of gelatine about as thick as cream, and allow it to set. Then dip the print and plate into water, bring the two into contact, raise together and use the squeegee very lightly. An alum bath should not be used. When dry they will strip from the glass with a high gloss or enamel surface that is nearly impervious to water.





Our leader this month is from the pen of a well known eastern amateur, Mr. James Lawrence Bondlee. That his advice is of value there can be no doubt. The many defective, mussy, and unreliable backing mixtures that have been placed on the market and recommended through some of the less careful journals has resulted in the advantages of a reliable article being discredited without trial in a great many cases. This is the only explanation I can see for the use of the E. W. N. article not becoming general long ago.

I have just received from Mr. E. O. Swafford of the Home Studio, Baird, Texas, a most interesting contribution to our pages. It will be run next month. In the meanwhile, look up their advertisement in our pages and write them concerning their Medallion work from amateur negatives.

Mr. Wood who contributed that most excellent article on negative making in our last issue, has something to interest our readers in his advertisement on another page. Any formula that he may recommend can be depended upon to be as good as chemical knowledge and experience can devise. His system of labeling solutions is a boon to any amateur.

Mrs. F. R. Archibald writes me in my letter of inquiry, that she will continue the business established at Akron

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If you want to receive a volume that will serve as a reference book of things photographic, send four cents in stamps to Dep. P., H. A. Hyatt, St. Louis, Mo. They sent me one year ago and I still look it over when I wish for particulars of some camera offered for sale or exchange. It lists about everything the amateur could want and is a marvel of completeness and low prices. They have a bargain sheet that is not so bulky. They send that on request.

Our credited article this time is from that mainstay of the progressive professional, the St. Louis and Canadian Photographer. The price has been recently reduced from \$3.00 to \$2.00. This is made possible by the large amount of advertising patronage it receives. As is the case with our own WEST, the advertising patronage is a good gauge of the journals value. Your own humble servant is responsible for the Amateur department which it contains. The publishers have promised me that they would send a copy free to any one mentioning either the WEST or my name, so drop a postal card to the St. Louis and Canadian Photographer, St. Louis, Mo. and get a thirty-cent magazine.

F. J. C.

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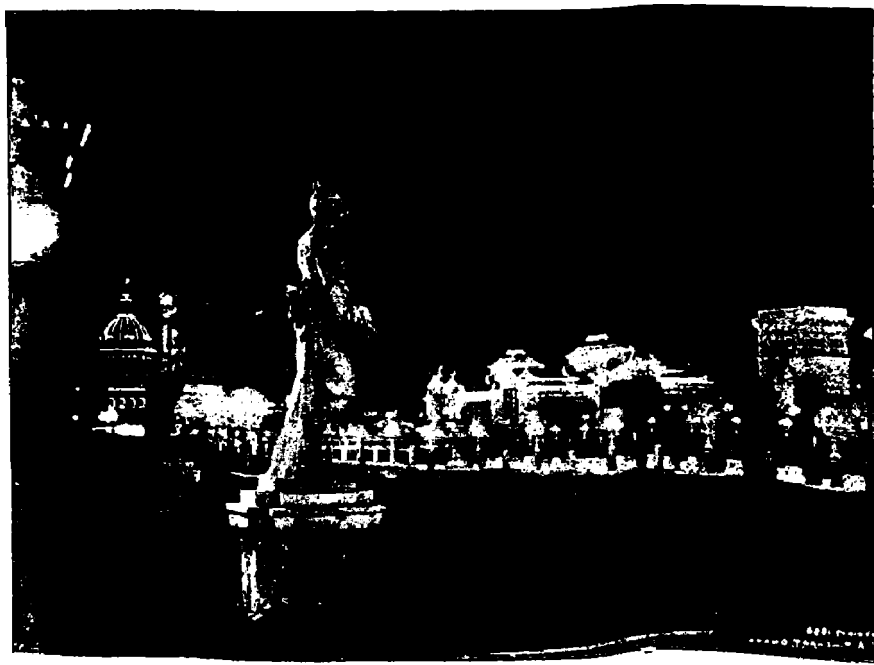
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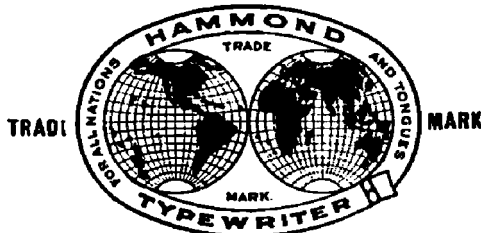
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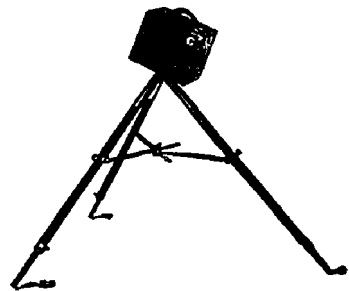
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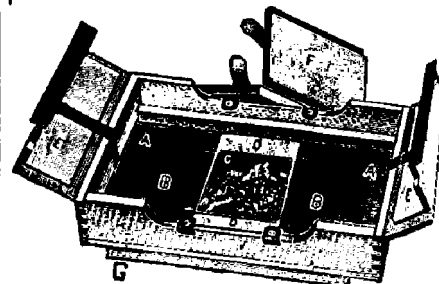
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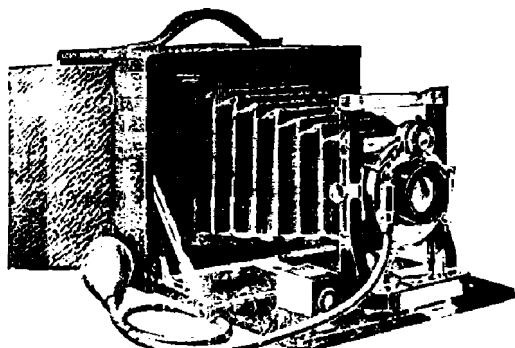
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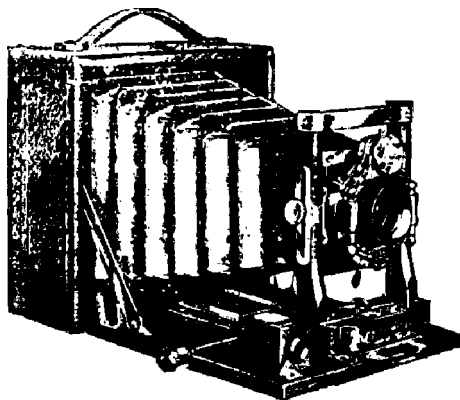
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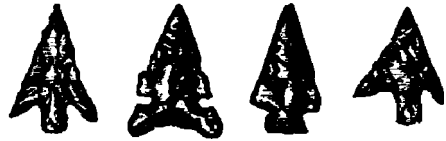
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| 1 set Venezuela 1896<br>5 var 1-5-10-25-50 cat 42c price | - | 17c |
| 1 set Ecuador 1897<br>4 var 1-2-5-10 used price          | - | 07c |
| 1 set Costa Rica 1901<br>3 var 5-10-10 used price        | - | 07c |
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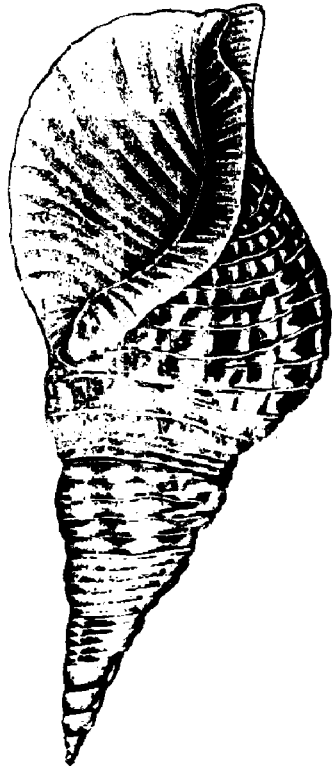
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| 15c Inland Ex.            | " "           | 20c  |     |
| 30c                       | " "           | 75c  |     |
| 50c Surety Bond           | " "           | 75c  |     |
| 50c Mortgage              | Imperf        | 1.25 |     |
| 60c Inland Ex             | Part perf     | 60c  |     |
| 60c                       | " Imperforate | 1.00 |     |
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| 40c                       | " "           | 10   | " " |
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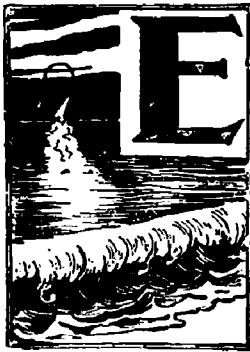
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| 2c Proprietary orange  | - | 1.25 | 60   |
| 2c Playing Card "      | - | 50   | 25   |
| 2c " blue              | - | 25   | 12   |
| 5c " "                 | - | 75   | 28   |
| 3c Telegraph           | - | 25   | 10   |
| 10c Proprietary        | - | 25   | 12   |
| 10c Foreign Exchange   | - | 40   | 20   |
| 25c Protest            | - | 25   | 12   |
| 25c Warehouse Receipt  | - | 60   | 27   |
| 50c Foreign Exc        | - | 50   | 25   |
| 50c Lease              | - | 40   | 17   |
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| 3.00 Manifest          | - | 25   | 12   |
| 5.00 " "               | - | 2.50 | 1.25 |
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| 10.00 Probate of Will  | - | 85   | 40   |
| 10.00 Conveyance       | - | 2.00 | 1.00 |

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|                      |   |      |    |
|----------------------|---|------|----|
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| 25c Power Attorney   | - | 25   | 10 |
| 1.00 " "             | - | 1.00 | 45 |
| 1.00 Probate of Will | - | 1.75 | 80 |
| 25c Protest          | - | 75   | 30 |

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|                     |   |      |    |
|---------------------|---|------|----|
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| 5c blue No. 38 used | - | 30   | 15 |
| 5c " " 20 unused    | - | 40   | 18 |

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|----------------------------------------|----|------------------------------------|----|
| Australia 20 var .....                 | 06 | *Peru 10 var old & new .....       | 15 |
| Bolivia '94 1 to 20c 5 var .....       | 05 | Portugal 1898 130 r .....          | 04 |
| Belgium. 8 var .....                   | 03 | Roumania 1891 7 var .....          | 04 |
| Bavaria 10 var .....                   | 05 | Rhodesia 1896 1s .....             | 10 |
| Chile '00 50c brown .....              | 09 | *Soudan 1898 1 to 5m .....         | 12 |
| " '01 30c orange .....                 | 07 | " '98 10 pia .....                 | 35 |
| Cuba '00 1, 2, 5, & 10c .....          | 05 | *Shanghai 1893 7 var .....         | 20 |
| D. W. I. 1873 3c .....                 | 02 | *    " 1893, 7 var unpaid .....    | 22 |
| *Ecuador '96 Jubilee 7 var .....       | 17 | *So Nigeria '01 .....              | 02 |
| Gold Coast 1884 1s .....               | 05 | *Servia '94-'96 1d .....           | 05 |
| Guatemala No 55a .....                 | 40 | Salvador '67½ & 1r .....           | 07 |
| *    " '97, 1, 2 & 6c .....            | 04 | *U. S. P O Dept 1c black .....     | 17 |
| *    " '97, 100, 200 & 500c .....      | 27 | U. S. 1895 dues 30 & 50c .....     | 35 |
| *    " 1900 5c blue .....              | 12 | *Venzuela Nos 136-137-139 & 140 .. | 12 |
| *Hayti '96 complete .....              | 25 | U. S. REV.                         |    |
| *    " '98 2 & 5c .....                | 06 | 50c Conveyance part per .....      | 12 |
| Jamaica Jubilee 1d .....               | 01 | 50c Mortgage .....                 | 50 |
| *    " 1901, 1d .....                  | 04 | 50c Surety Bond .....              | 35 |
| Labuan '96 25c, 50c & 1d .....         | 30 | 60c Int'l Exchange imp .....       | 51 |
| " '97 1 to 24 .....                    | 40 | 1d .....                           | 08 |
| " '97 18c .....                        | 04 | 1d Power of Attorney .....         | 50 |
| *Liberia, register, Moravia .....      | 07 | 5c black & orange .....            | 05 |
| *Malta, 1900 1 far .....               | 01 | \$1.00 carmine .....               | 12 |
| Netherlands '99 ½, 1, 2½, 3, 5, 10,    |    | \$1.00 gray cut .....              | 05 |
| 12½ & 20c .....                        | 05 | \$3.00 brown .....                 | 14 |
| Nicaragua 78, 80, 1, 2, 10 & 25c ..... | 15 | \$3.00 .....                       | 10 |
| *Nyassa 1897, 10 var .....             | 60 | \$5.00 orange uncut .....          | 15 |
| *    " '98 complete .....              | 60 | \$5.00 orange cut .....            | 06 |
| " 1901 10 var .....                    | 40 | PRIVATE PROP.                      |    |
| North Borneo 1897 1 to 24 .....        | 40 | ½c Piso .....                      | 03 |
| Paraguay, 1887 15c orange .....        | 06 | ½c Emerson .....                   | 04 |
| " '92 14c brown .....                  | 05 | ¼ .....                            | 03 |
| *Portugese Col. 10 var crown .....     | 10 | 1¼ Fletcher .....                  | 04 |
| *    " " 28 var .....                  | 60 | ½ Johnson & Johnson .....          | 03 |

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|---------------------------------------------|-------|
| 1 lb. mixed stamps .....                    | 75    |
| 1000 Faultless Stamp Hinges .....           | 07    |
| 4000 " " " .....                            | 25    |
| 9000 " " " .....                            | 50    |
| 20000 " " " .....                           | 1.00  |
| 50 Blank Approval Sheets .....              | 10    |
| 100 " " " .....                             | 19    |
| 1000 " " " .....                            | 1.35  |
| Dup Stamp Album (holds 320 stamps) .....    | 05    |
| Same 6 for .....                            | 25    |
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| 20 diff stamp papers .....                  | 10    |
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|-----------------------------------|-------|--------|
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| Canada 1/2c used                  | ..... | 1/2    |
| "    2c                           | ..... | 01     |
| Cuba, 1900 1c unused              | ..... | 01 1/2 |
| "    2c                           | ..... | 03     |
| "    3c                           | ..... | 04     |
| "    5c                           | ..... | 06     |
| "    10c                          | ..... | 11     |
| "    10c Special Deliv' un'd      | ..... | 11     |
| "    1890-95 4 var o g            | ..... | 03     |
| Ecuador Jubilee comp set 7var cat | ..... |        |
| 1.25 set unused                   | ..... | 23     |
| Finland mourning stamp 1c black   | ..... |        |
| fine, o g                         | ..... | 03     |
| Great Britain, 5 var              | ..... | 02     |
| 50 different foreign              | ..... | 03     |
| 1c Columbian, U S                 | ..... | 1/2    |
| 2c                                | ..... | 1/2    |
| 1c Omaha                          | ..... | 01     |
| 1c Pan American                   | ..... | 1/2    |
| 2c                                | ..... | 1/2    |
| 1c blue                           | ..... | 1/2    |
| 2c Red Triangle 1 and 2           | ..... | 1/2    |
| 1c Postage dues                   | ..... | 1/2    |
| 2c                                | ..... | 01     |
| 10c Special Delivery blue         | ..... | 1/2    |

Total ..... \$ 80

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All bids to be made by mail to Lot No., at 50 cents per lot. Stamps in good average condition unless otherwise specified.

| Lot No. | United States                                        | Cat   | No. |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----|
| 1       | 1847 5c on cover, fine                               | \$ 70 | 1   |
| 2       | 1851 1c blue, type 2                                 | 25    | 1   |
| 3       | 1851 10c green, cut close                            | 65    | 1   |
| 4       | 1857 1c blue, type 3, close at bottom                | 12    | 1   |
| 5       | 1861 10c blue, all damaged                           | 50    | 10  |
| 6       | 1861 12c used fine                                   | 40    | 1   |
| 7       | 1862 5c brown, not well cent                         | 35    | 1   |
| 8       | 1862 24c used fine                                   | 30    | 1   |
| 9       | 1868 Scott's No 92                                   | 75    | 1   |
| 10      | 1869 3c brown, unused                                | 1.25  | 1   |
| 11      | " same used                                          | 12    | 1   |
| 12      | " 10c                                                | 75    | 1   |
| 13      | " 12c                                                | 50    | 1   |
| 14      | " 15c                                                | 1.50  | 1   |
| 15      | 1870 10 6c, no emboss                                | 1.00  | 10  |
| 16      | 1887 3c vermilion, unused                            | 12    | 1   |
| 17      | " same, used                                         | 10    | 1   |
| 18      | 1893 Columbian, 1 to 10c used                        | 26    | 3   |
| 19      | 1898 Omaha, 1 to 10c, used                           | 21    | 6   |
| 20      | Int Dept, 15c unused, not well cent                  | 75    | 1   |
| 21      | P O Dept, 1c unused, fine                            | 40    | 1   |
| 22      | Reg Seal, green, fine                                | 25    | 1   |
| 23      | Treas Dept 1c used, not well cent                    | 15    | 1   |
| 24      | " 2c unused                                          | 35    | 1   |
| 25      | 100 Spec Del, 1895                                   | 2.00  | 100 |
| 26      | 1895 3c due unused fine pair                         | 16    | 2   |
| 27      | 1st 188 Rev 10c prop perf fine                       | 25    | 1   |
| 28      | 10 \$250 1st issue perf ass't shades                 | 1.20  | 10  |
| FOREIGN |                                                      |       |     |
| 29      | Brazil, 1900 common, used                            | 65    | 4   |
| 30      | Canada, 1859 100 5c                                  | 4.00  | 100 |
| 31      | " 1866 1c brown red                                  | 30    | 1   |
| 32      | " 1869 1c yellow                                     | 40    | 1   |
| 33      | " off sealed, fine                                   |       | 1   |
| 34      | Cuba on U S ent env unused Scott's U S 505, 506, 508 | 75    | 3   |
| 35      | France and Col, 74 var, used, unused                 | 3.00  | 74  |
| 36      | Great Britain, 25 6d and 5s used                     | 20    | 2   |
| 37      | Grenada, '83 4d un'd tete beche pair                 | 70    | 2   |
| 38      | Newfoundland, 1866 12c unused                        | 60    | 1   |
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| No.                   |                                                           | No. in lot  | No. |                                   | No. in lot                                                     |       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 1                     | U. S. 1851 10c grn unused                                 | Cat \$15.00 | 1   | 22                                | 1 60 " " fine.....                                             | 14 00 |
| 2                     | 1856 30c orange used                                      | " 6 00      | 1   | 23                                | 2 00 Mort imperf fine unsev'rd pair                            | 5 00  |
| 3                     | another on part cov                                       | " 6 00      | 1   | 24                                | 50 00 1898 issue Fine uncut strip...                           | 3     |
| 4                     | 1869 15c used                                             | " 1 50      | 1   | 25                                | 10 00 & 50 00 1898 issue Cut cans...                           | 2     |
| 5                     | 1870 24c Grilled a nice stamp<br>and easily worth \$50.00 | " 75 00     | 1   | <b>U. S. Departments</b>          |                                                                |       |
| <b>U. S. Revenues</b> |                                                           |             | 26  | 10c Justic o. g.                  | 3 00                                                           | 1     |
| 6                     | 10c grn & blk prop violet p                               | " 2 00      | 1   | 27                                | 10c " used                                                     | 3 00  |
| 7                     | 10c " " green p                                           | " 7 50      | 1   | 28                                | 12c " "                                                        | 2 50  |
| 8                     | 4c brown " 1878 issue                                     | " 4 00      | 1   | 29                                | 30c State "                                                    | 2 50  |
| 9                     | 5c Playing Cards.....                                     | 15 00       | 20  | 30                                | 15c " o. g.                                                    | 4 50  |
| 10                    | \$1.00 Probate of Will.....                               | 12 50       | 10  | 31                                | 30c " used                                                     | 7 00  |
| 11                    | Assid. Revs & Depts.....                                  | 6 00        | 6   | 31 a                              | \$2.00 State o. g. small tear at side<br>almost invisible..... | 22 50 |
| 12                    | \$20 Conveyance.....                                      | 1 15        | 1   | 32                                | 3c Exes o. g. perfection.....                                  | 6 50  |
| 13                    | \$1 00 Mort imperf fine.....                              | 1 50        | 1   | 33                                | 7c War ".....                                                  | 2 00  |
| 14                    | 1 00 P of A " ".....                                      | 1 00        | 1   | 34                                | Interior, soft p used & unused.....                            | 7 71  |
| 15                    | 2 00 Convey " ".....                                      | 2 50        | 1   | <b>U. S. Envelopes Cut Square</b> |                                                                |       |
| 16                    | 5 00 Mort " ".....                                        | 3 50        | 1   | No. 1374 unused.....              |                                                                |       |
| 17                    | 10 00 Convey " ".....                                     | 5 00        | 1   | 35                                | 1385 ".....                                                    | 4 00  |
| 18                    | 1c Props imperf.....                                      | 10 00       | 1   | 36                                | 1373 ".....                                                    | 4 00  |
| 19                    | 10c Int'l'd Exch imperf.....                              | 5 00        | 1   | 37                                | 1324 used.....                                                 | 6 00  |
| 20                    | 40c " ".....                                              | 7 50        | 1   | 38                                | 1349 ".....                                                    | 2 00  |
| 21                    | 1 00 2nd issue.....                                       | 14 00       | 1   | 39                                | 1340 unused.....                                               | 7 00  |

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| 42 | 1 Bahamas full o. g. perfection    | 15 00 | 1  |
| 43 | 4 Br. Columbia 22d.....            | 5 00  | 1  |
| 44 | 11 Br. Honduras 1 sh.....          | 3 50  | 1  |
| 45 | 8 Bahamas.....                     | 4 50  | 1  |
| 46 | 14 do og.....                      | 3 50  | 1  |
| 47 | 5 & 6 Barbadoes.....               | 3 50  | 2  |
| 48 | 26, 27 & 28 Brazil fine.....       | 3 35  | 3  |
| 49 | Canada 6d very slight crease       | 30 00 | 1  |
| 50 | 6 Cape of Good Hope 1 sh grn       | 4 50  | 1  |
| 51 | 24 Ceylon 2s.....                  | 25 00 | 1  |
| 52 | 25 Denmark 48.....                 | 2 50  | 1  |
| 53 | 8 Canada 1/2d og fine.....         | 7 50  | 1  |
| 54 | 149 Porto Rico o.g. block of 4 ... | 1 00  | 4  |
| 55 | 149 " another.....                 | 1 00  | 4  |
| 56 | 150 " o.g. block of 4....          | 1 40  | 4  |
| 57 | 152 " " " ".....                   | 2 00  | 4  |
| 58 | 151 " " strip of 3.....            | 1 20  | 3  |
| 59 | 2 France pair on part cov.....     | 4 00  | 2  |
| 60 | 2 " another pair also one No 9     | 4 85  | 3  |
| 61 | 18 " unused.....                   | 5 00  | 1  |
| 62 | 89 Griqualand og inv surch.....    | 10 00 | 1  |
| 63 | 46 Gr Britain 9d straw.....        | 2 50  | 1  |
| 64 | Guam \$1 00 og fine.....           |       | 1  |
| 65 | 29 Hawaii.....                     | 4 00  | 1  |
| 66 | 9 " repaired.....                  | 10 00 | 1  |
| 67 | 72 Gr Britain fine.....            | 7 50  | 1  |
| 68 | Japan asstd about.....             | 7 50  | 11 |
| 69 | 7 Orange Free State 4d.....        | 3 00  | 1  |
| 70 | 9 Philippines.....                 | 10 00 | 1  |

|    |                                 |       |   |
|----|---------------------------------|-------|---|
| 71 | 1 Nova Scotia 1d.....           | 10 00 | 1 |
| 72 | 1 Another one.....              | 10 00 | 1 |
| 73 | 53 Queensland.....              | 1 50  | 1 |
| 74 | 1 St Christopher og.....        | 3 75  | 1 |
| 75 | 4 " " ".....                    | 7 50  | 1 |
| 76 | 24 Switzerland pair on part cov | 2 00  | 2 |
| 77 | 2 Sydney View a gem.....        | 10 00 | 1 |
| 78 | 28 Spain fine.....              | 5 50  | 1 |
| 78 | Virgin Is col border.....       | 10 00 | 1 |

## Miscellaneous

|  |                                    |      |     |
|--|------------------------------------|------|-----|
|  | Porto Rico unused postals 6 kinds  |      |     |
|  | evenly asstd.....                  |      | 150 |
|  | Persia 5s unused envelopes.....    |      | 13  |
|  | 16 asstd stamp packets 2-500 var.  |      |     |
|  | 5-200 var 9 100 var                |      |     |
|  | U. S. entire env. No 1307 fine.... |      | 1   |
|  | U. S. Carrier unused No 802.....   |      | 1   |
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|  | Hawaii fine.....                   | 8 05 | 13  |
|  | " No 42 unused sheet of.....       | 3 00 | 50  |
|  | Confed orig covers.....            | 6 20 | 6   |
|  | " No 202 somewhat soiled....       | 2 00 | 1   |
|  | Fine asstd cheap stamps many og    |      |     |
|  | cat about.....                     | 2 75 | 87  |
|  | Japan asstd.....                   | 1 53 | 8   |
|  | J & J Priv. Prop uncauc & others.. |      | 16  |
|  | 3 Books Foreign.....               | 2 50 | 96  |
|  | Gt Britain No 37 & 44.....         | 97   | 2   |
|  | Nova Scotia No 12 small nick, un-  |      |     |
|  | used.....                          | 1 50 | 1   |
|  | Hayti og 3 No 42 4-No 43.....      | 68   | 7   |

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|--------------------------------|-------|
| Barbados 1882 1p rose 4p brn   | \$.04 |
| Canada 1897 ½c jub.            | .15   |
| “ “ 1-2-3-5c jub.              | .08   |
| “ 1898 maps 2 var.             | .02   |
| Hawaii 1882* 1c blue.          | .06   |
| “ “ 5c ultra.                  | .03   |
| “ 1883 2c rose.                | .02   |
| “ 1889 2c violet.              | .02   |
| “ 1893* 1c green.              | .03   |
| “ “ * 2c violet.               | .04   |
| “ “ 2c “                       | .04   |
| “ “ * 5c black blue.           | .23   |
| “ “ 5c ultra.                  | .06   |
| “ 1894 1c yellow.              | .02   |
| “ “ 2c brown.                  | .02   |
| “ “ 5c rose.                   | .02   |
| “ “ 10c green.                 | .10   |
| “ 1899 1c 2c 5c.               | .06   |
| Hongkong 1890 10c 30c          | .05   |
| “ “ 20 on 30c 50 on 48c.       | .05   |
| “ 1900 2c-10c                  | .03   |
| India 1883 8a violet H. M. S.  | .02   |
| “ “ 1r carmine and gr H. M. S. | .03   |
| Japan 1883 1 yen carmine.      | .04   |
| “ 1894 2s carmine              | .02   |
| “ “ 5s ultra.                  | .04   |
| Labuan 1896 25c green          | .04   |
| Malta 1885 ½gr. 2½ ultra.      | .03   |
| Mauritius 1885 2gr. 4 carmine. | .02   |
| “ 1893 1c viol. 15c blue.      | .04   |
| Mexico 1899 1-2-3-5-10c        | .05   |
| Natal 1882 6 violet.           | .02   |
| New S. Wales 1897 2½ purple.   | .06   |
| “ “ 1898 ½-2-2½                | .02   |
| New Zealand 1882 1-2-6p.       | .03   |
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| “ 50c blue                                | ..... .05         |
| “ 24c “                                   | ..... .05         |
| “ 25c lake.                               | ..... .25         |
| *1884, 1c red No. 53.                     | ..... .02         |
| 1888, 10c brown, No. 63                   | ..... .02         |
| “ 15c orange.                             | ..... .04         |
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| 1888-89, 3c gray green.                   | ..... .02         |
| “ 6c blue black.                          | ..... .02         |
| “ 20c green.                              | ..... .02         |
| *1890 2c violet                           | ..... .02         |
| “ 10c brown No 78.                        | ..... .02         |
| “ 25c purple.                             | ..... .02         |
| “ 40c olive green No 80.                  | ..... .02         |
| “ 50c orange.                             | ..... .04         |
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| “ 2 pescos, dark green.                   | ..... .25         |
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| *Ecuador 1896 7 var a nice set                 | .....25   |
| *Gibraltar Entire Reg. Envelope<br>1886-2 pred | .....40   |
| *Guatemala 1897-100 Blue Green                 | .....15   |
| * " 1897-200 Magenta                           | .....15   |
| * " 1897-500 yellow green                      | .....15   |
| * " The set, 3 beautiful stamps                | 40        |
| Hawaii 1894 3 var 1-2-5                        | .....05   |
| *Hayti 1896 6 var.                             | .....25   |
| * " 1898 2 var.                                | .....06   |
| *Philippine Newsp'r 1892 1/2d Gr. cat          | 25 05     |
| Porto Rico 1890-3, 4 var cat.                  | 16.....05 |
| *Salvador 1891- 4 var cat.                     | 12.....04 |
| Sweden 1900 1 Kr. Carm Slate                   | .....02   |
| *Venezuela 1896 50 red tete-feche              |           |

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| " " 2d " violet                        | 5      | 45      |
| " " 2d " red violet                    | 6      | 50      |
| " " 1d 1901 universal                  | 4      | 25      |
| " " 1/2d 1895 queen's head black       | 5      | 35      |
| " " 1d 1898 pictorial                  | 5      | 40      |
| Victoria 1d 1889 brown                 | 2      | 10      |
| " 2d 1884 violet                       | 2      | 10      |
| Greece 1901 6 var in sets 1d to 2d     | 30     | 2 75    |
| Austria 20k 1891 soaked                | 02     | 15      |
| " 24k " "                              | 03     | 20      |
| " 30k " "                              | 02     | 15      |
| " 12k 1890 " "                         | 02     | 15      |
| " 15k " "                              | 02     | 15      |
| " 3 heller 1900 unpaid                 | 05     | 50      |
| " 6 " " "                              | 05     | 50      |
| " 10 " " "                             | 05     | 50      |
| " 2 " " "                              | 04     | 40      |
| U. S. Documentary 1898 uncut 1/2c gray | 04     | 40      |
| " " " " 1c blue                        | 01     | 10      |
| " " " " 2c red                         | 01     | 10      |
| " " " " 3c blue                        | 05     | 50      |
| " " " " 4c red                         | 05     | 50      |
| " " " " 5c lilac                       | 02     | 20      |

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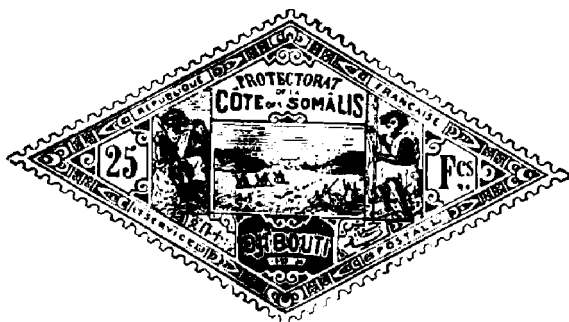
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| 1/2c black                       | " 5   | 03 |
| 1c blue                          | " 50  | 03 |
| 2c red                           | " 50  | 02 |
| 3c d blue                        | " 50  | 15 |
| 4c rose                          | " 50  | 10 |
| 5c lilac                         | " 50  | 03 |
| 10c brown                        | " 50  | 05 |
| 25c rbrown                       | " 50  | 10 |
| 40c lilac                        | " 1   | 03 |
| 50c s brown                      | " 50  | 25 |
| 80c bister                       | " 1   | 10 |
| \$1 00 green 1898                | " 20  | 10 |
| 1 00 gray                        | " 20  |    |
| 1 00 red                         | " 5   |    |
| 1 00 blk & gr'02                 | " 10  |    |
| 2 00 gray                        | " 20  |    |
| 3 00 brown                       | " 1   | 08 |
| 3 00 gray                        | " 1   |    |
| 5 00 orange                      | " 1   | 12 |
| 5 00 gray                        | " 1   |    |
| 5 00 blk & gr'92                 | " 1   |    |
| 10 00 black                      | " 1   |    |
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| U S 1895 50c used each           | 05    |    |
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| 2py " " " "                      | 05    |    |
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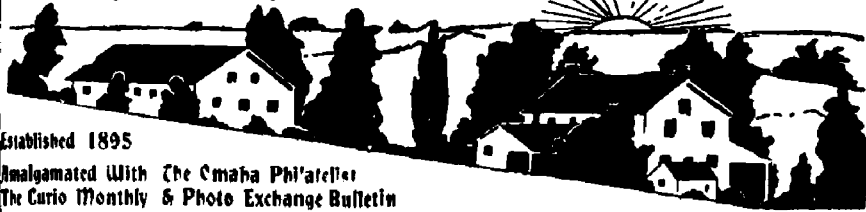
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Mr. Crawford Capen, of the American Collectors Company, has made public the fact that it is the intention to issue the American standard catalogue on or prior to November 1st. This, although nearly a month earlier than last year, is still about two months too late. September 1st should be the publication date.

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This year's conventions of the

American Philatelic Association and the Philatelic Sons of America were noteworthy for the spirit of enthusiasm prevailing.

The affairs of the American Philatelic Association are very prosperous, a snug balance being in the treasury and an increase in membership over a year previous being noted.

While the condition of the Philatelic Sons of America is far from flattering,

this did not dampen the ardor of those of the faithful who attended the convention. This attendance may be properly alluded to as worthy of note when the crippled condition of the society is considered. One member who had attended the conventions held at Buffalo, Milwaukee, New York and Atlantic City stated that the outside attendance was better than any of these.

Ere another convention is held the organization will doubtless have regained prosperity and resumed its former proud position in philatelic affairs.

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As we grow older in philately, increasing in the wisdom of experience as we age, we learn that catalogue prices are, after all, inaccurate as a basis for purchase and sale.

At its best, any catalogue, regardless of the integrity and thoroughness of the publishers, can serve but for a reference book of dates, varieties, etc. Aside from its inevitable, innumerable errors—prices too high, prices too low—a month after its issuance the ordinary, explainable fluctuations in values—accountable for for this reason and for that—have already made it an unsafe basis for valuation.

The market, the auction, the supply, the demand—these are component factors in the forming of value. To be able to recognize the value of a stamp or stamps by familiarity with all these cannot be assumed to be within the province of the average collector; the dealer, would he conduct his business on recognized business principles, must be conversant with them.

The point is here—and it is brought to attention because of the woeful ignorance and lack of judgment obtaining among collectors and the lesser

dealers. In marking his stamps for sale, the dealer should establish a certain flexible per cent of advance over cost as a basis, this advance representing what appears to be a fair profit when the cost, the stock on hand, the prevailing demand and the apparent supply is considered. It is rapidly being demonstrated that the system of fixed discounts from stamps marked at catalogue prices is untenable. While it is true that the majority of dealers advertise to sell at large discounts, it may be safely assumed that, provided they are men of experience, familiar with catalogue inaccuracies, the stamps so discounted are of a grade where discounting is permissible or else the stamps are marked at prices which do not strictly follow the catalogue.

In diverging from the out-of-date rule of marking every stamp at catalogue, the dealer adopts a method which, while fundamentally logical, may be regarded askance by many of his patrons. The collector with whom sound argument will prevail,—there are few so biased as to be unfair in the matter—provided that his dealings are with a dealer of repute, will recognize all the factors entering into price making, and can not consistently call for that anachronism, the fifty per cent discount. Discount is a word that appeals to everyone, but the day is not far distant when the net price system will be universally adopted, except perchance, in the case of the more common varieties.

There is one thing which any collector desirous of protecting himself, as far as catalogues go, can do. He need not depend upon just one catalogue to guide him in purchasing but may procure others that are recognized standards in those countries from which they emanate. Gibbon's, Kohl's, Seuf's, Moen's—these, in combination

with Scott's, will come closer to indicating the actual value (by average) than any other method, save familiarity unattainable by the majority. While admittedly and obviously this will not furnish him an absolute guide it will enable him to more accurately judge the correctness of the prices of those stamps offered him.

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Mr. C. H. Neinman writes from Des Moines, Iowa of his discovery of a copy of the Sc Pan-American reading " 'Ce' Ste Marie" instead of " 'De' Ste Marie"'

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Harold Roe Smith, who has been in Germany for the past year has returned to his home in Cincinnati, O. He promises us his picture for a future issue--his foreign letters will be remembered by our readers.

#### The Dainty Rose Shade.

Stamp Exchange.

The prettiest envelope stamp is, in my opinion, the 8c rose, 1895 issue, of the Seychelles Islands. The palm tree and the tortoise beautifully engraved and printed in a dainty rose shade makes a very beautiful stamp.

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FOREIGN PAPERS.

Our readers will remember that some time ago the Danish Postoffice Department had opened a prize competition for new designs for postage stamps. The competition has now been closed and the results are described and illustrated in No. 8 of the Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidskift. It is curious that hardly any of the nearly hundred competitors made use of the portrait of the King; the majority of the designs are of an armorial character. Two prizes were awarded. The first prize of 500 kroner was given to an architect named Therkildsen. His design is certainly severely plain if that is a virtue.

A large oval containing the figure of value occupies the center. The upper half of the stamp is filled by a solid background of color, from which the word DANMARK and the crown stand out in white. Below this solid color at the side of the oval there are some wavy lines intended to represent the waves surrounding the country; below in two lines are the words

ORE ORE  
POSTFRIMÆRKE

At the top of the stamp the solid background is noticed at both corners and in these notches there are two heraldic lions which, as our contemporary justly remarks, looks very much like two tomcats serenading on a fence. There is no border of any kind around the design. It is certainly in the height of the "new art" style, but as to its merits I am of a different opinion than the judges.

The second prize of 300 Kroner went to a lithographer named Hagen. His design has in the center an octogan with the large figure of value, flanked on its

eight sides by four crowns and four posthorns, DANMARK is at the top, ORE at either side of the octogan and POSTFRIMÆRKE at the foot. This design is meant for a bicolored stamp.

Besides these two prizewinners three other designs were purchased for eventual use. One, by a decorator named Larsen is also in the "new art" style; an odd feature is that DANMARK at the top is partly in colored, partly in white letters.— The third one is by a painter named S. Hammershojs; it is more conventional in conception, with large figures of value in the central oval.

Of course these may not be adopted after all or any of them. The fact remains that the competition has been something of a disappointment in its results. There is no doubt that if the Postoffice Department should venture to inflict similar stamps upon us, it would be compelled to withdraw them in a month because of popular dissatisfaction.

Our Mr. Wheeler will be pleased to note that his articles on U. S. postmarks are reviewed with appreciation in the "Stamp Collector" of Birmingham. From the same paper I take the following which may be of interest to puzzled beginners who cannot distinguish between the issues of Sardinia and the earliest issues of Italy:

"In the first place it is difficult to say for certain which series ends the purely Sardinian issue and where the Italian begins. Usually it is agreed that the issues of 1851, 1853 and 1854 were used in Sardinia only and that of 1855 at first used in that island was afterwards extended to the mainland. The distinction that must be drawn between the first three issues and those of 1855 and 1862 Now the first issue causes no difficulty. This portrays Victor Emanuel II and is lithographed on plain white wove paper. In 1853 began the embossed issues. The emission of that year has the whole design ex-

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bossed uncolored paper and for that reason is easily distinguished. The 1854 issue is also completely embossed, but the frame only is colored while the center oval, containing the head, is alone left white. On the 1856 issue the first used in Italy, the frame is lithographed in color, the inscription being thus in white, the head alone is embossed. It is to be noted that the design of all these issues is identical. Italy begins in 1862, in which year the transitory set of 1856 was issued perforated. Surveying the issues at a glance we have now the following results:

- 1851 Whole stamp lithographed. Used in Sardinia only.
- 1853 Whole stamp embossed, all colored. Ditto.
- 1854 Whole stamp embossed, Frame colored, head white. Ditto.
- 1856 Frame lithographed, head embossed. Used in Sardinia and in Italy.
- 1862 Same issue perforated. Used in United Italy.

We extend a cordial greeting to La America Postal, which has just come to us from Iquique, Chile, with its initial number. It does not yet contain much, but we wish it a healthy growth.

In number 4 of the Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Cubana Messrs. Lazaro and Barreras critically reverse the lists of Cuban stamps as given in the various catalogues. Their criticisms on the list in Scott's Catalogue will chiefly interest us. They make the following notes:

- 1855-55 In the  $Y\frac{1}{4}$  stamps orange red (Scott No. 8) there are the same varieties as in the carmine, as they were printed from the same plates; therefore the variety without fraction bar must exist in both colors.
- 1857. In the stamps surcharged  $Y\frac{1}{4}$  there are three more varieties of the fraction (Scott No. 15).

1867. Under this year there exist 10 and 20c stamps, used, cut diagonally.

1883. Scott No. 108, 10c on 20c error is a forgery.

1898. For the 4 mils used the same price is given as unused. Of this stamp 50,000 were issued: very few were used in the first days of that year at Habana and Santiago, the rest being cornered by a speculator, so that we are surprised to find the same price for used as for unused copies.

The 20, 40, 60, and 80c. 1 and 2 pesos of this year, unused, are marked at face value: this surprises us, for, as all the remainders are deposited with the Banco Espanol of this city (Habana), they cannot buy them at a lower price (than face)

The imperforate stamps of 1867, 1871, 1873, 1875, 1876, 1867, and 1878 must be proofs.

Their notes on the other catalogues—Belin, Maury, Senf, Stanley Gibbons, Yvert & Tellier, Circulo Filatelico Matritense and Gelli & Tani—are of great interest, but as few of our readers possess all these, it would not be of much use to quote them here.

Madrid Filatelico in its No. 65 deals with the reprints of Belgium and begins an exhaustive article on the stamps of Saxony.

In No. 9 of De Postzegelgids the articles on the stamps of Seychelles is continued, but the short instalment contains nothing noteworthy except the remarkable information that the envelope stamps of 1894 represent a turtle dove rising from the water. If my readers will inspect their copies, they will see what kind of a turtle it is.

A Parisian correspondent reports in La Filatilia for June that two copies of the Argentine 1 peso with inverted center have burned up in Paris and have been sold at 100 francs (\$20) each. This paper has now acquired a correspondent in the United States.

**The Stamps of Roumania**

Authorized Translation from the  
French of Count d' Assche in  
"Le Philateliste Francais"

BY R. R. THIELE.

**5 BANI YELLOW.**

1. On the bow of the R in ROMANA at the right there is a small dot.
2. The upper line containing the word BANI is broken between the B and the A but nearer to the A.
3. The label at the right containing the word ROMANA joins the Greek border above the M, in other words the border line of the label is broken over the M.

4. As on the second stamp, but the break in the line is nearer to the B.

**10 BANI BLUE (ON WHITE PAPER.)**

1. There is a small dot to the left of the foot of the T in POSTA and the lower bow of the S is broken.
2. A dot under the N of BANI between the two lines of the frame. There is a small threadlike oblique dash in the left lower corner of the upper label and a dot under the outer line of the frame opposite the small dash of the 1 in 10
3. There is a small blue dot in the second bend of the Greek border in the right upper corner.
4. The line of the frame is broken over the O of 10 in the right lower corner.

**10 BANI INDIGO (ON YELLOW PAPER)**

1. Besides the two characteristics above noted for this stamp No. 1 there is a blue dot between the T and the A of POSTA.
2. Same as on white paper.
3. Same as on white paper.
4. Same as on white paper.

**15 BANI CARMINE, VERMILION**

1. A red dot in the first C of CINCIS in the upper label; sometimes also a dot at the right of the P in PREDECE.
2. The leg of the P in PREDECE is bent to the right; the curved line under the letters P R of PREDECE goes beyond the horizontal line instead of

merely joining it, and in certain printings there is a red dot under the I of BANI placed between the lines of the frame.

3. There is a dot in the second C of CINCIS which causes that letter to appear more closed. Opposite the P of POSTA in the left label there is a white blemish and in the vermilion stamp there is a small dot between the one and the five in the right corner.

4. The bar of the A in POSTA is broken and opposite the M of ROMANA there is a white spot. On the vermilion shade, there are three red dots above the A of BANI and a large red dot before the R of ROMANA.

**25 BANI YELLOW OR ORANGE, CENTER BLUE OR INDIGO**

1. The yellow frame is broken opposite the foot of the 2 in the left corner.
2. The bar of the A in BANI is not horizontal and the dot above the I of BANI often assumes the form of a line.
3. The line of the frame is broken before the N of BANI.
4. The first C of CINCI in the upper label is broken.

**50 BANI BLUE (LIGHT OR DARK) CENTER RED**

1. The blue oblique line in the upper corner to the right of the upper label reaches to the outer line of the frame on the right.
2. There is a kind of accent over the 0 and 50.
3. There is a dot before the N of ROMANA and another in the Greek border, near the A and N of ROMANA.
4. The white line of the frame is broken opposite the second A of ROMANA.

To explain the double impression of the center of this stamp, this is what has been ascertained. A lithographic stone, which had already served and which had not been sufficiently cleaned, was employed for this stamp. Parts of the first design still remained on this stone and appeared very lightly on the stamp when it was printed, causing a halo. These braces did not appear when the stamp was printed with care. It is a very interesting variety.

(To be continued.)

**Notes For U. S. Collectors**

E. R. ALDRICH

Toledo, Ohio is a new comer with a recancelled variety, the Woolson Spice Co. using a one center to frank their advertising.

The McKinley card is out. With the many delays and the different rejected plates, something better looking was expected by most people.

The Bureau has again beaten the American Company out of the stamp contract and will continue to supply the adhesive to the postal department. The action of the Bank Note Company in going after the contract made the Bureau reduce its bid by over a quarter of a million dollars.

The prices of the Guams seems to be on the toboggan and it looks likely that the price they first brought will again be reached. The set recently sold in Wolf-sieffer's sale brought \$10.25 and I recently learned of a set which changed hands in an even nine dollars.

Twenty four cents a thousand is the price one German dealer asks for assorted U. S. stamps containing twenty two varieties.

Speaking of foreign quotations I note that a Swiss dealer quotes Pan Americans by the hundred as follows: one cent as 45c, two cent as 17c, four cents at \$2.00 and ten cents at \$4.50 while one hundred

each of the 4, 5, 8 and 10c Columbians are held at \$5.30 for the lot.

From the report of the first assistant postmaster general for 1897 I clip:

Under section 470 of the Postal Laws and Regulations, edition of 1893, a postmaster is forbidden to solicit the purchase at his office of stamped paper by persons living or doing business within the delivery of another postoffice or the mailing of matter at his office (if of the fourth class) rather than at another.

The Department has always endeavored to secure a postmaster whose friends would not sacrifice the public interest for the postmaster's private gain and whose compensation would be regulated by the business that properly belonged to his office. Notwithstanding the fact that violations removal, there is ample evidence at hand to demonstrate that many postmasters (particularly those at post-offices contiguous to great business commercial centers) are actively engaged in the irregular sale of postage stamps, thereby increasing their official compensation, and incidentally their hire, rent, light, fuel, and miscellaneous allowance. Many of these postmaster enjoy the luxuries of a private offices, etc., when as a matter of fact they do not actually perform the amount of service commensurate their salaries. Provision should be made to guard the interests of the Government by enforcing stringently the regulation forbidding postmasters unnaturally enlarging their salaries and allowances at the public expense.

Dr. Blair, Bennington, Neb. Think WEST finest paper I have seen.

E. Sterling, Denver, and Trenton N. J. at the stamp meeting said WEST is the best paper I ever seen for 50c. He is one of the best posted collectors of America, and should know if any one.



**The CONVENTIONS  
REPORTED FOR THE WEST**

AMERICAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION

The seventeenth annual convention of the American Philatelic Association met on August 12th in Springfield, Mass., with about thirty five in attendance. President Toppan's annual address was a masterly resume of the past philatelic year. It will be given in full in the official organ.

The report of the secretary showed 555 members, an increase of 23 for the year. The treasurer's report showed \$2,069.24 on hand. The superintendent of sales reported the total sales for the year as \$5,031.12.

The new officers are as follows: President, Alex. Holland; vice-presidents, R. H. Burt, J. F. Johnson and Gordon Ireland; secretary, H. E. Deats; international secretary, E. Doebelin; treasurer, C. L. Amman; directors-at-large, H. B. Phillips and F. W. Coning; librarian, E. H. Anderson; collecting agent, H. D. Watson; assistant librarian H. E. Deats, and auction purchasing agents, W. F. Gregory, P. M. Wolsieffer and A. W. Batchelder. The superintendent of sales will be selected by the directors by a mail vote.

Clayton, N. Y., was chosen for next year's convention and the Era retained as official organ.



PHILATELIC SONS OF AMERICA

The ninth annual convention of this society was held in Denver on August 7th and 8th. Forty delegates were present, the attendance being very gratifying. The local collectors were not so much in evidence during the business sessions, a large majority of the delegates being from abroad. Being over double the number there than in '95. While the meetings were spirit-

ed, harmony prevailed. Each member seemed to be imbued with the idea that whatever was done it must be for the preservation and upbuilding of the organization.

The case of C. W. Kissinger vs the society was gone into most thoroughly, and after mature deliberation the member was expelled by a unanimous vote.

The matter of official journal was left in abeyance, the incoming board of directors being empowered to act. Chicago was selected from a score of competitors for the 1903 convention seat.

The election resulted as follows: President, E. H. Wilkinson, Omaha, Neb.; vice-presidents, J. J. Oesch, P. M. Wolsieffer, F. N. Massoth, all of Chicago; Secretary, G. M. Butler, Golden, Colo.; treasurer, W. H. Zuelke, Appleton, Wis. international secretary, E. Doebelin, Pittsburg, Pa. The appointive offices were not filled.

The last session ended with a wave of enthusiasm. The depleted treasury was mentioned, and the immediate result was a gratuitous contribution to furnish working funds, by every member present.

**Die Proofs.**

Metropolitan Philatelist

Stamps are collected for their beauty. No label ever issued equals in delicacy of coloring, or clearness of print the proofs of the original, which was first submitted to the government for their approval. Some collect for rarity. When this is the case we would call attention to the fact that the average rarity of die proof to printed stamp would average one to half a million.

In the future we anticipate that every amateur will make his first efforts to secure proofs and specimens, possibly only taking the regular issues when proofs are unattainable.

Counterfeits and their  
Detection

By LACUS VIRIDIS

(Continued)

**Bermuda.** There is before me a forgery of the 2 pence blue of Bermuda, though I cannot say whether the merry counterfeiter meant it for the 2d of 1865 watermarked Crown CC or the 2d of 1884, watermarked Crown CA, as there is no watermark in the paper of the forgery. This of course, is in its self enough to condemn the specimen, but I remember only too well what trouble I had as a novice in locating the exclusive watermark—that was before the days of the benzine cup—and other beginners are apt to have similar troubles with this feature: hence it may be well to describe other more apparant distinctions of this counterfeit. The original is typographed in the usual de la Rue style of excellence; the forgery is lithographed, but a pretty fair product apt to deceive the unwary. The head is very well imitated and the expression is quite that of the original, but the shading is not so even and in places the lines even run into each other, notably along the line of the lower jaw. The lines of the background in the circle are likewise not as clear as those of the original and show occasional small white blotches which seem inevitable in lithography, but never occur on the engraved original, whose lines are sharp and clear cut. The white space surrounding the shading of the background and forming a white circle around it is much too wide on the counterfeit, measuring quite a millimeter in places instead of less than half a millimeter, as on the original. This white circle on the counterfeit is wider on the right than on the left, while on the genuine it is uniformly wide all around. The letters of the word BERMUDA are much thicker on the forgery than on the genuine

and thus have the appearance of being closer together; the central bar of the E in this word is set lower than the center on the forgery, while on the original it is a little above the center. In the word PENCE on the original the two E's are not alike, the central bar of the first one is somewhat shorter than that of the second one, but on the counterfeit the two are quite alike. The P of this word on the forgery touches the colored line just below it, while on the original there is a distinct interval below the foot of the P. There are numerous difference in the ornamentation of the spandrels, but they are all minute and almost beyond description in words, I mention only one of the most easily described. In the left lower corner there is a small fourleaved rosette. On the original the petals of this rosette are quite uniform and are set mathematically exactly in pairs right opposite each other. On the forgery they are not uniform in size, the lefthand one being larger than the others, the upper and lower ones are set diametrically opposite, the upper one being twisted to the left and the lower one to the right. The forgery before me is "cancelled" with a fancy dauber bearing some slight resemblance to the genuine one, but the latter has three very heavy bars above and below the number while the forged one has five narrower bars in the same places. The genuine cancellers are not in the same set as those of the other British West Indies, whose members are all preceded by letters (A. E. F. or G.) On stamps in my own collection I find cancellers numbered 1, 2, and 3: I cannot now say how high the numbers may run. Stamps are also found cancelled with datestamps, e. g. that of Hamilton.

W. G. McIntosh, Mt. Airy, N. C.  
West is all right best I have seen in a long while and I am an old time stamp collector.

Clippings from the Foreign Press

The stamps of British New Guinea, issued in July 1901, are to be retired shortly, as the Australian Commonwealth has been authorized to govern this colony.—N. T. & P.

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The average supply of British stamps for a fortnight's use is about 80,000,000 of the penny value and 50,000,000 of the halfpenny. It is said that nearly 80,000,000 of the new stamps were disposed of during the first two days of issue. The number of 1 penny stamps used in this country in one year reaches close on 2,500,000,000.—Stamp Collector.

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We are informed that Spain is getting ready to follow the example of Belgium for the Sunday rest of the mailcarriers. To this effect it will issue a new set of stamps with a label bearing the words: No repartir en Domingo (do not deliver on Sunday)—C. de T. P.

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We announced in our of last number that the painter Merwart was among the number of the victims of the frightful catastrophe of Martidique. It is well known that he had prepared designs for furnishing each of our (French) colonies with special types. To honor his memory the Colonial Minister has the intention of issuing his set for French Guiana which comprises three different subjects, to wit: the arms of the colony, the washing of gold and the Place des Cocotiers at Cayenne.—L. C. de T. P.

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The lately retired German stamps have been burned, after all remainders

had come in to the Department. The operation lasted several days and 8-10 employes were kept busy. All these retired stamps together weighed 11,000 Kilograms (over 24,000 pounds) and had a face value of 3,752,000 marks.—Nord. Fil. Tidskr.

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Of the green 3 Korona stamps of Hungary 1900 only 11,000 copies were placed in circulation.; the rest of the issue was burnt by order of the postal authorities. As the number issued of this stamp is so limited, it is sure to figure among rarities. —R. de la Soc. Fil. Arg.

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There is a bill before the Danish Rigsdag to change the postal rates of Denmark. The rate for domestic letters is to be raised from 8 to 10 oere. for city letters from 4 to 5 oere, the minimum rate for postal orders is to be raised from 12 to 15 oere. If this should become law, the 8, 12, 16 and 24 oere stamps would become superfluous, while there would be great demand for the 15 and 30 oere. Though there seems to be little prospect that this will become law at this session, still it has given rise to the competition for designing a new set of stamps for Denmark announced by the postal department and closing July 1st.—Nord. Fil. Tidskr.

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According to a notice of the Turkish postal authorities closed letters for Constantinople will no longer be accepted; correspondence must be carried on by postal cards. This of course does not apply to the foreign offices at Constantinople.—Szek. Br. Verk.

~~My~~ Randolph Stamp C., Chicago  
My contract for 100 inches has expired and I wish to renew. My ad in WEST pays fine.

Washington Notes.

B Y C. M.

The editor of the "Adhesive" in his August number takes exception to the abbreviation "Go." for George, in the phrase "Go. Washington's wife" which appeared in the July notes. As the immortal George used this abbreviation invariably, beginning with his signature to the Constitution of the United States, this is the only correct one to use; and was not, as hinted, an error to copy or proof-reading.

The two rural free delivery marks illustrated in August WEST are not the only types. In some of the Maryland routes a circular type about the same design as the ordinary metal stamp, but made of rubber, is in use.

The form of the hand cancelling stamps for the general postal service are of various designs according to the offices for which they are intended. For the smaller fourth class offices the dater shows the day, month and year. Fourth class offices with an annual income of \$300 or over, or the smaller offices when they are "separating" offices, show in addition the hour. Offices with income of \$1500 to \$2000 get a half hour type, and also have a canceller of horizontal lines in an oval frame. In this canceller in free delivery offices as a type showing the number of the stamper who uses the dater, in order that errors may be located. In the machine stamps the various makes can be distinguished by the general type of the canceller. The American machines all use the flag cancellation the Hay-Dolphin uses horizontal wavy lines, the Columbian straight horizontal lines, the Fyke also straight horizontal

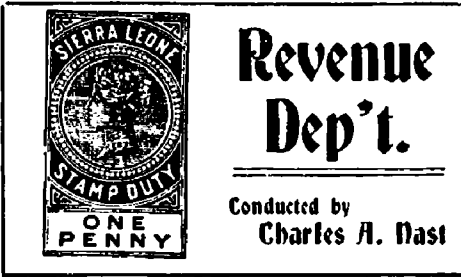
lines but the dater is a horizontal oval instead of round, the pneumo uses 8 horizontal lines arranged in pairs, the dater being in two lines and between two pairs. These machines are all rented, and the dies are supplied by the companies from whom rented. The Doremus cancelling with vertical lines, and the Hampton which uses diagonal lines sloping down from the left to the right, are the property of the government. The above are the general characteristics by which the machine is recognized by the Department (an official gave me this information) but each type has a number of varieties, according to length, number and arrangement of the lines.

The number of American, Hep-Dolphin Doremus and Hampton machines is on the increase, while the Columbia, Fyke and Pneumatic are becoming rarer. Only 20 of the last named now being in use.

Now that it has been decided that the Bureau of Engraving & Printing is to continue in the stamp business work has been resumed on the designs for the new issue. The stamp work last year was done at a loss but it is proposed to introduce improvements that will more than rectify this.

Congress having adjourned, the Postmaster General has turned his attention to excluding periodicals not entitled to second class rates and in a notice of August 2 lists 150 titles hereafter to be prepaid at 3rd class rates. They are mostly in the nature of Sunday School papers, railway guides and college journals.

E. Pearce, Phoebus, Va., I can't say enough for the WEST. It is the best of its kind published.



I have received the following inquiry from a collector in East Peru, Iowa, and as I think the subject matter very pertinent I will answer the letter at length, it reads:

"A has a U. S. postage 2ct stamp overprinted "Dr. K. & Co., etc". Mr. A is a dealer and has the said stamp for sale. B has a U. S. postage 2ct stamp surcharged as follows "Tone Bros. I. R. 8-5 '98" also a letter from the firm giving the cause of use. Said stamp of B's is one of a strip taken off a box of Tone Bros. gum. But A says B's stamp is the genuine article i.e., a "Provisional Proprietary" stamp.

Will you kindly explain this in the WEST. I mean set forth why it is thus and so.

Yours truly, F. A. B.

In answer to the above I will say that neither of these is strictly speaking a provisional proprietary. I know that I may run counter to many who have a different opinion as to the status of the Dr. Kilmer stamps, but I will say right here that it has yet to be proven that the United States government authorized their issue or even their use. I have read carefully the elaborate article by Col. George in a late number of the "Metropolitan" in which he tries very hard to give the Kilmer surcharged postage stamps a legal standing but the real test—some authoritative document from the Internal Revenue office—is still forthcoming. He declares distinctly that the firm had some such document authorizing their use, but "it could not be found

cure them, but they did not rush in and unfortunately" when called for.

Of course I have no objections to dealers selling them or to collectors buying them, I only make this point—they were never authorized by the government.

I can say the same of the Tone Bros. stamp. If this firm could not procure the regular issue of proprietary stamps and used postage stamps instead, their issue has just as much right to be considered a legal issue as the Dr. Kilmer stamps. No more and no less. Of course the Dr. Kilmer's were the first so used, and enjoyed considerable notoriety at the time of issue, largely because the government prohibited their use. It is true the company squared things with Uncle Sam, but that is no more than any one else would have to do.

While in Denver during the P. S. of A. convention, a friend showed me a specimen of the celebrated "Capt. Chapman" provisional so-called. This consists of the letters I. R. and the initials L. H. C. underneath in red ink on the 1 cent green Omaha. It is claimed that no least proprietaries being procurable, Captain Chapman, who ran an excursion boat at Hoosick Falls, N. Y., was compelled by stress of this lack, to use postage stamps and overprint them. Just the same excuse which Dr. Kilmer & Co. presented.

I therefore conclude that there is no authorized issue of provisional proprietaries on postage stamps of any kind.

There is however an authorized provisional proprietary 2½ cent stamp in the form of labels used by Lambert Pharmacal Co., and the Antikamnia Co. of St. Louis, Mo., and which were illustrated in the last number of the WEST. If any of my readers are sufficiently interested and want a copy of the August number with these illustrations let them drop me a request on a postal and I will mail them a copy.

How differently things were done in St. Louis. Here too, the companies using proprietary stamps could not pro-

use postage stamps. No! indeed, they knew better, so they procured a regular form authorized by the Internal Revenue Office of that district, and kept within the law. These then are the only original authorized provisional proprietaries, of the Spanish-American War period. I do not possess a single copy myself, therefore I cannot be suspected of wanting to boom something I have a stock of. But I will give five dollars apiece for every perfect specimen sent me.

Now for convenience however and by common consent and custom, there is a very large and interesting class of stamps which for lack of a better name are called provisional proprietaries, and these are the various cancellations on regular proprietary stamps of those firms like Pisco, Fletcher, Hostetter, Radway, Antikamuir and others, who had private design stamps, but which were used before the private stamps were ready. These are called "provisionals" by courtesy only, but they are not on postage stamps. Let this fact be firmly borne in mind, this government never countenanced the use of postage stamps for revenue except in the two notable instances, where the government itself surcharged with the I. R. the one and two cent stamps of the '95 issue. These are the stamps Kilmer and others might have used with some show of authority, but never the ordinary postage stamp.

In conclusion let me remark by the way, that such features of stamp collecting as the Kilmer surcharges, which are so easily counterfeited (and the high prices asked for them is an incentive to such practices) are largely responsible for the wave of discontent which is now spreading over the land against surcharges of any kind. I have recently heard of collectors who have determined to eschew all surcharged stamps in the future. This may be too drastic, but collectors are certainly waking up to the possibilities of being taken in by this method, especially when it concerns stamps which are quoted at high prices.

## Chicago Note.

Weekly Philatelic Era.

A couple of weeks ago one of our prominent collectors purchased from a party connected with a Board of Trade concern, one \$1,000 Revenue, two \$100 Revenues and a \$500 stamp, all in fine condition.

## Inconsistency.

The Adhesive.

One of the things I never could comprehend was why the standard American catalogue has always listed the state issues of Antioquia, Bolivar, Santander, and other Colombian States, and never those of Kort-Schewa, Jeletz, Novgorod and other Russian principalities. As I understand it both series will frank mail within the district which issues them locally and not beyond the borders of that district. For mail destined to points beyond the federal issue of Colombia and the imperial series of Russia must be used.

## South Australia "O. S."

Stamp Collector's Fortnightly.

The following will, I think, go far to prove that unused O. S. stamps cannot be put quite on the same footing as the English I. R. Official stamps and are not always the property of the South Australian Government:

1 A certain number of these O. S. stamps in an unused state have, on at least two occasions, been sold by the South Australian Government for face value.

"2. A number of 'O. S.' stamps pass through the post without receiving any cancellation mark, and are bought by myself in the ordinary way of business. These would of course be without gum.

"3. An Adelaide stamp collector employed in one of the Government Departments, was called out of town on business for his department, and while absent had to write and post correspondence in connection with his work. Not carrying a supply of O. S. stamps he used ordinary ones, and on his return to the office sent in a requisition for stamps which, of course, were supplied. These had fulfilled their purpose and were, I maintain, his property to dispose of as he liked.

"4. On one occasion at least unused 'O. S.' stamps were sold over the counter of the G. P. O.

Pertinent Paragraphs

By Nemo.

DUE ON DUES.

All who have soaked due stamps of the last design, first issued in 1894, know how a small drop of water causes the color to run. I have seen whole packages of one hundred so damaged in this way as to be almost worthless. Lately, however, I find more with the paper still unremoved, which shows that some one has learned this to be the safer course, but the lesson is only half learned. For my own collection I would rather have these stamps with the paper still on them than to have the color running.

But the paper can be removed without injuring them and it does not require much extra trouble either, simply a little care. Take any shallow vessel, a pan or plate will do, and cut a piece of blot-paper to fit it. Saturate with warm water and place the stamp thereon face up.

The paper can soon be removed leaving the stamp as bright as ever, but of course the face of the stamp must not be allowed to touch the wet surface in the least.

Much of the gum still remains on the stamp but it too can be removed by placing again the stamp on the blotter for a short time. Do not let the stamp remain long on the blotter the second time as it will soak through. It is well to have a thoroughly dry blotter on which to put the stamps after removing from dampened blotter.

Some collectors prefer to have their stamps slightly gummed or glued as it stiffens them. A year or more ago I remember seeing some one advertise to remove paper from stamps in such a way as to leave part of gum. Of course the secret was divulged. I prefer used stamps perfectly clean as paper and watermark can be better examined.

A LOSS

J. F. Dodge informs the readers of the New York Philatelist of which he is associate editor that "it is very probable he will retire from philately in the near future and devote all his time to another line of business". He has long been before the philatelist public, for several years has been a member of the S. of P. of which society he is now secretary, and his retirement is regretted by all. But when the long winter evenings bring more leisure he undoubtedly will be with us again more enthusiastic than ever from having a good rest.



ANOTHER CHANGE.

The editor of the New York Philatelist Clark W. Brown of Syracuse, N. Y. has accepted a position with B. L. Drew & Co., stamp dealers of Boston, and will assume his new duties the first of Sept. K. A. Brown takes the management of the N. Y. P. which will be conducted as formerly.



The D. P. A. convention was held in Toronto. Next year's meeting is to be at London, Canada.

The Philatelic Star published by Judson N. Burton of Madison, N. Y. has finally secured second class rates and the June number, being the 6th, was the first so mailed.

Another sad: the collecting of Rural Free Delivery postmarks.

What six countries have issued stamps with maps on?

What country has never issued a postage stamp with its name thereon?

Has the U. S. ever issued a stamp without the name United States being indicated thereon? If so what?

What countries have issued three colored stamps?

K. M. Corbun, Grand Rapids, Mich. - WEST is wonderful magazine, and far superior to any I have seen.





# BOILED DOWN

ORIGINAL AND OTHERWISE

The current 1d red Queensland comes perforated 12x9½, but this perforation is not official, it being made by private parties.

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Stamps of the Ionian Islands issued in 1859 became obsolete when the islands were ceded to Great Britain by Greece in 1863.

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The Baden 7 Kreuzer of 1867 was issued because of a change in the postal rates.

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Bavaria was the first German state to adopt the system of using adhesive stamps.

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The design of the 1 mark of Bavaria has remained unaltered since 1874, making it the oldest European stamp.

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The Post Office Department does not expect the new series of stamps to be ready for the public until the first of the new year.

Advertisers have a habit of concentrating their announcements and confining them to the smallest possible amount of space. The one who uses considerable white space presents a contrast that is not only conspicuous but pleasing and effective.

Mr. Dodge, Secy. S. of P. Pa., (whom everybody knows) says WEST brought him replies last March over 4 months ago and had several answers last week and another came today.

## Ye Caustic Critic's Column.

By Yours Candidly

The July Perforator is "real nice". Too nice to last.

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Here is a sample Perforatorism: "Pretty stamps take the eye like pretty girls".

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Likewise the coin.

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I see that my old friend Ab Leve is financeering a chicken ranch. From Philately to Poultry, Eh?

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In a July issue of the Metropolitan Philatelist, Sir John Walter Scott takes umbrage at the restrictions placed by the Treasury Department on the redemption of unused revenues. Listen:

"This ruling of the Treasury Department is a more effective lesson in anarchy than has ever been preached by Most or the Goldman woman."

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All this because the "poor" man can't get his \$1.99 worth redeemed while the plutocrat's \$2 00 worth are taken, less one per cent discount. Because the plutocrat can easily prove purchase while the penurious man cannot because he bought of a stamp dealer. In this and other rulings perchance the government was a little strict. The usual amount of 'round-the-world red tapeism is here, indeed. But anyone who will deliberately accuse the government of attempting to rob the \$1.99 fellow just because these restrictions are in force has a decided leaning towards the doctrines of Herr Most himself. I should say so.

Why don't our penurious friend go to the stamp shop where it is alleged he bought his \$1.99 worth and sell them back? He would have to stand a discount, but he would thus be able to snap his fingers at the government's despicable attempt at robbery.

And now, let us discuss ping pong.



DEPARTMENT  
OF INQUIRY

Conducted by  
L. G. DURPAT, Sheboygan, Wis



Questions relative to stamps will be answered in this column free of charge to subscribers. All questions must be sent to the above address, and a 2c stamp must accompany each letter containing questions. When stamps are sent for examination, return postage must be included besides the fee above provided for.

54.—WHAT POSTMARK IS THIS: V R AND CROWN TOGETHER WITH A FIGURE BETWEEN TWO HEAVY LINES? It is found on English stamps.—Most likely it is one made by a Bickerdike machine similar to our flag cancellations. In that case the number would be the post-office number, or if several figures, the date, or the date and P. O. number.

55.—DID QUEEN VICTORIA HAVE A PRIVATE POST OFFICE WITH CANCELING STAMP, ETC?—No, nor has the King one now. His mail goes to some regular office, which may be nearest to wherever he resides temporarily or permanently.

56.—WHAT IS THE USE OF A COLLECTION OF COUNTERFEITS?—The works of the same counterfeiter will, as a rule bear some resemblance to one another, consequently by preserving one or two pieces from a certain forger a means is created for recognizing with a fair degree of certainty any other pieces that may come from him. That is one point only. In general it is not enough to know good stamps. To become an expert both are required, a knowledge of good stamps and a knowledge of forgeries; which can best be acquired by actual sight and touch. No explanation or description of anything will give the certainty of knowledge that the thing itself will give. Societies and counterfeit detectors should not fail to make counterfeit collections, that they may be able to compare any doubtful stamp both with genuine and with forged specimens. Never pay a price though that will encourage the counterfeiter!

57.—WHOSE PORTRAIT IS THAT ON THE STAMPS OF VENEZUELA AND WHAT IS HIS HISTORY?—Simon Bolivar, born July 24, 1783 in Caracas, was liberally educated at home and at Madrid. He traveled through southern Europe and the U. S. 1800-1809. Joining the revolutionary party in Venezuela he rapidly ascended and freed his country and New Grenada (1817) from the Spanish yoke. In 1824 Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador were also liberated and Bolivar became president of them all for life. The Britannica says: "He expended nine tenths of a splendid patrimony in the service of his country, and although he had for a considerable period unlimited control over the revenues of three countries—Colombia, Peru and Bolivia—he died (Sept. 13, 1830 at San Pedro near Santo Martha) without a shilling of the public money in his possession. He conquered the independence of three states, and called forth a spirit in the southern portion of the New World which can never be extinguished. He purified the administration of justice; he encouraged the arts and sciences; he fostered national interests; and he induced other countries to recognize that independence which was in a great measure the fruit of his own exertions." He is the South American George Washington.

58.—WERE THE STAMPS OF THE GERMAN STATES AND THE STOCKHOLM LOCALS EVER REPRINTED?—Yes. Baden 1851-58. Bergedorf 1861 all. Bavaria 1867-73. Hamburg 1864-66. Hanover 1850-64. Heligoland 1867-76. Lubeck 1859-64. Alsace 1870. Prussia 1850. Wuerttemberg 1851-58. Stockholm 1855-62. There may be others, which at this writing I have no account of.

59.—WHERE THERE ARE TWO OR THREE TYPES OF THE SAME U. S. ENVELOPE STAMPS, AS DIE A. B. C., HOW CAN THEY BE DISTINGUISHED?—For a description of all the die varieties in U. S. envelope stamps we have not the space here and must refer to the catalogues. For further information Tiffany Bogert Rechert's stamped envelopes, wrappers and sheets of the U. S. will do good service. In any case of doubt the specimen may be sent to me for identification. Don't forget return postage. See also Mekeel's Weekly 1896 p. 51 to 70 and 1897 p. 69.

**C H I P S**

**New Hebrides.**

By **E. R. STEINBRUECK**

Ewen's Weekly Stamp News

I reported some time ago the find of 1 groschen Hanover black behind a No. 19 1 groschen rose. Lately while soaking and cleaning old stamps of adherent paper on back I found a 1¼ schilling Hamburg behind a No. 25 1¼ schilling violet. I explain this to be a patrol of or a guarantee for the genuineness of water marks. Who knows better?

The new McKinley card now out will be criticised as well as anything new appearing on the stage of the world. And criticising means mainly finding fault. I criticise that card but for the years mentioned below the bust. This is politically of no avail to us. It seems to me proper to have the years of his services as president only marked under his bust, for that fact alone interests or concerns the nation.

The clause on top "the space above reserved for post mark" suits the philatelist and nothing better. I wish all stamps were allowed to be marked but lightly by flag or bar cancellation or precancelled of course.

**As Good As Ever.**

Fortnightly Philatelist.

The June WEST is as good as ever and certainly lives up to its motto: "The Best—And Plenty of it."

**Cheap Stamps Scarce**

The Perforator

A collector recently remarked "You don't know how scarce some cheap stamps are until you try to fill up on some of them. I sent a want list containing mostly the cheaper grade of stamps to several dealers and it was impossible to secure more than half of my wants.

The New Hebrides 1d. and 2d. stamps were issued by the Australasian New Hebrides Company for Inter-island postage in the Pacific. Each sheet contains 120 stamps in 12 rows of 10, and is inscribed (mutatis mutandis) along the top margin, "Australasian New Hebrides Company, Limited. Inter-island Postage. Price: 2d. per label. 2s. per row of 12. 50s. per sheet of 120" The stamps are of the nature of locals and properly cancelled copies must be rare. Although still on sale, we believe the stamps are no longer in actual use. At the upper left-hand corner of each sheet is a consecutive number in black; in the cases under notice, 1d. "1,253, 2d. "0,165."

**An Opinion.**

Metropolitan Philatelist

There is nothing like getting in on the ground floor and securing each new set as issued. At the present day stamps are sold at ridiculously low prices. There is no danger in investing in unused current issued stamps at present market prices, even if the element of pleasure is deducted. The larger the purchase the bigger the profit.

**Consolidation.**

The Perforator

"In Unity there is strength." If in place of a half a dozen struggling associations we could have one strong one, the results would be of incalculable value.

**A Disinctive Difference.**

Omaha Monthly Philatelist

There are two shades of the current half-penny stamps of Natal. One is a blue-green and the other gray-green, but while the former is valued at \$3.00, the latter is worth only one or two cents. Collectors of British Colonials would do well to remember this.

Virgin Islands. From a Speculative Standpoint.

BY FRANK C. YOUNG

It recently occurred to me that it would be a good thing to learn more about British Colonials, now so popular with collectors. In looking over the field I found it large enough for a life work with small prospect of satisfactorily covering it in the three score and ten years allotted to man.

So, on the principle of "taking some one of my size," I chose the Virgin Islands and must frankly admit that the study of even this small colony has kept me busy many an hour.

Consideration of the Virgin Islands leads one naturally to the rest of the Leeward Islands, and so we ramble from one to the other and back again without making excuses for our wanderings.

The Virgin Islands are situated just east of Porto Rico and consist of over a hundred isles and islets, all mountainous, projecting above the water like tips of submerged peaks, which they are. They were discovered by Columbus on his second voyage, on St. Ursula's day, and called by him Virgin Islands because they extended in a long line like the eleven thousand Virgins of the Christian legend.

Mostly they are very small and scarcely habitable but very rugged and beautiful.

The group is divided among more nations than any other group of islands of the same area on the globe, the United States, Denmark, France, Holland and Great Britain all being represented in a land area of 200 square miles.

The most prominent of the Virgins are St. Thomas and St. John's, of the Danish West Indies, likely soon to become a part of the United States, which would seem to be the most probable fate of the entire group.

The British Virgins, consisting of Tortola, Virgin Gorda, Anegada, Salt Island, Peter Hatch, Jost Vandyke and a large number of small uninhabited rocks, containing in all about 96 square miles, are what we wish to consider as a stamp-issuing colony. They are governed by a resident commissioner, appointed by the crown, but who is answerable to the presidency of the Leeward Islands.

The population in 1891 was 8,340, which had sunk in 1901 to 4,908.

But to get to the stamp issues:

Originally the postoffices of most of the West Indian Colonies were branches of the home postoffice department, the postmasters being appointed by the postmaster generals of Great Britain and the revenues taken by the home government. Current stamps of Great Britain were used 1859-60.

From 1860 until the first issue of stamps (for Virgin Islands 1866) Land stamps were used by the postmasters to indicate the prepayment of postage.

It has been my privilege to carefully inspect the complete set of these stamps, in magnificent condition, many on original covers, in the collection of that most genial of collectors, John F. Seybold, Syracuse, N. Y., and consider them as among the finest stamps ever issued, very few of them containing the Queen's head but mostly carrying a picture of a Virgin. The one shilling rose and black with a colored border is a particularly beautiful stamp.

In 1890 the Virgin Islands issue was superseded by the stamps of the Leeward Islands, which also took the place of the stamps of Antigua, St. Christopher, Nevis, Dominica and Montserrat.

And so things ran smoothly, and so

## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

Philatelist had a fault to find until in 1897, as it fell on an evil day, the postmaster general of the Leeward Islands found sale for a lot of remainders, of revenues, some of which had been used for postal purposes. We find some of these in the Standard Catalogue under St. Christopher, Nos. 25 to 31 surcharged

ST. KITTS                    SAINT  
NEVIS                    and                    CHRISTOPHER  
REVENUE                    RENUE

There were also revenues which belong in the same class of Dominica, Nevis and Montserrat.

Evidently carried away by the success of this sale, it was shortly followed by a jubilee issue for the Leeward Islands, consisting of a surcharge on the regular stamps, considered by many to have been purely speculative.

These stamps were nominally issued to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and were to have sold for one week from July 22, 1897, but in a little over an hour from the time they were placed on sale they were all sold.

In determining whether this issue was speculative a glance at the numbers printed will not be out of place: 5,600 each of the ½d, 1d and 2½d; 4,000 4d; 3,480 each of the 6d and 7d; 1,800 one shilling and 900 five shilling. A plentiful supply in view of the fact that 90 per cent of the population were negroes and illiterate.

Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal in November, 1897, under the heading "Jubilee Issues—Leeward Islands" says "The little attempt to celebrate Her Majesty's Jubilee by squirting ink over Her Majesty's face is hardly worth alluding to. Nobody seems to be inclined to take any serious notice of the stamps which have been spoiled in this way, and we trust for the sake of the good name of these islands that the matter will soon be forgotten. They were so unfortunate as to spill

ink over their stamps and it is unnecessary for us to spill more ink over such a dirty job." And yet we find these stamps quoted at four times their face value in the last catalogue.

The Virgin Islands, with less than 200 of white population, were assigned their share of these stamps, 1,200 each of the ½d, 1d and 2½d, and other values in proportion, down to ten of the five shilling stamps.

But if this issue "smells to Heaven" what shall we say of the issue in 1899 of a complete new set for the Virgin Islands and the promise of new sets for each of the other colonies now using Leeward Island stamps? Let us, however, consider only that which has eventuated, the Virgin Island issue.

A brief resume of the commercial characteristics will show the pressing need of a separate stamp issue for these islands. Tortola, the principal island, with 3,431 population in 1901, is the only one doing any business whatever. The imports for the group in 1901 were £3,320 a per capita of about \$4.00. Considering that there is not a manufacturing plant in the whole group, this would hardly indicate high living. As an offset there were exports to the value of £2,812. Whether the difference of over £500 was made good by the salaries paid by Great Britain to the officials or by the sale of stamps to collectors we can only surmise.

Tortola is credited with five merchants and has not even one newspaper. The half-penny stamps are probably issued in the hope that they might have one some day. Only one foreign country, Hayti, at present has a consul in the Virgins.

The mail and commercial communications are by frequent sailing vessels to and from St. Thomas

Virgin Gorda, the next most impor-

tant island, is very sparsely inhabited and has no commercial importance. The soil is not suitable for sugar cane and no other crop seems to have gained a foothold, although certainly available for some of the many tropical products.

Anegada or Drown Island is peopled only by negroes of the peasant class, no whites whatever. The balance of the British Virgins are mostly uninhabited rocks.

Altogether, the British Virgin Islands appear to have been most happily designed by the Creator but poorly taken advantage of by man.

In view of all these facts we can hardly reach but one conclusion, that the last issue of stamps for the British Virgins were made not for postage but for sale to collectors.

And yet in view of the fact that every interest of these islands is bound up with the United States and the Danish West Indies and the only possible solution of the problem of their future commercial and political existence seems to be their acquirement by the United States, I would advise all philatelists to get as many as possible, used if they can; but get them; as we may, in course of a few years, see as rapid an advance in the prices of these stamps as we recently witnessed in case of their sister Virgins the Danish West Indies.

### Inflated Values.

The Adhesive

Don't crow over inflated values. It is the dealer's advantage to inflate them, not yours. If your collection has increased in value, so have the stamps you haven't got increased, probably in a greater ratio, and it will cost you so much the more to get them.



### CHECK LIST OF NEW ISSUES.

(Adhesives only.)

For the Month Ending August 25th.

Compiled by Albert H. Hall

**Austria** Regular Issue, with diagonal bars of varnish

2 hellers, blue

**British Somaliland** Provisional Issue  
Stamps of India surcharged with name of colony

½ anna, pale green

1 " " carmine

2 annas, violet

2½ " " blue

2 " " brown-orange

4 " " slate-green

6 " " pale brown

8 " " dull mauve

12 " " brown on red

1 rupee, carmine and green

3 rupees, brown and carmine

3 " " green and brown

5 " " violet and ultramarine

OFFICIAL STAMPS

½ anna, pale green

1 " " carmine

2 annas, violet

8 " " lilac

1 rupee, carmine and green

**Bulgaria** Regular Issue

2 len, carmine-rose and black.

**Colombian Republic** (Antioquia) Regular Issue

1 centavo, bright rose

2 centavos, dull blue

3 " " green

4 " " violet

5 " " rose

10 " " rose-lilac

20 " " gray green

30 " " bright rose

40 " " gray-blue

50 " " brown on yellow

1 peso purple and black

2 pesos rose and black

5 pesos, slate-blue and black

REGISTRATION STAMP

10 centavos, purple on bluish

REGISTRATION AND RETURN RECEIPT STAMP

5 centavos, black on rose

TOO LATE STAMP

2½ centavos, mauve

**Danish West Indies** Provisional Issue

2 cents on 3 cents, blue and lake

8 " " 10 " " brown and gray

**Dutch Indies** Provisional Issue

2½ cents on 3 cents violet

**France** Regular Issue

10 centimes, carmine

**Great Britain** Regular Issue Official Stamps

Surcharged on King's Head, "R.H. Official

½ penny, green

Surcharged on Queen's Head, "O.W. Official

5 pence, lilac and blue

10 " " carmine and lilac

Surcharged on King's Head, "O.W. Official

2 pence, rose and green

2½ pence, blue

Surcharged on King's Head "L.R. Official

1 shilling, carmine and green

5 " " "

10 " " blue

Surcharged on King's Head, "Gov't Office

2 pence, rose and green

Denver Convention  
Interviews.

"There is no such thing as ribbed paper", remarked C. H. Nast to a caller at his studio. "Neither is there such a thing as laid paper. All is wove paper. What are known as ribbed paper and wove paper are merely natural results of wear in the process of manufacture."

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J. S. Davis, in his position as teller in the Denver Savings Bank frequently makes loans on collections. An interesting fact noticed by him is that the collection is about the last thing to be disposed of. As a case in point, he related the story of a man, advanced in years, a semi-enthusiastic philatelist. This man became ill, lost his position, and owing to continued poor health, was unable to secure another. His baby died and his wife became seriously sick. His funds exhausted, he still clung to his precious collection. At last, driven by want, he borrowed money on this, his last possession of value. But even when sentiment rebelled, and the stipulation was made that the collection was not to be disposed of, he intending to redeem it. And after a long period of destitution and suffering, health and former prosperity returned and the collection was regained. Mr. Davis remarked that the restoration was a pleasurable event that he will long remember.

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Denver collectors are to be congratulated on the announcement made by Mr. B. B. Sterling that he has accepted a flattering offer from the Denver Gas and Electric Company and will continue to reside in Denver. Mr. Sterling dismissed his plans for compiling a new local catalogue, and while they may not be realized immediately, the work progresses a pace.

Mr. F. S. Parmalee, of Omaha, enjoyed a felicitous meeting with an old acquaintance, Col. Cody (Buffalo Bill), whose "Wild West" exhibited in Denver during the convention. It will be remembered that Mr. Parmalee is one of the most expert trap shooters in America. Denver reporters were quick to take advantage of his presence and secured several interviews for their respective papers. He reminded them that he has renounced shooting for stamp dealing. His connection with the Mecca Stamp Company is known to readers of the WEST.

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Rev. R. Stollinwerk, of Wichita, Kansas, whose interesting biography appeared in the April number of the WEST, made known the fact that he was in attendance at the convention with the sole idea of obtaining a clear understanding of the controversy with Mr. C. W. Kissinger, formerly secretary. Rev. Stollinwerk remarked that the matter was so thoroughly discussed that his object was gained, and that his trip was therefore valuable because of the information secured on points that had previously perplexed him.

Nct Generally Known.

WEEKLY PHILATELIC ERA.

Another fact about the catalogue that I have no doubt is not generally known is that where several issues of the same stamp exist, they are listed in the catalogue but the cheapest stamp of all comes under the number while the others come under the letters in the order of their scarcity, and no attempt is made to keep them in chronological order. Take for example some of the Grecian stamps. Under the number would appear red violet, a brown violet, a red violet, cleaned plate. The number "a" might be the first issued, while the later "b" and lastly the number.

## What Stamps Sell Best In Sales Departments

BY JOEL H. DUBOSE,  
SUPT. SALES DEPT. S. C. P. A.

When preparing our books for sales department a little attention given to the study of above question would, in my opinion, prove a paying investment to all parties concerned, and especially to the purchasers. The cost of postage and registration contingent upon the transmission of a circuit of books I have estimated to be on an average about \$1.50. When the sales are small this expense amounts to a considerable tax on the purchasers. Could we always fill our books with only salable stamps this tax would be comparatively a small item. We cannot, of course, hope to attain perfection in this item as that is a thing unattainable on earth, but it is possible for us to make wonderful strides toward that goal.

Let us begin by studying the wants of our prospective customers. Remember they, as a rule, are not dealers but collectors and hence many stamps which would be desirable acquisitions for dealers, being already represented in our customers' albums are not desired by them and remain in our books passing from one member to another on through the circuit. Some few collectors purchase every stamp which come their way not already represented in their collections while others buy all of a selected country. Observations and experience, however teach us that the vast majority limit their purchases to a certain range of prices varying with the different stages of advancement of their collections. This is a point scored for stamps of medium grade. To determine what varieties will sell best is a good idea to begin by eliminating from the proposition those we are satisfied will not sell or essentially those already represented

in the albums of our prospective purchasers. Following is a list of those I should think could be safely set aside.

1st—U. S. Postage, the 2c and 3c denominations of all issues, not including minor varieties; the 15c and under, 1873 to date; Special Delivery, all; Postage Due, 5c and under, all issues; Revenues and Locals 5c catalogue value and under.

2nd—Leading Powers of Europe; 1873-1900, 8c catalogue value and under; older issues, 5c and under.

3rd—Other foreign countries, 1900 and earlier, 5c and under, and all the commoner stamps of Canada and Mexico.

4th—All remainders priced at several times their real value.

5th—U. S. "cut squares" and foreign revenues find very little sale in our department owing to the fact that so few of our members collect them.

Most all varieties not included in above list I should think would have a fair chance of selling. The following I would, however, recommend as specially good sellers at present:

1st—Brand new issues, all.

2nd—West Indian and all small island governments.

3rd—Africa, Brazil, Scandinavia, Persia, Siam, Old German States, Poland and all extinct stamp issuing governments.

I would recommend values between 10c and 50c as the best general sellers. Regarding discounts I would suggest 5 per cent for specimens in fine condition; those only in fair condition, proportionately less. Regarding defective specimens my experience is that the cheaper varieties are poor sellers at any price but that fine ones, if not too badly damaged, and marked at a very low figure, say one fifth and one tenth catalogue or less will find very good sale.

In conclusion let us think of our prospective customers as collectors and not dealers and our stamps will very likely find good sale.

Above hints deduced from the results of observation and experience I trust may be of some little aid to some of our members.

**Inscriptions on Stamps**

By **L. G. DORPAT**

Other countries using the English or rather Latin alphabet are Hungary and Tonga. Hungary has "MAGYAR KIRALYI POSTA: Hungarian Royal Post; "HIRLAP": newspaper; "JEGY" and "BELVEG": stamp, i. e., postage and tax respectively. "KRAJ CZAK" is the Hungarian form for Kreuzer. The numerals are:

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|----------------|-----------------|
| 1: egy         | 20: husz        |
| 2: ketto (ket) | 21: huszonegy   |
| 3: harom       | 30: harmincz    |
| 4: negy        | 31: harminczegy |
| 5: oet         | 40: negyven     |
| 6: hat         | 50: oetven      |
| 7: het         | 60: hatven      |
| 8: nyolcz      | 70: hetven      |
| 9: kilencz     | 80: nyolczvan   |
| 10: tiz        | 90: kilenczven  |
| 11: tizenegy   | 100: szaz       |
|                | 1000: ezer      |

cz is pronounced like ts, cs like tsh, s like sh, sz like ss, z like s, and zs like j in the French Jean.

Tonga (or Toga) has "BULEAGA O TOGA": Government of Tonga. The motto "TOTOGI G TOHI", I think, is a travesty of "America to Americans"; if wrong, I wish to be better informed. "PENI" is penny; "SILINI": shilling. "G. F. B." on the official stamps stands for "GARIE FAKA BULEAGA": Government Business (not Government Foreign Branch, as some have it). The numerals used on stamps are; 1: taha; 2 ua; 3 tolu; 4: fa; 5: nima; 6: ono; 8: valu.

By the kindness of Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News we here reproduce the Russian and Greek alphabets as they were prepared for and published in No. 564 of that paper. With the aid of these alphabets we can now undertake to decipher Greek and Russian inscriptions.

Let Greek come first. The first issue of Greece has "ELL GRAMM" for "HELLENIKON GRAMMATOSEMON": Greek Letter stamp; probably the longest name for the thing found anywhere. "ELLAS" or better "HELLAS" on later issues is Greece. "ATHENAI" on the Olympian stamps is Athens. "OLYMPI AGONES" for "OLYMPIAKOI AGONES": Olympian

games. "EUARITHMON GRAMMATOSEMON" literally "additional letter stamp" is as much as "due stamp". "EIS-PRAKTRON", within the inner circle of the due stamps, means collect, but is more emphatic than collect. The values are in "LEPTON, (plural LEPTA)" and "DRACHME" (plural "DRACHMAI") which are 2 mills and 20 cents respectively of U. S. money.

Turning to Crete, we find the name "KRETE" (Krata) on top of the regular issue. "PROSOVINON TACHYDROMEION" given either in full (British issues) or abbreviated (Russian issues), means "Provisional Post". "HERAKLEION" and "RETHYMNES" are the names of the cities Herakleion and Retimo (Rethymne); the former was occupied by the British, the latter by the Russian troops. The value is given in "PARADES" (which is the plural of Para) and "MELALLIK", i. e. coin. "AUATOLIKE ROMYLIA" is Eastern Roumelia, "IONIKON KRATOS" is Ionian Power (i. e. government).

Whether the Modern Greek numerals differ much from the Ancient I can not say. Here are the Ancient:

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|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1: heis, mia, hen | 20: eikosi          |
| 2: dyo            | 21: heis kai eikosi |
| 3: treis          | 30: triakonta       |
| 4: tessares       | 40: tessarakonta    |
| 5: pente          | 50: pentakonta      |
| 6: hex            | 60: hexekonta       |
| 7: hepta          | 70: hebdomekonta    |
| 8: okto           | 80: ogdoekonta      |
| 9: hennca         | 90: ennekonta       |
| 10: deka          | 100: hekaton        |
| 11: hendeka       | 200: diakosioi      |
| 12: dodeka        | 1000: chilioi       |
| 13: triskaideka   | 2000: dischilioi    |

With the help of the Russian alphabet one may easily decipher the following on Russian stamps (which we give here in Roman letters): "POTSHTOWAYA MARKA": Postage stamp. "10 KOP" (abbreviation for KOPEYEK) SA LOT" means 10 kopeks per lot, i. e. per unit of weight, about half an ounce. The only adhesive of Poland has the same inscription. The Petersburg and Moscow stamp has "MARKA—ZENA 5 KOP—GOROD (for GORODSKOI) POTSHTY": Stamp, Value 5 Kopeyek, City Post. The letters in the watermark stand for "EXPE-DIZIYA SAGOTOWLENIYA GOSSUDARSTWENNIJGH BUMAGG": expedition (Bureau) for the manufacture of state papers. (To be continued.)

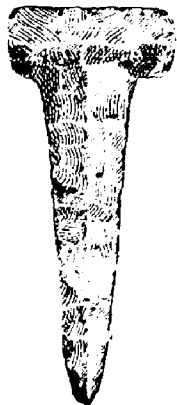


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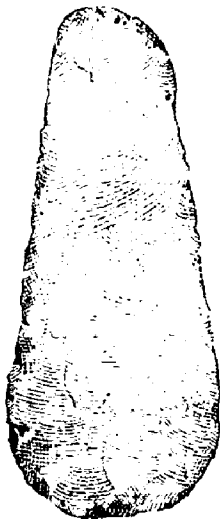
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|---------|---|-------------|-----------|-------|------|----------|-------------|
| А       | а | a           | a         | Α     | α    | άλφα     | a           |
| Б       | б | be-tā       | b         | Β     | β    | βήτα     | b           |
| В       | в | we          | w-ff.     | Γ     | γ    | γάμμα    | g           |
| Г       | г | ge          | g-għ      | Δ     | δ    | δέλτα    | d           |
| Д       | д | de          | d         | Ε     | ε    | ἒ ψιλόν  | e           |
| Е       | е | e           | e-je      | Ζ     | ζ    | ζήτα     | ts-ss       |
| Ж       | ж | she         | sh(soft)  | Η     | η    | ἦτα      | ā           |
| З       | з | se          | s(soft)   | Θ     | θ    | θῆτα     | th          |
| И       | и | i           | i-ē       | Ι     | ι    | ιώτα     | i           |
| І       | і | i           | i-ē       | Κ     | κ    | κάππα    | k           |
| К       | к | ka          | k-ok      | Λ     | λ    | λάμβδα   | l           |
| Л       | л | el          | l         | Μ     | μ    | μῦ       | m           |
| М       | м | em          | m         | Ν     | ν    | νῦ       | n           |
| Н       | н | en          | n         | Ξ     | ξ    | ξί       | x           |
| О       | о | o           | o         | Ο     | ο    | ὀ μικρόν | ō           |
| П       | п | pe          | p         | Π     | π    | πι       | p           |
| Р       | р | er          | r         | Ρ     | ρ    | ῥω       | r           |
| С       | с | es          | ss(Sharp) | Σ     | σς   | σίγμα    | s           |
| Т       | т | te          | t         | Τ     | τ    | ταῦ      | t           |
| У       | у | u           | u         | Υ     | υ    | ὑ ψιλόν  | Russian "u" |
| Ф       | ф | f           | ph-f      | Φ     | φ    | φε       | ph          |
| Х       | х | cha         | ch-th     | Χ     | χ    | χι       | ph          |
| Ц       | ц | zet         | ts        | Ψ     | ψ    | ψι       | ps          |
| Ч       | ч | tsh         | tch-tsh   | Ω     | ω    | ὦ μέγα   | ō           |
| Ш       | ш | sha         | sh(Sharp) |       |      |          |             |
| Щ       | щ | shtsha      | shtsh     |       |      |          |             |
| Ъ       | ъ | yer         | make hard |       |      |          |             |
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## Our Illustrations

### MR. REGINO FARIAS

Mr. Regino Farias, Mexico City, Mexico, a well known merchant of the capitol, was born in that city in 1852.

The fair philatelia lays claim to the best in every land and herinherants in our sister Republic, while not so multitudinous in number, comprise many of that countries prominent men.

Mr. Farias has been a collector for collector for over twenty-two years and of course has many varieties in stamps of his country as well as those of all America in general.

He is a prominent member of The Spanish American Philatelic Society as well as the P. S of A. and other associations. Above all he is an ardent admirer of the WEST, and is always pleased to hear from any of its many readers on matters of stampic interest.

### DENVER NOTABLES.

The cut which adorns our cover this month was taken by our associate editor, Chas. H. Nast, and is a very good example of rapid work, the photograph being finished within two hours after the sitting. The programme committee unfortunately neglected to announce that there was to be a photo taken at this time, and for that reason the delegates are missing from it.

Beginning with the lower row and starting at the left, we see the genial Brodstone. Next to him is F. S. Parmelee, of Omaha, Nebraska, well known as the winner of innumerable events in professional trap shooting, both in this country and abroad. W. H. Barnum, Cleveland, Ohio, ex secretary, treasurer and vice president, sits beside him, followed by Oney K. Carstarphen, late acting secretary and S. E. Moisant, of Kankakee, Ill., well known as the former proprietor of the Stamp Exchange.

In the middle row we notice first E. H. Pierce, of Denver, who the boys say

forgot to comb his hair in his hurry to get in the group. C. C. DeSelms, of Indiana, well known through his advertisements in the WEST, G. M. Butler, of Golden, elected secretary, D. W. Osgood, of Colorado, W. H. Zuehlke, of Appleton, Wisconsin, elected treasurer, and John Tasset, a well known Denver collector, complete the row.

The top row starts out with the likeness of Chas. H. Nast, who is really more genial than the cut makes him appear to be. Mr. Nast is followed by C. Wallace, of Evansville, Wis., J. S. Davis, of Denver, F. R. Hurst, of Kansas City, another dealer who believes in the WEST, and Frank K. Hill, of Wayne, Indiana, publisher of the Stamp Exchange.

Readers can secure photograph, 50c of Mr. Nast.

### INDIAN RELICS.

The illustrations of Indian Relics represent a few specimens in the large private collection of Vice President George J. Ramsburg, of the A. S. of C. C., living at Oak Mills, Ks. The specimens were all found in that vicinity. The flint drill, tomahawks, and knife, together with a peck measure full of the same kind, were found in a prehistoric Indian grave on the farm of Postmaster John Davitz, at Oak Mills. The stone pipe was also found on an Indian campsite near the same place.

### Stamp Collector's Protective Assoc'n of America.

Following names have received most votes for officers of the Association:

Vice-President—E. Chandler, Augusta, Ga., Bx 599.  
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Secretary-Treasurer—L. Brodstone, Superior, Nebr

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Complaints: Shaffer of Wis., Brewster of O. Rev. Wendt and Dick of Nebr. report Bracket of Lewiston, Me. His ad was run before complaint received or it would not have been in. Full particulars next number. Rev Stormer complains of Union Colls Co of N. C.

Some Collections I Have  
Seen

BY F. E. HALBERT.

I wonder if our genial John U. of Washington, D. C. is any relation to Joseph E. Perkins of Syracuse, N. Y., the veteran coin dealer and collector. The latter gentleman having been in the coin business for over 40 years, amassed as fine a collection as could be gotten together. He made a study of Roman history for the purpose of familiarizing himself with her early coinage. His collection of ancient Roman coins is very complete. Some of the specimens would bring joy to the heart of the "condition crank"; for several of them are almost in mint condition, although 1500 years old and upwards. It is strange how they could be so well preserved through fifteen of twenty centuries. These coins are so perfect as to suggest the idea of being counterfeits. The Roman coins were represented in several complete sets.

Mr. Perkins had a unique way of arranging all his coins. The silver ones of a certain shape and size were together in a wide shallow box; each coin had its own small box lined with cotton, these being placed in the larger one which was just about large enough to hold a set of a ruling Monarch.

In one box there were a number of four sided silver ones. Did you ever see a square coin? One of them was a good deal larger than our "mighty dollar". Oblong, six sided and eight sided ones also had their respective boxes. The silver and bronze ones were arranged separately.

There were several very large coins in this collection, especially among the bronze ones. One Roman piece of bronze money weighed apparently nearly a pound. One Japanese piece was about as large as a goose-egg, which it

resembled in shape, although it was flat of course, but quite thick. The largest coin of Chinese mintage was nearly three inches across and nearly a quarter of an inch thick. Its intrinsic value about five cents. There was a copper coin, I think a Belgium piece, that was smaller than a gold dollar. It weighed just twenty pennyweights. If I remember correctly. Mr. Perkins told me the collection consisted of 10,000 pieces.

When the writer asked Mr. Perkins to show us his most valuable coin, he smilingly opened his safe and took from it a box; after tenderly removing the cover he took from the top a bit of tinted cotton and proudly held out the box. We looked and saw there, resting on its pink cushion, a gold coin in fair condition, 2500 years old. When asked its value, he remarked that it had never been priced to his knowledge. This ancient coin was about the size of an ordinary gold dollar; if anything a trifle larger. If I remember correctly it was a Persian coin of the time of Queen Esther; the most beautiful woman in all Persia, so the good book tells us.

Where do you suppose this bit of ancient gold has lain during these thousands of years? What a strange fatality that this bit of gold should come to light in this time of the worlds history as about the only evidence of ancient royal wealth and splendor. Plants, animals, men and even empires grow, flourish and decay, finally to be forgotten. Relics like this come to us out of the remote past like mute materialized spirits. Who is there that could look upon such things without a little feeling of awe? This leads us to ask ourselves; "What will have become of the golden wealth of the United States two thousand years hence?"

There are other collections more extensive, but it would be hard to surpass this one in point of excellence.

What a pity such a collection could



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the cliff. The fortress of Namur is the town of which Caesar already said that it was by nature splendidly fortified.

Another "folder" before me is one, size 6x8 when folded, consisting of three folds, showing a panorama view of the small but picturesque town in Wurttemberg, Germany: Wildbad. The town derives its name from its famous hot water baths, highly renowned for their curative qualities, there being springs from which hot water rises to this very day, as it has done for centuries. The town is splendidly situated between towering hills wooded by evergreen, sloping towards the town, giving it a beautiful background.

The "folders" are of as many sizes and styles as of designs, and do not apply to panorama views strictly as is already seen by the "Sure Crop folders." Various views are seen on the double, triple and quadruple cards, both here and abroad; some showing from 2 to 16 different views on one folder. A New York folder may show several distinct views, as: Brooklyn bridge, River front, Tower Harbor with statue of Liberty, Castle Win's view in Central Park, of Broadway the N. Y. P. O. The Syndicate and St. Paul's buildings, Bowery with elevated road, etc. Yet "folders" show birds eye views chiefly, being adapted to these by their large extent. In foreign countries, Germany especially, they have almost all places of importance depicted on these folders. Some folders consist of even 5 or 6 folds each fold the size of an ordinary postal card. Others are larger or of the size of the WEST, but consisting of 4 or 5 folds, these being less used, on account of bulkiness. These have not as yet been issued in America, although we have some a yard or more in

length and of the width of an ordinary postal card. Some of these are of the finest prints; there being amongst them photogravures, collotypes, photolithographs, heliotypes, lithographs and halftones.

These folders vary in price according to prints and sizes. A double card in lithograph at 5c, and upward to 25c or 30c, for the long photographic ones a yard or more in length.

Every collector ought to have some of these various folders to complete his collection, and ought, therefore to indulge in sending such to his fellow exchangers giving them a special treat and one sure to fetch another, equally interesting, or even more so if we send our folders across the pond, since our foreign collectors pride themselves on their productions and send their best as a rule. Such has been my experience at least, and I wish all collectors may meet with the same results. This I may say: A good card ought and surely will fetch a good one in return. Our foreign exchangers are very generous as a rule and will not let us outdo them in the way of folders. Most of these folders are a source of interest. One week in Germany 1,446,950 souv. cards were mailed folders included.

### Lord Cheylesmore,

who died on Thursday, July 10th, bequeathed the whole of his collection of English mezzotint portraits to the nation, and they will shortly be transferred to the British Museum. This is the largest private collection of its kind, and numbers nearly 14,000 portraits. Among the collection is a work by Prince Rupert, who introduced the process of mezzotint into England in 1660.

B. WIT, Houston, Texas. WEST is O. K. for ads and may rest assured I will do you justice.

POSTMARKS

A Branch of the A. S. of C. C.

By J. L. WHEELER  
30 LENOX AVE., PROVIDENCE R. I.



COLONIAL POSTMARKS

During the recent changes of government in Cuba, the postoffice department decided to continue the same relations as before, and this brought to mind the possibility that some of the readers would be interested in Cuban postmarks used during our occupation, as well as those of the other colonies.

As seen in Figs 1, 4, and 7, the offices



Fig. 1



Fig. 4



Fig. 7

were first made Military Postal Stations when our army was located on the Island, New York be-

ing the head office of Cuba, Washington of Porto Rico, and San Francisco of the Philippines. At the same time each office had a number of its own, making a system somewhat like that of England, in which every office is known by its own number, and often by a letter also.

In short, while these stations were made independent, and the words "Military Station" and the numbers were left out, while the same styles of postmarks were put into use that we have in the U. S. and which are familiar to all collectors. Among other interesting marks is the oval mark



Fig. 3. and illustrated in last

issue. No 2 shows the present Havana mark. This differs from the regular second class postmark in that it has the state at the bottom instead of after the office.



Fig. 2

Coming next to Porto Rico we find the first cancellation in the shape of a diagonal bar variety, No 5, from Ponce.

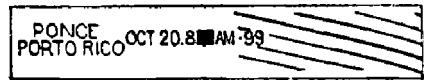


Fig. 5

This is also like the U. S. marks and was not used until the offices had become independent. No 4 shows the form of "Military Sta." mark the present marks, including Registered and Received being like our own.

The Philippine postmarks are the most interesting. In both Figs 6 and 7 the type and the cancellations are different from anything else. There is a short series like No 6, all the same design, but No 7's canceller has no mate in the Philippines

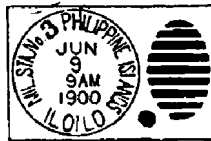


Fig 6

There is also another set having "Mil. P. Sta. No.—" at the top and the office at the bottom, with slight variation in the "daubers". Finally there is the set like the Fig. 4. Manila also has Transit, Received and Registered marks, one style of the latter being

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shown in Fig. 8.

The Hawaiian Islands have an entirely novel canceller, made up of concentric arcs with the name of the island in the centre. Of this set I have seen Honolulu and Hilo.



Fig. 8

The Colonial postmarks make an interesting study because there are so many varieties from such a small number of offices. The philatelists say a lot about the history that can be learned from postage stamps but there is a little touch of it in postmarks.

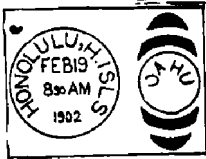


Fig. 9

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The editor of this dept. will give a prize of 1,000 different postmarks for the best article on some subject on postmarks (U. S.) It must be accompanied by drawings or the postmarks to illustrate it with. Open until October 15.

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In next issue "New Varieties" illustrated, will describe the new things of the last year.

## Early History of Coins BY RALPH W. PERRY.

It was about 900 years before Christ that the first money was actually coined. There exists great doubt as to where the custom had its origin. Herodotus ascribes it to the Lydians, but his authority is not conclusive.

The oldest coins extant and probably the first ever made are from Ionia, in Asia Minor.

Miletus, a city south of Ephesus on the shore of the Icarian's sea, probably produced the first coined money, which was the gold "States". It is a coin stamped

on one side with a deep indentation and on the other side there is a rude picture of a lion's head. This form of coinage was characteristic for many years. A die was used, the lump of metal being placed in it. A punch struck by a heavy hammer drove the metal into the die and left the rude design on the punch, on the reverse of the coin.

The adoption of the lion's head has caused much dispute, as to why used and what power it inferred. Most, however, believe that it had some connection with the worship of "Cybele" the great Goddess of the Ionia's.

The next coins, which are supposed by some, to be of earlier origin is the Lydian coin as referred to by Herodotus. These coins have been found in great quantities at Sardis, which leads to the belief that they belong to the period of "Croesus". The value of these two coins is practically the same. The gold "daric" is a rare coin of the early Assyrian and Persian times, although the large silver daric is not earlier than the time of Cambyses. The name of the coin is supposed to have been derived from "Darius" signifying royalty. This coin is made more interesting because of its being mentioned in the Bible by Daniel.

The earliest silver coinage is that of Aegina dated B. C. 870 and not a long while after Ionia's gold issue.

These are somewhat better looking in appearance and design than the former ones. The tortoise was the national emblem and continued so for a long while.

Copper coins were probably first issued in Italy but no exact date and place can be given.

Never expect to make money by advertising in a hap-hazard way -successful advertising is the persistent continuous kind.



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## Actas de La Sociedad

### SOLICITUDES-APPLICATIONS

Hemos recibids con gran gusto las solicitudes de los Sres coleccionistas siguientes para ingresar a nuestra sociedad.

Luis G. Rodriguez, box 74, Georgetown, Guyana Inglesa  
Dr. Jose Manuel Valdez, Apartado 37, Camajuani, Cuba.  
Ricardo E. Comvalius, box 64, Parimaribo, Surinam.  
Lorenzo Oliver, Neponuceno 8, Santiago de Cuba, Cuba.

### RENUNCIAS

Han sido presentado antes de nuestra Comision Directiva, las renuncias formales del Sr. German Helmrck de Tepic, Mexico, nuestro Bibliotecario, y Dr. M. N. Samaniego, de Durango, Mexico. Nuestro consocio Senor Helmrck habiendo vendido sus estoblicimientos y su banco en Tepic, sale por su patria, Alemania, al principios del mes de Setiembre, y en consecuencia no puede quedar con nosotros. Nos escribe que tendra mucho gusto en recibir las cartas de los socios a su llegada en su nueva residencia en Hamburg. La asociacion siente en saber que ha sido precindido por completo a coleccionar sellos, y ha vendido mucho de su rara coleccion, nuestro consocio, Dr. M. N. Samaniego de Durango, Mexico. Como resultado, la Filatelia ha perdido ds de sus hijos fieles en ese continente occidental.

LA GUA FILATELICA que saldra editada por nuestra asociacion, y mencionada en el ultimo numero de esta revista no aparecera hasta el 15 del mes de Setiembre. Antes de esta fecha deseamos recibir los retratos de todos los Sres. coleccionistas en la America Centro y del Sud, Mexico, Cuba y las Antillas, al mismo tiempo, a recibir las direcciones de los coleccionistas que las desean insertadas en el libro, gratis. Para la tarifa de anuncios y otros informes dirigirse al Secretario.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Owing to various delays, the Philatelic Year-Book which was to appear on August 25th will not be out until about Sept 15. In the meantime we will continue receiving advertisements at the rate mentioned in last issue of WEST, but would advise taking of space at once, as it is going quite rapidly. The price of the booklet has been decided upon at 25 cents, giving as a compliment of the society, a five line exchange notice to each collector purchasing a book within the 15th of September, gratis.

EDUARDO M. VARGAS, President.

CHAS. WILLARD MYERS, Secretary

**The Popularity of the Large U. S. Cent. 2**

BY THOMAS L. ELDER, A. N. A.

The large-sized United States copper cent seems to have an unusual charm for coin collectors. This coin always has been very popular with all classes of collectors, both young and old, and just now is doubtless the "most collected" coin extant. The average boy when he begins to collect, wants a few of these old interesting pieces, and as many dates are within reach of his pocketbook, costing not over five cents apiece, nearly every beginner's collection contains a few. At first he is satisfied with a small collection in fair condition, but as his income increases and he begins to be a little more critical in his collection, he is no longer satisfied with "mediocre" specimens but must have good ones. Presently he sees another field ahead, the collecting of die varieties. There seems to be no limit to varieties in the large U. S. cent. Take the one struck in 1794, there are more than 20 distinct varieties of this coin. Varieties, such as "1800" struck over "1790" and 1828 with 12 stars and 1829 with 13 stars are by no means rare, and a collector of moderate means may indulge in the "variety" habit without great expense. And there is no denying the fact that there is a peculiar interest in comparing the 1807 cent with the blunt "1", with the one with the perfect "1", or in noting the difference in 1797 cent with the knobless "9" and the one with the perfect "9". What queer mistakes crept into the dies in those early years. We note in the 1801 cent on the reverse 1-1000 on one while another reads 1-100. Again we easily notice a perfect "1811" and an 1811 struck over "1810". In the 1812 cent we note a large date and a small date. All these

little differences are interesting, especially to the observing collector. In the 1839 cent there is a "booby" head of Liberty and the "silly head", and 1843 with type of 1842 on one pattern and a large and small reverse. In the 1855 cent we see the plain "1855" and the italic "1855". In 1857 we see a small date and a large date.

A fine or uncirculated cent commands many times higher prices than a poor one. A poor 1794 cent may not be worth more than 20 or 25 cents, while the same coin in perfect condition commands as much as \$20.00. Many collectors of United States cents have become such connoisseurs that they will not have any in their collections excepting ones in fine condition. Some collectors who patronize the auction sales regularly are so fastidious about the matter of "condition" that time and again they will buy the same cent and same date in order to improve the condition of the one in their collection, often laying the extra ones aside for years and sometimes never disposing of an immense accumulation of duplicates until by strange irony of fate both collection and duplicates - are sold for cash without ceremony by heirs who care more for coin of the present realm.

Some dealers are asking rare prices for perfect specimens. There may possibly be a financial panic one of these times, and should this happen, we fear the fancy prices of these perfect cents may take a slight tumble. There seems to be an unlimited demand for the well known rarities "1793", "1799", "1804", "1809" and "1811". It is really hard to get these dates in fine condition and when they are found in this condition we may expect them to sell for almost any price. Some of the auction sale records are interesting. Rich people can indulge in a \$75 1799 cent, or a \$100 1804, but poor mortals like myself are satisfied with ones costing from \$5 to \$10 apiece. Hail the king of American coins, the large copper cent!

## Prehistoric Stone Relics.

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The prehistoric stone relics illustrated in this Magazine belong to the collection of George J. Remsburg, of Oak Mills, Kans, one of the vice presidents of the American Society of Curio Collectors. The collection from which these specimens are selected for illustration in these pages, is said to be one of the most complete and valuable extant, typifying as it does the aboriginal life in Kansas. The flint drills, flint tomahawks or club heads, and the flint knives were found together with a large number of their kind, in an Indian Grave at Oak Mills, Atchison County, Kans. This grave and its contents was one of the most interesting ever discovered in that section of the country. The larger flint implements, which were unearthed with an almost completely decayed skeleton, vary in length from 4 to 8 inches, and from 2 to 4 inches in width. They are made from native blue chert, such as exists in the limestone rocks of that region. The grave contained at least a peck of these implements. The drills, and a few arrowpoints found them, are made from finer material, and represent the highest art attained by the aborigines of Eastern Kansas. The stone pipe was found in a field on the farm of R. M. King, only a short distance from the above mentioned grave. The discordal stone was also found in that vicinity. From the many objects picked up the place was evidently a camping ground of the Indians. Many lead bullets, square flint pieces such as were used on the old flint lock guns, and pieces of the guns, have been found in Mr. King's field indicating an early-day battlefield, or arsenal. The locality is altogether an interest-

one, both from a historical and archaeological point of view and Mr Remsburg has promised to give us an article in the near future descriptive of this particular locality on the Missouri River.

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### Lord Spencer's Bargain.

Lord Spencer of Althorp, one of the greatest of book collectors, was at home only in his own field. One day, in browsing about Bond Street, London, he went into the shop of a dealer in bric-a-brac. The dealer, who knew him by sight, said persuasively:

"Here is a fine bit of pottery which your lordship really ought to have, and you shall have it very cheap—only two guineas."

So Lord Spencer bought it and took it home, and set it in a high place. One day a connoisseur of china paid him a visit, and Lord Spencer showed his bargain.

"What did you give for it?" asked the connoisseur.

"Two guineas," answered Spencer, rather proudly,

"H'm!" said the connoisseur. "At that price the marmalade should have been included."

"What do you mean?"

"Why, that precious piece of yours is nothing more nor less than a shilling marmalade pot, with a green thistle painted on it."

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**Variations In Agates.**

**Y FOREST GAINES**  
S. of C. C. 138, Glendive, Mont.

Agates are usually very pretty mineral specimens and for that reason a description of their more common forms, various uses and use will undoubtedly prove of interest to a great many of our mineral and cut gem collectors.

Agate in composition is merely quartz and silicon dioxide (Si O<sub>2</sub>). The different colors of the specimens are given by varying quantities of metallic impurities disseminated through them. As is well known to a great many a solution of any metal gives a distinct characteristic color and it is these metallic color impurities which we see in agates.

As quartz is the most common mineral known, so therefore agates are pretty generally distributed, but of course certain localities furnish large and better specimens than others. The most likely places to find them are along streams and in rocky places where the stones can be examined. To be known as "agate" quartz must be translucent so that the various colorings and markings in the specimen can be plainly seen. This translucent appearance is characteristic of all agates, as compared with other opaque quartz.

A description of a few more prominent varieties will now be given. Carmelian is of a red color, varying from light to dark, and sometimes alternating with white, gray or other lines. Some of the best specimens of Carmelian come from Brazil in S. A.

Onyx is one of the most beautiful of all agates. It consists of concentric alternating layers of white and black and produces a very striking effect when well cut.

Tigereye is an agate having a circular concentration of usually red and white bands resembling an animal's eye, hence

its wellknown name. The reddish lines are usually given by traces of iron. Asbestos is also sometimes found impregnated in tigereye. Crocidolite is of the same formation as tigereye but the colors are either light or dark shades of pink and green.

Emerald agate is of almost the same formation as onyx but the color is a very bright green, alternating with white lines, and making a very pretty effect. I have some excellent specimens of this agate in my collection from Wyoming.

Fortification agate gets its name from the way the lines are arranged in the specimen; that is, they bear a strong resemblance to the outer works of a fort in outline.

Moss agate is very peculiar. It is the popular belief that the agate actually has real moss imprisoned in it, but this is not the fact by any means, for the mosslike forms are given by splotches of iron or manganese oxide usually, disseminated very regularly through the specimens. Some very odd forms are also met with in moss agates; for instance a buffalo head, Indian face or other form may be perfectly represented by the form of the oxide in the agate. I have collected a great many pounds of moss agates from this vicinity and have exchanged them all over the country. Ordinary translucent white agates are also very prominent here.

As to use, agates are used mainly for jewelry and are coming to be more and more popular. This is not to be wondered at for many beautiful ornaments can be made from the minerals including rings, watch charms, pins, etc. A good collection of the cut stones also makes a fine and beautiful addition to any collection of minerals, gems or cut stones, and dealers are now putting many of them up. They meet with a very ready sale. A good many lapidists are also now turning their attention exclusively to agate cutting, taking care to bring out all the finest colors and peculiar characteristics of their specimens. Agate dust from this grinding is also found in the market now.

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Every member of the society delinquent in the current year's dues will please remit to either the secretary or myself at once. The numbers all delinquent members are given in the secretary's report and if your number appears it shows that your last year's card has expired and must be renewed. All those not renewing will be dropped from the rolls and will not receive the Year Book nor the WEST hereafter.

I have the honor and pleasure of appointing to a place on the Recruit Committee, Brother Guy Bogart, Brookville, Ind., Indiana or other collectors wishing to join the society may obtain application blanks and the necessary information from Brother Bogart.

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Roy Farrell Greene  
REPORT OF A. S. OF C. C. FOR SEPTEMBER

Fellow Members: I have given two warnings to those who are delinquent in their dues to this society, and I am still of the opinion that it is not altogether intentional, who is that can not pay 25c dues. But be that as it may the Society can not carry them any longer in this manner. Unless same are paid by October 1st, 1902, all will be dropped for delinquency. Look at your membership cards and see if it corresponds with any of the following numbers: K No 8, 6, 9, 13, 14, 17, 20, 22, 24, 31, 33, 39, 42, 43, 47, 48, 53, 54, 58, 62, 66,

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# CURIO NOTES

By ROY FARREL GREENE, A. S. of C. C.

A report from The Dalles, Oregon, reaches the editor which informs us that about three months ago a laborer in that city, Emil Webber by name, while digging a sewer trench unearthed a stone mortar, beautifully and artistically carved. The carvings were unlike anything known to any of the local students of early American races. The mortar is said to be a foot in diameter at the top, and weighs ten pounds. It is of granite or some other very hard stone and is symmetrical in shape. The spot where it was uncovered had never been dug into since the town was established.

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It will be interesting to ornithologists, and bird-lovers in general, to know that last year in Venezuela alone 2,000,000 birds were killed for fashion's sake. One London dealer admitted before fashion was so pitiless as now, that he sold two million small birds every twelve months. Three recent consignments to London included 10,000 birds of Paradise, nearly 800 packages of Osprey feathers, 6,700 crested pigeons, 5,500 Impeyan pheasants, 500 bird-skins, 270 cases of peacocks' feathers, 1,500 Argus pheasants, and 500 other various small birds. From this account it looks as though Andobon society is needed in Venezuela.

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Surely there is nothing more dead on the earth than yesterday's newspaper. A walk down the main or any of the branch paths of the mortuary set apart at the British museum for these ephemerae of the printing press might invite to funeral reflection ink slung in vain and on paper mis-spent.

Yet it would seem that a very live industry is connected with the exhumation of old numbers, and that these must be deposited within easy reach of London. Hence the British Museum is going to spend nearly \$100,000 on a new old newspaper site. The papers are to be carted off to Hendon and there deposited, not in the lake, but in a building made expressly for them. The files can thus be ordered up to one of the reading rooms of the British Museum as required. London seems to be no longer big enough for the Museum's file of old newspapers.

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The most wonderful cave in the world is said to be located in the Island of Tonga, in the South Pacific. Byron called it "a chapel of the seas." It is formed in a rock that is almost surrounded by the ocean. This rock is about sixty feet high, and broad proportionately. Many years ago a boy, the son of a native chief, was chasing a large turtle, when his game seemed to sink into the rock. The lad watched and waited until the tide fell, disclosing a small opening in the rock about six feet under low-water mark. Diving boldly the young hunter entered the aperture, and, to his surprise came to surface inside the rock. The rock was hollow, and its interior was found afterward, when the natives explored it with torches, to contain many beautiful stalactites. When attacked and followed by enemies the natives, who know the secret, leave their canoes, plunge into the water and disappear. Their foes linger, astonished at their disappearance, for no person not acquainted with it would suspect that the rock was hollow.

## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

There has come to light in one of the auction rooms, in Edinburgh, an interesting relic of Robert Burns. It is an ordinary business-like tumbler, enclosed in an oak-case lined with velvet and secured by a Brahmin key. The tumbler has engraved on it the following inscription: "This glass, once the property of Robert Burns, was presented by the poet's widow to James Robinson, Esq., and given by his widow to her son-in-law, Maj. James Robinson to whom Jean Armour gave the relic was a Sunderland gentleman, who became by marriage connected with the Burns family. The box is made from one of the piles of the old London bridge, with some lighter pieces of oak, relics of the Royal George.

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The United States Fish Commission not long since received from the Philippine Islands numerous specimens of a species of fish of which the minimum and average sizes for mature individuals are thought to be less than those of any other known fish or vertebrate. The females are slightly larger than the males, and the average length of fifty specimens taken at random, both sexes being about equally represented, was 12.9 millimeters, a trifle over half an inch. The fish is a member of the great cosmopolitan Gioby family, of which upward of 600 species are known to science. The specimens came from Southern Luzon, in the Department of Carmarines Sur, where they were collected in Lake Buhl, to which the species is said to be peculiar.

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Among many relics of George Washington which are exhibited at Mount Vernon which is designated as Washington's German Sword. The sword was sent from Solingen, Germany, by

one Theophilus Alte, who commissioned his own son, during the time of the Revolutionary war in the English colonies, to deliver the sword, together with sympathies from the German people to America, to General Washington in person. The sword is of the same shape as the one worn by General Blucher at the Battle of Waterloo, and to judge by its saw-like edge, it gives the impression of having gone through many a battle. Etched in the steel plate close to the hilt, and partly obscured by erosion, the following German legend appears: "Destroyer of despotism, protector of freedom, steadfast man, take from my son's hand this sword, I beg of you! Theophilus Alte, Solingen."

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A collecting friend conveys to the editor the information that there has recently been placed in the museum of the University of Arizona at Tucson the skeleton of a very large whale which was found on the desert south of Yuma. The find has excited much attention over the manner in which the big fish came so far inland. It has been claimed, and is doubtless a fact, that virtually all of southeastern California was once covered by the ocean, and some scientists declare that the whale was left high and dry when the waters receded from that region. It is merely likely, however, that the big fish ventured into the Gulf of California and was washed by a flood or tidal wave upon the higher land. Other finds of value from a scientific standpoint have been made in the same region. In the University museum are the tusks and lower jaw of a mammoth which were found on the Yuma desert. The size of the jaw and tusks prove that the animal was much larger than the elephants found in India and Africa today.



A recent pamphlet issued by the U. S. Geological Survey, states that in the United States diamonds are found in three distinct regions. 1. Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, in the vicinity of the Green Bay lobe of the continental glacier. 2. In Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, South Carolina and Kentucky. 3. In California, adjacent to the watersheds of the San Joaquin and Sacramento rivers, where they were first found in the United States. There are reports that diamonds have been found recently in six localities in Georgia, but there is some doubt as to their authenticity. A diamond of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  carats was found recently in Shelby county, Alabama. The stone was found in a garden. It was sent to New York for examination, and was pronounced a stone of the first water, which would make a gem of about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  carats when cut. Two diamonds were found recently in Tennessee near Knoxville.

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S. Harry Vandergrift of Pittsburgh recently presented to the Carnegie museum his entire collection of coins and currency. It contains almost a complete series of the copper coins of the United States, a very large miscellaneous collection of the coins of other countries and a large collection of paper currency. Among the many interesting objects in the collection is the first \$2 bill issued by the United States government. It is marked "No. 1" of the series, and bears the well known autograph of L. E. Spinner. There is money issued by the city of Pittsburgh and a considerable quantity of Continental currency.

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Oswald Bauer, one of the valued members of the A. S. of C. C., who lives in Piermont, N. Y., informs us

that Eugene S. Haight of Fishkill recently found in the woods near Tironda a stone tomahawk, along with some arrow-points and the blade of a flint hunting knife. The tomahawk is well shaped, and although the handle has long since rotted away, the place where it was attached is plainly discernible.

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Fine blue sapphires are found in Ferguson county, Montana; fancy-colored sapphires in Granite county, Montana; very fine beryls come from Mitchell county, Montana; turquoise mines are located in Grant and Santa Fe counties, New Mexico, as well as in several counties of Nevada; emeralds are found in Western North Carolina, purple-pink garnets in Macon county, North Carolina; and many beautiful colored tourmalines have been found in a new locality in California.

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Among the splendid numismatic specimens recently given to the University of Pennsylvania by a public spirited citizen who desires his name withheld may be mentioned an ancient coin from Scandinavia, nearly a foot square and weighing eight pounds, several rare Japanese coins and one Chinese coin of 400 B. C. The Chinese coins alone in the collection donated by this gentleman comprise several thousand specimens and are said to exceed in value even the famous collection in the British museum. Among the medals might be mentioned various ones commemorating the various anniversaries of the Swiss cantons, a splendid series of the various popes in the Italian division, medals of the Spanish sovereigns from 1406 to the present time, a complete collection of medals from all the crowned heads of England from 978 to the present time, a medal of the Battle of Waterloo, struck in 1849, a series of French medals dating from 1380 down to the French Republic, a medal commemorating the Battle of Buena Vista, and many others equally interesting. There were about 30,000 pieces in this collection, thus added to the University's exhibit.



# Camera & News



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## Amateur Photography

By E. O. Swafford, Baird, Texas.

The art of Amateur Photography has reached a higher plane of proficiency than has ever before been attained. People are beginning to realize the importance of photography which has now reached that point where its devotees can look over into a broad field of work that is practical and of great value. Work of such a variety of finish has been made possible by the conveniences placed at our disposal that the modest hand camera will allow one to enter the field as confidently assures of success as is the better equipped professional.

With the assistance of Copying houses that especially adapt themselves to the requirements of this class of patrons, any intelligent boy or girl can turn out work with their Kodak or hand camera that in finish and style of mounting will equal that done by the professional photographer and in many cases be of a superior nature.

With the hand camera we have the facility of photographing the beautiful scenes which nature has provided. The hills, the valleys, the rivers, the mountains and the plains, with all their beauty and ours for the taking. These can be enlarged to almost any size and made still more effective by being colored. The brush, the air-brush, as well as dry colors steamed on, are all at our command. They give us works of art from our small negatives: Art that shows us nature as perfect as nature herself.

With the hand camera we can photograph our friends around us; the scenes within our own homes, and by using a little ingenuity we may secure results in lighting by our own windows that will equal work done in the finest studios. Enlargements or medallions, colored or plain may be ordered from these negatives that will make us proud of our work and repay us for our work in securing artistic results.

Stereoscopic pictures can be made from your Kodak prints that are not excelled by work done with a twin-lens camera. The copying houses have printing frames that slide the paper along on the film or plate in printing, and in this way print the two views in perfect alignment and correctly spaced, much more accurately than can be done by transposing and using shears and paste in an effort to mount two prints correctly. Old photographers say that you must have two prints, each made from a point corresponding with the position of the two eyes. If this be the case, I would ask them why they transpose them in mounting. One professional stereoscopic photographer answered this question by taking down a view and measuring from two common centers near the bottom of the prints and dotting the paper at the two points. He then slid the paper upward and found that the two common centers were further apart. "This," said he "is the reason we transpose them in mounting." I thought it was all right at the time but have given the matter some thought since then and I have found by experience that if one uses a single lens they can get good stereoscopic views by mounting two prints from one negative, on a direct line but tilted a little apart at the top. By employing this method one is independent of the double lens outfit and stereoscopic views exactly like those obtained with the double lens can be secured.



## Answers

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T. C. S.—Plates Drying Slowly and With Pitted Markings.—A well known maker of dry plates advocates the use of formaline, in place of alum, for hardening the film after development, particularly in hot weather, claiming that the decomposition resulting from a mixture of the alum and the hypo is injurious to the negative. He advises that the plate, immediately after development and before mixing, should be washed for two or three minutes and placed for the same length of time in a bath made up one ounce of formaline to twenty ounces of water. The plate should then be rinsed and fixed in the hypo bath as usual. Treated in this way the film will dry quickly and become tough and hard, and danger of frilling will be almost wholly averted

J. M. M.—Frilling In New Hypo Bath.—The ordinary fixing bath of Hypo, in hot weather especially, should have a chance to stand a while before use, owing to the fact that when freshly made it is much colder than the water in which it was dissolved, and the result of transferring plates or films from the warmer development solutions to this much colder bath is, in many cases, to cause frilling. A formaline bath, however, will obviate this tendency if applied after development and before fixing.

Miss M. R.—Printing From Thin Negatives.—Prints from a very thin negative may often be improved by placing over it, in the printing frame, a sheet of ground glass through which to pass the

light. Another device that is frequently adapted to advantage consists in pasting a sheet of tissue paper over the glass side of the negative. In landscape subjects and pictures with broad treatment rather than minute detail, the thin parts of the negative may be corrected by working over them on the paper with a soft pencil, or stump, thus holding back the printing of any desired portion. If it should happen that parts are too dense that paper may be treated with a drop of oil or vaseline on these parts. This will render it transparent and will not effect its printing quality at all.

F. M. E.—Yellowish Whites on Solio.—It is important during the warm weather that toning of printing out papers be kept at uniformly low temperature. Attention to this will save many prints which would otherwise tone out with yellowish whites or faulty and unsatisfactory contrasts. Bottles containing the toning solution may, to advantage be kept in a pan or tray of ice water while in use.

W. S. H.—Private Mailing Cards—Photographic postal cards may be prepared for use in blue printing by coating the selected card or paper with the following solution:

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| Ferric ammonium oxalate.....                 | 30 grains |
| "                    "          citrate..... | 30 "      |
| Water.....                                   | 1 ounce   |

After drying in the dark the paper may be printed until the image is plainly visible, when it is developed in a solution of:

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| 2 S Blum, Cold Spring, Minn                    | 8 J Sohn, Deadwood, S Dak                      |
| 3 Mej Neef, Rotterdam, Holland                 | 9 C Gatiff, Cun Bank, Carlton, Vic Australia   |
| 4 Miss E K Moore, Gardner, N Dak               | 3420 W Zuelke, Appleton, Wis                   |
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| 9 A Arenmugol, Havana, Cuba, Reg Div P O       |                                                |
| 390 R Duval, Grandmere, Canada                 |                                                |
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# The American Historical, and Natural History Photo Society.

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## Capitol Prize Contest for Members.

We wish to secure the photos of every State Capitol Building to reproduce here, with a few lines of information describing the building, giving briefly if possible the style, size, height, cost and any other interesting points.

For the first received from each state that is suitable to be reproduced we will give the sender of same a fine Photo Print Album valued at \$1.00

We will also send a 5x7 print of our Conn. State Capitol Building at Hartford to all sending theirs.

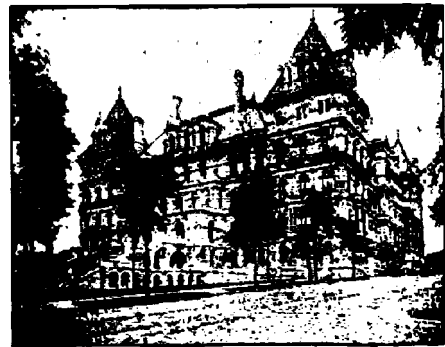
No. 22—Willard E. Howard, Philmont, N. Y. is awarded the album for the photo of the Albany Capitol Building which we reproduce this month.

We would be pleased to exchange with all members for photos of their Capitol Building.

### The Capitol at Albany, N. Y.

The massive granite structure which lowers from the brow of the hill overlooking the Hudson River at Albany, needs no description, as its fame as the greatest and grandest legislative building is undisputed.

The old Capitol constructed in (1806-



8) had become inadequate and after several years of discussion it was decided to erect a new edifice, and on July 7 1869 the first stone was laid, and although yet not completed it has cost over \$20,000,000.

The size of the structure is very impressive being 300 by 340 feet and built of granite shipped from Maine, and covering  $3\frac{3}{4}$  acres.

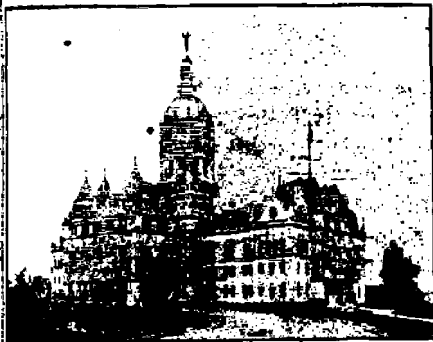
The walls are 108 feet high, while the corner towers are 224 feet, and the apex of the main tower as planned will be 390 feet.

The building contains the largest geoined stone arch in the world, the keystone of which is 56 feet from the floor.

## PHILATELIC WEST AND CAMERA NEWS.

Some other buildings in the country exceed this one in area, but they are built of sandstone and marble and all lack the massive effect which this great pile of granite produces.

All will agree it is none to good, costly or beautiful for the grandest and proudest State in the American Union.



### The Capitol at Hartford, Conn.

One of the finest Buildings in the United States is decidedly Gothic in style, its exterior is constructed of white marble, and its lofty gilded dome dazling in the sunlight, and crowned by myriads of electric lights by night can be seen from nearly all of Connecticut's numerous hills.

While from the dome itself the Connecticut river can be seen winding its way across the state from Massachusetts on the north to Long Island Sound on the South.

The interior of the building is constructed of colored marble and granite of every hue rivaling the gorgeous temples of the oriental countries.

Features are the "Charter Oak Chair" carved from the famous "Charter Oak", and the original charter itself granted to Connecticut in 1662 by King Charles the Second, which can be seen by all visitors.

The building is surrounded by one of the most beautiful parks in existence containing every species of tree and

shrub growing in this climate (all designed with metal plates) which is probably the most extensive botanical garden on this continent.

Throughout the park are numerous fountains and ponds containing thousands of gold fish which make these waters appear like golden lakes.

Around the park winds a beautiful stream of water which is crossed by several stone bridges, these with the massive and lofty memorial arch which are largely ivy covered, make picturesque views words cannot describe.

Scattered throughout the grounds are statues of Connecticut's Revolutionary Heroes whose deeds fill history's pages.

### Members Monthly Directory.

38 Mr. F. J. Clute 16 Marye Terrace San Francisco, Cal. Sends some of the finest prints, that strongly appeal to every sportsman's heart.

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39—Dearing Scott Mfg., Co., Jackson, Mich.

Sends a pair of their Walkeasy Creeper Rubber Heels which I have tested would recommend to all as the finest rubber heels on the market.

I have found that in my line of natural history photo work this summer in photographing live wild birds, these heels have proven of great value to me, they being absolutely noiseless I was enabled to approach much nearer the subject than I could otherwise have done and secured many excellent negatives through their use.

# The Nebraska Camera Club

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## NEW MEMBERS

574 B F Burch, Wymore; 575 C S Sausenka, Wilber; 576 Harry Spink, Prosser has 5x7 Premo camera and western views to X of the late floods, R R etc. 577 Harry Conard, Lincoln, 2322-2St has an Eastman camera and western views.

The Youths Companions 7th Photographic contest closes at noon Nov 1st Since it has been holding its competitions nearly 400000 have been submitted. There are offers of 7 prizes aggregating \$325 and 20 diplomas to each class. Write them for full particulars and mention the WEST. Readers can send any number of pictures any size or shape and each contribution will be placed on exhibition and will bear name and address of sender.

## PHOTOGRAPHER ART SALON

The World-Herald says: The photographers of Omaha and Nebraska generally will shortly be asked to assist in the establishing of a permanent photographic art salon which will be the first of the kind in the world. The site selected is Winona Lake, Ind. The photographers of Omaha and Nebraska will not be asked for money, probably only for their approval and the contribution of framed copies of prize pictures annually to the International collection that will be preserved in the salon.

The co-operation of all state, interstate, national and international association will be asked in the work.

## PHOTOGRAPHERS ELECT OFFICERS

Buffalo, Aug 7—The Photographers Association of America today elected the following officers:

President—J George Nussbaumer, Buffalo

First Vice President—C R Reeves, Anderson, Ind.

Second Vice President—G A Giffin, Wheeling, W Va

Treasurer—Frank B Barrows, Boston, Mass

Secretary—E E Leavey, New Castle, Pa

Indianapolis was selected for the place of meeting next year.

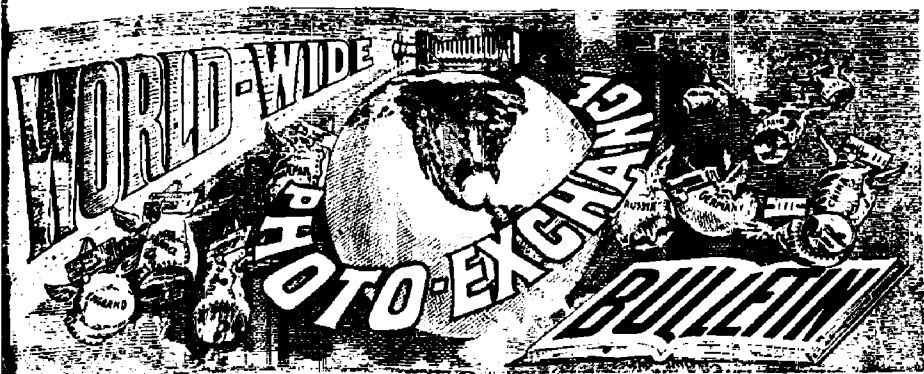
## Permanent Prints.

Not enough attention is given to the great importance of thoroughly fixing the prints after toning and before washing. Instructions furnished with the several papers on the market should be carefully followed, and if any latitude is given at all it should be on the side of overfixing and overwashing rather than otherwise. If a print is to be permanent it must be left in the hypo bath long enough to liberate every molecule of free silver salt, and unless this is done the presence of no matter how small a quantity of free silver in the paper will sooner or later lead to the staining and discoloring of the print.

Many an amateur is familiar with the experience of spending a large amount of time in printing, toning, fixing and washing a particularly choice lot of prints only to find that after a few weeks they are worthless. Failures of this kind are due, not to the quality of the paper or chemicals used but invariably to insufficient care in the manipulation.

## A Ground Glass Hint.

The ground glass screen of an ordinary camera may be greatly improved and its transparency increased by applying to its ground surface a drop or two of sweet oil or vaseline and carefully rubbing it with the finger over its entire surface. It should then be thoroughly rubbed off with a dry cloth, when it will be found to reflect the image with much greater distinctness and detail than before.



E. O. SWAFFORD.

Mr. E. O. Swafford was born in St. Louis in 1862 and in 1880 he began practical photography. From 1886 to 1888 he devoted his attention entirely to stereoscopic work traveling to many parts of the United States, after which time he settled down and turned his attention to practical photography. His health failing him he went west and turned his attention solely to the interest of the amateur photographer, and now the amateurs may be proud of his two inventions, the panoramio system of making stereoscopic views from a single plate and the coloring of enlarged pictures by the steaming

process. His work is very interesting and is going to every state in the union. He is an inventor and seeks to do work that is different from any one else. We hope he may have great success.

F. J. Clute, Marye Terrace San Francisco has been appointed secretary and next month will have something to say for this department.

#### Gardens As Subject Matter.

A field that will be found to offer many possibilities, is the quaint, old-fashioned garden so common in country towns and villages. The real beauties of such bits as may be got from these old gardens will always be charming in the photograph itself; but later on, which the long winter evenings come and the negatives, so made, are reproduced in lantern slides, a double pleasure will be found in viewing them upon the screen.

Simplicity in treatment is important in this work and the worker will soon find that a clump of hollyhocks standing out in bold relief against the sky, will make a much more attractive picture than an attempt to include half the garden on the one plate. The position of the camera is very important in all work of this nature and it is well in most cases to place it comparatively near the ground. Each subject must have its own special composition, however, and too much care cannot be paid to simplicity of subject and its arrangement on the ground glass.





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### EXCHANGE LIST NO. 55.

Clarence M Browne, San Francisco, Calif, 451 Fell St., is still in business and wants to exchange 4x5 or 5x7 with all members. The combination of Bulletin with the WEST is quite the proper thing and am much pleased with it.

546 L W Hall Hartford, Ct., 109 Lawrence St, would like to exchange with all careful members. Send six prints 4xt Velox preferred

550 L Parker, Terryville, Ct.

Miss Norah Clough, bx 116, Prescott, Ariz.

500 E S Teilly, Davenport, Iowa, 104 Miss ave

548 R E Bachamn, Phila Pa, 140 N 10 st Chas W Fong, Laurel, Calif

J H Cruger, bx 234 Lewis Delaware has 4x5 Poney Premo wants to X for Multiscope of Wis camera. Write him for fuller particulars.

911 W Schneifler, Paterson, N. J., 127 Newark ave. No exchange for the present.

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A Gasenizer, Bloomington, Ill. 607 Empire St.

## ERRATA

Rocky Mountain Curio Co's ad on cover: Pyrite pin should be 35c, not 25c. Rice of Richmond, Va. 5 var Gl. Britain 3c, not 2c Tiffany Stamp Co's ad 1000 dit. for \$3.50 not \$8. 10 blank books 10c and 100 19c, not 19c and 10c.

### How to Make a Developer.

Incidentally how not to make one. I heard of a six year Bowery professional the other day, who took an ounce bottle each of Metol and Hydroquinone, back to the stock house and said it was no good. The dealer made up a solution from which it worked all right. The Bowery professional bet two million dollars against a dollar (all the dealer had) and proceeded to demonstrate it. He took 2 oz of water from the faucet, 3 drams Hydroquinone, 1 dram metol, dumped all together in an 8 oz bottle, shook for a minute, added 1 oz. of carbonate and sulphite, 2 oz. more of water and shook again. The resulting conglomeration was allowed to stand around until it got red and the soda looked like a piece of rock salt in the bottom of the bottle; by the way the dealer's lot is not the happiest one. Now, a fairly good simple way to make, say 16 oz's. of Metol Hydroquinone Developer is to take 8 oz's. of water that has been boiled and is still hot and dissolve 2 oz's. sulphite and 2 oz's. carbonate of soda crystals (this solution may be filtered if desired.) Then in another vessel take 8 ozs. of the same kind of water and dissolve in it 45 grs. metol and 90 grs. hydroquinone, as dissolved add to the soda solution, bottle and cork at once. For normal exposures take one ounce of this developer to 4 ounces of water, for uncertainties use weaker. Sodium Sulphite is a preservative and its use in developing is largely to prevent discoloration and oxydation, it does not dissolve readily in cold water but precipitates at the bottom like a rock. Developers made from boiled water oxidize less readily than when made from the ordinary faucet water, and keep longer when the bottles are filled up to the neck and tightly corked. It is usually cheaper and handier to buy a ready made developer — Giant Tubes or

Powders—for occasional use. In cold weather these should be dissolved in warm water, which may be allowed to cool before using. These developers keep well and may be bottled up for a future occasion. Kelly sells a new kind of a stirring rod with a round base for dissolving the soda part, that is indispensable for the developer mixer.—Amatus in Photo Straws.

### Landscape Work.

It is well to remember that full sunlight is seldom necessary for the photographing of ordinary subjects. It is, in fact, quite as much a detriment to pleasing effects as an advantage because of the extremes of contrast between the lights and shadows produced under it.

The experienced worker knows better than any one else what beautifully soft and dainty effects may be secured on gray days, or when the light is obscured by thin, vapory clouds.

The beginner is advised to satisfy himself on this point by photographing the same bit of landscape under these different conditions, carefully comparing the results obtained.

It will be well in choosing a subject for this trial to select one that offers a variety of brightly lighted and shadowed parts when viewed in bright sunlight and after photographing it under these conditions to repeat the operation with all conditions as nearly similar as possible, only excepting the intensity of illumination. The results will afford material for interesting and instructive study.

### Removing Prints from Mounts.

If you wish to remove a print from its mount cover the picture with a piece of clean blotting paper, and, keeping it dampened with water, allow to remain for several hours. By starting gently at one corner the print can be peeled off, and the mount, after being cleaned with a damp cloth or sponge, should be dried under pressure.



## Editor SAYS

Our leader this month is from the pen of Mr. E. O. Swafford of the firm of Swafford & Son, Baird, Texas. This house is well known to a large number of our readers who have taken advantage of the beautiful work placed at their disposal by this firm. Their colored enlargements produced from amateur's own negatives have enabled many to make their modest Kodak a source of income hardly dreamt of before this firm's services were secured. All amateurs should write them for particulars.



This month we clip a valuable little article from that meaty little photographic magazine, Photo Straws. It only costs 50 cts. a year and is worth more. A sample copy will be sent free to all addressing Photo Straws, 658 Herkimer St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Mention WEST when you write,



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time sample copies will be mailed on request.



Such of my readers as appreciate the advantage of sending for the valuable little booklets that the various manufacturers get out from time to time, particularly those interested in the subject treated of, will do well to send for the X-Ray Manual recently issued by the G. Cramer Dry Plate Co. This is the only manual of the kind issued and contains information that is of the greatest value concerning this interesting branch of photography. Mr. Robinson of this city, who was the first to demonstrate X-Ray work through Texas and other southern states a few years ago, used the Cramer plate exclusively. He found that they were more uniformly successful in the hands of the average professional throughout the country visited than any other brand obtainable.

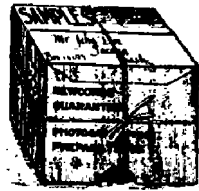
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### Lines in Composition.

In scenes where a road, a brook, a line of fence or any arrangement of trees or principal objects form a continuous line of any kind, great care should be exercised that this line be not made to run too prominent, and in no case must it be allowed to run from the foreground straightway into the distance without something to break its continuity. As a general rule, a line of this nature should be carried partly across the view and there met by another line less prominent, which, in turn, may again be broken further in the distance by the distant hills or horizon line. In other words, let the eye be carried from one side of the view into the middle distance in one direction and there diverted, to be again carried in the same direction as the first, rather than having all lines converge directly to one point or cross the print from side to side.



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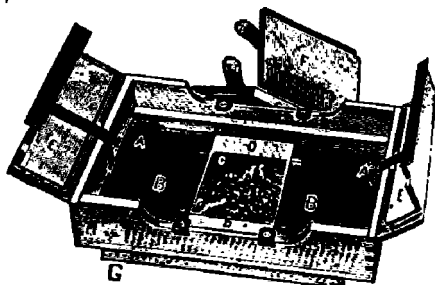
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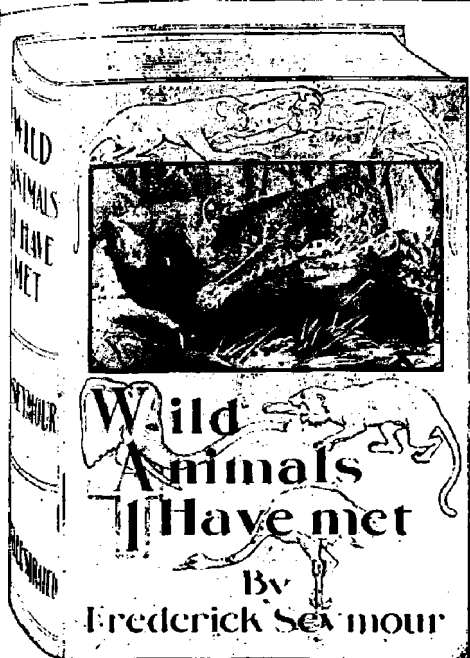
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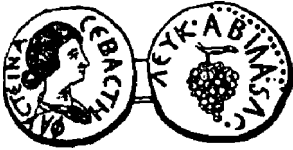
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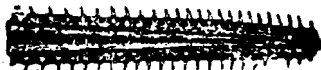
THINGS YOU OUGHT TO HAVE

## MARINE CURIOS

**SWORDFISH SWORDS:** Here is something that ought to be a feature of every curio collection: this is the terrible weapon of the great *Xiphias gladius*, an acanthopterygious fish, which often attains a length of 16 ft. and a weight of 500 lbs. This battler of the deep has been known to engage in mortal combat with the sperm whale, and has upon other occasions, driven his sword to the hilt in the bottoms of ships, piercing not only the outer and inner plankings of oak, but massive beams of hard pine as well. A few seasons ago a Portuguese fisherman on the New England coast, received a terrible wound while in a dory, by a swordfish driving his sword up through the boat's bottom, entering the foot of the luckless fisherman and piercing his leg nearly to the knee.

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ought to possess at least one of; the capable instrument of warfare with which nature has furnished the *Pristis antiquorum*, and by the way, when he puts in an appearance among a gathering of fish, there is pretty sure to be less than a quorum remaining.

This is a chondropterygious fish of the family Squalidae; a formidable description and a formidable fish. In size it compares well with its cousin the Swordfish, but evidently believes the saw to be more useful than the sword; and I think he is right, although for quick work in close quarters the sword is preferable. Anyway a sawfish saw makes an interesting curio; Admiral Dewey had a large one in his cabin on the *Olympia*. As they are obtainable in smaller sizes, I can offer them from 8 inches to 4 ft. in length at from - **25c to \$5.00**

**WHALES TEETH:** Have you one or more of these? If not, you do not know what it means to be a collector of curios. If you have one are you sure that it is genuine? Thousands of imitations are scattered through the middle west, sold by unscrupulous dealers; they are made of plaster; you can readily tell the paste from the real ivory, by using a knife or a file.

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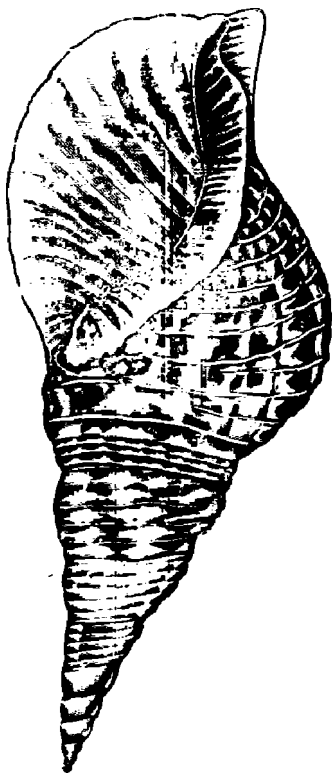
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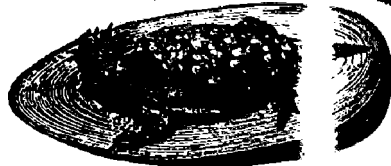
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