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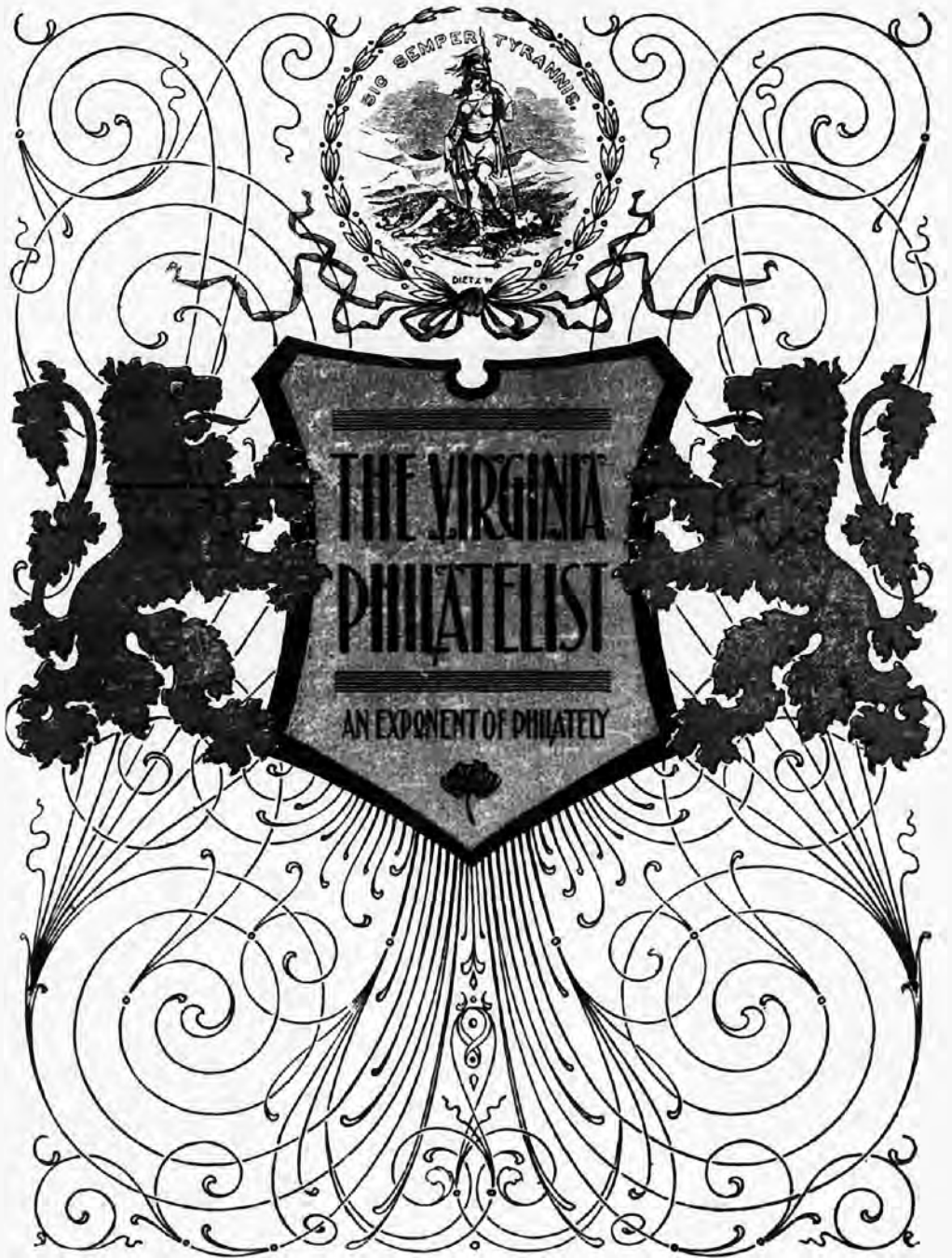




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# For President

OF THE

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OF HILLSBORO, TEXAS.

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## WELCOME!



RICHMOND, the Mecca of all Southerners, is proud of the honor of being the seat of the 1899 Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association. The old capital of the Confederacy opens wide her arms to the devotees of the stamps of that "Lost Cause" ever cherished in Southern hearts. How meet it is that the champions of the most interesting stamps in the world should assemble in that city from which they were issued—to discuss again their merits and raise them to the lofty philatelic plain so justly theirs.

How fitting that the first exhibition of those stamps should be held within her corporate limits. And it shall be a success.

What recollections of sorrow and strife are awakened by these philatelic treasures: Of days of hardship unnumbered do they tell, and yet, in the erstwhile capital of that Confederacy now soon will meet the sons of the North and the South—to clasp their hands in fellowship, as equal lovers of those tiny bits which so oft conveyed the pangs of aching hearts of mothers, wives, and sisters to their cavaliers at the front.

Assons of those noble mothers, with the inherent hospitality fostered by their care, we welcome you, one and all!

Virginia's collectors extend to all the heartiest invitation to visit the City on the James—the Seven-hilled Rome of the Western world. Her arms are open to receive you. Your reception will be *Southern*—what more *could* be said?

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### Volume III.

WITH this number THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST enters upon its third year.

At the close of our second volume we indulged in a brief review of the past. Let us now look into the future.

While it is not necessary, on this occasion, to reiterate former statements in regard to the course we intend pursuing, it will be well to say that we shall conduct THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST along the same conservative lines, keeping it well up to that standard set for it in the beginning.

The unprecedented activity of Philately in the South augurs well for success in the future, and we are assured THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST was no mean factor in bringing about this gratifying state. To the successful continuation of this work we again pledge our best efforts.

All indications point to an exceptionally good business during the coming months, and dealers will find it to their interest to turn their attention to the the South. THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST is the acknowledged representative of this section, and besides claiming the second largest *paid-up* subscription list of any monthly philatelic publication in the United States, we can assert that THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST reaches *more Southern collectors* than all other monthlies combined.

It is to this fact that we would call the special attention of our dealer friends, now at the opening of the season.

In conclusion, we invite a continuation of the support given us throughout the past year, and assure you that your confidence will not be misplaced in Volume III.

### The Convention Dates.

PRESIDENT FENTON has called the Fifth Annual Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association to assemble in Richmond, Va., on September 21st, 1899. The session will extend over three days, Sept. 21, 22, 23.

We anticipate a large attendance, and again extend a hearty invitation to stamp collectors far and near to come to Richmond.

### The S. P. A. Souvenir.

OWING to the severe strain of work incident to the preparations for the Convention this month, as well as the failure thus far to secure certain manuscript and copies of locals for the matter, we are compelled to defer the publication of the Souvenir until after the Convention.

We have made every effort to prepare the work in time for the meet, but circumstances, over which we have no control, combined to render it impossible.

We regret exceedingly to make this announcement, the more so because we appreciate the liberal patronage and aid extended us from certain quarters, and it is in view of this trust that we prefer to postpone publishing the Souvenir until we can present such a work as we anticipated, rather than issue an incomplete—hence worthless—substitute.

Such of our friends as have contracted for advertising space are at liberty to cancel their contracts, if they so desire. We would, however, advise that they permit them to remain in force, as it is obvious that they will prove even more potent when issued during the best season of the year—in the late fall.

To the many friends who tendered the loan of valuable stamps, we wish to express our gratitude and to beg them to hold such stamps in readiness for a call in the near future.

### Attention Members of the V. P. A.

ALL members of the Virginia Philatelic Association are urged to attend the regular monthly meeting on September 11th, as the final arrangements for the reception of the Southern Philatelic Association will be made on that evening.

Let every member be present at 8:30 o'clock at 13 north Eleventh street, the office of the VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

### Another Distinction for the V. P.

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST has been appointed official organ by and for the Tennessee Philatelic Association, pursuant to the resignation of *The Stamp Tribune*, which publication has recently been removed to Cleveland, O.

This new mark of confidence and good will from our brethren "way down in Tennessee" fills us with pride and gratitude, and as our every effort from the first has been bent to the advancement of Philately of the South we need add no new assurances of our intentions. Tennessee has always been "in the family"—she's just been courting on the porch—now she's come into the parlor with the balance of the home-folks.

### Important to Visitors to the Convention.

VISITORS to the Convention of the S. P. A. are requested to advise the Committee of the day and hour of their arrival in our city at least three days in advance, so that they may be met at the depots and accomodation secured for them. Address, Mr. Franklin Stearns, P. O. Box 6, Richmond, Va.

### A Combine.

*The Stamp Exchange* announces for the near future a great combine of stamp publications.

Well, philato-literary weddings, births and divorces are no uncommon events with our Northern contemporaries—they especially appear to be possessed of unlimited absorptive powers. The only remarkable thing about these stirring events is, that while they gulp in a whole push at a time they do not increase in size nor improve in matter—it's quite to the contrary.

All of which looks like a big farce.

### A Parting Shot for the "Gal."

BROTHER M. A. BELL has registered another "Scratch" in reply to the little dressing-down we gave him in July. But this time he's put his foot in it.

Here's what he says in *The Stamp Tribune*:

"Brother Dietz seems to think we have never seen the *Galling Gun*, and even goes so far as to say that, if we have seen it he doubts that we comprehended what we read. Now, to justify our remarks in the June *Stamp Tribune*, we would say that we *have* read the *G. G.*; in fact, we read it every month, and we think we are just as able to comprehend the contents as Bro. Dietz, but we don't let every one know we read it, and we certainly don't take it to Sunday School."

Now, had Bro. Bell taken our little dose nicely and rested, it would have been all right. But he didn't, and we're going to have a little fun with him.

Brother Bell has naively admitted two things: that he reads, regularly, that "witty but decidedly *obscene* sheet the *Galling Gun*" (but that he doesn't let every body know it); and, that *he goes to Sunday School*.

Oh, ye hypocrites and Pharisees! ye gods and little fishes!

Probably Bro. Bell pursues his literary studies in the coal-bin, elating himself with Boccaccio, Zola, *et als.*, and then, "white as the driven snow," hies himself off to the sanctuary.

But the worst of it is the black eye he gives our enterprising contemporary. Bell is ashamed of reading the "*Gal*" and he says so in *The Tribune* because he doesn't want any one to know it!

The "*Gal*" is a great "mental disinfectant and moral deodorizer," and Walter Hurt (long may he live!) warrants it "to cure the most confirmed case of cusselness or kill the cuss." That'll do this time. Now we'll "limber up" and note the effect.

### 'Rah, for Birmingham!

AT A meeting of collectors of Birmingham, Ala., held on August 3d, the Birmingham Philatelic Association was organized and the following officers elected: C. P. Orr, president; R. S. Nelson, vice-president; H. C. Kennard, secretary; W. H. English, treasurer; with R. S. Nelson, C. P. Orr, G. M. Williams, H. W. English, Charles Swend, Wm. Witt, Mark A. Myatt and H. C. Kennard as charter members.

With such well-known and enthusiastic collectors at the helm this new Southern philatelic association should be successful and we but hope they will not confine their work to Birmingham, but rally around their standard the collectors of the whole State of Alabama.

### Nelson's Grand Collection.

WE HAVE received from Mr. R. S. Nelson, "the Stamp-Hunter" of Birmingham, Ala., his entire collection of Confederate States stamps—locals and general issue, for exhibition at the S. P. A. Convention in our city this month.

It is the finest collection of rare locals ever seen in this city, and it is well worth a trip across the States to inspect these treasures. We hope to greet our lucky friend at the meet.

### Our New Cover Design.

AS IS our custom with every new volume, we present THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST in a new dress this month—the result of some plain sewing we've been doing—the other dresses are for sale.

DO YOU collect postal cards? Then it is to your interest to join the Postal Card Society of America. Read their monthly reports in these columns—they will interest you.

### Oh, ye Shades!

THOUGH there are quite a variety of shades to be found in the current U. S. 2c., Canada appears to "go us one better." We have just received from the Peninsular Stamp Co., of Detroit, Mich., a card of six 2c Canadians, representing as many distinct shades, ranging from violet to deep purple.—How many sub-shades there are the Lord (and Mulock) only knows.

### An Error.

WE REGRET the necessity of again correcting an error which occurred in Mr. Hussman's ad on the back cover of our August number. Among the Confederate General Issues priced appeared the following: "2c green, new, o. g., 17c." This should have read \$1.17.

### Success Attend Him.

WE enjoyed the pleasure of a call from our friend and brother member of the V. P. A., Mr. N. P. Strause, late of Henderson, N. C. while on his way to Madison, Wisconsin, where he will reside in future. Bro. Strause was fairly loaded with stamp enthusiasm, and seemed to enjoy very much looking over two magnificent collections of C. S. A. locals recently received at our office for exhibition at the S. P. A. Convention.

Mr. Strause possesses one of the largest collections of Confederate States stamps in the South, and he is the fortunate owner of the only "Emorys," described and illustrated in Vol. I., No. 6, of the V. P.

We wish Mr. Strause every success in his new home.

SOUTHERN collectors join the S. P. A. It is your society. Identify yourselves with it.

### Tasmanians on Laid Paper.

MISS AMY L. SWIFT, of Whitman, Mass., informs us that the 1d rose and 2d green of Tasmania have appeared on laid paper.

Miss Swift takes especial interest in Tasmanians, and she discovered the new paper varieties while examining some recent arrivals from that colony. We have seen no previous notice of this fact in the philatelic press.

### Canada 2c Numeral in Red.

WE HAVE seen a copy of the Canadian 2c numeral in red—the Postal Union color. It franked a letter from Toronto, dated Aug. 29th.

WE ARE indebted to Mr. Charles S. Applegath, of Hamilton, Canada, for our first Maple Leaf Canadians surcharged 2 cents on three cents.

CANADIAN Maple Leaf surcharges are offered at quite low figures, considering the length of time they have been obsolete.

### Francis Paalzw.

Died, in Bergedorf, Germany, August 7th, 1899, Francis Paalzw, aged 82 years.

After a long, active life, he fell quietly asleep, and rests from his labors.

### Ed. A. Marris.

ED. A. MARRIS, a popular young collector of Hamilton, died at the Sarnia, Ont., Hospital, on Wednesday, Aug. 9th, of typhoid fever, in his twenty-first year.

He was last year one of the trustees of the D. P. A. CHAS.;S. APPLGATH.



### The Philippine Surcharges.

ON AUGUST 21st, we received from Manila our first set of U. S. stamps surcharged for use in the Philippines. They consist of the 1c, 2c, 3c, 5c, and 10c values. We illustrate the type of the surcharge. It is the same as that used in surcharging for Porto Rico, and reads diagonally from left to right.

The stamps came to us enfolded in genuine *Manila* paper, and somewhat after the policy of Uncle Sam out there, they were sticking to Manila.

### The New Canadian Surcharge.

WE ARE indebted to Mr. R. C. Bach, of Montreal, Canada, for a copy of the new surcharge 2 CENTS on the 3 cents red numeral. We illustrate the surcharge.

2 CENTS

Maple Leaf *threes* have also been surcharged, and if Mr. Muloch doesn't order another supply of Maple Leaves, and surcharge them, these stamps will be quite good things after a few years.

It is stated that between nine and eleven million stamps were surcharged in all.

### New Stamps for France in 1900.

A Paris correspondent tells us that France will present us a new set of stamps in 1900. French artists are invited to submit designs for the new stamps, which are to be a feature of the Exposition of 1900.—*Melita Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser.*

### The New Series for Holland.

OUR correspondent in Holland, Mr. P. den Outer sends us a full set of the new series, announced some time ago. This set consists of seventeen values:

- ½c violet.
- 1c rose.
- 2c brown.
- 2½c green.
- 3c orange.
- 5c carmine.
- 7½c brown.
- 10c slate.
- 12½c blue.
- 15c brown.
- 20c green.
- 22½c brown with medallion in green.
- 25c rose with medallion in blue.
- 50c bronze green with medallion in lake
- 1 gulden, bronze green.
- 2½ gulden, pale lilac.
- 5 gulden, claret.



The four lower values are oblong in shape with figures of value in an oval.

The higher values bear a portrait of Queen Wilhelmina similar to the last issued 1 gulden stamp, in a medallion, surmounted by a crown with rays; coats-of-arms to the right and left, tablets of value in lower corners, and a center panel below the medallion bearing the word NEDERLAND. The design of this latter stamp is very artistic and beautiful. The higher values are of the gulden type.



**Philippine Matters.**

THURSDAY, August 10.

THE Department has just been informed by Director Vaille that he has placed the surcharged stamps on sale, as he had run short of some denominations of the old stock and thought he might as well open up, so in all probabilities they will be on sale in this country within 10 days at the latest. He also ordered the following stamps and envelopes:

Postage Dues:—10,000 1-cent.  
 20,000 2-cent.  
 10,000 5-cent.  
 10,000 10-cent.  
 1,000 50-cent.

Envelopes: 50,000 No. 5 2-cent white.  
 50,000 newspaper wrappers.

The surcharged 15c and 50c stamps were sent to the Island about ten days ago.—H. F. COLMAN in *Era*.

**That "Great Barrier Island" Fake.**

THE following clipping from the *London Philatelist*, will be of interest to our readers, as these fakes have been quite extensively advertised in the philatelic press.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, WELLINGTON.

May 30, 1890.

SIR:—Referring to a paragraph which appeared on page 22 of your issue of January last, under the heading "Great Barrier Island," I think it right to call your attention to the fact that the stamp referred to as bearing the words, "Great Barrier Island, Special Post, One Shilling," has never been used for any postal purpose, and after searching inquiry by the department, I am unable to ascertain that it has ever been used for franking letters carried by private ships or pigeons between Great Barrier Island and the mainland. The carrying of letters or the use of stamps purporting in any way to be postage stamps, without the authority of the government would render the offender liable to punishment under the Post Office Acts.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

H. YOUNG, Secretary.

M. P. CASTLE, Esq.,  
 Editor London Philatelist,  
 Bingham House, Arundel St.  
 Strand, London, W. C.

**High Value Revenues.**

P. M. WOLSEFFER is authority for the statement that follows concerning the use of the new high value revenues in Chicago; and the information is of added interest at present, because it will set aright certain collectors here, otherwise well informed, who labor under the impression that these large denominations of revenues have not yet come into service. A document representing a transaction of twenty-seven million dollars was drawn up in Chicago on August 1st and the stamps which paid the tax on it were thirteen of the thousand dollar denomination, numbered from 76 to 92, and one five hundred dollar revenue, number 49.

Accompanying the instrument noted above were two documents that called for less amounts of stamp tax. On one were five of the one-thousand dollar revenues, numbered from 108 up; one of the five hundred dollar, number 50, and of the one hundred dollar revenue, numbers 138 to 147.—C. E. SEVERN, in *Meekel's Weekly*.

**30 Pfennig Germany.**

The new German 30 pfennig stamps are now being printed in the Berlin Reichsdruckerei (Government Printing Bureau) and at a very early date, perhaps while this number goes to press, they will be issued to the public. The new value will be very handy for registered letter postage, for papers weighing from one to two pounds and for the parcel-post.—*Phil. Monthly and World*.

WE ARE indebted to Mr. Rich. G. Krüger, of Canea, Island of Crete, for a set of beautiful souvenir cards. The views are exquisite. Mr. Krüger is also a dealer in Cretan stamps. His ad appears in this issue.

## The Postage and Newspaper Stamps of Parma and Piacenza.

BY LACUS VIRIDIS.

IN a recent review by Mr. Paalzow in his interesting department of this paper he refers to the question asked by an author in the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain* as to the reason why the stamps of the Italian States are so little collected outside of their home. I suppose the reason Mr. Paalzow gives—viz., the large number of forgeries afloat—has something to do with their lack of popularity in this country; yet I cannot but think that after all they are merely unfashionable and that collectors need to have their attractions pointed out to them: who knows but what in time a wave of popularity may overtake these issues and send their prices soaring, just as other countries I might name have become fashionable unexpectedly? Taking an interest in the Italian States myself, it is my desire to draw the attention of others to them and I therefore wish to collect here some information as to the stamps of Parma, just as I have lately written on those of the Roman States. To be sure European writers, who are at the fountainhead, have an advantage over us in the matter of documentary records and I am therefore compelled to make use of what others have written before me.

The Duchy of Parma comprised 2376 square miles of the beautiful valley of the Po in Northern Italy, bordering to the East on another State of interest to us—the Duchy of Modena. It is hardly necessary to review the whole history of the city of Parma, which was the capital of the duchy; the history of the duchy begins with the year 1545, when Parma and Piacenza were united into a duchy by Pope Paul III. (Alexander Farnese) and given to his son Pierluigi. The Farnese line became extinct in 1731 and the duchy passed to Charles of

Bourbon, a Spanish prince. He surrendered it to Austria in 1735; Spain retook it in 1745, Austria in 1746, Spain again in 1748; in 1796 French troops occupied the duchy, until finally at the Congress of Vienna it was given to Napoleon's second wife, Marie Louise of Austria and on her death in 1847 passed to Charles II. of Bourbon. He fled before a popular rising in the same year and was succeeded by his son Charles III, to whom the duchy was restored in 1849 by Austrian troops. Under him the first issue of stamps took place. The later history will be followed below.—The city of Parma, in 1851, shortly after its absorption into the Kingdom of Italy, had a population of 47,057; Piacenza had something over 30,000, the whole duchy numbered 497,343 inhabitants in 1851, living in five provinces: Parma, Piacenza, Lunigiana Parmense, Borgo San Donnino and Valditaro.

The direct occasion for the issue of postage stamps by the Parmanese government was the conclusion of a postal treaty with Austria, which required them. Austria had already concluded a treaty with the duchy of Toscana similarly regulating postal affairs and Parma now followed suit, as did Modena about the same time. The treaty with Parma was concluded at Parma, September 17, 1851, between Count Giacomo Gerolamo d'Allegri for Austria and Baron Vincenzo Cornacchia for the Duke of Parma. Those portions of interest to philatelists are as follows:

### ARTICLE I.

"Whereas under date of November 5, 1850, a postal convention has been concluded between the Governments of H. M. the Emperor of Austria on the one part and H. R. H. the Archduke, the Grand Duke of Toscana, on the other part, at Florence, which is to serve as the foundation for an Austro-Italian postal league, the Government of Parma declares that it desires to join and hereby does join the said League with the exception of the reservations made in this present convention.

### ARTICLE II.

(Rates are to be: for 10 German miles or under,

equal to 5 geographical miles each, 8 Kreuzer or 15 centesimi; from 10 to 20 miles, 6 Kreuzer or 25 centesimi; over 20 miles, 9 Kreuzer or 40 centesimi).

## ARTICLE X.

"A single letter will be one not exceeding in weight one Viennese ounce, equal to 17½ grammes. For any excess of weight up to two ounces the rate will be double, from two to three triple, and so on.

## ARTICLE XI.

"The payment of postage on letters should as a rule be made in advance and by means of the application of the respective stamps, which are popularly called 'Francobolli' ('Free' or 'Paid Stamps'), whose sale shall be conducted by the respective postal administrations. These stamps will bear the inscription of the various values, viz. 1, 2, 3, 6 and 9 Kreuzer for the Austrian Empire and 5, 10, 15, 25 and 40 centesimi for the Parmanese States.

## ARTICLE XII.

"Whoever desires to send letters, printed matter or samples by mail must attach to the upper margin of the address, in a secure manner, by moistening the adhesive matter found on the back of the stamp, a stamp or as many stamps as are needed to represent by their value the rate of postage according to distance and weight. The charge for registration and that for a return receipt must each be paid by a stamp of the value of 5 kreuzer or 25 centesimi.

## ARTICLE XIII.

"Mail matter to be sent registered, with or without return receipt, must be delivered to the respective postal officers and MUST be paid in advance by the necessary stamps.

## ARTICLE XIV.

(Insufficiently prepaid letters to be charged at the same rates \* \* \* \*.)

## ARTICLE XVI.

"This present convention shall take effect five months from the date on which the ratifications are exchanged and shall be in force for five years.

## ARTICLE XLIV.

"The Exchange of ratifications shall take place within thirty days from this date."

The ratification by the Duke is as follows:

"We, Charles III. of Bourbon, by the grace of God Duke of Parma, Piacenza and tributary states having seen and examined the Special Postal Convention concluded at Parma on the 17th ult. by our plenipotentiary and that of H. I. R. Apostolic Majesty.

Have ratified and do ratify the same in all its parts and hereby declare that we do so accept and ratify it \* \* \* \*.

In witness whereof we have set our sign manual under this present document and have caused our great seal to be affixed.

Given at Brodich Castle, Island of Arrau,

County of Inle, Scotland, this 16th day of October, 1851.

(Signed) CARLO

V. CORNACCHIA

Minister of the Interior, provisionally charged with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs."

This treaty was published November 24, 1851, at Parma by M. A. Onesti, Financial Secretary of the Government. By its terms it should have taken effect about the middle of April, 1852, and the Parmanese Postal Administration gave due notice as follows:

"The Director of Posts of the States of Parma and Piacenza.

## CONSIDERING:

1.—The Special Postal Convention concluded between the Government of Parma and that of Austria;

2.—The fundamental Convention for an Austro-Italian Postal League concluded between the Governments of Austria and Tuscany, November 5, 1850, which served as the basis of the above mentioned Convention,

## GIVES NOTICE:

That on and after June 1st, next, the postal convention concluded September 17th, last, between the Governments of Parma and Austria will take effect and that in consequence thereof there will be put in force the following regulations, dating from June 1st in the above mentioned States, to wit:

1.—Letters, circulars, printed matter or samples sent to postoffices in said States and destined for the same or for those of H. R. H. the Grand Duke of Tuscany, will be considered as circulating within the interior and should be prepaid at the time of mailing.

2.—Prepayment will be made by affixing securely on the address side one or more stamps, according to the rate of postage established by distance and weight.

3.—Postage stamps should be affixed by moistening the adhesive matter found on the back of the stamps.

4.—The stamps are designed for the values of 5, 10, 15, 25 and 40 centesimi and will be colored as follows:

5 centesimi, yellow.	25 centesimi red-brown.
10 " black.	40 " blue.
15 " rose.	

Parma, March 7, 1852. (Signed) G. P. DENTONI.  
Approved, Parma, April 3, 1852.

(Signed) M. A. ONESTI,  
Financial Secretary."

It will be seen that this notice gives the date of prospective issue as June 1st. I think that we may take this date as authoritative, although various Italian authorities give April as the month of issue—the month in which they *should* have appeared, but probably did not.

(To be continued.)

## NEW ISSUES.

BY ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

ARGENTINE.—I have received the new Cards and Letter Sheet issued in July, and illustrate the 4 centavos value.



The postal Union single card has two lines of inscription: "UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE — CARTE POSTALE—TARJETA POSTAL," and the double card three lines, the words "avec réponse payée" being added to the second and "con contestacion paga" to the third.

The letter sheet is inscribed "Memorandum Postal."

- P. C. 4c dark blue green on buff.  
 6c " " on buff.  
 6x6c " " " T. 3.  
 L. S. 5c scarlet on white.

BULGARIA. The Inland card of 1893 has been issued with four dotted lines for the address instead of two. No other change is reported.—*Der Philatelist*.

P. C. 5 stot. green on buff. 110x92 mm.

ROUMANIA. The Inland Postal Cards and Letter Cards have come to hand in the new Postal Union colors, no change in design.

- P. C. 5 bani emerald green on white.  
 5x5 bani " " " B. 1.  
 L. C. 5 bani " " on gray. perf. 1.  
 15 " " black on buff. perf. 1.

SIRMOR. Messrs. Waterlow & Sons have supplied this State with a very artistic post card. There is a three pies stamp, with portrait of the present rajah in the right upper corner, an elaborate coat of arms, with supporters, and an Elephant for a crest in the upper center,

with scrolls inscribed "SIRMOR—STATE," and the usual instruction on a label, the whole surrounded by a Greek-pattern frame, with the name of the firm outside it below. It may be noticed that the name of the State is spelt with one "o" only.—*S. C. Monthly*.

P. C. 3 pies green on cream, 110x90 mm.

SOUDAN. The Egyptian Cards issued in 1897 with the surcharge "SOUDAN" in Arabic and French have received the reduced value surcharged "4 millièmes."—*Der Philatelist*.

P. C. 4m on 5m carmine and black on buff.  
 4x4m on 5x5m " " " " T. 3.

A COLLECTION of postal cards in one of Lohmeyer's new albums is as interesting as a collection of adhesives.

## Egyptians on Sale.

THE general postmaster of Egypt has issued a circular decree announcing the early sale of a large lot of cancelled Egyptian postage stamps for the benefit of the Postal Employees' Charity Fund. These postage stamps have been taken off from the letters and parcels returned to the Egyptian dead letter office after having been kept there for a number of years. There are among the lot 10,000 of the 10 piaster, 95,000 of the 5 piaster and 2,300 of the 2 piaster of 1879, a large number of the 1893 series, in all about 300,000 stamps. The general postmaster invites bids for the whole lot or for parts of it, stating the price per 1,000 of each kind. Conditions are delivery at Alexandria, unpacked, in the present condition payment on delivery to purchaser.—*Philatelic Monthly and World*.

DON'T fail to notify Mr. Franklin Stearns, P. O. Box 6, if you are coming to the Convention.

JOIN the S. P. A. now.

The 50th Versus 58th.

A COMPARATIVE TABLE OF PRICES.

W. S. A.

CLIPPING from the advance sheets of the 59th catalogue of the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., printed in the *Era*, I have supplemented a second column of prices from the now obsolete 58th catalogue. This comparison shows a decided reduction in the prices of the stamps of the United States.

It is a good move in the right direction, and will increase business during the coming season.

All stamps are omitted where no change has been made in price.

UNITED STATES.  
PROVISIONAL ISSUE.

	59th	58th
	NEW USED	NEW USED
Brattleboro.....	\$ 3650 00	\$ 4750 00
New York, 5c bluish.....	7 00	8 00
New York, 5c white p.....	10 00	20 00 12 00
Providence, 5c black.....	5 00	6 50
Providence, 10c black.....	30 00	40 00
St. Louis, 5c greenish.....	150 00	200 00
St. Louis, 5c gray lilac.....	250 00	300 00
St. Louis, 10c gray lilac.....	200 00	250 00

GENERAL ISSUE.

1847.

5c red brown, bluish.....	70	7 50	80
5c dark brown, bluish.....	70	7 50	80
10c, bluish.....	3 50	20 00	1 00

1851-56.

1c blue, type II.....	2 50	25	3 00	30
1c dark blue, type II.....	2 50	25	3 00	30
1c blue, type III.....		10 00	50 00	15 00
1c dark blue, type III.....		10 00	50 00	15 00
3c rose.....	2 50		1 00	02
5c red brown.....		12 00	50 00	13 50
5c brown.....		11 00		17 50
10c green.....			75	15 00 1 00
10c yellow green.....			75	15 00 1 00
12c black.....	20 00	1 50	25 00	2 25
30c orange.....	150 00		125 00	

1855-60.

1c blue, type II.....	1 00	10 00	1 50
1c dark blue, type II.....	1 00	10 00	1 50
1c blue, type III.....	12	50	15
1c dark blue, type III.....	12	50	15
5c brick red, type I.....	11 00	75 00	12 50
5c red brown, type I.....	6 00	25 00	7 00
5c brown, type I.....	3 50	15 00	4 00

5c orange brn., type II.....	4 00	3 00	5 00	3 50
5c brown, type II.....		3 00	7 00	2 50
5c orange br., type III.....	4 00	2 00	5 00	3 50
5c brown, type III.....		2 00	7 50	2 50
10c dark green.....	2 50		35	3 00 50
12c black.....	2 00		75	3 00 1 00
24c lilac.....	6 00	4 00	7 50	5 00
24c gray lilac.....	6 00	4 00	7 50	5 00
30c orange.....	10 00	6 00	12 00	7 50
90c blue.....	22 00	33 00	27 50	10 00

1861 August.

10c dark green.....	75 00	10 00		15 00
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1861 September.

1c blue.....	30	01	35	06
1c ultramarine.....	1 00	15	40	06
1c dark blue.....		15	1 00	10
5c buff.....		7 00	50 00	10 00
5c brown yellow.....		10 00	50 00	8 50
10c yellow green.....		10	1 75	15
10c dark green.....	2 50	10	1 75	15
12c black.....	1 50	30	2 00	40
24c red lilac.....	10 00	1 00	10 00	1 50
30c orange.....	5 00	45	6 00	60
90c blue.....	15 00	3 00	20 00	4 00
90c pale blue.....		3 50	25 00	1 00

1862-66.

2c black.....	45	01	60	06
3c scarlet.....	80 00		100 00	
5c brown.....	1 00	30	6 00	10
15c black.....	5 00	45	7 50	50
24c lilac.....	1 00	30	5 00	10

1867 Wove Paper, Embossed.

3c rose, cover'g back.....	35 00	15 00	40 00	17 50
3c rose, 13x16.....	20 00	6 00	25 00	8 00
2c black, 12x14.....	30 00		10 00	7 50
1c blue, 11x13.....	5 00	1 00	6 50	1 25
2c black ".....		20	2 50	30
3c rose ".....	5 00	01	2 00	05
3c lake red, 11x13.....		20		10
10c green, 11x13.....		60	5 00	75
12c black, 11x13.....		10	5 00	60
15c black, 11x13.....		1 00	25 00	5 00
1c blue, 9x13.....	1 00	75	6 50	1 00
1c pale blue, 9x13.....	1 00	75	6 50	1 00
2c black, 9x13.....		10	1 25	15
3c rose, 9x13.....	2 00	05	1 00	02
10c yellow green, 9x13.....		50	5 00	60
10c dark green, 9x13.....		50	5 00	60
12c black, 9x13.....		10	5 00	60

1867 Wove Paper, Embossed.

15c black, 9x13.....	1 00	10 00	1 50
24c gray lilac, 9x13.....	5 00	15 00	6 00
30c orange, 9x13.....	3 50	15 00	5 00
90c blue, 9x13.....	12 00	50 00	18 00

1875 Reissue, Without Embossing.

1c blue.....	10 00	12 50
2c black.....	12 50	15 00
3c brown red.....	20 00	25 00
5c light brown.....	12 50	15 00
10c green.....	15 00	20 00

12c black.....	\$20 00	\$	\$ 25 00	\$
15c black.....	30 00		35 00	
24c deep violet.....	30 00		30 00	
30c brownish orange.....	40 00		50 00	
90c blue.....	40 00		50 00	

1869 Embossed.

1c buff.....	1 25	60	1 50	75
1c brown orange.....	1 25	60	1 50	75
2c brown.....	1 00	12	1 25	15
2c yellow brown.....	1 00	12	1 25	15
3c blue.....	75		1 00	02
6c blue.....		55	4 00	75
10c yellow.....	6 00	75	7 00	90
12c green.....	4 00	50	5 00	75
15c brown and blue.....		3 00	12 50	4 00
15c " " (firm'd).....	6 00	1 50	7 50	2 00
15c dark brown & blue.....	6 00	1 50	7 50	2 00
21c green and purple.....	12 50	5 00	20 00	7 00
30c blue and carmine.....	15 00	2 50	20 00	4 00
30c black and carmine.....	35 00	14 00	40 00	20 00

1875 Reissue, Without Embossing.

2c brown.....	7 00	7 00	10 00	10 00
3c blue.....	12 00	12 00	15 00	15 00
21c green and purple.....	12 50	12 50	15 00	15 00
30c blue and carmine.....	20 00	20 00	22 50	22 50
90c black and carmine.....	35 00	35 50	40 00	40 00

1880.

1c buff, soft porous paper.....	1 50	1 50	2 50	2 50
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1870-71 National Print, Embossed.

2c red brown.....		10	5 00	15
6c carmine.....		3 00	15 00	4 00
7c vermilion.....		3 00	15 00	4 00
30c black.....		20 00	35 00	25 00
90c carmine.....		6 00	25 00	7 50

Same, Without Embossing.

2c red brown.....	1 50	02	2 00	03
3c green.....		03	2 50	05
6c carmine.....	3 50	12	5 00	20
7c vermilion.....	6 00	50	8 00	60
10c brown.....	6 00	15	20 00	20
10c yellow brown.....	6 00	15	20 00	20
12c dull violet.....	8 00	10	12 50	50
15c bright orange.....	5 00	40	6 00	50
21c purple.....	12 50	1 50	17 50	2 00
30c full black.....	12 00	25	15 00	40
90c carmine.....	15 00	1 25	17 50	1 50

1873 Continental Print.

1c dark ultramarine.....	1 00	03	1 25	05
1c ultramarine.....		08	1 25	05
1c gray blue.....		08	1 25	05
2c brown, ribbed paper.....		25		
3c green.....		50	1 00	
6c dull pink.....		05	1 25	10
7c orange vermilion.....		50	6 00	60
10c brown.....	5 00	05	3 00	07
10c yellow brown.....	5 00	05	3 00	07
12c blackish violet.....	10 00	40	12 50	50
30c gray black.....	7 00	50	10 00	75
90c rose carmine.....	6 00		12 50	1 50

1875.

2c vermilion.....		01		
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1879 American B. N. Co. Print.

1c ultramarine.....	\$	\$ 05	\$ 1 00	\$ 02
5c blue.....	1 00	01	1 50	05
6c pink.....		03	2 00	05
10c yellow brown (Nat.).....		07	3 00	01
10c black brown (Cont.).....		50	5 00	10
15c red orange.....		15	50	20
15c orange.....		25	2 00	30
30c full black.....		08	2 00	15
30c greenish black.....		15	5 00	20
90c carmine.....		75	7 50	1 00

1882.

5c yellow brown.....	50		1 75	02
5c brown.....		05	50	02
1c ultramarine, re-eng.....		02	10	01
6c rose, re-eng.....	2 50	06	1 50	10
10c brown, re-eng.....	30		50	01
10c yellow br'n, re-eng.....	35		50	01
10c black bro'n, re-eng.....	25		5 00	25

1883.

1c blue green.....	12		15	03
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1887.

3c vermilion.....	12	10	15	12
1c ultm., new design.....	06		08	01

1888.

1c carmine.....	12	02	15	05
5c indigo.....		03	50	02
30c orange brown.....	65	35	85	50
90c purple.....	2 25	90	2 50	1 25

1890-93.

2c carn. cap on left "2".....	10	03	not in	58th
2c " " both "2".....	15	05		
3c purple.....		02	06	03
6c brown red.....	12	01	15	06
8c lilac.....		03	15	01
15c indigo.....	25	06	30	08
30c black.....	50	08	60	12
90c orange.....	1 50	50	2 00	65

1893 Columbian Issue.

2c violet.....	05		01	01
2c gray violet.....	05		01	01
3c green.....	06	05	08	06
4c ultramarine.....		02	08	03
5c chocolate.....	10	03	12	04
5c pale brown.....	10	03	12	01
6c purple.....		07	12	10
6c red violet.....		07	12	10
8c magenta.....		01	15	06
10c black brown.....		03	20	01
10c gray black.....		03	20	04
30c orange brown.....		30	50	40
50c slate blue.....		50	75	65
\$1.00 salmon.....	3 25	2 50	4 00	4 00
2.00 brown red.....	2 50	4 75	2 75	2 50
3.00 yellow green.....		3 00	3 50	3 50
3.00 olive green.....		3 00	3 50	3 50
4.00 crimson lake.....	4 75	4 00	4 50	4 50
4.00 rose carmine.....	4 75	4 00	4 50	4 50
5.00 black.....	6 00	5 00	5 50	5 50



## New York Correspondence.

BY LENNOD.

THE comment raised by the issuance of the advance sheets is warranted in several instances. It is useless for me to begin an argument regarding these reductions in price, as, what is to be, cannot be undone. It only remains to be seen what stamps are priced below market quotations—at what the dealers offer them,—this is a sure criterion.

The library of the Section on Philately of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences has recently received several large donations from some of the members, the most munificent gift being from Mr. R. R. Bogert formerly of the firm of Bogert & Durbin. Among the books and periodicals presented are:—Durbin's Catalogues, Nos. 2 to 9, and 11 to 18. Scott's Catalogues, Nos. 16 of 1868 to 28, 30 to 34, 41, 45, 47, 50. Cheveley's Auction Catalogues, over 100 showing London prices. Bogert & Durbin Auction Catalogues, Nos. 45 to 126. *Philatelic Record* (not complete). *National Philatelist* 1883 scarce. *Gazette Timbrologique* Vols. 1, 2, and 3. *Handbook of Philately*, Lindenberg. *Trijet's Monthly*, Vols. 1 and 2. *Boston Stamp Book*. *Stamp News Annual*. Revenue Stamps of Italy. *Almanach du Timbre-Poste*. Stanley Gibbons' Catalogues, May, 1874, to March, 1890. Ridpath's Catalogues, June, 1877. Seebeck's Catalogues, 1882. Collins' Catalogues, 1885. Stafford, Smith & Co., Catalogues 1884. Maury's Catalogues, 1875. Lincoln's Catalogues, 7th Edition. Alfred Smith & Co. Catalogues, 1874 to 1876, Nos. 20, 21, 22, 23.

The second annual convention of the

Empire State Philatelic Society will be a thing of the past, ere this is read. A large attendance is expected and hopes are entertained that harmony will prevail throughout the entire proceedings.

It is the intention of the writer to do his utmost towards attending the Southern Philatelic Association meet. He hopes to become personally acquainted with some of his fellow members of the S. P. A. and V. P. A.; he will also probably have another member with him, thereby assuring two representatives from the North.

From various sources the information is gleaned that the Great Barrier Islands labels were never authorized, nor do the officials of that part of the Universe know of any such emission. Whether the entire business is a private enterprise on part of certain individuals remains to be seen. All those I have seen were lightly cancelled with a circle containing "Great Barrier Islands," and the date, and they came from a party in Montreal, Canada. Whether this party was misinformed in regard to the character of the stamps, will only be known by publishing his explanation. I understand he has sold quite a number—and it is only fair that the purchasers should know what they have bought, and what the standing of the stamps are.

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**Our Boston Letter.**


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BY BEAN EATER.

STAMP business at the Hub is again picking up and will soon show its winter activity. By the above statement I do not mean to say that it has been *dull* at any time this summer, on the contrary it has been the best for years, still I do not think that any dealer would have complained if he had had more business.

Mr. Isaac A. Mekeel of the *Weekly Stamp News* of St. Louis, Mo., was a

recent visitor to the Hub. The principal cause of his call being to solicit ads for his paper.

That he was successful goes without saying.

I have recently seen several new envelopes surcharged for Cuba on U. S.: 2c red on blue, 2c red on amber, size 5, and 2c green on oriental buff, also on size 5. They are being offered by several dealers at 75c per set of three. These are doubtless the envelopes that are receiving so much attention by the Washington correspondent of one of our weeklies.

The new Canadian surcharge 2c on 3c red has put in an appearance here both on the numeral stamp and also the maple leaf. The latter however promises to become the scarcer. It will be many years however before either are rare, as it is said that about 11,000,000 are to be surcharged.

B. L. Drew & Co. held their second summer auction sale at Elk's Hall, Hayward Place, on Saturday afternoon, Aug. 19th. There were a large audience present, and on the whole the sale was very successful.

Many of the stamps brought better prices than at winter sales.

The 10c U. S. stamp surcharged Cuba, has been shown here in two distinct shades: light and very dark brown.

The 8c Porto Rico has been seen in two shades.

Among the late arrivals in new stamps at the Hub are: The Lexemburg Official set from 1c to 5f, 6c Ceylon rose 1, 2 and 5c Hawaii in new U. P. U. colors, green red and brown respectively, 3c Straits Settlements, 3c brown and the 5d local print of New Zealand.

Mr. E. M. Carpenter of the New England Stamp Co. recently arrived home from a two months business trip abroad.

What you come to Richmond?

## VIRGINIA PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION

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Association meets on the 10th of every month, at 8 o'clock p. m., at 13 N. Eleventh St., Richmond, Virginia.

RICHMOND, VA., Aug. 10, 1899.

To the Members of the V. P. A.:

The twenty-fifth meeting of the Association occurred as above dated. In the absence of the President, the chair was filled by Mr. Thomas Christian. Some unimportant matters of a general nature were satisfactorily discussed, after which, this being the last meeting of the fiscal year, election of officers for the coming term was declared in order, and the acting president asked for nominations.

The election was conducted in a spirited and good-natured fashion, and resulted in the unanimous election of the following officers.

For President, Dr. Mark Peyser.  
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 Sales Manager, Mr. John Paalzow.

Mr. Dietz urged a special meeting of the Ways and Means Committee for the following Thursday in order that their report of the different hotel rates might be printed in this number of the PHILATELIST for the information of S. P. A. Delegates. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. S. AHERN, Secretary.

AN interesting field of study may be found in the early stamps of Chili. The variations in watermark may be found by the use of a watermark detector, and rare specimens discovered in many stamps which appear to be ordinary when the face alone is seen. Those who like differences of print and impression can find all the opportunity required for study in the stamps of this country.



### The Lady In Philately.

BY H. A. CHAPMAN.

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST for July under the head, "Anonymous Slander," tersely gave in an editorial its opinion of the cowardly anonymous philatelic writer, which is worth preserving as a classic, and is applicable also in other lines of literature. The closing paragraph read:

To him nothing is sacred. He does not spare even a woman in his vile slander, and we oft-times wonder if he ever felt the ennobling influence of a refined woman's society. Surely he is of a common clay. If he lived in the South he would be "elevated" or "perforated" after his first offense.

And if our esteemed brother had gone farther and said "steamed" or "burned at a Georgia stake," I could hardly have said nay, much as I deprecate mob-rule.

In a contemporary a few months since I took the ground that ladies were "frozen out" as philatelic writers, and I have not changed my opinion, notwithstanding a protest was made against what I then said, and if I could not "speak from personal knowledge," I could form my ideas from what at least a quartet of ladies say. I did not intend to say that the ladies were congealed into solidified Arctic blocks which nothing short of a 100 degree temperature could thaw out. Perhaps I wasn't explicit enough. I had in mind then, as now, four ladies, all of whom graduated with honor from eminent institutions of learning. At least two of them have large and elegant collections and the study of stamps is the principal aim they seem to have in view. These ladies pen letters which are models (as I look at them), and they are capable of furnishing sterling articles. The reason why they do not favor us is because they have read the ill-mannered sneers of the masculine scribes, who are

not all sailing under "noms," and sad as it may seem, some of them *have* refined wives, mothers and daughters, and do not respect (or don't show it in their writings) the "ennobling influence of a refined woman's society." These lady philatelists evidently have traced the mystic handwriting on the wall. "All ye who enter here leave hope behind," or words to that effect, and have not the "sand" of the few fair ones who do "face the music," with countenances that burn, all the same, with righteous indignation. I am pleased to note, in looking over the business columns of different journals, that there are more ladies who advertise than a year ago, and it is to be hoped the reading columns will soon—very soon—show more of the marks of their "ennobling influence." I take off my hat to the editor of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, and trust he will not let the subject drop, but do his part in keeping the names of the ladies before the public. In the June number of his journal he had an article by a lady which has been frequently mentioned to me as one of the best of the year, and the credit was given (I am happy to say) by gentlemen.

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### SECRETARY'S REPORT.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

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Every Tennessee philatelist earnestly invited to join our State society. Get application blanks from the Secretary. Yours fraternally,

F. W. CONING, Sec.-Treas.



BY JOHN PAALZOW.

All Publishers are requested to send one copy direct to the Review Editor, at No. 1018 Park Ave., Richmond, Va., U. S. A.

Review closed on August 20th.

We have received the following papers since last review:

	Vol. No.
Allegheny Philatelist, Allegheny, Pa.	5. 2.
Bay State Philatelist, Melrose Highlands, Massachusetts,	2. 7-8.
Weekly Phil. Era, Portland, Me.,	13. 46.
Filatelic Facts and Fallacies, San Francisco, Cal.	7. 10.
Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, St. Louis, Missouri,	13. 30-33.
New York Philatelist, New York	6. 5.
Perforator, Reading, Pa.,	15. 2.
Rival Philatelist, Louisville, Ky.,	1. 1.
Stampic America, ? ? ? ? ?	1. 6-7.
Stamps, New York, N. Y.	3. 7.
Stamp Exchange, Boston, Mass.	1. 4.
Stamp Talk, Kansas City, Mo.	2. 3.
Stamp Tribune, Cleveland, Ohio,	1. 8.
FROM CANADA.	
Energy, Berlin, Ont.,	1. 3.
Philatelic Advocate, Berlin, Ont.	7. 2.
FROM ABROAD	
Stamps, Rushden, Eng.	3. 7.
Int. Bfmarken Offerten Blatt Loesneck i <sup>th</sup> , Germany,	8. 231.
Briefmarkenhandler, Berlin, Germany,	4. 2.
Australian Philatelist, Sydney, N. S. W.	5. 11.

In the *Allegheny Philatelist* Phil A. Telist has for his subject this month "Fifty per cent. Discount" and predicts that the days of giving such discount indiscriminately are about over and makes a good showing why it should be so. It all resolves itself finally into the inflated catalogue quotation which is a theme old, yet ever new, and which it will take time and a good deal of harmonious working together of collectors and stamp societies to remedy. Mr. Chapman has "Some Random Talk." "Manila

Mail" is a very interesting description of the workings of the postoffice in the Capital of the Philippines. The usual full chronicle of "New Issues" is part of this number, as are also "Stamp Squibs" and "St. Louis Notes." Month after month as we look over this well gotten-up and up to date magazine, we wonder how the publishers can afford to issue it at the low subscription price they ask.

While a double number in name, *The Bay State Philatelist* is not much larger in size than usual. The bit of sarcasm, "How to Make a Paper Successful" is good. Editorials, Review, Pittsburg Notes, Clippings and Society Reports fill the balance.

In the *Weekly Era* of August 12th, its Washington correspondent has found out that lots of U. S. envelopes have been surcharged for use in Cuba on what would seem no authority of the P. O. Department, and very likely as a money making scheme of some one connected with the P. O. in Havana. The new stamps for Cuba had not been printed (August 10th,) as the Bureau had not received the new paper to be used for them.

For use in Cuba, postage dues had been surcharged as follows:—100,000 1c, 100,000 2c, 20,000 5c, 10,000 10c. For the Philippines have been ordered Postage dues 10,000 1c, 20,000 2c, 10,000 5c, 10,000 10c, 1,000 50c.

*Filatelic Facts and Fallacies* has "Notes on the History of the General Post Office of the Hawaiian Islands," which article is based upon extracts from correspondence of the Postmaster General and references to newspaper mention and advertisements covering a period of thirty years from 1850 to 1880. The first installment is given and the

article will be continued in the following numbers. There is also a translation from the German about the Luxemburg Un Silbergrös. stamp of 1852, explaining why that country issued a stamp with a monetary valuation foreign to its own currency.

It is not often that Bro. Severn of *Mekeel's Weekly* gives a reviewer a chance to "pick him up," but we think that he is a little behind time in mentioning as a new thing, and claiming the *Weekly* as the first paper to mention the documentary stamp impressed on sleeping car tickets. If he will turn to the February issue of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST and to the Review of the New Year's number of his own journal he will find there the following: Mr. Severn speaks of the two cent stamped paper which was used most commonly for checks. It was also used largely for receipts. Firms using many of them having the stamp impressed on both note and letter sheets, and banks and bankers had them on sheets acknowledging remittances. *A use to which this impression is put at present and of which the writer has seen no mention so far, is upon the seat or berth check given by the Pullman Car conductors. The whole ticket bears the two cent impression and when torn in two of course cancels the stamp very effectively:* The specimen before us when the above was written was so dim that the fact that it was a one cent and not the two cent impression escaped us but we think the fact of its mention remains the same.

*The New York Philatelist* has a picture of the Park Avenue Hotel in which the second annual convention of the E. S. P. S. will hold its meeting and also a list of those who will attend. Pictures of C. W. Brown a candidate for Exchange Superintendent of the E. S. P. S., and of

Mr. Verbeck a candidate for Vice-President of the same society are given. The "Reminiscence of a Retired Collector" is funny reading, showing how even dealers can be taken in some time and this time the story is not a fictitious one but gives an actual experience. Veritas in continuation of his series of Philatelic Abuses has the "One Horse Dealer" for his subject this month, and if there is a philatelic abuse that class of dealer is surely one and is very ably described by Veritas. It is only too true that a large number of the class mentioned do not seem to care in the least for their reputation and to many of them a dollar made to-day by a questionable method is that much gain, never realizing what the dollar gained in that way may cost them in the long run. The truth of the matter is that that class of dealers is largely composed of boys and naturally you cannot expect old heads on young shoulders. Bro. Chapman gives a friend's experience in trying to obtain "Something for Nothing" viz.: Columbian one dollar stamps for thirty-five cents. If the question were to be asked, what is the passion that is most strongly developed in most people I think the answer would be: The gambling instinct, the desire to obtain something for nothing, and the swindler who plays upon that is sure of a harvest.—Editorials, Society Reports, etc., conclude this, as usual, interesting number.

Portraits of Messrs. Sturtevant and Stillwell of the Buckeye Stamp Company adorn the first page of *The Perforator*. The Gossip in "From Woman's Standpoint" administers a gentle rebuke to those dishonest dealers who do not live up to their advertisements, and really such dealers ought to be exposed as well as collectors who do not return approval-sheets, etc. J. L. Wheeler discusses "Postmarks." It seems to us that the

definition he gives of his subject is not complete when he says: "Postmarks are the official marks printed on the mail matter in the postoffices to *cancel the postage stamps*" (italics ours). Postmarks were in use long before stamps were thought of, so that cannot have been their prime and only use as given by Mr. W. They are placed upon a letter to show its point of origin, the day, the hour when it was intrusted to Uncle Sam to be forwarded and then the date and hour of its arrival at its destination. The cancelling of the postage stamp with it is only a secondary matter. We agree fully with Mr. W. that lighter cancellations would be warmly welcomed by all stamp collectors.

The comparison between stamp literature as represented by John K. Tiffany and Major Evans and natural history as represented by Audubon seems to us rather far-fetched. Natural science has been studied to a greater or less extent since man was created and given dominion over all things. Philately is in its infancy, and up to a period not so very long ago its devotees rather shunned than courted publicity. Give Philately a chance and though many of us may not see it, fifty years from now will be as well known as any other branch of science. Editorials and P. S. of A. reports finish *The Perforator*.

Unlike the great I. B. Unknown of "*Stampic America*," the editor of the *Rival Philatelist* does not stand in with his postmaster in trying to conceal the place of issue, for the envelope bearing the No. 1 of the *Rival* is plainly post-marked Louisville, Ky. On the cover the design drawn by "A. Reitz," is very plain, but pretty. In the Inquiry Dept. we find the following answer to A. K. "If you must know the difference between triangle I, II and III of the present issue of 2c stamps—write to C. E.

Severn of *McKeel's Weekly*—he knows." Does the *Rival* mean us to infer from this that he thinks that from the frequency of which this question is answered in the *Weekly* that it is kept standing as "live matter" in the forms to be used as a space filler? Surely not! A paper like the *Weekly* would not do any such thing, and no doubt all the answers are to *bona fide* questions asked by inquirers.—Since our attempt to subscribe to *Stampic America* was unsuccessful as far as the money reaching the publisher was concerned, we hesitate about sending the 50c for a year's subscription to the *Rival* to Louisville until plainer directions can be added to the address, and have to ask the Editor, Publisher, Mailing Clerk, in fact the whole staff, to put us among "the lucky ones" and let us have the succeeding issues.

Just the day after the Review for the August number had been sent to the editor the double number for June-July of *Stampic America* came to hand and although a review of it was at once written and sent on, the forms were closed and it could not appear, so it had to be delayed until this month. We shall miss the August number of this entertaining paper, but when we take into consideration the reason why no number comes this month we have to be content. The editor says: With the mailing of this issue the editor, and publisher, contemplate taking a much needed vacation. The editor will make a European trip in the interests of our paper, while the publisher will represent the *Stampic America* at the various conventions this summer. *Bon voyage* Bro. I. B. and Bro. Uno. Rhoderich, Abner P., come down to the S. P. A. convention in R'd, and let us give you a Southern welcome there, though we will not promise you as Bro. Robie does to do in Detroit, viz.: to open a car-load of beer. Perhaps if

we did you might not be able to take in all the "Confeds" which are going to be on view at the S. P. A. and so miss the show of your lifetime.

*Stamps*, of New York, brings its page of illustrations of novelties. The 59th Catalogue and the Future of United States Stamps is discussed as viewed from the advance sheets published so far. These show a general reduction in used specimens (U. S.) of from 25 to 33½ per cent. Of unused specimens the author says this: Fine unused specimens of all the older issues will advance in price as the number of collectors who can purchase them and who wish them to increase." For used specimens no immediate increase in value is predicted. "Advance" prices of the 59th Catalogue are printed. Only a very few prices of U. S. stamps have advanced. The Young Collectors Work closes this number.

The *Stamp Exchange* has "Notes on U. S. Colonials" by A. Lone Collector, and "A Talk About Stamps" by Leon V. Cass.

Mr. Verbeck in his Exchange Notes has the following which we copy in full:

It is a fact that many writers in writing notes for monthly stamp journals, often take some choice bit of news from the weeklies, which at the time it was copied and even at the time the notes were mailed to the publisher, was fresh and a bit of the "latest news."

Now by the time these notes appear in print in the monthly they are comparatively old and the reader of them says "chestnuts." In the first place it would be a good plan for the person, who reads several papers including the weeklies, to remember that there are others who often take no more than one paper and it is the duty of the publisher and the writers to supply the best news they are able in order that all may read it.

In the second place a publisher requires all manuscripts to be in by a certain date, say the 20th, and then the paper is published on the 1st of the following month and not in the reader's hands until several days, say five later, and often it is delayed and comes out late. This makes it about 20 days from the time the MS. was sent in to the time the paper is received, in that time three numbers of the weekly comes out and hence the cry of "chestnuts." Look before you leap and don't raise the cry because a monthly's notes are not as new as a weekly's.

What Mr. Verbeck says above in regard to notes also applies with equal force to reviews. Time and again the writer has had to tear up and write reviews written before the weeklies reviewing the same papers had come to hand as nearly everything he had said about the paper appeared in the weekly and in order not to be accused of plagiarism he had to rewrite his review on other lines, often a hard matter to do for generally the articles in question are not varied enough to elaborate on them to any great extent.

The Annual Convention of the Dominion Philatelic Association is described in full. Notes from Australia, Washington, England and Canada are here. G. A. Hunt discusses "Used or Unused" and Phil A. Telist "The Value of Stamps."

*Stamp Talk* illustrates its article on U. S. Revenues—old and new with an ¼ cent revenue stamp of the present series. Miss Swift tells us of "The Way They Do it in China" and a very queer way it must be according to her description. Editorials and a good review conclude this number.

The *Stamp Tribune* comes this month from its new home, Cleveland, Ohio, and we hope that the P. O. authorities

there will be kindlier disposed and grant second class rates to the *Tribune*. Spnats presents "The Model Publisher" and those things which he ought and ought not to do. Among the latter is mentioned the backbiting habit which unfortunately some publishers have been doing in some cases under assumed names. All in all it is a very good description of what the model publisher should be. Vasco de Gama the Portuguese discoverer is M. A. B.'s subject this month and seems historically more correct than Columbus was last month. Notes from several places and Mr. Verbeck's good review finishes this number.

The strongest part of stamp lore of *Energy* seems to be the advertisements of stamp dealers for they are the only ads with the exception of three others of a rather local character; for one informs you that "punting" can be bought of Mr. Bergmann the merchant tailor, another that The Berlin Laundry does "good work" and third that at "Otto Ball's Shaving Parlor" you can get a first class shave. All right next time we are up that way, we will patronize them all, and so that we may not forget their addresses, please tell them to keep on advertising (and paying for it) in *Energy* until we arrive and bring our friends with us.

*The Philatelic Advocate* gives historical information of the Rule and Rulers of 1866-1890 of the Argentine Republic and names the stamps of the country upon which the pictures of the different presidents occur. Mr. Hammond has a plea for general collecting as against specializing. Geo. W. Hicks speaks of Postal Peculiarities contrasting up to date methods of postal delivery with those in vogue in the long ago. C. F. Robinson's "Stamps of Servia" gives a geographical description of that country

and its stamp issues. Society reports and advertisements do the rest.

*Stamps of Rushden, England*, has as its leader "The Philatelic Season" and points out that this year there has been no "off" season in Philately, and that dealers and collectors alike have been unusually active this year. The list of prize winners at the Manchester Exhibition is given in full. Revenue Stamps, and Post Card Notes are given. The Harry Hilckes Co., matter fills nearly three pages. Under the Revenue Stamps of Japan, the medicine stamps are catalogued. An interesting article on "The Stamps of Western Australia" is begun and will be continued. Post and Letter Cards of the British Empire gives British Honduras and British South Africa. Society reports close this number.

*The Australian Philatelist* brings the announcement, that the federation of the six Australian Colonies seems to be almost a certainty and that therefore after January 1st, 1901 instead of each Colony issuing separate stamps, one and the same issue will be current in all. It also gives the dates of settlement and other information about the different colonies and the dates of their first issues of stamps. Among "Stray Bits" we find the following: "There are actually 25 errors of watermark amongst the Victorian stamps issued to date, and there are a few varieties of the 6d of 1865 of which only a few copies—in one instance only a single specimen—are known to exist.

THERE ARE a great number of ads in our columns this month that will interest you. All the latest desirable stamps are offered there. Read every one.

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**Renewals to Date.**

3, 4, 5, 18, 19, 34, 40, 43, 47, 50, 55, 57, 69, 72, 82, 91, 93, 96, 97, 99, 105, 107, 111, 113, 117, 126, 129, 130, 135, 137, 139, 140.

**Membership.**

Applications for membership must be sent to the Secretary, and must be signed by two referees, preferably members of our society. The annual dues are \$1.00, but as our year terminates March 1st, applications will now be received accompanied by 50 cents. Application blanks may be had of the Secretary or from any members.

**Collections.**

My collections for July were \$8.00 which amount I have remitted to the Treasurer.

If you have not yet received your 1899 Membership Card it is because you have not sent in your dues. Please attend to it at once. Members in arrears please give this your prompt attention.

Fellow members will please accept my sincere thanks for the confidence and the honor bestowed upon me by electing me Secretary of our grand old Society and I wish to state that I will fulfil

the duties of my office to the very best of my ability and trust to have the support of each and every P. C. S. of A. member.

Please notice the List of Renewals. Is your number among them? If it is not, it should be. I have sent the handsome Membership Certificate for 1899 to every member who has paid his dues, together with an application blank and personal letter asking each member to please try to get us at least one new member before the close of the year. Now I trust you will appreciate the trouble I have gone to by sending us in a new application.

I have just received a large bundle of application blanks. Members wishing any let me know. A postal card will start them.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. GAFFORD, Secretary  
 Church Hill, Md., Aug. 12th, 1899.

**Treasurer's Report.**

On hand last report.....	968.21
Received from Secretary.....	8.00
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	976.21

Paid A. Lohmeyer, envelopes and post cards.....	\$ 3.56
Paid Dulany Co., printing Bulletin, ballots, etc.....	7.75 11.31
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Balance on hand.....	61.90

J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.

**Purchasing Department.**

(For rules and regulations apply to Purchasing Agent.)

Since my last report I have received the following:

**RENEWALS.**

Waldemar Hoffman.....	\$1.00
Rudolph Neeser.....	\$1.51
W. Rasmus.....	4.00

In addition to the new cards reported last month I have received cards from Argentine, Roumania and Portugal.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER, Purchasing Agent.  
 Baltimore, August 12, 1899.

**A New Issue for Chili.**

My correspondent in Chili just writes me that a new value has been added to the current Chili set. It is a 30 centavos, color, vermilion. He further states that an entire new issue is being prepared by Waterlou & Co., of London, to replace the issue now in use there.—VOLUNTEER, in *Era*.

# Southern Philatelic Association.

President—H. Fenton, P. O. Box 8, Knoxville, Tenn.  
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 Official Organ—THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

Knoxville, Tenn., 8-7, '99.

To the Members of the S. P. A.

In accordance with the power vested in me through the action of the Fourth Annual Convention held in the city of Knoxville, Tenn., on October 18th, 1898, I hereby call the Fifth Annual Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association to assemble in the city of Richmond, Va., on Thursday the 21st day of September, 1899.

The place of meeting will be decided by Aug. Dietz, Franklin Stearns and Henry Schott, whom I hereby appoint a Committee on Arrangements.  
 H. FENTON, Pres. S. P. A.

## Secretary-Treasurer's Report.

### NEW MEMBERS.

- 191 Collins, Sidney G., Galveston, Texas.
- 192 Schwend, Chas. 1806 1/2 3rd-ave., Birmingham, Ala.
- 193 DeGraffenreid, McClure, Union City, Tenn.
- 194 Thiele, Rev. R. R., Manchester, Wis.
- 195 Panlzw, John, 1018 Park-ave., Richmond, Va.
- 196 Wicks, A. F., 419 South-st., London, Ont., Can.
- 197 Gafford, T. H., Church Hill, Md.
- 198 Platt, Albert M., E. Dubuque, Ill.
- 199 Morgan, John C., New Kensington, Pa.
- 200 Harris, T. H., Co. F. 2nd Infantry U. S. Army, Sagua, La Grande, Cuba.

### APPLICATIONS.

- \*Knight, Mrs. D. T., Alice, N. C., Age 30, House-keeper and assistant postmaster. Refs., Chas. Waring, W. H. McClure, H. Fenton.
- Luff, John N., 18 E. 23rd-st., New York. Age 38, Stamp Dealer. Refs., R. S. Nelson, W. C. Lowry, R. B. Bradley.

- Brinkmann, Alex, Comfort, Kendall Co., Texas. Age 31, Lumber Dealer. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, F. Stearns, Aug. Dietz.
- Phillipowski, Jake, Marlborough ave., Waco, Texas. Age 18, Stenographer. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, W. C. Lowry, Ben. F. Hutchison.
- Eddy, F. H., Waco, Texas. Insurance Agent. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, W. C. Lowry, Ben. F. Hutchison.
- Hutchison, Ben F., Hillsboro, Texas. Age 22, Printer. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, W. C. Lowry, F. Stearns.
- Young, R. H., Abilene, Texas. Age 19, Student. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, Ewing Hemphill, W. C. Lowry.
- Hemphill, Ewing, Abilene, Texas. Age 17, Clerk. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, R. H. Young, W. C. Lowry.

- \*Johnston, R. E., Abilene, Texas. Age 35, Publisher. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, W. C. Lowry, Max R. Andrew.
- \*Platt, Albert M., East Dubuque, Ill. Age 18, Assistant Postmaster. Refs., F. Stearns, Aug. Dietz, W. C. Lowry.
- \*Long, Jas. L., Hopkinsville, Ky. Age 21, Draftsman. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, F. Stearns, Aug. Dietz.
- Herbst, A., 106 E. 11th-st., New York. Publ'r. The New York Philatelist. Refs. W. A. McDonnell, F. Stearns, Aug. Dietz.
- \*Hooper, Willard M., 300 Thomas-st., Hillsboro, Texas. Age 29, Newspaper Reporter. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, W. C. Lowry, Ben. F. Hutchison.

\*Desire to participate in Sales Department.

### CHANGE IN ADDRESS.

A. H. Williams, from 35 E. 17th-st., N. Y. City, to Peck Block, Oswego, N. Y.

### RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

H. N. Bugbee, Fitchburg, Mass.

### FINANCES.

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance.....	\$20.52	
Received from members.....	1.58	
Total.....	31.10	\$31.10

#### EXPENDITURES.

To Virginia Philatelist for May.....	\$1.31	
To " " " " June.....	1.15	
Total.....	2.79	2.79

Balance on hand.....\$31.31

Respectfully, W. C. LOWRY, Sec'y-Treas.

## Report of Board of Trustees.

We can now report that, after a good deal of correspondence, L. P. Head has at last returned Circuit No. 60 to Mr. Waring. This circuit was



in Mr. L. P. Head's hands ever since April 3rd, '99, and was received back by Mr. Waring July 19th, '99. He shows no disposition to make satisfactory settlement for the overtime he kept said circuit and he is hereby suspended from membership till the convention meets at Richmond. Mr. Waring, as well as ourselves, will make a full report about this matter to the convention, which can then take action and either reinstate or expell him. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours for the S. P. A.,  
 EMIL GERLICH,  
 ROBERT KESSLER,  
 Board of Trustees S. P. A.  
 New Braunfels, Tex., Aug. 1, 1899.

**Report of Sales Superintendent.**

On hand (last report).....	80 books,	\$152.22
Received since.....	13 "	236.61
	93 "	1788.83
Retired.....	24 "	487.75
Sales from same.....		71.05
Now in circulation 69 books, value.....		1301.08
Insurance fund (August 14).....		47.70

The new members are slowly but surely dropping into line. All circuits are nearly on time.

No more till we meet at Richmond.  
 Respectfully,  
 CHAS. WARING.  
 Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 11, 1899.

**Nominations.**

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**OFFICIAL JOURNAL.**

THE VIRGINIA PHILA- Lone Star State Phila-  
 TELIST. telist.\*

**CONVENTION SEAT (1899.)**

Waco, Texas.

\*Declined uomination.

**Librarian's Address.**

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Aug. 15th, 1899.

DEAR S. P. A. MEMBERS:

It is my intention now to complete my work of cataloguing the Library by the first of December. When completed and printed I shall send each member a list of complete volumes and files together with a "want list" of the best papers needed to complete files.

The members seem to take very little interest in the Library which has caused me to make little or no progress towards increasing it for the past six or eight months.

Only two donations outside of Knoxville have ever been made and not one publisher has to my knowledge, donated a subscription or even a single number of his journal to the Library, however, one did write me asking for postage so that he might donate a lot of back numbers of his journal. I wrote him saying as I had no funds of the Society in hand with which to pay postage I would ask that he send me first a list of such back numbers that he desired to donate and I would check off any numbers that I might need to complete files and gladly send him the postage out of my own pocket. He did not even answer my letter! Now if all members would send me their duplicates and publishers place the S. P. A. Library on their mailing list (Southern Publishers especially should do so) I could soon present a Library that all would be proud of.

I wish to add that local members including S. B. Boyd, C. Waring, H. Fenton, C. L. McNutt, E. C. Dickey and myself have given generously of our duplicates and other members should follow suit which would give me a sufficient stock of duplicates as to enable me to exchange with Librarians of other societies. Wishing all a good time at the "Convention," I am,

Yours very truly,  
 C. P. GALYON.

**Report of Committee on Arrangements.**

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE S. P. A.

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee appointed by our President to complete arrangements for the S. P. A. Convention in Richmond on the 21--22--23 inst, beg to report that the time since their appointment to the honor of this report's going to press, has been too short to enable them to present a full program in this issue of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST. They, however, desire to state that all arrangements will be completed in time.

The session will be held in the lecture hall of the University College of Medicine, the use of which, due to the efforts of Dr. Mark W. Peysor, has been kindly tendered the Association.

A program will be prepared, giving full details and placed in the hands of every visitor.

Brother phils' are requested to notify the Chairman of this Committee, Mr. Stearns, of the date of their arrival in Richmond, at least three days in advance; if possible state by which railroad route.

Special rates have been secured from Murphy's Hotel as follows: Rooms, \$1.00 per day; Room and best meals \$2.50. Your Committee recommends this centrally located up-to-date hotel.

Now, come all, and be welcome!

FRANKLIN STEARNS, Chairman.

Committee: HENRY SCHOTT,  
 AUG. DIETZ.



RARE

# Confederate Provisionals

AND GENERAL ISSUES.



Scott's Nos.	My Prices.
1 ATHENS, GA., 5c purple, very fine.....	\$27.75
1 ATHENS, GA., 5c purple, (pair) very fine, two distinct types, very scarce in pair.....	61.57
1 ATHENS, GA., 5c purple, very fine pair, same as above, but on original cover, very scarce.....	71.25
1 BATON ROUGE, LA., 5c green and carmine. A beautiful copy of this scarce stamp o. o. c.....	37.50
5 " " " " used on original cover. This is the \$100 variety.....	59.25
46 MACON, GA., 5c buff. A grand copy used on original cover. List price \$75. My price only.....	47.50
55 MEMPHIS, TENN., 2c blue, unused, and fine condition.....	1.50
56 " " " " 5c red, unused and very fine.....	1.00
56 " " " " 5c red, fine used copy.....	2.75
56 " " " " 5c red, used on original cover.....	2.97
59 MOBILE, ALA., 5c blue, very fine used copy.....	3.50
62 NASHVILLE, TENN., 5c carmine, very fine used copy.....	8.75
65 NEW ORLEANS, LA., 2c blue, new.....	1.50
65 " " " " 2c blue, used on original cover.....	1.99
66 " " " " 2c red, new.....	1.50
66 " " " " 2c red, EXTRA FINE used copy.....	7.00
67 " " " " 5c brown, unused.....	1.50
67 " " " " 5c " " used on original cover.....	1.50
70 " " " " 5c " " on blue, new.....	1.75
70 " " " " 5c " " used.....	1.15
70 " " " " 5c " " fine PAIR used.....	3.50
70 " " " " 5c " " used on original cover.....	1.57
74 PLEASANT SHADE, VA., 5c blue, unused, very slightly rubbed. A very scarce stamp, very rare.....	67.50
77 SPARTANBURG, S. C., 5c black, EXTRA FINE COPY on the ORIGINAL COVER. A rarity, only.....	123.75

## GENERAL ISSUES.

88 5c light green, new, o. g.....	.24
88 5c " " used o. c.....	.21
89 5c green, used, o. c.....	.21
90 10c light blue, used, o. c.....	.45
91 10c blue, used, o. c.....	.45
92 2c green, new, o. g.....	1.17
One block 4 and three pairs, same rates as above.	
91 5c blue, new, o. g.....	.57
One block of 10, block of 4 and 5 pairs at same rates as above. Collectors of shades can have selections of same at same rates. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.	
88 5c light green, used.....	.23
89 5c green, used.....	.19
90 10c light blue, used.....	.40
91 10c blue, used.....	.40
92 2c green, used, extra.....	1.37
93 5c light blue, used on o. c., cat. 75c.....	.31
91 5c blue, used, o. c.....	.26
96 10c rose, new, o. g., Cat. \$6.....	2.25
96 10c rose, used, extra fine.....	1.60
96 10c rose, used on original cover.....	1.75
98 or 99 5c blue, used.....	.06
100 or 101 5c blue, used.....	.01
Above can be supplied on original cover, also in pairs, same rates as above.	
102 2c brown red, used.....	.75
103 TEN CENTS, milky-blue, very fine.....	2.97
104 10c blue, OUTERLINE, extra fine copies, line on three sides, very scarce.....	2.97
124 20c green, new, o. g.....	.07
Blocks and pairs at above rates.	
102 2c brown-red, new, o. g.....	1.11
103 TEN CENTS, milky-blue, finest out and used on original cover.....	3.25
105 to 119. I can supply any of them used at 5% of 58th edition catalogue prices.....	
125 1c orange, new, o. g.....	.21
Send your want list in Confederate stamps.	

### ONE OF THE RAREST KNOWN.

AUTAUGAVILLE, ALA., ENVELOPE, 5c black-brown on greenish paper. This stamp is illustrated in the May number of the American Journal of Philately. Supposed to

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If desired a written guarantee may be had with each of the above stamps. I am headquarters for all kinds of stamps, common and scarce. If you don't see what you want in my advertisement, I shall be pleased to have a copy of your want list. All letters answered by return mail.

I am still sending out my 32 page price list of packets, sets and supplies and an unused stamp FREE, FREE, FREE. 10% on all orders from price list received during July, August and September.

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**ARE YOU "GUNNING" FOR BARGAINS? If  
so Peruse the Following Offers.**

	cat.	my p.
*U. S., 1862 6c	\$6 00	\$2 20
" " " 5c	10	18
" 1868 30c v. f. grill h. cane	5 00	90
" 1869 6c	75	30
" 1873 12c	12 50	3 50
" 1882 10c	50	25
" Interior 21c	75	35
" Post Office 1, 2, 6c	95	40
" " " 3c	05	02
" 1888 1c	05	02
" 1c Express part p.	50	23
" \$1.00 Manifest	85	30
" 2.00 Mortgage	20	08
" 2.00 Conveyance	15	07
" 3.00 Manifest	25	10
" 3.50 Inland Exch., extra fine	2 00	1 00
" 5.00 Mortgage	1 00	35
" 1.00 Power of Atty. imp. v. f.	1 25	55
Cuba, U. S. sur., 1, 2, 3, 5, 10c cheap at		28
" " " 5c		03
" Scott's Nos. 136, 141, 147 and 148.	36	12
Porto Rico Nos. 109-112.	06	02
Austria 1896 1gld	10	03
Bolivia 1876 5c	15	06
" Canada 1/2-50c Jubilee		1 75
*Bermuda 1865 6p	25	18
Grenada No. 8 large star	5 00	2 25
Norway Nos. 10 and 42	28	15
Newfoundland 1876 5c	60	30
Holland 1890 50c	10	01
" 1gld	25	15
Pern Nos. 152-155	28	13
Roumania No. 216 30b	08	02

\* unused. Postage extra on orders below 50c.  
Anything not satisfactory needn't be accepted.  
If you wish to do some stamp business either in  
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**BRITISH WEST INDIES.**

Bahamas, 1, 2 1/2, 4 and 6d and 1s.	per set	\$ 63
Bahamas, 1, 2 1/2, 4, 6, 8 and 10d		77
Bermuda, 1/2, 1, 2 1/2, 3, 4, 6d and 1s.		75
Grenada, 1/2, 1, 2 1/2, 3, 4 and 6d and 1s.		77
St Lucia, 1/2, 1, 2 1/2, 3, 4 and 6d and 1s.		69
Gambia, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 4 and 6d and 1s.		73
British Guiana, Picture Series, 1, 2, 5, 10 and 15d		42
Grenada, 2 1/2d Commemorative		06
Trinidad, 2d		05
Trinidad, 1/2, 1, 2 1/2, 4, 5 and 6d and 1s.	per set	75
Turks Is., 1/2, 1, 2 1/2, 4, 5 and 6d and 1s.		73
Leeward Is., 1/2, 1, 2 1/2, 4, 6 and 7d and 1s.		71
Jamaica, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 4 and 6d and 1s.		75
Br. Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12 and 21c.		75
Br. Honduras, 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 12 and 21c.		73
Jamaica 2s, each 55c. Barbados, 2s 6d each		67
Bahamas, Trinidad, Leeward Islands, St. Lucia and Jamaica, 5s, each		1 35
St Lucia and Trinidad 10s each		2 62
Bahamas and " " 11		5 12

The following St. Vincent stamps sold at face  
value; for any quantity: 1/2d green, 2 1/2d blue,  
2 1/2d black and blue, 3d black and lilac, 6d yellow,  
3d brown, 6d lilac, and 5, lake.

1891 issue, 1/2d lilac and green, 1d lilac and car-  
mine, 2 1/2d lilac and blue, 3d lilac and green, 4d  
lilac and orange, 5d lilac and black, 6d lilac and  
brown, 1 green and carmine and 5 green and  
blue. Post Office orders payable KINGSTOWN,  
St. Vincent. Greenbacks accepted. Cash with  
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**W. C. PROUDFOOT,**

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A very pleasing addition to any collection; all  
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Pahang, 1c green, 1892, only	\$ 02
" 2c rose	03
" 5c lilac and carmine, '95 '96	03
Perak, 1c green, 1892, only	02
" 2c rose	03
" 1c lilac and green, '95 '96	01 1/2
" 2c " brown	02
" 3c " carmine	02 1/2
" 5c " ochre	06
" 10c " orange	12
" 5c " ochre. Service	15
Sungei Ujong, 1c rose, 1892	03
" 1c on 5c, 1891	01
" 3c on 5c	06
" 3c lilac and carmine	04
Negri Sembilan, 1c green, 1892	03
" 3c lilac and green	03
Selangor, 1c green, 1892, only	02
" 2c rose	05
" 5c blue	06
" 2c orange, 1891 '95	06
" 3c on 5c	01
" 3c lilac and carmine	03
" 5c " ochre	06
" 8c " blue	10
" 10c " orange	12
" 50c " black	60

Postage extra on orders below 50c.  
Scott's 50th Catalogue 50c, to be mailed as soon  
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\$1000 green and black issued May 1861.....	\$8 to \$12.00
500 " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	10 to 15.00
100 " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	2 to 2.50
50 " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	1 to 2.00
100 Washington " July " " " " " " " " " "	10c to .50
10 C. S. A. Flag " " " " " " " " " " " "	10c to .25
5 Monouvrier " " " " " " " " " " " "	10c to 3.00
50 Cars running, Sept. 1861.....	10c to 2.00
20-3 Females " " " " " " " " " " " "	15c to .25
10 Mr. Oldham " " " " " " " " " " " "	25c to 1.00
10 Female and Eagle " " " " " " " " " " " "	25c to 1.00
5 Indian Princess " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.00 to 1.00
2 Eagle " " " " " " " " " " " "	50c to 1.25

Broken bank bills bought at 1c to 10c each.  
U. S. Fractional notes 8c to \$1.25 each. Look up your old paper money and send to me.

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A packet of all different stamps cataloguing over \$4.00 for only \$1.00, post free. It is made up of stamps cataloguing from 1c to 75c each. All perfect specimens. All packets are different so you will not have a large quantity of duplicates if you buy two or more packets.

Your money back if you want it.

7 packets—\$28.00 only \$ 5.00.

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## Hampden Stamp Co.,

GRANBY, - - - MASS.

## U. S. DUES

	Cat.	\$	15
3c yellow brown, unused.....	50	\$	15
3c yellow brown, unused.....	25		10
3c yellow brown, unused.....	1 50		45
3c yellow brown, unused.....	3 00		85
30c red brown, unused.....	1 50		45
10c bright claret, unused.....	25		07
30c bright claret, used.....	1 25		10
30c bright claret, used.....	2 00		75
30c 1891 deep claret, used.....	75		30
30c 1891 deep claret, used.....	1 50		65

The 10 stamps for \$1.00. They catalogue \$12.50. This is a great bargain, either the lot or singly.

**STARR STAMP CO.** Coldwater, Mich.

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I will present FREE to every collector applying to me for an application blank for the S. P. A. and enclosing 35c for 1899, reply postage extra, 500 good stamp hinges.

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## NEWFOUNDLAND.

1899 5c Duke of York, new..	\$ 07
1887 2c orange, used.....	02
1890-95 3c slate " " " " " " " " " " " "	01
1896 3c lilac gray " " " " " " " " " " " "	02
1898 1c olive, new.....	01
" 1c green " " " " " " " " " " " "	02
" 2c carmine, new.....	03
" 3c orange " " " " " " " " " " " "	04

### CUBA, NEW DESIGN.

Complete set, 1, 2, 3, 5 and 10c, mint state.....\$ 30  
Postage 2c extra.

**TROJAN STAMP CO.,**  
TROY, OHIO.

## Cheap Sets.

	Net.
Cuba, sur. on U. S., complete set, unused, fine.....	\$ 15
" permanent issue " " " " " " " " " " " "	32
Hawaii, 1, 2 and 5c obsolete, used, fine.....	07
Porto Rico or Philippines, 1898, 1, 2, 3 and 5 mills	05
U. S. Omaha, 1c-10c used, fine.....	12
Netherlands, 1891, set 1/2c-50c, used, fine.....	13
U. S. Doc. Revs. set 1/2c-\$1, 10 var., used, fine.....	01
" 10c, 80c, \$1 and \$5, the four used, fine.....	10

Postage extra, under 25 cents.

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I also buy stamps.

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65 varieties from all parts of the World, including Japan, South Australia, Newfoundland, Mexico, India, Chile, Bosnia, and many other desirable cards.

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1st Issue—Only 2 varieties, still only..... \$6.00  
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25c " "	10	81 00 " "	10
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81 00 " "	3 50	3 00 " "	2 00
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50c Probate of Will	1 00	2 50 " "	50
81 00 " "	1 75	3 00 " "	2 00
2 00 " "	1 00	5 00 " "	1 00
5 00 " "	1 00	1c Express P. P.	50
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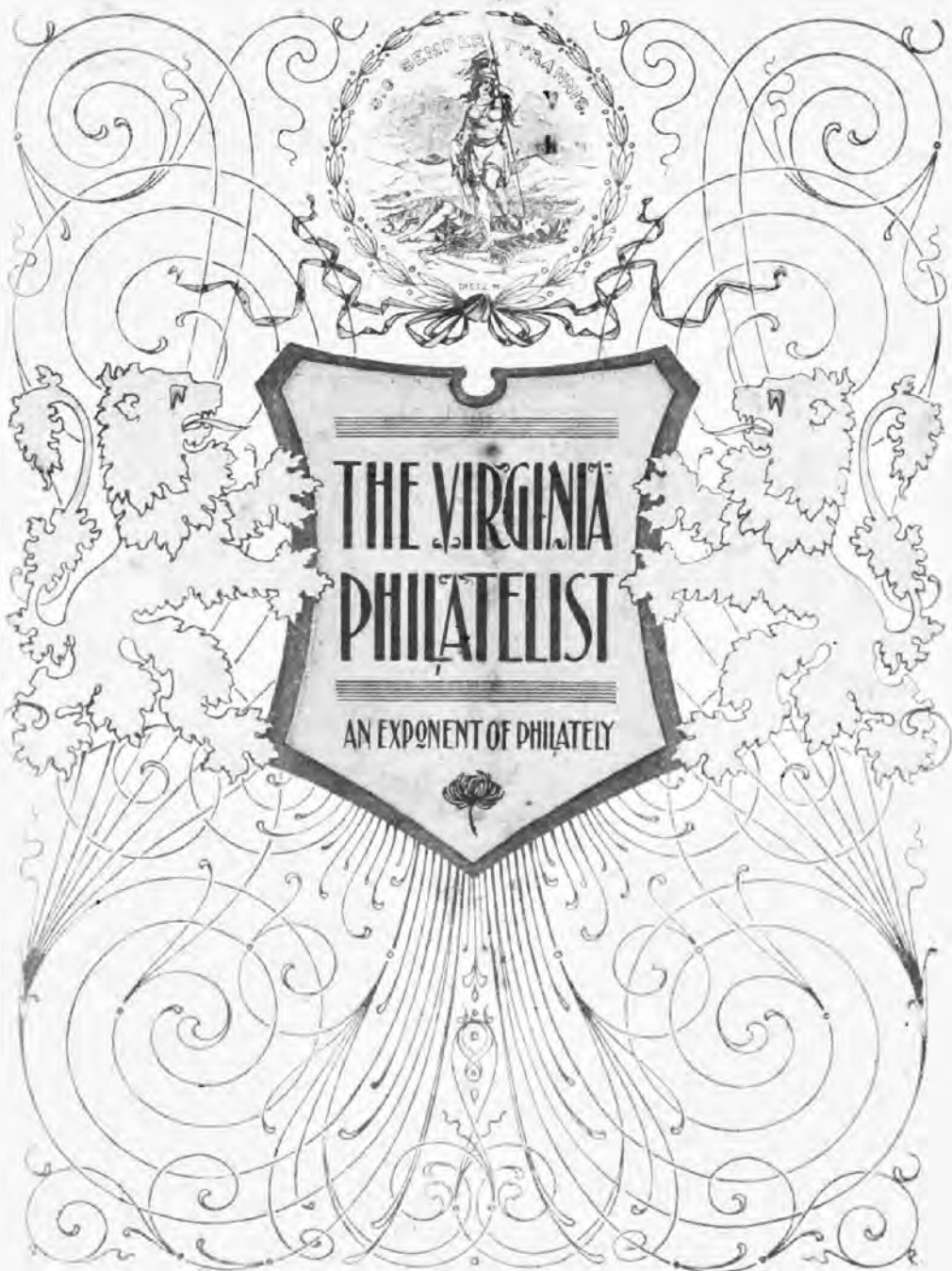
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## ROYAL BENNETT BRADLEY.

PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTHERN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

**P**T the fifth annual Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association, held in Richmond, Va., September 21, 22, and 23, 1899, Mr. Royal Bennett Bradley, of Texas, was elected to the highest office within the gift of his philatelic brethren—that of president of one of the most prosperous associations of America.

In presenting the latest portrait of Royal Bennett Bradley to the members of "the Southern," it is not necessary to add a sketch of his career, for he is as well known in philatelic circles as any collector in America today, and to present the record of his work for "the Southern" would be to write "the Southern's" history.

But few of the recently admitted members of the S. P. A. are familiar with the history of our Association—its struggles and adversities—its trying period, when from a membership of nigh unto five hundred it sustained a blow that reduced it to a mere handful of less than one fifth of its strength.

When nearly all appeared to desert the ship—when the attempt at reconstruction seemed folly, we find Royal Bennett

Bradley rallying the remnant of the faithful around the old standard, and around this nucleus forming anew the Southern Philatelic Association.

Phoenix-like the Association arose from its ashes, and now, upon its fifth anniversary the members of "the Southern" have honored themselves by conferring this distinction upon their old pilot in the stormy days of the past.

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Let us all strive to assist him in attaining this end.

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In connection with this brief announcement we desire to call the attention of the advertisers to the fact that about eight or nine hundred new names will be added to our already large list, thus giving us the only journal in the Southern States, and one of the largest *paid up* lists of any journal extant.

For the present rates will not be advanced, and we urge dealers to close contracts now for the coming season, which promises to be a very brisk one.

#### The Convention.

THE Fifth Annual Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association at Richmond, Va., has passed into history.

The meet was a decided success, and though there were not as many delegates from other States as we anticipated, Virginia's collectors were there in a body.

A full report of the Convention will be found in this number.

WE regret to learn of Bro. Dodge's recent spell of ill health, which forced him to part with the *Tri-Monthly*—and we trust *The Collector*, his new paper, will be a success under his able management.

### The Gate is Ajar.

THE Richmond Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association has adopted and embodied in its Constitution a clause providing for the admittance of Southern State societies as branches of the S. P. A.

Southern collectors in localities where there are no societies should associate themselves and apply for admission in a body.

State societies should follow the example set by Virginia and Tennessee and come into the fold.

### Our Best Wishes.

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST extends its sincere congratulations to the newly-elected corps of officers of the Southern Philatelic Association, and trusts that the coming year will be even more successful than the past under their able management.

Long live "the Southern!"

Long live its officers.

### Mr. Stearns Honored.

MR. FRANKLIN STEARNS has just been highly honored by the appointment as Chief Warden for Virginia of the League of American Sportsmen.

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*Vive Stearns!*

R. B. B.

### 500 in 1900.

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST has set for itself the task of raising the membership of the Southern Philatelic Association to 500 members by the Convention in 1900. Will you help us?

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### The Dreyfus Court-Martial.



THE import of that scene depicted on the stamps for the French Colony of Obock has puzzled us for some time. Now, we have it: It's the sitting of the Dreyfus court-martial at Rennes.

### They'll Appreciate It.

IN THEIR intercourse with foreign correspondents stamp collectors should always use the uncommon values of their country's issue in franking their letters, and in doing so select only well-centered specimens. A little thoughtfulness along this line will always be appreciated at t'other end. Try and make it a rule for yourself.

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### The New Cubans On Sale.

THE NEW set of Cuban stamps, announced some time ago, has been placed on sale, and according to the old saying, is "selling like hot cakes."

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### List of U. S. Envelopes and Due Stamps Surcharged for Cuba.

*The Philatelic Monthly and World* prints the following list of United States envelopes surcharged for Cuba :

1c	green on white,	size 5.
1c	" " manila,	" 6.
2c	red " white,	" 1.
2c	" " or. buff,	" 2.
2c	green " "	" 5.
2c	red " blue,	" 5.
2c	" " amber,	" 5.
2c	" " or. buff,	" 7.
2c	" " white,	" 8.
2c	" " " "	" 10.
2c	" " blue,	" 13.
1c	brown " white,	" 7.
5c	blue " " "	" 5.
5c	" " " "	" 8.

The 1, 2, 5 and 10c Due stamps are also said to have been surcharged.

### A Suggestion.

FRANCE is to issue a new series of stamps. Why not let the present design remain, and merely substitute for the figures of Peace and Commerce those of Justice, weeping, and "Vengeance with an unsheathed sword"; both hands clasped as now upon the globe, and "Rennes" in bold letters where now the outlines of *le grande Republique* appear.

### Flooded.

MR. H. B. VESEY, of Norfolk, Va., desires us to state that he has ceased to deal in stamps. Answers to his old advertisements in *THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST* continue to flood him, and his time is too occupied to reply to them. His former patrons will please note.

### U. S. Stamps On Double Paper.

MR. H. F. COLMAN, of Washington, has discovered the 1 and 3c stamps of 1882, printed on double paper, having eight small holes arranged in a circle, punched out of the upper paper, which is very thin, and backed by a thick paper.—*Phil. Monthly and World*.

### "The Chicago Philatelist."

MESSRS. TRASK & MCKAY have issued the first number of *The Chicago Philatelist*, and a very creditable showing it makes. Both gentlemen are eminently fit for the task and we predict a first-class monthly. Success attend it.

### Do You Collect Postcards?

Do you collect postcards? Then you should join the Postal Card Society of America. It offers you every advantage of securing specimens and keeps you posted on all the new issues. Read our postal card pages.

### A Little Courtesy.

COMMON courtesy demands that we enclose a stamp for reply when addressing a query to a stranger. The same rule should apply when requesting a sample copy of a philatelic paper.

### Which Will It Be?

WHICH will it be—Transvaal stamps surcharged for use in Natal; or, British stamps surcharged for use in the South African Republic and Orange Free State?

### The Guams.

A SET of the surcharged stamps for Guam is said to have arrived in this country.

## The Postage and Newspaper Stamps of Parma and Piacenza.

BY LACUS VIRIDIS.

### II.

ISSUE OF JUNE 1st, 1852.



A1

Upright double lined rectangle (18x22½ mm.), the inner containing a double-lined circle with a *fluer-de-lys* on a horizontally lined ground, the circle surmounted by a large crown, the spandrels

filled with horizontally and vertically lined ground; between the lines of the rectangles: at the top STATI-PARM, at the bottom value (CENTES and figure), at each side a greek border, in the corners small St. Andrew's crosses; black typographic impression on colored (for the 10c white) wove paper, no watermark; imperforate.

- |    |    |           |                  |
|----|----|-----------|------------------|
| 1. | 5  | centesimi | black on yellow. |
| 2. | 10 | "         | " " white.       |
| 3. | 15 | "         | " " rose.        |
| 4. | 25 | "         | " " violet.      |
| 5. | 40 | "         | " " blue.        |

These stamps were designed and engraved by Donnino Pintelli and printed by the printing house of Rossi Ubaldi at Parma. The full sheet measures 19x33 cm. and contains 80 stamps arranged in four panels of four vertical and five horizontal rows each. I have not been able to ascertain the exact number issued; none of these stamps are rare.

ISSUE OF 1854.

Scott Same design as preceding issue.  
Type but colored typographic im-  
A 1. pression on white unwater-  
marked wove paper; imper-  
forate.

- |    |    |           |                |
|----|----|-----------|----------------|
| 6. | 5  | centesimi | yellow.        |
|    | a. |           | orange yellow. |
| 7. | 15 | centesimi | red.           |
|    | a. |           | pale red.      |
| 8. | 25 | centesimi | red-brown.     |

These stamps were printed by the same

house as before and from the same plates. All values occur in numerous shades hard to define; probably they were printed in small editions varying each time in the composition of the printing ink. Most impressions are very poor, sometimes mere blotches showing but little of the design.

There has been considerable dispute as to the priority of these two issues. The treaty before quoted requires five values, 5, 10, 15, 25 and 40 centesimi to correspond with the first Austrian issue; hence the issue given as second by me would not answer to this requirement. Yet the original notice of introduction also quoted before says nothing of the stamps being on colored paper, but merely says "yellow, black," etc., and moreover calls the 25c not *violet*, as included in the *first* issue above, but *red-brown*, as in the *second* issue. It is possible, as Major Evans assumes, that the issue in color on white was really the one first printed and was not issued at the time, the impressions in color being unsatisfactory, but that it was later issued because of a temporary lack of colored paper. The 25c black on violet at all events is known canceled as early as 1853 as well as the other values on colored paper—no doubt they may be found in 1852 also—whereas of the 25c red-brown no specimens are known canceled prior to 1855. Stocre, in an article in *Il Francobollo*, states that Nos. 6, 7, and 8 were issued a few days before the death of Duke Charles III, who was assassinated March 27, 1854, while Cresto in *La Nostra Legislazione sui Francobolli* says that they were issued early in the regency of Charles III's widow, the Duchess Maria Louisa. Neither gives documentary proof of his assertion; still it seems safe to assume that these three stamps appeared during the first half of 1854.

In 1857 the postal authorities seem to

have suspected that their stamps were being counterfeited, though I have found no notice of such forgeries being genuinely postally used at the time. The Duchess Maria Louisa of Artois and Bourbon (being regent for her minor son Duke Robert Charles Louis Maria) therefore authorized a new issue.

ISSUE OF 1857-1859.



A2

Upright rectangle (18x21½ mm.) divided into two parts by a horizontal line 3¼ mm. from the bottom; the upper part contains a fancy shield surmounted by a small crown and bearing the *fleur-de-llys* on a horizontally lined ground in an upright oval, the rest of the shield being white—on either side of the shield branches, at the left oak, at the right laurel—at the sides of the crown the inscription DUC. DI PARMA | PIAC. ECC.; the lower part of the rectangle contains the value, figure and CENT.; colored typographic impression on white unwatermarked wove paper (see below); imperforate.

9. 15 centesimi brick red.  
a. vermilion.
10. 25 centesimi brown.
11. 40 centesimi blue.

These stamps were evidently patterned after the first issue of Austria. Arrangement, etc., remains as before. Some specimens in my possession show a faintly *ribbed* paper that could almost be called *laid*. It is no doubt merely accidental.

This issue did not all appear at the same time. No. 10 appeared in July 1857, No. 11 in January 1858 and No. 9 in February 1859 (March, according to some authorities). No decree concerning this issue has been preserved, if any was issued; the only official information is found in a statement giving the number of stamps printed between 1855 and 1859. I quote it from M. Moens as follows:

1855—September 6, 15c, 72,000.

1855—September 26, 5c, 10,000.  
 “ 26, 10c, 20,000.  
 “ 26, 40c, 20,000.  
 1857—June 12, 40c, 216,000.  
 “ 20, 25c, 432,000.  
 1859—Feb’y 8, 15c, 64,800.

These last three items evidently represent the new issue. The older issues were not retired and specimens of all three issues are occasionally found on the same letter.

Of the 15c an error is known printed in the blue color of the 40c, but it is not definitely known whether the whole sheet was printed in the wrong color or whether a *cliche* of the 15c got into the plate of the 40c by mistake.

The year in which this set was finally completed, 1859, wrought great changes in the political map of Italy, and Parma too lay immediately in the center of activities to escape the march of events. When, in accordance with the alliance between France and Sardinia (or Piedmont) negotiated by Cavour the year before, French troops crossed the Alps to assist Victor Emanuel in liberating Italy from Austrian oppression, the thrones of the Austrian puppets ruling Modena, Parma and Tuscany began to totter; the battle of Magenta, June 4th, overthrew them. On June 9th the Duchess Regent Louisa issued a proclamation—rather an interesting document, but too long for reproduction here—announcing her intention of retiring to neutral soil with her son and recommended that the municipal council of Parma elect a commission to rule the duchies provisionally.

(To be Continued).

MR. ROBT. MAYER, of Grenada, Miss., has shown us two oddities of the new U. S. 2c envelope Die B. One a total albino, the other a half albino.

WE have seen the 10 centimes stamp of France in red.



**Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association, at Richmond, Va., September 21, 22 and 23, 1899.**

THE fifth annual convention of the Southern Philatelic Association was called to order at 8:30 p. m. on September 21, by Vice-President, August Dietz, in the lecture hall of the University College of Medicine, Richmond, Va. In the absence of the Secretary-Treasurer, the chair appointed John C. Weckert secretary *pro tem.* and Mark W. Peyser, president of the Virginia Philatelic Association, was then introduced, who, in a few well chosen words of welcome, invited the members to the Seven Hilled City of the Western World.

The secretary then called the roll, and the following members responded: H. E. Deats, Flemington, N. J.; August Dietz, Richmond, Va.; Maj. Jno. F. Mayer, Richmond, Va.; Roy B. Bradley, Hillsboro, Texas; W. S. Ahern, Richmond, Va.; W. R. Smith, Richmond, Va.; Thomas Christian, Richmond, Va.; Charles Waring, Knoxville, Tenn.; Geo. B. Sutton, Richmond, Va.; Robert J. Redford, Richmond, Va.; John Paalzow, Richmond, Va.; John J. Bunce, Richmond, Va.; H. C. Scott, Jr., Richmond, Va.; Franklin Stearns, Richmond, Va.; C. F. W. Moser, Richmond, Va.; and John C. Weckert, Richmond, Va.

The acting chairman, August Dietz, then appointed the following committees of three members each:

Credentials:—H. E. Deats, Jno. F. Mayer, John Paalzow.

Standing Rules:—Thomas Christian, Chas. Waring, R. J. Redford.

Finance:—Franklin Stearns, John J. Bunce, H. C. Scott, Jr.

Sales Department:—Charles Waring, John Paalzow, C. F. W. Moser.

Official Journal:—Roy B. Bradley, Geo. B. Sutton, John J. Bunce.

Constitution and By-Laws:—August Dietz, chairman ex-officio, Roy B. Bradley, H. E. Deats, Franklin Stearns, and John C. Weckert.

A recess of one-half hour was taken to give the Committee on Credentials time to retire and formulate their report.

The meeting was then called to order at 9:15, and the Committee on Credentials reported that they required an alphabetical roll of the membership in order to act intelligently. They were, upon motion, given until the next session in which to formulate their report. Mr. Paalzow kindly volunteered to prepare the roll in the manner requested by the Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Standing Rules then reported and recommended that the rules of the previous conventions be adopted for the guidance of this convention. The report of the committee was adopted.

Upon inquiry it was found that there was no report or address from the President. The report of the Secretary-Treasurer was then read, which showed a present paid-up membership of 166, a large increase over the last yearly report. The report was referred to the Finance Committee.

**Report of Walter C. Lowry, Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Philatelic Association, for the Past Year.**

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHERN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

FELLOW MEMBERS:—It was with many pleasant anticipations that I had looked forward to meeting you at our Fifth Annual Convention, but unforeseen occurrences prevent. However, my best wishes go with you, and I trust you will have an enjoyable time.

I now beg leave to submit the following report as the results of the past year, and the present condition of our Association financially and numerically:

MEMBERSHIP.

My books show a healthy increase in membership, and for the benefit of the members present I submit the following comparative figures between our present membership and that of our last annual convention:

Members at time of last yearly report.....	98
Members admitted during last term.....	45
Losses (expelled, suspended, dropped, etc.).....	18
Reinstated members.....	3

As compared with the above figures submitted to the last annual convention, I now submit the following figures as the best means of illustrating the growth during the past year:

Members at time of making this report.....	166
Admitted during this term.....	98
Losses (expelled, dropped, etc).....	30
Members reinstated.....	6

This report shows the Association to be in excellent shape, with an increase of 98 members during the present term, but unfortunately we have lost 30 members from various causes, leaving a present paid-up membership of 166, an increase of 68 members as compared with last year. It should be borne in mind that this report covers only a period of eleven months, as compared with my previous report; the convention being held a month earlier than last year. We have made an excellent showing—our members are all in good standing, and our numbers will compare favorably with any of the so-called larger societies. I think we are on the era of great prosperity for our grand Southern Philatelic Association, and I urge each of you to appoint yourself a committee of one to secure new members. Our aim is to report a paid up membership of at least 500 by the time we meet in convention next year—I hope in the Queen City of the Lone Star State—Waco, Texas. I will now give an account of our

STATE MEMBERSHIP.

Our membership is divided among the various States as follows: Our Lone State heads the list with

Texas .....	28
Virginia.....	23
Tennessee.....	16
Alabama.....	6
Louisiana.....	2
Mississippi.....	3
Georgia.....	3
Florida.....	1
North Carolina.....	5
South Carolina.....	0
Kentucky.....	2
Arkansas.....	1
Other States and foreign countries.....	73

I herewith attach a complete list of the present members for use of the Convention, the Committee on Credentials, etc.

FINANCES.

The following are the receipts from all sources during the past year.

Sept. 20. Balance on hand last yearly report	\$6.90
Dec. 15. Received during Sept., Oct and Dec.	1.31
Jan. 15. " " " January.....	2.20
Feb. 15. " " " February.....	12.95
Mar. 15. " " " March.....	7.05
May 15. " " " May and April.....	9.65
June 15. " " " June.....	2.45
Aug. 15. " " " August and July.....	1.75
Sept. 15. " " " September.....	4.58

Received during the past term.....\$18.87

EXPENDITURES.

Dec. 6. Ballots, proxies, etc.....	\$1.50
" 7. Virginia Phil. for December.....	1.11
" 15. Secretary's postage.....	1.27
Roy B. Bradley, L. S. S. P. for	
July, August and September.....	3.12
Jan. 1. Roy B. Bradley, L. S. S. P. for Oct.	1.19
" 10. Virginia Phil. for January.....	.98
Feb. 1. " " " February.....	1.10
Mar. 10. " " " March.....	1.17
" 18. Secretary's postage.....	2.58
Apr. 1. Virginia Phil. for April.....	1.25

June 10. " " " May.....	1.34
" 10. " " " June.....	1.45
Aug. 8. " " " July.....	1.25
" 8. " " " August.....	1.38
" 21. Secretary's postage.....	3.49
July 15. 2000 applications.....	3.50
Aug. 15. 500 R. C. Enamelled cards, 3	
colors (No. 7).....	3.50
Aug. 23. 200 ballots.....	1.25
" 21. 200 powers of attorney.....	.75
" 23. 200 convention calls.....	.75
" 21. 200 addressed envelopes.....	1.00

Total expenses during present term. \$31.91 34.93

\$13.91

I hereto attach all vouchers that I have with me at Hillsboro. I overlooked the remainder in packing up my affairs when removing to Hillsboro, and they are among my papers at Abilene. The accounts are all correct, however, and have been duly approved by the proper officials, and the list of expenditures published in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

SPECIAL PRIZE OFFERS.

In deciding the prize contest I have carefully noted and taken down the different applications received from the various sources, and I hereby declare that the following persons have won the prizes set forth opposite their names:

FIRST PRIZE.

\$10.00 in cash, Roy B. Bradley,.....12 members.

SECOND PRIZE.

A bound volume of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST—R. S. Nelson, 10 members.  
\$2.00 in cash (L. P. Head)

OTHER PRIZES.

One year's subscription to any two monthly philatelic papers.	} A. C. Trask,
Complete file of Perforator, March '97 to April '99.	
Copy of Janasch's Want List of United States stamps.	} W. A. McDonnell,

Trusting that you may have the most successful convention in our history, I remain,  
Yours for the S. P. A.,  
W. C. LOWRY, Sec-Treas.

The report of the Board of Trustees was then read as follows:

Report of Board of Trustees.

TO MEMBERS IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED. GREETING—As Board of Trustees of the Southern Philatelic Association we herewith present to you our annual report for your valued consideration. The various bills against the S. P. A. that have been submitted to us during the year have been examined, found correct and approved for payment. Our officers, we are pleased to report, have done their duty. They have been found to manage their respective offices well and we have no complaint to make against any of them, and our membership has steadily increased, and our Association is in a flourishing condition, financially and otherwise.

During the year the application of two parties, that of R. L. Deitrick and R. C. Bach have been objected to. The objections to these parties have been investigated and we have found that we could not admit Mr. Bach. We could not, however, approve the objection to Mr. Deitrick and we had to approve his actions in this matter and he has been admitted.

We now come to the actions of Mr. L. P. Head in regard to that circuit No. 60. This circuit, according to the statement of our efficient Sales

Superintendent, was delivered to L. P. Head by the postmaster at Fulton, Ky., on April 3rd, 1899. Mr. Waring wrote him several times to return said circuit and on May 11th he wrote Mr. Waring that he (Head) would return the said circuit on May 13th. As he did not do so Mr. Waring again wrote Mr. Head on May 25th and to date of turning the matter over to us (June 17th) Mr. Head had not returned the circuit. On June 20th, immediately upon receipt of Mr. Waring's letter, we wrote Mr. Head to return the circuit and make settlement (see annexed letter). Under date of July 1st Mr. Head wrote us that he had forwarded circuit and settlement for same to Mr. Waring and at the foot of his letter he stated that he would settle the fine clause to suit himself (see his letter). This was a very false statement as will be seen by Mr. Waring's letter. We wrote Mr. Waring asking him if this was true and were notified under date of July 15th that Head had not returned the circuit to date of July 15th (date of Mr. Waring's letter) but had enclosed \$1.00 in his letter on account of purchases and stated that he would send circuit on July 10th which he again failed to do. Finally under date of July 19th Mr. Waring wrote us that Head had returned the circuit, but had made no excuse or explanation for keeping this circuit 15 weeks and that he (Waring) had imposed a fine of \$8.50. As he (Head) had made so many false statements and showed no disposition to settle the fine business and had besides that written us that he would settle the fine clause to suit himself we could not do otherwise and had to suspend him from membership. Annexed you will find all letters in regard to this matter and we think that, if he does not settle, he ought to be expelled and besides that the false statements he has several times made, already warrant his expulsion. We hope that this matter will be fully investigated and that you will act according to your good judgment. This concludes our report. Regretting that we are prevented from being present and hoping that you will have a good time, we remain, Fraternally yours,

EMIL GERLICH,  
ROBERT KESSLER,

Board of Trustees S. P. A.

New Braunfels, Tex., Sept. 12, 1899.

Correspondence between the board and L. P. Head, relative to delay of circuit No. 60, was exhibited. Upon motion the matter was referred to a committee of three, appointed by the chairman, viz.: John C. Weckert, John J. Bunce and Franklin Stearns. The committee was instructed to report at the next session.

Several applications were found upon the table, and two of the applicants, Messrs. W. R. Lecky and Chas. P. Davis, being present, were by motion given a voice in the Convention.

Upon motion of Mr. Stearns, a vote of thanks was extended the Valentine Museum for its courtesy in giving a room for the Confederate stamp exhibition.

Maj. John F. Mayer then moved that a vote of thanks be extended the University College of Medicine for the use of their lecture hall. The motion was unanimously carried.

The Convention adjourned at 10:45 p. m. to meet again on Friday, Sept. 22, at 8:00 o'clock, p. m.

SECOND SESSION.

The second session was called to order at 8:10 p. m., Friday, Sept. 22, by Vice-President August Dietz. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The following report was then read and approved:

Report of Credential Committee.

Your Committee has canvassed the ballots, with the following result

FOR PRESIDENT.

Roy B. Bradley.....	13
H. Fenton.....	10
F. Stearns.....	30
	— 83

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

*August Dietz.....	17
R. B. Bradley.....	1
Oscar Jannasch.....	31
Kolt. Mayer.....	23
C. Bergholz.....	9
R. S. Russell.....	1
	— 83

FOR SECRETARY-TREASURER.

W. C. Lowry.....	72
L. P. Head.....	11
	— 83

FOR INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY.

D. E. Hazen.....	28
R. S. Nelson.....	35
W. A. McDonnell.....	16
	— 79

FOR SUPT. OF SALES.

Chas. Waring.....	67
H. A. Chapman.....	15
*F. Stearns.....	1
	— 83

FOR LIBRARIAN

C. P. Galvon.....	33
Henry Schott.....	19
	— 82

FOR COUNTERFEIT DETECTOR.

F. Noves.....	60
H. J. Deits.....	22
	— 82

FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Emil Gerlich.....	1
Robert Kessler.....	1
	— 77

FOR OFFICIAL JOURNAL.

VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.....	71
*Lone Star State Philatelist.....	9
	— 83

FOR CONVENTION SEAT.

Waco.....	73
Richmond.....	1
Washington.....	1
	75

BALLOTS REJECTED.

Rubber Stamp Signature.....	1
No Signature.....	5
Duplicate Ballot.....	1
	7

PROXIES HELD.

Roy B. Bradley.....	25
F. Stearns.....	11
H. Fenton.....	1
Aug. Dietz.....	8
Chas. Waring.....	1
H. Scholt.....	2
L. P. Head.....	1
J. C. Weckert.....	23
	72

The Committee is agreed that a better quality of paper should be used for proxies and ballots; also that the Secretary should furnish an alphabetical list of members, properly certified for the use of the Committee, as not one member in ten gives his number; also that the Secretary should furnish a tally sheet, like the one submitted herewith, in order that the Committee may get to work promptly.

The ballots should bear instructions as to method of voting, time of closing the polls, etc.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. E. DEATS,  
JNO. F. MAYER,  
JOHN PAALZOW

Vice-President Dietz then declared the persons receiving the highest number of votes elected to the various offices.

President Bradley was then escorted to the chair amid applause and cries of "Bradley," "Speech," etc. Mr. Bradley declined in a few remarks, stating that he had never made a speech in his life, and did not know how to begin now.

The Finance Committee next reported as follows:

TO THE SOUTHERN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION IN ITS FIFTH (5TH) ANNUAL CONVENTION ASSEMBLED, AT RICHMOND, VA., SEPTEMBER 21, 22 AND 23, 1899.

FELLOW MEMBERS:—We, the undersigned Committee appointed by our Vice-President to audit the accounts of Mr. W. C. Lowry, Secretary-Treasurer of our Association, hereby submit the following report, to wit: We find all the items in said account to be correct, but there is in said report an error of 10c in addition in the column of expenditures, reducing the balance now in the hands of our Secretary from \$11.01 to \$10.91, which latter balance is correct and chargeable to our said Secretary-Treasurer.

Respectfully yours for the prosperity of the S. P. A.  
FRANKLIN STEARNS,  
JNO. J. BUNCE,  
H. C. SCOTT, Jr.

The report was unanimously adopted.

The Superintendent of Sales then read his report, as follows:

SOUTHERN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION AT RICHMOND, VA., SEPT. 1899.

Annual Report of Sales Superintendent.  
KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, SEPT. 11, 1899.

No. of books in circulation Oct. 18, 1898,	
31 Value.....	\$ 183 00
Received since, 151, Value.....	2118 08
	Total, \$2302 08

No. of books retired 123 Value.....	\$1776 02
(Sales from above \$385 82)	
No. of books in circulation now, 61, Value 1126 06	
Insurance fund October 18, '98,.....	23 60
" " September 11, '99,.....	17 76

No books have been lost and those now out are getting around reasonably on time. There are only 31 members now receiving circuits, about 10 more who have dropped off for the summer, will probably resume in the fall. Stamps for sale are coming in slowly, due to summer vacations and waiting for new catalog.

I submit a special report in regard to member No. 151.

I wish to thank our president, trustees, sec'y, official journal and members in general for the cordial support given this department during the past year.

Yours for S. P. A.

CHARLES WARING, Sales Superintendent.

The report was referred to the proper committee, who reported all accounts correct.

Mr. Bunce then read the following report of the Official Journal Committee, as follows:

Report of Committee on Official Journal.

The undersigned, a committee of three appointed to report upon an official journal for the following year, beg leave to report that we recommend the re-adoption of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST as the official journal for the ensuing year, the rates of remuneration to be 15 cents per annum for each member, payable in quarterly payments. Respectfully submitted,

ROY B. BRADLEY,  
GEO. B. SUTTON,  
JNO. J. BUNCE.

The report was accepted by the Convention.

The Committee on Constitution and By-Laws reported a number of amendments, which were adopted or rejected section by section. The revised Constitution now reads as follows:

Constitution of the Southern Philatelic Association.

ARTICLE I. NAME.

Section 1.—This Association shall be known as the Southern Philatelic Association.

ARTICLE 2. OBJECTS.

Section 1.—The objects of this Association are to acquire knowledge of Philately; to cultivate a feeling of friendship among Philatelists, to sup-

press the sale of forgeries, and to assist members in adding to their collections by means of a Sales Department.

### ARTICLE 3. MEMBERSHIP.

Section 1.—Any philatelist of good character shall be eligible to membership in this Association and may become a member by filing with its Secretary an application in the form prescribed from time to time, signed by one member and two responsible persons acquainted with the applicant, one residing in his locality, accompanied by the sum of 10c for initiation fee and 25c for one year's dues. The names, addresses, ages, occupations and references of such applicants shall be published by the Secretary in the official journal and such applicants shall be published as members in the next succeeding issue of the official journal if no objection has been filed with the Secretary. Such applicants so declared members shall be entitled to all privileges and benefits and shall be subject to all rules and regulations of this Association and shall receive a card of membership which shall be sent to said such newly elected member by the Secretary after the election to membership of such member has been published in the official journal as above provided.

Members joining after June 1st of any year will be required to pay dues at the rate of three cents per month until the following January 1.

In case objection to any applicant shall be filed with the Secretary, the latter shall refer said such objection with the application to the Board of Trustees.

If any applicant shall be refused admission his dues shall be returned to him.

Section 2.—All charges of improper conduct shall be sent in writing to the Trustees, who, at their next meeting shall investigate the same, and then, in their judgement, may suspend or expel such members; their action shall be final and binding on all parties; should the Trustees deem it advisable, they may certify the case for the consideration of the next convention, giving due notice of the same in the official journal, and such convention shall have the same powers as the Trustees.

Section 3.—Members in good standing may tender their resignation to the Secretary; all resignations should be published in the official journal, and if no objections are received within 30 days they shall be accepted providing dues in full are paid, and so published in the official journal. If in doubt as to the advisability of accepting, he shall refer the matter to the Board of Trustees, who shall have full power to decide the case.

### ARTICLE 4. MEETINGS.

Section 1.—The Association shall meet once each year at such date and place as may have been selected by the last preceding convention. The President shall also cause a call for the meeting to be published in the official journal at least two months prior to the holding of such convention.

Section 2.—If, in the opinion of the President, it should be advisable at any time, or in case one-tenth of the members so request, the President shall call a special convention, at such time and place as shall be decided upon. Notice of same shall be given in the official journal at least two months prior to the date of meeting. A quorum of members at any convention shall consist of one-third of the members in good standing, represented in person or by proxy. No member of the Association shall be permitted to hold more than 25 proxies, or vote more than one-third of the votes present.

Section 3.—At any of the meetings of the Association, all questions of law and order shall be determined by reference to Roberts' Rules of Order.

Section 4.—The convention shall be called to order by the President, and each convention shall fix the order of its own business. The President shall appoint the following standing committees of three members each: Credentials, Standing Rules, Finance, Exchange Department, Official Journal, and a committee of five members, of which the President shall be ex-officio Chairman on Constitution and By-Laws.

### ARTICLE 5. OFFICERS.

Section 1.—The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Superintendent of Sales, International Secretary, Counterfeit Detector, Librarian and two Trustees who must be residents of the same city. The President shall be ex-officio chairman of the Board of Trustees and shall cast a deciding vote when the Trustees disagree.

### ARTICLE 6. DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Section 1.—The President shall preside at all meetings of the association, appoint all committees, sign all membership cards and warrants on the Treasurer for money required by the Association, as well as all contracts and other obligations entered into by the Association, and fill any vacancy in the Board of Trustees. Prior to each annual convention, he shall issue the call therefor as provided for in Article 1, Section 1, and shall appoint a Committee of Arrangements to provide suitable rooms and make other preparations for holding such meeting, 30 days before the 1st day of said next annual convention. The expenses incurred by such committee in the performance of their duties, to be defrayed from the treasury of the Association. The amount expended, however, shall be previously subjected to the Board of Trustees for approval. At each annual convention the President shall address the society on such matters of interest as he shall determine.

Section 2.—The Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President, in case of the death, resignation, expulsion or absence of the President.

Section 3.—The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a full record of all proceedings of the Association, conduct all correspondence, have the custody of and preserve all documents, keep a general financial account of the Association, and countersign all documents signed by the President; he shall receive all applications for membership, make publication thereof in the official journal, and notify applicants of their election; he shall notify delinquent members, receive all resignations and applications for re-instatement; he shall prepare and present to each annual convention a general report of the condition of the Association; he shall cause to be published in each issue of the official journal a list of all applications and resignations of members since his last published report. He shall also receive and take charge of all moneys and properties of the Association, and collect all moneys. All bills must be approved by the Board of Trustees, and countersigned by the President before payment will be made.

Section 4.—The International Secretary shall conduct all correspondence of the Association with foreign members and societies, and shall assist the Secretary-Treasurer whenever requested to do so.

Section 5.—The Sales Superintendent may make rules for the conduct of business in his department.

Section 6.—The Librarian shall hold in trust for the Association all books, papers, and publications donated to or purchased for the Association. He shall loan any work or paper to members on receipt of postage. He shall furnish a

detailed statement of the contents of library at each annual convention.

Section 7.—The Board of Trustees shall exercise general supervision over the affairs of the Association, and may make rules for the conduct of business in the several departments, not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-laws.

Section 8.—The Counterfeit Detector shall determine, as far as he can, the genuineness of all stamps sent in by members. All lots sent for determination shall be accompanied by return postage.

#### ARTICLE 7. ELECTIONS.

Section 1.—All elections of officers shall be conducted under the supervision of the Committee on Credentials, appointed by the President. The form of ballot to be used shall be approved by the Board of Trustees. It shall be signed by the member voting and enclosed in sealed envelopes, inscribed BALLOT, and directed to the Committee on Credentials. It may be sent to them in any manner desired. At such elections a plurality of the votes cast shall elect, and no vote shall be counted that shall not have been received before the closing of the polls; nor shall any member be permitted to vote in any other way but the prescribed form, or to change his vote after it has once been received by the Committee on Credentials.

Section 2.—At all elections taking place at the time of the annual conventions, the polls shall close one hour after the first session of such convention has been called to order, and at all special elections at such time as shall be named in the call for election.

Section 3.—The Sec'y-Treas. shall cause blank forms for the ballots, and paper envelopes for enclosing the same, to be mailed to each member entitled to vote, at least sixty days before the date fixed for closing the polls.

#### ARTICLE 8. PROPERTY.

Section 1.—All officers shall, at the expiration of their term of office, deliver to their successors all books, papers, moneys and other property in their possession belonging to the Association.

#### ARTICLE 9.

Section 1.—The official journal of the society shall be selected by the members at the annual convention in each year, and the rates of remuneration shall be fixed by the said convention.

#### ARTICLE 10.

Section 1.—Whenever five (5) or more members of the Southern Philatelic Association, resident in the same State or locality shall so desire, they shall be allowed by the Board of Trustees to form a Branch Society.

Section 2.—Such Branch shall be entitled to By-Laws and officers; provided such by-laws are not in conflict with those of this Association and, shall be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Section 3.—The Secretary of each Branch shall collect and remit the dues of each member thereof to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Philatelic Association.

#### ARTICLE 11. AMENDMENTS.

Section 1.—This Constitution can be altered or amended only by the consent of two-thirds of all the members present, or represented, at the convention. The votes shall be taken by ballot, under the direction of the Trustees, or in open convention.

The special committee appointed in the case of member No. 131 then made their report wherein they recommended

that he be given thirty days in which to pay the fine, or stand expelled.

The Secretary was authorized to have 300 copies of the Constitution and By-Laws printed.

As there is no provision for the election of official journal and annual convention seat by votes on the official ballot, upon motion THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST was unanimously selected as the official journal for the ensuing year.

President Bradley then addressed the members relative to the seat of the next convention and for satisfactory reasons no location was selected. Texas was unanimously selected for the convention, the time and place to be selected by the board of officers and the Texas members.

Upon motion the diploma for the best collection of Confederate stamps in the world was awarded to Mr. H. E. Deats, of Flemington, N. J.

A motion was made and carried thanking Messrs. H. E. Deats, C. E. Hussman, R. S. Nelson, and the various exhibitors for the magnificent collections of Confederate stamps and for the kindly loan of specimens of various issues for the exhibition.

President Bradley was authorized to communicate with the proper persons and secure representation for the society in the *Vertrauliches Korrespondenz-Blatt*, of Hanover, Germany. An appropriation was made for that purpose.

Mr. Deats then submitted the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, that the thanks of the Southern Philatelic Association are due and are hereby rendered to the members of the Virginia Philatelic Association for their entertainment of those present at the Fifth Annual Convention.

The convention then adjourned to meet at Murphy's Hotel, at 9:00 o'clock p. m. the next evening.

On Saturday evening the visitors were taken for a carriage drive to points of

interest in and around the city taking in Hoolywood, The Monuments, Libby Hill, Capitol, City Hall, etc., etc.

### THIRD SESSION.

The third and last session was called to order by President Bradley, at 9:00 o'clock p. m., September 23, at Murphy's Hotel. As there was no further business to come before the Convention, it was adjourned *sine die*, to meet in Texas next year.

The members then sat down to a sumptuous banquet tendered the members of the Southern Philatelic Association by the members of the Virginia Philatelic Association. The banquet was an informal one, interspersed with anecdotes and songs, which were enjoyed by every one. It was in the "wee small hours" of morn ere the members scattered to their homes, all feeling it was good to have been there.

The following was the menu :

Cove Oysters on Shell.	Queen Sherry.
Horse Radish.	Select Oysters, Fried and Escaloped.
	Celery. Olives. Almonds.
	Croquettes of Chicken.
Saratoga Chips.	French Peas.
	Sauernes.
Roman Punch.	
Roast Sora, with Celery.	Niersteiner.
Chicken and Tomato Salads.	Peach Ice Cream.
	Assorted Cakes.
Cheese and Crackers.	Coffee.

All of the members exerted themselves to make the stay of the visitors an enjoyable one, and many kind recollections will be ever cherished by the visitors.

### R. S. Nelson.

COLLECTORS of Confederate stamps should read Mr. R. S. Nelson's letter on inside front cover, and write him. We recommend Mr. Nelson to our readers as strictly reliable.

### A Grand Exhibit.

WITHOUT doubt the grandest and most complete exhibit of Confederate postage stamps ever gathered under one roof was that held in the Valentine Museum, Richmond, Va., under the auspices of the Virginia Philatelic Association, September 21, 22 and 23, 1899.

The only Confederate stamps not represented in the exhibit were the following: Baton Rouge, 10c, Grove Hill, 5c, Jetersville, 5c, Kingston, 5c, Marion, Va., 2c, 3c, 10, 15c and 20c, Victoria, Texas, 5c and 10c, Franklin, N. C., 5c, and Emory, Va., 5c. But, to make amends for these absent treasures, there were scores of stamped envelopes and a few adhesives not yet admitted to the catalogue, but recognized by advanced philatelists.

The Valentine Museum, one of the finest in the South, with its treasures in paintings, tapestry and sculptures, was an ideal building for the exhibition, and Richmond—well, it was the Capital of the Confederacy.

The object of the promoters of this exhibition was to present to all lovers of Confederate stamps an opportunity to study those rarities so seldom seen, and their success was beyond expectations. They feel deeply grateful to the exhibitors and especially to Messrs. H. E. Deats, R. S. Nelson and C. E. Hussman, who loaned their rarest locals for the instruction of less favored collectors. To the authorities of the Valentine Museum they are also greatly indebted and the uniform courtesy with which all wishes were anticipated will long linger in their memories.

Following is a partial list of the stamps exhibited and by it philatelists can judge the completeness of the collection, the grandest and first exclusively

Confederate philatelic exhibition the world has ever known :

Athens, Ga., pair, tête bêche, o. o. c., strip of four, showing two varieties, o. o. c. and several others o. o. c. showing shades.

Baton Rouge, 2c o. o. c., several copies of the two dies of the 5c showing varieties, among them the error in spelling McCermick, the latter used, but not on the o. c.

Beaumont, Texas, a fine copy on the o. c.; Charleston, S. C., in singles and pairs on the o. c. and the envelopes in every known color.

Columbia, S. C., envelopes in every known and several uncatalogued colors.

Two fine copies of the Danville, Va., adhesive, and the envelope in several colors. Several copies of the Fredericksburg 5c o. o. c., and a complete sheet of twenty unused, also a fine copy of the 10c red. Beautiful copies of the Goliad, Texas, 5c and 10c.

Two fine copies of the Greenville, Ala., o. o. c. and Knoxville, Tenn., in fifteen colors and shades, all o. o. c., also the envelopes in every known color.

Beautiful copies of the Lenoir, N. C., Livingston, Ala., and Lynchburg, Va., as they were delivered by the postmasters to their addressees.

Every denomination and variety of the Macon's on their original covers, including the rare 2 cent.

Of the Marion's there was only the 5 cent, but a most perfect copy it was.

Memphis, Tenn., in shades appeared and the envelope in various colors. The Milledgeville, Ga., was on hand and Mobile's galore, in pairs and singles, strips and shades. Not less than twenty-five copies of the 5 cent were on exhibition, and of the twos—a dozen.

Nashville, Tenn., was well represented by nine copies o. o. c.; a beautiful specimen of the 10c, used, and a strip of five

of the three cent, just as they came from the printer's hands.

New Orleans' were in evidence in every denomination, color and shade, including the rare yellows and reds.

Of the Petersburgs, there was a reconstructed sheet of ten varieties, all beautifully centered and canceled, besides numerous other copies o. o. c.

Pittsylvania C. H. was there, on and off the cover, and so was Pleasant Shade.

A beautiful copy of Rheatown was exhibited and varieties of Salem, N. C., also a beautiful specimen of Salem, Va., a new adhesive aspiring to philatelic recognition.

Two beautiful copies of the Spartanburg were seen, the bluish and the white paper. Unused copies of Tellico Plains, the 5c and the 10c, were there, and Tuscomb, Ala., well canceled. Uniontown, Ala., four copies, representing as many varieties and all on the original covers, completed the list of catalogued locals.

The general issues appeared complete, in singles and pairs, strips and blocks, on and off the originals covers. Outer lines with the line on one side, two sides, three and four, TENS in several shades. One frame contained twenty shades of the 1861 10 cent and another as many of the rose and carmine rose. Complete sheets of the 10 cents were shown, with all the plate numbers. Every denomination except the TEN and the "Outer line" was exhibited in complete sheets of 200 stamps or half sheets of 100 copies. Split twenties, twice-used covers and other novelties were in great abundance and hand-stamps received their share of attention.

Among the claimants for recognition were the Savannahs, Corinth, Ga., Greensborough, N. C., Dalton, Ga., Huntsvilles, Hamburgs, Atlantas, Albany, Ga., Abingdon, Va., Canton, Miss..



Christianburg, Va. Also Statesville, N. C., Unionville, N. C., Winchester, Va. and Selma, Ala., the latter now acknowledged authentic, when signed *Wm. H. Eagar*, Eutaw; Centerville and Tuscaloosa, the Alabama claimants, were also there and "Flags of truce" in varied arrangements. Two fine copies of the perforated 10 cent were sent from far Alabama and that State's Capital supplied the recent claimant, the Montgomery *T. Welsh* 5c., in both red and blue on envelopes of various colors.

Withal, this grand exhibit was one to be ever recalled and many a visitor left the glorious display with an aching heart and a mind stored with more philatelic information than he could have elsewhere obtained.

May the Texans secure as fine an exhibit at the next convention of the Southern Philatelic Association, that our brothers of the far West may not be behind us in information on the most interesting stamps in the world.

A VISITOR.

### A Big Deal.

MR. W. H. BOERS, of Detroit, Mich., sends us the following article, clipped from the *Detroit Evening News*:

Ten thousand dollars for four small bits of paper called postage stamps would seem to the average person a pretty big price to pay. But to a genuine philatelist, who counts no cost in pursuing his hobby, the price is not at all improbable.

During the past week John Kay, of the firm of Wright, Kay & Co., disposed of a group of four Hawaiian stamps for, it is said, not less than \$10,000, and probably nearer \$12,000. The fact of the sale became known during the convention of philatelists and created intense interest among the fraternity. When asked about it this morning Mr. Kay said:

"I am not at liberty to tell the name of the purchaser nor the price. It was a

private business transaction and not a living soul knows of it, beyond the purchaser, my wife and myself. I will tell you, however, that the 13c stamp is known throughout the philatelic world to be valued at \$3000. I originally bought the issue, which is composed of two thirteens, one five and one two, for \$2 and have had them for 18 years. They are of the year 1854 and only three sets are known to be in existence. I was surprised myself to know of their value, and, while I have never collected stamps for the money there might be in them, I felt I could not afford to keep the Hawaiian group at the figure offered me.

"Within the past few days I have secured a strip of three 1-cent stamps of 1860 unperforated, which are not so valuable as they are rare. Another called the "kicking" stamp, which takes its name from the picture of a donkey in the act of raising his hind legs, stamped across it. This peculiar discharge stamp was used by the postmaster of Portland, Oregon, in 1864. He was an ardent Confederate sympathizer and took this method of showing his disgust with the government. It did not take the authorities long to suppress this stamp, consequently it is now both curious and valuable. The acquisition of these stamps, in a measure helped to repay me for parting with my friends of Hawaii.

"Speaking of valuable stamps, you had a paragraph in your paper the other day regarding a \$4,400 stamp in the possession of W. G. Cassels, of New York. That bit of paper is really worth to-day \$7,700 and is probably the most valuable single stamp in existence."

It is understood among his philatelic friends that Mr. Kay's stamps were sold to an English collector through the stamp firm of Stanley Gibbons & Co., of London, Eng., and the large sum received will be invested in a Woodward Avenue home, for their former owner.

### Convention Snap Shots.

BROTHER WARING, of Knoxville, Tenn., is a whole Convention in himself, and the boys never tire of enjoying his original wit and trite sayings. He has found a warm spot in the heart of every Richmond "phil," and that tells it all. But many of his little gems deserve to go down to our posterity:

AT President Monroe's tomb, in beautiful Hollywood, Bro. Waring remarked, "and this, then, is the tomb of the great physician president," adding by way of explanation, that he had read so much of the "Monroe Doctoring."

BRO. WARING spells coffee thus: "Kaughphy." He doesn't care to use the same letters that "any old body" can use.

A RICHMOND member pointing out Chief Justice Marshall's residence added the information that he was the father of "Marital Law."

TURNING to Bro. Hiram E. Deats, of Flemington, N. J., Bro. Waring enquired; "Don't you ride a wheel, Mr. Deats?" Mr. D. replied in the affirmative, whereupon Bro. Waring remarked: "Well, I thought so, as my earliest recollection of Hiram is that he was King of Tyre."

BRO. WARING can turn a dozen somersaults with a lighted cigar in his mouth and without touching *terra firma* with his hat, and then wonder why we others stand "flabbergasted."

SOMEONE said Brother Deitrick of Lorraine, Va., missed his train after the banquet. He vows the topography of Richmond was transposed during the "wee hours."

WHO said Dietz sang the *Marseillaise*?

THE last seen of Bro. Stearns was when he was endeavoring to reconstruct a sheet of current 2c stamps after the Banquet.

AT THE Banquet Bro. Christian got as far as the 23th chapter in relating the history of the Livingston local—then his speech grew incoherent.

THEY do say that Bro. C. P. Davis mixed Sauterne and Niersteiner and put up a joke on Dietz.

PRESIDENT Bradley said, when called upon to speak, that he was "too full for utterance," and when last heard of was insisting on the S. P. A. appointing a Board of Arbitration for the Transvaal muddle.

"BILLY" AHERN says it's treason for a man to "turn in" before three o'clock a. m. during a Convention.

MR. H. C. RUEGER entertained the guests at the Banquet with some very fine singing, notably "Ben Bolt."

ONE OF the visitors was heard to remark that if any one had doubts as to the ability of Virginia Philatelists to entertain a convention they were quickly dispelled, as the local members did nothing by halves, and the entertainments were as near perfect as possible.

FOR a rollicking banquet-song, give us Brother Ahern.

WHO LOST Brother Redford after the Banquet?

BRO. ANDERSON says it was a "dra." between Dietz and himself as to amount of Niersteiner.

BRO. WECKERT most emphatically denies that *he* was.

SO does Bro. Bunce.



### New York Correspondence.

BY LENNOD.

THE initial number of the third volume of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST was a "thing of beauty and joy forever." Words of admiration were heard on all sides. THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST is well spoken of by the members of the local societies to which a copy of the V. P. is sent monthly. We northern folks wonder whether Messrs. Stearns and Dietz vote the Bryan ticket when we come to consider their "Ideal" wears a coat of silver.

Branch societies are all the go now, especially in the Empire State. Much encouragement was given this scheme at the second annual convention of the Empire State Philatelic Society.

Mr. Coleman of Brooklyn, who championed the cause of the branch "Societies" was, after a long debate appointed the superintendent of Branch Societies. Mr. Coleman after assuming office immediately appointed the following committees of one to organize branch societies in their own cities, or if the number of members is too small in one locality (like Balston Spa, for instance), the committee can organize a branch within a common center, say with a radius of three to five miles or more if necessary.

The committees so far appointed are as follows:—

Brooklyn, W. J. Coleman; New York City, A. Goldsmith; Syracuse, C. W. Brown.

Mr. Coleman issued a circular calling upon Brooklyn collectors to present themselves at the residence of Mr. Geo. J. Carter with the object of forming a

branch. His report will appear in the October issue of the official journal.

Another move in the right direction was the changing of the Sales Department to a pure and simple Exchange Department. I have received some of the Exchange books in this department and can say the class of stamps entered are of the first quality. Mr. Brown very kindly sent a blank book to each member, requesting them to fill same and return; he reports that his expectations were greatly exceeded in the number of books returned filled with stamps.

The Scott Stamp & Coin Co. promise the Catalogue for October 15. The advance sheets have now been issued complete. Dealers report a big demand for the Catalogues; album trade is also brisk, —many of the younger collectors buying a \$2.50 book in preference to the \$1.50 with the board covers. This illustrates that philately among the younger element is on a decided strong foundation, and it will take more than an earthquake to tremble this stability.

While conversing with a teacher of a boys' and girls' high school he stated that the scholars who were stamp collectors were generally the brightest and the most studious. He stated that they learn geography, history, the difference in the valuation of moneys the world over. Countries that belong to England, Germany, etc., the chief cities (through post marks) and the important events that have gone to make each country's history. This is an excellent commendation from a gentleman who we all believed to be a terror to the youngsters.

### Our Boston Letter.

BY BEAN-EATER.

THE LATE arrivals in the stamp line at the Hub are as follows: The new Netherlands set, which ought to be exceed-

ingly popular as they are indeed beauties. The 2½d, 6d, 8d and 2sh stamps of New Zealand, the local printing. These are on unwatermarked paper of an entirely different texture from that used by the London firm, in turning out these stamps; they are perforated (poorly) 11. The new Cubans have also arrived and make a very pretty set, they were received in excellent condition, and run evenly centered, as a rule. The watermark is "U. S. C." a letter on each stamp on the same principle as our current issue. The 10c comes in brown, the color of the U. S. 10c, instead of slate, as was first announced.

The Special Delivery is a very fine example of the engraver's art, but unfortunately the color of ink chosen to print the stamp in (orange) has the tendency to give it an insignificant look. The envelopes seem to meet with words of praise on every side, but speaking from a personal point of view, I am disappointed with them. Seems to me as if a finer executed engraving could have been produced, however they are here and as I do not wish to gain the notoriety of a "kicker," I remain "mum." The watermark on the envelope is "U. S. P. O. D., '99." This will doubtless mean that a different watermarked paper will be used in the next printing. "Secure a copy of the first printing now" will be in order from now on. I have also seen the new Guam stamps 1, 2, and 5c. They were, however, on a letter and postally used. The unused ones have not been received as yet.

Messrs. B. L. Drew & Co. announce their first fall auction sale, which will come off on Wednesday evening, September 27, '99, at the old stand, Elks' Hall, 24 Hayward Place, Boston. The catalogue of the sale gives 556 items, and it promises to be a sale of note. The foreign stamps are the property of D. W. Osgood, of Pueblo, Colo.

The advance sheets of the new catalogue have been received through the S.'s.

Recent visitors to the stamp shops have been: Chas. E. Hussman of St. Louis; W. H. Chase, Wolfville, N. S.; E. D. Dorchester, Velasco, Texas, and W. A. Washburn, of Greenfield, Mass. Mr. F. J. Laurie, of Worcester, back from his recent trip aboard, was also a recent visitor to the Hub.

The Boston Philatelic Society resumes its regular meetings for the coming season on Tuesday evening, September 19, at 7:30 o'clock.

The U. S. stamps surcharged for the Philippines recently reached here in a very dilapidated state, all "stuck on themselves" and miserably off center. A perfect set, well centered and with original gum is rather a scarce article.

Out of one lot of one thousand sets, not one was perfect.

### Joins The Art Museum.

DETROIT PHILATELIC SOCIETY WILL  
MAKE STAMP COLLECTION FOR CITY.

DIRECTOR GRIFFITH, of the Art Museum, and Deputy Controller Howard C. Beck, representing the Detroit Philatelic Society, agreed yesterday that the society should hereafter hold its meetings in the museum free of rent. It will become a branch of the museum.

"In consideration of this privilege," said Mr. Beck, "the stamp collectors will make a permanent collection of stamps and present it to the museum. The society has a revenue of \$75 a year which can be used for that purpose, and each member will donate stamps. It will be a modest exhibit at first, but it will grow."—*Detroit Evening News*.

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**Secretary's Report.**

**Applications.**

James H. Fountain, 1027 Overton-st., Los Angeles, Cal. Age 45, Brookkeeper. Refs. J. E. Zahn, H. A. Croghan.

**New Members.**

112 H. H. Barrett, 119 W. 96th-st., N. Y. City.  
 113 Franklin Stearns, P. O. Box 6, Richmond, Va.

**Renewal List No. 2.**

2, 25, 37, 49, 65, 77, 88, 90, 110, 131, 142, 143.  
 \*This member has remitted \$1.50 to pay his dues to March 1st, 1901.

**Collections.**

I have collected for dues since my last report \$13.00. Of this amount I have remitted to the Treasurer \$11.00, the remaining \$2.00 having been received since I made my remittance to Mr. Morse.

I received several replies to the letters I sent out with the membership cards asking members to try to get us at least one new member before the close of the year, several members promising to put forth some effort, but the most enthusiastic letter I received from our worthy Vice-President, Mr. Croghan. He enclosed an application and said in his letter, "J. E. Zahn gets all credit for this member; mine will come a little later. I will add at least one new member to the society if it takes a leg." If other members would put half this much will in their efforts our Society would double its membership in a very little while. Let each member try to get us a new application, to do a little missionary work for the

Society means that you have blood in your body and that your veins are not full of ice water.

It is urged that members remit their dues for 1899 promptly. Bills have been sent to every member who has not already remitted, but there are still a dozen or more who have not yet been heard from on this subject. Only one more chance to settle before the list of "Dropped for non-payment of dues" will be prepared. Better take warning, as Article VIII of the Constitution says, "Any member in arrears for over three months shall be notified of the fact by the Secretary and requested to pay. If not paid within a month after such notification his name shall be stricken from the roll and the fact published in the next report."

**To Non-Members.**

The Postal Card Society of America is an International body of Card Collectors, organized in 1891, purely with an aim toward mutual helpfulness and profit. We want your companionship. Send for information, application blanks, etc., and see what privileges and benefits the Society offers, and you will want to be one of us.

The annual dues (\$1.00) are many times outweighed by the benefits offered to our members through the Purchasing and Exchange Departments alone. Respectfully submitted,

T. H. GAFFORD, Secretary.  
 Church Hill, Md., Sept. 13th, 1899.

**Treasurer's Report.**

On hand last report .....	\$61.90
Received from A. Lohmeyer collection account Exchange Dept. ....	2.37
Rec'd from T. H. Gafford, Sec. dues .....	11.00
	<u>13.37</u>
	78.27
Paid for 500 application blanks .....	1.32
Balance on hand .....	<u>73.95</u>

J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.  
 Boston, Mass., Sept. 9, 1899.

**Purchasing Department.**

For rules and regulations apply to Purchasing Agent.)

I have no renewals to report since last month. Distribution No. 10 was made August 24, and consisted of the following new issues: Argentine, Memorandum Postal 5c, Honduras, Locomotive type 2c and 3c, Japan 1 1/2 sen, Mexico, London formulas 1, 1x1c 2c, 2x2c, and Letter Card 2c, Portugal 10 reis green on pale blue.

I have also received all the new Postal Cards and the Letter Card of Argentine and Roumania, but not in sufficient quantities to include them in above distribution.

The new cards of Holland have also come to hand. ADOLPH LOHMEYER Purchasing Agt.  
 Baltimore, Md., Sept. 12, 1899.

**New Issues.**

BY ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—*S. G. Monthly* has received the new Postal Union Card, printed in carmine, which was chronicled about a year ago, but, as my correspondent informed me at the time, would not be placed on sale until the old stock had been disposed of.

The card bears the oval stamp of the 1882 Inland Card (P. C. 2) but has the Postal Union inscriptions.

P. C. 1p carmine on cream.

JAPAN.—My Tokio correspondent sends me the following data giving the exact time of issue of the recent inland cards:

1 sen brown, December 1, 1898.  
 1x1 sen " January 1, 1899.  
 1½ " blue, May 25, 1899.

Postal Card rate advanced to 1½ sen on April, since which date the 1 sen cards were used with an additional 5 rin adhesive until the new value was placed on sale.

MAURITIUS.—I clip the following from *S. G. Monthly*. "*Le C. de T. P.*" tells us that the 8c card of 1897 has been converted into a 6c card by means of a surcharge in black.

P. C. 6c on 8c carmine and black.

NETHERLANDS.—I have received the new Postal Cards which were placed on sale August 15. My correspondent, Mr. Haighton, informs me that the Reply Cards will not be sold to the public for some time, there being quite a large stock of the former issue on hand.

I therefore chronicle the single cards only, for the present.



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P. C. 2½c dark green on greenish, 90x140.  
 5c carmine on rose, 90x140.

ROUMANIA.—My Bucharest correspondent has sent me one of the current Inland Card, 5b emerald green, with inscription "CARTA POSALTA" instead of "CARTA POSTALA."

He does not know whether it is an accidental or intentional error but will endeavor to ascertain the facts.

ZANZIBAR.—"I. B. J." chronicles an entire new Postal issue, the stamp bearing the portrait of Sultan Hamoud.

Among this issue are the following Postal Cards of same design as the 1897 issue, except the portrait.

P. C. ½ anna, yellow green, 75x120  
 ½x½ anna, " T3, "  
 1 anna, carmine, 90x110.  
 1x1 " " T3 "

**No More Surcharged Porto Ricans.**

NO MORE surcharged stamps for Porto Rico, is the most startling news of the week. It has not been possible to ascertain the exact cause for this change of affairs, however, Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden has issued an order stating that hereafter all rates of postage prevailing in this country shall be the same in Porto Rico, including second class matter. At the same time he announces that U. S. stamps without over-print will be recognized in Porto Rico, which virtually means that as soon as the present supply has been used up, all future orders will be filled with regular U. S. stamps.—J. M. BARTELS in *Metropolitan*.

WE have received from Messrs. B. L. Drew & Co., catalogue of their 40th auction sale of U. S. and foreign stamps, proofs and essays, to come off on October 25, Elk's Hall, Boston, Mass.

*The Allegheny Philatelist* has absorbed *The Tri-Monthly Collector* — "Office Cat" and all.

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## Secretary's Report.

## NEW MEMBERS.

201 Knight, Mrs. D. T., Alice, N. C.  
 202 Luff, John N., 18 E. 23rd-st., New York City.  
 203 Brinkmann, Alex. Comfort, Kendall Co., Tex.  
 204 Phillipowski, Jake, Marlborough-ave., Waco, Texas.  
 205 Eddy, F. H., Waco, Texas.  
 206 Hutchison, Ben F., Hillsboro, Texas.  
 207 Young, R. H., Abilene, Texas.  
 208 Hemphill, Ewing, Abilene, Texas.  
 209 Johnston, R. E., Abilene, Texas.  
 210 Long, James L., Hopkinsville, Ky.  
 211 Herbst, A., 106 E. 11th-st., New York City.  
 212 Hooper, Willard M., 300 Thomas-st., Hillsboro, Texas.

## APPLICATIONS.

\*Giddings, F. H., Ruthven, Iowa. Age 47, Grocer, Refs., P. A. Peterson, H. A. Bryan, W. C. Lowry.  
 McDowell, W. H., Irvona, Pa. Age 17, Clerk in P. O. Refs., R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak, W. C. Lowry.  
 \*Dill, J. M., Jr., East Lake, Ala. Age 18, Student, Refs., R. S. Nelson, Wm. Witt, W. C. Lowry.  
 \*Ellis, Geo. L., 502 Saxon-st., Waterloo, Iowa. Refs., F. Stearns, J. A. Cook, A. E. Weld.  
 \*Pierce, Wm. S. F., 331 Benson-st., Camden, N. J. Wholesale Lumber Dealer. Refs., F. Stearns, A. Dietz, W. C. Lowry.  
 Parker, Aubin Kates, 620 N. 10th-st., Richmond, Va. Age 14, Student. Refs., F. Stearns, A. Dietz, J. F. Mayer.  
 \*Beckhelm, Wm. E., 59 East-ave., Kankakee, Ill. Age 18, Stamp Dealer. Refs., F. Stearns, Shirley Moisant, Cecil Rawson.  
 Davis, Chas. P., 504 Reservoir-st., Richmond, Va. Age 36, Electrotyper. Refs., F. Stearns, A. Dietz, R. B. Bradley.  
 Lecky, W. R., 100 S. Belvidere-st., Richmond, Va. Age 21, Printer. Refs., F. Stearns, A. Dietz, H. Schott.  
 \*Kelly, Wm. P., 3221 Peery-ave., Kansas City, Mo. Age 21, Clerk. Refs., F. Stearns, M. O. Canfield (P. O. Dept.), Frank Bescher, (A. P. A. 2781).  
 \*S. E. Moisant, 216 Greenwood-ave., Kankakee, Ill. Age 16, Stamp Dealer and Stenographer. Refs., F. Stearns, R. L. Doak, C. C. Chapman, Jr., Mrs. J. B. Moisant.

## CHANGES IN ADDRESS.

S. P. Lev from Harriman, Tenn., to Box 117, Station "C," Cleveland, O.  
 Capt. Thos. H. Harris from Sagua La Grande, Cuba, to Ft. Thomas, Ky.  
 R. B. Bradley, from Hillsboro, Texas, to P. O. Box 6, Richmond, Va.

## CORRECTION IN NAME.

184 C. P. Orr instead of C. P. Ott, Birmingham, Ala. Respectfully, W. C. Lowry, Sec.-Treas.

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Association meets on the 10th of every month, at 8 o'clock p. m., at E. N. Eleventh St., Richmond, Virginia.

RICHMOND, VA., Sept. 11, 1899.

To the Members of the V. P. A.:

The twenty-sixth regular meeting of our association was held on the above date, Dr. Peyser, our newly elected president, presiding. It was the best attended meeting on record.

Application of Mr. Wm. H. F. Pierce was read and on motion the rules were suspended and Mr. Pierce unanimously elected to membership.

Hereupon the floor was successively taken by Messrs. Stearns, Mayer, Weckert, Scott, Moser and Dietz for brief talks in regard to the convention. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed and additional donations to the entertainment fund were made.

The presiding officer then appointed the following gentlemen on Arrangement Committee from the Virginia Association to co-operate with the Committee of the S. P. A. previously appointed by the president of that body: Messrs. Weckert, Christian, Stearns and Dietz. It was deemed advisable to have a called meeting on Monday September 18th to complete final arrangements. The Committee was ordered upon that night to present a full report of arrangements completed as well as a prepared programme for the meet. There being no further business the meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted,

ROBT. J. REDFORD, Secretary.

It is just probable that one or two of the red spots on the African portion of that Canadian "Vaster Empire" stamp will be erased when old "Oom Paul's" burghers finish the job they have on hand.

MR. JOEL H. DUBOSE, of Huguenot, Ga., exhibited the Milledgeville, Ga., and Atlanta, Ga., hand stamped C. S. A. provisional envelopes at the S. P. A. Convention.



BY JOHN PAALZOW.

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The following papers were received:

	VOL.	NO.
Allegheny Philatelist, Allegheny, Pa.	5	3.
California Philatelist, San Francisco, Cal.		
Chicago Philatelist, Chicago, Ill.	1.	1.
Herald Exchange, New York, N. Y.	7.	1.
Illinois Philatelist, Kankakee, Ill.	1.	1.
Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, St. Louis, Missouri,	13.	35-38.
New York Philatelist, New York	6.	6.
Perforator, Reading, Pa.,	15.	3-4.
Philatelic Bulletin, Salem, Mass.	22.	12.
Philatelic West and Camera News, Superior, Nebraska,	10.	2.
Rival Philatelist, Dubuque, Iowa.	1.	2.
FROM CANADA.		
Philatelic Advocate, Berlin, Ont.	7.	3.
Montreal Philatelist, Montreal, Can.	2.	23.
FROM ABROAD		
Stamps, Rushden, Eng.	3.	8.

In *The Allegheny Philatelist* for August we find a portrait and biography of Mr. A. L. Wissmann of St. Louis, and also a bit of philatelic fiction written by him viz: "A Lesson From the Postage Stamp." New Issues are as usual complete, but happily there are only enough new issues to be recorded to fill 5 pages. Phil. A. Telist in his article "Common Sense Triumphant" speaks of the prices in the forthcoming catalogue *will be on a net basis*. We hope it may be so, but doubt very much if there will not still remain with us discounts, perhaps not as high as formerly but still discounts all the same. Mr. Chapman has "From the Pointed Quill," in which he exposes one fraud and also speaks about some errors which will happen in Philatelic magazines as in other publications. The *A. P.* has purchased the *Tri-Monthly* from

Mr. Dodge and will fill the unexpired subscriptions of that paper.

*The California Philatelist* is a combination of magazine and price list issued by Mr. E. F. Gambs of San Francisco, which is sent free on application and is well worth the money spent sending a request for it. There are many bargains offered.

Volume one, Number one of *The Chicago Philatelist* is before us and presents a very fair appearance for a first number. It presents the youthful picture of the young man who will fill the position of Canadian editor of the *C. P.* and we can only hope that there will be more "stamp lore" in the department to be conducted by him, than there is in his own paper "*Energy*." Mr. Cass is on the war-path against reprints, and well he may be, for of all the snares and delusions the reprint is the chief. Mr. G. A. Camp furnishes Washington Notes and Mr. Chapman has "Perforations." In them he asserts that *Stampie America* does not emanate from Tennessee but does not add that "The land of steady habits" is in all probability its home. Editorials, Notes from the Hub and from the North-West and a review conducted by Mr. Chapman in his happy style fill the balance of the number. We wish the *C. P.* success.

*The Herald Exchange* continues its good work exposing swindlers and frauds of which there seem to be quite a number preying upon the devotees of philately. It has Notes from Chicago, and Canada and gives a picture of Mr. Wm. B. Hale, the stamp drummer. Mr. Chapman contributes some startling addresses and speaks of the ingenuity of the postoffice officials in deciphering them.

From Kankakee, Ill. comes the first number of the *Illinois Philatelist* pub-



lished by Shirley E. Moisant. The contents are quite interesting only it might have looked a good deal better on white than on the common newspaper it is printed on which with a little handling, wears through. Long life and prosperity to this new candidate for philatelic support.

*The New York Philatelist* gives a full account of the second annual convention of the Empire State Philatelic Society. Mr. Chapman has "Some Minor Varieties of the Envelopes of 1899," and tells of one with red circles around the eye of the immortal G. W., of another with the mouth red, another in which G. W. was not satisfied with one mouth but had another one cut close to the top of his upper lip. Brother we will have to pull the Episcopal Prayer-book on you and read from it the response to the litany. Let us hope that there are not many who carry the "minor variety fad" quite that far.

Two numbers of the *Perforator* are on our table August and September. The former has a picture of S. H. Barnes of Marceline, Mo., and of Isaac J. Cohen of Tangier, Morocco. The "Gossip" has "From Woman's Standpoint" and we hope she will be able to capture the strip of three ninety cents blue stamps, but fear that she will not be more fortunate than we have been on similar occasions. Generally when those things disappear it is for good and all. The September number has a picture of Harry C. Weber of Reading, Pa., who from his biography does not lay claim to philatelic honors, but is the manager of the largest badge manufactory in the world. A new review department is conducted by C. T. Reno, which in addition to an article on "Collecting Revenues and Other Matters" is all the reading matter of the magazine. We miss Miss Swift's usual article and hope she has not given up *The Perforator*.

*The Philatelic Bulletin and Eastern Philatelist* continues its description of the stamps of Schleswig-Holstein giving in its second installment a description of the stamp issued for Holstein on March 1st, 1864. The editor advocates the "Cash with copy" plan and we can only say, let the good work go on, and may the day soon be here when subscriptions and copy shall always be accompanied by the cash. Canadian Cancellations are R. R. R's theme. Denver and Old Dominion Notes and Miss Swift's interesting review closes the number.

*The Philatelic West and Camera News* has a list of the Revenue Stamps of Mexico which will be continued. A list of some of the varieties of Queensland stamps are given. Notes from Kansas seem to indicate that stamp collecting is growing in that State. A brief general history of stamps gives among other information the dates at which different countries first issued stamps. The "Fraud List" contains quite a number of names. There are notes from Hastings, Neb., and Argentine Republic. Then the September conventions are mentioned but we see the 5th S. P. A. is not among the list. Editorials and comments close the philatelic part of the magazine.

Number two of the *Rival* has come to hand, this time from Dubuque, Iowa, so evidently it must be published "on the wing." The cover design this month is *not* made by A. Rietz, and it announces like a certain brand of cigars that it is "not in the trust" which latter by the way seems to be "busted." We return thanks for the advice given in the "Inquiry Department" and have done the very thing advised and think we succeeded this time beyond a shadow of doubt, but we shall await further developments before saying anything more on the subject. The review while brief

is good, only it seems a doubtful compliment to say of a paper "It does not seem like the same old paper" unless it has added to it, that it is *better* than of yore.

*The Philatelic Advocate* reprints from *Happy Days* some curious facts concerning the number of stamps printed by the U. S. Government during 1898. It gives the total number as 3,500,000,000 and adds that if piled up in sheets of 100, they would make a stack over one fifth of a mile high. "Odd Collections" by Zura enumerates some of the different ways in which people collect stamps. Canadian Items, Editorials and society reports fill up the remainder.

*Stamps*, of Rushden, (England) continues the Post and Letter Cards of the British Empire giving in its present number Canada. The "Stamps of Western Australia" is continued and goes as far as the 1860 issue of that country. *Stamps Junior* gives the usual "Helping Hints" giving advice regarding the disposition of common stamps, tells which stamps cannot be "washed," about home made hinges, and the proper use of hinges. The Harry Hilckes & Co.'s matter is given a good deal of space and we hope that this will end the affair now. Society reports close the number.

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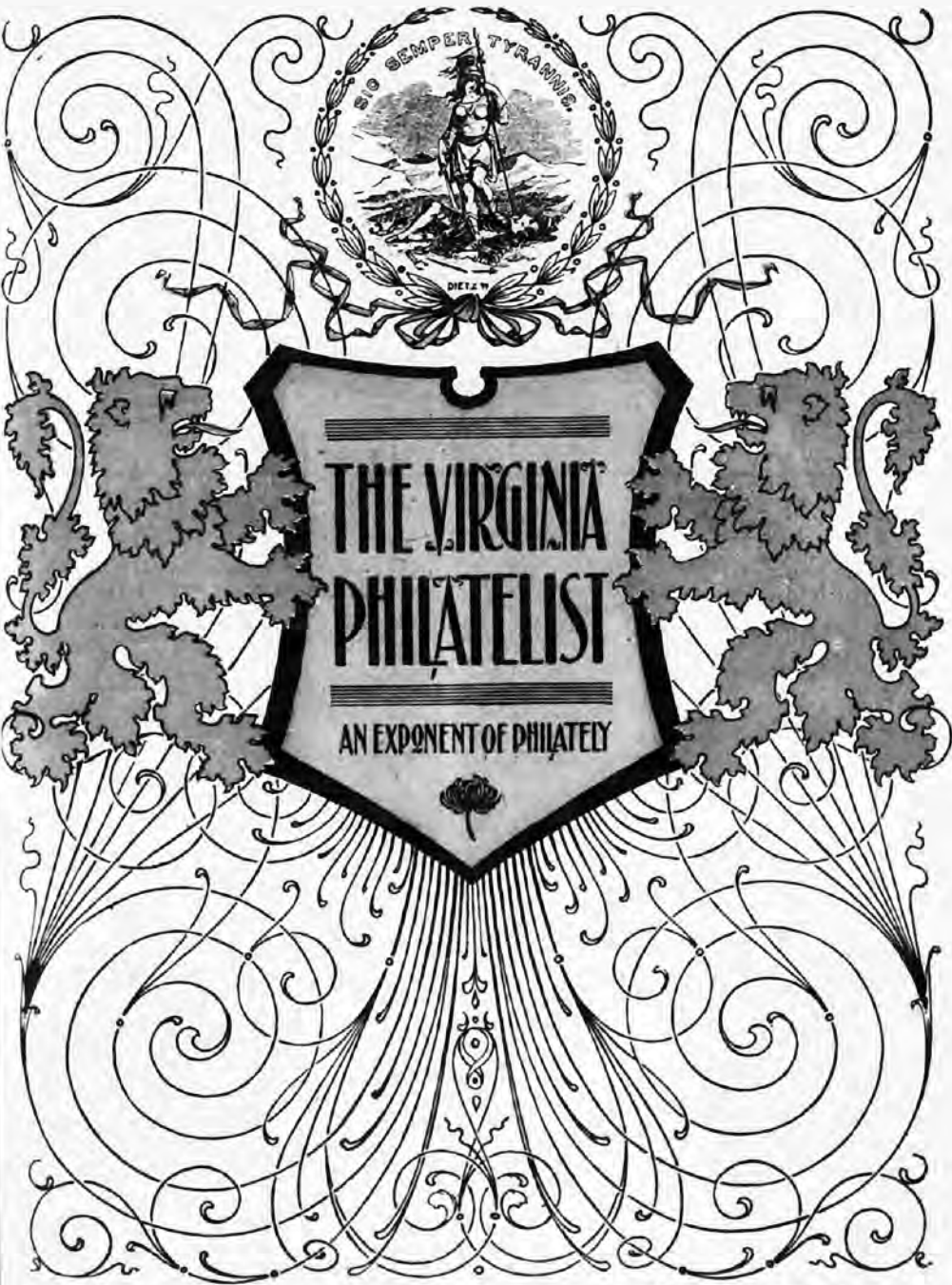
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Sheet of \$1, \$1, \$1, \$1 .....	25
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Sheets 100, 100, 50, 50.....	\$ 25
" 10, 10, 20, 20.....	25
" 4, 4, 4, 4.....	25
" 5, 5, 5, 5.....	25
" 20, 20, 20, 50.....	25
" 10, 20, 50, 100.....	25
" 1, 1, 1, 2.....	25
35 all different notes.....	1 00
20 all different.....	50

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## OSCAR JANNASCH.

**A**MONG the officers and members of the Southern Philatelic Association it would be hard to find a more popular officer and member than my friend Jannasch, who, (unknown to himself,) is my "subject" for this month.

Oscar Jannasch is a native of the Fatherland, I believe, but has been raised from early youth in the Lone Star State, which claims him for a favorite son.

His collecting career extends over a number of years—since 1884—if I remember correctly. He is one of the old school *stamp* collectors, who collect stamps for the pleasure they afford him—would that there were more like him—just a "stamp collector". His collection numbers several thousand varieties, but his especial attention is centered upon the private match and medicine stamps of the United States, of which he is the proud possessor of a magnificent collection of fine specimens. Many rare and unlisted stamps adorn its pages, and he is a "reference book" upon these popular emissions.

By profession, he is a druggist, but at present he is traveling for the well-known drug firm of Sharp & Dolme, the wholesale druggists. Mr. Jannasch conducted a stamp business for a number of years, but finally gave it up for lack of time.

There is no more popular stamp man in the State of Texas than Oscar Jannasch, and a State convention of stamp collectors would be incomplete without him. He has held a number of offices in various philatelic associations, and is at present Vice-President of both the Southern and Texas Philatelic Associations. He is an able contributor to the philatelic press, and his articles are frequently reproduced in our leading journals at home and abroad.



OSCAR JANNASCH,  
Vice-President  
Southern Phil. Association

Mr. Jannasch is well known all over the State. He is very popular with the members of two other T. P. A.'s also: The Texas Pharmaceutical Association and Travelers Protective Association. He is also a K. of P. as well as a member of other societies, and he is one of the best men that ever licked a stamp hinge.

The choice of Oscar Jannasch for the Vice-Presidency of the Southern Philatelic Association was a most happy one, for few are so eminently fitted for the position as he, and few will work harder or more faithful for its growth and success.

The above picture of Bro. Jannasch was taken from a small group photograph of the Texas Philatelic Association Convention last year, and the figure 5 on the lapel of the coat does not refer to a cell number at all.

Visitors at the S. P. A. convention next fall will have the pleasure of meeting him.

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**A Word of Greeting.**

AS WILL be noticed in the editorial columns of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST for October, I have located in Richmond and consolidated my journal, the *Lone Star State Philatelist*, with this publication.

While the brief announcement made public all necessary information, it is only fitting in entering upon my new duties as one of the VIRGINIA'S editors, that I return my heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends who so ably assisted me in making the *Lone Star* the success that it was. One hundred and twelve numbers were issued—seven volumes, representing a period of over six years, during which the journal was placed in the front ranks of American philatelic journalism.

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST will be conducted on the same lines that have proven so popular in the past. New departments will be added from time to time, and various improvements made as the patronage increases.

The business will be conducted as formerly under the firm name of The Virginia Philatelic Publishing Company. My friend Stearns will continue as business manager, Mr. Paalow will conduct the Reviews, and Dietz and your humble servant will edit THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST alternately.

Trusting for a cordial reception from the philatelic press, and also the many readers of this journal, I remain.

Yours respectfully,

ROY B. BRADLEY.

**A Collectors' Club for Richmond.**

It is with pleasure that we note steps are being taken for the formation of a Collectors' Club for Richmond, modeled after the well-known Collectors' Club of New York City. Shortly after this notice is read a meeting of Richmond collectors will have been held, and measures taken for the organization of the proposed club. There is little doubt but that the organization will be perfected, as the benefits are many, and the advantages not to be overlooked.

### The 1899 Catalogue.

WE have before us for review the 59th edition of the "Standard Stamp Catalogue," issued by the Scott Stamp and Coin Co. The work is very similar to its predecessors, and comes in beautiful crimson colored covers. One innovation which we regard as a wise one, is the classification of all minor varieties of type, shade, etc., under one number, the varieties by the letter a, b, c, etc.

The prices have a tendency towards reduction, although there are numerous advances, but the plan of the European catalogues has been followed, and a general reduction is made all along the line. European publishers have stated that it is their intention to make the fifty per cent. discount a vision of the past, and the new prices will materially assist in so doing. It will be a difficult matter to secure good specimens at 50 per cent. from catalogue prices.

### The Postal Card Reporter.

MR. ADOLPH LOHMEYER, the popular dealer in postal cards has kindly favored us with a copy of No. 4 of his *Postal Card Reporter*. The number before us is an especially valuable one on account of the catalogue of all postal and letter cards issued since January 1898. As no postal card catalogue will be issued this season, the list is quite useful. The price of this number is 10 cents.

### Brassington Again.

WE hear that the Valley City Stamp Co. has purchased the entire stock of J. C. Brassington of Hart, Mich.—*North-Stern Philatelist*.

Well, the "name and good will" wasn't worth a brass farthing; we hope they were not "stuck" in the rest of the trade.

### Confederate Stamps and the 59th.

THERE are a number of surprises for the Confederate specialist in the new catalogue. Quite a number of new locals and stamped envelopes are given recognition for the first time. Among them we find the following, some of which our readers are doubtless familiar with—others are strangers:

Albany, Ga., 5c env.  
 Atlanta, Ga., 5c env. (2 types) 6 var.  
 Atlanta, Ga., 10c env.  
 Augusta, Ga., 5c env.  
 Autaugaville, Ala., 5c.  
 Bridgeville, Ala., 5c.  
 Columbia, S. C., 5c env. (new type.)  
 Columbus, Ga., 5c envelope, (2 var.)  
 Emory, Va., 5c.  
 Franklin, N. C., 5c env.  
 Greenwood, Va., 10c.  
 Helena, Texas 5, (several var.)  
 Jonesboro, Tenn., 5c. (1 var.)  
 Lexington, Miss., 5c env.  
 Lynchburg, Va., 5c env. (4 var.)  
 New Smyrna, Fla., 5c.  
 New Smyrna, Fla., 10c.  
 Raleigh, N. C., 5c env. (4 var.)  
 Salem, N. C., 5c env. (3 new var. paper).  
 Salem, Va., 5c.  
 Salisbury, N. C., 5c env.  
 Sales, Ala., 5c env. (5 var.)  
 Statesville, N. C., 5c env. (3 var.)

Quite an addition to the list, to be sure! But it is high time that some attention be paid to these long neglected stamps. Very few of the new locals are priced, and all of the older locals hold their own at almost the same figures. Some decreases are made in the general issue, but the stamps themselves are being sold at about the same prices, which are close to the catalogue price in many instances. Confederate stamps are today worth as much if not more, than they ever were. The demand for them is increasing and the supply is very limited, and becoming more scarce year by year. Secure the coveted treasures while you may, as they are as sure to advance as the sun shines.

WATCH for our Xmas issue!

### He "Dramed a Drame."

THE EDITOR of *The Northwestern Philatelist* is a poetaster. In his initial number he "dramed a drame" which is a veritable disaster.

He tells us how he "went to bed one dreary night" (that accounts for the tenor of the dirge, by the way), and then he sizzled off and "dramed this drame:"

It was quite late when I went to sleep,  
But woke up soon and found  
Myself in an attic broad and bare,  
Standing and glaring round.

There was a box of old money there,  
And a dollar of 1804,  
And I scratched my head when I saw,  
"Bears" and "Brattles" all over the floor.

By gobs! They must cultivate a big species in South Dakota.—"Bears" and "Brattles" on the head and—wheels inside.

### Sons of Philatelia Abuses.

IT appears to a casual reader of the reports of the annual convention of the Sons of Philatelia, recently held in Detroit, that the wishes and instructions of the members were not respected when the vote was taken for the convention seat for next year. We understand that some fifty or more proxies were instructed for Gettysburg for the 1900 meeting, but the report of the ballot shows only seventeen votes for Gettysburg. Comment is unnecessary, and we should like a mail vote taken on the question.

### A New One.

WE are in receipt of Vol. I. No. I. of *The Northwestern Philatelist*, published at Elk Point, South Dakota, by Ricard and Ellis. It consists of eight pages and cover, at 25 cents per year. We wish it success.

SCOTT'S 59th and THE V. P. for 60c.

### Again Honored.

AGAIN THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST is honored by being selected as the official journal of another philatelic association this time by The Narraganset Philatelic Association. Verily, if these occurrences are repeated we shall be forced to enlarge THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST in order to accommodate the official matter of the various societies and associations.

### A Sample of "Nerve."

THE well-written article on the "Postal Issues of the Confederate States," that appeared in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST some months ago, and which aroused much interest, is being reprinted word for word, without the slightest sign of credit to this paper, in the columns of *The Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser*, of Birmingham, Eng.

Verily, the "nerve" of that rag surpasses all understanding.

### \$15.00 For 95 Cents.

WE ARE sorry to note a full page ad with the above "catch-lines" on the cover page of one of our new philatelic monthlies. The parties who made this marvelous offer hail from Sherbrooke, Nova Scotia, and have been repeatedly exposed as frauds in the philatelic press.

### Chapman to Publish "The Adhesive."

MR. H. A. CHAPMAN, founder and former owner of *The Perforator*, informs us that he will launch his new philatelic monthly, *The Adhesive*, in January, 1900.

He has secured the services of an able Review editor, as well as a select corps of contributors, and we look forward to the coming of a first-class stamp paper.

P. S.—Bradley's doing the lying—er—ah—, I mean editing this month.—DIET.

**The Postage and Newspaper Stamps of Parma and Piacenza.**

BY IACUS VIRIDIS.

III.

The council was not slow to accept the suggestion and on the same date elected such a Commission consisting of Count Gerolamo Cantelli, Dr. Pietro Bruni and Dr. Evaristo Arnon. They didn't hold power very long; June 17th the newly appointed provisional Governor, Count Biodato Pallieri, took charge of affairs for the Sardinian Government, although the duchies were not yet definitely annexed. Of course this necessitated some postal changes; witness the following notice of interest to us:

**ADMINISTRATION OF POSTS.**

Whereas the postal laws of Sardinia have been extended to the Parmanese States by Royal Decree of the fifth of July, notice is hereby given that on and after the fifteenth of this month the postal rates will be as follows:

*Letters.*

Letters within the interior of the Kingdom not over 7½ grams in weight will be charged at the rate of 20 centesimi.

From 7½ to 16 gr. inclusive	2 rates of 10 centesimi
" 16 " 25 " " "	3 " " 60 " "
" 25 " 40 " " "	4 " " 80 " "
" 40 " 60 " " "	5 " " 1 lira.

over 60 grams at the rate of 20 centesimi for each 2 grams or fraction.

Local letters and those between one post office and another town in the same district will be charged only 5 centesimi; if they exceed 7½ grams, the additional charge will be in the above proportions.

*Army Letters.*

Single letters addressed to officers, soldiers and sailors in active service will be charged only 10 centesimi, which must be prepaid. If not prepaid or over 7½ grams in weight they will be charged the regular rates.

*Registration.*

Letters are registered within the State upon payment of 10 centesimi in addition to the postage. . . . . A return receipt may be had on payment of 20 centesimi.

*Manuscripts and Samples.*

Manuscripts and samples of merchandise within the Kingdom will be charged one-third of the letter rate, if prepaid; if unpaid, the rates will be one-half; minimum charge to be 20 centesimi.

*Circulars and Notices.*

Circulars, birth, marriage and death notices, invitations, etc., will be charged at the rate of 5 centesimi in advance, provided they are not written and under 11 decimeters square in size.

If they are to be distributed at the same office they will be considered as letters at 5 centesimi, prepaid or not.

*Newspapers and Printed Matter.*

Newspapers, gazettes, annuals, reviews, regular bulletins, etc., are subject to the rate of 2 centesimi for each sheet, if prepaid; they must be sent in a wrapper and must bear no writing excepting date, signature and address. A sheet of printed matter will be held to mean one not exceeding 40 decimeters square; each additional 40 decimeters square or fraction will be charged at the additional rate of 2 centesimi, if prepaid.

Papers and other printed matter, if unpaid, will be charged 10 centesimi for each sheet. Regular sheets less than 20 decimeters square in size will be carried for 1 centesimo each.

*Foreign Mail.*

The rates for letters, papers, printed matter, etc., destined to foreign countries are fixed by the respective treaties with foreign countries in conformity with the table issued by the Minister of Public Works at Turin and posted at each Post Office.

(Signed) THE DIRECTOR OF POSTS.  
Parma, July 9, 1859.

To complete these postal re-adjustments the stamps of Sardinia were introduced into the Duchies. The official notice is as follows:

**PARMANESE STATES.**

*Departmental Office of the Royal Posts.*

The Director entrusted with the execution of the orders of His Excellency the Governor of these States, hereby gives notice as follows:

On and after August 1st next the postage stamps now in circulation in the Parmanese States will be retired. There will be substituted for them those employed in the Sardinian States bearing the portrait of H. M. our August Sovereign Victor Emanuel II.

The Sardinian postage stamps comprise five colors, each representing a different value, as follows:

Green stamps represent the value of	5	centesimi
Bistre	"	" 10 "
Blue	"	" 20 "
Red	"	" 10 "
Orange	"	" 80 "

They will be sold to the public at present from the Post Offices.

Persons having supplies of the old stamps on hand July 31st are allowed ten days, from the 1st to the 10th of August, to exchange them at the Post Offices for an equal amount in the new postage stamps. After this time the old stamps will not be accepted.

(Signed) THE DIRECTOR OF POSTS.  
Parma, July 25, 1859.

These stamps had been supplied from the Royal Mint at Turin in June, only a small number having been sent. They differ in no wise from the stamps then generally employed in Sardinia and the Piedmontese Kingdom, so that they can be distinguished only by the cancellation, i. e.: If they bear the date stamps of Parmanese offices. Here the question arises just how long they were in use. The notice above gives the 1st of August as the date of issue, but it would appear they were employed without question as early as the middle of July. Feltmann gives July 28th as the date, on what authority I cannot say. Genuine copies are known used during the last two weeks of July. I suppose that the exact date will be of small interest to most collectors, as no doubt few of them will be apt to add this set to the issues of Parma. Yet it may be as well to know the approximate time so as to detect frauds.

The small supply did not last very long and the authorities at Turin would supply no more pending the definite annexation of the Duchies. Count Pallieri had in the meanwhile been replaced as Governor by Professor Giuseppe Manfredi, a lawyer, who took the necessary steps to furnish provisional stamps. Being only provisionals, little trouble was taken as to their execution; thanks be, the art of surcharging was not yet developed or the results might have been awful.

### ISSUE OF SEPTEMBER 1st, 1859.



Upright octagon with its sides curved inwards, formed by a heavy outer and two light inner lines, a horizontal line in the center, STATI PARMENSI in two

lines above, CENTESIMI in a curved line below and numeral of value under this; colored typographic impression on white wove paper, imperforate.

12. 5 centesimi green.
  - a. yellowish-green.
  - b. bluish-green.
13. 10 centesimi brown.
  - a. dark brown.
14. 20 centesimi blue.
  - a. dark blue.
15. 40 centesimi red.
  - a. brick red.
  - b. brownish-red.
16. 80 centesimi yellow.
  - a. olive-yellow.
  - b. orange-yellow.
  - c. orange-brown.

The design of these stamps is that of the newspaper stamps of 1853-57; possibly the plates of those stamps were altered for the occasion. I do not find the name of the printer mentioned; he did rather careless work to judge by the numerous shades and so-called "errors." The chief varieties of the latter are the following:

CENTESIMI (F instead of E) on all values.

CENTESIMI (broken T) on 20 and 10 centesimi.

STATI (small A) on all values.

10 (figure 1 inverted) on 10 centesimi.

I would attach but little importance to these freaks of the intelligent compositor (no offense meant to him who will put this into type), as the unused copies found in the market probably all came from rejected sheets retained by the authorities and sold after the retirement of this issue. Genuine *used* copies are unknown to Italian authorities. Hence I



would assign a lower status to these errors than to those of Modena and the Roman states, which were actually put into circulation.

I find no public notice of this issue, but the following document has been preserved :

TO THE GENERAL POST OFFICE, TURIN.

The undersigned has the honor of informing the General Office that the postage stamps received June 20th are all gone. Having made the necessary arrangements with the government he has decided to have printed and put into circulation new postage stamps bearing the legend STATI PARMENSI and of the values of 5, 10, 20, 40 and 80 centesimi, preserving as nearly as possible the colors green, bistre, blue, red and orange.

No change has been made in the present rate of postage. (Signed) THE DIRECTOR OF POSTS.

PARMA, August 27, 1850

This document serves to fix the date beyond which the first supply of Sardinian stamps cannot have been in use. No date is given for the issue of the new set, but the date usually given, September 1, is evidently approximately correct, as the manufacture of a limited supply of these crude productions could have taken but a short time after the date of the above letter.

The 80 centesimi seems to have been on sale at only a few offices; it is a scarce stamp even unused, while used it is known in but a small number of copies—not more than two or three, it is said (?).

With the beginning of 1860 the Duchies were definitely united with Italy (or rather with the Sardinian Kingdom) and the provisional issue was retired January 31, 1860, to be replaced by the stamps of Sardinia, this time permanently.—The large remainders comprised our Nos. 1-5, 9-11 and 12-16; there were none of Nos. 6-8. These were all sent to Turin, where large numbers of entire sheets leaked out to collectors; the rest were destroyed at the paper mill of R. Parco at Turin.

The Italian States have always been the favorite stamping-ground of the festive counterfeiter and the stamps of Par-

ma have not escaped his loving attention. For the benefit of the guileless collector I describe a few of the existing counterfeits.

The first two issues, *black on color* and *color on white*, are extensively counterfeited. One set of forgeries can easily be told by the corner ornaments—these : X—which are all of the same size in the originals, while the forgery shows larger ornaments in the upper corners than below. The groundwork in the spandrels is very irregular instead of the regular hatching of the originals. The inscriptions are very clumsy; in the originals the letters show thin serifs, thus P, while those of the counterfeits are heavy throughout, thus P. The lower inscription is much too low, witness the C (original) thus C (counterfeit). The lines crossing the circles are too far spaced.

*To be Continued.*

### Bach Gone to South Africa.

MR. R. C. BACH, editor of the *Montreal Philatelist* and manager of the Dominion Stamp Co., of Montreal, has gone to South Africa with the Canadian contingency to fight for the Queen and Empire.

Mr. Bach had but little time to settle his affairs but put them into the hands of the International Stamp Co., who have sold the stock of the "Dominion Stamp Co." to one of the smaller dealers, whom I believe will carry on business at the old stand.

As to the paper nothing definite had been decided at the time of writing but it is said that a reasonable offer was made by a local dealer, who knew on what basis the paper stood, but that he was refused on the grounds that the price offered was too small.—*Era*.

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### A Neglected Field.

BY AMY L. SWIFT.

THE advanced United States specialist is not very apt to pass carelessly over any portion of the philatelic field he claims as his particular delight, but it seems as if there was at least a small corner (or small field in its own right) that he has overlooked. Considering that he does not hesitate to place in his album such out of the philatelic line things as samples of the different money orders and postal notes issued by our Government it strikes the observant collector as being very strange that no attention is paid to the various State revenues, and stranger still that so few make any attempt to obtain them. Indeed, so universally ignored are they that it is doubtful if more than one collector in a general hundred is aware of the existence of such stamps, while those who could give a full list of the number of varieties issued either as a whole or from individual States, or who could even say off-hand how many States had issued them must be too small in number to be imagined. You might examine a large number of collections of all grades of value and numerical quantity without finding enough State revenues in the entire lot to fairly fill a single page. Queer, isn't it? But true just the same as you can easily prove by inquiring around a bit for yourself; possibly you may chance upon an exception, but if so it will only be the one that proves the rule; you will not be likely to find a second one.

Almost, if not quite, every United States specialist collects our Government revenues as carefully and exhaustively as the regular postal issues, many having the issues practically complete even to all the shades, part perforates and different papers; neither are local stamps neglected nor the match and

medicine of private individuals. Why, then, are State revenues passed by with no regard at all? Is it right they should be so ignored? Are they not more truly deserving of classification as Government issues than are the private proprietaries which are issued by business firms rather as a method of advertising than because of actual need? State revenues were issued for State needs and are as much Government belongings as are any of the common "U. S. Internal Revenue," the only difference being that they belong respectively to one State instead to all of them. Proprietary firms never had a special necessity for stamps of their own as I understand the matter, for they were always at liberty to pay the tax on their wares with revenues supplied by the Government just as they did when the new tax law came into effect and as many are doing to the present day. I am not learned enough on this subject to say positively that State revenues were really any more necessary than are private proprietaries, but have a vague idea that they were, as the tax which payment they represented was levied in addition to, and independent of, the Government tax.

As far as my knowledge (which, as before remarked, is not very extensive on this subject) goes there are but five States who can boast of owning these stamps, viz., Alabama, California, Louisiana, Oregon and Nevada. Of these California's are perhaps the oftenest to be seen and the easiest to get, at least, such is what my experience would seem to prove, hence it follows that California probably issued a larger number than any one State. These issues are said to have been in use from 1862 to 1886, twenty-four years, so ought to be fairly plentiful, possibly then the lack of demand for them is the reason why they are not more in evidence. They certainly ought to stand upon a higher philatelic plane than do local and carrier stamps, yet these latter

have a place in the catalogues and are generally collected by all who can get them, but the former have no recognized standard, place or price so that he who wants to get some has to proceed in utter darkness, not knowing where to send for specimens nor what kinds and values there are to ask for, nor whether the prices put upon those that do happen into his reach are cheap, fair or outrageously high. To be sure there is a catalogue of them offered in the back part of Scott's 58th, a "*Catalogue of all the revenue stamps of the United States including the Private Proprietary and State Revenue Stamps, by Julius Adenau,*" but the edition is several years old and therefore cannot be any too trust-worthy as a guide to present prices while the price of the catalogue, \$1.50 for paper binding and \$2.00 for cloth, is more than the average collector would feel willing to pay for a price list merely, and an out-of-date one at that. A 25c edition with prices brought up to date would surely pay any dealer to issue, especially if he undertook to supply the stamps at listed prices, but even if it did not just at first it would do much to familiarize collectors with the neglected State revenues and thus pave the way for good sales later on in both catalogue and stamps.

I haven't an atom of selfish personal interest in this subject, so no one need talk smilingly about my trying to bring State revenues into better favor just because I "have a lot of them." That's what folks are inclined to think or say when someone tries to draw attention to an unfashionable thing, is it not? No, there is not a single State revenue in my possession, not a lone lorn specimen of the class, not even a piece or a picture of one. With all my heart I wish it were otherwise, for I should dearly love to own some of the clan, genuine members you understand, not pieces and pictures! I consider it wise to add this last having learnt by ex-

perience that some collectors love a joke. I enjoy fun as well as anyone and am not apt to resent a bit of it, but when I receive a letter notifying me that a certain rare stamp which I must "please accept with compliments" will reach me in a day or two and find on its eagerly watched-for arrival that it is merely a lithographed picture of the genuine article do you wonder that I am careful to guard against giving a chance for a repetition of the exasperating joke?

To sum up: State revenues constitute a neglected field. Who will explore it and tell us what is to be found there?

### The Three Largest Collections.

HERR VON FERRARY, of Paris, is undoubtedly the greatest stamp collector in the world, possessing a collection valued at a million and a half dollars. He has spent twenty four years in accumulating this vast wealth of stamps, purchasing some of the most valuable collections which have been up for sale during that time, including the Philbrick collections for which he paid \$30,000, the collection of Sir Daniel Cooper, for which he paid \$15,000, and which has now increased in value to at least \$75,000 and the specialized collections of Mr. E. D. Bacon of Japanese stamps, and of Mr. W. Thornhill of Australian stamps only. Mr. Ferrary employs a librarian whose duty it is to keep in classified order this great accumulation of stamps.

Next to Ferrary's collection comes the Taplin collection in the British Museum. It was left the museum by the late Thomas K. Taplin, M. P., and is valued at \$500,000.

Herr Breitfuss, of St. Petersburg, Russia, is the third greatest stamp collector in the world. He has devoted forty years to his pursuit and in that time got together \$300,000 worth of stamps.—*Youth's Realm.*



### New York Correspondence.

LENNOD.

WE northerners seem to have gone daft on branch societies. The idea was first formulated at the Empire State Philatelic Society convention held here last August, by the appointment of a superintendent to attend to the duties of a branch organizer. The burst of enthusiasm which has greeted this announcement is perfectly astounding. So far (October 25) four cities in the Empire State have been heard from, and the chances are that before the third annual convention of the E. S. P. S., the total number of branch societies will be double that number if not more. The out-of-the-state members have also been heard from, and in all probability, if the constitution of the society does not prevent such proceedings, branches will shortly be formed in New Jersey and Connecticut. The following is a summary of the Brooklyn and Syracuse branches. Branch No. 1 was organized in Brooklyn, and will be known as Brooklyn Stamp Society, Branch No. 1 of E. S. P. S. The officers for the term are:

President, Geo. J. Carter. 1st Vice-President, John D. Carberry. 2nd Vice-President, Andrew R. Grady. Secretary Wm. J. Coleman. Treasurer, Geo. W. Ring. Auction M'gr., H. R. Mackey. Ass't Auction Mgr., C. W. Larkin. Trustees, M. L. Rickard, R. A. Bendall, A. Stark. The annual dues will be \$2.00 a year, payable in two installments. The society has engaged rooms in Ceres Hall, corner Troy avenue and Fulton street and will meet every first and third Monday evening. The members are determined to make this a star society, and with the active workers in the field it

would not be surprising if the next report will show an increase of twenty or twenty-five members.

Mr. Clark W. Brown, who, by the way, was unfortunate enough to have the best part of his collection stolen, which was on exhibition at one of the county fairs in his neighborhood, is the organizer of Branch No. 2. It will be known as the Syracuse Philatelic Society, and according to the last report it has ten members, with the following officers:

President, Clark W. Brown. Secretary, Abe Levi. Treasurer, Harry Jeffery.

It is useless to dwell at much length on the new catalogue, just mention the fact, that the city dealers are arranging their stock, and getting ready for the winter trade.

I notice that a few dealers in this and other cities are selling at fifty per cent. off these new prices, notwithstanding the large decreases in the former catalogue quotations.

The Section on Philately of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, has issued quite an interesting programme for the season of 1899-1900. It appears in full (to date) as follows:

Nov. 17—Mr. Henry C. Davis, of Philadelphia, "Stamps of British Colonies."

Dec. 1—Mr. J. W. George, of New York, "Match and Medicine Stamps."

Dec. 15—Mr. Clarence H. Eagle, of New York, "U. S. Revenue Stamps."

1900.

Jan. 5—Mr. H. E. Deats, of Flemington, N. J., "Confederate Stamps."

Jan. 19—Mr. J. M. Andreini, of New York, "Stamps of Sweden, Denmark, Iceland, Danish West Indies and Hayti."

Feb. 2—Mr. J. N. Luff, of New York, "Stamps of China and Chinese Treaty Ports."

Feb. 16—Mr. Crawford Capen, of New York, "Stamps of Greece."

March 2—Mr. J. M. Andreini, of New York, "Stamps of France."

March 16—Exhibition.

April 6—Mr. A. Krassa, of New York, "Counterfeit Stamps and U. S. Proofs."

April 20—Mr. A. Baillod, of Brooklyn, "General Collections of Stamps."

May 4—Mr. Joseph H. Rich, of New York, "Telegraph Stamps."

May 18—Mr. David S. Wells, of Brooklyn, "Stamps of Spain and Colonies."

### Our Boston Letter.

BY BEAN-EATER.

SCOTT'S new 1900 catalogue was placed on sale here on Tuesday, Oct. 17th, it arrived on the day preceeding. The stamp business here is now at its height, and at present there is quite a demand for previous issues of Porto Rico, Cuba, Philippine Islands and Hawaiian stamps. The slight boom in the stamps surcharged Porto Rico on U. S. is mostly responsible for the fact, that a certain philatelic writer stated that no more U. S. stamps were to be *surcharged* for use in this colony, and that the stamps *without the surcharge* would be receivable for postage hereafter. The truth of the above statement has *not* been confirmed or denied by anyone who is at all liable to know the facts of the matter.

Among the new things recently received at the Hub are the 3c value of the new Chili stamp; the new issues of Victoria is the change of colors, ½d green, 1d carmine, 1½d carmine on yellow and 2½d blue; the new 4d New Zealand in two colors, same design as the 1d, 1898, colors a darker shade, also the 9d New Zealand print. Both stamps are unwatermarked.

Mr. F. N. Trifet, a well known stamp dealer of Boston, died at his home on Tuesday, September 26th. Mr. Trifet was one of the pioneers in the stamp business and is known by nearly all of the old-time collectors of the country.

There has of late been considerable activity among speculators in trying to obtain copies of the late issues of various English Colonies, notably those that have recently been changed in color.

Dealers report the new issue of Netherland as in great demand. The same is also true of the new Cuban set, including the envelopes.

Four very interesting stamps are on exhibition at the office of the New England Stamp Co., they are the so-called Missionary stamps of Hawaii.

A meeting was recently held here for the purpose of organizing a stamp exchange; it resulted in the formation of the New England Stamp Exchange, of which Chas. H. Fowle, of Boston is president and H. Smith of Medford is sec'y-treasurer. It seems that those who are most prominent in this movement have all recently resigned from another society because of certain obnoxious rules that the exchange manager declined to amend.

Recent visitors to our city were: W. C. Stone, review editor to the *Era*; Geo. McKearin of Hoosick Falls, N. Y., and E. B. Todd, of Calais, Me.

### Stamp Trade Brisk.

ALL reports in the journals and private information from numerous dealers all tend to prove that the coming season will be an unusually brisk one. Business is better than for years, and the early appearance of the 59th catalogue, coupled with the general optimistic feeling all go to prove that the philatelic season of 1899-1900 will be the best known for years. So note it be!

DON'T fail to have your ad in our big Christmas number. You can't afford to miss it.

Try an ad next month!



BY JOHN PAALZOW.

All Publishers are requested to send one copy direct to the Review Editor, at No. 1018 Park Ave., Richmond, Va., U. S. A.

Review closed on October 24th. The following have come to hand:

	Vol.	No.
Allegheny Philatelist, Allegheny, Pa.	5.	4.
Bay State Philatelist, Melrose Highlands, Massachusetts.	2.	9.
Collector, New Oxford, Pa.	1.	2.
Weekly Phil. Era, Portland, Me.	14.	1-2.
Evergreen State Philatelist, Hartland, Wash.	12.	1.
Illinois Philatelist, Kankakee, Ill.	1.	2.
Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, St. Louis, Missouri.	13.	10-14.
New York Philatelist, New York	7.	1.
Philatelic Bulletin, and Eastern Philatelist, Salem, Mass.	23.	1.
Postal Card Reporter, Baltimore, Md.	1.	4.
Rival Philatelist, ? ? ? ? ?	1.	3.
Stampie American, ? ? ? ? ?	1.	8.
Stamp Tribune, Cleveland, Ohio.	1.	9.
Youth's Realm, Boston, Mass.	5.	10.
FROM CANADA.		
Philatelic Advocate, Berlin, Ont.	7.	4.
Energy, Berlin, Ont.	1.	5.
FROM ABROAD.		
Stamps, Rushden, Eng.	3.	9.
Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, Salisbury, England.	9.	103.
Briefmarkenhandler, Berlin, Germany.	1.	3.
Post, Berlin, Germany.	6.	9.
Int. Bfmarken Offerten Blatt Poesneck 17th, Germany.	8.	210.

A number of causes have conspired to force the review editor to only very briefly go over the contents of the papers issued in the U. S., and received this month. Lack of time has prevented him from doing even that much for those from Canada and abroad. However, next month we hope to make up for the short-comings of this.

"Doing Missionary Work" is the leading article of *The Allegheny Philatelist* this month, and in it Phil A. Teлист describes the different ways in which he has tried to interest non-collectors in our hobby. His plan of the different sheets of stamps gotten up to show is a good one and we hope it may be imitated by others. Mr. Chapman gives a description of "Philatelic Boston" and its dealers. Boston notes contain a warning against the Nova Scotia Stamp Co., of Sherbrooke, Nova Scotia. "New Issues" is as usual complete. The report of the National Philatelic Conventions at Detroit is in evidence as also report of the Iron City Philatelic Society, the *Allegheny Philatelist* having been chosen official journal of same. St. Louis notes close the number.

The *Bay State Philatelist* tells of "A Unique Way to Buy Stamps," which is to pick them out of the waste paper sent to paper stock dealers. No doubt occasionally something good can be found there, but the question is does it pay for the time spent? Under Clippings the projected new issue of the Transvaal is discussed. We are afraid that it will never see the light, for by the time Great Britain gets through their little unpleasantness in South Africa the Transvaal and Orange Free State will likely be wiped off the map all together.

The *Collector* has "Notes on Foreign Revenues" and a full report of the S. of P. Convention. In his "Editorial Chat" Bro. Dodge goes for the "Philatelic Order of Masons" or rather for the party who aspires to the highest office in this newly founded "order," charging him with wrongdoing which might if called to the attention of the P. O. Department bring the inspectors to look for him, and place him where board and lodging is furnished at the expense of the public.

After a suspension of three months *The Evergreen State Philatelist* appears again on our table. It discusses the Great Barrier Island Stamp, and the manifold Cuban provisional envelopes. Mr. John Peltz speaks about "Not Minor Varieties," Editorials, The Bohemian Stamp Club's session, and Canada Minors, complete the number.

Number two of *The Illinois Philatelist* is printed on a good deal better paper than number one was. "Side Lines of Philately" is the leading article in which the author makes a plea for an album containing only spaces for straight varieties of stamps. Among the ads we note one from a party who is under suspicion of being an imitator of Williams & Co., of Lima, and publishers ought to look well before accepting ads from such people. This month's issue does not seem to boom the Philatelic Order of Masons as number one did. What's the matter?

The *New York Philatelist* has an article by Dr. Evans on the Westervelt Locals which is illustrated with copies of some of the varieties from the original plates in Dr. Evans' possession. Pictures and biographical sketches of Messrs. Shove and Chapman adorn this month's issue. Mr. Chapman has "Some Comparisons" speaking of the changes in prices of the new catalogue. Editorials, and Society reports finish the number.

*The Philatelic Bulletin and Eastern Philatelist* continues "The Stamps of Schleswig-Holstein" bringing them down to the issue of February 22, 1865. "One Kind of Philately" is rather funny reading, but we suppose there are many such collectors among the boys as he one described. Notes from various points and Miss Swift's Review fill the balance of this issue.

Number four of *The Postal Card Reporter* has come to hand. It is finely gotten up and contains a full list of all post and letter cards issued since January 1898. Postal card collecting is surely on the increase and it seems to us a mistake for the publishers of the Standard Catalogue in this country to omit post cards entirely. True, they issue a separate catalogue for them, but if cards were included even if as in the German Standard Catalogue, in a separate place it would be a great convenience to collectors who include cards in their collection. Mr. Lohmeyer's Postal Card Album is the very thing to keep and show cards and no one who has not seen postals displayed in one of them (or for that matter entire envelopes also) knows what a convenience such an album is.

*The Rival Philatelist* is still on the wing, No. 3 coming from Chicago, and we are grieved to see that the publisher and editor will stop his subscription to THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST because the lions on the cover of No. one of Vol. III. were printed in silver. Reconsider your decision, Brother, and if you will just hold on, maybe we will have them printed in gold for our Christmas number, if that will soothe your wounded feelings.

*Stampie America's* cover is up to date, having on it the "Columbia" which sailed the Cup races with the "Shamrock." The choice of such a design might be taken for another evidence that I. B. Unknown resides in one of the North Atlantic States where the yachting fever has been raging these few months past. The contents of this number contain, in common with most September magazines, reports from the various stamp conventions. The balance is as usually, made of clever hits. We hope that the printers thumb was not badly hurt but are afraid that the acci-

dent must have been serious as October 15th has passed and no other number of the *Stampic* has reached us.

*The Stamp Tribune* brings the report of the P. S. of A. convention. An article on "The Universal Postal Union" by Mr. Verbeck gives a brief sketch of the organization and progress of this Union. Canadian Revenues are discussed by Rufidicus. Society reports, Editorials, and Mr. Verbeck's review conclude this number.

*The Youth's Realm* has in its October number a good deal of space devoted to stamps and stamp ads. With the varied other contents it makes an ideal paper for young folks, and older ones can also find something in it to interest them.

### Original Gum.

THE supply of 15 and 50c stamps for one of our "Colonies" (by right of "benevolent assimilation") (the Philippines) arrived in a condition very much like the story of the small boy's pants and the sealing wax; very much stuck together. The supply was unfit for use, so another was immediately shipped from Washington, and safely encased between sheets of paraffine paper.

### A Nice Lot of Revenues.

ON THE copy furnished a Richmond printing concern for a pamphlet we noticed a block of ten \$50 present issue revenues—all lightly canceled and well-centered.

### On Revenue Paper.

WE NOTE in *Mekel's Weekly Stamp News* that the current 8c postage stamp has been discovered on the revenue watermarked (U. S. I. R.) paper. They will be quite a rarity.

## Southern Philatelic Association.

President—Roy B. Bradley, P. O. Box 6, Richmond, Va.  
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 Official Journal—THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

### President's Message.

*To the members of the Southern Philatelic Association:*

FELLOW MEMBERS:—It is with great pleasure that I address you in my new capacity as President and I desire to return my thanks to those whose votes so kindly elected me. Coming as the honor unexpectedly did, over others much more worthy of your support, makes it indeed something to be thankful for, and I will strive my utmost to fulfil my duties in a proper manner.

It is my ambition to see a paid up membership of at least 500 by the time we meet in our next annual convention, and I most earnestly desire the hearty co-operation of each and every member. Who will bring in the most new members during the coming year? I promise to bring in 25—who will be next?

### RESIDENT VICE-PRESIDENTS.

I hereby appoint the following gentlemen Resident Vice-Presidents for their respective States. It shall be the duty of such officers to especially strive to introduce new members from their respective states:

Alabama—R. S. Nelson.  
 Arkansas—C. Bergholz.  
 Arizona—F. G. Blandeth.  
 Connecticut—H. A. Chapman.  
 Colorado—D. W. Osgood.  
 Dist. of Columbia—J. M. Bartels.  
 Florida—Dan E. Hazen.  
 Georgia—Joel H. DuBose.



Illinois—C. E. Severn.  
 Iowa—James A. Cook.  
 Louisiana—G. K. Renaud.  
 Maine—F. D. Sawyer.  
 Maryland—J. W. Stowell.  
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 Missouri—Wm. P. Kelly.  
 Minnesota—S. Baker.  
 New Jersey—H. E. Deats.  
 New York—Wm. A. McDonnell.  
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 Ohio—S. P. Lev.  
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 Pennsylvania—J. F. Dodge.  
 Tennessee—H. Fenton.  
 Texas—H. G. Askew.  
 Virginia—Franklin Stearns.  
 Wisconsin—Ira C. Holt.

I trust that each member will constitute himself a committee of one to secure new members. It is my ambition for our great S. P. A. to rank as the largest in the United States, and if each member will put his shoulder to the wheel it can easily be done.

Again thanking you for the honor you have bestowed upon me, and assuring you that I will do all in my power to assist in the up-building of our society, I remain,  
 Yours for the S. P. A.

ROY B. BRADLEY, Pres.

### Secretary's Report.

#### NEW MEMBERS.

- 213 Giddings, F. H., Ruthven, Iowa.  
 214 McDowell, W. H., Irvona, Pa.  
 215 Dill, J. M., Jr., East Lake, Ala.  
 216 Ellis, Geo. L., 502 Saxon St., Waterloo, Ia.  
 217 Pierce, Wm. S. F., 331 Benson St., Camden, New Jersey.  
 218 Parker, Aubin Kates, 620 North 10th St., Richmond, Va.  
 219 Beckhelm, Wm. E., 59 East Ave., Kankakee, Illinois.  
 220 Davis, Chas. P., 504 Reservoir St., Richmond, Virginia.  
 221 Lecky, W. R., 100 S. Belvidere St., Richmond, Va.  
 222 Kelly, Wm. P., 3321 Perry Ave., Kansas City, Mo.  
 223 Moisant, S. E., 216 Greenwood Ave., Kankakee, Ill.

#### APPLICATIONS.

Barnes, Sidney H., Marceline, Mo. Age 22.  
 Merchant. Refs., D. E. Hazen, H. S. Barnes, W. C. Lowry.  
 \*Gant, David C., 709 Hill Ave., Knoxville, Tenn. Age 14. Student. Refs., Chas. Warring, W. C. Lowry, Richard F. Gant.  
 \*Froeling, Henry, 1119 W. Main St., Richmond, Va. Age 55. Chemist. Refs., F. Stearns Thos. Christian, Henry Schott.  
 (\*Desire to participate in Sales Department.)

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

R. J. Redford, from 1307 W. Clay to 912 Brook Ave., Richmond, Va.

#### FINANCES.

##### RECEIPTS

Bal. from last year .....	\$13.91	
Receipts for Sept. and Oct. ....	1.69	
		15.60

##### EXPENDITURES.

Returning dues to R. C. Bach.....		.25
		15.35

Respectfully,

W. C. LOWRY, Sec'y-Treas.

## VIRGINIA PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION

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Official Organ: THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

Association meets on the 10th of every month, at 8 o'clock p. m., at E. N. Eleventh St., Richmond, Virginia.

RICHMOND, VA., Oct. 11, 1899.

To the Members of the V. P. A.:

The twenty-seventh regular meeting of our association was held on the above date. In the absence of the President, Mr. Thomas Christian presided, with Mr. A. Dietz filling the office of the absent Secretary.

As a matter of unusual importance was brought before the Association, it was deemed best to postpone action until a full attendance could be had, and the Secretary was ordered to notify all members by postal to attend the next meeting on *Friday November 10th, 1899, 8.30 o'clock, p. m.*  
 Respectfully, AUG. DIETZ, Sec. pro tem.



President—Guy A. Bryant, Princeton, Ill.  
 Vice President—Herbert A. Croghan, 1311 E. St.,  
 San Diego, Cal.  
 Secretary—T. H. Gafford, Church Hill, Md.  
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 Withers, 240 S. 9th-st., La Crosse, Wis.  
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 mor-st., Baltimore, Md.  
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### Secretary's Report.

#### Applications.

J. C. Bullard San Diego, California. Age 39.  
 Clerk. Refs., H. A. Croghan, T. H. Gafford,  
 Dr. Paul Rossherg, Care of Mallinckrodt Chemi-  
 cal Works, St. Louis, Mo. Age 52, Chemist,  
 Refs., Adolph Lohmeyer, T. A. McKew.

#### Change of Address.

Charles Gregory, 30 Broad St., N. Y. City.

#### Renewal List No. 3.

11, 61, 79, 111, 138, 143\*

\*This member sent \$1.50 to pay his dues to  
 March 1st, 1901.

#### Collections.

I have collected for Dues since my last remit-  
 \$9.00, of this amount I have sent to the Treasurer  
 \$8.50, the remaining 50 cents having been received  
 since I made my remittance to Mr. Morse.

Respectfully submitted,  
 T. H. GAFFORD, Sec'y.

Church Hill, Md., Oct. 11th, 1899.

### Treasurers' Report.

On hand Sept. 9, .....	\$73.95
Rec'd from Adv'g bill.....	\$2.00
Rec'd from Dues.....	8.50 \$10.50
Bal. on hand.....	84.45
No payments.....	

J. N. MORSE, Treas.  
 Boston, Oct. 13, 1899.

### Purchasing Department.

(For rules and regulations apply to Purchasing  
 Agent.)

The following renewals of subscriptions have  
 been received since my last report.

W. A. MacCalla.....	\$5.00
W. Rasmus.....	1.80

Distribution No. 41 was sent out Oct. 2 contain-  
 ing the following new issues:  
 Netherlands, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ and 5¢.  
 Japan, 1 and 1x1 cent.  
 Roumania, in colors 5, 5x5 b. and Letter Card  
 5 and 15b.

Bulgaria, 5 stot., Porto Rico on U. S. Ic. Russia  
 4 kop.

The Netherland 5x5c was received too late and  
 will be sent with the next distribution.

The new Argentine Cards have not yet arrived  
 in sufficient quantities to go round.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER, Purchasing Agent.  
 Baltimore, Oct. 10, 1899.

### Exchange Superintendents' Report.

SAGINAW, MICH., Sept. 25th, 1899.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE POSTAL CARD SOCIETY  
 OF AMERICA:

Having been appointed as Exchange Manager  
 of our Society, I would like to have every mem-  
 ber participate in this Department, either by  
 sending Cards to circulate or by being placed on  
 a Circuit. Below are the Rules governing the  
 Department. Yours truly,

[Signed.] FRED DOUGHTY, Ex. Supt.  
 535 South 4th St., Saginaw, Mich.

#### RULES GOVERNING THE EXCHANGE DE- PARTMENT OF THE POSTAL CARD SOCIETY OF AMERICA.

1.—The Cards must be placed in covers which  
 will be furnished by the Superintendent at 3 cents  
 each or 40 for \$1.00, and no other covers but these  
 will be accepted.

2.—The covers are ruled and printed to hold  
 twenty pieces, and no more must be put in.

3.—A description of each piece, together with  
 the owners price for the same, must be written in  
 ink in the space provided for each of the twenty  
 pieces on the face of the cover.

4.—The Superintendent would suggest that a  
 corresponding number, 1, 2, 3, 4, &c., be written  
 in lead pencil in the upper left corner of each  
 piece.

5.—The owner's name must be written or stamp-  
 ed on each cover in the space provided therefor.

6.—These filled covers will be made up into cir-  
 cuits and circulated alternately among the mem-  
 bers participated in this exchange.

7.—An account sheet accompanies each circuit,  
 giving its serial number, number of covers con-  
 tained therein, and total value of same, as well as  
 the names of members to whom the circuit will  
 be sent.

8.—Each participant must enter opposite his  
 name the date when received, when forwarded to  
 the next on the circuit, total number of pieces  
 removed from the circuit, and value of same,  
 attested by his signature.

9.—Each participant has two days in which to  
 make his selection, and must forward the pack-  
 age promptly, free of expense, to the next on the  
 circuit.

10.—If a circuit is held over two days by any  
 one member, a fine of five cents per day will be  
 imposed by the Superintendent unless a plausible  
 excuse can be given. *This rule will be rig-  
 idly enforced.*

11.—A member removing a piece from a cover  
 must write his name in the space provided for it  
 and carry out into the proper column the price  
 of the same, entering the total amount of remov-  
 als from the entire circuit on the account sheet,  
 as provided in Rule 8.

12.—Should a piece for which the correspond-  
 ing space on the cover be found missing, it is the  
 duty of the member making the discovery to  
 notify the next preceding member, and note the  
 fact on the respective cover, thus—"No. 5,  
 missing," and affix his signature, otherwise any  
 missing and unaccounted for pieces will be  
 charged to the last on the circuit.

*To be Continued.*

# TO EACH ONE

applying to me for an application blank to the S. P. A. and sending 35c for initiation fee and dues for 1900—I will give as a premium one copy (unused o. g.) of the

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Richmond, Va.

Bahamas, 1, 2½, 4, 6, 11, per set.....	\$ 63
Barbados, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, per set.....	77
Bermuda, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6 11, per set.....	75
Grenada, ½, 1, 2½, 3, 6, 8, 11, per set.....	77
St. Lucia, ½, 1, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 11, per set.....	69
Gambia, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 11, per set.....	73
Virgin Islands, ½, 1, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 7, 11, per set.....	75
Trinidad, ½, 1, 2½, 4, 5, 6, 11, per set.....	75
Turks Islands, ½, 1, 2½, 4, 5, 6, 11, per set.....	73
Leeward Islands, ½, 1, 2½, 4, 6, 7, 11, per set.....	77
Jamaica, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 11, per set.....	75
British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 21 cts, per set.....	75
" Pict. Series, 1, 2, 5, 10, 15c. ".....	12
British Honduras, 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 12, 21 cents.....	73
Jamaica, 2, each.....	55
Barbados 2½ each.....	67
Bahama, Trinidad, Leeward Islds 1 ½ each.....	55
St. Lucia, Virgin Islands, Jamaica 1 ½ each.....	55
Canada, 2½ blue 1898.....	06
Trinidad, 2 purple and brown 1898.....	05
St. Vincent 5d on 4 mag and br \$1.50 ea. \$1.87 for 1, 2½ blk and brn \$1.00 ea. \$1.21 for 1, 2½ vermilion, 33 cents each.	

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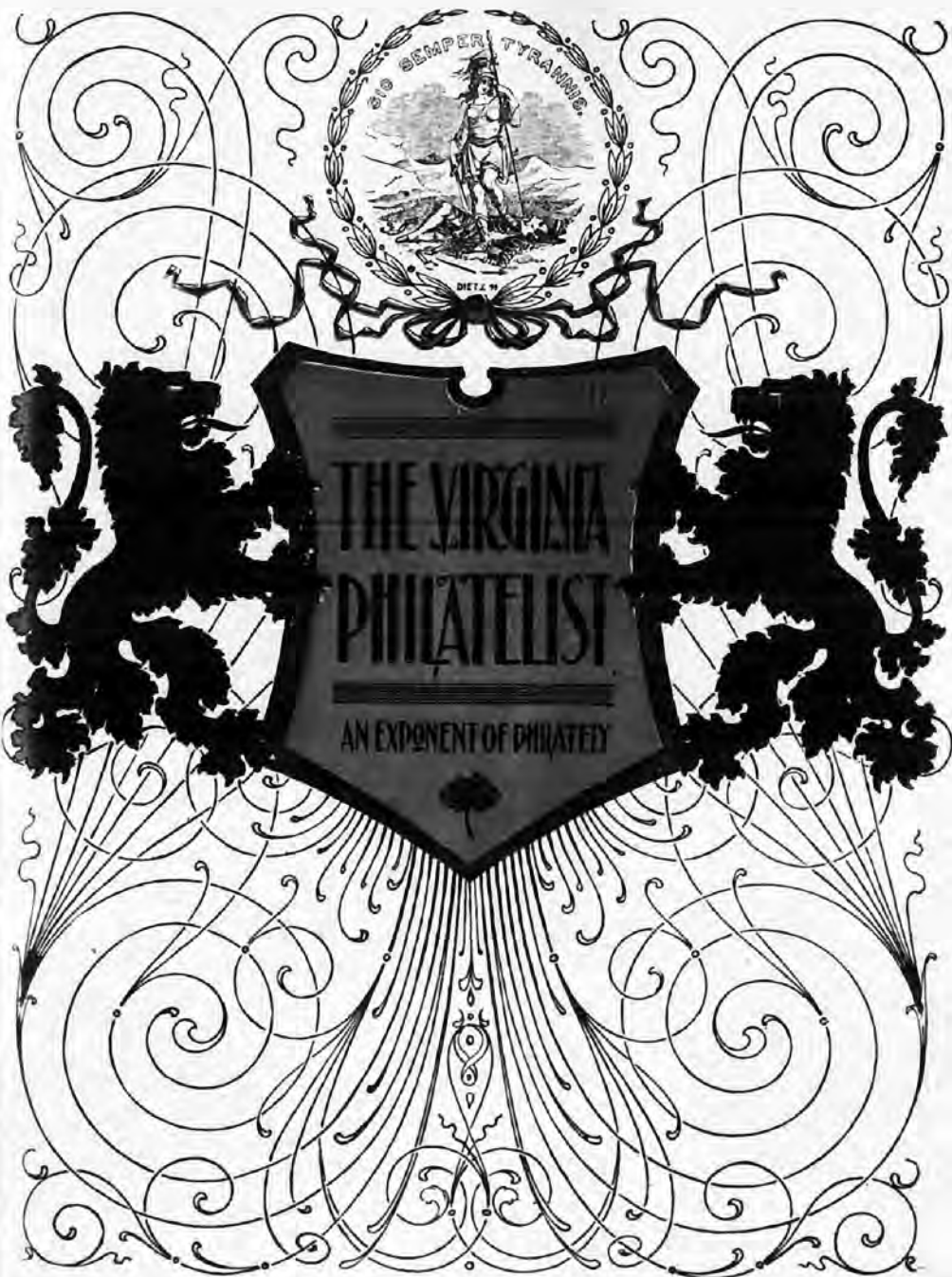
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## FRANKLIN STEARNS.

WE notice it has been the custom of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST to give in its issues space for sketches of the lives of certain of the members of the Virginia and Southern Philatelic Associations, who have become closely identified with these organizations through love of their object and a deep interest in their prosperity.

We admire and commend this policy. Its good results are plural.

The brief outlines of the lives of those heretofore chosen as subjects have been of much interest to us, and doubtless so to the readers of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST at large.

On this presumption, we feel sure considerable interest will center in the following short biography of Mr. Franklin Stearns, Jr., Business Manager of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, who

has devoted so much of his time and talents, and worked so faithfully to educate the followers of Philatelia through the columns of this organ; and who has been so material a factor in the success of it.

Mr. Stearns was born in Richmond, Va., on the 7th day of March, 1871. Shortly thereafter his father moved, with his family, back to the old home place, "Farley," in Culpeper county, Va., where young Franklin Jr. grew up.

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He attended local schools, finishing his education at the University of Virginia.

Later he came to Richmond, Va., to aid his father in the management of the

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He has shown great aptness for philatelic journalism, with his natural fondness for research, and his versatile literary and scientific attainments, his clear sight and quick judgment, we are convinced his efforts would meet with as much success on other journalistic fields. ZETA.



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### Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST wishes its friends far and near a Merry Christmas, and, as our January number appears after New Year's day we add: A Happy and Prosperous New Year!

### A Canadian Fraud.

We present three clippings from our contemporaries.—Comment is unnecessary.

#### MONTREAL NOTES.

Quite a sensation was caused among the philatelists of this city when it came out that the "Great Barrier Island Pigeon Post" stamps (2) with which the country has been flooded, had been printed, perforated and canceled in this city. Although there has always been a strong suspicion that these stamps were not "all right" it was hardly thought that they were being manufactured in this city.

The whole scheme was worked by the manager of the late Dominion Stamp Co. who is now on his way to South Africa with the Canadian Volunteers.

But this is not all, as it is said that in the same box in which the stock of Pigeon Post stamps were found, there were several hundred counterfeit 3penny Canada which were evidently awaiting the canceling stamp.

When the Great Barrier Island stamps first appeared they were offered to the writer at a sum that made them look exceedingly tempting but he decided to keep on the safe side and refused to handle them, for which he is now very thankful.—*Eva.*

#### THE GREAT BARRIER ISLAND STAMPS.

The labels so extensively advertised and sold by the Dominion Stamp Co., we regret to say turn out to be undoubtedly counterfeits. A comparison between these forgeries, and the cut used as an illustration of the stamp in the catalogues and philatelic journals, reproduced herewith, reveals the fact that the counterfeits were printed from the same electrotype. There are many points of difference between them and the original genuine stamp. The stock remaining has been destroyed and we have no doubt that upon Mr. Bach's return from the Transvaal war he will make a satisfactory settlement with all those who purchased the stamps from him—*Montreal Philatelist.*

*Mekeel's Weekly* reprints the following item from the stamp department of the *Montreal Herald* of November 4:

"About three weeks ago I went into a local dealer's and happened to pick up a little rubber stamp that was on the table and stamped it on a piece of paper. To my surprise I read "Great Barrier" above and "pigeon service" below, in a circle, and in the center in a straight line, "Apr. 3, 1899." As soon as he saw I was handling the stamp he snatched it out of my hands. \* \* \*

The stamp is a forgery and the forger, or one of them, is a Montrealer. As soon as he saw he was discovered he sold his shop and went away. The gentleman who bought the business found a whole lot, with a few cuts, in an old box (in which was marked, "Personal Property. Don't Open.")

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

**At the Same Tricks Again.**

COMPLAINTS are again coming in from collectors whose mail has been tampered with in the postoffice. The foreign stamps on their letters and packages have been either removed or torn in the attempt to remove them. While the postoffice laws prohibit this petty larceny and the Department is not slow to visit severe punishment on the offenders, still there has been no strenuous effort made by collectors to bring the matter to the attention of the proper authorities.

It will be well for collectors to refuse to accept any letter or package presented in such condition, and to report the fact to the Postmaster.

If no satisfactory explanation is forthcoming, a complaint directed to the Department at Washington will invariably have the desired effect.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

**A Model State Society.**

WE were highly gratified some days since by receiving notice of the selection of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST as the official journal of that model State organization—The Texas Philatelic Association, and we wish to assure our friends that we will exhaust our utmost efforts to promote the welfare of the organization, which numbers among its members gentlemen high in business, official and social circles of the Lone Star State.

Success to the Texas Philatelic Association!

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

SINCE the latest Guam news, it would appear that Canada has the "drop" on us now, and we'll lead the rest in offering the first apology to our neighbors for speaking disparagingly of their recent Jubilee issue.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

**Capt. Leary, Stamp Delaer.**

THE TRUTH of the advice recently given our readers to have patience and they would all get the Guam set, seems to be borne out by the latest news from Washington.

We learn from various sources that Capt. Leary, High Muck a-Muck of Guam, has ordered the entire series, inclusive of the \$1 value, surcharged for use (?) in our little Colony.

On another page of this issue appears the itemized order as printed in the *Era*, for the edification of our readers.

So there's no need to rend your pajamas and trample on the weak and poor in your mad chase to secure the set from Guam.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

**Not Vice-President of the "Southern."**

IN *Der Briefmarken Handler*, a prominent and reliable stamp dealers' paper, published by Paul Lietzow, Charlottenburg-Berlin, Germany, appears the full page advertisement of a former San Francisco dealer, in which he represents himself as Vice-President of the Southern Philatelic Association. The matter will be brought to the attention of the Association, in the meantime the statement that the party is *not* a Vice-President of the S. P. A., will suffice.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

**The S. P. A. Souvenir.**

IN response to numerous inquiries we desire to state that on account of the insufficient support of dealers and collectors in the work, we have been forced to abandon the idea of publishing the S. P. A. Souvenir.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

### Our Cover Design.

A NUMBER of our esteemed contemporaries, in commenting on the new design on our cover, have afforded us no little amusement by their remarks.

One esteemed scribe has "figgered out" that we are adherents of Bryan and "Free Silver," another little sheet calls our griffins "dogs with whiskers," while a third goes into mild canipions over the "cute little things with feathers on their tails."

The last, a highly esteemed reviewer, gets it nearer correct in thinking the "silvered animals" represent "enthusiasm rampant."

All of which calls for an explanation:

The design of the first volume of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST was "ornamental"; the second "allegorical," and the present is "heraldic."

Probably the colors on this issue will be construed as indicating our sympathy for Ireland and Home Rule.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

### The P. J. of G. B. Changes Hands.

THE publisher of the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*, Mr. W. Brown, announces that after December the *Journal* will be taken over by Messrs. Kirkpatrick and Pemberton, 220 High Holborn, London. The title of this leading publication will be changed to "Brown's Advertiser."

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

### Two New Stamps for Great Britain.

WE GLEAN from various sources that the color of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  penny red stamp of Great Britain will be changed to green, but that the design will not be altered. The color and design of the contemplated 1sh. stamp has not as yet been decided upon.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

### Important to Postal Card Collectors.

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST will issue a special number in February devoted to the great army of postal card collectors. It will contain articles of interest to every "brother of the card."

The number will be issued under the auspices of the Postal Card Society of America.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

### Change of Address.

ATTENTION is called to the change of address of our review editor, Mr. John Paalzow, from 1018 Park Ave., to 1212 Floyd Ave. Publishers especially will please note.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

### The 59th Catalogue.

WE are prepared to fill orders for Scott's 59th Catalogue. THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST one year and the "Standard" for 60 cents.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

### New Stamps Again?

Now that the Samoan affair has been finally settled, will there be a new series of stamps issued for the islands?

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

QUITE an animated controversy between "S. E. L." and J. B. T., anent the Tobago stamps, is going on in the *Era*, all of which tends to show that "S. E. L." has been "talking through his hat."

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

THE new issue of German stamps is to be placed on sale on New Year's Day.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST and the 59th Catalogue for 60 cents.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

### The Anglo-Boer War.

LITTLE more than a fortnight has elapsed since the adjournment of that farcical *Peace* Conference at the Hague, and the world is again witnessing one of the most sanguine conflicts in history—the struggle of Briton and Boer for supremacy in the Dark Continent.

The final outcome of this war is of especial interest to philatelists, and on that account it will be well to follow attentively the rapidly shifting scenes of that drama now being enacted in South Africa.

While the conjecture that this conflict may involve other great Powers, culminating in that grim spectre hovering over military Europe—the great Continental war—is perhaps far fetched and improbable, yet it is not at all impossible, and the philatelist, who is primarily a student of history, will follow with closer interest the trend of events.

The two sturdy Boer Republics of South Africa—the Orange Free State and the South African Republic, commonly called the Transvaal—have for years been an obstacle in the way of that policy of Great Britain in South Africa so well personified in Cecil Rhodes.

If we turn to the stamps of the Transvaal in our albums, we can follow nigh unto thirty years of Boer history, fraught with many trials and vicissitudes, tales of British greed and injustice, bringing us down to the time of the British disaster at Majuba Hill in 1881. Then followed the ill-fated Jamison Raid.

Since that episode the Boer has looked forward to and prepared for the inevitable.

It has come.

The first instalments of the "price that will stagger humanity" are being paid by the British. Whether the English calamities are due to stampeding "free-born American" mules, mule strategists, utter ignorance of the

strength and resources of the Afrikaners, or the discovery that fighting patriots and freemen, well versed in the arts of modern warfare, is somewhat different from slaughtering primitive and weak tribes of natives—whether it be the one or the other, England is getting the worst of it, and American philatelists can but look sympathetically upon the unpretentious stamps that bear a motto so similar to our own—"Eentrakt Makt Magt"—"Unity Makes Might"—remembering that proud Albion has learned to bow low before that emblem of freemen on this side of the Atlantic at the close of the eighteenth century—she may be taught her second lesson by freemen in distant Africa at the close of the nineteenth, and may we welcome at the dawn of the twentieth the victorious flag of a sovereign people—the proud battle-born colors of the United States of South Africa!

### The Wrong Surcharge.

THE British General in South Africa reports the disaster at Farquhar's farm due to the mules having been stamped-(ed); if they had been stamped (V. R.) no doubt they would have behaved like true British mules.

In general, if cavalry stock are *surcharged wrong* they cannot be expected to *charge right*. C. W.

MR. MULOCH, P. M. of Canada, had better hurry up and make contract for cochineal, as he is sure to need a heap of it for the map stamps about the time Oom Paul goes under. C. W.

### Boer Puns.

Why is "Tommy Atkins" like a moistened stamp?

He's been ticked.



**Three New Stamps for N. S. W.**

**MONS. MAURY** has private information to the effect that the postal authorities of New South Wales will at an early date introduce three new denominations of postage stamps into the current series, viz: 11 pence, 2shillings, and 2 shillings and 6 pence. The first two have become necessary for the franking of postal packages; the latter is a value never before used in the postage stamps of this colony, but will furnish a happy medium between the 1 and 5s. now in use.—*Phil. M. and W.*

— MERRY CHRISTMAS. —

**Guams Galore.**

AT LAST the Post Office Department have heard from Capt. Leary of Guam, and we have all thought that he had no use for stamp cranks, and by the order he sent for stamps you will see that he is out for the dust. He has gone for us in great shape, and by the order he sent you will see that he intends to do up the thing "brown." The order is as follows:

15,000	1-cent.
75,000	2 "
5,000	3 "
5,000	4 "
15,000	5 "
5,000	6 "
5,000	8 "
5,000	10c Special Delivery.
10,000	10-cent.
5,000	15 "
4,000	50 "
3,000	\$1.00.

— WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE, *Era.*

— HAPPY NEW YEAR. —

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— MERRY CHRISTMAS. —

**Sale of Newfoundland Remainders.**

OUR correspondent in St. John's, N. F. sends us the following interesting Post Office Notice:

**POST OFFICE NOTICE.**

The remainders of all obsolete postage stamps issued before 1897 and comprising, ½, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12 and 24 cent, are now offered for sale, without restriction, until 2nd day of January, 1900, when any balance remaining unsold will be destroyed.

The 1 cent, 2 cent, 3 cent and 5 cent of the "Cabot" series will be sold only with full sets of "Cabot Issues," until 28th day of December, 1899, on which day all restrictions will be removed.

The remainder, if any, of 1, 2, 3, and 5 cent "Cabot" will also be destroyed on 2nd January, 1900.

J. O. FRASER, Postmaster-General.

General Post Office, St. John's, Newfoundland.  
8th November, 1899.

— HAPPY NEW YEAR —

**The Secret Marks on German Stamps.**



*Senf's Illustrierte Briefmarken-Journal* prints this illustration and a description of the secret marks on the current stamps of Germany. One row shows Crown and

Eagle alternating, the next Eagle and Posthorn. Only the adhesives bear these marks, and they become visible when spirits of ammonia is applied to the stamps.

— MERRY CHRISTMAS. —

**The Guam Surchage.**

IN compliance with several requests from our readers we illustrate the type of the surcharge on the U. S. stamps issued for the Island of Guam:

**G U A M**

— HAPPY NEW YEAR. —



### The New Stamps for Germany.



WE PRESENT the first correct illustration, taken from *Senf's Illustriertes Briefmarken-Journal*, of two of the new series of German stamps.

The old values from 3 to 50 pf. will appear in the old colors. To these will be added new values of 30, 40 and 80 pfs., 1, 2, 3, and 5 marks.

The pfennig values will be of the "Germania" design, typographed; the mark values will be printed from copper-plate, and present the following illustrations:

- 1 Mark, rose, General Postoffice, Berlin.
- 2 " blue, The Union of North and South Germany.
- 3 " violet, Unveiling of Monument to William (I.) the Great.
- 5 " carmine, Scene from the Opening of the First German Reichstag.

The engravings for this series were prepared at the Government Bureau of Printing in Berlin, by Professor Röse, a German, thus proving as false the ludicrous statement of several philatelic journals that on account of the inefficiency of German artists English talent had been engaged for the work.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

### Valuable Collection Sold.

MR. F. BREITFUSS, of Russia, has purchased the celebrated Notthafft collection. It is stated that the price paid for the collection is in the neighborhood of \$60,000.00. This purchase by Mr. Breitfuss makes his collection rank, in point of value, third in Europe. The two others of greater value are those of Mr. Tapping in the British Museum and the La Renotriere collection.—*Ph. M. & W.*

### Look Out for These.

COLLECTORS of Confederate locals are warned against some quite good counterfeits of the 5c blue Lynchburg, especially unused, which are seeking a market from Southern Virginia. There are said to be about 50 of them in the lot. The color is mostly too light, the paper too thick. A few of them have been affixed to envelopes and fraudulently canceled. The letters of postmark Lynchburg are too tall and narrow and the ink has a reddish tinge to it.—WASHINGTON NOTES *Metropolitan*.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

### Germany in The Carolines.

GERMANY is soon to have postal agencies on the Caroline Islands in the South Sea, having acquired right and title to these islands from Spain by purchase. The first agencies will probably be established at Yap and Ponape. It is said that a special issue of postage stamps bearing the surcharge "Karoliuen-Inseln" in two lines diagonally across the face of the stamp is being prepared in Berlin.—*Phil. M. and W.*

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

IN CASE Mr. Muloch contemplates reprinting that Vaster Empire stamp this "X-mas" he can effect a saving in red ink by the necessary omission of a portion of South Africa.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

No. 1 of *The Philatelic Chronicle and Michigan Philatelist*, hailing from Charlotte, Mich., reached us last month. It presents a very neat appearance, and contains matter above the average.

—HAPPY NEW YEAR.—

Advertise in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

—MERRY CHRISTMAS.—

## The Postage and Newspaper Stamps of Parma and Piacenza.

BY LACUS VIRIDIS.

### IV.

Another species of imitations of this issue can be told by the S of STATI. The S of the originals is equally large in the upper and lower parts, thus |S|; that of the counterfeits is larger above, thus |S|. The issue of 1857 has been very successfully imitated. One forgery—all values are found of this kind—may be told by the fact that all the inscriptions, the *fleur de-lys*, the crown, the branches are too small; this can easily be seen by comparison with any one of the originals. Another forgery of the 25 centesimi shows a difference in the figure 2; on the original it is shaped something like this 2, on the counterfeit like this 2. These are usually found canceled with a rhomboid mark like that found on the stamps of the Roman States, as a rule impressed in blue. Unfortunately there are good counterfeits exactly imitating the genuine 2. Another forgery of the 25 centesimi of this set is distinguishable by the excessively heavy shading at the left of the oval, by the color (a pale red instead of the brown with the reddish tinge of the original) and by the paper, which is rough and yellowish instead of smooth and white. This is also found with forged cancelation, modeled on the genuine cancelation below described. The provisional issue fairly invites counterfeiting by its extreme simplicity. The whole set has been imitated in lithography and the forgeries often show the thin lines of color separating the stamps on the stone. The impression is likewise too even, as typographic impression should always show traces of relief on the back. A forgery of the 40 centesimi of this set shows this kind of a figure 4 (closed at the top); the original is like this 4 (open at the

top). The S of CENTESIMI in all these forgeries is too small; the paper is rather yellowish. Another set of forgeries of this issue differs in the S of PARMENSI like those of the first issue described above.

It may be of interest to note a few cancelations; they are often of value in detecting imitations. The usual canceling mark is thus: (Fig. 1.) Its dimensions are  $15\frac{1}{2}$  mm. horizontally (in length) and  $12\frac{1}{2}$  mm. vertically (in width). It is as a rule applied in *black*.

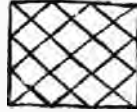


Fig. 1

I have also found letters bearing stamps canceled by a black daub as shown here. (Fig. 2.) Quite often stamps are found canceled with a simple dating stamp, like the one shown here: (Fig. 3.)



Fig. 2

PARMA  
6.  
GIUGNO

Fig. 3.

MA and the date are much taller than on genuine specimens.



Fig. 4

*black* is found occasionally. (Fig. 4.)



Fig. 5

Another variety has a single-lined circle and the year below as here shown: (Fig. 5.)

This is also found in *black* and *red*. Another variety of this dated at CON-

TALMOLI has the date in oblique letters, thus: *MAR.*



Still another variety is the one here shown: (Fig. 6.) It has a single-lined circle, but the year in the inner circle. I have it in *black* ink.

At least Parma and Piacenza were later equipped with another pattern of dating-stamp here reproduced. (Figs. 7 and 8.)



It consists of only one small circle with name above, day and month in center and the year below (abbreviated). These are usually impressed in *black*.

It is no doubt generally understood that the newspaper stamps of Parma listed by most catalogues like those of Modena, Tuscany and Austria are not really *postage* stamps, but *revenue* stamps, and were merely collected through the post-offices. Hence they properly should be omitted from the catalogues, but old habit still keeps them there and I will therefore briefly describe them also.

The unprogressive Bourbons consistently discouraged the dissemination of progressive ideas and therefore levied a tax upon all foreign papers entering the Duchies, no doubt with the intention of keeping their circulation at the smallest possible figure. The law on this subject in Parma was promulgated by the Secretary of Finance in January 1853. It prescribes certain taxes on foreign papers, on playing cards, etc. Those paragraphs of interest to us are as follows:

" . . . The stamp tax on foreign papers, etc. within these States will be levied through special stamp offices established in the cities of Parma and Piacenza. . . .

Papers coming from foreign countries, both political and literary, and transmitted by mail, before being delivered to the addressee, shall be handed by the postoffice to the stamp office. . . .

The stamp tax on papers published outside of the territory of the Austrian Empire (with which there are special conventions relative to political journals) shall be two kreuzer (9 centesimi Italian) for each copy. The stamp shall be impressed on the first page of the paper. . . .

For foreign papers which reach the addressee by the postal administration of the stamp tax shall be paid together with the postal charge."

The tax was at first collected by means of a handstamp; for the sake of completeness we may as well list it here.

ISSUE OF JANUARY, 1853.



Large circle containing two smaller concentric circles; between the outer and the first inner circle GAZZETTE ESTERE at top, PARMA or PIACENZA at bottom; between the two inner circles a crown at top, CENT. 9 at bottom; within the inner circle a fleur-de-lis; impressed in *black*.

17. 9 centesimi black, *handstamp*.

There were two varieties of this handstamp, one for each of the two stamp offices. I have given the date of "issue" as January, the month in which the law went into effect: Major Evans gives it as February, I do not know on what authority.

This way of collecting the tax proved cumbersome and the handstamp was therefore soon replaced by an adhesive.

ISSUE OF APRIL, 1853.



NTI

Design of the postage stamps of 1859 (provisional issue), but figures of value in much larger type; black typographic impression on colored wove paper; imperf.

18. 9 centesimi black on blue.

These were printed by the same firm as the postage stamps of the time. The official document quoted above (under

"Issue of 1857-59") gives the number of these stamps printed on Sept. 4, 1855, as 12,000; the quantity of the first supply is unknown, but the total number must have been large, to judge by the number of unused remainders on the market.

On October 8, 1857, a new law reduced the tax on foreign papers from 9 to 6 centesimi, and this necessitated the issue of a new stamp of the required value.

ISSUE OF NOVEMBER 1857.

SCOTT Same design as before, but  
TYPE NT1. change of value; impression, etc., as before.

19. 6 centesimi black on rose (shades).

Of this stamp there were printed the following quantities as per the document already referred to:

1857, Oct. 30	5,000	
Nov. 19	100,000	
1859, Feb. 14	36,000	
		141,000

Unused remainders are common, but used copies of both the 9 and 6 centesimi are scarce, owing no doubt to the manner of their employment, comparatively few newspapers being preserved.

On both these stamps similar errors are found as on the provisional issue of 1859, viz.: CENTESIMI (broken E) and STATI (small A); specimens are also known of the 9 centesimi with CENSESIMI (S instead of T).

Counterfeits of these two are of frequent occurrence. Those usually found show the following characteristics: PARMENSI is too low, the horizontal line under it is too long, the C, S and I of CENTESIMI are too small, and the figures differ considerably: No. 18 has this figure 9, the forgery this 9, i. e., much too small; No. 19 has this figure 6 (tall and narrow), the counterfeit this 6 (low and wide—both these figures a little exaggerated.) The horizontal line extends under the S; it should stop at the N. The paper also differs considerably in color and texture.

THE END.

New South Wales.

DESTRUCTION OF OBSOLETE DIES AND PLATES.

UNDER the authority of the Colonial Treasurer the Government Printer has destroyed all the postage stamp dies and plates not required for the production of current stamps. The destruction was effected by means of an emery wheel in most cases, by which the face of the die or plate was ground flat. In some few cases the plate was hammered out.

The following is a list of the dies and plates destroyed:

- 1838.—Embossed letter sheet. Steel die.  
1850.—Sydney View, 2d. Copper plate. (This plate had already been rendered incapable of producing impressions.)  
1851.—Laureated, 1d., 2d., and 3d. Steel plates. (These also had been effectively placed *hors de combat*.)  
1851-6.—Diadem and Square, 1d. steel plate; 2d. 2 steel plates; 6d. 2 steel plates; 8d. steel plate; 1s. steel plate.  
1856.—Registered stamp. 2 steel plates.  
1862.—Queen's Head, 2d. Steel die and several electroplates.  
1861.—Queen's Head, 1d. Steel die and several electroplates.  
1867.—Queen's Head, 4d. Steel die and electroplate.  
1872.—Queen's Head, 6d. Electroplate (steel die preserved.)  
1876.—Queen's Head, 1s. Electroplate (steel die preserved.)  
1888.—Centennial, 1d., 2d., and 5½. Steel dies and electroplates.  
1891.—Postal Union, 2½d. Steel die and electroplates.

There were also destroyed a number of electros, copperplates, etc., used in the production of the obsolete wrappers, stamped envelopes, and post cards; the dies and plates of the Telegraph Stamps of 1871, and the die of the first embossed wrapper (1d. oval). There were also similar dies to the last mentioned for 2d., 6d., and 1s., none of which were put to use in embossing stationery for issue.

Only the dies and plates of stamps actually in current use are now extant, and consequently there can be no more reprints.—*The Australian Philatelist*.

### New Issue for Germany.

THROUGH the kindness of Mr. Gilbert E. Jones, we have received a clipping from a Berlin newspaper of November 1st, giving the fullest account we have as yet seen of the projected new issue. Owing to the publicity given to this issue, and the great interest taken therein, we translate the article in full:

"The Imperial Postal Department will receive a new issue of stamps. The reasons for the change may be assigned to two causes; firstly, the spirit of reform which has been prevalent in the postal department since the death of Stephan, and, secondly, a certain artistic tendency noted in various directions and receiving its inspiration from the Emperor himself. The old issue can certainly make little claim to artistic beauty. The change in design was also no doubt aided somewhat by the contemporaneous introduction of new values for which there has been a necessity for some time. At present we have stamps of the value of 3, 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50 pf.—there exists also a stamp of 2 Marks, which is not intended for the use of the public, but serves special purposes of the officials in the department. Business interests demand new values, particularly higher ones for foreign postal-packets, money orders and registered letters.

Commencing with January 1st, 1900, after the supplies of the old stamps have been exhausted, new stamps will be issued of the old values, and in addition, 30, 40 and 80 pf. stamps; at a later period, probably April 1st, stamps of the value of 1, 2, 3, and 5 Marks will be introduced; possibly a 2 pf. stamp may also be found necessary. Besides these changes, it is proposed to adopt a special design for the stamps of the German Colonies, and the German foreign post-offices; these stamps are to bear a design typifying "Germany

on the Ocean." We have seen the proofs of the new stamps; artistically they are a great improvement on the old issue, leaving as they do, the old commonplace heraldic design, and produce a pleasing effect. None of the stamps shows the imperial eagle, or the picture of the emperor. This has been avoided because the German Imperial post is not limited by the borders of Germany, and perhaps also to facilitate the eventual adoption of these stamps by Bavaria and Wurtemberg, which at present have their own stamps.

The new stamps up to 80 pf. are somewhat larger than the old, viz,— $25\frac{1}{2}$  by  $21\frac{1}{2}$  mm. The design consists of a bust of Germania,—she wears armor on the breast: in the right hand is grasped the hilt of a sword, and an olive branch; and on her head she wears the imperial crown. It is not the type of the usual blond Germania, but rather a brunette of the Walküre type. This bust-picture fills almost the entire stamp, only small arabesques surround the picture. In the two upper corners are the figures of value, and in a label at the bottom is the word, REICHSPOST. The values of 3, 5, 10, 20pf. are in the old colors; up to 20pf. the stamps are typographed in one color; the higher values up to 80pf. are typographed in two colors. The colors of the higher values are of neutral tints: the 25 is yellow, 30 orange, 40 carmine, 50 violet, 80 dark red. The figures of value and name are all in black. The paper differs in color,—for some stamps it is white, for some buff, and for a few of a reddish tint."—*The Post Office.*

A CHOICE lot of stamps from Straits Settlements are offered by Albrecht & Company.

EDWARD FRANKEL is quoting very close prices on Porto Rico and Cuban issues of 1898-99.



### New York Correspondence.

LENNOD.

LAST month I mentioned something regarding branch societies of the Empire State Philatelic Society. I wish to say further that the said branches are in a flourishing and prosperous condition, and from the present outlook will continue in the same condition. The local branch has been somewhat handicapped by disagreeable weather,—two meeting nights in succession being stormy, thereby causing a light attendance, which prevented any business of a society nature to be conducted. It is hoped that at the next meeting, enough will be present to constitute a quorum, and elect a permanent board of officers, select a permanent meeting place, and appoint a committee on constitution.

In the October number of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, I stated in regard to the Great Barrier Island stamps that it was only due the innocent purchasers an extended explanation regarding the genuineness of the stamps and how the Montreal parties came into possession of such large quantities, as I learned from other sources, the true state of affairs on this island.

I am personally acquainted with Bach (supposedly on his way to South Africa) who was the proprietor of the Dominion Stamp Company, which concern disposed of many of the stamps. As Bach is presumably not in a position to defend himself, we only rely upon the statements of others—persons who, we believe are in a position to give all "inside" information—his Power of Attorney, and the purchasers of the Dominion Stamp Company's stock. Although Bach made a

handsome profit on the manufacture of these lithographic forgeries, he nevertheless did not make a fortune out of his nefarious scheme. The stamps can probably now be found in many a philatelist's collection, as Bach wrote me at one time that he had received sixty-seven orders for the stamps in one week, (in the same letter he offered me 100 copies of the stamps for ten dollars)—that was the last I heard of Bach, and his Great Barrier Island stamps until I read notices in the weekly stamp papers, regarding his alleged fraudulent practices. Whether Bach will deem it necessary to make satisfactory (or unsatisfactory) explanation when he reaches his destination, is only a matter of conjecture.

Some months ago, the philatelic world was surprised to hear that some very old and rare British Guiana stamps were unearthed by a party by the name of R. C. Bach of Montreal, Canada; the stamps were pronounced badly executed counterfeits by experts. The R. C. Bach of the British Guiana fame is the same person of the Great Barrier Island fame. My readers can draw their conclusions.

### Our Boston Letter.

BY BRANEATER.

THE stamp business here is now very brisk, and can be truthfully termed in "full blast."

Among the most important news of recent date can be mentioned the purchase of the great Thorne collection by the New England Stamp Co., of this city. It was purchased in New York from Mr. Thorne for the magnificent sum of \$15,000 spot cash. It is contained in twenty-three volumes, and is doubtless the very best collection that was ever offered for sale or bought in America. Of course there are many other valuable collections

in the country, but they are *not* for sale. For the next six months to come, it is safe to say that the office of the New England Stamp Co., will be the Mecca for visiting philatelists, and that any time thus spent, could not be bettered, goes without saying. It would be useless for me to try and mention the vast magnitude of this collection, or in fact try to name over a list of the best stamps, for *everything* is in A No. 1 condition, and *all* appear to be *best*. Before closing this subject, I will simply say that nearly all the first issue of Ceylon are present in blocks and pairs, *unused* and *full gum*.

Among the new stamps recently received here, may be mentioned the  $\frac{1}{2}$ d green Rhodesia. This makes five values of the new set received thus far, viz:  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 1, 2, 6d and 1sh. It is said that there is to be a  $\frac{2}{3}$ d value; this is a new denomination among the Rhodesia stamps. A few of the Guam stamps are being offered by different dealers, but do not seem to be meeting with a ready sale, at the fancy prices asked, for who wants to pay \$1.50 per set and in two months have the market flooded with them from 1c to \$1.00 values, and at a small per cent. over face. By the way, the Guam affair is considered here as one of the biggest roasts in the annals of Philatelia's fair reign. If it were being perpetrated by some of the "*Seebeckian*" countries, we would not even stop to wonder, but when our own country, the United States of America stoops to such a depth in "gumpapism," is it any wonder that we wish to call them to account.

Mr. Geo. L. Toppan recently left Boston for Racine, Wis., where he has secured a position as superintendent for the local water works. It is with some regret that Philatelic Boston conceals to giving Mr. Toppan over to the care of Racine.

A. MACK is headquarters for unused Canadians.

### Canadian Notes.

BY R. G. WIDDICOMBE.

Since the abolition on the 1st of April last of the former "fourth class" of mail matter, comprising parcels closed against inspection, some postmasters have seemed to be in doubt as to how to treat legal and commercial papers which it was formerly permissible to enclose in such packets. Such legal and commercial documents as are mentioned under the head of "Miscellaneous matter" are entitled to pass at the rate of two ounces for 1 cent; all others are subject to the regular letter rate of postage.

From time to time the postoffice department has found it necessary to call the attention of postmasters to the importance of effectually canceling the stamps on mail matter posted at their respective offices. Notwithstanding this, it has been found that the work of some offices in this particular is still very unsatisfactory. It is quite obvious to all that the careful cancelation of stamps is one of the most important of a postmaster's duties. It is essential to a proper protection of the revenue, and further, it removes any temptation which many persons feel to use over again stamps which show little or no trace of previous use. As the cancelation of stamps is done by a date stamp, a careful performance of the above duty involves making a distinct impression of the date stamp.

From a stamp collector's point of view, this careful canceling, which really amounts, in most cases, to the stamps being pretty well marked up, is very unsatisfactory. Of course, the Government employees cannot be lax in the performance of their duties just to satisfy philatelists, but it does seem that the work could be done carefully and yet not so as to disfigure the stamps.

As yet no International Postal Union

reply-card has been issued in Canada, but persons desiring to use a reply-card for correspondence with the United Kingdom may avail themselves of the ordinary domestic reply post card, to each half of which one additional one cent stamp (Canadian) must be affixed.

Many times postal cards are received, date stamped on the back, which often makes it very difficult to read the writing. Though probably not generally known, the regulations of the department require that post-cards should be date-stamped on the face only so as not to interfere with the writing on the back. This applies also to private-post-cards and to any card used for official purpose as a postal-card.

Mr. D. H. Harrington has been appointed superintendent of the money-order branch of the post-office department, in succession to Mr. D. Matheson, who has retired.

On account of Thanksgiving-Day coming so early this year the special meeting of the D. P. A. officers, which was to have been held in Hamilton on that date, has been postponed until January 1.

There is quite a heavy demand for the Canadian surcharged stamps. From 20 to 50 cents per 100 is being paid by Canadian dealers for them.

Scott's new Catalogue makes numerous changes in the prices of many Canadian stamps, the 12c, 6c, 1½c and other such stamps being quite reduced in value. It is plainly evident to all dealers that the new quotations will not permit them to offer stamps at the usual big discounts, and it begins to appear that we are now getting down to the true value. The decrease in price will probably tend to make the market brisker and collectors and dealers alike look forward to a good trade in B. N. A. stamps this winter.

As yet no information has been received as to when the 7 cent registration stamp will make its appearance.

It is stated on pretty good authority that a new stamp paper will shortly make its appearance from St. Catharines. A new job printing office has recently begun business, and makes a specialty of doing fancy printing in colors. With the aid of one of our local collectors they are contemplating the publication of a magazine that will in all probability excel any previous efforts in this city.

The Canada Stamp Co. are to be commended for their enterprise in getting out an album and catalogue of Canadian stamps, fully illustrated. This is the first work of this kind that has appeared in Canada, and I understand it is meeting with a ready sale.

Before my next notes appear another year will have passed, and 1900 will have come with its many bright prospects. What it will bring forth no one can tell—we must wait. I will close in wishing the readers of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and say adieu until we shall, in this manner, meet again.

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### Holiday Suggestions.

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ALL interested in Confederate notes should consult the advertisement of R. L. Deitrick.

SEND for bargain list from Geo. J. Carter, the Brooklyn stamp man.

THOSE contemplating joining the great S. P. A. can find some interesting offers in this issue,

GREENY offers damaged stamps at one-tenth of catalogue.

SCHOTT is still selling revenues at 75% off Scott's 58th.

F. NOYES, the old-time dealer offers some choice bargains.



**New Issues.**

BY ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

**ARGENTINE.**—I omitted to mention the new Letter Card in my chronicle on p. 10. Inscription "Carta Postal," same stamp as the Postal Card.

1c. Vermilion on buff, perf. III.

**CANADA.**—Mr. Wm. C. Stone informs me that he has two varieties of the 1c carmine card, the difference being in the instructions under the stamp "The space below is reserved for address only," one measuring 83½ the other only 76mm. The type of the latter is also a trifle higher than on the former.

P. C. 1c carmine (variety).

**EGYPT.**—According to European exchanges the permanent 4 milliemmes cards have been issued.

P. C. 4m. carmine on cream.

4x4m carmine on cream. T. 3.

**FRANCE.**—*French Offices in China.* A reply card, corresponding to the single card of 1895, has been issued. The stamp is surcharged "CHINE" in red. —*Der Philatelist.*

P. C. 10x10c black on blue. T. 3.

POST CARD  CARTE POSTALE  
UNIVERSAL POSTAL UNION  UNION POSTALE UNIVERSELLE  
GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND  
THIS SIDE FOR THE ADDRESS



**GREAT BRITAIN.**—I have received the new cards, heralded in the English press a few months ago. The Inland as well as the Postal Union Card now have the full regulation size. The design of the Inland card remains unchanged, while the International Card has the coat-of-arms added, as well as additional inscriptions; see illustration. The color has been changed from vermilion to carmine.

P. C. ½d brown on buff, 89x130.

1d carmine on buff, 89x130.

**JAPAN.**—The double card of the new Inland value has come to hand. It was issued October 15th.

P. C. 1½x1½ sen. ultramarine, on white, R. 3.

**MAURITIUS.**—I have received the provisional cards, to which reference was made on p. 43. The surcharge is "6 CENTS" in two lines, the old value being obliterated by a thin black line. I now add the double cards.

P. C. 6x6c on 8x8c carmine and black, T. 3.



**MEXICO.**—In addition to the 1c *Urbano* and 2c *Interior* the following were issued on the local print formulas, type of illustration, white card.

*Para los Estados Unidos y Canada.*

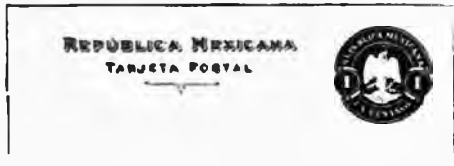
2c carmine and black.

*Union Postal Universal.*

3c brown and dull green.

There is also a variety of the Postal Union Card (London formulas) No. 1263 (See supplement in "Postal Card Reporter") having an accent (´) over the "o" of "Union" and the "A" of "Postal" in the Spanish inscription at left side.

3c brown and green, white, (variety).



The new issue of postal cards and letter cards was placed on sale November 1. The series embraces the following

cards, size 90x139, on cream, stamp embossed, instruction in lower left corner : "En este lado solo escribirse la direccion."

- 1 (un)centavo, green.
- 1x1 centavo, green, T. 4.
- 2 (dos) centavos, carmine.
- 2x2 centavos, carmine, T. 4.
- 3 (tres) centavos, yellow-brown.
- 3x3 centavos, yellow-brown, T. 4.

The double cards have the additional inscriptions "Con respuesta pagada" under "Tarjeta Postal" and are perforated at the folding line. The 3c cards have additional Postal Union inscriptions in Spanish and French.

#### LETTER CARDS.

Design same as postal cards, inscribed "Tarjeta Carta." The reply letter cards have a smaller card folded inside the larger. Size 83x137, perf. III. on cream. Instruction on lower margin, "Debe abrirse por los puntos perforados."

- 2 (dos)centavos, carmine.
- 2x2centavos, carmine.
- 5 (cinco) centavos, blue.
- 5x5 centavos, blue.

**NETHERLANDS.**—The double cards of the new type have been issued.

- P. C. 2½x2½ dark green on greenish, T. 3.
- 5x5c carmine on rose, T. 3.

**RICHARD H. BUNCE**, offers some good stamps at rock bottom prices.

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### Notice

All Tennessee philatelists are cordially invited to join our state association. With our *T. P.* as official journal we should have a steady growth. Send to me for application blanks.

F. W. CONING, Sec'y-Treas.

## The Narragansett Philatelic Association

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 Librarian—Albert F. Monroe, E. Providence.  
 Sales Supt.—F. B. Gouch, Woonsocket, R. I.  
 Meetings—2d and 4th Wednesday evenings each month.

THE 17th regular meeting of the Narragansett Philatelic Association, was held at 4 Andrews St., Providence, on the evening of Oct. 11th. President Wheaton in the chair.

Report of Secretary read and adopted. Report of Treasurer shows balance of \$1.05 in the treasury, with all bills paid.

Report of Librarian read and adopted. Voted to adopt THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST as our official organ for one year.

An amendment to Article 2, Sect. 3 of the Constitution was presented as follows: "Each member is expected to abide by the Constitution and all members residing in Rhode Island, shall pay quarterly dues of 25 cents in advance, while members residing out the State shall pay quarterly dues of 10 cents in advance."

Voted:—That the next meeting be held at the same place. At the close of the meeting, Vice-President Thompson exhibited a fine collection of stamps, especially noticeable being a fine collection of U. S. revenues.

THE 18th regular meeting of N. P. A. was held at 4 Andrew St., Providence, on the evening of Oct. 25th.

Meeting called to order at 8:30. Pres. Wheaton in the chair. Reports of Secretary and Treasurer read and adopted. Librarian reported only addition to be Scott's Catalogue for 1900. Amendment to Constitution, Art. 2, Sect. 3, as proposed at last meeting, unanimously adopted. The office of Sales Supt., having become vacant, the Association proceeded to elect a new incumbent and Frank B. Gouch was the unanimous choice. Mr. Gouch made a pleasing speech of acceptance, and assured the society that he would endeavor to put the department on a good working basis.

A new set of rules for the government of the Sales Department was adopted, containing many radical changes from the previous rules.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 to meet on the evening of Nov. 8th at 210 Carpenter St., Providence.

Members of the Association are earnestly requested to send contributions of Philatelic literature to the Librarian and also to participate in the Sales Department. Sales Supt. Gouch will be pleased to supply books and all information desired as to his department.

G. A. ROUND, Sec'y



REVIEW

BY JOHN PAALZOW.

All Publishers are requested to send one copy direct to the Review Editor, at No. 1018 Park Ave., Richmond, Va., U. S. A.

Review closed November 21st.

We have received the following papers since last review:

	Vol.	No.
Allegheny Philatelist, Allegheny, Pa.,	5.	5.
Bay State Philatelist, Melrose Highlands, Massachusetts,	2.	10-11.
Collector, New Oxford, Pa.,	1.	4.
Weekly Phil. Era, Portland, Me.,	14.	47.
Evergreen State Philatelist, Hartland, Wash.,	12.	66.
Herald Exchange, New York, N. Y.,	7.	2.
Illinois Philatelist, Kankakee, Ill.,	1.	3.
Lone Star State Philatelist, Waco, Texas,	7.	12.
Metropolitan, New York, N. Y.,	12.	6.
Mekel's Weekly Stamp News, St. Louis, Missouri,	33.	41-47.
Nebraska Philatelist, Hastings, Neb.,	1.	7.
New York Philatelist, New York,	7.	2.
Ohio Philatelist, Pearl, Ohio,	1.	2.
Perforator, Reading, Pa.,	15.	5.
Philatelic Bulletin, and Eastern Philatelist, Salem, Mass.,	23.	2.
Philatelic Chronicle, Charlotte, Mich.,	1.	1.
Philatelic West and Camera News, Superior, Nebraska,	10.	3.
Stampic America, ? ? ? ? ?	1.	9-10.
Stamps, New York, N. Y.,	3.	10.
Stamp Tribune, Cleveland, Ohio,	1.	10.
Western Philatelic News, Wichita, Kan.,	1.	1.
Youth's Realm, Boston, Mass.,	5.	11.
FROM CANADA.		
Montreal Philatelist, Montreal, Can.,	2.	5.
Philatelic Advocate, Berlin, Ont.,	7.	5.
Energy, Berlin, Ont.,	1.	6.
FROM ABROAD		
Philatelic Record, London, Eng.,	21.	11.
Stamps, Rushden, Eng.,	3.	10.
Post Card News, Leeds, England,	1.	1.
Australian Philatelist, Sydney, N. S. W.,	6.	2.
Revue Postale, Geneva, Switzerland,	2.	9.
Antverpia, Antwerp, Belgium,	3.	26.
General Anzeiger für Philatelie, Hemevi, W.,	17.	326.

*The Allegheny Philatelist* has "Telegraph Franks of Canada," an article interesting to those who collect such labels. A sketch of Mr. J. L. Weber of Osborne, Kansas, is given. The report of the Iron City Philatelic Society is also given. *The Allegheny Philatelist* has been chosen as the official paper of the Philatelic Order of Masons and a list of its members up to date is given, and some explanation of the order's aims and benefits. It is rather queer reading to find the following: "The legitimate use of the P. O. M. letters for reference shall be sufficient for any business transaction and dealers may feel safe in recognizing them." It may take some little time before dealers will accept reference as above unless accompanied by some other. The explanation does not say anything about money matters, that is, it is very positive in asserting that dues must be paid promptly and devises ways and means to enforce them, but nothing is said about what becomes of the money so collected and who holds the boodle. However, maybe the next month's issue will give some explanation of these points. Among Denver Notes we find one in which collecting of entire envelopes is spoken of as a "fad which will last for a day and then be forgotten." Hardly, we think, for an envelope stamp surely looks much prettier on the entire than when cut square, or worse still cut to shape.

The double number of the *Bay State Philatelist* brings "Canadian Stamps from 1869-1899." Pittsburg and Canadian Notes, Stray Items, Editorials, Reviews, Comments, Clippings and Society Reports fill up the remainder.

*The Collector* is not very bulky in size and has not very much reading matter as a consequence. Notes on Foreign Revenues tells of the use on certain papers

of the Kimberly Diamond Co., of 25 of the £100 revenue stamps of Cape of Good Hope, 20 of the £50 and many of the lower values. Somebody will strike it rich some day when those papers are disposed of. There are Editorial Chat and some Sayings of the Office Cat. We wonder if "he, she or it," (which is it?) has ever heard the proverb about people living in glass houses?

The Boston correspondent of *The Weekly Era* gives the best illustration of the difference in prices between the 59th Catalogue and its predecessor. He says: A well known collector here has carefully gone through his collection and furnishes the following interesting facts in regard to the new catalogue prices:

A general collection of 8065 varieties of adhesive stamps only, both used and unused.

The catalogue value of the entire collection has dropped 9% by the 59th edition.

On the United States collection of 465 copies the drop has been 15%.

On Great Britain and Colonies numbering 2200 the drop in value has been the same, 15%.

On the remainder of the foreign stamps numbering 5400 there has been an increase of 2½%.

In Philately Month by Month *The Evergreen State Philatelist* discusses the Great Barrier Pigeon Post Stamp. North American New Issues by Paul Cline speaks about Canada's, and the surcharged issue of the U. S. for use in Cuba and Porto Rico. Also the Omahas the color changes of our stamps to conform to the demands of the U. P. U. Society reports and a good many ads fill the number.

In the *Herald Exchange* Miss Swift tells us "Where Reform Is Needed"

and expresses the thoughts which arise in anyone's mind who sees monthly the bulk of philatelic publications. With the publishers of the different papers lies the remedy; if they will reject whatever is threadbare and wornout, we shall see better prepared and more instructive articles in many of our papers. Mr. Hale gives a description of a trip through Newfoundland and the Provinces. Mr. Chapman makes some suggestions about improvements in the Exchange Department. The usual list of Errors and Omissions and the Black List are there.

*The Illinois Philatelist* improves in appearance. This month it contains "The Junior Dealer" by Mr. Snow. Mr. Peltz speaks about "Minor Varieties" and Mr. Doak tries to impress upon all that Honesty is the best Policy. Mr. Dodge is taken to task for his remarks upon The Philatelic Order of Masous and their representative officers. Mr. Stone also catches it for some of his remarks in the *Era*. Keep things boiling, friends, make things just as lively as you can, and give us all a chance to see or rather read the fun.

*The Nebraska Philatelist* comes in a double number. The Rise and Fall of the Postage Stamp which is to be continued next month does not contain anything new so far. Notes from Washington, Boston, Omaha, Denver and Canada. Society Reports and Editorials complete the number.

*The New York Philatelist* has "Some Observations Suggested by the Catalogue" by Mr. Chapman among which we find this: "The 1900 catalogue gives the prices of the Die A envelopes alike on the colors of buff, blue and amber—25c, but I noticed one dealer advertised the Die A blue envelope the week after

the catalogue was issued at 75c—No 50 per cent. off there!" No indeed, but waste a two cent stamp and order one or more of the Die A on blue at full catalogue price and see if the stereotyped answer will not come back "none in stock." A stamp or envelope either that is worth more than one dollar each cannot be bought for 25 cents, catalogue or no catalogue. Mr. Verbeck gives to those intending to "fill a long felt want" by publishing a philatelic paper the very good advice of "Don't" giving as many good reasons for his counsel as if "he had been there himself." Editorials fill the balance of this paper.

Number two of *The Ohio Philatelist* has come to hand. The Benefits of Stamp Collecting is the first article and education is mentioned as the first benefit derived. Whatever else stamps have done for the author of that article, they have not given him the facility to express himself very clearly or perhaps some one else can explain to us what is meant by the following: "Then some countries have words on them which when turned into Latin mean things that give geographical knowledge, for instance the inscriptions under the pictures on the Omaha and Trans-Mississippi stamps, though they don't have to be turned into Latin." If this is not "Greek" what is it? "Our Hobby" is discussed and the old time arguments made to do duty to prove that Philately is not retrograding. Editorials, Review, and some Canada Notes make up the rest.

*The Perforator* as Official Organ of the P. S. of A. devotes nearly its whole space to a full and detailed report of the Detroit Convention, illustrating the Museum of Art where the sessions were held and also gives pictures of the Mayor of Detroit and the director of the

Art Museum. A fourth picture illustrating "A Familiar Group" is evidently a photograph taken on a street corner and which gives the casual observer the impression that the party standing there is in charge of the big guardian of the peace waiting for the "Black Maria" or something of that sort. However, that could not have been so, for such a picture would not naturally appear in *The Perforator*.

*The Philatelic Bulletin and Eastern Philatelist* continues the stamps of Schleswig-Holstein and also a list of "United States Stamps which Are Overpriced" which would take up too much space to reproduce here. A Reference List of Type and Die Varieties is a continuation of a work begun in the May number of *The Eastern Philatelist* by Mr. Kilbon and interrupted through his illness. Miss Swift's review closes the number.

*The Philatelic Chronicle and Michigan Philatelist* is a new-comer from Charlotte, Michigan, and is gotten up in very neat style and contains a good deal of reading matter for a first number. "Green Goods in Philately" is well written. "The Stamps of Venezuela" is credited to *Timbres Poste*. Editorials, Locals, Inquiry Department and a Review are also there. We wish the paper all success and hope it has, as it says it has "come to stay."

*The Philatelic West and Camera News* continues The Revenue Stamps of Mexico and if the prices quoted as their present value are correct, even partially complete collections of them must cost a good deal of money. Mr. Millard continues the description of his voyage from the Rio De La Plata, Argentine Republic to New York. Reports of the Nebraska Philatelic Society take up quite a good

deal of space. A picture of its president Mr. R. L. Payne adorns the front cover.

Both the October and November numbers of *Stampic America* are to hand. The October number bears upon its cover a heart pierced with arrows. Surely the designer must have lost his reckoning and imagined that October was the month for valentines. More seasonable indeed appears the cover for November with the noble Thanksgiving bird suspended ready for the knife. Bro. I. B. Unknown takes exception to the deductions made from the yacht on the September number as an indication that *Stampic* comes from the North Atlantic States. Here in the November number he only confirms what we have said before about the section of country where *Stampic* has its birth. We quote from the paper: "We intended to have had the Plymouth Rock printed on our cover this issue, but our designer, whether designedly or not, we know not, misunderstood us, and the result is the spectacle of the sad fate of the turkey gobbler ready for the slaughter." Of course we cannot account for how the designer came to mix up Plymouth Rock with a turkey unless he thought a Plymouth Rock rooster was called for. But on the other hand who but a New Englander would even think of the Pilgrims landing place as a design for a cover and then instead give us the turkey which with pumpkin-pie for Thanksgiving day is surely a "Yankee notion," but also adopted here in the South and found good. Is the gun depicted upon the cover an heirloom in your family, "Bro. C," descended from Pilgrim Father to son or a base imitation like the other product of your State, viz.: wooden nutmegs?

*Stamps* of New York honors us only occasionally with a copy. The October

number before us contains Minor Varieties in which Argentine stamps are illustrated and the different varieties explained. Increasing One's Collection contains many valuable hints as does also Mr. Crawford Capen's article on "The Care of Stamps." In the Junior Collector's Department, Panama and its stamps and "A History of Spain and its Stamps" are interesting and instructive.

In *The Stamp Tribune*, Mr. Verbeck writes about Some Nuisances of Philately, and enumerates several of them. The hope is expressed that all will work together to rid our hobby of them. Beside this Mr. Verbeck's review is about the only other reading matter in this number. Among the editorials is this: "Rather thin. We regret that this number is rather thin; but we think that our readers will agree that contents are *par excellence*." Nothing like having a good opinion of yourself, Bro. L.

The *Western Philatelic News* is another Vol. one, No. one, coming from Wichita, Kansas. This journal starts out with having a French and Spanish department all evidently conducted by the editor himself. With so many Spanish speaking collectors in Mexico and French men in Canada, we see no reason why a paper of this kind, if well conducted should not be a success, and ads in it, translated into these languages bring good results. This number brings an article on the Ecuador Commemorative Issue of 1895. Philatelic Notes from Mexico, Canadian Notes and Editorials go to make up a very readable magazine. We wish the *Western Philatelic News* success.

*The Montreal Philatelist* under a new management has come to hand, its

former owner having left his country for his country's good and gone to Africa to take his chances of getting perforated by Boer bullets. It will be well to look out for surcharges etc. emanating from this enterprising youth who duped so many with his Great Barrier stamps. But perhaps the convenient press is missing. That such things are possible no one can doubt who saw the Newfoundland surcharged one cent on three cents sent here by Mr. Bach when that stamp first made its appearance in 1897, which however he redeemed without a word, so there is hope for those who invested in Great Barrier gold bricks, unless Mr. Bach finds an untimely (?) end in South Africa. Australian Federation is discussed by Ralph W. Gosset who also sends Australian news. An article on the Postal System of Germany is to be continued. In the Editorials Mr. Bach bids himself good-bye. New Issues and Society Reports end the number.

*The Philatelic Advocate* of Berlin, Ontario, has "Pithy Philatelic Points." "United States Minutes" are well written and contain some useful information. Argentine Republic gives a list of its rulers from 1860-1880 mentioning the stamps upon which their different portraits appear. Editorials and Dominion Philatelic Association Report finish the number.

*Energy* from Berlin, Ontario, which, by the way, seems to have reduced its subscription price from 50 to 25c, contains a short sketch on a big subject, viz.: "Work for Our Societies." Among the editorials "The Coming Favorites" are mentioned viz.: Transvaal, Natal, Orange Free State and Cape stamps and we copy the following: "The Boers aimed towards a United South Africa under their rule. That their fond hopes will be realized is out of the question.

What is more likely is that the British Lion will dine off Boers for a short time and the South African Republic will be no more." While we agree that that will be the ultimate result of an unequal fight, still we cannot fail to admire the Boers, who, fighting for their homes have to give way to superior numbers and who are putting up such a splendid fight.

Will some one please arise and explain what a "pantitorium" is? And have they in Berlin, Canada, also "Vestitoriums" and "Coatitoriums"?

From Leeds in England comes a small sheet the *Post Card News* which we hope will be soon put upon a permanent footing by the number of subscribers asked for by Mr. Wilson being forthcoming. We hail any thing that will bring the long neglected branch of our hobby to a better notice among collectors and others, for postals form a very interesting collection indeed.

*Stamps* of Rushden, England, discusses the pro's and con's of printed and blank albums. Mr. Wilson continues the Catalogue of the Post and Letter Cards of the British Empire, giving Ceylon this month. The Revenue Stamps of Japan is also continued. Post Card Notes gives the latest issues of cards. *Stamps Junior* explains Some Technicalities of Philately and gives Brunswick as an easy country for beginners. To complete that country, it seems to us would take more money than the average beginner would feel called upon to invest. Western Australian Stamps is also continued.

*La Revue Postale* has for its leader a treatise explaining how to search for varieties by J. Jaquier. Under the "Philatelic Month" general stamp news is given. A full chronicle of new issues completes this number.



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**Secretary's Report.**

**Applications.**

- Alexander Jacobi, 809 Genesee Ave., Saginaw, E. S., Mich. Age 45, Proprietor Eagle Cornice Works. Refs., Dr. Joseph H. Cowell, F. Doughty.
- Henry Ley, 28 Inwood St., Pittsburg, Pa. Age 31, Printer. Refs., E. Doebelin, T. H. Gafford.
- H. E. Wilson, 208 Ferguson Building, Pittsburg, Pa. Age 37, Broker. Refs., E. Doebelin, T. H. Gafford.
- Victor Ruggeri, Long Point, Quebec, Can. Age 33, Employer. Refs., James H. Fountain, L. Brodstone.

**New Members.**

- 144. James H. Fountain, 1027 Overton St., Los Angeles, California.
- 145. J. C. Bullard, San Diego, Calif.
- 146. Dr. Paul Rossberg, care of Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, St. Louis, Mo.

**Changes of Address.**

- R. R. Bogert, 13 Rue Boirsonade, Paris, France.
- George R. Tuttle, 87 Nassau St., New York City.

In case of "Change of Address" members will please notify the Secretary immediately.

**Renewal List No. 4.**

41, 56, 76, 78, 120, 131\*, 136, 145\*, 146.  
 \*These members have paid their dues to March 1st, 1901.

T. H. GAFFORD, Sec'y.

**Treasurer's Report.**

On hand last report.....	\$84.45
Rec'd from Sec'y.....	\$7.50 91.95
Paid T. H. Gafford, Sec.....	9.02
Balance on hand.....	\$82.93

J. N. MORSE, Treas.

**Purchasing Department.**

(For rules and regulations apply to Purchasing Agent.)

I have received the following renewals since my last report :

N. H. Withee.....	\$5.21
Paul Lazarus.....	4.11
John N. Morse.....	4.90
W. D. Arnold.....	5.21
M. P. Heaveurich.....	5.00

Albert W. Brown desires to withdraw from the Department and I have entered his resignation to take effect Feb. 6, 1901 in conformity with Rule 9.

Distribution No. 42 has been made, containing the following New Issues: Argentine, 4c, 6c, 6+6c. L. C., 4c., Netherlands, 5+5c, Japan 1½+1½ sen., Mexico, Local Print Formulas, 1c Urbano, 2c Interior, 2c for U. S. and Canada, 3c Postal Union. New design, Nov. 1st, 1c. 1+1c, 2c, 2+2c, 3c, 3+3c. L. C. 2c, 2+2c, 5c, 5+5c.

New issues have been ordered from Egypt, Great Britain, Uruguay and Mauritius.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER,  
 Purchasing Agent.

Baltimore, Nov. 13, 1899.

RULES GOVERNING THE EXCHANGE DEPARTMENT OF THE POSTAL CARD SOCIETY OF AMERICA

(CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH.)

**MEMBERSHIP.**

Applications for membership must be sent to the Secretary, and must be signed



ed by two references, preferably members of our Society.

The annual dues are \$1.00 but as our term terminates March 1st, applications accompanied by \$1.25 will be sufficient for dues until March 1st 1901.

Application blanks may be had of the Secretary or from any member.

#### COLLECTIONS.

I have collected for dues since my last remittance \$11.50, of this amount I have sent to the Treasurer \$7.50, the remaining \$4.00 having been received since I made my remittance to Mr. Morse.

#### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS.

As the time for our annual election is approaching it is necessary that we should place in nomination our candidates for office for the ensuing year, commencing with March next. By our Constitution the election should be held during the month of March and nominations should be sent in to the Secretary not later than January 8th, 1900, in order that they may be published in time to allow members an opportunity to withdraw their names from the list of candidates if they so desire.

At our last election the officers were elected without any or comparatively no opposition. Members should manifest more interest, as the success of every Society depends upon the judicious selection of its officers. It is hoped that every member will show due interest in the nominations as well as in the coming election.

Nominations should be sent in for the office of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and an Executive Committee of three. Nominations for the Official Journal are also in order.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. GAFFORD,  
Secretary.

CHURCH HILL, MD., Nov. 13, '99.

— MERRY CHRISTMAS. —

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Richmond, Va., Emil Gerlich and Robert

Kessler, New Braunfels, Texas.

Official Journal—THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

### President's Message.

*To the Members of the Southern Philatelic Association:*

Our list of applications in the last issue of our official journal was very small and the present one is none too large. We must wake up! Send to the Secretary for application blanks and invite your friends to join us. Our dues are very low, and benefits innumerable.

Our newly appointed Resident Vice-Presidents are being heard from. Joel H. DuBose promises to bring in ten members during the coming year. Who will be next?

Let us see if we cannot secure 50 applications for next month.

Yours for the S. P. A.

ROY B. BRADLEY, President.

### Secretary's Report.

#### NEW MEMBERS.

221 Barnes, Sidney H., Marceline, Mo.

225 Gant, D. C., 709 Hill Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.

226 Froehling, Henry, 119 W. Main St., Richmond, Va.

#### APPLICATIONS.

\*Simpson, W. D., Box 123, Anderson, S. C. Refs., F. Stearns, H. B. Faut, J. Louis Gray, M. D.

\*Hinson, Jno. F., Kenansville, Duplin Co., N. C. Age 35. Book-keeper. Refs., F. Stearns, A. Dietz, R. B. Bradley.

\*Reyser, Mark W., M. D. 303 N. 12th. St., Richmond, Va. Age 28. Physician. Refs., F. Stearns, A. Dietz, Hy. Schott.

\*Payne, F. G., Box 211, Harrisonburg, Va. Age 21. Refs., F. Stearns, W. H. Keister, H. S. Hooke.

(\*Desire to participate in Sales Department.)

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**Report of Sales Superintendent.**

KNOXVILLE, TENN., NOV., 13, 1899.  
In circulation, Sept. 14, 1899, 61 books .....\$1126.06  
Received since .....13 books..... 257.04

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	74	1383.10
Retired.....	18 books.....	247.08
Sales from same .....		\$58.60
On circuit at date.....	56 books.....	\$1186.02
Insurance fund, Sept. 11.....		\$47.76
Insurance fund, Nov. 13.....		50.24

Want members to send in more books. Expect to retire nearly all I have by 1st January.

Respectfully,  
CHAS. WARING.

**VIRGINIA PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.**

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JOHN PAALZOW, 1018 Park Ave., Richmond, Va., Sales Manager.  
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Official Organ: THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

Association meets on the 10th of every month, at 8 o'clock p. m., at 13 N. Eleventh St., Richmond, Virginia.

RICHMOND, VA., Nov. 10, 1899.

*To the Members of the V. P. A.:*

The twenty-eight regular meeting of our Association was called to order by President Dr. Mark W. Peyser on the night of the above date. Quite a number of members attended.

The proposition to convert the Virginia Philatelic Association into a philatelic club was presented by Mr. Franklin Stearns, the scheme meeting with unanimous approbation.

Mr. Stearns explained his idea in detail—that the dues should be 50 cents per month; that suitable apartments centrally located, should be secured; that the membership should also be extended to non-collectors—with a view to interesting them in Philately; that the apartments should be furnished with a philatelic library as well as other publications—in short that a home for Richmond and visiting brother phil's be established.

The members present were very much enthused over the plan, and with a membership of fifty to begin, it was deemed practicable to proceed at once.

After adjournment the President appointed Messrs. Anderson, Bradley and Dietz to "reconnoiter" and find suitable rooms and report on all other requirements and costs of furnishing, etc. and to report at a special meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 21.

R. S. REDFORD, Sec'y.

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**Report of Secretary-Treasurer.**

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, Nov. 1, 1899.

**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.**

Kearny, Stephen W., P. O. Box, 30, San Antonio. Occupation, collector.  
Age 30. References: Edward W. Heusinger and Charles Roemer.

**CASH ACCOUNT.**

**RECEIPTS.**

Sept. 30, 1899, Bal. on hand	\$37.18
Dues and Fees	.55
	—————\$37.73

**EXPENDITURES.**

Oct. 7, 1899, W. L. Winter, for printing 65 copies of Circular Letter No. 1	1.75
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Nov. 1, 1899, Cash on hand	\$35.98
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Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD W. HEUSER, Sec'y and Treas

**Report of Exchange Superintendent.**

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, Nov. 1, 1899.

Since my last report from Oct. 1, I received 3 filled books, valued at \$103.86  
 Previously acknowledged in circulation, 8 books, valued at 231.67  
 335.23  
 I have returned to owners since Oct. 1, 8 books, valued at (from which have been sold \$70.74) 205.98

Total amount of books in circulation, 3 valued at 129.55  
 Insurance Fund up to Nov. 1 7.26  
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Respectfully submitted  
 CHARLES ROEMER,  
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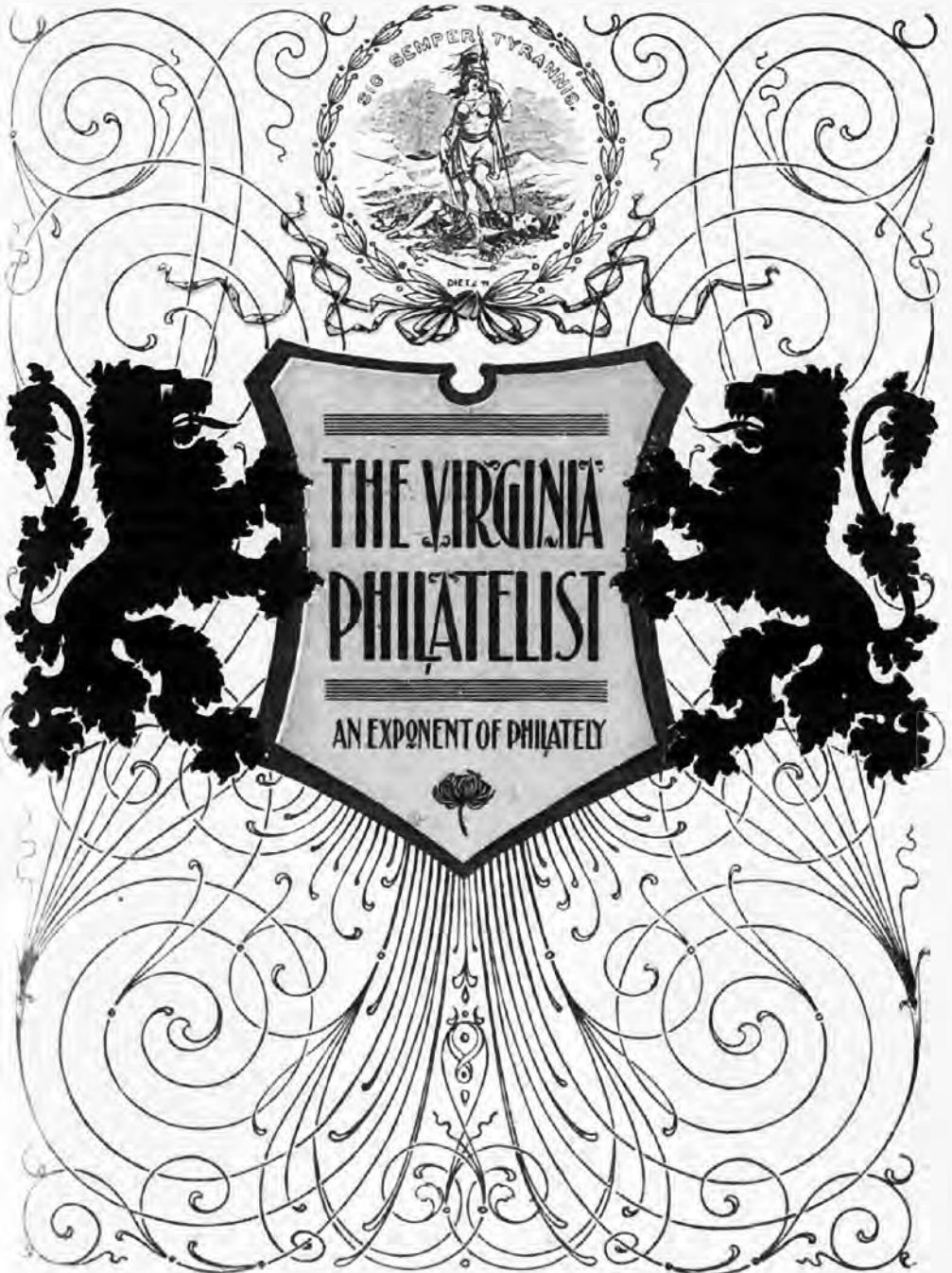
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Mr. Askew is a native of Texas, and now in his 52nd year, if my memory has served me correctly. His life has been an eventful one. At the age of seventeen he enlisted in the civil war between the States, and served two years as adjutant of a battalion of eight companies of Texas state troops, and afterward as first lieutenant of Confederate reserve corps, post commandant at Paris, Texas. Just before the close of the war he was attached to the staff of that brave hero, Brig.-Gen'l Henry E. McCulloch.

At the close of the war he "kept books" for a while in several lines of business, in all of which he was financially interested. He was for several years secretary and auditor of the "Cotton Belt" railway system and also engaged in large enterprises in Tyler, Texas. Since 1891 he has been acting as expert accountant and auditor of the Railroad Commission of Texas, which position he still holds.

He is a favorite member and officer of the Royal Arch Masons, K. of H., K. and L. of H., Golden Cross Commandery, Knight's Templar, and Mystic Sinner. He has held various offices in the Texas Philatelic Association and has attended every convention yet held.

Mr. Askew is a general collector, and proud possessor of a collection of some 6000 varieties. Besides his stamps he collects post-cards and envelopes, and has a nice line of original covers also.

Devoting a large portion of his time to scientific pursuits, he has justly won fame by his great work in promoting the knowledge of the natural history of his state, especially of the molluscan fauna, of which he discovered several until then unknown species. His collection of mollusks is probably one of the finest in this

country. At his home in Tyler he has a specially erected building filled with his treasures—mollusks, stuffed birds, biological specimens, historic and prehistoric relics, etc.

Mr. Askew is a favorite with all who know him, and is always pleased to have visiting "phils" call on him when in Austin, where he resides with his wife and three daughters, during his official capacity with the railroad commission.

He is known among the collectors at the stamp conventions as the "youngest old man" they ever met, and with his happy manners one is always proud to call him a friend, as is the writer.

Being daily associated with Judge John H. Reagan, ex-Postmaster General of the Confederacy, he is naturally an authority on these favorite stamps, and his excellent article, "Notes from the Official Reports of the Postmaster General of the Confederate States" won for him new laurels.

R. B. B.



HENRY G. ASKEW.



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THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST has always been very conservative in its business policy, in so far as it relates to advertising. It takes years to build up a large list of subscribers; and one of the main requisites to obtain and hold the names

on the books is merit—such as is found within our pages.

We want more advertising! This is not a weak appeal from a new aspirant for philatelic honors, but a manly request from one of the best stamp papers published, if we are to believe our many friends. We are not addicted to “blowing our horn,” but we feel satisfied that we can offer a far superior medium than the average magazine. We reach a *clientele* all our own—a buying one. Facts are what bring conviction. We might fill several pages with promises, etc., but we print a few testimonials from regular advertisers who are all well satisfied with the results. *They tell the story.*

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EDWARD FRANKEL.

"I get more answers to my advertisement in your paper than in *any* in which I advertise." RICHARD H. BUNCK.

### "Puerto Rico" Now.

WE NOTICE in the daily press that the government of this "land of the free, etc.," has finally adopted the name "Puerto Rico" as the official spelling of the name of that island.

We presume that we are likely to have a new issue with change in the surcharge—at least that would be in keeping with the present course of this stamp dealing country of ours.

Try an ad in the only philatelic journal of the South—THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST. It will pay you.

### Paul Jones Next.

MAURITIUS has issued a commemorative stamp, 15 cents, blue, showing the portrait of Mahé de Labourdonnais, the famous French naval officer who became the governor of the island in 1734.



The most remarkable thing about this stamp is that it is issued by a British Colony, glorifying a Frenchman who whipped the British.

Probably we'll have Paul Jones on some British stamps next, or, what's the matter with Paul Krüger?

### Mexican Counterfeits!

OUR good friend Frederic Noyes, Counterfeit Detector of the Southern Philatelic Association, requests us to caution collectors against Mexican imperforates of the 1884 issue, as they are being sent out from Mexico *cancelled*. He has also noticed a lot of 1879-82 issues with *forged* surcharges.

### Our Visitor.

WE HAD the pleasure of a visit on Christmas day from the Vice-President of the Southern Philatelic Association, Mr. Oscar Jannasch, one of the popular stamp men of the Lone Star State. Bro. Jannasch was taken in charge by the editors of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, and—we didn't do a thing to him! Come again, friend Jannasch.

### " Sic Semper Tyrannis."

THE following communication has just reached us from Canada :

OSHAWA, December 26, 1899.

AUG. DIETZ, ESQ., Ed. "*Virginia Philatelist*."

DEAR SIR : Will you please cancel my name from your subscription list. Your attitude on the Anglo-Boer war, as expressed in your editorial in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST for December is the trouble. You evidently, without studying the subject, expressed yourself in the way you did. Your paper I have looked upon as the leading Philatelic Paper of the South. Am I to suppose that in the sentiment of Philatelists of the South, you lead also? If I mistake not, it is not a great many years ago when you, as a nation, were not ashamed to acknowledge the friendliness of Great Britain, and I would regret very much to have to believe that the sentiments you expressed are shared by the better class in the "States." You will therefore kindly drop my name from your list of subscribers.

Yours Truly,

R. NEWTON JOHNS,

D. P. A., 92.

Oshawa, Ont., Can.

While we should be sincerely grieved to feel that we had offended any of our readers and friends, we shall, nevertheless, always claim the liberty of voicing our sentiments and convictions in these columns, which are ever open to those who may differ with us.

Our views in this matter have undergone no change, and yet it is in justice to ourself to say that we arrived at these convictions only after a thorough study of the subject, and that our remarks are but a faint echo of the cry of civilization and Christianity, standing appalled at Britain's crime in South Africa.

And the events of the past month but strengthen our faith in the ultimate triumph of Right over Might, and the truth of that prophecy on Virginia's fair escutcheon.

" Sic Semper Tyrannis."

GOOD things to preserve : Natal and British Bechuanaland stamps.

### To Pay Funeral Expenses.

THE remains of Columbus, part of which were again found in 1877, are to find a final and suitable resting-place at last.



To secure the necessary sum for this purpose the Dominican Republic has decided to issue a Commemorative series, to remain on sale from February 27, 1899, until February 27, 1900.

*Senf's Briefmarken-Journal* states that these stamps are only for inland service, and that thus far the 1 centavo brown-violet, and the 5 centavos blue have appeared.

### It's Time It Were Weaned.

ISN'T it about time the *Philatelic Bulletin*, of Salem, Mass., secured some matter of its own, instead of continually gathering provender from the "dump" of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST?

There were no less than five items in its "Xmas" number taken from our December number, in which the *identical* forms were used, including our own headings—in fact the very type-setting which we had paid for. All of which was a "soft thing" for the printer, and probably meant a reduction in the *Bulletin's* bill for composition.

We recall an editorial in *Filatelie Faets*, commenting on this habit of the *Bulletin*, in which collectors were advised to subscribe to THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST and receive both papers in one.

Quite sarcastic—but true.

### The Millennial Dawn.

THE following extract is taken from an editorial in the December *Post Office*, and THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST heartily endorses the same. We have too many stamp journals. We believe the paying ones can be counted on the fingers of one hand; certainly on both. Yet all the many failures does not seem to deter youthful enthusiasts from attempting to revolution philately by publishing an amateurish paper. Let us have some more discussion on the subject. Here is the editorial:

\* \* \* WE honestly believe that if there were three or four good stamp papers in the country instead of the great number now published it would be better for all concerned, collectors, publishers and dealers. These three or four papers would obtain a large advertising patronage, and obtain a large paid-up circulation, and could afford to give their readers an excellent paper. As it now is, there is not enough advertising to go round, and the average collector has neither the time nor the inclination to read so many papers. As regards *The Post Office*, we should more than welcome the consolidation of a number of our stamp journals into one strong monthly paper, and would cheerfully give up our publication. There is some pleasure in editing and publishing a paper, but it is not an unmitigated one, especially when the end of the year comes around and a good big sum has to be transferred to the wrong side of Profit and Loss.

OUR Revenues are now appearing in a different style of rouletting. Instead of the usual knife cuts, the stamps are now perforated—a rectangular portion of the paper, about  $1\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4}$  mm., is removed.

WHO'S got the Ladysmith pigeon-post stamps?

### A Good Joke.

AMONG the numerous Christmas and New Year greetings that came to us during the past month, and for which we hereby return our thanks, was a unique letter from some unknown friend in Greater New York, containing a strip of three U. S. 2c stamps surcharged "GUAM—HAPPY NEW YEAR," and the following epistle:

"I enclose strip of three Guam stamps. I think Mr. Captain Leary was just too tardy for anything to put the Happy New Year on the Guam stamps.

I did not think he would do such a thing on a stamp. Are they for use on New Year's cards?

I see you are the only ones that gave the surcharge as it is, the others left off the Happy New Year.

In regards 'enthusiasm rampant,' just remember that 'nothin's too good for the Irish.' Doncher care, 'Virgie,' what they say about your griffius—you've got my subscription for another year yet.

About your 'Boer puns'—maybe the stamp was not licked, but both 'Tommy Atkins' and the stamp may have been 'soaked.'

Yours,

A MERRY CHRISTMAS."

Now, who did it?

### The Big Postal Card Society of America Number.

THE February number of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST will be dedicated to and issued under the auspices of The Postal Card Society of America. Besides presenting groups of prominent members of the Society, it will contain articles of great value to our brethren of the card.

Every philatelist interested in postal cards will be mailed a copy of this issue upon request, enclosing a stamp for postage.

WE acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a beautiful calendar for 1900 from Messrs. W. Sellschopp & Co., the popular stamp dealers of San Francisco.

### That "Samoach" Surcharge.

THE *Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung* relates the following story of the origin of those German stamps chronicled by a number of our contemporaries as issued by Germany for Samoa and surcharged "SAMOACH:"

The Berlin Stamp Collectors Club, on the occasion of an entertainment, had one hundred current 3 pfg. stamps surcharged "SAMO-Ach," and circulated them, as a joke with copies of a philatelic paper, published especially for this occasion, and distributed among those present. In due time copies found their way to some chronicler's den, with the above result.

The pun hidden in that mode of spelling is perhaps only apparent to Germans, and, considering the state of affairs in those turbulent islands at the time, is, or was, the most appropriate thing we've read in a long time.

The nearest approach to its translation into English would be:

SAM-oh me!

Now that Uncle Sam has decided to adopt the Spanish mode of spelling the name of our new possession "PUERTO RICO," we may expect a new variety of surcharges from that quarter.

### New Issue For Turks Island.

OUR correspondent in Turks Island sends us the following interesting news which is quite interesting:

"The postal authorities here have decided upon a change in the design of our postage stamps. Accordingly, in all probability, about the middle of next year there will be issued an entirely new set, and a 2 and 3sh stamp is to be added to the present denominations; the design, I am informed, will be the coat of arms of the colony."

### A Sequel to the Omahas.

SUFFERING Jerusalem! Now we are to have a Buffalo Exposition series of stamps! The Washington correspondent of *The Metropolitan Philatelist* informs his paper that the set will contain no denominations above 10 cents. The following is an extract from his communication:

Unless the Department changes its present intentions, and it is to be hoped that it will not, the Buffalo Exposition set will be confined to six denominations, namely, 1c, 2c, 4c, 5c, 8c and 10c. As the clumsy size of the Columbians and Omahas somewhat handicapped their more extensive use, it is probable that the proposed new set will be of the same size as the current ordinary stamps. The designs have not yet been decided upon. One of them will probably depict Niagara Falls.

### An Unfortunate Omission.

Through an oversight the 15 centavos stamp was omitted from the last two sets of Porto Rico stamps in the advertisement of Edward Frankel in the December issue.

WE STILL believe that Natal and British Bechuanaland stamps are good investments, and if the Boers continue at the present rate of thrashing three generals in one week, why a small stock of Capes will come in nicely in time to come.

### For Postal Card Collectors.

WE have received from Mr. A. Lohmeyer, 922 N. Gilmor Street, Baltimore, Md., his 1899-1900 Special Bargain List. It is indispensable to every postal card collector.

SUBSCRIBE to this paper.





THE *Philatelic Journal of India* is authority that British New Guinea is shortly to have stamps of its own instead of the Queensland stamps now in use.

THE postage stamps of the 1891-92 series of the Netherlands, which have just been replaced by a new series, will not be allowed in circulation after the first day of January, 1900.—*P. M. and W.*

THE Finnish Senate has refused to sanction the decree of the Russian Minister of the Interior, that Russian stamps should be used in the interior of Finland.—*P. J. of G. B.*

GERMANY has established a post office at Tangiers, Morocco, and other similar establishments are to follow soon. German stamps with the surcharge "Marokko," are being used at present.—*P. M. and W.*

THE *Philatelic Monthly and World* is the authority that the German actress, Fraulein Anna Fuehring, Baroness von Strantz, who posed for "Germania" on the new German stamps, is now touring the United States in *repertoire* with a German dramatic company.

It seems that the commemorative postage stamp of Porto Rico of 1893 has recently been reprinted in all kinds of colors. That makes another valueless collection of pretty labels, which, it is hoped, will not be thrown upon the market in the guise of essays.—*P. M. and W.*

THE value label in the first issue of Sarawak was separately drawn in each stamp, says the *Philatelic Journal of India*. This particularly noticeable in

the case of the 12c., one stamp having the letters of "TWELVE CENTS" little more than half as high as the adjoining stamp.

ALTHOUGH Hawaii is the oldest of our colonies, it will require an act of Congress to legalize the use of U. S. stamps and the domestic rates there, as the treaty of annexation provided that all laws then in effect in the island should remain so.—*Nebraska Philatelist.*

TUNIS will soon have new postage due stamps, according to Monsieur Maury. The Tunisians are getting tired of the postage stamps with the big perforated "T," and the new type is to resemble the French postage due stamps in character and design.—*P. M. and W.*

I JUST learned that all the surcharged stamps of Cuba have been called in and destroyed. This will make the stamps more valuable and there will be quite a demand for them now, as it is always the case when things are easy to get we do not want them, but just as soon as we find that we can not get them then we all want them.—*Washington Correspondence, Era.*

BY the decree of the Minister of Colonies, under date of October 17th, 1899, the French Soudan has ceased to exist as an independent colony, parts of its territory having been integrated into the administration of Senegal, the Ivory Coast and French Guinea. One of the consequences of this decree is the suppression of the postage stamps of the French Soudan, which have been withdrawn from circulation.—*P. M. and W.*

M. LEMAIRE has found a new forgery of the rare 60 crazie, Tuscany. It is made out of the 9 crazie value by the substitution of the figure 60 for the 9. This forgery can be easily discovered by measuring the word "crazie" which is

9mm. long in the 60 and 10½ mm. long in the 9 crazie.—*Revue Phil. Francaise.*

As a consequence of the war between Great Britain and the Boers the Continental mails have been diverted from their former route via the Cape of Good Hope. At present French, German and Belgian steamers carry the mails either from Marseilles, Naples or Brindisi to the Delagoa Bay, the Portuguese harbor on the eastern coast of South Africa, whence there is a direct railroad service to Pretoria. The time consumed is from five days to three weeks longer, as much depends upon connections.—*P. M. & W.*

### Mexico's New Issue.

MR. FREDERIC NOYES, of Alice, Texas, sends us the first specimens of the new Mexican issue.

The set is beautiful, and is, unquestionably, the best effort ever put forth by our sister republic. It comprises the following adhesives and other postal stationery :

#### ADHESIVES.

There are ten adhesives in the set. The values 1, 2, 3 and 5 centavos appear in one color, those of 10, 15, 20, 50 centavos, 1 and 5 pesos, in two colors. Those of the first seven values show the same Mexican coat-of-arms in as many different designs of lathe-work background which is remarkable for its delicacy and beauty. The 50 centavos the 1 and 5 peso stamps are also two-colored and present Mexican scenes, surrounded by a lathe-work design. The values, colors and designs are as follows :

- 1c green, coat-of-arms.
- 2c red, coat-of-arms.
- 3c yellow, coat-of-arms.
- 5c dark blue, coat-of-arms.
- 10c brown-lilac and orange, coat-of-arms.
- 15c lavender and red-brown, coat-of-arms.
- 20c carmine and dark blue, coat-of-arms.

50c red-lilac and black, "Waterfall of Juanacatlan."

1 peso blue and black, "Volcano of Popocatepetl."

5 pesos rose and black, "Cathedral at Mexico."

The watermark is "Servicio Postal de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos," in small Gothic capitals, repeated many times diagonally across the sheet. They are perforated.

#### ENVELOPES.

The new envelopes are white wove paper. They are printed in single colors with the coat-of-arms of Mexico in relief: size 158x88mm.

- 2c red.
- 5c light blue.
- 10c lilac.

#### POST CARDS.

There are six cards in this new issue, all bearing the coat-of-arms similar to the envelope in different colors as follows :

- 1c green.
- 1x1c green, T4.
- 2c red.
- 2x2c red, T4.
- 3c orange-brown.
- 3x3c orange brown, T4.

Size 90x140mm.

#### LETTER CARDS.

The letter cards appear in four values as follows :

- 2c red, perf. III.
- 2x2c red, perf. III.
- 5c blue, perf. III.
- 5x5c blue, perf. III.

Size 88x137mm.

#### WRAPPERS.

Two wrappers have been issued. Manila paper, size 125x300mm.:

- 1c green.
- 2c red.

### The New German Postal Cards.

MR. MAX LIEBERT of Grandenz, Germany, sends us one of the new 1900 postal cards, printed in green, value 5pfg. It bears the new "Germania" stamp, surrounded by laurels; to the left "1900" in a sun-burst through clouds, besides the usual inscription "Deutsche Reichspost—Postkarte."

## Why the Auction Thrives.

BY EVERY PAGET.

IS IT not a true saying that the philatelic auction is the philatelic mirror?

Does it not reflect the present prices?

The auction has been used for many purposes. The general purpose is to sell salvage, etc., for whatever price it will bring, which, by the aid of "puffers," or hired bidders, is generally as much or more than the material is worth.

The auction of philately, however, differs materially from the ordinary auction. Here stamps can be counted on to bring their market value. A stamp is worth so much to you or I; we are willing to pay so much for it. This establishes values. The dealer might ask the same price for ten years and not make a single sale, and yet he might put the stamp up in a good reliable auction and dispose of it in a short time. The philatelic public patronizes the auction. The stamps are open to inspection and everything is honestly conducted. An auction company cannot hope for patronage if they are dishonest. The auctioneer allows a certain time for a stamp to be returned if it is not found satisfactory. Everything is above reproach.

The owner of his stamps may put them up without fear. If he wishes to attach a minimum price at which they may be sold, he is at liberty to do so. Or he may attend the sale in person, or have some friend do so and buy his stamps back if they go too cheaply. In the case of a re-purchase the collector only loses the auctioneer's commission, but as a general rule stamps always bring a good price.

By means of the auction many a good collection is broken up and strewn to the winds, so to speak. A man spends years of patient toil in amassing a collection—he then dies. His collection is

part of his estate. It is put up at auction and disposed of to the highest bidder per lot. The chances are the estate will realize much more out of it than it cost the deceased. This is accounted for by the rarities bringing a much higher price perhaps, than he paid for them.

Again the collector who has amassed a nice collection may become hard pressed for money, or he may decide to relinquish his collection and dispose of it by means of the auction.

The advanced collectors, who lack certain rare specimens, always attend these auctions either in person or through a representative, where something is to be sold that they wish. Such collectors are likely to pay high prices for the stamps they desire. Especially so when several advanced collectors are bidding on the same stamp. As we all know, before the sale takes place catalogs are printed and distributed to collectors all over the globe, we might say. Collectors everywhere pick out the stamp they desire and send in their bids either to the auctioneer direct; through some friend or dealer, or the society auction purchasing agent. We might therefore truthfully say the philatelic world knows when such and such an auction is to take place and what stamps are to be sold.

The auction helps the beginner as well as the advanced collector. The beginner is just as welcome to bid for any stamp he desires as is the older and more advanced collector.

The auction is a good thing financially for the auctioneer and if the sale is a large one he usually comes out far ahead of expenses.

The auction makes the prices for the cataloger. He consults the printed price list of prices realized at all the auction sales both at home and abroad in making up the new prices for his catalog.

The collector purchases the printed list of prices realized at the various auc-

tions in all parts of the world, and has an authentic idea of what stamps are worth. The cataloger may not be inclined to sell his stamps at the price brought at auction. The collector may not wish to pay more than they brought at auction.

The auction is for the masses. Not the classes. It has sprung into great popularity and it is a great aid to philately. It is surely a reliable means of disposing of or buying stamps and it is a sure and certain indicator of the market.

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### Second Exhibition of Postage Stamps

BY THE SECTION ON PHILATELY OF THE  
BROOKLYN INSTITUTE OF ARTS  
AND SCIENCES.

**P**HILATELY, or the study, collection and preservation of stamps, has been greatly stimulated, and the number of its devotees largely increased during 1898-99, by the public patronage accorded it at the International Exhibition in Manchester, England; and at the American Exhibition in the Borough, of Brooklyn, N. Y., under the auspices of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts & Sciences,—the latter being visited by more than 10,000 persons, making it a phenomenal success, and creating a wide interest in this most fascinating pursuit, among young and old.

The great benefit rendered the advancement of philately through its scientific classification by the Brooklyn Institute about a year ago, has been recognized and appreciated by nearly every government on the globe,—the United States, Austria, Russia, Egypt, Hungary, British India, Roumania, New Zealand, Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, South African Republic, Canada, New Foundland, Bahamas, St. Lucia, Falkland Islands, Honduras, and many others,—as is

evidenced by their handsome and substantial contributions of stamps to the Institute Collection of Postage and Revenue Stamps of the world. The Institute seeks to encourage the study of stamp collecting, in all its varied forms, fully realizing its educational advantages, particularly among young students.

Like collections of other kinds, philately has its financial feature in no small measure; the highest price ever paid for a single specimen of a U. S. stamp was \$4,400, which sum was paid for the famous 10 cent Baltimore issued in 1845,—the design showing the autograph of President Buchanan. The celebrated 20 cent St. Louis brought \$3,000. While there are many U. S. worth from \$500 to \$2,000, such as the Beaumont, Uniontown and Madison (Confederate provisionals); and the Brattleboro, Vt., Millbury, Mass., and New Haven, Conn., Postmaster's stamps, which are extremely scarce. For persons having access to old correspondence between the years 1843 and 1870, there are open opportunities for obtaining many rareties, which are best kept on the original envelope. Many foreign stamps as well as U. S. are exceedingly scarce and valuable, especially some of the early issues of British possessions,—Mauritius, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Canada, etc. The early stamps of British Guiana and Hawaiian Islands are almost unobtainable.

The interest manifested by the public in the First Exhibition of Postage and Revenue Stamps, given by the Section on Philately of the Brooklyn Institute, has encouraged the members to give a Second Exhibition on somewhat broader lines (with the co-operation of leading Philatelic Societies of New York, Chicago, Boston and Richmond) at the Art Rooms of the Brooklyn Institute, 174 Montague St., Brooklyn, N. Y., from March 3rd to 11th, 1900. The Exhibition will be open on week days from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M.,

and on Sundays from 2 P. M. to 6 P. M.

Invitations will be issued for the formal opening on the evening of March 3rd, 1900, and the public are cordially invited to attend on all other days and evenings without tickets of admission.

The large attendance last year (being 2,500 to 3,000) on each of the Special Days set apart especially for the School Children of Brooklyn to inspect the exhibits and to receive packets of stamps, which were distributed gratuitously, with a view of creating in the children an interest in collecting stamps, has inclined the Committee to renew the invitation to them again on March 11th, 1900, to be present and further increase their collections begun last year.

Gold, silver and bronze medals of handsome design, as well as special awards will be offered for competition for the best exhibits by collectors and dealers. Prospectus and other information concerning the Exhibition may be had on application to the Secretary, Mr. John D. Carberry, 1125 Putnam Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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### From the Pacific Coast.

*Editor of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST,*

DEAR SIR:—The following two items in regard to Pacific Northwestern Philately may be of interest to your readers:

The Portland Philatelic Club was reorganized on November 15th with a charter membership of eighteen. The following are the officers of the Society: President, H. Moeller; Vice President, M. L. Gumbert; Secretary-Treasurer, W. L. MacMullin; Auction-Exchange Manager, John F. Killeen; Librarian, L. A. McArthur; Trustees, acting with other officials, F. C. Drews, Wm. Kingston, James B. Finnegan. Meetings are held twice a month, dues 15c per month, payable quarterly in advance. At the

third regular meeting the Librarian was instructed to subscribe to ten of the leading papers of this country and Great Britain, among which was included THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

The Third annual Convention of the Interstate Philatelic Association of Oregon and Washington was held at the quarters of the Portland Philatelic Club on Tuesday evening, December 5th. The following officials were elected for the ensuing year: President, H. Moeller, of Portland; Vice President, W. L. MacMullin, of Portland; Secretary-Treasurer, A. D. Schoch, of Forest Grove; Auction Purchasing Agent, F. W. McCandlers, of Ellensburg; Exchange Superintendent, F. C. Drews, of Portland; Librarian, M. L. Gumbert, of Portland; Attorney, J. K. Stout, of Spokane; Official Editor, J. F. Haworth, of The Dalles; Trustees, E. C. Patton, H. O. White and F. W. Stump, of Salem; Official Organ, *Evergreen State Philatelist*; Convention Seat, 1900, Portland.

The Society now has a membership of 43 and is in a prosperous condition financially. Philatelically yours,

H. MOELLER.

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\$4.00 for \$1.00 is what the Hampden Stamp Co. offer.

WM. P. BROWN, the veteran stamp dealer sends out sheets at 50% commission.

WHEN you want Newfoundland issues the Trojan Stamp Co. are headquarters.

THE STARR STAMP CO. are doing a fine business these days.

THE 50 centimes stamp of Switzerland has appeared in the Postal Union color, green.

RICHARD R. BROWN, the wholesale dealer offers some bargains.



BY JOHN PAALZOW.

All Publishers are requested to send one copy direct to the Review Editor, at No. 1212 Floyd Ave., Richmond, Va., U. S. A.

Review closed rather late this month, Dec. 28.

We have received the following papers since last review :

	Vol.	No.
Allegheny Philatelist, Allegheny, Pa.	15.	6.
Buckeye Phil., Tiptecanoe City, Ohio,	1.	1.
Evergreen State Philatelist, Hartland, Wash.,	12.	8.
Herald Exchange, New York, N. Y.,	7.	3.
Illinois Philatelist, Kankakee, Ill.,	1.	4.
Indiana Philatelist, Goshen, Ind.,	1.	1.
Juniors' Collector, Dayton, Texas,	1.	8-9.
Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, St. Louis, Missouri,	13.	48-50-51-52.
Nebraska Philatelist, Hastings, Neb.,	1.	8.
New York Philatelist, New York,	7.	8.
Ohio Philatelist, Pearl, Ohio,	1.	3.
Philatelic Chronicle and Michigan Philatelist, Charlotte, Mich.,	1.	2.
Philatelic Inter Ocean, Waterloo, Iowa		6.
Philatelic West and Camera News, Superior, Nebraska,	11.	1.
Stamp Tribune, Cleveland, Ohio,	1.	11-12.
FROM CANADA.		
Philatelic Advocate, Berliu, Ont.,	7.	6.
Moutreal Philatelist, Moutreal, Can.,	2.	6.
FROM ABROAD.		
Stamps, Rushden, Eng.,	3.	11.
RECEIVED ALSO :		
Lohmeyers Bargain List No. 11, of P-stal and Letter Cards.		
J. T. Starr Company, Price List No. 12.		
B. L. Drew & Co.'s Catalogue of 42nd Auction Sale.		

Two numbers of the *Allegheny Philatelist* are at hand. In the November number Mr. Chapman's "From the Pointed Quill" occupies the place of the leading article and beyond it are only Philatelic Notes from St. Louis and Boston. New issues is as usual very full. The December number brings Phil A. Telist's "Philately on a Cash Basis." The second installment of information

on the Philatelic Order of Masons is printed giving the qualifications required of the Superintendents of the different departments and invites members to apply for these positions. The order does not seem to gain very rapidly in membership, the last new member being No. 15. New issues is as usual complete. Mr. Chapman reviews the new Catalogue. This month the notes from different philatelic centres are more elaborate, representing Chicago, Boston, Canada, Denver, St. Louis. Pointed Quill Drivings of Mr. Chapman are continued. Mexico's new issues is described. Phil A. Telist's *Honesty The Best Policy* is good reading for those who think that to steal a stamp or to substitute one is no crime. Would that the laws were here as we see them enforced in Germany. There the Sales Superintendent of a Hannover Stamp Society was found guilty of substitution and sentenced to six months imprisonment. Think of a man of independent means and good social position sent to jail for such an offence. How he must feel his degradation and the loss of his good name.

Vol. I. Number 1. of the *Buckeye Philatelist* published by Mr. Paul Cline of Tiptecanoe City, Ohio, has come to hand. Its pleasing exterior makes a good impression and the introduction to the Philatelic Public does not diminish it, and if this new journal can fulfill its aims we may expect a good and interesting paper. Miss Swift gives us *Thoughts of Woman-Kind*. Mr. Chapman furnishes *Perforations*. Mr. Morrison is *Looking at the Bright Side of Philately*. *Washington News*, *Philatelic News Items*, *Editorials* and *Notes from Canada* together with Mr. Cass's *The Calamity Howler* finish this number which is certainly a good one for a first issue. With Old Rip we say "may you live long and prosper."

In the *Evergreen State Philatelist* Veritas gives vent to his feelings anent the stamps of Guam in "Philately Month by Month." In the Editorials we find the following: "A bright (?) correspondent asks what a used copy of the 3 cent Omaha is worth, to which we reply several thousand dollars would be a very low figure." The Little Philatelic Bird whispers, "That the 2c red brown envelope of 1899 will be a rarity." Hardly, Birdie, if the *A. J. of P.* is correct in saying that peroxide of hydrogen restored at least one copy to its normal shade of carmine, but perhaps those who paid two dollars for their specimens would not like to make the test.

The *Herald Exchange* dated November 1st is under review only this month and the December number is not to hand yet. Chicago Notes contains a warning against faked pink paper private revenues of the civil war issue which are supposed to be made by a party living in or near Chicago. Mr. Cottlow also furnishes Odds and Ends. Errors and Omissions and Black List is there. In the next issue of the *Herald Exchange* we hope to see the name of the Los Angeles dealer who in a letter to a correspondent confesses himself a forger of grills on U. S. stamps. The *A. J. of P.* does a good work in publishing the letter verbatim. Into the same category belongs the dealer who in several of this month's magazines advertises "Lubeck" reprints at 7c for 5, and adds that these reprints were made for the benefit of an old soldier. It is true that in 1872 such an official reprint was made, but anyone who is at all informed knows that these reprints were only issued in a very limited quantity and are to-day worth more money than the originals, so these stamps offered as "spacefillers" for seven cents can hardly be anything else than forgeries pure and simple and an

add of that kind ought to be refused by any journal. We read so much in our magazines about protecting the beginner and still when an ad like the above is offered which bears upon its face the evidence of fraud how many publishers are there who refuse it and practice what they preach? Mr. Chapman has Pertinent Paragraphs. The German Department closes the number.

The *Illinois Philatelist* does not contain anything of special interest, the associate editor having apologized to Mr. Dodge and the latter accepting the apology, so there will be no chance at present to "see the fur fly."

From Goshen, Indiana, comes No. 1. of *The Indiana Philatelist*. The number is about the same as similar first numbers. We hope it will be able to withstand the chilling blasts of winter and remain in the ranks.

Two numbers of *The Juniors' Collector* are at hand. The November number contains, "To the Young Collector" in which the usual advice is given to learn all about stamps. The December number contains a similar article. It also has a picture and biography of R. L. Doak, the editor of the *Ohio Philatelist*.

In *The New York Philatelist* the philatelic abuse discussed in this number is the substituter, and no meaner thief than he is going unpunished by the law, and if the fate of the party in Germany mentioned somewhere else in this review could overtake each and every one who substitutes stamps then indeed dealers would feel much safer in sending out selections. A discovery (?) of some local provisional surcharges in Revenues is described and while in all probability there may have been a necessity for their issue, still it seems queer that in a

printing of only 500 stamps done at three different times presumably at the same printing office during the space of two weeks, each time a different type should have been required. It looks as if some one had an eye to business. Mr. Chapman has "Concerning U. S. Revenues" giving the changes that have been made in prices of these stamps in the new catalogue. Mr. J. Francis Farrell has a gruesome Christmas tale in this number. It is hard for us to decide which we like best, Mr. F.'s prose or poetry. No wonder the gentleman who wrote "A Dream of Stamps" lives in Salt Lake City. If he lived anywhere else he would be prosecuted for being "wedded so much." A very generous share of advertising patronage seems to fall to the *N. Y. Philatelist*.

*The Ohio Philatelist* brings the picture of its Editor and Publisher also the familiar Great Barrier Island fraud. Editors Say and a reply to Mr. Stone's criticism of the *O. P.* fills the remainder.

*The Philatelic Chronicle and Michigan Philatelist* has an article against minor varieties and speaks about part perforated U. S. stamps, asking if anyone can vouch for an *authentic copy* of such a stamp. The writer can answer this in the affirmative for he has seen a whole sheet of the 5c of the 1894 issue perforated only one way and it was not made to order, but sold from the P. O. in this city in that condition and bought by the party who held it, when seen by me, at face. The Great Barrier Island stamps is the same article we see in other of this month's magazines. Review, Stolen Sputterings, Editorials and Canadian Notes fill the number.

*The Philatelic Inter Ocean* for December, although number six, is the first copy seen by the writer. In it Mr.

Severn speaks of the Friendship Among Collectors, which is plainly shown in the meetings of the stamp societies where rich and poor, if collectors meet on the same level and enjoy looking over collections and exchanging philatelic news and knowledge. Editorials and articles on the Inventor of the Post Card and Old Postage Stamps complete this number which contains no ads save one on the fourth page of the cover.

*The Philatelic West and Camera News* begins The Stamps of Argentine Republic, compiled to date by Alfonso Millard. The proposed New French Issue is spoken of as is also "Another Queensland Variety." Notes on Canadian Revenues. Mexican Notes contain this information: The rare stamp of the 1895 issue will be the 12c as it was recalled shortly after its issue. "How to Examine a Stamp" contains the description of a contrivance designed to facilitate the classification of the different papers upon which stamps are printed. Society Notes and Camera News fill the balance of the number.

*The Stamp Tribune* concludes with its December number the first volume and will hereafter appear as a weekly instead of a monthly. Good luck to you Bro. Lev, but we are afraid that it will be hard work to make a new weekly paper pay, however nothing ventured nothing gained. The November number contains a description of New Zealand. The old question of "Used or Unused" is discussed but nothing new presented in the argument so we presume it will remain as before, each one will collect what appeals most to his fancy. Review, Editorials and Scratchings finish number. In the December number Mr. Verbeck decides that the Embossed Varieties of U. S. stamps are not varieties and therefore not collectable. As in Used and



Unused, no amount of argument will change many who do collect them. Scratchings, Review, and an account of the invention of the telegraph by Morse conclude the first volume of the *Stamp Tribune*.

The *Philatelic Advocate* of Berlin, Ont. is not as thick as usual being only an eight page number but we presume that this is the lull before the storm and that the next number will make up for it.

An Interesting Error describes a Canadian bill stamp with inverted medallion. U. S. Minutes gives the numbers and values of stamps surcharged for Guam. Notes from England and the Great Barrier Forgery are in evidence. Editorial comments and society reports with advertising close this month's edition.

The *Montreal Philatelist* has a new department headed "News of the Month" in which everything of interest to philatelists will be given, such as new issues, important sales, finds and discoveries (no British Guiana, please) doings of societies, etc., etc. "New Issues" in this number is very complete. Editorials, Australian Stamp News, the conclusions of The Postal System, of the German Empire and Australian Federation conclude this number.

*Stamps'* of Rushden, Eng., discusses "A Rival Attraction" the pictorial card collecting craze which has been spreading from the continent to England and which may in time take also possession of our country. *Stamps'* advice to let the matter alone and not antagonize it is the best that can be given, for if left to itself it will have its rise and fall as all other hobbies do. Mr. Pearce continues Revenue Stamps. Mr. Wilson, The Post and Letter Cards of the British Empire, giving this month, Cyprus, Dominica, Falkland Islands, Fiji and Gambia. *Stamps Junior* advises beginners about

collecting Used or Unused. The "broken circle" of Bavaria is illustrated. Entire and Cut Square, and Locals to Collect and Avoid gives advice about the subjects they treat on. Revenue Stamps of Japan is continued as is also The Stamps of Western Australia.

No *Rival Philatelist* nor *Stampic America* have come to hand this month. Has the *Rival* gone out of business and was the Thanksgiving Day turkey too much for *Stampic America*? We hope no accident happened to the publisher or editor from the ancient weapon depicted on the November number of *Stampic*.

The November number of *The Philatelic Record and Stamp News* from London, England, is to hand. This magazine is now edited by Mr. Ed. J. Nankivell who is so well known as the English contributor to *The American Journal of Philately* and who has lately begun to publish the *Trausvaal Collectors' Quarterly*. Envelopes of Tonga by Mr. A. F. Bassett Hull gives a list of the stamped envelopes issued in Tonga from 1891-1893. Barbados Notes is reprinted from the *Monthly Journal*. The death of Dr. Westoby is announced. New Issues are given. The list of the 19 known specimens of 1 and 2d Post Office Mauritius is given with the names of the parties through whose hands they passed and the prices realized for them. The English dealer who purchased the three discovered last, cleared £825 or over \$4000, by his purchase, he having purchased them for £1975 and selling them for £2800. Truly a large sum to invest in three little pieces of paper. Philatelic Gossip and Society Notes close this number.

WM. V. D. WETTERN, JR., is a new advertiser. Look him up.



### New York Correspondence.

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THE spell of warm weather during December has had a tendency to remove any traces (that remained) of dull times. The outlook for 1900 is very encouraging, and the ranks of active collectors will probably be greatly augmented. I know of two inactive collectors who have again taken up the cause of Philately after many years absence—the reason, the popularity of Philately among their friends and acquaintances and the numerous new stamps which are constantly being issued by various countries—which these new adherents see. Is it then possible for any one to resist the charms of Philately without giving her an after thought? Of course, certainly not.

On January 10, 11, 12, and 16, 17, 18, the most important auction sale that has ever been held in this city, will occur. The collection of Mr. F. W. Hunter will be sold piece meal to the highest bidder. Special accommodations for a large number of bidders has been provided for—the Assembly Room of the United Charities Building on the northeast corner of 22nd street and Fourth avenue has been engaged for the occasion. Catalogues for the sale contains six full page half-tone illustrations of the rarest stamps to be sold.

In *The American Journal of Philately* for December I note an article headed "Warning!" My curiosity being aroused I read same, and I was a greatly surprised person when I had finished perusing same. Not that I doubted the authenticity of the letter, but the nerve

of the party to try and blacken the characters of our dealers and catalogue makers, is astounding. To give the letter as wide a circulation as possible I clip the entire article as it is:

#### WARNING.

The following letter has been sent us with the request that we give it publicity. When we state that the letter is accompanied by an assortment of clumsily counterfeited grills of the 1867 issue of the United States, and that we hear of the writer offering the same wretched trash to other collectors and dealers, further comment will be unnecessary. The letter carries in itself a condemnation of its author:

L. M. PASSMORE,  
STAMP DEALER,

BOX 721,  
LOS ANGELES, CAL.  
Nov. 3, 1899

MR. P. VAN KELECOM,

DEAR SIR:—I notice your ad. in the *Herold Exchange* and take the liberty of sending you some United States grills—a list of which I enclose. These grills have been pronounced by several prominent philatelists to be genuine, but the price I can buy them at makes me think otherwise. However, they are a beautiful piece of work and no doubt are just as genuine as any that come from our *catalogue makers*. If you can use any of these I will give you any reasonable quantity in exchange for good Foreign. Any Dutch Colonies, *early* Belgium or any *early* European. What I mean by *early* is *good* stamps. The price I put these grills to you at will enable you to give me good stamps. I have all the common and medium grade I want.

What you do with the grills is none of my business, but I offer you a chance to make some money. I can furnish you any of the 3c 1861-67, any grill you want and in any quantity, and furnish you the stamps, and I will take 5 per cent of their catalogue value (after grilling), in the stamps mentioned, *all good ones*, taking these at full catalogue. For instance, I will give you \$1000 catalogue grills and take 850 catalogue in exchange. You will find me honest in any dealings you may have with me. I am simply doing no more than Scott or Gibbons are doing all the time.

Since the 1900 Scott's Catalogue has come out, the 1861 United States and 1870 are unobtainable in the open market for a greater discount than 25 per cent. off, and if you can use any other denominations I can put them in at this rate and then charge you the regular 5 per cent. rate in the grilled condition. The stamps will have to be paid for in cash as they will stand me that much. Of course you shall have a complete assortment in this line if you undertook it, and the 5c and 30c grilled all over, I put in at \$250 each, at this price, I will furnish the stamps, but those catalogued less I cannot afford to.

Let me hear from you. If you have any United States send them on and I can fix them up. The stamps I send you as samples catalogue \$186.58. Send me \$6.85 in good Dutch Colonies and keep the stamps.

Hoping to hear from you, I am,

Yours respectfully, L. M. PASSMORE.

The following appeared in one of the New York dailies and gives one to understand the number of difficulties the post

office officials at New York have to contend with.

At this season hundreds of thousands of people in all parts of the civilized world are thinking about the Christmas presents they will send and receive. An enormous proportion of these gifts will be transmitted through the mails, and of these many will go astray on account of violations of the postal rules or carelessness in packing. An investigation will usually put the blame where it belongs; and in the inquiry department of the post offices of all large cities there is a force of experienced clerks employed to attend to just such cases.

Small sums of money in coin are often lost in transit through the mails. The person addressed gets a mutilated envelope that should contain 25 cents, but does not. He says: "Those thieving letter carriers!" and there the matter ends. In cases of this kind, the coin, slipping around loose in the letter, pressed by a heavy article, perhaps a book or an electrotype, is forced through the envelope; but, although it does not reach the person for whom it was intended, it has been neither stolen or lost. The aggregate of small coins lost in this way from letters and sent from the New York City Post Office to the Dead Letter Office in Washington, is not less than \$100 a month. This money can be recovered by the owner at any time if he will take the proper steps; but if the amount is small, as it usually is, it is more trouble to look it up than it is worth.

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### Our Boston Letter.

BY BEAN EATER.

THE New England Stamp Co., of this city will show the magnificent Thorne collection at all the different stamp centres in this country, and in the fall, Mr. Batchelder, the manager, will take the remaining gems to all the leading European stamp markets. Mr. Carpenter, the treasurer, will also visit the Pacific slope with it.

The Colonial Stamp Co. seem to be the only local firm that are offering the famous Guam stamps for sale. They are certainly offered at a very reasonable price as the market now stands, but what will the awakening be, in a few months from now?

Mr. C. F. Rothfuchs has come into possession of all the *red brown* envelopes that were recently discovered, not far from this place. There can be no doubt but that this envelope, which is offered at \$2.00 (entire) will be, and is, a good

thing. They were originally owned by the regatta committee of the Corinthian Yacht Club, of Marblehead, Mass. It is claimed that there was only about 100 unearthed. The discovery was made by Mr. R. F. Burns of the Boston Philatelic Society.

The 1c Revenue stamp has arrived here with the new perforation. It is claimed on good authority that the postage stamps are to be issued hereafter with this same style of perforation. Many cannot see where the improvement would be; but whisper, perhaps that fact is not being taken into consideration at all. Maybe it's another scheme *a la* Guam.

About the homeliest-looking stamp that has put in an appearance here for many a moon, is the new 1d Queensland. The stamp however will soon be suspended, and is therefore likely to become desirable property. 'Tis said that beauty is only skin deep. Who knows but that it may be applied to stamps as well as human beings. Another novelty to show up is sixteen varieties of compound envelopes from the island of Tasmania. They are printed on white and gray paper, which appears to be full of fragments of silk thread. From two to three stamps appear on each envelope. Fred S. Smith, the Boston broker appears to be at the bottom of the case, and it is claimed that he is responsible for their appearance. 'Tis said he ordered fifty sets of the sixteen varieties.

We anxiously await the outcome of his next scheme, whatever it may be.

The general stamp trade here has improved much during the past few weeks. African stamps are in great demand, as well as all new issues as fast as they appear.

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W. C. PROUDFOOT offers some remarkable bargains in the stamps of the Antilles.



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### Secretary's Report.

#### Applications.

W. Alex Smith, Jr., 635, Park Ave., New York City. Age 26, Stock Broker.  
 Refs., W. Rasmus, F. L. Smith.

#### New Members.

- 147 Alexander Jacobi, 809 Genesec Ave., Saginaw, E. S. Mich.  
 148 Henry Ley, 28 Inwood St., Pittsburg, Pa.  
 149 H. E. Wilson, 208 Ferguson Build'g, Pittsburg, Pa.  
 150 Victor Ruggeri, Long Point, Quebec, Canada.

#### Dropped for Non-Payment of Dues.

The following members are herewith dropped from the list for failure to pay their dues.

- 1 Wm. M. Stewart, Lawrence, Mass.  
 108 Fred'k P. Richardson, Salem, Mass.  
 112 W. L. Brown, Springfield, Mass.  
 133 John W. Prevost, Longmeadow, Mass.

Members may be re-instated upon payment of dues to March 1st, 1900—\$1.00.

I regret that I am compelled to drop the above members from our list, but as I have used all possible endeavors to collect the dues, even to writing personal letters, which remain unanswered, the provisions of our Constitution had to be carried out.

### Nominations.

- For President: Guy A. Bryant, Princeton, Ill.  
 For Vice President: Herbert A. Croghan, San Diego, Cal.  
 For Secretary: T. H. Gafford, Church Hill, Md.  
 For Treasurer: John N. Morse, Boston, Mass.  
 For Executive Committee (3 members.)  
 Adolph Lohmeyer, Baltimore, Md.  
 W. D. Arnold, St. Paul, Minn.  
 N. Haskell Withee, La Crosse, Wis.  
 For Official Organ: THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

More nominations to follow next month. Parties wishing to withdraw their names from the list of candidates please to notify the Secretary promptly.

### Thanks.

Mr. Fred Doughty, of Saginaw, Mich., our worthy Exchange Superintendent, will please to accept the thanks of our Society for binding a complete file of our Monthly Bulletin and presenting same to us gratis. Respectfully submitted,  
 T. H. GAFFORD, Secretary.  
 CHURCH HILL, MD., Dec. 18, 1899.

### Purchasing Department.

(For rules and regulations apply to Purchasing Agent.)

I have received two renewals since my last report:

Allan Forbes.....\$4.00  
 W. P. Agee.....3.20

The following new cards have been received and will be sent out as Distribution No. 43, before this report reaches our members: Great Britain,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$ , 1, 1+1d Negri Sembilan, 1+1c. Zanzibar 1899,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$ , 1, 1+1 anna. Egypt, 4m.

New issues have been ordered from Austria, Brazil, Denmark, France, India, Queensland, South Australia, German-Kamerum and Russia.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER,  
 Purchasing Agent.  
 Baltimore, Dec. 18, 1899.

### Treasurer's Report.

On hand last report.....\$82.93  
 Received from Secretary..... 4.00  
 Received from A. Lohmeyer,  
 over due from former Exchange Department.....13.19 17.19

On hand.....100.12  
 J. N. MORSE, Treas.  
 Boston, Dec. 15, 1899.

**The Narragansett Philatelic Association**

President—Herbert M. Wheaton, E. Providence.  
 Vice President—W. H. Thompson, 4 Andrew St., Providence.  
 Secretary—Geo. A. Round, 219 Carpenter St., Providence.  
 Treasurer—F. B. Gouch, Woonsocket, R. I.  
 Librarian—Albert F. Mouroe, E. Providence.  
 Sales Supt.—F. B. Gouch, Woonsocket, R. I.  
 Meetings—2d and 4th Wednesday evenings each month.

The 19th regular meeting of the N. P. A. was held at 4 Andrew Street, Providence, on the evening of December 13th, President Wheaton presiding. Secretary's report read and approved. Treasurer presented no report. Sales Superintendent Gouch reported 28 books received since last report, value of stamps \$88.33; sales since last report \$5.92; carried to insurance fund 45 cents.

Resignation of Irving R. Lederer accepted.

Voted: That circuit books be sold to members for 2 cents each. Voted to arrange for the serving of refreshments at the next meeting.

The 20th regular meeting of the N. P. A. was held at 4 Andrew Street, Providence, on the evening of December 27th. There was a good attendance, and a very encouraging meeting. President Wheaton presiding. Secretary's report read and approved. Treasurer reported balance of 94 cents in Treasury, with all bills paid. Sales Superintendent reported progress in his department. Voted to amend Article 2, Section 3, to make the initiation fee and the quarterly dues 10 cents from January 1st.

New members:

21 A. J. McConnell, Woonsocket, R. I.

After the meeting adjourned the members were entertained by a Gramophone concert directed by Mr. Gouch, followed by the serving of refreshments, which had been contributed by a special committee. The next meeting will be held at E. Providence on the evening of January 10th. The society expects to make large gains in membership this winter, and with an "up-to-date" sales department, a first class official organ, and active hustling officers, there is no reason why expectations should not be fulfilled.  
 G. A. R.

**Southern Philatelic Association.**

President—Roy B. Bradley, P. O. Box 6, Richmond, Va.  
 Vice-President.—Oscar Jannasch, Waco, Texas.  
 Sec'y-Treas.—W. C. Lowry, Hillsboro, Texas.  
 Int'l Secretary—R. S. Nelson, Birmingham, Ala.  
 Sales Supt.—Chas. Waring, Box 292, Knoxville, Tenn.  
 Librarian—Henry Schott, Box 190, Richmond, Va.  
 Counterfeit Detector—F. Noyes, Alice, Texas.  
 Trustees—Roy B. Bradley, Chairman Ex-Officio, Richmond, Va., Emil Gerlich and Robert Kessler, New Braunfels, Texas.  
 Official Journal—THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

**Secretary-Treasurer's Report.**

**NEW MEMBERS.**

- 227 Simpson, W. D., Box 123, Anderson, S. C.
- 228 Hinson, Jno. F., Kenansville, N. C.
- 229 Peyser, Mark W., 302 N. 12th St., Richmond, Va.
- 230 Payne, F. G., Box 241, Harrisonburg, Va.

**APPLICATIONS.**

- Eldredge, Wm., Box 1352, Boston, Mass. Age 31. Book-keeper.
- \*Green, W. D., Waynesville, N. C. Age 18. Printer. Refs., F. Stearns, R. L. Allen, W. H. McClure.
- Brown, Walter. Age 32. Printer. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, C. P. Davis.

**CHANGE IN ADDRESS.**

- C. Bergholz, from Onalaska, Ark., to 419 Royal St., New Orleans, La.

**FINANCES.**

**RECEIPTS.**

Initiation fee .....	\$ 10
Dues .....	75
Balance on hand .....	18 38
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$19 23</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
 W. C. LOWRY, Sec.-Treas.

**Report of Sales Superintendent.**

In cir'a'n Nov. 13, 56 books, value	\$1136.02
Received since.....13 " "	222.22
69 " "	1358.24
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25c ".....	35	2.50 " ".....	10
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50c " P. P.....	1 00	50c " ".....	12
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25c ".....	10	70c " " P. P.....	1 00
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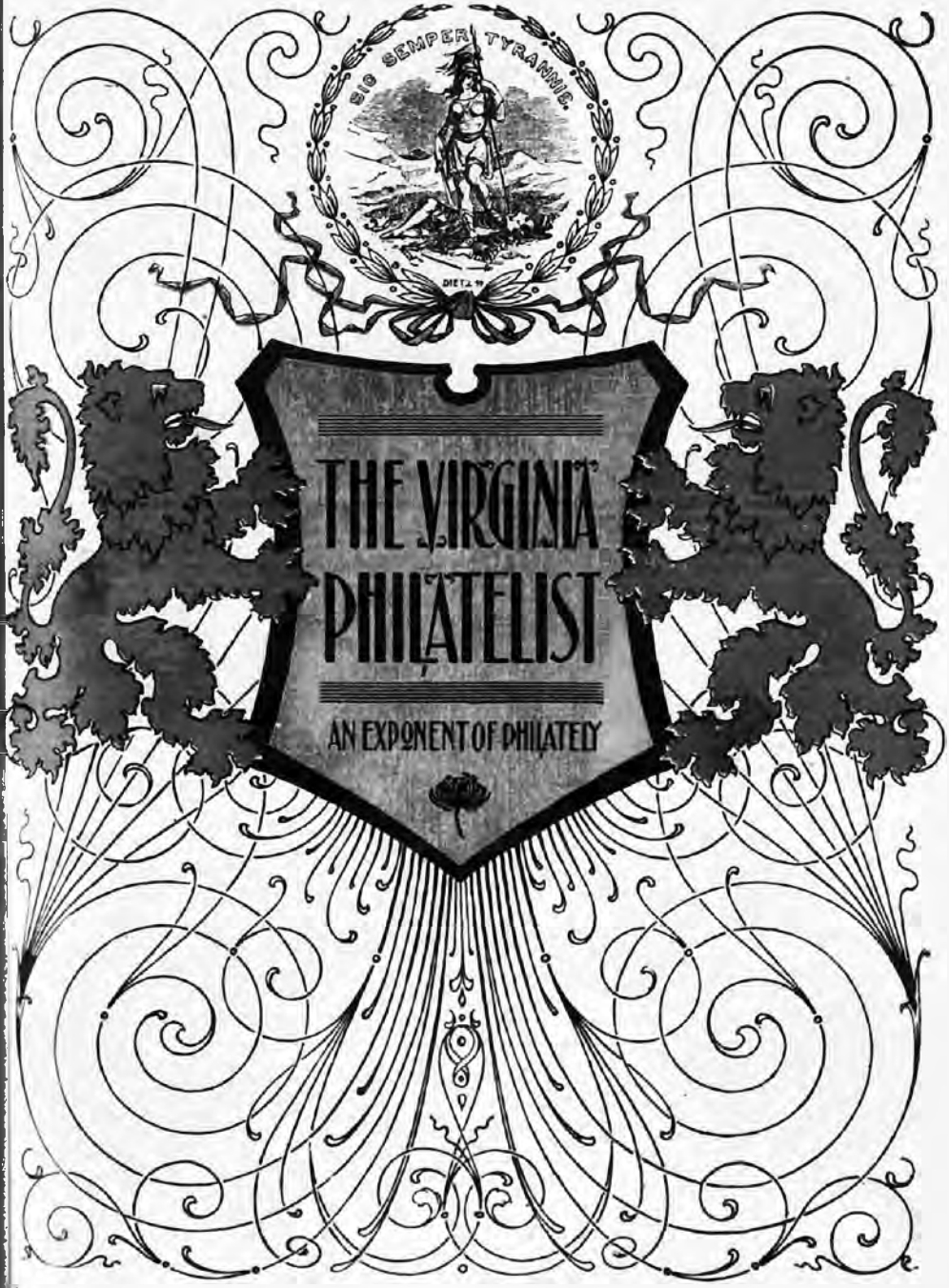
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1152	2x2c carmine.....	40	1238	2c carmine and blue.....	06
1155	6x5c blue.....	50	1239	2x2c carmine and blue.....	10
1158	2x2c carmine.....	35	1240	3c brown and green.....	08
1150	3x3c red brown.....	40	1261	3x3c brown and red.....	12
1168	5c blue, <i>used, rare</i> .....	2 00	1262	3c brown and red.....	08
1174	5c blue, <i>used</i> .....	40	1263	3c brown and green.....	08
1177	5c blue, <i>used</i> .....	30	1264	2c carmine and black.....	06
1177	5c blue.....	25			
1179	5c blue, <i>used</i> .....	30			
1179	5c blue.....	25	1265	1c green and blue.....	05
1187	5c blue and carmine, <i>used</i> .....	35	1267	2c carmine and red.....	06
1189	2c carmine and green.....	30		2c rose and black.....	06
1190	3c scarlet and green.....	25		3c brown and green.....	08
1193	5c blue and red.....	25			
1194	2c carmine and green.....	20			
1196	3c scarlet and green.....	25	1269	1c green and blue.....	03
1197	3c scarlet and green, <i>used</i> .....	40	1270	1x1c green and blue.....	06
1198	5c blue and red, <i>used</i> .....	25	1271	2c rose and red.....	05
1199	5c blue and carmine.....	40	1272	2x2c rose and red.....	08
1199	5c blue and carmine, <i>used</i> .....	30			
1204	3c scarlet and green.....	35			
1209	5c blue and red, <i>used, rare</i> .....	50			
1210	5c blue and red.....	25			
1210	5c blue and red, <i>used</i> .....	25			
1220	2c red and green.....	15			
1220	2c red and green, <i>used</i> .....	20			
1220a	2c red and green, <i>rare</i> .....	1 50			
1221	3c vermilion and green.....	20			
1221	3c vermilion and green.....	40			
1226	5c blue and red.....	25			
1227	2c carmine and green.....	25			
1231	3c scarlet, <i>rare</i> .....	50			
1241	3c scarlet.....	25			
1245	2c carmine and rose.....	25			
1246	2c carmine and rose.....	25			
1247	2c carmine and green.....	25			
1241	2c rose (new type).....	10			
1246	3c brown.....	15			
1249	3c brown.....	35			
1251	3c brown and carmine.....	10			
1252	4c brown and carmine.....	10			
1252a	3c brown and carmine.....	15			
1253	2c carmine.....	10			
1254	2c carmine and green.....	10			
1254a	2c carmine and green.....	15			

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1265	1c green and blue.....	05
1267	2c carmine and red.....	06
	2c rose and black.....	06
	3c brown and green.....	08

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1269	1c green and blue.....	03
1270	1x1c green and blue.....	06
1271	2c rose and red.....	05
1272	2x2c rose and red.....	08

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	1c green.....	02
	1x1c green.....	03
	2c carmine.....	03
	2x2c carmine.....	04
	3c yellow brown.....	04
	3x3c yellow brown.....	08

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1401	10c green, <i>rare</i> .....	75
1410	4c orange.....	12
1411	1c violet.....	30
1412	4c orange.....	12
1413	5c ultramarine.....	15
1414	5c ultramarine, <i>rare</i> .....	25
1415	4c orange.....	10
1416	5c ultramarine.....	12
1417	2c carmine.....	06

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	5c blue.....	08
	5x1c blue.....	10

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### The Postal Card Society of America Souvenir Number.

THIS number of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST is published under the auspices of the Postal Card Society of America, and to that flourishing organization it is respectfully dedicated.

When the idea of issuing a "Special" devoted to Card Collectors first suggested itself to us we addressed that "Nestor of the Card" in America, Mr. Adolph Lohmeyer, of Baltimore, Md., who, approving of our plan, presented it to the officers of the Society, at whose hands it likewise met with a most favorable reception.

To these gentlemen, especially, are we indebted for all that is herein presented, and we but trust that their labors may find a fitting reward in the knowledge of having contributed their quota to Philately's choicest literature.

The advantages and pleasures of Postal Card Collecting are so numerous and yet so little known that we are persuaded to believe a perusal of the contents of this Souvenir Number will afford the Philatelist a glimpse of a new wonderland—enticing him, perchance, to lay aside his adhesives, for a moment, and enter through the open gates into another of Philatelia's dominions—the Society of Postal Card Collectors of America.

#### Defending Bach.

THE new editor of *The Montreal Philatelist*, in commenting very uncomplimentary on Canadian scribes in general and on those who exposed R. C. Bach, in special, makes an attempt at defending the absent forger, waxing quite dramatic in the promise of a dire vengeance when Bach returns.

The following is from his editorial:

"We have no mission to defend the actions of Mr. Bach; we know much more of his doings than anyone else, and while frankly, we say that much he has done appears indefensible and culpable, we cannot forget that this young man is now far away, bravely fighting the battles of his country, and even while we pen these lines he may have expiated in his heart's blood any faults he has committed."

That's all very pathetic, but we regret to learn that the editor of *The Montreal Philatelist*, was, all the way, cognizant of Bach's shady doings.



### The History of U. S. Revenues.

A HERCULEAN TASK SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED.

THE Historical Reference List of the Revenue Stamps of the United States, compiled by Messrs. Geo. L. Toppan, Hiram E. Deats and Alexander Holland, under the auspices of the Boston Philatelic Society, has appeared from the press of Newcomb & Gauss, Salem, Mass.

Aside from its typographical excellence this work will rank among the foremost productions of the world's philatelic literature.

In a previous number of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST we printed an exhaustive prospectus of this work, and now the completed task is all and more than what was promised then.

While our limited space in this number does not permit of a thorough review of the work, a few extracts from the preface will interest every philatelist:

"It has been compiled entirely from official records; the committee having been so fortunate as to have had full access to all the books accounts, correspondence, and other records of the late firms of Butler & Carpenter, and Joseph R. Carpenter, who held the government contracts for the engraving and printing of this class of stamps from their inception, in September, 1862, to August 31, 1875.

In addition to the above we have obtained copies of the official records for the period covered by the contracts with the National Bank Note Co., and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. These, while not so full of historical data as the records of the first contractors, are sufficiently so for all practical purposes and carry us to the repeal of the stamp tax in 1883.

Commencing again in August, 1891, at which time the current two cent Playing Card stamps were first issued, we have obtained copies of the official records up to Dec. 31, 1898.

The work, therefore, is complete and includes all stamps issued up to the above date, beyond which we have, for many reasons, deemed it inexpedient to go."

The volume contains over 400 pages royal octavo, printed in large, clear type, on heavy antique paper, substantially bound in paper covers, uncut edges.

The subscription price was announced in the prospectus, \$3.00, payable in advance.

Boston Philatelic Society, Boston, Mass., Publishers.

### Mr. Deats' Lecture Before the Brooklyn Institute.

MR. H. E. DEATS, of Flemington, N. J., Secretary of the American Philatelic Association, recently delivered a very interesting lecture before the members of the Section on Philately of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences on the subject of Confederate Stamps, illustrating his remarks by reference to many choice specimens from his collection. Mr. Deats' collection of rare Confederates is said to be the finest and most valuable of its kind in this country, and it is not often that the members of the Section have the privilege of viewing such handsome specimens of these stamps.

Some of the prominent Manhattan philatelists present were Messrs. John N. Luff; P. F. Bruner, President of the Collectors Club; A. Krassa, and Joseph S. Rich.

After the lecture, some of the Officers of the Section, the Manhattan visitors and Mr. Deats were entertained by Mr. Alexander Holland, at his residence, in displaying some of his rarities of stamps of Great Britain.

It is Mr. Deats' intention to exhibit his entire collection of Confederate Stamps at the forthcoming Philatelic Exhibition of the Section on Philately, to be held at 174 Montague St., from March 3rd to 11th, 1900.

### Another Fine Volume.

WITH its January number *The American Journal of Philately* completed its XII. volume, second series. Comment on this first of American Philatelic publications is unnecessary—it should be in the hands of every collector.

WITH Vol. II. *The Stamp Tribune* appears as a weekly, presenting a most creditable appearance.

### Postal Cards for the Philippines.

THE Philippines are at last to be supplied with a stock of postal cards. The requisition reached here a few days ago and will probably be filled this week. This order received calls for :

100,000 1c. (H).

20,000 2c. (E).

5,000 2c. foreign reply cards (F).

This order has been turned over to contractor Daggett who will have the surcharging done in this city. The 2c. and 2c. reply cards will have to be surcharged singly while the 1c. cards will be done in entire sheets. The word Philippines will appear under the stamp, similar to the Cuban and Puerto Rico cards.—Washington Corr. *Metropolitan*.

### Subscription Price Reduced.

FOR a short time only the subscription price to THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST has been reduced to 15 cents.

This applies equally to renewals and extensions, but does not cancel the clubbing rates.

### Exit "The Post Office."

WE learn that Messrs. J. C. Morgenthau & Co. have discontinued the publication of *The Post Office*.

Philately of America thus loses one of her foremost exponents.

### Higher Values for Cuba.

THE Washington correspondent of *The Metropolitan*, informs his paper that Director General of Posts Rathbone recommends that stamps of the denominations of 15 and 50 cents be prepared and sent to him for sale.

WE have received a copy of E. T. Parker's Price List of 174 pages.

### A Card From Mr. Paalzow.

MR. FRANK K. HILLS, manager of the Kekionga Stamp Co., at Fort Wayne, Ind., writes me a letter in which he takes exceptions to my remarks in the January Review in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST regarding his advertising reprints of Lübeck. From what Mr. Hills says, I am convinced that he purchased these Lübecks in good faith; the party who sold them to him representing them to be reprints. Now, however, since Mr. Hills has probed the matter to the bottom, he has found that they were misrepresented, and that they are not reprints, but counterfeits, and as such not even fit to be "space-fillers."

Comparison with genuine specimens shows them to be entirely different in many points, and out of the five only one approaches anywhere near the color of the genuine. My remarks in THE VIRGINIA were based upon the supposition that whoever advertised these Lübecks knew their true character. Mr. Hills says he did not, and I believe him, for his letter has a ring in it that conveys the conviction that he is speaking the truth.

JOHN PAALZOW.

### No Review This Month.

WE regret to announce that we are compelled to omit Mr. Paalzow's popular Review this month. It will, however, appear in full in our March number.

THE next German Congress is to be held in July, 1900.

THE *Philatelic West and Camera News* has started a Postal Card Department and the publisher is looking for a contributor. Here's a chance for some enterprising card collector.

### The Officers of the P. C. S. of A.

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GUY A. BRYANT.

THE President of the P. C. S. of A. is Mr. Guy A. Bryant, of Princeton, Ill. This gentleman was born in that town on December 12th, 1868, and has spent all of his life in the nursery. We do not intend to imply that Mr. B. is still in his swaddling-band—far from it, for he is a wide awake business man and is the junior member of the well known firm of Arthur Bryant & Son, Nurserymen, which was established in 1845 by his grandfather, Arthur Bryant.

Mr. B. began collecting stamps eighteen years ago, but in 1892 gave them up for cards, to which he has since confined his attention, having about 3200 varieties.

The Bryant family has given to the world many great men, but had it produced no others than the subject of this sketch and the venerated poet, William Cullen Bryant, it would be famous.

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HERBERT A. CROGHAN,

Vice-President was born in Cedar Rapids, Linn Co., Iowa, August 13th, 1872, but not liking the treeless prairies of his native State, moved to the more fertile lands of California, where he evidently found his heart's desire, for we find him engaged in the wood and coal business, as bookkeeper for the Pacific Wood and Coal Company, in San Diego, which he says is the finest town in the State, possessing the finest harbor on the coast. He also says that San Diego has the finest climate in the world, but we are afraid he is stretching it a little too much, for there is Old Virginia unsurpassed in that respect.

Mr. C. has collected stamps for ten years and postal cards for five years. Of the latter he has about 4000 varieties.

On October 16th, 1897, Mr. Croghan became a benedict, but that happy event has not lessened his interest in philately.

T. H. GAFFORD.

Mr. T. H. Gafford, the efficient secretary, is one of the most widely known philatelists in this country. Although exclusively a specialist in cards, he holds office in several philatelic societies and is Maryland's resident Vice-President of the S. of P. and International Secretary for the P. S. of A., to which office he was elected at the New York Convention.

He is also a well known wheelman being local counsel for the L. A. W. in his city.

Mr. Gafford was born February 21st, 1878, and has devoted his life to mercantile affairs, being now at the head of a firm established by his father in 1870.

From 1892 to 1896 he collected stamps, but in the latter year transferred his allegiance to postal cards, of which he is an enthusiastic collector.

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JOHN N. MORSE.

Mr. Morse, Treasurer, has been in the ranks of philately since 1863 and may well be called a veteran. His first weakness was for U. S. revenues and private proprietaries, of which he has a fine and nearly complete collection. At a later date he commenced general collecting, but has now abandoned it, although he yet gives some attention to his U. S. and holds a large portion of his other adhesives.

His career as a card collector ante-dates the organization of the P. C. S. of A. by only a year or two, and this is now most decidedly his specialty. He possesses one of the finest collections in America, consisting of over 5000 varieties.

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ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

Mr. Lohmeyer, the Purchasing Agent, we have had the pleasure of knowing personally, and well recall the courtesy with which he left his pressing business, as Secretary and Treasurer of the Wm. J. C. Dulany Book and Stationery Co.,

of Baltimore, to talk philately on the occasion of our visit to his office. Mr. L. is a native of Germany, where he was born in 1849, but at the close of our Civil War moved to Baltimore, where he has resided. Like many of us he has been a sporadic philatelist, collecting stamps from 1860 to 1864, abandoning them for twenty years and resuming in 1884, finally giving them up in 1890 for his most cherished hobby, postal cards, of which he had been a collector and dealer since 1887. Mr. L. is also a member of the Executive Committee of the P. C. S. of A. and was Secretary from '92 to '97. His collection contains about 7000 varieties.

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W. D. ARNOLD.

It is a source of especial regret that we were unable to secure the photo of Mr. Arnold for our group, and we can, therefore, but present too brief sketch.

This well known philatelist and member of the Executive Committee was born near Liverpool, England, in 1849, and received his education at Chester and Cambridge. After graduating from the University he spent several years traveling over the Continent, with which he is now quite well acquainted. Several visits were paid to this country before he finally settled here in 1881, ultimately making his home in St. Paul in 1883, engaging in the wholesale drug business.

Mr. A. has been a philatelist and card collector for only seven years, but a more ardent devotee it would be hard to find.

His specialty, in addition to postal cards, is United States entire envelopes, and of both he has magnificent collections.

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N. HASKELL WITHEE.

This gentleman, the remaining member of the Executive Committee, is evidently more familiar with deal boards than card boards, as he is largely engaged in the lumber business, holding vast forest interests in Oregon and the northern por-

tion of his native State. We must not conclude, however, that Mr. Withee is not a true philatelist, for he is eminently so, possessing a large collection of general adhesives and U. S. entires, in addition to his superb accumulation of about 3250 postal cards, of all of which he is an ardent student, although he is a collector of only six years experience.

Mr. W. was born in La Crosse, Wis., where he now lives, about thirty-two years ago and close application to his chosen vocation has made him a prominent man of affairs in his community.

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The Peru Error.

My description of this card under "New Issues" reminds me very forcibly of the receipt of a card from the now notorious firm of "Williams & Co." of Lima, Peru, dated July 8, 1898, which fortunately did not tempt me to part with my good "bank notes."

As it bears directly on this subject and gives a striking illustration of their one-sided method of doing business I quote it in full:

LIMA, 8/7, '98.

DEAR SIR: We have the error 5c postcard with cut of Post-Office in corner. We know of only one other in existence and consider it a rare article. Please send us your best price by bank notes, registered, and if reasonable we will immediately register it to you, or otherwise return your remittance. If you are inclined to pay what you consider a reasonable price, in this manner, *you will take the Card.* We are members I. P. V. Dresden, Berlin (186) Copenhagen, Rome, Vienna, I. P. U., A. S. E. etc.

Yours truly,

WILLIAMS & CO.

per R. C. FARRANT.

(Signed).

I wonder how many collectors received a similar card and how many were trapped?


The fact of "W. & Co." having offered this card (whether they had it, or not) does not impair its value, the specimen I have seen is a genuine error of impression on the 5c card. A. LOHMEYER.

## The Inscription Band Varieties of the Postal Cards of Mexico.

ISSUED DURING 1894, 1895 AND 1896.

TABULATED BY

A. LOHMEYER, BALTIMORE.

 ALTHOUGH the Postal administration of Mexico has, ever since the first Postal Cards were issued in 1879, been more or less prolific in producing varieties for our collections, the climax was reached in 1894, when the inscription "SERVICIO POSTAL MEXICANO." appeared between two rows of arabesque ornaments.

Before entering into a detailed description and classification of these varieties I must pave the way to a better understanding as to the *probable* reason for their existence.

All Mexican Postal Cards, issued prior to October 31, 1899, had to go through two processes of printing. The formulas, *i. e.* the inscriptions, instructions and frame (if any) are either lithographed or typographed, presumably by private individuals or firms for the Government, while the stamp is impressed on these formulas at the Government Printing Office.

It is the *typographed* formula which is the subject of this treatise.

There is no doubt about the fact that several formulas were printed on a sheet of card board with one impression in order to bring the cost of production down to a minimum.

This could, of course, have been accomplished by setting up *one* formula only and have as many electrotypes made from this as might be required, but it is evident beyond any shadow of doubt that the cards were printed direct from the type, and furthermore, that the compositor was not very particular in selecting the various small ornaments constituting the inscription band, so

that he succeeded in producing, for the 1894 issues, no less than eight\* varieties.

After these preliminaries I will take up the various issues in detail, giving under the first my reason for the theory that these formulas *were* printed direct from the type. In tabulating these cards I shall number them consecutively, omitting, of course, such cards as have no ornamental inscription bands.

### ISSUES OF 1894.

*Including the Provisional Issue of January, 1895.*

In order to properly classify the cards of this issue it must be borne in mind that the inscription bands are made up (as stated above) from the printer's type case which, no doubt, was stocked with a good assortment of ornaments suitable for the purpose.

By reference to plate A. it will be seen that I have indicated the minor differences by \*, also that there are two distinct shapes of bands, 1 to 4 curved, and 5 to 8 straight at both ends.

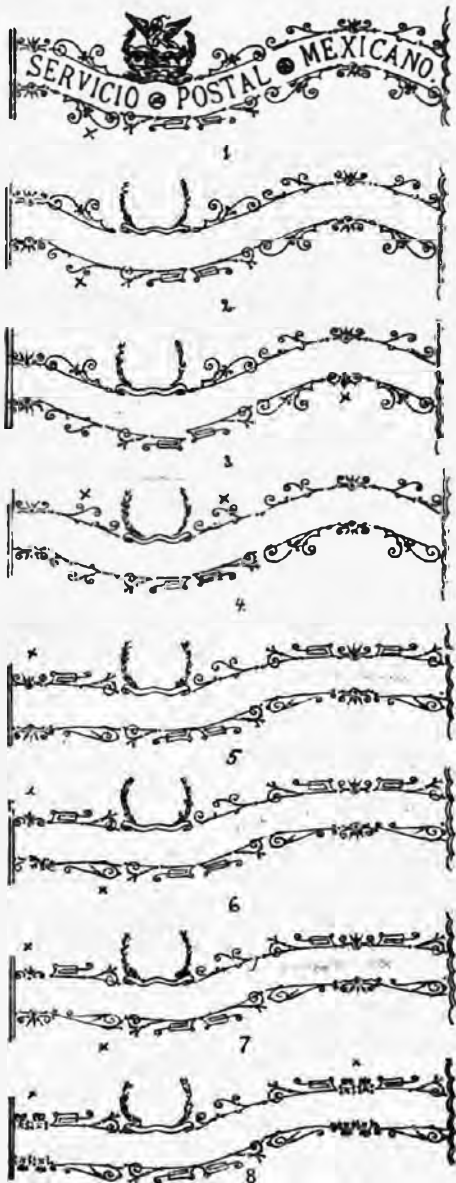
Type 3 shows a shifted ornament in the lower convex curve. While this is characteristic of this particular type, printed in yellow green, (the blue green impressions are all perfect) I find by looking through my stock that this same irregularity exists on some Cards of other types, and it is this fact, that the type has shifted during the process of printing, upon which I base my assertion that the formulas were printed from type-set forms and not from electrotypes.

These inscription bands were used for the Postal Union as well as the Inland (Servicio Interior) Cards. For the former types 1 to 4 inclusive were first printed

\*I have only recently discovered the eighth variety, and being a sub-variety of No. 6 (see plate) I have numbered it 7. Dr. Schaefer, in his able treatise on this subject, illustrates and tabulates only seven varieties. (See *Der Philatelist*, 1896, page 272).

in blue-green, this color being changed, for a later printing, to a yellow green, and types 5, 7 and 8 added, type 6 having been used, as far as the material at my command shows, for the Inland Cards only.

Plate  
A



TYPE 1.

Postal Union Cards of the denominations of 2 and 3 centavos. "TARJETA POSTAL.—CARTE POSTALE," measures 84mm on types 1 to 4 and 91mm on types 5, 7 and 8. The former have a row of 25 balls at the left and the latter, owing to a more contracted space between the "S" of "Servicio" and the lower frame, only 24 balls.

a. Formula in Blue-Green on Buff.

- 1. 2c carmine, type 1.
- 2. 2c " " 2.
- 3. 2c " " 3.
- 4. 2c " " 4.
- 5. 3c vermilion " 1.
- 6. 3c " " 2.
- 7. 3c " " 3.
- 8. 3c " " 4.

b. Formula in Yellow-Green on Buff.

- 9. 2c carmine, type 1.
- 10. 2c " " 2.
- 11. 2c " " 3.
- 12. 2c " " 4.
- 13. 2c " " 5.
- 14. 2c " " 7.
- 15. 2c " " 8.
- 16. 3c vermilion " 1.
- 17. 3c " " 2.
- 18. 3c " " 3.
- 19. 3c " " 4.
- 20. 3c " " 5.
- 21. 3c " " 7.
- 22. 3c " " 8.

AUGUST 1894.



Type 5.

\*I take this month of issue from Dr. Schaefer's article, but presume that the yellow-green printing must have taken place at a later period.

Inland cards of the denomination of 5 centavos. "TARJETA POSTAL" measures 41mm on types 1 to 4, and 46mm on types 5, 6 and 8.

*Formula in Red on Buff.*

- 23. 5c ultramarine, type 1.
- 24. 5c " " 2.
- 25. 5c " " 3.
- 26. 5c " " 4.
- 27. 5c " " 5.
- 28. 5c " " 6.
- 29. 5c " " 8.

JANUARY 1, 1895.\*

Provisional 3 centavos Card for the Inland Service, same type as the preceding 5c Card.

- 30. 3c vermilion, type 1.
- 31. 3c " " 2.
- 32. 3c " " 3.
- 33. 3c " " 4.
- 34. 3c " " 5.
- 35. 3c " " 6.
- 36. 3c " " 8.

It is doubtful whether all the types may be found in this provisional issue. I have types 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8 in my collection.

The above tabulated cards became obsolete on April 2, 1895, on which date the new cards with stamp of the new type were issued.

ISSUES OF 1895.

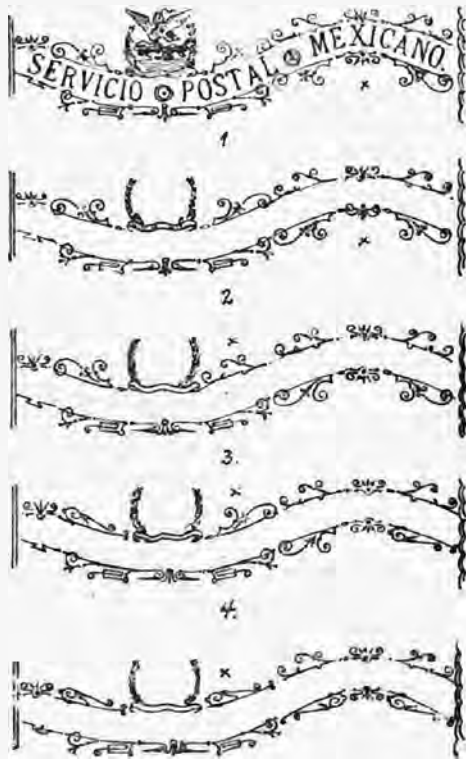
This issue was productive of five varieties of Inscription Bands, differing in some details, from those employed for the 1894 issue.

The five bands are shown on plate "B" and the minor differences between each are indicated by x.

*Denominations 2 and 3 centavos.*

"TARJETA POSTAL.—CARTE POSTALE" appears in two sizes of type, 84mm long by 2mm high, and 92mm long by 2½mm high, the types on which they respectively appear being indicated in the tabulation opposite.

\*Beginning with this day the Inland rate for Postal Cards was reduced to 3 centavos, and in order to meet the immediate demand the remaining blank formulas, printed for the 5c cards, about 20,000 of various types, were imprinted with the 3 centavos stamp.



APRIL 2, 1895.

A. POSTAL UNION CARDS.



Type 3.


*Formula in Blue-Green on Buff.*

- 37. 2c carmine, type 1.
- 38. 2c " " 2. } Tarjeta, etc.
- 39. 1c " " 3. } 84mm.
- 40. 2c " " 5. }
- 41. 2c " " 1. } Tarjeta, etc.
- 42. 2c " " 4. } 92mm.
- 43. 2c " " 5. }
- 44. 3c brown " 1. }
- 45. 3c " " 2. } Tarjeta, etc.
- 46. 3c " " 3. } 84mm.
- 47. 3c " " 5. }
- 48. 3c " " 1. } Tarjeta, etc.
- 49. 3c " " 4. } 92mm.
- 50. 3c " " 5. }

(To Be Continued.)

## The Postal Card Society of America.

### AN INVITATION.

 S this number of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST will come to the hands of many who are not interested in card collecting, or being interested are not members, or have not heard of the Postal Card Society of America, it might be fitting that a brief sketch of the Society and its objects be given.

It was something like nine years ago that the foundation was laid for what was then the first and only society in the world for collectors of Postal Cards.

Of the organization and workings of the Society until February, 1892, I know but little.

At that time the first election was held which placed Mr. Geo. H. Watson at the head of the association and he was ably seconded by Mr. Adolph Lohmeyer as Secretary.

At the time of this election there were thirty-three charter members and of these members eight (8) are still affiliated with us.

For the first six years the Society showed a healthy growth. Each year brought in many new members and results showed that a keen interest was felt in all departments.

Then came two years of stagnation. Philately in all its branches seemed to be at a low ebb and our Society suffered with other lines. But few new members joined our ranks and it was hard to get the old members enthused enough to keep up a real live society.

With the better times of the past year our Society is again regaining all of its old time vigor. Our departments are again in fine working order, our members are again becoming interested in their card collections and the outlook for our Society in 1900 is very bright.

This is simply as it should be. Postal

Card collecting is acknowledged the most fascinating branch of Philately.

A well arranged collection of unused cards, from a point of beauty, will compare favorably with, if it is not the superior of the average collection of stamps.

Another point in their favor is that while counterfeits of stamps can be found at every turn it is seldom that you find an issue of Postal Cards that has been counterfeited.

Postal cards are all of low denominations and therefore a good sized collection can be formed with but a small outlay, thus appealing to the pocket-books of that large band of collectors whose means are limited.

Are not these points worthy of the careful consideration of all collectors who are not satisfied with their collections of stamps?

The founders of our Society had four objects in view:

1. The encouragement of the collection of Postal Cards and Letter Cards of all nations.
2. The procuring and spreading of knowledge in relation thereto.
3. The exchange of duplicates among its members.
4. The cultivation of friendship among its members.

From the beginning each set of officers have worked with these objects in view. For a number of years the chronicle of new issues published in our *Monthly Bulletin* was acknowledged and accepted by philatelists generally as authority on the subject.

By the means of our Exchange Department the members were enabled to dispose of their duplicates and the sales from this department since the Society's foundation have amounted to several thousand dollars.

Our Purchasing Department is and has been in able hands and the advantages of belonging to this department are alone



worth several times the small membership fee charged for belonging to the Society.

To all philatelists in general, and especially those interested in cards we give an urgent invitation to join us. We promise you nothing which we cannot perform but do assure you value received for your money.

You should be with us and we hope to welcome you.

Our membership qualifications are simple, "Any postal card collector or philatelist interested in postal cards, may become a member by applying to the Secretary; such application must be signed by two references and upon approval by the Executive Committee the applicant shall be considered elected." The dues are \$1.00 per year.

Financially our Society is in good shape, our officers are enthusiastic, our departments in good working order and we have plenty of room for new members. Will you not be one?

Any reader desiring information relative to the Society should write any of the officers and it will be promptly given.

GUY A. BRYANT,  
*President.*

**Commemoratives.**

*Le Timbre Poste* says that the following numbers of "Commemoratives" (alias "swindelatives") have been issued between 1876 and 1898:

Stamps .....	425
Envelopes .....	77
Wrappers .....	8
Post Cards.....	3

**Two Tints of Postals.**

We have noticed two decided varieties in the color of the card board in our current postal cards, the one cream tinted the other manila.

DIETZ.

**Pertinent.**

IT IS a rare treat when we pick up one of the many philatelic (stamp) journals and find a well written article on Postal Card collecting or a treatise on the Cards of a certain country.

Why this conspicuous absence? It is not the fault or indifference of the publishers who are always glad to receive and publish articles of merit bearing on our specialty.

There are many large and valuable collections owned by prominent collectors in the United States, who, having made a study of Postal Cards for many years, are capable of writing intelligently and instructively on this branch of Philately.

Have these brother collectors ever stopped to consider that they will be doing *themselves* a service by imparting to others their experience and the pleasure they have derived from the collecting of Postal Cards?

Some of these days, sooner or later, for one reason or another, our collections may find their way to the auction room.

Will it not be to your advantage, Brother Collector, to have the assurance that the sale will be well attended by buyers, eager to secure some of the lots for the sake of some old and rare gems which you may possess and which cannot be procured in the market?

Do not be so exclusive!

Send an occasional article for publication to some first-class philatelic journal, instead of reposing in your easy chair, enjoying your collection all alone and thinking "let the other fellow do the work."

You will be surprised at the effect such publications over the name of a collector will have on the increase of adherents to our specialty, one of the most interesting branches of Philately.

"The more, the merrier." A. L.

### Postal Card Collecting.

BY JNO. N. MORSE.

SUPPOSE it is universally acknowledged that stamp collectors can be found in every city, town, and hamlet, in these United States. Out of this very large number it would be interesting to know what percentage include cards in their collections. I imagine it is not large, and if so, the question is "Why?" A large number do collect entire envelopes, entire with express locals, Confederate locals etc., etc., and if these are generally interesting to collectors there should be a larger interest in cards for various reasons. Certain it is that a collection of cards shows a more uniform size than envelopes when standing on edge. Cards are really only two general sizes *i. e.*, the larger early issues in the German language and the size of current German. This is most important if the collection is kept in envelopes, which can all be of one size that will just take the larger German issue. This method is out of the question with a collection of envelopes. This leads to the subject of how a collection should be kept. Regular albums can be made useful by a little cutting for the corners of cards. Our friend Lohmeyer has a special that fills the want completely. Another method which has many advantages is to have a few cards in each, of a book case full of envelopes of one size (spoken of above). This case can be made as plain or elaborate as each one's fancy or pocket book will allow, and can be as ornamental as any other article of furniture in the house. In this arrangement every card is at hand and can be taken out without disturbing any others. Such a case would be equally useful for many other purposes, so would not be a loss if the cards were sold. If the collector also indulges in adhesives he can have a

drawer or two connected to contain his albums.

Then again to any one who studies his collection, why are not cards superior to adhesives or entire from the fact that they contain more or less of instruction that the various issuing countries thought it necessary to give the public as to their use. The translating of these foreign languages cannot fail to be of some advantage towards a general knowledge of foreign tongues, which is very likely to be of service. Another good feature of card collecting is the inexpensiveness of a large collection. The cost is almost nothing when compared with the rare adhesives. Perhaps the trouble is mainly because of the difficulty in getting cards from dealers. There isn't the profit there is in adhesives, so few dealers have touched them. Just here is where our Society shows its practical usefulness. It supplies members in two ways, both of which have been proved most successful in the few years our Society has been in existence.

The Purchasing Department supplies us with all new issues and the Exchange Department gives us the pick of a large number of cards, at our own homes, where we may compare with our collection, keep what we want and pass the rest along to the next. This is the only satisfactory way to make a good collection of cards and it does "fill the bill." Each one also has the privilege of supplying this Department with his duplicates, as the name implies, thus making it mutually beneficial.

So my advice is:

1st.—Collect cards and you will not regret it.

2nd.—Join our Society in order to collect successfully.

3rd.—Write me for more information if it is wanted.

SUBSCRIBE to the V. P.

## Why Not Join Us?

BY ALPHA.

It has been said that some acquire greatness, whereas others have it thrust upon them. The same rule seemed to apply to the writer when he secured the nucleus of his card collection in payment of a debt some few years since. Had these philatelic mementos been adhesives of similar commercial value they would probably have found their way into the hands of a dealer, as when a man has reached the middle-mile-stone of an ordinary life's journey he does not feel like taking up a hobby where not even the slightest approach to completeness can be obtained without the possession of the purse of fortunates.

Postal Cards do not present the same objections, for a fairly complete collection can be got together at a moderate expenditure; the rarities really difficult to secure being comparatively few, and in no case *today* has the market value of a card gotten within a measurable distance of the cost of the rarer adhesives.

These facts ought to commend the collecting of cards to young philatelists especially, as the spread of this branch of our science will of necessity enhance values.

The Catalogue compiled by A. Lohmeyer for Scott's work is very complete in normal types and prominent varieties. The more advanced collector can either make special study of the varieties in certain countries, or embrace varieties generally as his inclination or purse may dictate.

By varieties is meant the accidental variations from a primary design. In most cases cards are printed in sheets, and in some instances each individual card on the sheets is separately engraved or type-set, thereby, of course, showing slight deviations. The most notice-

able examples are in the early German, and in the cards of Japan, Mexico and Roumania. A very full catalogue for advanced collectors was issued by Mr. Geo. H. Watson in 1891. This is now out of print, but that this valuable work will be revised and brought up to date under the auspices of the P. C. S. must be an actuality of the near future.

Whilst it is no more necessary for the average collector to accept these accidental varieties than (for example) to procure all the dies in the plates of Sydney views, variety collecting is fascinating when once entered into.

In passing it is worthy of remark that forgeries (the *bole noir* of the amateur in adhesives) are practically unknown in cards, and can almost be counted on one's fingers.

If you have not already entered our ranks the first thing to do is to become a member of the P. C. S. of A. so as to reap the many advantages accruing therefrom, which are excessively in the inverse rate of the small annual subscription.

By joining the Purchasing Department we obtain almost all new issues at merely a small percentage over their face value.

That the Exchange Department is a most valuable adjunct, and is excellently managed. Furthermore the member is kept posted on new emissions and other matters of interest by receiving each month THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST--the official organ.

Card collecting is a fully legitimate branch of Philatelic science and does not deserve the neglect that many American collectors have accorded to it. In Europe it takes its proper position, and should do so here. The listing of fiscal stamps in a *postage* stamp catalogue, and the omission of *postal* cards is too ridiculous for argument.

With the special albums now on the

market any difficulties that may formerly have existed have now vanished. The writer has his collection mounted in Lohmeyer's albums, wherein the cards make a fine showing, and are easily transposed as occasion may require.

Let us all lend a hand in building up the P. C. Society, and may this new year bring many more adherents to our ranks.

### Austria—Hungary.

ACCORDING to an Imperial decree, dated Nov. 25, 1899, and published in *Der Philatelist* of Dec. 15, 1899, an entire new Postal issue is about to supersede the "Kreuzer" and "Gulden" values which have become so familiar to collectors.

This new issue will run in denominations of the new currency, "Heller" and "Krone."

(1 Krone=100 Heller=50 Kreuzer).

The new Postal Cards for the Inland service will therefore be of the denomination of 4 Heller and the International Cards of 10 Heller, although this fact is not stated in the decree.

The Letter Cards, 6 and 10 Heller will have no inscription, which will do away with the various issues in the different languages.

In the decree for Hungary it is stipulated that the Inland rate for Postal Cards will be 4 Heller, but that a 1 Heller stamp must be added when this Card is addressed to Austria, Bosnia, Servia, Montenegro or Germany.

A special card of 5 Heller, single and double will be issued for correspondence to these countries as also an International Card of 10 Heller, single and double.

The new Letter Cards will be 6 Heller for Local Service and 10 Heller for Inland Correspondence.

I hope to be able to give a more minute description next month.

A. LOHMEYER.

### "The Postal Card Reporter."

DR. ROMMEL, review editor for *Der Philatelist*, official organ of the International Society of Dresden, says about the above publication: "*Postal Card Reporter* published by A. Lohmeyer, Baltimore, Md., costs, it is true, nothing, but it seeks its equal in irregularity of appearance. No. 1 was issued in November 1897, No. 2 in April 1898, No. 3 in Dec. 1898 and No. 4 in Sept. 1899."

My brother editor will please bear in mind that this is strictly a House Organ, makes no claim to regularity but comes as it pleases. THE PUBLISHER.

IT IS next to an impossibility to acquire a complete collection of Postal Cards by confining ourselves to either used or unused cards. Every collector has his preference one way or the other, but we should not draw the lines too close.

THERE is no question about a collection of unused cards (provided they are kept clean) making a better show than one containing used specimens only, but there are many exceedingly interesting cards among the latter.

HOW MANY collectors can boast of the possession of used cards from Samoa, Siam, Bangkok, Perak, Eastern Roumelia, Iceland, or the early issues of Ecuador, Grenada, Guatemala and Trinidad? They are found in very few collections.

Moral: Do not condemn used Postal Cards.

WHO has ever seen a used German (or other) Field-Post Card, conveying a message from the son, exposed to all the dangers of war, to his dear mother at home? Such a card certainly is more interesting than the mere blank formula issued by the government for use of the army in the field.

**Nicaragua.**

*"Le roi est mort,—vive le roi!"*

THE famous contract between this Republic and the Hamilton Bank Note Company, under which our albums were supplied with ten different yearly issues, known by the now familiar term of "Seebeck issues" had not yet expired when another similar agreement was entered into between the same Republic and Dr. Maximo Asenjo, to cover another period of ten years.

A translation of this agreement, dated May 11, 1899, is published in the December number of *The American Journal of Philately* and I extract from it such portions as have a bearing on our specialty.

CONTRACT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF NICARAGUA AND DR. MAXIMO ASENJO.

Translated from *Diario Oficial—Managua*. Leopoldo Ramirez Mairena, Minister of Fomento (Public Works) of the Republic of Nicaragua, as representative of said Republic, of the first part, and Dr. Maximo Asenjo, Doctor of Medicine and Surgery, a citizen of Nicaragua residing in the Republic of Salvador, have made the contract which is detailed in the following articles:

1. Asenjo agrees to furnish the Government of Nicaragua, for a period of ten years, counting from date of signature of this contract, without any charge, with the stamps and other postal values required by the service of Posts and Telegraphs, up to the quantity of three millions four hundred thousand, which shall be increased when needed by the requirements of the postal service.

2. The number of stamps and other postal articles, which he has to supply each year in accordance with the previous article, shall be as follows:

a. Postage and Telegraph stamps 3,000,000, divided into such sets and values as the Government may desire. This quantity shall be divided as follows:

Postage stamps,	2,683,000
Telegraph stamps,	317,000

(The quantities of each value are here given.)

b. Postal Cards 113,000, divided as follows:

For the Interior,	95,000
For Foreign use,	18,000

Total 113,000.

Those for the Interior shall be:

80,000, 2 centavos.

15,000, 4 centavos, (2x2c).

The last are to be double cards, 11 cm. long by 9 cm. wide.

The Foreign cards shall be:

10,000, 6 centavos.

8,000, 12 centavos, (6x6c).

The last are to be double cards, 11 cm. by 9 cm.

Stamped envelopes, 281,000.

Wrappers, 6,000.

Recapitulation:

Postal and Telegraph stamps,	3,000,000.
Postal cards,	113,000.
Envelopes,	281,000.
Wrappers,	6,000.

Total, 3,400,000.

Articles 3 to 13 of this contract specify the obligations of the two parties to it, the sum and substance of which is that the contractor must deliver to the Director of Posts etc. on the first of October of each year the quantities named, which are to be placed in circulation on the first of January following.

The Government is to furnish the designs for each year's issue in due time when called for by the contractor.

The printing is supervised by a representative of the Government. The plates are to be deposited in the General Treasury of the Republic.

The government when it receives the stamps called for in this contract, will deliver over to the contractor in each year 50,000 sets of the stamps, comprising all values and canceled in advance with the stamp of the General Post Office, in order that they may not be used for postage. Besides the Government is to deliver to him the remainders of stamps of the previous year, these also to be canceled in the same manner.

The Government will not be permitted to sell postage stamps for less than their face value.

Article 11, 12, and 13 stipulate the settlement by arbitration of any differences and disputes which may arise between the contracting parties, and the transfer of the contract to other persons or companies.

Notes by the Editor of *A. J. of P.*

In Article 9 of the contract the Government agrees to deliver to the contractor, in each year, 50,000 sets of the stamps. As many of the values are printed in less number than this, varying from 1,000 up, we fail to see how the Government can perform this portion of the contract.

It will be observed that under this contract there will be no unused remainders to come on the market, as all the sets delivered to Dr. Asenjo will be canceled. As the plates do not remain in his possession there will be no chance for reprints, at least on his part.—EDITOR.

Note:

No mention is made of the delivery to the contractor of any sets of Postal Cards except such quantities as may be found among the remainders.

A. LOHMEYER.



### Our Boston Letter.

BY BEANEATER.

THE remainders of the Newspaper stamps and also those of the Omahas at the local office and all its branches, were returned to Washington, D. C., the first of the month (January). 'Tis said that it was no small number that took the journey.

Mr. E. M. Carpenter and Warren H. Colson recently started on a trip across the Continent. Their object is to exhibit the Thorue collection of stamps, that was recently purchased by the New England Stamp Co. of this city, in all the large western cities. They intend to be absent about five weeks. In the spring the remnants of the great collection will be taken to Europe and the World's Fair.

The following new stamps have recently arrived in Boston: British Honduras 50c, \$1.00, \$2.00 and \$5.00. The design is the same as the current lower denomination. The new ones from Argentine Republic are among the handsomest of the importations. Pretty ones were also received from Dominican Republic and Mexico.

Mr. Capron, manager of the Boston Stamp Co., has recently purchased a collection of over twelve thousand varieties. In fact there are several good sized collections being floated on the Boston market at present. The Colonial Stamp Co. has purchased the remaining stock of Mr. Stevens the stamp importer of Portland, Me.

'Tis rumored here that the \$1 stamps that were recently surcharged in red for use in Guam, were the \$1 Omahas. We are all now waiting patiently to see if such is the fact.

Among the recent visitors to our city, may be named H. F. Colman, of Washington, D. C., Wm. B. Hale, the traveling stamp drummer of Williamsville, Mass., and E. B. Todd, of Calais, Maine.

Mr. Chas. H. Stone the dealer of Concord, N. H. has removed to Cambridgeport, Mass.

The local dealers are now well stocked up with the Newfoundland remainders, which they ordered before the balance were destroyed at St. John's, which took place on January 2, 1900. The government did not include the 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24, 30, 35 and 60c Cabot issue in the lot destroyed, but only those that were conflicting with the present denominations. The 1 and 2c Cabots are as scarce as ever however, as these were doubtless cornered up by Newfoundland speculators, when the restrictions were removed from them, which was on the 26th of December, 1899.

### The New German Stamps.

A GERMAN correspondent informs us that the new issue of stamps will not be placed on sale until April 1st, to appear simultaneously with the new issues for the German colonies.

We have received Mr. C. E. Hussman's Latest Retail Price List No. 8, of U. S. and Foreign Stamps.—It contains bargains on every page. Write for one. Hussman's stock is A 1.

POSTAL CARDS should never be pasted in a scrap book, neither with paste or mucilage, nor with stamp hinges. A card must be preserved in its original state, be it used or unused.

THE value of many old collections has been materially impaired by marks of the paste or the adhesion of paper to the backs of the cards.

## New Issues and Discoveries.

BY ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

AUSTRIA. I have just received (January 15) the new Inland Card with German inscription, same as the issue of 1897 with long "S" in "Correspondenz," see P. C. 9 (P. C. Reporter, p. 52). The only change is in the color of the stamp and border which is now blue-green and the denomination 5 Heller.

5 Heller, blue green and black, on buff.

BELGIUM. "I. B. J." chronicles two cards, the current 5 and 10 centimes, printed on white card board, which are for sale only on board the steamers plying between Ostende and Dover. The reverse bears illustrations of two different steamers of this line. It is not stated whether they are being sold at or above face value.

5c green on white.

10c red-brown on white.

Since writing the above I have received one of the 5c cards, addressed to me by Mr. Foulon, Brussels.

BRAZIL. We have received copies of some of the recent Brazilian post cards, and find some minor varieties to note. The 100 reis of last year, both single and double, originally appeared on *toned* card 145x95 mm.; we now have the single on white card 141x90 mm. Most of the impressions of the single card on *toned* seemed to have no accents on "reserve." We have a copy with a very minute dot over the last "e," and on the white card there are minute dots over both the letters. On both halves of the double card there are distinct accents.—*S. G. Monthly*.

100r., rose, black and green on white. 141x90 mm.

BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA. "I. B. J." chronicles a new Inland Card "Internal," type "P. C. 2" without frame.

$\frac{1}{2}$ d green on white, 120x75 mm.

CANADA. I have received the 1c and 2c Letter Cards in the new color.

L. C. 1c green on blue, perf. I.

2c carmine on blue, perf. I.

CEYLON. New International Cards of the value of 6 cents, single and double have been issued. The formula of the 5c card remains unchanged. The stamp has the inscription "*Ceylon Postage*" at top and "*Six Cents*" below, in color on white ground.—*S. G. Monthly*.

6c carmine on white, 140x90 mm.

6+6c " " " T. 3.

DENMARK. The current 3 ore, 5 ore, and 5+5 ore cards are now printed on bluish white, instead of on quite white, and the letter cards with the formula of 1890 are on pale grey.—*S. G. Monthly*.

P. C. 3 ore, grey on bluish white.

5 ore, green " "

5+5 ore, " " T. 3.

L. C. 4 ore, blue on pale grey.

8 ore, rose " "

FRANCE, *Pneumatic Post*. The 50c Letter Card has the instructions on the back considerably modified; they are now in two paragraphs, one in one line and the other in four, and we gather that it is no longer forbidden to enclose a sheet of paper, or anything equally flexible, in one of these Letter Cards. Our copy of this is dated "917," and the paper is a much deeper blue than before.—*S. G. Monthly*.

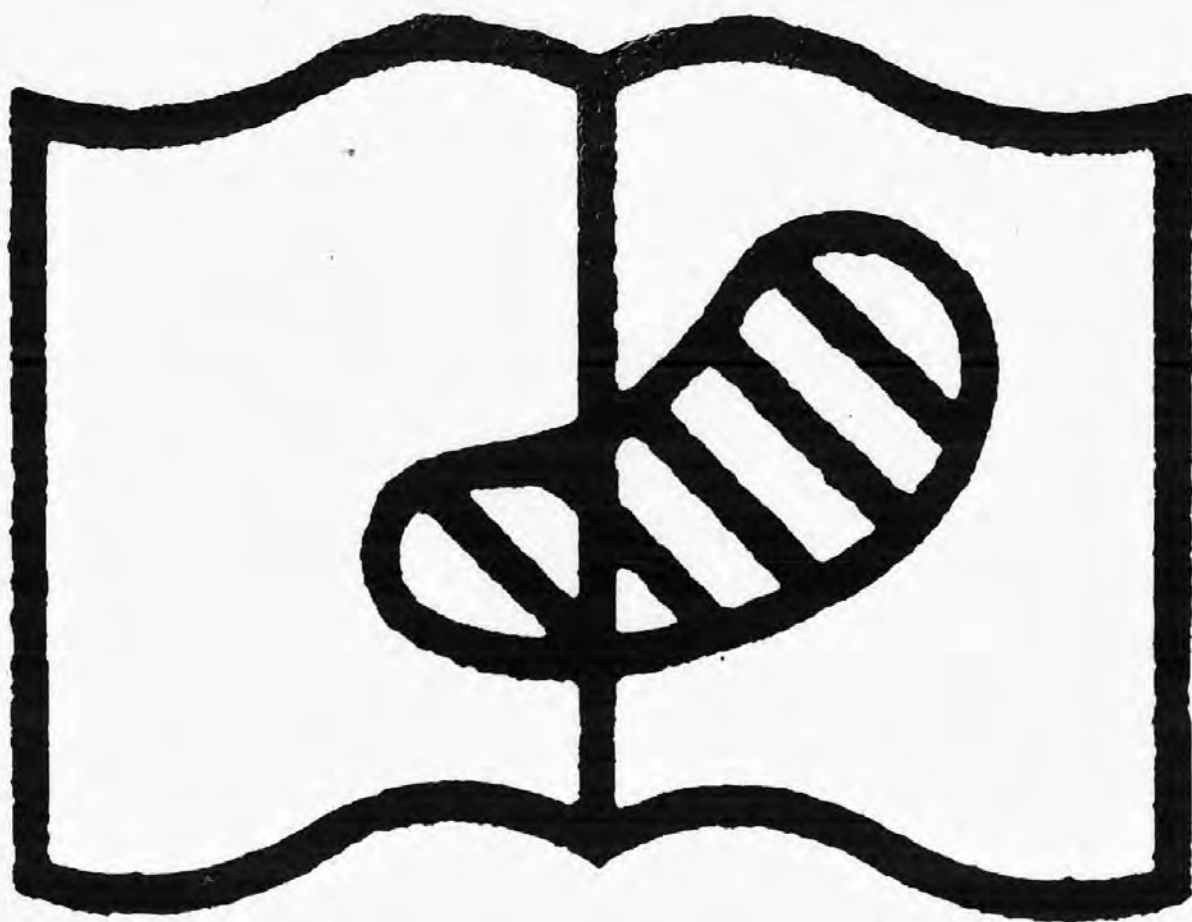
Pn. L. C. 50c, black on deep blue; new instruction.

I have received the 1 franc Letter Card with reply coupon attached, type of the 50c Letter Card (Pn. L5) with "*Republique Francaise*." The three lines of instructions on reverse prohibiting an enclosure, are erased by six black bars.

My correspondent informs me that this Letter card exists also with the instructions not barred, by error.

Pn. L. C. 1 fr. black on rose, Perf. I. With reply coupon.

FRENCH COLONIES. Mr. A. Schoeller informs me that he has the reply card (S. 204) folded at the bottom.





I therefore catalogue 10+10c black on blue B. 3. (error.)

GERMAN EMPIRE. A slight change has, according to "I. B. J." been made in the inscription on the Letter Sheets. The "K." of "*Kartenbrief*" on the former issues resembling very much the "R" of "*Reichspost*" has been improved in the late printings.

L. S. 10 pf. carmine on white, (improved "K.")

I have just received (January 12) a 5 Pfennig Jubilee Card, presumably issued to celebrate the dawn of the twentieth century which, according to the Imperial doctrine, began January 1, 1900.

It bears the 5 pf. stamp of the new (Germania) type, surrounded by two laurel branches, crossed below the stamp and tied with a ribbon. The inscription, in the upper centre, "*Deutsche Reichspost—Postkarte*" in two lines and in the left upper corner appears the sun, rising from behind a cloud, with "1900" over the upper portion of the disk. A limited quantity only was issued.

5 pf. green on cream, 91+140.

GREAT BRITAIN. In addition to the single cards chronicled on page 78 double cards of the new sizes and design have been issued.

These four cards, together with the "Court shape" thick white Card (S. 931) to which a corresponding reply Card has been issued, will constitute the new set, all others will be discontinued as soon as sold out.

$\frac{1}{2}$ + $\frac{1}{2}$ d brown on buff, T. 3 89x139.

1+1d carmine on buff, T. 3 89x139.

$\frac{1}{2}$ + $\frac{1}{2}$ d brown on white, T. 3 89x114.

INDIA. I clip the following from *S. G. Monthly*, "A correspondent very kindly sends us a copy of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna card about which we inquired last month. The stamp and the color remain unchanged, but the arms are moved to the left of the inscription which now reads, "India Post Card."

$\frac{1}{4}$ a red brown on buff, new type.

The permanent *One Anna* card which has been catalogued, as having been issued in 1894, has, according to "I. B. J." at last been placed on sale.

PERU. Mr. Doughty has sent for examination a 5 centavos Card of the 1898 issue which is, beyond any doubt, an "error." Peru has no 5c rate for Postal Cards now, the 5c cards of 1883 (S. 503 and 506) having been utilized for the 1 and 2c Cards by overprinting them with the new values.

The 1898 issue has a representation of the Lima Post Office building in the upper right hand corner, varying in color on the different values. The 4c Card has this impression in black and as the 5c card, owned by Mr. Doughty, is printed in the same color, my solution of its existence is that a few of the 5c Cards were mixed with the 4c and inadvertently overprinted with them in the same color.

It remains to be seen how many of them were so treated.

5c black on white, (error.)

PORTUGUESE INDIA. We have received a new  $\frac{1}{2}$  tanga post card, with stamp of the type of the adhesives of 1898 in the upper center and inscriptions on scrolls at each side.—*S. G. Monthly*.

P. C.  $\frac{1}{2}$  tanga, green on buff.

PUERTO RICO. *A. J. of P.* has received a second printing of the Postal Card for this colony. It is the current United States 1c card with "*Puerto Rico*" added below the vignette of Jefferson, as in the first printing.

The size of the type is larger, the surcharge measuring 2 $\frac{1}{4}$  mm.

1c black on buff.

QUEENSLAND. We find that the 1+1d card has appeared in a second variety. In the earlier type the total length of the formula, including the Arms and the stamp, is about 112 mm., and the card is perf. 6 along the fold; in the second the Arms and stamp are brought closer to the

central device, the length being about 108 mm., and the perforation gauges 10. We have the letter card on *grey-blue*, inside *greyish*, perforated by the machine with every third needle removed. Does this also exist on the *pale green* or the *ephraïm* paper?—*S. G. Monthly*.

What does one do on *pale green*. Have not seen it on white.—ED.

P. C. 1+1d., rose on buff; 2d variety. L. C. 2d blue on grey-blue, perf. . . . .

RHODESIA. *British South Africa Company*. We have received single and reply paid cards, with stamps of the type current adhesives, and inscribed "Rhodesia—post card—carte postale" (on the double card, "post card with reply paid—carte postale avec reponse payee," and on the second half, "reply post card—carte postale reponse,") with the instruction, "This side is reserved for the address," which is repeated in French on the second half of the reply card only, as that half alone is likely to be used by foreigners. The arrangement of the heading, and the pattern of the frame, vary in the two kinds of cards, and the designs reflect credit on Messrs. Waterlow and Sons, whose name appears in the lower margin.—*S. G. Monthly*.

1d, rose-red on white; 140x90 mm.  
1d, " " " T. 3.  
RUSSIA. *S. G. Monthly*, has received the 4+4 kop. card with the inscriptions of same color as the stamp.

4+4 kop. carmine on buff, T. 3.  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA. We have a 1+1d card, of the type of the single card of 1893; the words "WITH REPLY CARD" are added above the heading on the first half and "REPLY CARD" on the second; the halves are joined at foot and perf. about 5/8 along the fold.—*S. G. Monthly*.

1+1d rose on buff.  
TURKEY. *A. J. of P.* chronicles a new reply card, corresponding to the single card issued in 1893 (see *P. C. Reporter* p. 59). The style of folding is not given.  
20+20 pa. red on gray green.



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#### TO NON-MEMBERS.

The Postal Card Society of America is an international body of Card Collectors, organized in 1891, purely with an aim towards mutual helpfulness and profit. We want your companionship. Send for information, application blanks, etc., and see what privileges and benefits the Society offers, and you will want to be one of us.

One dollar will now pay your dues to March 1st, 1901, and this amount is many times outweighed by the benefits offered to our members through the Purchasing and Exchange Departments alone. It will be to your interest to join.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. GAFFORD, Sec'y.

CHURCH HILL, MD., Jan. 17th, 1900.

#### EXCHANGE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

I have received for circulation in my Department twenty-six (26) covers from Wm. Rasmus,

valued at \$82.00, ten (10) covers from A. Lohmeyer, valued at \$28.10, and seven (7) covers from W. G. Agee, valued at \$8.39.

I have started Circuit D1, containing twenty (20) covers, valued at \$65.90, on January 4th, 1900, to the following members, 01, 10, 3, 126, 47, 130, 110.

I have enough filled covers on hand to start another circuit and if more members would join the Department I will see that they are well supplied. Respectfully submitted,

FRED DOUGHTY, Exchange Supt.  
635 S. 4th-ave., Saginaw, Mich., Jan. 10, 1900.

#### PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

I have received no renewals since my last report.

Distribution No. 43 has been made containing the following new issues.

Egypt, 4 mil. France, Pneumatic Letter Cards, 50c and 1 franc. Great Britain, issue of Nov. 1899, 1/4d, 1/2x1/2d, 1d, 1x1d and 1/2x1/2d court shape. Negri Sembilan 1x1c. Zanzibar, 1899, 1/2 anna, 1/2x1/2a, 1a, 1x1a. Canada, L. C. 1c, 2c.

I have ordered all the new cards of Austria, Hungary and Germany which will be sent to me as soon as issued.

There are still quite a number of our members who have never availed themselves of the benefits offered by this department.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER, Purchasing Agent.  
Baltimore, Jan. 19, 1900.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

On hand last report .....\$100.12  
Paid for covers for Exchange Dept..... 7.00

Balance on hand.....\$ 93.12  
No receipts. J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.  
Boston, Mass., Jan. 16, 1900.

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Farias, Regino, P. O. Box 615, Mexico City, Mex. Age 48. Merchant. Refs. W. C. Lowry, Joel H. DuBose, F. Stearns.

Scherer, A. J., 1247 Farnam-st., La Crosse, Wis. Age 19. Student. Refs., F. Stearns, F. I. Dockendorf, W. H. Kuhlman.

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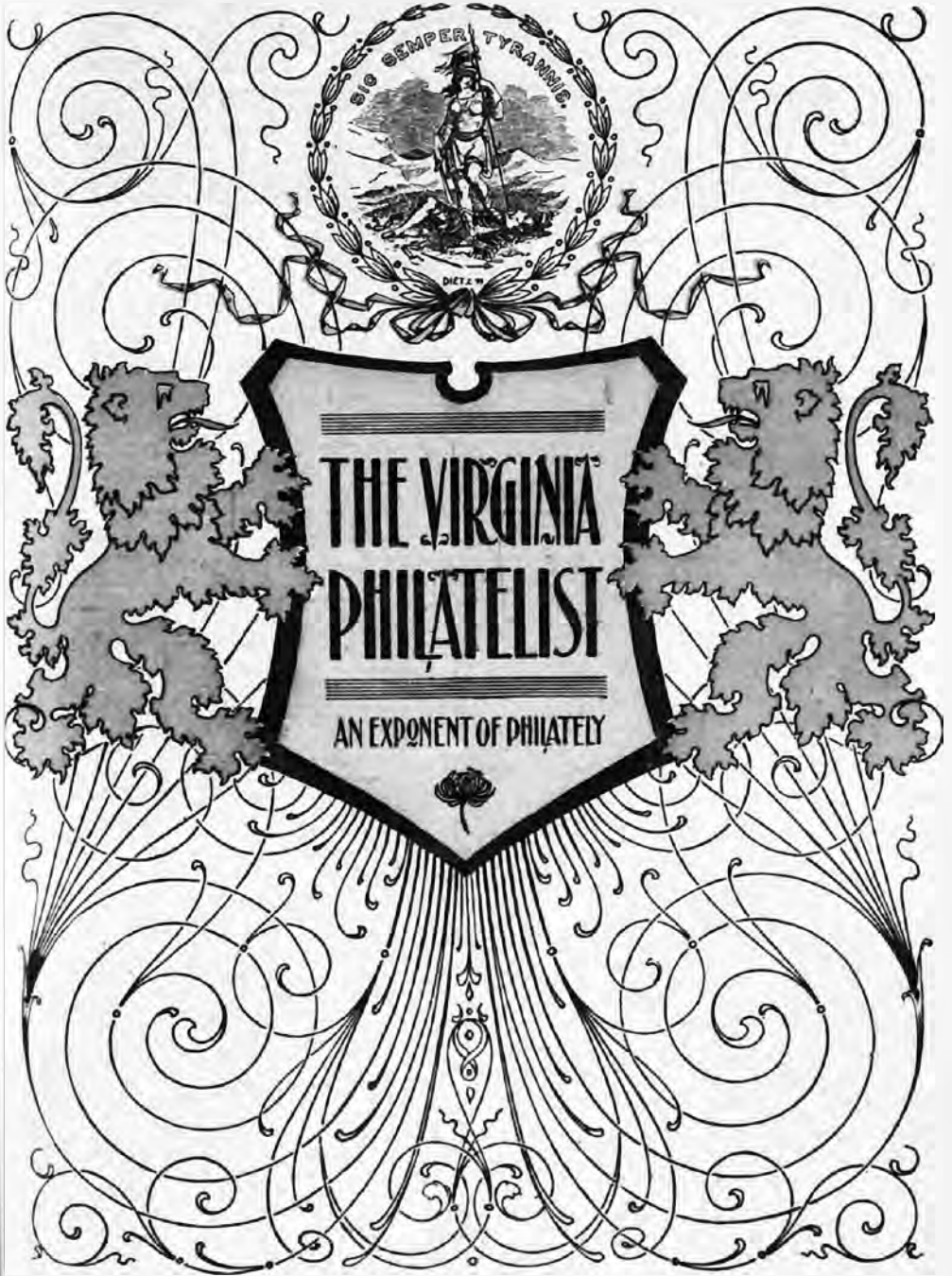
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British Guiana, 1c jubilee.....	03	Brazil '50, 30 and 50r, each.....	03
*Costa Rica '89, 1, 2, 10 and 20c.....	05	*Guatemala '97, 10c jubilee.....	04
Greece, Olympian Games, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 25 .....	12	Natal, ½ on 1d rose.....	03
Labuan, 18c error.....	09	Hungary, 1 florin .....	02
Iceland, 3, 5, 6 and 10ö.....	08	*25 var. Portugese colonies, crown type, unused, o. g.....	60
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## J. F. DODGE.

THE portrait we present this month is well known to American philatelists, for few there are, indeed, who have not heard of J. F. Dodge. Dodge, the dealer, the collector, the publisher, the society organizer, and—oh, well, there's but one Dodge of his kind, and here he is.

And still a brief sketch of the man may—nay, will be, of interest to every stamp collector.

J. F. Dodge is a native of the old Bay State, and a descendant of a good old Colonial family. His first American ancestor landed at Salem, Mass., in 1629. And his descendants have "dodged" around here ever since. Our friend naively assures us that

his years of wickedness number two score and two.

J. F. graduated from the high school at Beverly, Mass., in 1875, and the following year made the highest score in a competitive examination for appointment to the Naval Academy at Annapolis. But the Academy surgeon rejected him on account of a "blink" in his left eye

—and that's why Dodge wasn't in the carriage with Dewey when he passed under the Arch in New York.

Since that time Mr. Dodge has been successful in everything he undertook. He was associate editor of the National Encyclopedia of American Biography; newspaper correspondent and editor, and as an insurance manager traveled

extensively. He has published more philatelic papers—and successfully—than any other American, and his *Collector* to-day is a welcome visitor in the home of every stampman. He has been honored with more offices in our societies than any one—and deservedly—for Dodge is a hustler in the true sense of the word.

As an energetic stamp so-

ciety worker Brother Dodge seeks his equal. He has beaten the record in that line in two societies. He has secured *over one hundred and seventy-five* recruits for the Sons of Philately, and *over one hundred* victims for the Columbian. And during his spare hours he is constantly foraging for the Southern. All honor to such a man! DIETZ.



J. F. DODGE.



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#### To Our Subscribers.

We would request our subscribers to *notify us promptly* in case they do not receive THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST on or before the 15th of every month.

#### "Another Find of Confederate Locals."

UNDER the above heading, our esteemed contemporary *The New York Philatelist* prints a letter from Mr. A. J. Dobbie, of Niagara Falls, N. Y., in which he tells of the finding, among some rubbish, of a number of Confederate Locals, pasted on an old fan.

A full description of the eleven stamps is given, but space does not permit of reprinting in detail, however, in brief, they are as follows:

- 1.—5c Nashville, red (Scott's A. 2)
- 2.—5c Latou Rouge, green and carmine (Scott A. 2)
- 3.—10c C. S. A. "Flag Stamp."
- 4.—\$1.00 Blockade Postage to Europe, violet brown.
- 5.—2c Savannah, Ga., green and white.
- 6.—5c Wilmington, (N. C.?) red.
- 7.—20c Houston, Tex., blue on white.
- 8.—1c Charleston, (S. C.?) blue.
- 9.—5c R. H. Glass, P. M. (locality?) green.
- 10.—(value?) Richmond City P. O., brown.
- 11.—New Orleans Post Office, violet or brown.

We are familiar with nearly all of the stamps(?) in this list. They are the greater part of a "set" printed by a party South, shortly after the war, and sold to guileless foreign—as well as native—collectors at the munificent price of 25 cents, or as much more as the victim could be "fleeced" for.

There are several collections in Richmond containing on their pages of Confederate counterfeits many enumerated in the foregoing list, and we possess several ourselves, among them the "Flag Stamp," the authentic history of which was written by us for No. 1., Vol. I. of *The Stamp Exchange*.

Among the others it may be positively asserted that there never was issued a stamp for "Blockade Postage," neither a stamp for the Richmond Post Office.

It is rumored that British New Guinea will soon have its own Postal Cards to supersede the Queensland cards which are now being used there.

### The Evidence.

THE editor of *The Philatelic Bulletin* of Salem, Mass., takes exception to an editorial in our January number, and attempts to refute our charges that his "Xmas" number contained no less than five items, the very type forms of which were set for and paid for by THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

In striving to clear himself he shifts the blame on Mr. Stowell—the printer, as follows:

"In making up our December number, Mr. Stowell, our printer (not us) found that we were a little short of reading matter, caused by an oversight on our part, and he therefore, doubtless took a few items from the clippings of other papers at hand."

That the editor of *The Bulletin* is unconscious of what gets into his paper we have never doubted, however we are wont, to look upon the editor as the sponsor for the printed sheet—and not the printer.

Still, that concerns us not; but it is to the following statement we would reply and on this very sentence clinch the falsehood and produce proofs to substantiate our charges. Note what he says:

"Because our printer used the same items that appeared LATER in the *V. P.* is no fault of ours neither does it give the *V. P.* any cause for complaint, as we were not aware that a mortgage was held by the *V. P.* on any of the stuff (which was reprinted from the *Era*, *M. P.*, and *P. M. and W.*)"

This very statement is contradictory upon its face.

The "same items" appeared *first* in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, as clippings from our esteemed contemporaries the *Era*, *Metropolitan*, and *Philatelic Monthly and World*, and not "later" as the *Bulletin* states, for as every one knows THE VIRGINIA appears the first half of the month while *The Bulletin* appears the last, and this time the February number reaches us on March 1st.

As the *Bulletin* claims it is too "original" to clip from other papers and as

Mr. Stowell does not print the *Era*, the *M. P.* or the *Phil. M. and W.*, the *Bulletin* got its five clippings in December from the "dead matter" that Mr. Stowell had on hand from the December number of the THE VIRGINIA, which had been mailed while the *Bulletin* was in press. Hence the statement that our December number appeared *later* than the *Bulletin's* December number is ridiculous.

But the real proof of the truth of our charge lies in the following:

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST preserves its own standard style of typesetting and make-up: it "small-caps" the first word of every news item and editorial, and "initials" every article. *The Bulletin* has no standard and style. And these five items in question were all "small capped"—in fact they were the only items in the paper that were so set, except the "Old Dominion Notes" which are invariably marked for the printer by the author. To complete the chain of evidence, *the five articles were headed with the original headings we wrote for them* and the matter itself presented the *same slight errors and damaged letters* that appeared in the print of THE VIRGINIA, over two weeks before the appearance of the *Bulletin*.

Should the *Bulletin* attempt to gainsay our statement we shall print parallel editorials from both papers showing conclusively that the *Bulletin* persistently gathered provender from THE VIRGINIA.

We do not care upon whom the editor saddles the blame, and it is unnecessary to reply to his other vague insinuations, but we repeat the assertion that the *Bulletin* has used five items from our December number the type of which was set for and paid for by THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, and that the editorial in the February *Bulletin* does not state the truth.

SUBSCRIBE now to the *V. P.*

### The New German Stamps.



WE have seen several of the pfennig values of the new German stamps, and must admit that at first we were somewhat disappointed, but upon a close study of the design we are impressed with its originality—and, we dare say, its beauty.

The seeming crudeness of the work has been commented upon. There is no crudeness save that which marks the difference between a typographed stamp and one produced in copper or steelplate.

Undoubtedly the masterpiece of the engraving may be found in the features of "Germania."

These are not the features of the proud, magnificent "Germania" of the National monument on the Rhine, nor those of the golden-haired "Germania" as she is depicted by the artists of the Fatherland, but they are the features of the Valküre of the Teutons.

One must be of that race to appreciate the underlying thought and ideal of that design. One must be imbued with the lore of its remote past; must in fancy see the altars of Wotan in the sacred forests; must follow Arminius the Cheruski to his triumph over the legions of Varus, and be borne from the Teutoburg forest by the Valküres to the portals of Walhalla,—then, when you look upon the features of "Germania" on these new stamps you will possibly recognize the Valküre of old.

It requires a good, long stretch of the imagination to do this, but, no doubt similar ideals suggested the expression of the features to the artist.

So, too, the surrounding frame design—seemingly devoid of all grace and meaning—reminds of the gnarled oaks in the German forests, and, being so different from the current conventional orna-

mentation on postage stamps, we may style this class "Runic."

But the design has some faults: The mailed hand that grasps the sword-hilt seems deformed. The fold of the mantle appears to represent an arm, and the crown is too large.

Now for the mark values!

### The Oracle Has Spoken.

QUITE a number of our contemporaries have printed comments on the Boer-British war and its probable effects on Philately.

Our own remarks on the subject have created a little commotion in certain quarters, and one Canuck has indulged in a little amusing splurt over a *nom-de-plume*—which, by the way, is characteristic of his kind.

But it was reserved for "Veritas", the Oracle, to set all agitated minds at rest by his scholarly effusion on "The Philatelic Aspect of the Boer War" in *The Evergreen State Philatelist*. He confidently tells us that if new issues are to come in South Africa "they will be English—possibly a special set for the late Dutch territories, possibly the Natal series plain or surcharged"—or "Veritas", possibly "*nil.*"

### Sale of the Franklin Local.



THE Franklin, N. C. Confederate local illustrated and described in Vol. II., No. 6, page 129 of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST has been sold to a party in Eu-

rope for six hundred dollars.

The former owners of this stamp were Messrs. Dietz and Stearns of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

### A Production Par Excellence.

THE January number of *Senf's Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal* for 1900, is, unquestionably, the finest number of a philatelic publication ever produced.

Aside from its 64 pages of matter brimful of interesting things to the collector, it presents illustrations of nearly every new issue that appeared during 1899, all printed in their natural colors!

While this alone places it head and shoulders above anything of the kind ever attempted by philatelic publishers, few of its readers—unless they be printers—will appreciate the enormous task and cost of producing this masterpiece of typography. One sixteen-page form alone requiring eight impressions in the following colors: yellow, rose, vermilion, blue, green, brown, purple and black. For an example, the 2 bolivares stamp of Bolivar appears in five colors!

Indeed this famous Leipzig firm has set itself a lasting memorial with this jubilee production.

### A Unique Cancellation.

FROM Port Townsend, Wash., comes the most unique postal cancellation we have ever seen. It consists of three stamping

mules, and the envelope bearing these novel postmarks is a veritable little curio.

Probably the State of Washington is thus immortalizing the American mules that stampeded at Ladysmith.

ABOUT as neat a stamp monthly as comes to our table is *The Philatelic Chronicle* of Charlotte, Mich., H. E. Williams, publisher.

With the neatest of covers, and contents above the average, one enjoys especially "Numisma's" "More Splinters From my Axe."

### From South Africa.

THE following communication has reached us from Mr. W. A. H. Harbor: MOSHUDI, S. AFRICA, 16, 12, '00.

To the Editor of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST:

Would you kindly communicate through your medium that I am unable to reply to my various exchange correspondents, on account of the occupation by the Boers the end of October. The force has only now reoccupied the place and endeavoring to reach Mafeking, opening up communication by rail and wire.

W. A. H. HARBOR.

### St. Vincent Reminders Destroyed.

OUR correspondent in Kingstown, St. Vincent, Mr. W. C. Proudfoot, informs us that on February 12, 1900, the reminders of obsolete St. Vincent (with the exception of the 4d yellow, 6d lilac and 5sh lake), three hundred and nine thousand (309,000) stamps in all, were destroyed.

### "The Adhesive"—A Success.

TWO numbers of *The Adhesive*—Mr. H. A. Chapman's new philatelic monthly—have been received by us and we must congratulate the founder of *The Perforator* upon the handsome get-up of his magazine as well as the wise selection of prominent philatelists as contributors to its columns.

With Mr. Chapman's popularity in philatelic circles we predict for *The Adhesive* a bright future.

### Exit the Maltese.

WE ARE grieved to learn of the demise of *The Melita Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser* from Malta.

We always enjoyed its English, grotesque and bizarre; and the editor's somewhat confused knowledge of the whereabouts of America, and the home of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, has oftentimes prompted us to ask "where am we at?"



### Scientific, versus True Philately.

BY "STRAIGHT-ONE."

SOME time ago the editor of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST accused the writer of the discovery of the germ (*micrococcus philatelicus*). I must deny the soft impeachment with the fear that the honor will not fall to me, but to some one who drinks more deeply at the Pierian spring of philatelic lore.

In common with most others, I undertook stamp-collecting because of its fascination. Later (forced in the meantime to give it up), I again found interest in it because it was the means of taking my mind from weighty matters, and giving it surcease. Had I an inkling of the vast strides it had made in the interim, I am sure I should never again have found the pleasure which I formerly enjoyed; and, without wishing to appear egotistic, I feel sure this is the experience of many.

The "scientific" philatelist is near like unto Alexander; and, in the effort to conquer other lands, will, in the not remote future, be forced to use the compound microscope in his search for the most minute varieties (and one shudders to think what a mighty grief will befall him in the end). The majority of us do not care for this. We are busy with our life-work in the day, and when night comes, take out our albums for recreation. We do not care to measure perforations, to examine the various papers or shades, or the malformation of plates, or to dally with the microscope, etc. Our heads ache from worry, and we are not desirous of further increasing the merrim by contracting hypermetropia! Rather do we desire to soothe the aching brow and rest the tired brain by glancing at the neatly ordered pages with their pleasing colored bits of paper, often tastily arranged.

For this reason, the *reduction* (I say it advisedly) of stamp collecting to a science (pseudo) is depriving many of a pleasure they would otherwise enjoy.

Examples demonstrate well; let us take one: A stamp collector endeavors to interest his friend in his hobby. He produces his album, descants upon the many-sided points, geographic, historic, etc., it possesses, and all goes well. If interested, the friend subscribes to a stamp paper, sees the scientific (?) side of the pursuit, is astonished at it, and observing further, the multiplicity of new issues *ad nauseam*, becomes disgusted, disheartened and there's the end on 't.

If there is one thing that honest, unadulterated stamp collecting needs in order that it may thrive as it should, it is an S. S. P. S.—Society for the Suppression of Philatelic Scientists; and if it lay in the writer's power to do so, he would bisect the scientific monster with one fell sweep of his scalpel, and even then, would not be satisfied as to its death till he had seen the last drop of mephitic blood shed!

Some dealers, not all, have been the instruments in thrusting the ring through the nose of the collector, and they have been suffered to exist by the latter's supineness. If, now, there should be a revolt, the dealers only would bear the consequences, and stamp collecting would once more take on its pristine glory as a recreation, uncontaminated by that which the collector in the beginning sought to avoid. The remedy lies in the collector's power.

THERE will be an International Philatelic Exhibition at Paris from August 25 to September 10th, 1900. Persons desiring to exhibit must notify the Secretary (Monsieur A. Coyette, 138 Rue de Rivoli, Paris) before the 31st May, 1900, and sign the specified form.—*Phil. Chron. and Adv.*

## A Pair of Unique Confederate Postmaster's Provisionals.

BY AUG. DIETZ.

THE provisional issues of the Confederate States of America afford an almost inexhaustible subject for interesting research, and whatever the verdict of the "authorities" may be on this or the other hitherto unknown Confederate provisional that is brought to their attention, the collector of the stamps of "The Lost Cause" will continue to treasure them, though it be merely for their association with a historic past.

I have been considerably interested in a pair of such "postmaster's provisionals" that came in my possession recently, and while I am well aware that they, too, have little claim to recognition, they are, to say the least, unique, and therefore merit more than a passing notice.



FIG. 1.



FIG. 2.

In the early days of '61 the postmaster of the little hamlet of Alto, in Amherst county, Virginia, while awaiting a supply of Confederate stamps, was forced—like so many others—to resort to the issuing of provisionals, and he went about it in the most thorough manner.

He evidently had on hand a supply of 3 cent U. S. envelopes (Scott's No. 19) of the '57-'61 issue. These he converted into Confederate provisionals by surcharging them with pen and ink as shown in the illustrations.

The first reads: "Mailed by P. M. and its date is March 20, 1861; the other bears this surcharge "C. F. S., P. M." and was mailed February 20, 1861.

On the former (probably in evidence of his pronounced Southern sympathies) he proceeded to efface every letter of the design by tracing over every white letter of the words THREE CENTS and U. S. POSTAGE, including the stars.

I have made some research in the matter, but as yet have not learned the name of the postmaster of Alto.

It is doubtful whether he indulged in this pastime with letters deposited at his office by the citizens of Alto, but it is but reasonable to suppose that he "surcharged" his stock in the above described manner, and sold them, thus prepared, over the counter. The first question that suggests itself to me when considering the virtues of Confederate postmasters' provisionals is this: Did the postmaster carry in stock a supply of *writing paper* and *blank envelopes* for the convenience of his patrons, or did he carry a stock of regular government *stamped envelopes*?

If the provisional is prepared from a regular *stamped envelope* all points are in its favor; if it is stamped on a private envelope, its chances are few.

I append an illustration of one of the written postmarks of the postmaster of Alto, Albemarle county, Virginia.

Alto Va. } Feb 20th 1861

### New Issues and Discoveries.

BY ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

**AUSTRIA.** It appears that, according to *Le Timbrophile Belge* on the eve of the new issue, a set of Letter Cards, with German inscription only, has been issued.

The inscriptions remain unchanged, the only difference being in the shade of the paper.

- L. C. 3 Kr. green on greenish blue.
- 5 Kr. carmine on greenish blue.

In addition to the new single card, chronicled last month I have since received the double card with German inscription.

*I. B. J.* also mentions the three additional single cards.

- P. C. 5x5 Heller, dark green and black on buff, T. 3. (German.)
- 5 H. d'k green on buff, (deutsch-poln-ruth).
- 5 H. dark green and black on buff, (deutsch-ital).
- 5 H. dark green and black on buff, (deutsch-boehmisch).

**BRITISH HONDURAS.** *S. G. Monthly* states that the 3c card has been surcharged "2 cents" in two lines over the stamp, in the same type as that employed on the 5c card in 1890.

No mention is made of the corresponding double card.

- P. C. 2c in black on 3c carmine on buff.

**CEYLON.** *S. G. Monthly* has received a 6c Letter Card, bearing the same stamp as the Postal Cards, described last month. Royal Arms in center with "LETTER CARD" below.

- L. C. 6c dark green on blue.

**COLOMBIA.** *I. B. J.* has received the 2c card, type of 1891, printed on white with views on reverse, but of official origin.

- P. C. 2c black on white.

**FRANCE.** *French Offices in China.* In the December number I chronicled on authority of *Der Philatelist* that a re-

ply card, corresponding to the single card of 1895 had been issued.

I now read in *Le Timbrophile Belge* that a new single card of the new type with "Republique Francaise" (and presumably also the corresponding double card) has been issued, surcharged "CHINE" in carmine over stamp.

- P. C. 10c black and carmine on greenish.
- 10x10c black and carmine on blue, T. 3.

**FUNCHAL.** According to *Der Philatelist* the card board for the 25 reis reply card has been changed.

- P. C. 25x25r carmine on yellow, L. 3.

**GERMANY.** *Offices in Morocco.* A German Post Office having been established at Safi, Morocco, the current cards have been surcharged in black, diagonally over the stamp, in two lines "Marocco. —5 centimos, resp. 10 centimos.

I have received the latter.

- P. C. 5c on 5pf green on cream.
- 5x5c on 5x5pf green on cream, T. 3.
- 10c on 10pf carmine on cream.
- 10x10c on 10x10pf carmine on cream, T. 3.

**NEW ZEALAND.** According to *S. G. Monthly* a new *Inland and Australian* Post Card has been issued, with a view in the lower left corner.

No description of the style or type is given except that the whole impression is in *very dark green*.

- P. C. 1d dark green on pale buff, 80x142.

**PAHANG.** Several journals have chronicled a set of cards in the tiger type for this dependency, similar to those for Perak, Selangor, etc., but as there is a rumor of consolidating these dependencies under the Postal Administration of the Straits Settlements, I have hesitated in admitting this item.

- P. C. 1c green on buff, 74x121.
- 1x1c green on buff, T. 3. 74x121.

**PERSIA.** During the past few months I have read in a number of journals reports of a surcharge on the current issue of Cards, very crudely executed with a rubber stamp, apparently.

As this manipulation had too much of a speculative aspect I have not deemed it

worthy of notice, and fully agree with the views of my confrère of *Le Timbrophile Belge* which I reproduce herewith in translation :

"To be frank, we do not see the least interest even to investigate these varieties, created under some pretext or other to ransom collectors. They deserve no more attention than the surcharges of names of towns applied to certain cards of Mexico and Peru.

Let us, therefore, abstain from cataloguing them and let us hope that all our confreres will do likewise."

PONTA DELGADA. The same change in color of card board has taken place here, as for Funchal.

P. C. 25x25r carmine on yellow, L. 3.

PHILIPPINES. I clip the following from "Washington Notes" in *The Metropolitan Philatelist* of January 27th :

The Philippines are at last to be supplied with a stock of postal cards. The requisition reached here a few days ago and will probably be filled this week. This order received calls for :

100,000 1c (H).

20,000 2c (E).

5,000 2c foreign reply cards (F).

This order has been turned over to contractor Daggett who will have the surcharging done in this city. The 2c and 2c reply cards will have to be surcharged singly, while the 1c cards will be done in entire sheets. The word Philippines will appear under the stamp, similar to the Cuban and Puerto Rico cards.

P. C. 1c black on buff.

2c black on buff.

2x2c black on buff, T. 3.

PUERTO RICO. I have received a supply of the second surcharge on the current U. S. 1c card "PORTO RICO" (not "Puerto Rico" as it has been chronicled) measuring 26mm., while the first surcharge, in thinner caps, measuring only 21½mm.

P. C. 1c black on buff.

SARAWAK. *S. G. Monthly* has received the 3 cent card, surcharged "4--CENTS" in two lines, in black, across the lower part of the stamp.

P. C. 4c on 3c carmine on buff.

TRAVANCORE. *S. G. Monthly* chronicles a card received from this depend-

ency of the value of 5 cash, same type as the 8 cash.

P. C. 5 cash, rose-red on buff, 77x135.

VICTORIA. We have received the 1d. card in its new colour ; it is Type 11 with modifications, the arms being of the type of 1893, and the third line of the instruction reduced to "New Zealand and Fiji." We have also a new 1½d card, with stamp of the type of the current adhesive of that value, Postal Union inscriptions, and arms showing the supporters *passant regardant*.—*S. G. Monthly*.

P. C. 1d carmine on pale buff, 124x82mm.

1½: red-brown on pale green, 130x89mm.

### Wolle Again in Trouble.

From the *Era*.

ST. LOUIS, MO., April 13, 1900.

W. W. JEWETT, Esq.

*Dear Sir* :—Some little incident transpired here, in our city, which might be of some interest to the readers of the *Philatelic Era*. I have no doubt every collector will remember "Rich. Wolle" with his many *aliases*, who a few years ago stirred up the philatelic world with his fraudulent transactions, cheating dealers as well as collectors out of their rarities and getting, as a reward, 18 months in the Penitentiary. Well, this self-same Wolle has again come into conflict with the Federal authorities, by "raising paper dollars from 1 to 5 with the aid of old obsolete paper money, which he bought."

He must not have been as clever as he thought himself, as Uncle Sam's sleuths cornered him and he is now locked up, not being able to give \$2500 bond.

Very truly yours,

FRED FUSSEL.

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### New York Correspondence.

BY LENNOD.

WE are now in the midst of the auction season. Sales are announced from three houses in Boston, one in Chicago, another in Philadelphia, and last, but not by any means the least, three in this city. Talking about auctions, some parties have an idea, that stamps are sacrificed through this medium of disposition of stamps. This supposition is merely a bubble—a slight prick will easily burst it. We can cite the case of the Clotz auction, held in this city on February 13-14. Stamps on a general run sold at from fifty to thirty-three per cent discount. 5c.1847 fetched 40c each. 90c-1890 were sold for 22c each. In most cases each lot was secured after keen competition. Of course, it is only natural, that envelopes and locals should sell at low figures, considering the demand for this unpopular class of stuff.

I have just received a copy of the Auction Catalogue of a superb Collection of United States Stamps and a Philatelic Library. It is the property of Mr. Albert R. Gallatin of this city. Messrs. J. W. Scott & Co., have charge of the sale. Mr. Henry C. Merry, Auctioneer. It will be held at the Collector's Club on Monday and Tuesday evenings, March 5 and 6. A full page half-tone illustration of some of the greatest rarities in the sale, is presented as a supplement to the catalogue. The stamps illustrated are catalogued as follows:

Brattleboro 1846, 5c black on brown; a very fine specimen of this great rarity, good margins on two sides, canceled with the word paid in red, altogether one of the best specimens we have seen in years.

Baltimore 1847, 5c black on white; fine specimen of the original canceled by pen marks, has a crease where letter has been folded in filing. The letter is addressed to J. W. Phillips, Warrinton, Virginia, dated January 15, 1847.

St. Louis, 10c black, canceled by a faint pen stroke, good margins on three sides, rare.

Carrier, New York, head of Washington, 3c, dark blue, glazed, strip of three, fine used and good margins. This is perhaps the very rarest stamp to find in other than single stamps, very valuable.

There are also 103 lots of Philatelic Literature in the sale.

The *Post Office* and *Stamps*, philatelic monthlies, have both changed hands. The former going to I. A. Mekeel of St. Louis, Mo., and the latter to A. Bullard & Co., Boston, Mass. New York has still four journals to represent her interests—one weekly and three monthlies.

The question of discounts is a subject that has been aired in the columns of the philatelic press more than once, but the authors come to the same conclusion—there is no obstacle to prevent large discounts being given. There is nothing to compel a dealer to sell at a certain discount; nor is there anything to prevent a collector turning dealer and disposing of his stamps at a big discount. Another phase of this discount business, is, the demand made by the majority of collectors to purchase only at fifty per cent. discount. Now, I know, and many others do also, that many stamps *cannot* be purchased *wholesale* at half catalogue. There are numerous instances where wholesalers ask very near if not full catalogue quotations for stamps in quantities of one hundred or more. I may at some future date compile for the VIRGINIA PHILATELIST a list of stamps that wholesale dealers ask very near list prices for, then my readers can judge for themselves where discounts "cut no figure."

### Canadian Notes.

BY A. R. MAGILL.

I AM sorry to learn that the Post Office Department, of Canada, has made considerable trouble, for a firm in Quebec, who recently issued an album, for stamps of British North America, simply because the album was illustrated with cuts of the various Canadian stamps.

As the cuts which were used were about one half the size of the stamps, which they represented, I fail to see why the government should object to them.

A recent number of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST contained a letter from a subscriber in Canada asking, to have his subscription canceled, because, he did not like the way the editor expressed himself, on the Boer War.

Now while I do not care to criticise the subscriber's stand, I would say that if all subscribers canceled their subscriptions every time that they could not agree with the editor, they would soon find that they were receiving no papers at all.

Anyway we should be broad-minded and not think that our opinion is the only one but read what others have to say and profit by it.

Canadian writers, or at least some of them, have received a hauling over the coals, by several editors, lately. One paper in particular seems to take great delight in abusing the writer of these notes. Perhaps it is because the editor, who is also a dealer in stamps, would be pleased to see the writer retire from the philatelic field, but I am afraid he will be disappointed as the writer has no intention of giving up just yet.

Both the Dominion Philatelic Association and the League of Canadian Philatelists are in a flourishing condition, and both seem to be getting their share of applications for membership. The League has undergone quite a change

during the past few months and now has over one hundred members.

While chatting with a dealer the other day, on the subject of the Maple Leaf issue, he remarked that, he thought, that in a few years this issue would probably be as much sought after, as the issue of 1868 is to-day.

### Our Boston Letter.

BY BEANEATER.

BUSINESS here, in the stamp line, during the past month has been rather dull in comparison with that of last fall and winter, notwithstanding the fact that it was predicted that a flourishing season was at hand. The auction season here has been about on an average with last year, which could not be called anything extra.

J. M. Bartels of Washington, D. C., is now making arrangements to hold a sale of that sort, here at no distant date. We all hope that he will have a better grade of stamps than is usually offered for sale by local firms at auction.

The 15 and 50c denominations of surcharged U. S. for Philippines were recently received here. A few sheets of the 50c were found to be on unwater-marked paper. The cause for which is yet unknown. Among other new things shown here may be mentioned, Ceylon 12c carmine and black; Sarawak 4c carmine and 10c blue; the South Australias in postal union colors, green, red and blue; French stamps surcharged "Alexandrie" also another set surcharged "Port Said"; New Germans (nearly all denominations) and Bavaria, 2pf gray.

Tuesday, February 13, B. L. Drew & Co., held their 44th sale. There was a large attendance, but prices, as a whole, were very low. I herewith mention a few: Gambia 1880 1sh used, brought \$7.50; New Brunswick 6d used, sold for

\$7.00; Porto Rico 1890, 8m, unused o. g. centered, went for \$1.60. A copy of this same stamp recently brought \$3.60 at a sale held here.

The Boston Philatelic Society held their annual banquet on February 20th, at the Quincy House, a very enjoyable evening was spent and a large attendance was present. Mr. Frederick P. Richardson, of Salem, Mass., acted as toast-master.

Several 1899, 2c envelopes in orange color have recently shown up. They are all apparently size No. 3, and the shade is a *decided orange*. I should think that they would be worth more than the much talked of *red brown*, as, as yet, they have not shown up in such large quantities. Those in Boston and vicinity were unearthed at Reed's Ferry, N. H., by George F. Waldron of Brentwood, N. H., after being on sale at the former office since early in February 1899.

There is quite a demand at present for the current revenues, especially the higher values such as 1, 3, 5, 10, 30 and 50 dollar values, the cause may be attributed to the fact that hereafter they are to appear in different colors and all high values are to be mutilated. Speculators are offering from 75c to \$1.50 per 100 for the \$1.00 green.

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### No Change in the English Penny Stamp.

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*The Stamp Collector's Fortnightly* prints the following reply, received in response to their enquiry, from the Secretary of the General Post Office. It is dated January 6, 1900:

"In reply to your letter of the 31th ultimo, I am directed by the Postmaster-General to state that no change is contemplated in regard to the Penny stamp, but it is proposed to alter the half-penny and shilling stamps, though no date has been fixed for carrying out these instructions."

### A Counter-Plea.

FROM the philatelic press of England we learn that stamp collectors of Great Britain are raising a fund to aid the British cause in South Africa, by soliciting contributions of stamps, which will, in turn, be sold at auction and the proceeds devoted to the aforesaid cause.

Under certain circumstances this project is a commendable one, and, despite our expressed sympathy for the Boer cause, and our abhorrence of Britain's course, *if* the proceeds of this scheme are to be devoted to the amelioration of the suffering and wants of the widows and orphans of British soldiers killed in battle, we say, God speed the humane work!

In the distant Boer republics today there are also widows and orphans, whose husbands and fathers have fallen on *honor's* field, in defense of all that is dear to *freemen*. *Not one farthing* of this British fund will find its way to a desolate Boer home—not one farthing will still the pangs of hunger of a fatherless Boer child—not one.

And we Americans have not forgotten that the cause of the Boers was ours—that tradition and faith make us one.

Can we not aid, in a similar manner, these bereft widows and orphans of latter-day Spartans? Are the peoples of imperial Europe to shame Americans in their zeal and aid and sympathy for *our* sister republics?

If the stamp auction should be impracticable, there is another way: Mr. Geo. W. Van Sicken, a prominent attorney of 141 Broadway, New York, is the authorized representative of the Afrikaander Bond, and contributions to the fund for the Boer widows and orphans will be received and forwarded by him.

Let every American philatelist—every lover of liberty and justice—contribute his mite—however humble—to this humane cause.

The Inscription Band Varieties of the Postal Cards of Mexico.

ISSUED DURING 1894, 1895 AND 1896.

TABULATED BY  
A. LOHMEYER, BALTIMORE.

(Continued From Page 116.)

B. INLAND CARDS.  
Denomination 2 and 3 centavos.



TYPE 1.



TYPE 2.

"TARJETA POSTAL" appears in two sizes of type, 41mm long by 2mm high, and 46mm by 2½mm high. There are also two styles of "S" in "Senor" as shown by the above illustrations, the one on card with inscription band type 1 appearing on types 1, 3 and 5, the other on 2 and 4 only.

I. Formula in Red on White.

51.	2c	carmine, type 1.	} Tarjeta, etc. 41mm.
52.	2c	" " " 2.	
53.	2c	" " " 3.	
54.	2c	" " " 5.	} Tarjeta, etc. 46mm.
55.	2c	" " " 1.	
56.	2c	" " " 4.	
57.	2c	" " " 5.	} Tarjeta, etc. 41mm.
58.	3c	brown, " 1.	
59.	3c	" " " 2.	
60.	3c	" " " 3.	
61.	3c	" " " 5.	

62.	3c	brown, type 1.	} Tarjeta, etc. 46mm.
63.	3c	" " " 4.	
61.	3c	" " " 5.	

II. Formula in Red on Buff.

65.	2c	carmine, type 1.	} Tarjeta, etc. 41mm.
66.	2c	" " " 2.	
67.	2c	" " " 3.	
68.	2c	" " " 5.	} Tarjeta, etc. 46mm.
69.	2c	" " " 1.	
70.	2c	" " " 4.	
71.	2c	" " " 5.	} Tarjeta, etc. 41mm.
72.	3c	brown, " 1.	
73.	3c	" " " 2.	
74.	3c	" " " 3.	
75.	3c	" " " 5.	
76.	3c	" " " 1.	} Tarjeta, etc. 46mm.
77.	3c	" " " 4.	
78.	3c	" " " 5.	

ERRORS.

The formulas used for the above issue, as will be seen by the illustrations, have a row of 19 balls or beads on each side. Furthermore, the Inland cards have only two dotted lines for the address.

This rule, as well as the appearance of the two types of "S" in "Senor" applies to all Inland cards listed above, numbers 51 to 78 inclusive.

There are, however, five exceptions to this rule, all of which occur among the 3c Inland Cards on buff on all five types.

These have only 17 balls on each side and three address lines. In addition to these two exceptions all have the "S" which ordinarily is found only in conjunction with types 1, 3 and 5. The errors or exceptions are therefore:

70.	3c	brown on buff, type 1, "Tarjeta Postal," 41mm.
79a.	3c	brown on buff, type 2, "Tarjeta Postal," 41mm.
80.	3c	brown on buff, type 3, "Tarjeta Postal," 41mm.
80a.	3c	brown on buff, type 4, "Tarjeta Postal," 46mm.
81.	3c	brown on buff, type 5, "Tarjeta Postal," 46mm.

ISSUE OF OCTOBER 1895.

3c Card for Inland Service on White.

The inscription band is identical with type 1 of the preceding issue, except the left end ornaments. "Tarjeta Postal" is larger and "Senor" in ornamental type. The two rows of balls are replaced by lines of small ornaments and between the second and third address



line appears the year of issue "1895" running downward.



The formula is printed in carmine, varying from pale to brilliant.

82. 3c brown.

ISSUES OF 1896.

I. *January 25, 1896.*

3c card for Inland Service on white.

The formula is the same as the issue of October 1895 except that the two rows of small ornaments at the sides are now formed of short horizontal lines and the card is dated "1896."

83. 3c brown.

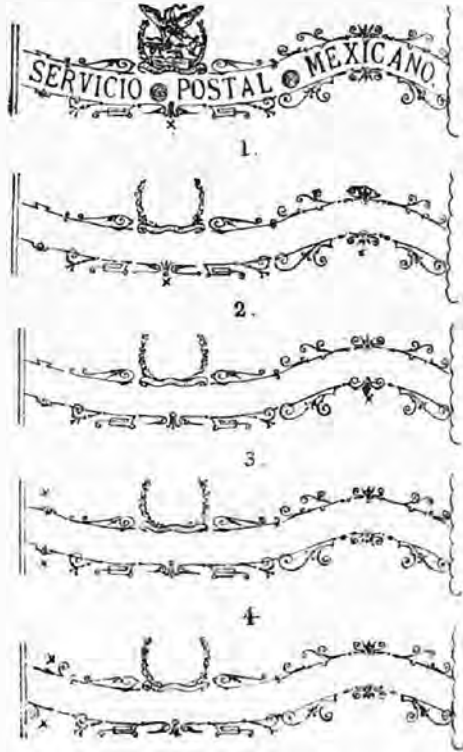
II. MARCH 12, 1896.

With this issue a new set of five Inscription Bands, (see Plate C) came into use, forming the last of the series. These cards have a row of shaded balls at the sides, types 1, 2 and 3 having 20 with a minute dot under the lower, while type 4 and 5 have 21 without the dot.

As a rule these balls have the shaded sides turned towards the address space of the cards. An exception, however, occurs on types 4 and 5 of the first issue on white card board only. A portion of my stock of type 4 shows the shaded side of the lower eight balls on the right side turned towards "SERVICIO INTERIOR" indicating two settings of this type, while all I have seen of type 5 have the ninth ball from the bottom, on the right sight turned that way.

These irregularities do not appear on any of the subsequent issues on buff card board.

Plate C



ISSUE OF MARCH 12, 1896.  
3c Card for the Interior.

An error in spelling occurs on type 5 of the Interior Cards of this and the two subsequent issues, the word "direccion" appearing spelt correctly and incorrectly with three "c's", "direcccion". I will indicate the latter as "a".

The space between the second and third address lines measures 12½mm on types 1, 2 and 3, and 14½mm on 4 and 5.

(To be continued.)

ARE you a member of The Postal Card Society of America? If not it is not too late to join now. Write to the Secretary or any member of the Official Board for an application blank. The advantages you will enjoy are many.



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**SECRETARY'S REPORT.**

By the time this report reaches our members our annual election will be over and the successful candidates will be announced in our April official journal. It is earnestly requested that members remit their

**DUES**

for the year 1900 promptly. By giving this matter their immediate attention members will save both the Secretary trouble and the Society expense and on receipt of dues I will be pleased to mail the new and handsome Membership Certificate, entitling the holder to all the privileges and benefits of our Society.

I publish with regret the following

**RESIGNATION RECEIVED.**

93 Albert W. Brown, 214 New York Ave., Providence, R. I.

As we commence a new year on March 1st next, it is in place for me to review the past eight months as Secretary.

Active membership August 1st, 1899.....	58
Admitted since.....	10
Dropped for non-payment of dues.....	4
Above resignation received.....	1 5
Gained.....	5

Total active members.....	63
Corresponding members.....	11

Let every member try to lift our membership up to the 100 mark by March 1st 1901. An average of only 3 applications per month will make the desired number. Only three applications per month. Surely, this is not asking too much.

Let every member put his shoulder to the wheel and send in an application. To work for the Society means you have blood in your body and that your veins are not full of

**ICE WATER.**

Members who do not patronize the Purchasing and Exchange Departments do not know what a snap they are missing. The Purchasing Department supplies us with all new issues with only a fraction of cost above the face value and the Exchange Department gives us the pick of a large selection of cards at our own homes, where we may compare with our collections, keep what we want and send the balance along to the next on the circuit.

It will be to your interest to participate in both of these Departments. The cost of membership is many times outweighed by the above benefits alone. Respectfully submitted,

T. H. GAFFORD, Secretary.  
 Church Hill, Md., Feb. 16th, 1900.

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.**

I have nothing new to report this month except that I am sending out many orders for new issues which will be arriving during the next two months.

Now is the time for members, who have never tried this Department, to send in their subscriptions, \$5.00, and save many times their annual dues by obtaining new issues at first cost.

Since August 1st, 1899, we have enrolled 10 new members but none of them have ever written a line to me for information regarding this department.

I hope to hear from you all before my next report goes to press. ADOLPH LOHMEYER,  
 Purchasing Agent.

Baltimore, Md., February 15th, 1900.

**TREASURER'S REPORT.**

On hand last report.....	\$93.12
Received from Secretary.....	.50
On hand.....	93.62
No payments.....	J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.
	Boston, Mass., February 13th, 1900.

**Money In It.**

THE sale of the Hunter collection, which realized over \$27,000.00, should convince the most skeptical that there is some stability to stamp collecting, coming so soon after the purchase of a collection for \$45,000.00 net cash by the New England Stamp Co., of Boston.—  
*The Collector.*

## The Southern Philatelic Association.

President—Roy B. Bradley, P. O. Box 6, Richmond, Va.

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Official Journal—THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.



BY JOHN PAALZOW.

All Publishers are requested to send one copy direct to the Review Editor, at No. 1212 Floyd Ave., Richmond, Va., U. S. A.

Review closed February 24th.

The following papers were received:

### SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT.

#### NEW MEMBERS.

- 234 Anthony, Miss Beulah K., 315 N. Adam-st., Richmond, Va.  
 245 Deal, Granville, Calhoun Falls, S. C.  
 236 Farias, Regino, P. O. Box 615, Mexico City, Mex.  
 237 Scherer, A. J., 1247 Farnum-st., LaCrosse, Wis.  
 238 Holmes, C. E. A., 5 Vercheres ave., Montreal, Can.

#### APPLICATIONS.

None.

#### RESIGNATIONS.

- A. C. Trask, Chicago, Ill.  
 W. M. Verbeck, Ballston Spa, N. Y.

#### FINANCES.

##### RECEIPTS.

Initiation fees and dues.....	\$6.35
Balance on hand.....	19.23
	<hr/> 25.58

##### EXPENDITURES.

To V. P. for Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec.....	7.98
Balance on hand.....	17.60

#### ERRATA.

In the January V. P. the references were left off the application of Mr. Eldredge, Boston, Mass. This application was recommended by Henry A. Chapman, A. W. Batchelder and J. Favill Capron. Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LOWRY, Sec.-Treas.

#### REPORT OF SALES SUPERINTENDENT.

In circulation Dec. 18, 1900, 31 books.....	\$631.12
Received since	34 books..... 726.99
	<hr/> 69 books 1358.11
Retired 14 books.....	351.06
Sales from same.....	74.40

In circulation Feb. 13, 55 books.....	1007.05
Insurance fund.....	57.72

CHAS. WARING.

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

##### NOTICE.

Dues are now due and the attention of the members is called to this fact. Kindly pay up if you have not done so yet, as on March 15th all those who have not paid their dues will be dropped from membership. Fraternalty yours,

EMIL GERLICH,  
 ROBERT KESSLER.

New Braunfels, Texas, January 25, 1900.

##### VOL. NO.

Adhesive Rocky Hill, Conn.,	1.	2.
Allegheny Philatelist, Allegheny, Pa.	6.	3.
Bay State Philatelist, Melrose Highlands, Mass.,	3.	2.
Clipper, Sioux City, Iowa,	1.	3.
Collector, New Oxford, Pa.,	1.	10-11.
Weekly Era, Portland, Me.,	14.	18-21.
Evergreen State Philatelist, Hartland, Wash.,	13.	60.
Herald Exchange, New York, N. Y.,	7.	2.
Mekeel's Weekly, St. Louis, Mo.,	14.	5-8.
New York Philatelist, New York, N. Y.	7.	5.
Indiana Philatelist, Goshen, Ind.,	1.	3-4.
Ohio Philatelist, Pearl, Ohio,	1.	5.
Philatelic Bulletin and Eastern Philatelist, Salem, Mass.,	23.	5.
Philatelic Chronicle and Michigan Philatelist, Charlotte, Mich.,	1.	4.
Weekly Stamp Tribune, Cleveland, Ohio,	2.	5.
FROM CANADA.		
Jubilee Philatelist, Smith's Falls, Ont.,	1.	5.
Philatelic Advocate, Berlin, Ont.,	8.	1.
Montreal Philatelist, Montreal, Can.,	2.	8.
FROM ABROAD.		
Stamps, Rushden, Eng.,	4.	1.
Postal Cards and Covers, Leeds, Eng.,	1.	1.
Morley's Philatelic Journal, London, England,	1.	2.

No. 2 of the *Adhesive* has the picture of "Berlin's Big Three" and a biographical sketch of them, the two Messrs. Starman of the *Philatelic Advocate* and Mr. Weaver of *Energy*, of which latter, by the way, no copy has come to hand lately. Miss Swift talks Across Our Albums and what she says about "reading notices" of stamps advertised like the instance she quotes, is only too true. We have enough of that kind of thing in every daily paper, let it be kept out of

the philatelic papers. Mr. Wylie has his review. Mr. Chapman his editorials. There are Boston, Chicago, and New York Notes. Mr. Brightman has Sunday Remarks. The Montreal letter by Mr. Magill says that five of the postal clerks of the Dominion P. O. Department will accompany Canada's second contingent to look after the mail of the volunteers. The Dishonest Collector is good reading for those in whom the motives of right and justice are not very strongly developed. How would you like to be the Stampman? reads very well, but is there a dealer living who strikes in a month such "snaps" as are said to have happened to this dealer in one short afternoon?

Phil A. Telist in *The Allegheny Philatelist* speaks of Lost Opportunities and gives good advice which, if followed, will leave no room for anyone to regret such opportunities. The *Pennsylvania Amateur Photographer* has been consolidated with the *A. P.* Boston, Chicago, St. Louis and Denver Notes are in evidence. Among the applications for membership in the Philatelic Order of Masons is the name of a lady. Is she going to be the matron and keep the youngsters in order. She seems to be of maturer age than the generality of applicants. The usual Puzzle Page is here and also the New Issues. The rest of the paper is given to photography and ads.

In *The Bay State Philatelist* Rudificus asks What Shall We do With the Counterfeit or Reprint. There can of course be but one answer in regard to the Counterfeit and that is to give it the "go by" on every occasion. With the Reprint it is just about the same. In nine cases out of ten the Reprint, so called, is nothing but a counterfeit parading under the delusive name of reprint, and which is sold to the inexperienced collector, who, when he finally

learns how he has been imposed upon, loses his interest in stamp collecting. Rudificus advocates that one of the means to get rid of the reprint is for the large dealers not to handle them. No doubt there are some of them who will not, but others seem to think that as long as there is money in that kind of trash, they may as well make the profit as someone else. It seems to me that the different philatelic publications can do very much in protecting the beginner, not so much by having long articles condemning the practice of selling reprints, but by refusing advertising space to anyone offering such wares. But then you touch the purse of the publisher and very likely his heart, and he would not refuse an ad. no matter what it offered, if the cash was there to pay for the space. Pick up the general run of papers, and in looking over the ads you will find offers of stamps which are known as counterfeits or reprints. How many papers refused the ad spoken of in this review for January, offering "Reprints" of Lübeck which are the very rankest of counterfeits and which according to the advertiser's statement sold very rapidly, not only singly but in blocks of four, also. How a collector of any standing could be caught with such chaff is astonishing, and still more so is it to hear that "the purchasers were all delighted." Delighted with what? A piece of colored paper made in imitation of a stamp. But "everyone to his own notion," and if a thing like a counterfeit can delight a stamp collector, well and good. I suppose each individual has a right to be happy in his own peculiar way. For my part the fire seems the best place for the counterfeit and its first cousin the reprint.

*The Clipper* gives Farmer's "First Impressions." It also contains a Philatelic Press Directory of papers in the English language which will need re-

vision before it again appears in print, as several papers enumerated there have since gone to rest.

The New York correspondent of the *Weekly Era* (of February 17th) has the following:—Complaints have been received from a number of out of town philatelists against a party residing in this city who has for months past carried advertisements in the philatelic papers (chiefly those in the West). As far as I have heard he has succeeded in procuring a number of valuable approval selections and has failed to either return the stamps or remit the cash. He does not reply to letters requesting settlement. The party recently arrived from South America and this may be another "Williams & Co." The same paper says: "Just as this issue is made ready to go to press we receive a "Special" from Mr. Colman announcing the following stamps have been ordered at the Post Office Department with spelling PUERTO RICO.

500,000 one cent stamps.  
1,000,000 two cent stamps.  
100,000 two cent, No. 5 envelopes.  
10,000 five cent, No. 5 envelopes,  
25,000 one cent postal cards.

In *The Collector* for January 20th, Mr. Hammond discusses general collecting and specializing from a financial standpoint and uses his arguments very strongly for the former. In the number for February 5th, Mr. Gordon has a few words about Condition in which he scores those who make fun of the so-called "condition crank." One thing is certain, try to dispose of your stamps and you will find that only perfect specimens have any value in the purchasers' eyes. In the editorials is the following: Dr. J. B. Russell of Hanover, Pa., paid us a brief call a week ago, bringing with him a fine copy of the 3c Die C envelope on blue paper which is priced by Scott

at \$125.00 which he picked off a S. of P. circuit for FIVE CENTS, the price marked. This beats most of the attic hunting. Quite a snap sure enough.

The *Evergreen State Philatelist* has Notes for U. S. Collectors. In *Philately Month by Month*, Veritas discusses the Philatelic Aspect of the Boer War. Like everyone else he expects the Transvaal and Orange Free State stamps to be obsolete when this cruel war is over, but before that day comes there will no doubt be a number of provisionals. The stamps of the Boer republics and other African countries are having quite a boom in this country as well as in England, and are good stock to hold on to. Editorials and society reports conclude the number.

The *Herald Exchange* has Chicago Notes and Editorials. Miss Swift's article is "Chiefly About Little Things." Among others she mentions the stamps of the South African Republic of the 1894 issue where in some of the values two types exist. One in which the wagon in the coat-of-arms of the Republic has shafts and the other in which it has a pole. Only a "little thing" but the difference in the catalogue value of some of these stamps is by no means a "little thing." Mr. Chapman has Pertinent Paragraphs. Some data concerning the new stamps of Germany are given by L. H. Mutch. Those of that issue seen by the writer are far from handsome. The German page is there, but no Errors and Omissions this month. Are the boys all getting honest?

Veritas in speaking about Some Philatelic Abuses in *The New York Philatelist* has this month "The Unprogressive Philatelic Writer" for his subject. It is astonishing to see what stuff gets into some papers. The day may however

come when editors will exercise a little discretion about what they let appear in their columns. Philadelphia Philately gives prices recently realized in that city at auction sales. The lecture of Mr. Clarence H. Eagle is continued from the January issue. Editorials are there and then the description of Another Find of Confederate Locals. The place where these turned up is not in the Sunny South but at Niagara Falls where a boy found an old fan stuck all over with stamps and among them not one Confederate local, but *eleven*, nine of them unknown so far, and therefore likely to be worth a mint of money, judging from the way uncatalogued varieties have recently been sold. Hope the present owner will find no trouble in establishing the genuineness of his find and reap a rich reward. Syracuse Items and Society Reports close the number.

The double number, Nos. 3 and 4, of the *Indiana Philatelist* is to hand. Mr. Hills has a Part History of Hawaii and its Stamps. E Pluribus Unum advises all collectors to buy Scandinavian stamps, which is good and timely advice, for while now "unfashionable and cheap" they are bound to be boomed sooner or later. Chicago Notes, Current Comments, Philatelic Gleanings, Indianapolis Notes and Mr. Hill's Review close the number. While *The Indiana Philatelist* does not use the best kind of paper, it is well gotten up and better than the general run of new papers. Success to it.

The *Ohio Philatelist* brings the picture and biography of Erving A. Hemphill, of Abilene, Texas. Interesting Stamps by Ray. I. Ellis, and the Benefits of Stamp Collecting by Cecil Rawson. Canadian Notes by C. E. A. Holmes who also writes about the Trouble of Philatelic Journalism. Editorials, review and society reports fill the number.

The *Philatelic Bulletin* reviews the Transvaal Embroglio and gives a very good short history of the points at issue between Great Britain and the Boers. The usual letter from the Old Dominion is continued in this number as also Editorials. Lacus Viridis finishes with the Stamps of Schleswig-Holstein. Miss Swift reviews the month's literature. A good many ads close this number.

Mr. Richard H. Post rises up in Defense of the Persecuted in the *Philatelic Chronicle* resenting the onslaught made recently on the collector of minor varieties and entires and a good defense does he make. Washington Notes, Detroit Notes, Editorials and ads complete this number.

The *Weekly Stamp Tribune* comes to the writer about once out of three times in fact this month only one issue, that of February 7, has been received. The "Latest News" contains news from all around as does also Miss Swift's "All Around the Compass." In it Miss Swift speaks about the return registration receipt for foreign correspondence. This has been in use for a number of years and can be had for every registered letter sent abroad by paying 5c extra and marking "return receipt requested" upon the letter. South African Postal History, copied from the *Pittsburg Leader*, gives a short account of the different countries in South Africa issuing stamps. Beside other stamp news there is a short story about "Gorillas in Battle."

The *Jubilee Philatelist* for February has, beside editorials, notes from London, Toronto, Boston, and Montreal. Gaining Experience tells of what every collector goes through with. In common with nearly every other monthly the destruction of the Newfoundland stamps is given.

The *Philatelic Advocate* starts the New Year according to its custom with a very large number giving its readers sixty-four pages and cover and a good deal of good reading is contained therein. There are a number of pictures. Capt. Wurtele, the D. P. A. President, Messrs. John H. Lowe, Starnaman Bros., Weaver, and Erwin L. Shove. Biographical sketches of these and other prominent collectors are given, but the name of the lady-collector on page 22 who was blind, we presume from studying the red spots on the map so much, is missing. The Bird's Eye View of the Postal Service of the U. S. gives an insight into the magnitude of the P. O. Dept. Mr. Chapman writes about Popular Stamps and Jonah about U. S. Official Post Cards and gives the description of a number of them. Editorials and society reports with a large number of ads complete the number.

The *Montreal Philatelist* has News of the Month, mentioning the new issues and illustrating some. Ralph W. Gosset has Samoan Islands and Stamps as well as Australian Stamp News. The editor has his war paint on and rises in defense of the Canadian Stamp Dealers whom he claims are being unjustly defamed by a portion of the philatelic press of the U. S. Half a column of Field Notes by Rudolph C. Bach tells about a soft snap which escaped him in the shape of 10,000 Boer stamps that had been captured but were destroyed before he (B.) got wind of the affair. What a chance was lost! Surcharges of the most varied and fantastic kind could have been prepared on those 10,000 and there would have been more money in them than in G. B. In conclusion B. promises to pay all his creditors in full when he returns. May the day be not far distant.

*Stamps of Rushden, England, in its "Helping Hints to Beginners,"* asks

when did stamp collecting begin, and answers that as early as 1842 *Punch* published a poem ridiculing the practice.— In reply to a query the answer comes that the Post Office Mauritius are still the rarest stamps. Only 19 specimens being known. There is another stamp however of which only one properly accredited copy is known and that is the one cent 1856 issue of British Guiana. This specimen is in the Ferrary collection. Post and Letter Cards of the British Empire gives this month Gibraltar, Gold Coast and Heligoland. The stamps of Western Australia is finished. Post Card Notes by Mr. Wilson gives the new issues for the month. There are Notes and Review and Revenue Stamps. In Resurrections two excellent articles on English and French stamps are given. These articles originally appeared years ago, but are as good reading to-day as when first printed.

A new quarterly magazine under the name of *Postal Cards and Covers* comes from England. It is published by Mr. Walter T. Wilson and is devoted to entities. Much success to it and to the field it advocates and which has been rather neglected by many American stamp collectors.

Under the Editorship of Mr. A. Preston Pearce comes *Morley's Philatelic Journal*, a monthly paper for collectors of Postage, Revenue, Telegraph and Railway stamps. The collecting of revenue stamps seems to be very much on the increase, but of telegraph stamps there are only few and as far as my knowledge goes, there are no railway stamps issued in this country at all, so that these two branches would not appeal very strongly to the average collector.

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### A Universal Postage Stamp.

THE editor of *Friedl's Ill. Briefmarken Offertenblatt*, Vienna, writing on the oft-advanced utopian idea of a Universal Postage Stamp—one that would be current in every Postal Union country—treats the question most thoroughly, and demonstrates conclusively the impracticability of the scheme. Some of the statements are very interesting. For instance, the writer takes for granted an International 25 centimes (5 cents, 20 pfennigs, 2½ pence) stamp is placed on sale in all Postal Union countries. In the shortest course of time the most arbitrary state would exist between such countries of the U. P. U. whose monetary system was on the gold basis, and such as had silver or paper currency. The London merchant would no longer frank his letters to foreign countries with a 2½d stamp. The German would discard his 20 pfennig stamp, the Frenchman his 25c sticker, and instead secure a supply of Universal stamps from Austria, where they would cost only 10 Kreuzer, equal to 17pf., or from Italy where they would cost 8 per cent. less; or from Spain where another reduction of 25 per cent. could be effected, or from Portugal where they would be 40 per cent. cheaper; or Greece, at 60 per cent., or Argentina, at 125 per cent., or Brazil at 400 per cent., or still better, from Paraguay where a saving of 800 per cent. could be effected.

The writer argues that in a very short time the countries of depreciated currency would do all the stamp business.

And so he goes on *ad libitum* to prove the impracticability of this favorite scheme taking every point in its favor and nailing it mercilessly.

In conclusion he presents the one and only practical scheme. He writes: *A Universal Postage Stamp is only possible when the Universal Postal Union has a*

*common treasury.* When all the Postal Union countries' receipts are deposited in the Union Treasury at Berne (Switzerland) then could the headquarters at Berne issue a Universal Postage Stamp.

### Two First-Class New Comers.

FROM England we have received the first number of the quarterly *Postal Cards and Covers*. It has chosen a good field and we suggest that every member of our Postal Card Society write to the publisher Walter T. Wilson, Esq., 164 Cardigan Road, Leeds, for a copy. Subscription 1s 6d per annum.

*Moley's Philatelic Journal* edited by A. Preston Pearce, 15 Brownhill Gardens, Catford, London, S. E., is as handsome typographically as it is interesting in contents. We have received two numbers to date.

### "One More Unfortunate."

THE *Collector* states that Mr. James F. Irving, of St. Catharines, Ontario, has gone to South Africa with the second spasm from Canada, and that he expects (vain hope) to bring home some Transvaal rarities after *visiting* Pretoria!

We wish him a speedy, unharmed journey to his destination, and hope the Boers will include him among the first selection they offer in exchange for one genuine, early issue Majuba Hill-Transvaaler.

THE *American Journal of Philately* for January states on authority of *Le Timbre Poste* that Japan will soon issue a 1½ sen blue reply card.

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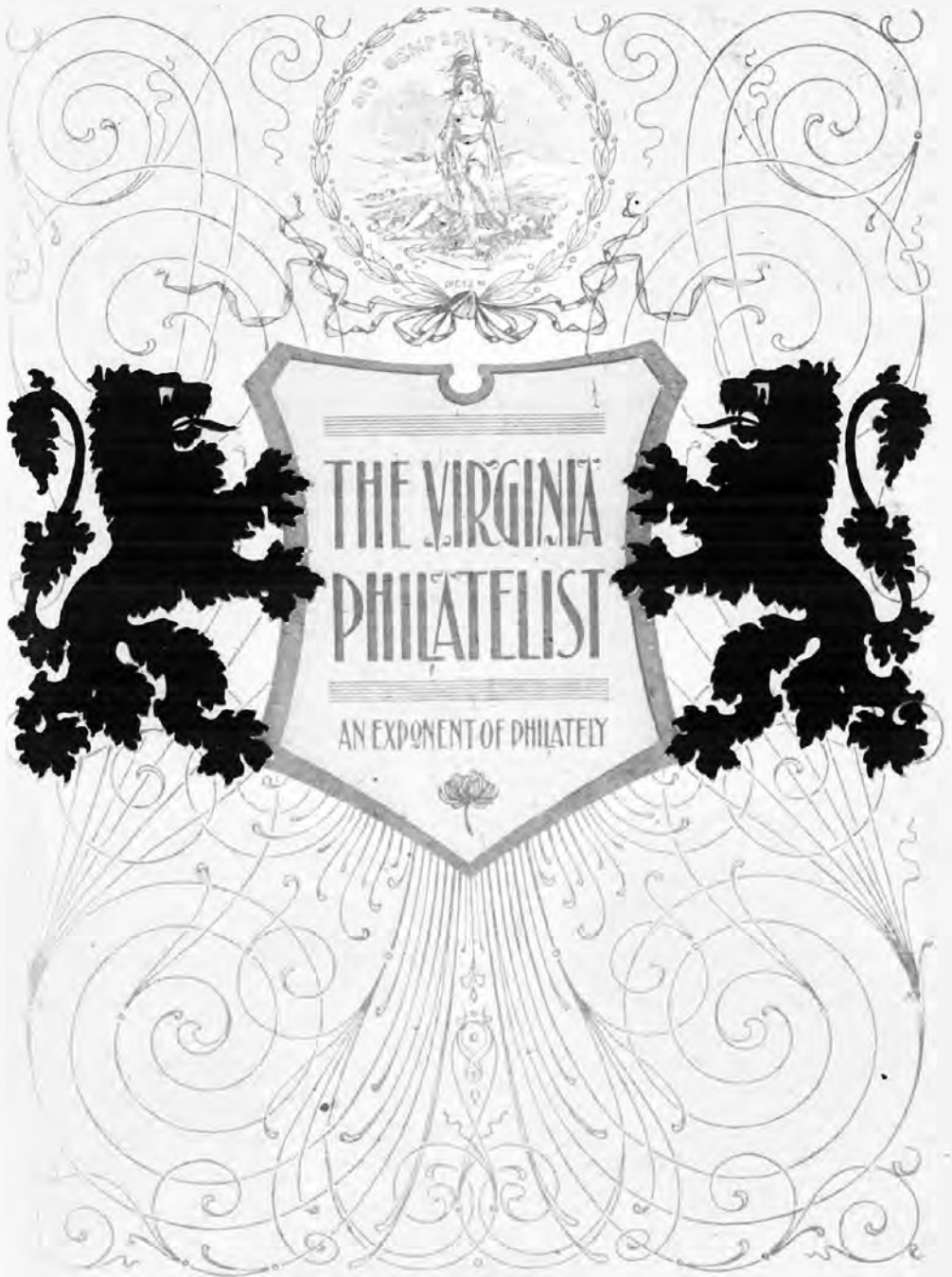
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## PETER DEN OUTER.

**P**ONG the many interesting experiences one gains in editing a philatelic journal, the most pleasant to me has been the acquiring of friends far beyond the confines of our country; and their entertaining letters—coming, as they may, from Norway or the Falklands, from India, or the far Antipodes—have ever held for me a particular charm.

Through the months and years of such correspondence one grows to feel that the distant writer had indeed ever been a near and dear friend, and though in life one may not meet, that very fact serves but to foster these sentiments.

Foremost among the many friends I have thus gained through the medium of *THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST*, and staunchest of the supporters of our publication abroad, is the gentleman whom I have selected for the subject of a brief sketch in this his natal month—Mr. Peter den Outer, of Vlaardingen, Holland.

Through nigh unto three years of pleasant correspondence I have come to know and esteem Peter den Outer, and but for the scant mention of self in his letters I should be able to print more detail; however, this I know:

Peter den Outer was born in the city of Rotterdam, Holland, on April 7th, 1879.

A thorough education, fitted him for the responsible position he holds with the oldest and wealthiest exporting house of Vlaardingen, that of H. Kikkert, established in 1819.

Den Outer can converse as well as correspondent in Dutch, German, French and English, an accomplishment of which he may well feel proud.

But above all he is an enthusiastic philatelist and collector of souvenir cards, and to his great kindness I am indebted for nearly the complete issues of the Netherlands and her colonies. His specialties are United States and European, and he is ever ready to enter into exchange relations with foreign collectors.

Peter den Outer is a typical Hollander—filled with adoration for his beautiful young sovereign, proud of the traditions of his dauntless race, and fervid in his sympathies with his heroic kinsmen in the

South African Republics.

These traits—peculiar to the Dutch—coupled with nobility of character and a most congenial disposition cannot fail to win for him many friends on this side of the Atlantic.

And thus, too, we of *THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST* would send a tribute and this greeting to the distant friend on the month wherein he enters the arena of manhood.

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P. DEN OUTER.



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**No Review This Month.**

OUR Review Editor, Mr. Paalzow being again called to a Northern city on professional duty for a time, we regret to announce that there will be no Review this month.

**Notice to Richmond Subscribers.**

ACCORDING to a recent ruling of the Richmond Post Office officials, monthly publications mailed under second-class rates are no longer delivered by carriers within the city limits unless prepaid with a stamp.

Pursuant to this decree we are compelled to request our Richmond subscribers to call for their journal either at the Post Office, or at our office, 13 North Eleventh street, on or before the tenth day of every month.

**Mr. H. E. Deats Wins the Silver Medal.**

AT the Second Exhibition, held under the auspices of the Section on Philately of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, on March 3-10, 1900, Mr. H. E. Deats' superb collection won the prize—a silver medal—in Class I., Group C., for the best exhibit of stamps of the Confederate States.

We learn that this exhibit consisted of the greater portion of Mr. Deats' collection, displayed at the S. P. A. Convention in Richmond in September last.

We join in congratulating Mr. Deats on his success, as we feel an inspection of such a collection will serve to create more interest in the stamps of the Confederacy while its general salutary effect on philatelists cannot be overestimated.

**A Probable Change.**

DAME Rumor hath it that the many adverse criticisms of the new German stamps have not failed to produce an effect in certain "high" quarters, and that in consequence the Department contemplates preparing new dies that will meet all artistic requirements.

HAVE you seen R. S. Nelson's ad?

**"Mutch" Off.**

IN a dissertation on the stamps of the Transvaal, prepared by Mr. L. H. Mutch for the *Herald Exchange*, that author has treated us to an entirely new translation of the legend on the South African Republic's coat-of-arms, all of which forces us to mount Pegasus again and go off on a jaunt :

For translating Dutch  
Our brother phil Mutch  
Affords us the keenest delight :  
"Eendragt maakt Magt!"—  
(So hat er gesagt)—  
In English is—"Right Makes Right."

The Muses will kindly accept our apologies.

**"Exchanges."**

UNDER the above heading the editor of *The Adhesive*, prints the following, which we endorse in toto, for it suits our case precisely :

The publisher of *The Adhesive* has been very liberal in the matter of exchanges, and considers that he knows what he wants. It isn't necessary for every one who prints little two-by-three sheets to keep begging to be put on the list. While they may furnish much that is meritorious, that is no reason why he should be badgered into accepting what he doesn't care for. He well knows how this announcement will be received, but it makes no difference. There is a limit to all things. The publisher of *The Adhesive* pays for some philatelic journals which do not exchange with others, and he has no "kick" to make because he has to do it. Somebody must "pay the fiddler."

**Interesting Entires.**

MR. MACRUM, late U. S. Consul to the Transvaal, asserts that the British authorities tampered with his mail, and he has exhibited before the Committee on foreign Relations the envelopes in evidence.

Now, wouldn't they make an interesting addition to a stamp collection, just as mementos of how low Britian can stoop.

**And He Isn't There "Yet"!**

ACCORDING to the Paris journals a lady living in Stuttgart has just received back a post card which she addressed some time ago to "Sir Redvers Buller, Pretoria." The Pretoria Post Office marked the card "has not yet arrived here," and returned it to the sender. The Paris journals think there is a world of meaning in the "yet."—*Metropolitan*.  
And that's no idle jest.

**"The Herald Exchange."**

IN the March number of his paper the editor of *The Herald Exchange* announces the discontinuance of his publication, which has been consolidated with *The Allegheny Philatelist*. Mr. Tausig will in future conduct the German Department of the *Herald Exchange* in *The Allegheny*, and act as advertising and subscription agent.

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## Artistic Stamp Designs That Were Rejected.

BY AUG. DIETZ.

IN a recent issue of the *Briefmarken-Zeitung* appeared a number of accepted and rejected designs, submitted by native artists for the new Hungarian issue.

For the purpose of demonstration I have taken the liberty of reproducing several of these, along with the successful designs, and, in my humble opinion the accepted stamps (barring perhaps the "Krone" values) have less artistic merit than the rejected patterns.



None, I dare say, will dispute the beauty of this design. The allegorical figure holding in one hand the sword and the olive branch, in the other the symbol of empire, is chaste and decidedly artistic.

Poor judges they, to reject this design.



Yet the Magyar maiden was rejected for this conventional pattern the true import of which I am as yet unable to decipher, while its merits I do not see. It's well balanced, and that's all that can be said for it.



This, another discarded design, merits some notice on account of its odd arrangement and modern treatment. The Crown of Hungary with its leaning cross and the figure of value are given full prominence. It's practical.



la Rue-ey."



The likeness of Austria's grief-bent monarch, clad in the historic garb of the Hungarian Kings? The familiar features appear clear against the marbled background. Withal, it is a good design for a postage stamp.



*Apropos*, these stamps remind of another illustration that appeared in the Continental press some years ago. It was said to be the design selected for the new French series, but, unfortunately, that report was either a canard, or the project has been "pigeon holed."



It is a truly artistic bit of work, and one would be led to suppose that both, the designers of the Hungarian rejected pattern, and the artist of the new German stamps, had adopted, in a general way, this allegorical figure from the French design.

However, in a fair choice between the three—France, Hungary, and Germany—I would unhesitatingly select the Magyar maiden for—the first Mazurka.

## The Inscription Band Varieties of the Postal Cards of Mexico.

ISSUED DURING 1894, 1895 AND 1896.

TABULATED BY

A. LOHMEYER, BALTIMORE.

(Continued From Page 141.)



TYPE 4.

Showing irregularity in position of balls at right.

*Formula in Carmine on White.*

- 84. 3c brown, type 1.
- 85. 3c brown, type 2.
- 86. 3c brown, type 3.
- 87. 3c brown, type 4.
- 88. 3c brown, type 5.
- 88a. 3c brown, type 5a.

III. MARCH 27, 1896.

*3c Card for the Interior.*

Here it is again Type 4 on which an irregularity exists. The ninth ball from the top, in the right hand row, is of a smaller size than the rest on a portion of this issue, indicating again a second printing of this type.

*Formula in Carmine on Buff.*

- 89. 3c brown, type 1.
- 90. 3c brown, type 2.
- 91. 3c brown, type 3.
- 92. 3c brown, type 4.
- 93. 3c brown, type 5.
- 93a. 3c brown, type 5a.

IV. MAY 4, 1896.

*2c Card for Inter-Urban Service.*

The error on type 4 (ninth ball) exists also on part of that type in this issue.

*Formula in Carmine on Buff.*

- 94. 2c carmine, type 1.
- 95. 2c carmine, type 2.
- 96. 2c carmine, type 3.
- 97. 2c carmine, type 4.

98. 2c carmine, type 5.

98a. 2c carmine, type 5a.

*B. Postal Union Cards.*

The peculiarities of this issue are: "TARJETA POSTAL—CARTE POSTALE" measures 99mm on all five types, but, in addition thereto it also appears in smaller type, 83mm long, on types 4 and 5, constituting two additional varieties of these types, which I will designate as "A." Furthermore, type 4 shows the "ninth ball" error while 4a has all the 21 balls of same size.

Type 5 exists in two varieties, "direction" spelt correctly and "direccion" with "ce" in place of "cc" while 5a does not show this error. I will designate the error as "B."

The space between the second and third address lines measures 10mm on types 1, 2 and 3, and 13mm on 4 and 5.



TYPE 4a.

*Formulas in Yellow Green on Buff.*

- 99. 2c carmine, type 1.
- 100. 2c carmine, type 2.
- 101. 2c carmine, type 3.
- 102. 2c carmine, type 4.
- 102a. 2c carmine, type 4a.
- 103. 2c carmine, type 5.
- 103a. 2c carmine, type 5a.\*
- 103b. 2c carmine, type 5b.
- 104. 3c brown, type 1.
- 105. 3c brown, type 2.
- 106. 3c brown, type 3.
- 107. 3c brown, type 4.
- 107a. 3c brown, type 4a.
- 108. 3c brown, type 5.
- 108a. 3c brown, type 5a.\*
- 108b. 3c brown, type 5b.

\* I have seen this variety only in the next, provisional, issue, but as these were surcharged on the above 2c cards, it must naturally exist also without the surcharge.



## V. PROVISIONAL ISSUE OF NOV. 18, '96.

The 2c Postal Union Card of May 4, surcharged at sides in yellow green "PARA LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS—Y CANADA" in two lines.

- 100. 2c carmine, type 1.
- 110. 2c carmine, type 2.
- 111. 2c carmine, type 3.
- 112. 2c carmine, type 4.
- 112a. 2c carmine, type 4a.
- 113. 2c carmine, type 5.
- 113a. 2c carmine, type 5a.
- 113b. 2c carmine, type 5b.

I have seen all except 5 and 5b.

## VI. PROVISIONAL ISSUE OF DEC. 17, '96.

The 2c Interior Card of May 4 surcharged at sides in red "SERVICIO URBANO" and "SERVICIO INTERIOR" obliterated by a red bar.



## TYPE 1.

- 114. 2c carmine, type 1.
- 115. 2c carmine, type 2.
- 116. 2c carmine, type 3.
- 117. 2c carmine, type 4.
- 118. 2c carmine, type 5.
- 118a. 2c carmine, type 5a.

It is doubtful whether all the types may be found in this last provisional issue. I have seen only types 1, 2 and 4, the latter with and without the ninth ball error.

(The End.)

WHEN you receive stamps from another collector who is desirous of exchanging with you, do not forget that it is considered good form to either return them or their equivalent value. This holds good with both the amateur and the advanced collector.—*Nebraska Philatelist*.

## Earliest Dates of Cancellations on Confederates.

THE earliest dates of cancellation on Confederate stamps that I have either seen or seen noted :

- 5c green, October 23, 1861.
- 5c light green, December 24, 1861.
- 5c sage green, July (?) 1862.
- 10c blue, February 14, 1862.
- 10c light blue, December 2, 1861.
- 2c green, September 4, 1862.
- 5c blue, April 16, 1862.
- 5c dark blue, April 15, 1862.
- 5c light blue, May 15, 1862.
- 10c rose, April 4, 1862.
- 10c carmine, August 9, 1862.
- 5c London print, May 6, 1862.
- 5c local print, October 27, 1862.
- Ten cent, May 2, 1863.
- 10c outer line, May 10, 1863.
- 10c do light blue, July 8, 1863.
- 10c blue (A7), February 7, 1863.
- 10c blue (A8), June 11, 1863.
- 10c dark blue, May 10, 1863.
- 10c greenish, January 7, 1863.
- 2c rose, August 6, 1863.
- 20c green, October 4, 1864.

The only 10c blue perforated that I have ever met with canceled was dated October 23rd, but nothing indicated the year. It is probable that earlier cancellations exist in nearly if not every case, and I should be pleased to learn of any earlier ones.—"ERA" in *Evergreen State Philatelist*.

IF YOU should read an article telling you about the great rise some stamps are bound to have in the near future, you are in no wise bound to accept it as the gospel truth. It may only be the writer's individual opinion, and there is nothing amiss in your examining the advertising columns to see if he has any of them for sale. There will be many horns sounded before you hear Gabriel's trumpet.—*Nebraska Philatelist*.

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## New Issues and Discoveries.

BY ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

AUSTRIA. I have received the following new cards, same as 1898 type (P. C. 10).—*Deutsch-Bohm.*

P. C. 5 H blue green and black on buff.  
 3x5 H " " " " " " T. 3.  
 5 H " " " " " " " " Deutsch-Rum."  
 5x5 H blue gr'n and blk on buff. " Deutsch-Rum." T. 3.  
 5 H blue green and black on buff. " Deutsch-Rum."  
 5x5 H blue gr'n and blk on buff. " Deutsch-Rum." T. 3.

BAVARIA. Mr. Unglaub, Munich, has sent me one of the 1900 5pf cards, the figures in the lower left corner, indicating the year of issue, being "00."

P. C. 5pf green on buff.

BOSNIA. *I. B. J.* has received a new Inland Card in the new Austrian Currency. No change from the former type has been made.

P. C. 5 (Heller) olive green.

BRITISH HONDURAS. I have received the Provisional Cards and can now add the Reply Card.

P. C. 2x2c in black on 3x3c carm. on buff. T. 3.

COLUMBIA. Referring to the description of the 2c card in last month's chronicle I wrote to our former Columbia Corresponding Member, Mr. Herman Focke, now residing in New York, who informs me that the set consists of 10 different views, that these cards (on white) are sold by the Government to a German in Bogota for *exclusive* resale, and that he, in turn, sells them at 50c Gold per set of 10, a handsome profit, indeed. The card which I have before me shows the following imprint on the reverse "Propiedad exclusiva de Ernesto Pehlke, Bogota, Calle 12, No. 181." While a government issue and valid in the mails, it is not obtainable at the Post Offices and does not supersede the regular issue on orange card board.

FRANCE. *French Offices in Alexandria, Egypt.* According to *Mekeel's Weekly* the French Cards and Letter Card have been surcharged "*Alexandrie*" over the stamp.

P. C. 10c black on greenish.  
 10x10c black on blue, T. 3.

L. C. 25c black on rose. Perf. III.

GERMANY. The Postal Union Card has been issued with Stamp of Germania type.

P. C. 10pf carmine on cream.

GRENADA. I clip the following from *Stanley Gibbons Monthly Journal.*

"There are two minor varieties in the formula of the 1d cards of 1886:

*a.* The second line of the heading measures 66mm. The vertical stroke of the "D" of "GRENADA" is just clear to the right of the last "E" of "UNIVERSELLE," and the vertical stroke of the "D" of "CARD" is under the right side of the "D" above it. This seems to be the earliest formula (unless both are used together), as it was used for the cards of 1882.

*b.* The second line measures 64½mm., and is in rather smaller type than before. The letters "E," "D," "D" overlap, one above the other, the vertical stroke of the "D" of "CARD" being under the "E" of "UNIVERSELLE." We may add that the last cards received are variety *a*, and are in a paler shade of *carmine* than the specimens we are shown of *b*."

In looking through my stock of above cards, I find that variety "a" is on dark buff indicating the earlier printing; further that all the 1½d cards are of variety "a" and all 1d and 1½d double cards of variety "b."

HONG KONG. Messrs. Cameron and Co. send us a note received from this Colony to the effect that the halves of 4 4c on 3 3c cards are now being issued as single cards. No doubt there is very little demand for Postal Union cards in British Colonies now.—*S. G. Monthly.*

PORTUGAL. European Journals announce the issue of the 25 Reis card on buff.

P. C. 25r carmine on buff.

PUERTO RICO. It is now announced that the much talked of surcharge "PUERTO RICO" has been applied to the current U. S. 1c cards.

P. C. 1c blk on buff, surcharged "PUERTO RICO."

ROUMANIA. My Bucharest correspondent informs me that it has been ascertained that 480 of the Inland Cards with inscription "Posalta" instead of "Postala" had been thus printed in error.

SARAWAK. We regret to state that we made a mistake in our description of the 4c on 3c post card which we chronicled last month. The surcharge is in *blue*, not in *black*.—*S. G. Monthly.*

### Entire Sheets of Steinmeyers.

BY AUG. DIRTZ.

SECOND only in interest to the Locals of the Confederate States of America are the semi-official stamps of the United States, issued by postmasters and carriers in the various cities during the 40's and 50's, marking, as they do, a period when our postal facilities were in their infancy.

There have recently been submitted to me for inspection two entire sheets of the rarer varieties of these interesting stamps—the Steinmeyers—and because of their excellent condition, authenticated by Steinmeyer's signature, I have secured the permission of their present owner to reproduce one entire sheet in

THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.



*J. H. Steinmeyer*

In the preface to the chapter on the Semi-Official Stamps of the United States in that most excellent "Catalogue for Advanced Collectors" compiled by Messrs. Henry Collin and Henry L. Cal-

mau for *The American Journal of Philately*, we find the following:

These stamps were issued by postmasters and carriers in various cities. The stamps of the *United States City Despatch Post*, used in the city of New York, were authorized by the Postmaster General; those issued in other cities were permitted by the Government, if not authorized.

And this information establishes the *status* of the Steinmeyers here reproduced.

The sheets before me are Scott's City Nos. 838 and 839. There are ten stamps in each, two rows of five.

One is of the pink, the other of the yellow paper variety.

It is probable that these two are the only entire sheets of Steinmeyers in existence to-day, and this illustration may serve as a future guide in determining the position of any single stamp in reconstructing an entire sheet.

The owner of these stamps informs me that he secured them from "Penny Post Steinmeyer" himself, being the few sheets he had retained after their use was discontinued.

Doubtless there are many advanced collectors interested in these semi-official stamps, and any additional information regarding them will be cheerfully given by the editor of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

### Japanese Stamps Surcharged for Use in China.

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*The Stamp Collector's Fortnightly* prints this illustration of the

surcharge on the current Japanese stamps for use in their post offices in China. The entire set up to 50 sen has been thus (mal-) treated.

We shift all responsibility for the correctness of these hieroglyphics on the *Fortnightly*—who tells us it means "Japanese China,"



**The Postal Card Society of America.**

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**SECRETARY'S REPORT.**

**RESIGNATION RECEIVED.**

40 R. R. Bogert, 13 Rue Boissonade, Paris, France.

**RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.**

91 Albert W. Brown, 216 N Y-ave., Providence, R. I.

**ELECTION.**

The following is the result of our Annual Election which closed on March 12, 1900.

Total of votes cast 40.  
 For President, Guy A. Bryant ..... 39  
 For Vice President, Herbert A. Croghan ..... 39  
 James H. Fountain ..... 1  
 For Secretary, T. H. Gafford ..... 40  
 For Treasurer, John N. Morse ..... 39  
 For Executive Committee, Adolph Lohmeyer... 39  
 N. Haskell Withee... 38  
 W. D. Arnold..... 38  
 H. E. Deats..... 1

For Official Organ, VIRGINIA PHILATELIST... 32  
 Weekly Philatelic Era..... 8  
 For renumbering ..... 32  
 Against renumbering..... 6  
 Not voting on above subject ..... 2  
 Resulting in the election of the officers and official organ as given above until March 1st, 1900, or until their successors have been duly elected; members will receive their new numbers now in short time.

**RENEWALS TO DATE.**

3, 5, 11, 18, 19, 31, 37, 43, 47, 51, 55, 78, 82, 88, 91, 95, 99, 110, 111, 113, 114, 125, 129, 141, 131, 131\*, 139, 140, 147, 149\*, 145\*, 146, 148\*, 149\*, 151.

\*These dues have been previously acknowledged.

**COLLECTIONS.**

1. Has been collected \$31.00 for dues, which amount has been remitted to the Treasurer.  
 2. Has not yet received your 1900 membership card it is because you have not sent in your

dues. Please attend to it at once. Members in arrears please give this matter your prompt attention.

Please notice the list of renewals. Is your number among them? If it is not, it could be. I have sent the new and handsome membership certificate for 1900 to every member who has paid his dues. Respectfully submitted,

T. H. GAFFORD, Secretary,  
 Church Hill, Md., March 16th, 1900.

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.**

Since my last report I have received one renewal, Wm. C. Stone, who has deposited \$7.50.

A number of new cards have arrived, such as Austria, British Honduras, Puerto Rico, Portuguese Indies, etc., and I expect to make a distribution shortly. ADOLPH LOHMEYER,  
 Purchasing Agent.  
 Baltimore, Md., March 17th, 1900.

**TREASURER'S REPORT.**

On hand last report.....	891.62	
Received from Secretary .....	31.00	
		124.62
Paid A. Dietz grouping and engraving half tone.....	6.50	
Paid Va. Phil. 7 mos. to Mar. 1, 1900	17.50	
" T. H. Gafford 5 " " 1, 1900	16.58	40.58
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Balance on hand .....		81.04

J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.  
 Boston, Mass., March 13th, 1900.

**EXCHANGE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.**

Since sending my last report I have received twenty five (25) covers from Adolph Lohmeyer, valued at \$71.30.

The above cards have been sent out as circled D to the following members, 69, 147, 126, 41, 19, 146, 110, 139, 47.

I am sorry to report that circuit D2, consisting of cards from Messrs. Lohmeyer and Agee, was stolen in St. Louis on March 5th 1900.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) FRED DOUGHTY, Exch. Supt.  
 535 S 4th ave., Saginaw, Mich., March 12, 1900.

**To Postal Card Collectors.**

Do you collect post cards? Are you a member of the only Society in America devoted to this branch of Philately—the Postal Card Society of America?

Why not join it now?

APRIL is your last chance to subscribe at 15 cents!

## The Southern Philatelic Association.

President—Roy B. Bradley, P. O. Box 6, Richmond, Va.  
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 Official Journal—THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

FELLOW MEMBERS:—I desire to call the attention of all members who have not done so to the urgent necessity of remitting their dues promptly. The worthy Secretary informs me that a number of the members yet owe dues for 1900, and I trust that we will have no delinquents this year.

All departments are moving smoothly, and the Sales Department is in full swing, and many "good things" can be obtained at low prices, as the writer can testify. If you are not on circuit, drop a card to Bro. Waring and he will see that you are placed on his list. The department is a fine medium for the sale of your duplicates, and the better grade of Confederates sell well.

I would like to see our members induce some of their friends to join us. Application blanks can be obtained from the Secretary.

Let each member constitute himself or herself a committee of one to secure new members. Let us see what we can do next month.

Yours for the good of the S. P. A.,

ROY B. BRADLEY, President.

### SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT.

No new members.

#### APPLICATIONS.

Parkham, W. R., Marysville, Tenn. Age 18, Student. Refs., F. W. Coning, W. E. Parkham, W. C. Lowry.

Riddell, Richmond, H., Box 125, Napier, New Zealand. Age 40, Assistant Land Registrar. Refs., R. S. Nelson, W. C. Lowry, F. Stearns, Carberry, John D., 1125 Putnam-ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. Age 31, Private Secretary. Refs., Roy B. Bradley, Crawford Capen, Oliver C. Drew.

#### RESIGNATIONS.

H. Flachskamm, St. Louis, Mo.  
 S. B. Boyd, Knoxville, Tenn.

#### CHANGES IN ADDRESS.

Jno. F. Hynson from Kenansville, N. C., to Magnolia, N. C.

#### CORRECTION IN NAME.

R. S. Allen should be R. L. Allen, Waynesville, N. C.

### FINANCES.

#### RECEIPTS.

In fees and dues.....	\$13.90
Balance on hand.....	19.25
	33.15

#### EXPENDITURES.

To V. P. for printing.....	2.85
Balance on hand.....	30.28
	W. C. LOWRY, Sec.-Treas.

THE TROJAN STAMP CO., is offering a fine lot of British African stamps cheap. Better buy now!

### Interesting Revenues.

MR. CAMP has just shown me quite an interesting and very rare revenue stamp. It is the common 2c. orange Bank Check design of ordinary perforated issue, but printed on the check instead of being an adhesive. The check is still entire and in fine condition. Mr. E. B. Sterling who seems to be the original discoverer of this stamp stated that it was unknown until December last.

But this is not the only good thing in the revenue line Mr. Camp has had lately. He is also showing a provisional revenue stamp used in 1867, which is simply a piece of white paper, with printing in plain type in three lines. U. S. Revenue Stamp 5 cents,—WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT, *Metropolitan*.

HAVE you noticed the sign of the "All Round Square Stamp Man" Nelson, in these last two issues—and his prices?

COLLECTORS of original covers will do well to read the advertisement of W. D. Simpson, of Anderson, S. C.

LOHMEYER is offering "War Packets" of postal cards, and they bid fair to "go like hot cakes" at his prices.

## New York Correspondence.

LENNOD.

HERE is a party in this city—or was a resident of this city, who is gaining a tarnished reputation, if we can believe the complaints of several out-of-town dealers. The party referred to is one A. Millard. His advertisements have appeared in the *Philatelic West*, *Evergreen State Philatelist*, and *The Collector*. The latter paper he formerly furnished notes on foreign revenues. One dealer is wondering when this worthy gentleman intends to settle for two hundred dollars worth of stamps he has failed to return. The J. T. Starr Stamp Co., of Coldwater, Mich., are also asking questions regarding this person. A correspondent (which is myself) in the *Weekly Philatelic Era*, believes this to be another Williams & Co., as Millard is a South American himself. I have written to Postmaster Van Cott, and with his help will attempt to probe the matter to the bottom.

The "Postal Card" number of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, must have done some good, if we can judge from the number of inquiries wholesale dealers receive from retailers. As a member of a wholesale stamp business, I know whereof I speak. Within the past few weeks we have had four requests from collectors and two from dealers asking for quotations. My firm does not deal in cards, but probably will do so, if the trade warrants. We intend to investigate the subject more fully.

Philatelic literature in this city has had its ups and downs, but the months of February and March, 1900, will long be remembered for the number of suspensions of philatelic journals (in this city). On two occasions the excuse given for the discontinuance was the lack of support, and the other excuse the lack of time.

## The New German Colonials.

FROM the philatelic press of Germany we learn that the new series of stamps designed for use in the German Colonies and Protectorates has been prepared and is ready for delivery.

The design for this series presents the picture of a steamship as centerpiece surmounted by a scroll bearing the name of the Colony or Protectorate. The values up to and including the 80pf correspond in size and colors to the new stamps of the "Germania" pattern.

The 1 and 2 mark values are of the size of the mark values of the new German stamps—oblong—the 1 mark being printed in red, the 2 marks in blue.

The ship on the mark values heads more to the right, showing nearly its entire broadside, and in the background, to the right, appears a sailing vessel. As in the pfennig values, the name of the Colony or Protectorate appears on a scroll above, varying in length, to conform to the name, while the value appears in the lower corners.

The German post offices in Morocco, Constantinople and China will not be supplied with these stamps, but will use the "Germania" series surcharged.

## A Card.

CORRESPONDENTS will please take notice that I am now a resident of Vlaardingen, and not Rotterdam, and will kindly address me accordingly.

PETER DEN OUTER,  
Vlaardingen, Holland.

THE 15c subscription offer to THE VIRGINIA expires this month.

W. C. PROUDFOOT, of St. Vincent has contracted for space for another year and is offering choice unused British West Indies.



I HAVE been called the **All Round Square Price Stamp Man**. So I shall continue the **All Round Square Stamp Man**. My stamps are all good—none greasy, dirty and torn. My prices are net—no 50% off. If all the dealers are selling at 50% off, that does not matter. I am selling at my own prices, and I can tell you, that good stamps are just as good as gold. Cash with all orders, and you shall receive prompt reply. All orders under \$1.00 send postage for return.

**U. S. Envelopes, Entire. 1853.**

10 3c red on buff, die 1 to 2½c each.....	\$ .25
5 3c red on buff, die 2 to 50c each.....	2.50
2 3c red on buff, die 3 to \$1 each.....	2.00
200 3c red on buff, die 5 to 1½c each.....	3.00

**1864.**

20 2c black, die 1 and 2 to 30c each.....	\$0.00
300 3c pink on buff and white to 2½c each....	7.00
200 3c pink, buff, pt. lines to 5c each.....	10.00
1 3c brown on buff to.....	.60

**U. S. Revenues.**

1000 2c orange U. S. Internal Revenue.....	\$1.00
1 \$2.00 blue and black, 2nd Issue.....	.10
1 2.50 blue and black, 2nd Issue.....	.20
1 5.00 blue and black, 2nd Issue.....	.60

**C. S. General Issues.**

5 1861, 5c green to 40c each.....	\$2.00
5 1861, 10c blue to 80c each.....	1.00
100 1862, 5c London and local print mixed....	9.00
100 1863, 10c blue, milk blue, &c, mixed.....	9.00

**Give me a Bid on the following Journals**

*American Journal of Philately*—Unbound, volumes 9 and 10 complete. Vol. 11, two numbers missing—ten numbers.  
*The Boston Stamp Book*—Volume 2, Nos. 3, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 12. Vol. 3, complete. Vol. 4, No. 1.  
*The Evergreen State Philatelist*—Vol. 7, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Vol. 8, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Vol. 9, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. Vol. 10, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4. Vol. 11, 1, 2, 3.

*Mekel's Daily Stamp Item*—Nearly a complete file.  
*Mekel's Weekly Stamp News*—From 1895 to 1899. Nearly a complete file.

Everyone that sends a self addressed 2c envelope and 5 unused 1c stamps with their bid. I will send by return mail 3 **C. S. Bills**.

**Are You a Postal Card Collector?**

If not you should start. I will send the following cards to any address in U. S. for a silver dime or five unused 2c postage—One 1873 1c, 1875 1c, one 1881 1c "nothing but address, etc.," one 1885 and one 1887 1c. There is an unused 1 card with every set.

I have an error in the 1881 1c. It should read "Nothing but address, etc.", but it reads "Nothing but address, etc." I would like to receive bids on this card.

The 1873 unwatermarked postal cards I am selling for 50c each. All orders over \$1 will be sent by registered mail. Don't forget that all orders less than one dollar must have 2c self addressed envelope with them.

**R. S. NELSON,**  
**2210 Highland Ave., Birmingham, Ala.**

# UP-TO-DATE.

Germany, Cuba, Austria, Japan, Mexico, Holland, Hungary and New South Wales. My U-T-D packet contains 30 varieties selected from the *new issue* of these countries only. **Price only 25c.** You will never obtain them cheaper, so get them while they are a novelty and enjoy showing them to your friends.

New Issues Only, 30 varieties.....\$ .25

## FREE! ! FREE! !

Three U. S. Revenues, catalogue value 12 cents to everyone sending stamps to pay postage.

### SEND A DIME

And I will add { 1000 Perfect Hinges,  
1 Pocket Album,  
2 var. Cuba, new issue.

### MAKE IT A QUARTER

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## Ten Cents Each.

- 125 varieties Foreign, new Mexico, Cuba, etc...10c
- 400 mixed Foreign, C. G. H., India, etc.....10c
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- 30 mixed Mexico, including new issue.....10c
- 125 mixed Canada, Map, M. L., etc.....10c
- 12 Cuba, new issue, 1 and 2c.....10c
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- 50 varieties Foreign, no European.....10c
- U. S. Omaha issue, 1c to 10c.....10c
- 4 blank approval books (100 stamp).....10c

Postage extra on orders under 50 cents.

## CANADA WHOLESALE.

	per 100	1000
1870 10c.....	\$ 05	\$ 43
" " 8c.....	03	16
1897, M. L., 3c.....	12	1 00
1898, Numeral, 1c.....	05	35
" " 2c purple.....	11	95
" " 3c.....	12	1 00
1899, " 2c red.....	05	35

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An excellent mixture, containing all the above varieties,

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All good specimens, free from paper. Full count.

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- 30 var. South America only.....\$ 25
- 25 var. Africa only.....25
- 50 var. British Colonies only.....25
- 25 var. unused China, Tunis, etc.....25
- 40 var. Oriental countries only.....25
- 50 var. each from a different country.....25
- 1000 mixed foreign, Natal, Mexico, etc.....25
- 50 var. Scandinavian only.....50
- 60 South America only.....50
- 50 var. none cat. less than 8c.....50
- 300 var. Japan 1 yen, etc.....50

**The Lot for Only \$3.50.**

NOTE:—Each packet contains a Coupon good for 20% of cost of packet in stamps from my approval sheets.

## A Success! My Stamp Exchange.

Organized last September on entirely new and original lines, is proving a great success. Over one hundred happy members. Room for a few more collectors and dealers of the right sort. Send stamp for prospectus and free sheets. Many other Exchanges are adopting MacLaren's plan—makes him feel good.

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**52 Hough Place, Cleveland, Ohio.**



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To start you I will send complete set  
1864 issue in fine condition \$500, \$100,  
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Can supply any of the '63, '62, '61  
notes at reasonable prices.

I have a large stock of beautiful brok-  
en bank notes of state of New Jersey, en-  
graved by the American Bank Note Co.  
in two colors, green and black.

\$1.00 notes, part green.....\$ 06  
Sheet of \$1, \$1, \$1, \$1..... 20  
Set \$1, \$1, \$2, \$2, \$3, \$3, \$5, \$10, \$20,  
printed with green and red,  
back beautifully engraved..... 85

I have cheaper notes such as Bank  
Augusta in sheets of 4 notes. Printed in  
two colors, with portraits of noted men.  
Sheets 100, 100, 50, 50.....\$ 15  
" 10, 10, 20, 20..... 15  
" 4, 4, 4, 4..... 15  
" 5, 5, 5, 5..... 15  
" 20, 20, 20, 50..... 15  
" 10, 20, 50, 100..... 15  
" 1, 1, 1, 2..... 15  
35 all different notes.....1 00  
20 all different..... 50

### A Few Prices I Will Pay for Confederate Notes . . .

\$1000 note, May 1861,	\$11.50
\$500 " "	15.00
\$100 " "	3.00
\$50 " "	2.50
\$5 " "	5.00

It will pay you to look them up.  
I also buy broken bank bills, etc.

**R. L. DEITRICK,**  
LORRAINE, VA.

# DESIRABLE STAMPS!

* Barbadoes, 1802, 1/2 on 4p.....	\$ 0	06
* British Bechuanaland, 1892-4, 2p.....	07	
* " " " " 4p.....	15	
* " " " " 1/2p, No. 41.....	04	
* British Honduras, 1802, 1c on 1p.....	02	
* Ceylon, 1899, 6c on 15c.....	04	
* Gibraltar, 1889, 5c.....	02	
* Hayti, 1891, 1c.....	05	
* " " " 2c.....	05	
* " " " 3c.....	07	
* " " " 5c.....	12	
* Johore, 1896, 1c.....	01	
* " " " 2c.....	02	
* " " " 3c.....	03	
* " " " 4c.....	04	
* " " " 5c.....	05	
* " " " 6c.....	05	
* Natal, 1896, 1/2 on 1p.....	03	
* Rhodesia, 1891, 1/2p.....	02	
" " " 8p.....	20	
" " " 1s.....	20	
* " " 1892-3, 2p.....	20	
" " " 3p.....	10	
* " " " 4p.....	30	
" " " 6p.....	25	
" " 1896, 1s.....	25	

\*Unused. All stamps in fine condition. Cash  
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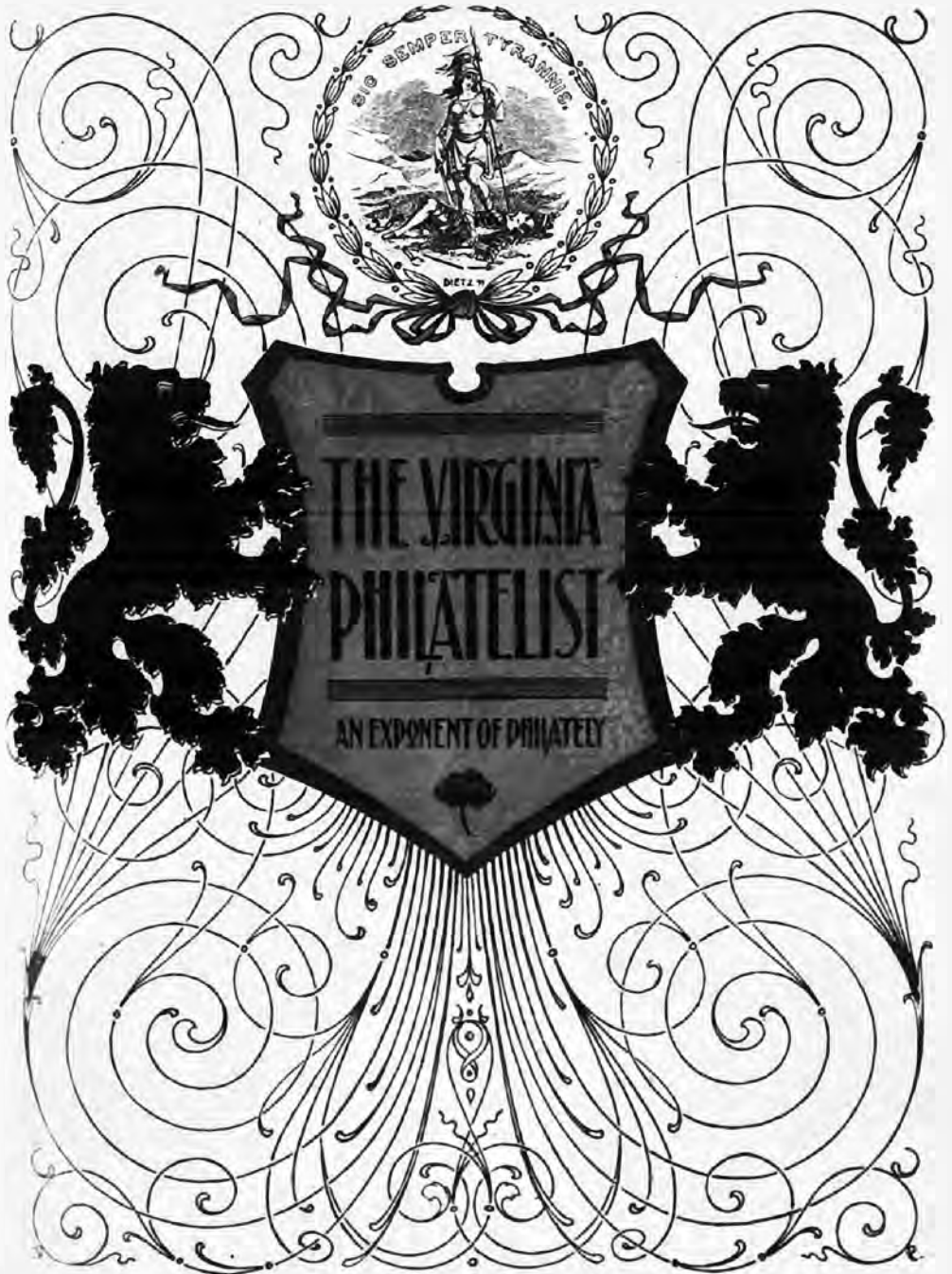
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## FRED. G. FUESSEL.

**G**AIN THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST will come to one of its staunchest friends with birthday greetings. Again, as in the case of Bro. Waring, our long-distance photography has been put into use, and as the result of a conspiracy between ye editor and the talented son of the unconscious victim, it is our pleasure to present the photograph and a brief life-sketch of Mr. Fred. G. Fuessel of St. Louis, Mo., and with this token of our esteem tender our felicitations on this his natal day.

Fred. G. Fuessel was born the 13th of May, 1856, in Leipzig, Saxony, Germany. He received his education there, at the Royal Commercial College, and it was there that the foundation of his first stamp collection was laid, at the age of 11 years. After graduating at College in 1874 he traveled through Europe for some time, and on returning to Leipzig obtained a position in a large mercantile house, being subsequently transferred to their branch house in New York.

In 1878 he disposed of his fine collection, which contained the Old German States almost complete, but as the proverb says: "Once a collector, always a collector" he started again in 1879, while paying a visit to the Old Country,

On his return to America, he made his home in Arkansas, where he obtained a lot of good old Confederate States from ex-Confederates.

In 1882 he came to St. Louis, where he was employed as clerk at the St. Louis Stamping Co.

In 1890, he entered the Postal Service, where he is at present employed.

As before mentioned, he started his second collection in 1879, but after obtaining some 7,000 varieties, he became dismayed at the frightful rate foreign countries manufactured their labels, and began specializing in United States and Confederates.

He is now the possessor of a fine collection of about 800, of which nearly two-thirds are unused and picked specimens.

He is a member of the Southern Philatelic Association since 1895, the League of Canadian Philatelists, International Philatelic Association, St. Louis Stamp Exchange, and Auction Manager of the American Stamp Exchange, in fact, Bro. Fuessel favors the exchange system, above all others, in adding to his collection, being a strong advocate and a staunch supporter of Bro. Waring's Exchange Department in the Southern Philatelic Association, an example, by the way, that others might profitably imitate.

DIETZ.



FRED. G. FUESSEL.



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RICHMOND, VA., MAY, 1900.

### Half Penny Green Great Britain.

WE have received from a London correspondent, Mr. Jno. Courtice, a supply of the half-penny *green* stamps, superseding the  $\frac{1}{2}$ d vermilion in use since 1887. The new color was placed on sale April 17th. The design remains the same.

### Persistent Publicity Pays.

THE best evidence we can offer as to the unexcelled merits of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, as an advertising medium is the fact that the leading firms of this continent advertise in our columns *all the year round*.

Journals with substantial merit and circulation are "not built in a day," so to speak, but are the result of months—aye, years—of hard work, and in most cases with liberal expenditures.

To advertisers who desire to reach a buying class of philatelists, who pay for their subscriptions and know *bargains* when they are offered, we tender the columns of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST confident that the returns will more than justify the expenditure, and we respectfully solicit a trial, not from any sentimental standpoint, but upon our merits.

### Hip, Hip, Hurrah!

THE following "thrilling" anecdote appears in *The Stamp Collector's Fortnightly*:

HATS OFF to Miss Walton, the plucky post mistress of Van Wyk's Vlei, in the "revolting" district of Cape Colony. When the rebels smashed Miss Walton's telegraph instruments, she merely wept—and any woman can do that—but when they tried to lay hands on the stamps (doubtless with felonious intent to surcharge same), she cried: "No! shoot me dead if you like, but I will never, never yield up the keys of the post office!"—and she never did. She got all the stamps away, safe and unsurcharged.

Hats in the air, then, for Postmistress Walton, who has saved us from another provisional issue!

We are truly glad to have an opportunity to doff our hats to *some one*—glad, too, that 'tis a woman,—as the men on that side have afforded us no occasion thus far.

COLLECTORS of Confederate State will do well to consult the advertisement of R. L. Nelson on another page.

### The American Philatelist.


WE HAVE received from Mr. H. E. Deats, Secretary of the A. P. A., a copy of *The American Philatelist and Year Book* of the American Philatelic Association, Vol. XIII.


This annual of the A. P. A. is a fit companion to its predecessors, and its carefully edited contents—comprising the By-Laws, Reports of Convention, List of Officers and Members, Tables of American and foreign philatelic publications etc., etc.—are invaluable to members of the Association.

The A. P. A. is in a most flourishing condition, with a membership of 583, comprising philatelists in nearly every country on the globe, and every advanced American collector should join our representative national Association.

### Hawaiian Minor Varieties.

MR. FRED. F. BISSELL, of Bantam, Conn., sends us two specimens of the 2c brown Hawaiian, issue of 1894, which may be classed as minor varieties.

The first stamp shows a vertical line running through the upper part of the outline letter A in HAWAII, thus .

The other stamp is similar, showing a vertical line running through the upper part of the letter N in CENTS, thus .

### Circulation—and Circulation.

A SUBSCRIPTION list of paid up subscribers, who desire a paper enough to subscribe for it, is worth five times the value of a weak journalistic fledgling, whose small circulation consists of names culled from directories and lists, many of whom never receive the copy mailed them; or if received, have perchance long ceased collecting.

### Collect British Stamps Now.

A PHILATELIC friend now "doing gay Paree" sends us a copy of *Monde Illustre*, containing M. Henri de Nousanne's lurid description of the wiping out of the British empire by allied France and Russia—the visionary event to take place in the year of grace 1900.

This second Jules Verne, after describing in detail the conflicts on land and sea and the final triumphal entry of the allies into London, proceeds to relate the terms of peace by which the British possessions are partitioned among the friendly neutral Powers. Canada he presents to us with his compliments, while he claims for his nation New Foundland; the Cape goes to the Boers and the United States of South Africa are formed, while Ireland becomes a republic ("*Cead Mille Failte*"), and thus on *ad libitum*.

What a Babylonian confusion this will create! What a deluge of new issues—what a boom of the old! Oh, what great things are in store for us!

Canada can then get out another edition of that "greater has been" label before turning the keys over to Uncle Samuelus, and Ireland will issue a series in various shades of green, while the promised set from the U. S. of South Africa with the portraits of Krüger, Joubert, Cronje and Botha greet us on the pages of our new albums for 1901.

*Collect British Stamps Now!*

### The New German 2pf Card.

MR. MAX LIEBERT of Graudenz, sends us one of the new 2pf cards of Germany for inland service. The card is of blue-tinted board and the inscription reads *Deutsche Reichspost—Postkarte* in two lines with a 2pf stamp of the type of the 1889 5pf adhesive impressed thereon in blue.

### The New Mark Stamps of Germany.

WE are pleased to be the first to present illustrations of the mark values of the new German series, fully described in these columns before.



While the pfennig values elicited some severe criticism, we are confident the mark stamps will more than redeem the prestige of German engravers' art.

Their colors are as follows :

- 2 marks, blue.
- 3 marks, slate violet.
- 5 marks, carmine and black.

Our illustrations are slightly reduced.

### A Suggestion From Tennessee.

MARYVILLE, TENN., March 30, 1900.

MR. R. B. BRADLEY, RICHMOND, VA.:

DEAR SIR:—As the proposed S. P. A. Souvenir had to be abandoned, should we not have a handbook of the S. P. A. published, or if nothing more, could we not have a special issue of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST containing list of members and their addresses.

I intend to introduce some new members this year, and want a list of members and others are desiring the same thing. If this suggestion should bring results, I shall be pleased, and remain,

Sincerely,

F. W. CONING, S. P. A. 110.

The above suggestion is a very good one, and this journal heartily commends the idea. Who will undertake the handbook? We feel sure the officers of the Southern will render all the assistance in their power.

### The New Stamps For Crete.

THE new issue for Crete, heralded some time ago, has made its appearance, and a beautiful set it is.



The *A. J. of P.* chronicles eight values as follows :

- 1 lepton, violet-brown (Hermes).
- 5 lepta, green (Juno).
- 10 lepta, red (Prince George).
- 20 lepta, carmine-rose (Juno).
- 25 lepta, blue (Prince George).
- 50 lepta, violet (Hermes).
- 1 drachma, gray-violet (Talos).
- 2 drachmae, yellow-drown (Minos).

There is also to be a 5 drachmae stamp. All values from 25 leptas up are surcharged with "Provisional" in Greek.

### Received.

WE have received a neat 16-page booklet on "The Postage Stamps of the Transvaal," by Charles Nissen, presenting a brief illustrated history of these interesting stamps.

In the preface the author indulges in the vain hope that Chamberlain's effigy may grace (?) the next issue from these South African States instead of President Krüger's. Aside from this characteristic jingoism, the booklet is well worth its price—two pence. London: Charles Nissen & Co., 106 High Holborn, W. C.

## SHADE COLLECTING.

BY EVERY PAGET.

REALIZING the fact that things once read are soon forgotten, in order to keep these important subjects ever fresh in our memory, a little recurrence to and repetition of some things which have been said before may not, I trust, come in far amiss.

As we have often remarked, Philately is vast and expansive and shelters beneath its fold many divers branches.

Of recent years the advanced collector has been devoting his time and talent towards shade collecting. Just as a sun-beam has many tints, so have stamps. It is an impossibility for every stamp to be exactly like the one printed before it. Have we not learned there are no two things in this world alike in every exactness, yet we do not, as a matter of fact, divide shade collecting into that fineness. If we did there would be no room for one collector let alone the countless thousands of others.

Shade collecting, however, has grown extensively and attracts the eye as well as the vanity. To be able to distinguish readily the minute color varieties one must be a good color reader, which takes a trained, clear eye.

The various stamps exist in various shades. Some of the varieties are caused by a slight change in the ink, some by the sunlight, others by the atmosphere, and quite a few are changed by chemicals. Of all the colors we may find shades from the lightest tints to the deepest ones. While we have been told there are over three hundred thousand distinct shades in the color line, we hardly expect to be able to collect that number in our present era.

We do not feel it necessary to apologize to any work on colors for the following. It is such common knowledge any-

one may obtain it. The solar spectrum shows a ray of light to be divisible into seven colors, viz: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet. In reality there are but three primary colors red, yellow and blue. Orange is compounded of red and yellow; green is made of blue and yellow; violet of red and blue; indigo is merely a shade of blue. Black is not a color at all, while white is a combination of all the colors. Chemistry teaches us how these colors are originated and manufactured and it would be useless to further dwell upon them here.

The famous ultramarine color which was formerly made of the expensive *lapis lazuli*, is now made from chemicals compounded from an analysis of the said *lapis lazuli*. While the chemical substitute is in every way satisfactory, it is productive of more shades than the original, owing to the liability of carelessness or lack of exactness in following the *formule*. Carmine is also productive of many shades, as the color of the cochineal insects from which it is made are more or less varying which likely causes some of the varieties.

Blue is susceptible to changes and consequently we have many different shades of blue. Green is also very susceptible and Violet is much more so. Black not being a color is much more steadfast, though shades of black result from mixing in colors. Yellow and Orange are of many shades. In a compound of carmine and Yellow, however, the Carmine will fade before the Orange or Yellow will.

Shade Collecting has many drawbacks as well as strong points. It is our aim, of course, to make stamps go around as much as possible so that every member entering our ranks may be benefited thereby. Increased demand means increased prices. While we do not begrudge additions to our ranks—in fact



we welcome them—and the effect they have upon advancing prices, we do not like to see every collector go into the wholesale business, as it were, and collect five, ten, twenty-five or more copies of one stamp. As long as shade collecting is popular, prices will advance with rapid strides, but if the bottom falls out of shade collecting, then prices will describe the antics of a balloon capsized in high altitudes. If shade collecting is no longer interesting, because a stamp of a certain denomination is of a rare shade, will make it no more valuable than one of the same denomination of the same color.

However shade collecting permits a thorough study of the infinite varieties of colors, and schools one usefully not only for Philately but other things as well.

### Stampic America.

FROM somebody, somewhere, we have again been favored with a copy of that mysterious philatelic journal "*Stampic America*." Printers have been changed, and it now appears from typewritten manuscript reproduced by the mimeograph. The cover bears an antique (very) design of "ye ancient towne-crier" in black.

The banner article relates the career of two philatelic—cats! "Cattums" who is said to have made THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST famous, and "Sweet Content," the mascot of "*Stampic America*." A photograph—the real thing—of the cats accompanies this article.

Miss Amy L. Swift, box 335, Whitman, Mass., is the authorized agent (and possibly bona-fide publisher) of "*Stampic America*." Price per copy 5 cents; no subscription price and no back numbers.

READ Schott's advertisement.

### A Creditable Number.

THE *Bay State Philatelist* is pushing well to the front. Its May number contains twenty pages of interesting matter between covers printed in green and cherry-red. Sketches and portraits of three as energetic (and handsome) philatelists as can be found are presented, Mr. L. O. Brosie, President of the Junior Philatelists, and Messrs. T. C. Disbrow and Morgan Buffington. One of the noteworthy articles in this number is a description, accompanied by most excellent illustrations, of the three types of the 1c 1851-5 stamp of the U. S., which, by the courtesy of the editor, we are enabled to here present to our readers.

These illustrations alone are worth a year's subscription to the *Bay State Philatelist*, Herbert Gile, Jr., Melrose Highlands, Mass.



TYPE I.



TYPE II.



TYPE III.

Type I. the scrolls are turned under forming little balls. Type II the scrolls are not turned under. Type III. the second line under "E" and "C" is broken.

### Look Out for a Boom.

ST. HELENA stamps are destined to come to the fore again now that brave Cronje is there as prisoner-of-war.

## New Issues and Discoveries.

BY ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY. As the new cards and letter cards are arriving in installments I shall defer the listing of them until the full sets are at hand when I shall publish a complete list of them.

BRITISH HONDURAS. I am informed by my Belize correspondent, in reply to my inquiry, that the issue of the late provisional cards consisted of 2000 single and 1000 double cards, and that, as soon as they are exhausted, they will be superseded by permanent 2c cards.

CHAMBA. This State has been supplied with the new Service card of India, surcharged "Chamba State" and circular Sun, all in black.—*S. G. Monthly*.

P. C.  $\frac{1}{2}$ a. ultramarine and black on white.

PUNCHAL. On p. 135 I chronicled, on authority of *Der Philatelist* a 25 reis reply card on yellow, which I have to withdraw for the present.

My correspondent to whom I had made a remittance for a supply of these new cards, writes me under date of March 15th, that such a card has not been issued.

INDIA. A correspondent of *The Ph. J.* of 1. draws attention to the fact that there are two minor varieties of the formula of the "East India"  $\frac{1}{2}$ a. card. In the earlier one the instruction is in rather shorter type than in the later, and the letters "CA" of "CARD" are a little further apart. The Arms on the later card are the same as those used since 1883 on the British  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. card, with the end of the tail of the Lion slanting outwards. Those on the earlier cards are the same size, about 15 mm. wide, but resemble more closely the Arms measuring 14 mm. on the British cards, the end of the Lion's tail pointing almost vertically downwards, and his face having a somewhat bloated appearance. The cards in our own collection overprinted for the Native States

are all of the first variety, but the second no doubt exists overprinted also. Our post card friends should see to this and report.—*S. G. Monthly*.

ITALY. I have received from Mr. Sells, Ligure, a new International Reply Card which, although dated "98" has just been issued. It bears the new oval 10c stamp and is inscribed in two lines "Cartolina Postale Italiana, con Risposta. (Carte Postale d' Italie, avec Reponse.)

Arms in centre, below.

From Dr. Diena, Rome, I have the 10c card on cream, dated "99."

P. C. 10x10c. carmine on green, "98" T. 3.  
90x140

10c carmine on cream, "99." 90x140.

MARSHALL-ISLANDS. The German cards, according to *I. B. J.* are now being issued with diagonal surcharge *Marshall Inseln* instead of *Marshall Inseln* as heretofore.

The following are reported:

P. C. 5pf. green on cream,  
5x5 pf. green on cream, T. 3.  
10x10 pf. carmine on cream, T. 3.

NICARAGUA. Mr. Fritz Engelhard, (P. C. S. of A., No. 96.) touching, on a voyage from San Francisco to Hamburg, at Corinto has kindly addressed one of the new 1900 2 centavos cards to me from that port. It is a plain, but very neat card, printed in vermilion on white. The stamp, in the upper right corner, resembles the first (1862) issue, "Nicaragua" at top, "centavos" at bottom, "Correos" at sides, and figure of value in the four corners, forming a frame around the central design, a railway terminal at the coast.

The inscription is in three lines "Republica de Nicaragua"—"Tarjeta Postal."—"Interior." Three ruled address lines, the first preceded by "Sr." and at the foot the usual instructions.

P. C. 2 centavos, vermilion on white.  
90x140.

PATIALA. We learn from *The Ph. J.*

of *I*, that the new  $\frac{1}{4}$ a. card has been surcharged for use in this State.—*S. G. Monthly*.

P. C.  $\frac{1}{4}$ a., red-brown on buff: new type.

PERU. *I. B. J.* chronicles a new Letter Card, red on white, inscribed "Carta Postal" on a panel with floral ornaments at the two ends. For a stamp the medallion of the President is impressed without color in the upper right corner, as it appears on the 1899 Cards, with *Correos del Peru* in a slight curve above and "Tres Centavos" below.

L. C. 3c. red on white. 86x145. Perf. 1.

SIAM. A correspondent at Bangkok sends us the new cards, 1½atts and 4atts. The stamps on both are of similar type to the current adhesives, but the lower value shows the head almost full-face, while the higher shows it in profile; the formula in each case is the same as upon the earlier issues for Inland and Foreign postage, but both values are the same size.—*S. G. Monthly*.

P. C. 1½atts, red on yellow: 141x91 mm.

4atts, carmine on cream: 141x91 mm.

4x4atts, carmine on cream: 141x91 mm.

### Good, Mr. Wolsieffer!

WE note in the current *Weekly Stamp News* that the popular Chicago stamp dealer has withdrawn a number of lots in his coming auction of U. S. that had been *split, perforated and gummed*. Although described as such, the possibilities to which these "stamps" might be used, was the cause given for the withdrawal.

### Two New Proprietaries.

THE *American Journal of Philately* chronicles two new private die proprietary stamps as follows:

1¼c rose, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

2¼c carmine, Antikamnia Co.

Both rouletted.

### Philatelicus Osgood, Jr.

IN the blue *Stampman* just to hand Bro. Osgood announces an addition to his staff in the arrival of a D. W. Philatelicus Osgood, Jr.

To Bro. Osgood we tender our hearty congratulations, but we cannot understand why he selected that particular tint for this issue of his paper—one so expressive—and—so uncalled for—for we have studied the youngster's horoscope, and it bodes a glorious career.

However, Bro. Osgood will get used to these little things "bimeby," and we may soon expect one of his incomparable dissertations on tack-perforations and watermarks.

### The New Stamp Books.

THE stamp books prepared by the Department for the convenience of the public have been placed on sale at the Richmond post-office.

### A Timely Suggestion.

SOME philatelic wag in England suggests a "mourning stamp," *a la mode* Spain, for his country.

By all means trot it out—it'll fetch a shilling or two to swell that woe—beg pardon, war-fund.

### "Corraled."

THE editor of the *Philatelic Bulletin*, after waiting nigh unto two months to concoct a reply to our charge, now admits that his paper carried VIRGINIA matter without crediting, but, as we expected, saddles the blame on the printer.

It actually required an affidavit from Mr. Stowell, the printer, to enlighten the editor of the *Bulletin* on the subject of *where he got his matter*.

Guess it's time he vacated the tripod and made room for Osgood's youngster.



**The Postal Card Society of America.**

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**SECRETARY'S REPORT.**

**APPLICATIONS.**

Horace E. Carpenter, Jr., care of N. B. Bradley & Sons, Bay City, Mich. Age 27 Book-keeper. Refs., Adolph Lohmeyer and T. H. Gafford.  
 Earl T. Ragan, Sub. Station, No. 2, Des Moines, Iowa. Age 19. Student at Drake University. Refs., Adolph Lohmeyer and T. H. Gafford.

**RESIGNATION RECEIVED.**

25. Henry Clotz, P. O. Box, 999. New York City.

**RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.**

40. R. R. Bogert, 13 Rue Boirsonade, Paris, France.

**RENEWAL LIST, No. 2.**

2, 57, 65, 69, 90, 105, 107, 117, 138, 150, 152, 153.

**COLLECTIONS.**

I have collected for dues since my last report \$12.50, of this amount I have sent to the treasurer \$8.50, the remaining \$4.00 having been received since I made my remittance to Mr. Morse.

**TO DELINQUENTS.**

If you have not yet received your 1900 Membership Certificate, it is because you have not sent in your dues. Please attend to it at once. Members in arrears please give this your prompt attention.

Bills have been sent to every member who has not already remitted, but there are still a dozen or more who have not yet been heard from on this subject. Only one more chance to settle before the list of "Dropped for Non-Payment of Dues" will be prepared. Better take warning, as Article VIII of the Constitution says "Any member in arrears for over three months shall be

notified of the fact by the Secretary and requested to pay. If not paid within a month after such notification his name shall be stricken from the roll and the fact published in the next report."

**RECEIVED.**

Mr. Charles de Grave Sells, of Cornigliano, Ligure, Italy, one of our corresponding members, has sent me the new 10x10c brown, green card of Italy, which has just been issued, although it bears date of '98.

**EXTRA.**

It gives me pleasure to state that Circuit D2, consisting of cards from Messrs. Lohmeyer and Agee, which was reported as stolen in our Exchange Superintendent's Report, has been satisfactorily settled for.

Respectfully submitted.

T. H. GAFFORD, Secretary.  
 Church Hill, Md., April 17th, 1900.

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.**

I have received the following renewals since my last report:

F. L. Smith.....	\$8.11
George H. Worthington.....	4.05
Walter Dormitzer.....	4.05
Edw. H. Buehler.....	4.05
Will G. Saxton.....	5.00

**NEW SUBSCRIPTION.**

Nicholas Adler..... 5.00

Distribution No. 44 was made March 31, containing the following new cards: British Honduras, 2 on 3c, single and double, Porto Rico on U. S. 1c, second type, Norway 3x3 ore, Austria, 5, 5x5 Heller, Austria (Bohm) 5, 5x5 Heller, Port. Indies 1¼ tanga, Great Britain ½d court shape, modified instructions, Denmark, 3, 5, 5x5 ore, and letter cards 4 and 8 ore, German Kamerun, 5, 5x5, 10, 10x10 pf.

I now have the honor of presenting herewith my

**FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT.**

Membership April 1, 1899.....	31
Dropped out.....	4
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New members.....	2
Present membership.....	29
Amount standing to the credit of members as per last report ( <i>Bulletin</i> V. 9, page 88).....	\$68.23
Amount deposited during the year.....	161.80
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	\$230.03

During the same period 104 new cards were distributed to the members at an aggregate cost, including delivery, of..... \$165.98

Leaving to the credit of members..... \$64.05



# War Packets.

## Unused Postal Cards.

- No. 1—10 var. O. F. State, and Transvaal, catalogue \$1.31..... \$ .70  
 No. 2—10 var. Cape of Good Hope and Natal, catalogued \$1.24..... 60  
 No. 3—12 var. Bechuanaland, Mashonaland and Zululand, cat. \$1.77..... 1.00

I offer herewith a rare opportunity to collectors to add these interesting cards to their collections. Do not delay ordering, as my stock is limited. All post-paid.

A. LOHMEYER,

922 N. Gilmor-st., Baltimore, Md.

- Bahamas—1, 2½, 4, 6, 1½, 5/-  
 Barbados—¼, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 5, 6, 8, 10d, 2/6.  
 Bermuda—¼, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 1/-  
 Grenada—½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 6, 8, 1/-  
 St. Lucia—½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 1/-, 5/-  
 Gambia—½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 1/-  
 Virgin Islands—½, 1, 2½, 4, 6, 7, 1/-, 5/-  
 Trinidad—½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 5, 6, 1/-, 5/-  
 Turks Islands—½, 1, 2½, 4, 6, 6, 1/-  
 Leeward Islands—½, 1, 2½, 4, 6, 7, 1/-, 5/-  
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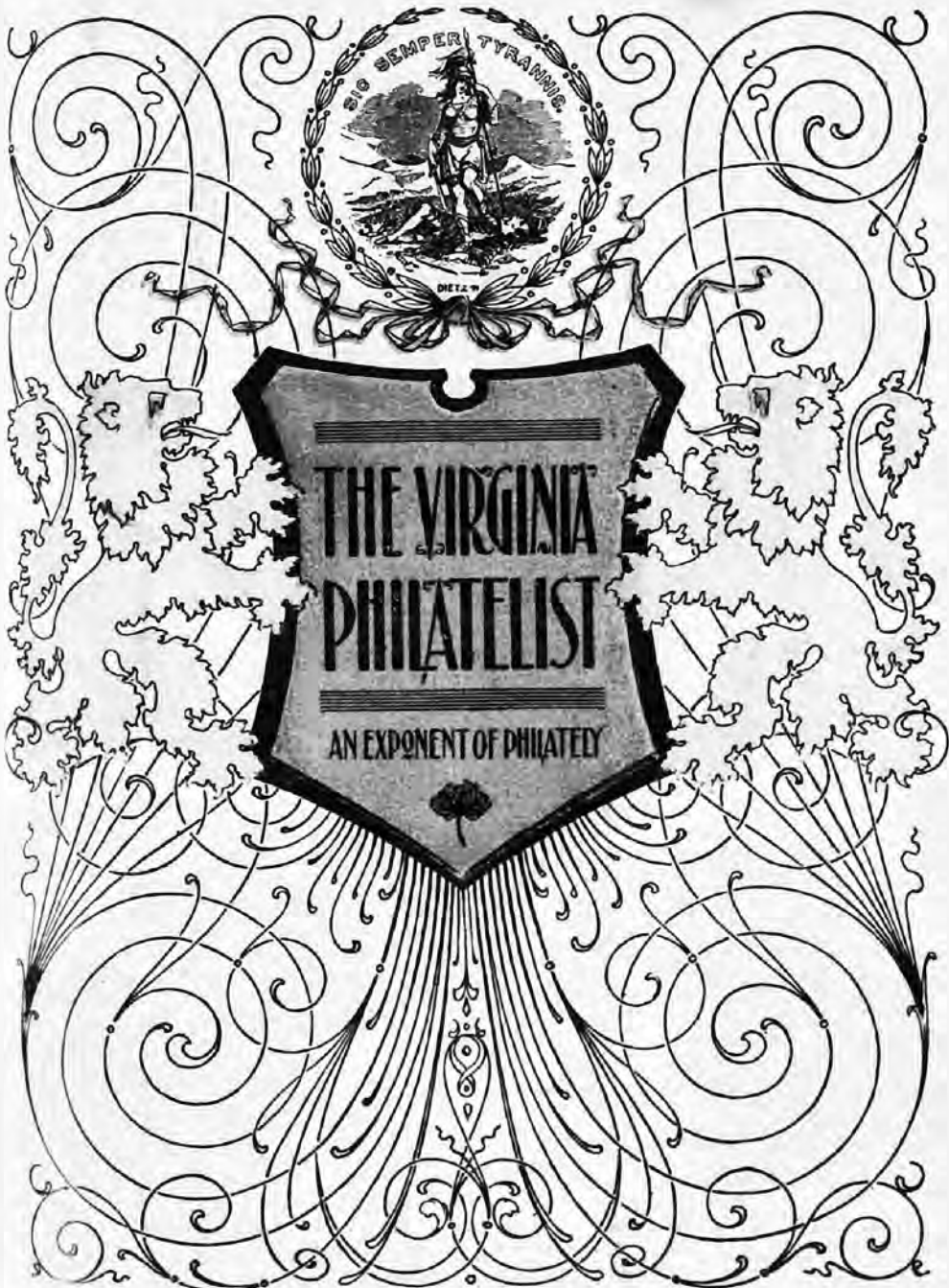
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Our sympathies were with him who parted from his stamps.

While the successful on the stamp mart are few, it has been my good fortune to number among my friends one of these few, and in dedicating this sketch to him as a mark of my highest esteem, I have pleasure in presenting to Philately, Wm. S. F. Pierce, of Camden, New Jersey.

Wm. Pierce was born in Camden, January 15, 1870. He was educated in that city, and after graduating took a preliminary course in Civil Engineering and in 1889 became Assistant Engineer of the Atlantic City Railroad, and later was connected with the Chief Engineer of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad. In 1894 he left engineering and launched in the wholesale lumber business in which he is still engaged.

In 1895 he was attracted by a small collection, and becoming interested be-

gan to collect stamps. In 1896 he sold his first collection to a dealer for \$1,500, making a fair profit for a "philatelic infant." But he began anew, and in 1897 exchanged stamps for real estate in Philadelphia valued at \$1600.

On October 17th, 1898, he secured the only known sheet of 8c Omahas imperforate horizontally, and the next day bought the stock of an old dealer of the seventies who had scarcely looked at his accumulations for 22 years.

In March of the present year he exchanged stamps for a lot in one of Philadelphia's most beautiful suburbs, valued at \$3,500, which exchanges, by the way, are nearly a parallel to the hotel-deal.

He has owned many valuable stamps, among them the \$2.50 third issue Revenue, and the 3c Proprietary with inverted heads, three sets of the rare 1873 re-issue, besides many other rare U. S. and U. S. locals.

At present his collection numbers about 17,000 varieties, all later issues in perfect, unused condition.

Mr. Pierce is a Director of the Geo. R. Tuttle Co. of New York, and President and General Manager of the New Jersey Supply and Engineering Co., General Contractors; and a member of the S. P. A.

May this brief narrative of the career of a successful collector prove an inspiration to others.

DIETZ.



WM. S. F. PIERCE.





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**Attention S. P. A. Members.**

MEMBERS of the Southern Philatelic Association are requested to read the Secretary's report in this number, and, if among the list of suspended, to see to their re-instatement at once.

**The Buffalo Stamps.**

FROM various sources we learn that Uncle Sam—to complete the trio of Exposition stamps—has decided to issue a special set for the Fair at Buffalo.

There are to be six values, 1c., 2c., 4c., 5c., 8c. and 10c., and they are to present illustrations of artificial aids to commerce. One is to have an American lake steamer, another a modern express-train, a third a bridge over Niagara Falls. On the fourth may appear one of the Sault Ste. Marie locks, and an automobile on the fifth. As to the sixth the Department is said to be puzzled for a subject.

What's the matter with "a bicycle built for two"?

**The Paris Philatelic Exhibition.**

QUITE a number of our readers, we hope, will go to the great fair in Paris this summer, and some information gleaned from *Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal*, may not be amiss:

The Stamp Exhibition will take place in the building of the National Horticultural Society, in the Rue de Grenelle, only a few minutes' walk from the "Exposition Universelle."

The Exhibition will be open from August 28th to September 9th.

The dealers have twelve stalls—all in the large room—four in the Grand Hall, at the entrance, and the other eight at the back of the large room.

**Two Welcome Visitors.**

WE had the pleasure of greeting two old friends this month,—Mr. N. P. Strause, of Madison, Wis. and Mr. H. H. Doolittle, of Philadelphia, Pa., who were spending a few weeks in our city.

### Vale, Moens.

MONS. MOENS, of Brussels, the nestor of European Philately, famous stamp-dealer and philatelic author, and the publisher of *Le Timbre Poste* has retired from the field.

The greater portion of his immense stock has been rapidly disposed of and *Le Timbre Poste* will cease to appear at the end of this century.

The name of Moens though, is synonymous with Philately and his fame will be written in indelible letters in the halls of our new science.

Vale, Moens!

### Germany Sets Down on Stamp Illustrating.

SINCE Senf Bros. of Leipzig printed colored illustrations of new issues in their *Illustrirtes Briefmarken-Journal*, they are having all kinds of trouble with the authorities. In consequence of this, and pending a settlement in the matter, the last issue of the *Journal* appears minus all stamp illustrations.

### Thorough Obliteration.

FROM German sources we learn that the new mark values of that country are to be heavily canceled in the postoffices of the Empire. It is especially ordered that *each* stamp must be thoroughly obliterated.

What need then, we are led to ask, of an artistic stamp, when its beauty is to be forever marred before it reaches those who alone can and do appreciate such works of art—philatelists?

We trust that the potent German societies will register an emphatic and successful kick against this illiberal *ukase*.

### Sale of the Stock of J. B. Moens of Brussels.

WE learn from *Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal* that the stock of Mons. Moens has been sold to Mr. Edward M. Ruben of Copenhagen, representing various well-known collectors of Berlin, who had formed a syndicate for this purpose.

According to Moens' catalogue of 1892 the postage stamps, including the locals, had a catalogue value of about \$600,000.00; the Russian rural stamps catalogued about \$48,000.00; the envelopes about \$90,000.00; the common stamps, wholesale and on sheets, nearly \$200,000.00, making a total catalogue value, according to an old catalogue of 8 years ago, of about \$980,000.00.

Of course the purchase price was a very small portion of this fabulous sum.

Mons. Moens also informs the *M. J.* that he has sold the library to a well-known American book collector for the sum of about \$1,250.00 *en bloc*.

### Last of the Hawaiians.

MR. SELLSCHOPP, of San Francisco, furnishes *Mekel's Weekly* with the information that Section 90 of An Act to Provide a Government for the Territory of Hawaii reads as follows:

SECTION 90. That Hawaiian postage stamps, postal cards and stamped envelopes at the postoffices of the Hawaiian Islands when this Act takes effect shall not be sold, but, together with those that shall thereafter be received at such offices as herein provided, shall be canceled under the direction of the Postmaster General of the United States; those previously sold and uncanceled shall, if presented at such offices within six months after this Act takes effect, be received at their face value in exchange for postage stamps, postal cards, and stamped envelopes of the United States of the same aggregate face value, and so far as may be, of such denominations as desired.

This Act shall take effect forty-five days from and after the date of approval, etc.

Approved April 30, 1900.

We learn since that a supply of regular U. S. stamps have been forwarded to Hawaii.

### That Agana Cancellation.

THE *Era's* Washington correspondent, Mr. H. F. Colman, attaches much undue importance to a cancellation on stamps received by him from Guam.

Among his notes in that paper appears the following:

Last Friday I received a supply of Guam stamps and very much to my surprise they came surcharged or canceled with a rubber stamp in red "Agana Isle of Guam," and it takes two stamps to show this surcharging or cancellation. There is no date on the stamps, and it may be that Capt. Leary has got up a new scheme to make a few more issues, as I see that he failed to include the postage due stamps in his order.

We have also received a supply from Guam, and the cover bears a similar postmark. They are cancelled with a rubber stamp in *blue*.

## AGAÑA, GUAM.

and below this in *red*

## APR 10 1900

Our illustrations are slightly enlarged.

We would assume this to be the current cancellation at Agana, and attach no further importance to it.

### War Stamps.

WAR Fund Auctions and War Stamps appear to be the predominating topics in the philatelic press of Great Britain and her Colonies.

To have a *real* war on hand—though it be only against a handful of freemen—has been enough to disturb the proverbial equanimity of the Britisher and drive him into hysterics.

Rumors of special war stamp issues come from every quarter. The colony of Victoria has decided to issue a set of labels, and others will probably follow.

What will Johnny Bull resort to next to "raise a wind"? Were national honor a part of his stock in trade we would suggest that he put that on the market—but alas!

### Another Japanese Wedding Stamp.



MR. H. B. HASKELL, of Yokohama, Japan, has kindly sent us one of the special stamps issued on April 10th, to commemorate the marriage of the Crown Prince of Japan to the Lady Sada-ko.

The following information, supplied us by Mr. Haskell, will be of interest.

These stamps are good only for domestic postage, and at Japanese postoffices in China and Corea.

The design in the center is an "Orishiki," a box in which food is carried on the occasion of the marriage of distinguished personages. The translation of the inscriptions are as follows: Left side, "Imperial Japanese Postage;" right side, "Crown-Prince Marriage Ceremony." Value (3) in right and denomination (Sen) in left lower corners. Ornaments in corners "Wisteria," the crest of the Lady Sada-ko's family.

The stamp is perforated 12.

### A New Jamaican.



We illustrate the new 1 penny carmine of Jamaica, representing the Land-overy Falls.

This is the day of the Scenic Stamp, and quite an advertisement they are for their respective countries.

IT PAYS to read the ads. in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

## THE STATE REVENUE "FIELD."

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 AMY L. SWIFT.
 

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"STATE Revenues constitute a neglected field. Who will explore it and tell us what is to be found there?"

I distinctly remember these last words of my article concerning State Revenues published some months ago by THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, and the calm sense of satisfaction I experienced in the thought of pointing out work for other folks to do. I did not intend to do any ploughing of the field, no indeed! My plan, so to speak, was to sit in the shade under a spreading chestnut or some other kind of tree munching an apple while somebody else toiled out in the sun turning up nuggets of wisdom by which I could benefit at my liesure without farther exertion on my part, but with the perversity of mankind in general all the somebodies decline to touch the plough, insisting instead that I go and do it myself. They are quite willing to give me plenty of hints how to proceed in the operation, but when it comes to writing out the results for the benefit of those who know even less than themselves it is an entirely different thing. Isn't there a saying to the effect that a man never will shoulder a responsibility on a doubtful matter if there is a woman around who can be induced to take it? If there is not there assuredly ought to be, for while several collectors have put valuable information on this subject into my hands for use, one gentleman being particularly kind, they all chorus at the end of their remarks something to this effect. "In case you write anything more on the subject, you will of course not mention my name as I do not consider myself an authority on State Revenues in any point whatever." Fact! I am quoting exact words from one letter the writer of which

could have afforded to let me state the authority for what I might repeat without running the slightest risk of an injured reputation.

In solemn truth, there does not seem to be any authority whose remarks on State Revenues are reliable throughout. The best we can do when discussing the subject is to give what items we can, trusting to the pretty safe assurance that if a glaring error is made some one will be certain to espy it, and make corrections. My own knowledge in the matter is not quite so absolutely *nil* as when my last article was written, but it is by no means advanced even now, and I should not dream of trying to write more about it if it had not been for the many petitions sent me asking that I tell all I could. "I have always saved all I could find," writes one, "but have no means of knowing values or degree of scarcity, or even what there is to collect." "I have tried in vain to find where I could get information about them," says another. "I'm sure you could tell us a little more," begs a third, "never mind if you don't know it all. This would be an ignorant world if no one ventured to talk about a thing without knowing the whole story from A to Z."

Very true, so it would! Well, I have not gone beyond A as yet, but perhaps even a discussion of that will be a bit of help to some reader, and thus I excuse myself for taking up the subject once more.

Now to begin with I will quote from the letter of one who has a good sized collection of those desirable stamps, and knows something about them though not enough to be willing to pose as an authority.

"State Revenues have been catalogued by foreign dealers for the last twenty years or more, and were fully described up to date in the last edition of E. B. Sterling's revenue catalogue published

in 1888. Mr. Adenaw's list is very exhaustive and is the only thing published, so far, that can be relied upon. Mr. Adenaw catalogued only what he had seen; he had however, lists of things that were referred to him on reliable authority, and things that were reported on authority that he did not consider so reliable. The price for Adenaw's catalogue is high and only a small edition was printed. My collection includes all Mr. Adenaw ever had up to the time he began work on his catalogue."

There's a lucky collector for you, but one really undeserving of Dame Philatelia's beaming smiles, for another sentence says that the collection has not been looked at for two years owing to the time taken by other things. I should gloat over it at least one hour every pleasant day and two on rainy days, if it were mine!

I am getting on slippery ground now, and am beginning to tremble, lest in an unguarded moment I step into quicksand. I did that once in actual fact, and found it such an unpleasant experience that I have been careful about doubtful ground ever since, but if ye reviewer of all regions and climes will regard my remarks leniently, remembering that they touch only the surface of things discovered by other people, and are intended to simply guide the complete novice to a knowledge of what is known to exist I will venture to proceed. I am writing for the novice only, remember, and therefore make no attempt to do more than furnish answers to various letters lying before me.

The number of State Revenues in existence as given by the Sterling catalogue mentioned above is Alabama, four; California, three hundred and twenty-nine; Louisiana, thirteen, (an unlucky number, especially for those who try to obtain them); Nevada, twenty-six, (twice thirteen and therefore unlucky

also, for the same persons); Oregon, twenty-seven; total, three hundred and ninety-nine varieties. I am told that this catalogue is thoroughly reliable, though not as completely up to date as it might be, and that perhaps accounts for the fact that an occasional variety is found which it does not chronicle. Perhaps also these stray sheep are actually "black sheep," but of that I suppose we must rest in doubt until a suitable authority ventures to take the responsibility of decision.

Alabama's four all represent a "Tax on Seals," three being of the \$1. value and the other a \$2. one. The latter is perforated and the others belong respectively to the imperforate, perforate and roulette class. The design of all is the same consisting of the State arms in the center with appropriate wording above and below. The catalogue value of the four is \$10.50 according to Sterling who is my authority in all values quoted.

Next in alphabetical order comes California. This State evidently did not believe in the convenience of perforation, for all save one of its many designs are either imperforate, rouletted or die cut. The most plentiful design is that showing a large figure denoting value in the center, these being found with and without surcharges of various initials such as J. J. R., R. W., or G. O. What these mystic letters mean I don't undertake to say, but am inclined to think them the initials of the user, person or firm, used as a method of cancelation. This I think because the few I have seen had no other cancelation than just the letters. There are sixty-nine values of this type listed with an aggregate catalogue value of \$148.05 all imperforate, and then there are five others rouletted bringing the figures up to \$153.05. Then come twenty-four varieties of round die cut form with similar initialing and an aggregate value of \$16.50. These I have seen with

other cancellation, so come to think, perhaps the initials did not serve that purpose always. Two "Passenger" stamps, circular die cut also, come next, worth \$9.50 for the two, then come thirty-nine "Bill of Lading" of the same shape with a value of \$58.50, these too being adorned with combinations of letters. The State Tax "Exchange" has them also on some of the designs which are circular in shape and imperforate as to condition. In fact it seems as if nearly if not quite all of these State Revenues bear initials, so henceforth we'll just take that part of the description for granted and save words about it. These "Exchange" stamps add up to one hundred and thirty-four in number and \$157.25 in value. They are not all of exactly the same design, but differ only in small points such as the presence or absence of a dot after "tax", solid or open letters, "first" "second" or "third" under the tablet bearing the value, and color of paper. They are odd looking things, and very interesting to examine.

"Insurance" comes next in the list before me, and judging from the price of \$3.50 apiece for each specimen they are not at all common. As there are thirty-two in all the value of the lot foots up to \$112. I have never seen a specimen of this class, and only know just what the catalogue says, that they are "very large" and circular in shape, and are lettered for three, six, nine and twelve months.

In 1871 four telegraphs were sent out, and one more in 1875. These bear their respective dates within a colored oval, are listed at \$3.50 each making \$17.50 for the five, and have the honor being the only perforate set owned by the State.

Finally, there is a "Poll Tax" stamp, the design being a large 2 in the center with "Poll Tax" above and "Dollars" below. This Sterling lists only in

"black on green," at \$5., but a specimen which lies before me as I write is black on pink. Unauthorized? Counterfeit? I don't know, but I do know it is here before my eyes.

If a little sum of addition is performed it will soon appear that the catalogue value a dozen years ago when the list was issued of California's State Revenues was a trifle over \$550. Discouraging to think of starting to collect them, isn't it? And especially so when we remember that California was only one of five States to issue this class of stamps. The others, however, were far more considerate in the number of their varieties, managing to get along nicely with comparatively few.

Third in order comes Louisiana with her thirteen varieties. Six of these are "Lottery" stamps, (naughty Louisiana!) all imperforate. The 5c, 7½c and 12½c are all blue with a square and compass as the central design, probably as a hint that everything concerning the lottery is done "on the square." Then there are two shades of 7½c in green, and a 12½c of the same color, all imperforate, whereupon is shown a pelican feeding her babies. After due pondering over the hidden meaning of the figure I have decided that probably the pelican represents the lottery, the plump and happy infants the stock-holders therein, while the foolish folks who give up their money in the hope of receiving immense returns for a small outlay must be the food that is being so gleefully disposed of. These six are given a value of \$19.50. A perforate set of seven "Law" stamps with an aggregate list price of only \$4.55 come next. Governor Louis A. Wiltz and the pelican are both seen on all of the four cent values, while in the three dollar values Chief Justice Bermudez displaces his distinguished compatriot. The maternal pelican is still on hand, however. The lowest priced stamp of this latter

series is 15c, the highest \$2.00, but it is improbable that any could be bought as low now, all of the Louisiana stamps being among those whose value have grown with the passing of the years.

The Nevada issues consist of an imperforate and a roulette set of the same design for both, viz., a large numeral representing the value as the central design. The roulette set lacks the 4c, 10c, \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$20.00 values of the imperforate, but otherwise values and colors are identical save for a few differences of shade, which indeed, exist in pretty much every design of all State Revenues. The 2c of both sets has the numeral resting upon a single star and upon a double one, thus making two varieties in each, but all the other values have their numerical figure on a background of plain vertical lines.

Oregon's twenty-one varieties are about evenly divided between the imperforate and perforate class with a single specimen described as "serrated." They are all Insurance stamps, ranging from 10c to \$1.00 face value, and listing impartially at \$1.00 apiece. They are of oblong shape, and very large. The central design is the State arms with our familiar spread eagle crowing defiance above it. He has a shield around his neck, and first along (I take it for granted it was at first) he held it in good shape so that the point hung down nearly straight towards the center of the arms beneath, but as time went on he seems to have become excited over something or other with the result that he tipped that shield decidedly to the left and made a new issue. There are several other slight differences between the two sets such as a difference of rig in the vessels shown on the State arms, different backgrounds, different drawing of the labels containing the words "Oregon" and "State Tax," and different sizes of the decorating stars, but

"shield at right" and "shield at left" are the usual terms used in describing the two sets. The "right" set has fourteen stamps, the other seven, shades being included in both counts.

This, I think, concludes the list of State Revenues except the oddities of perforation in the way of unsevered, part perforate pairs, etc. These are not many but Mr. Sterling mentions a few in California, Nevada and Oregon, pricing them at \$1.00, \$2.00 and \$2.50 apiece. Exclusive of these I find that the listed value of the issues of each State are as follows:

Alabama,	\$ 10.50
California,	\$555.35
Louisiana,	\$ 24.05
Nevada,	\$ 23.25
Oregon,	\$ 21.00

Total for the five States, \$634.15.

Remember that prices given are those of 1888, and not of 1900, but remember too that the values of State Revenues have not advanced as rapidly as have the values of postage stamps because there has been less demand for them. Some, no doubt, have gone up to a degree that will exasperate any would-be purchaser, but I know for an absolute fact that others have recently changed owners at prices considerably below those quoted by Mr. Sterling, still I think this is an exception rather than the general rule of the day. Owing to their odd designs and shapes a collection of State Revenues is an extremely interesting thing to see, but their scarcity and the cost of getting many together will be a sad bar to those who would like to gather them into the fold of personal ownership.

In closing this article I should like to express my appreciation of the hints, helps, loan of stamps etc., which has made its preparation possible, and should like to thank by name those who have thus proved their interest in the subject, but the old familiar formula "Please do not mention my name" pops into my

mind, and I must hold my hand. I can at least return thanks to the catalogue, however, and must rest satisfied with that, for I do not even dare to give credit to the collector who put it into my hands. Too bad to be so circumscribed isn't it? But there! The combined intentions of us all are merely to distribute a little oft requested wisdom on a misty subject, and so long as that is accomplished I suppose it does not matter in the slightest degree from whom the wisdom emanated.

Now friends, I have been out in the "field" and done a bit towards breaking the ground; if you want any further results from the land just step forward and help them along yourself. I'm going to retire into the shade with my apple, and await my turn to profit by the delvings of others.

### Victorian War Stamps.

THE Postmaster-General recently authorized the Government Printer to call for designs for special war stamps, which he desired to issue, in order to augment the Empire Patriotic or Bushmen's Corps Funds. Mr. Watt proposes to issue 20,000 two penny stamps, to be sold at 2s., and 40,000 one penny stamps, to be disposed of at 1s. each, and prizes of £5 5s. for the best competitive design for either denomination, and £2 2s. for the second best, were offered. The Government Printer, in response to his advertisement, received 120 designs, which were submitted to the Postmaster-General, who adjudicated upon their merits yesterday. Mr. Watt has awarded the first prize for the two penny stamp to "Armis et fide," whose design bears evidence of an expert hand in its workmanship, and has the merit of simplicity. It depicts a picket on foot, and armed scouts scanning the horizon of the open veldt in the Transvaal, whilst in the distance are the faint outlines of the hills

which the British have had to scale. The central figures are clad in the uniform of the Victorian contingents. The first prize for penny stamps goes to "Victoria Cross," whose motto denotes the design. At the top of it is the word "Victoria," and in a scroll center is a Victoria Cross, with the ends of a sabre and rifle projecting in the spaces between the four divisions of the Maltese cross. On the face of the cross are the words, "Africa, for valour, 1900." The design, "Deo et Regina," which carries of the second prize for twopenny stamps, shows on the left-hand side the head of Her Majesty the Queen, with a background of national flags, and on the right side is a spirited little sketch of Mounted Rifles in action, while surrounding it are the words, "Victorian Troops" first appearance on the battlefield, Boer war 1900." The second prize in the penny division falls to "Caruclough," who devotes the central portion of his design, in horseshoe shape, to a file of mounted infantry, at attention on an open plain, fringed with cone-shaped hills. On either side of the horseshoe are the figures of Australian soldiers. Special care will be taken by the Government Printer when engraving the stamps, and the color in which they are to be printed will be decided at a later date. Orders for them will be taken at the General Post Office or through country offices from to-morrow, and, as it is anticipated that the whole of the stamps will be sold, the net amount for the Patriotic Funds should approximate £3,000.  
—*Australian Philatelist.*

### A Second O'Connell.

THE *Metropolitan* prints the following from its English correspondent:

Colonel Baden-Powell has issued a new stamp of the value of three pence. The stamp has the head of "B. P." in the centre. They are produced like notes by photography.





### Our Canadian Letter.

A. R. MAGILL.

MONTREAL, May 15, 1900.

THE annual report of the Postmaster General, William Mulock, although very late in appearing, contains a good deal of interesting matter.

Among the things mentioned in the report, is the establishing of branch Dead Letter Offices at Montreal, Toronto, Halifax, Winnipeg and Victoria; also offices at Quebec, Kingston, Hamilton and London, for the correction of errors and defects in mail matter other than letters.

This arrangement is of great value as it does away with the former method of forwarding all dead letters, etc., to Ottawa for correction and thus saves much time and trouble as each of the above city branches acts for the surrounding towns and villages.

In the report it is stated that the dead letter branches disposed of 823,586 letters. 10,576 of them being registered.

The number of special delivery stamps sold during the year was 52,940.

The report also states that the system of postal notes, recently adopted has become very popular, 471,407 notes being sold, the values of which were from twenty cents to five dollars.

The issuing of postal notes has naturally caused a falling off of the receipts of the money-order business, but on adding the totals of the value of the money-order and postal notes we find that it shows an increase of over seven hundred thousand dollars over the previous year, which proves that the postal note is extensively used.

The increase of fifteen million letters over the number carried last year is put down as the result of the reduction of

domestic postage from three to two cents, and the introduction of penny postage to Great Britain and her colonies.

Before leaving the subject of the post-office department I would call the attention of the persons who, ever since the issuing of the jubilee stamps, have cried, "speculative" every time Canada issued a new stamp, to the fact that during the year 1899 only four new stamps were issued by Canada and these four can be obtained from almost any dealer in mint condition, for less than a quarter of a dollar, a thing which cannot be said of the Omaha issue.

Mr. B. L. Drew, of Boston, Mass. was in Montreal for a few days lately.

The *Philatelic Advocate* reports that the special delivery stamp is coming in a lighter shade of green than formerly.

The six cent numeral and fifteen cent of the old issue have become obsolete.

Business men here say that they would appreciate a seven cent stamp for registered letters but the postoffice department has done nothing about the matter as yet.

The Dominion Philatelic Association will meet on July 2nd and 3rd, at St. Catharines, Ontario, which is a few miles from Niagara Falls. The official organ announces that the following officers have been elected by acclamation:

Sec.-Treas.—G. W. Starnaman.  
Counterfeit Detector—Chas. Bailey.  
Librarian—F. I. Weaver.  
Attorney—J. A. Wainwright.  
1900 Convention Seat—Montreal.  
Official Organ—*Philatelic Advocate*.

It is not likely that the League of Canadian Philatelists will hold any convention this year.

### Varieties in the "Germania" Stamps.

THE 3pfg. stamp of the new German series presents a slight variety in that the other single color lower values in that it has an additional frame-line within the space surrounding the figure 3.

## New Issues and Discoveries.

BY ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

AUSTRIA.—Having received all the new Postal Cards and Letter Cards I now give a complete list of them withdrawing all former notations :

5 *Heller Cards, Blue, Green and Black on Buff.*

P. C.	5h (P. C. 9)	German Inscription.	
	5+5h	" "	T3.
	5h (P. C. 10.)	<i>Deutsch-Bohm.</i>	
	5+5h	" "	T3.
	5h	<i>Deutsch-Illic-Ital.</i>	
	5+5h	" "	T3.
	5h	<i>Deutsch-Ital.</i>	
	5+5h	" "	T3.
	5h	<i>Deutsch-Poln.</i>	
	5+5h	" "	T3.
	5h	<i>Deutsch-Poln-Ruth.</i>	
	5+5h	" "	T3.
	5h	<i>Deutsch-Rum.</i>	
	5+5h	" "	T3.
	5h	<i>Deutsch-Ruth.</i>	
	5+5h	" "	T3.
	5h	<i>Deutsch-Slov.</i>	
	5+5h	" "	T3.
	10h	carmine and black on buff.	
	10+10h	" "	T3.
L. C.	6h	orange ou green, perf. I.	
	10h	carmine on gray, " I.	

The letter cards bear no inscriptions.

BAVARIA.—I have received the new 2pf cards for inter-urban use, issued April 1, also the 5pf, all dated "00" for 1900.

P. C.	2pf	gray on buff.
	2+2pf	gray on buff, T3.
	5pf	green and black on buff.

Watermarked vertical undulating lines.

CEYLON.—I am indebted to Mr. T. W. Goonewardene of Colombo, our corresponding member for Ceylon, for the following proclamation relating to the new rate for Postal Cards.

PROCLAMATION BY THE LI. GOVERNOR,  
E. NOEL WALKER.

WHEREAS, By section 37 of "the Ceylon Postal and Telegraph Ordinance 1892" it is enacted that the respective rates of postage and fees for registration chargeable on postal packets to be transmitted in or beyond this Island shall be determined from time to time by proclamation published in the Gov. Gazette; and

WHEREAS, It is expedient to alter the rates of postage for the conveyance of Post Cards throughout the entire extent of the Postal Union.

Now know ye that we, the said Li. Governor with the advice of the Executive Council do hereby determine that from and after the 1st day of November, 1899, the rates of postage chargeable shall be for Post Cards in case of prepayment, 8 cents for single cards or for each of the two halves of "Reply Post Cards" and double that amount in the contrary case.

Given at Colombo in the island of Ceylon this 3d day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

By His Excellency's Comm.

W. T. TAYLOR, Actg. Col. Sec'y.



CRETE.—My Athens correspondent has sent me a new card, issued for the island last March, as illustrated above. The stamp bears the portrait of Prince George of Greece, High Governor of Crete.

P. C. 10 lepta, dark carmine on buff, 90x140mm

FRANCE.—*French offices in Port Said, Egypt.*—The *Metropolitan Philatelist* appears to have received the following French Cards and Letter Cards surcharged "Port Said" in red.

P. C.	10c	black on greenish.
	10+10c	black on blue, T3.
L. C.	15c	blue on gray.
	25c	black on rose.

GERMANY.—I have received the new 2pf cards for inter-urban use, issued April 1. They bear the stamp of the old type.

P. C.	2pf	dark blue on blue.
	2+2pf	dark blue on blue, T3.

IT PAYS to read the ads. in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.



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#### SECRETARY'S REPORT.

##### NEW MEMBERS.

152. Horace E. Carpenter, Jr., care of N. B.  
 Bradley & Sons, Bay City, Michigan.  
 153. Earl T. Ragan, Sub-station No. 2, Des  
 Moines, Iowa.

##### RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

25. Henry Clotz, P. O. Box 990, New York City.

##### CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

- F. J. Smith, 40 Exchange Place, New York City.  
 O. Ruprecht, 833 Union Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

##### RENEWAL LIST NO. 3.

- 49, 56, 76, 79, 120, 137, 142.

##### COLLECTIONS.

I have collected for dues since my last report \$7, making with the \$1 on hand \$11, of this amount I have remitted to the Treasurer \$10, the remaining \$1 having been received since I made my remittance to Mr. Morse.

##### TO DELINQUENTS.

By the time these reports are before our mem-  
 bers, those who are in arrears, will have received  
 their "Thirty Days Notice" as required by the  
 Constitution; kindly save the Secretary the dis-  
 pleasure of dropping you for "Non-Payment  
 of Dues," by sending in your remittance at once.  
 Respectfully Submitted,

T. H. GAFFORD, Secretary.

CHURCH HILL, MD., May 17th, 1900.

##### PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

I have received the following renewals and  
 subscriptions since my last report:

S. Schachne.....\$3.11	J. E. Zahn.....\$1.05
H. E. Deats.....5.00	J. Oakley Hobby.....3.11
Rudolph Neeser.....3.11	W. Kasimus.....3.43
H. A. Croghan.....4.05	N. H. Withee.....3.81
Paul Lazarus.....3.43	Guy A. Bryant.....5.00

##### NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS.

W. Alex. Smith, Jr. \$5.00 | H. H. Barrett.....\$5.00

During the past month I have written personal  
 letters to all members who were not participat-  
 ing in the benefits of this department.

The result, so far, shows three new partici-  
 pants. While a few have answered my letters,  
 promising to join later others have not even  
 deemed it necessary to reply, ignoring ordinary  
 business courtesy.

Distribution No. 45 was made May 4th, consist-  
 ing of the following new issues: Austria 5 heller,  
 7 varieties, 10h, 10, 10h, and Letter Cards 6 and  
 10 heller. Puerto Rico 1c. Alexandria on French  
 10c. Portugal 25 reis on buff. Great Britain  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  &  $\frac{3}{4}$ d, court shape. Ceylon 6, 6, 6c. Cape of  
 Good Hope 1d. Bavaria 2, 2 2pf, and "99" set  
 of 7 varieties. German Empire 2, 2 2pf, 10pf  
 Letter Sheet and 10pf of the Germania type.  
 Total 31 cards.

ADOLPH LOHMEYER, Purchasing Agent.  
 BALTIMORE, May 15, 1900.

##### TREASURER'S REPORT.

On hand last report.....\$17.32  
 Rec'd from Secretary.....10.00  
 (No payments).....

On hand.....\$107.32

J. N. MORSE, Treas.

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President—Roy B. Bradley, P. O. Box 6, Rich-  
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##### SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT.

##### NEW MEMBERS.

212. Butler, Brevoort, Euato, Yazoo Co., Miss.  
 243. Lyle, Frank B., Chatham, Out., Canada.  
 244. Glassford, John, Chatham, Out.

##### APPLICATIONS.

Bauer, Anthony J., 2122 Nebraska Ave., St.  
 Louis, Mo. Age 33. Mail carrier. Refs.  
 Fred Fuessel, W. C. Lowry, Franklin  
 Stearns.

Wood, E. R., Dana and Dakota-sts., Cincinnati  
 Ohio. Age 32. Manager of Art Depart-  
 ment of Delmar County. Refs. H. Fenton  
 R. F. Preece, Morton Port.

**CHANGE IN ADDRESS.**

C. Bergholz from San Antonio, Tex., to 419 Royal-st., New Orleans, La.

**ERRATUM.**

In No. 230 should be W. R. Parham instead of W. R. Parkham.

**RESIGNATION.**

J. H. Conley, Savannah, Ga.

**FINANCES.**

**RECEIPTS.**

Rec'd from members.....	\$ 5 50
Balance on hand.....	30 28
<b>Total in Treasury.....</b>	<b>35 78</b>

**LIST OF SUSPENDED MEMBERS.**

The following have not paid their dues for 1900, and are suspended by order of the trustees:

1 J. M. Chappell.	151 V. E. A. Spott.
4 J. C. Chappell.	152 Henry Schott.
11 Dan E. Hazen.	154 W. P. Shelton.
13 Georges Carton.	157 J. E. Allmoug.
25 H. N. Bugbee.	158 J. C. Weckett.
31 Miss Effie B. Ealer.	160 Henry Wolff.
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113 H. R. Meade.	176 R. L. Doak.
115 M. B. Davis.	177 J. B. Rabbitt.
120 Jno. H. Muller.	179 G. M. Butler.
121 U. S. Pfeuffer.	181 Wm. B. Lamb.
122 F. D. Sawyer.	186 W. K. Hall.
125 R. L. Horner.	187 Jno. J. Bunce.
126 S. P. Lev.	189 J. W. Stowell.
131 L. P. Head.	191 Sidney G. Collins.

- 132 W. Meirose.
- 137 O. H. Williams.
- 138 W. S. Ahern.
- 130 R. J. Redford.
- 140 J. H. Knotts.
- 141 H. C. Scott, Jr.
- 142 F. L. Kerns.
- 143 E. C. Dickey.
- 144 W. M. Verbeck.
- 145 W. Ashby Jones.
- 148 Thos. Christian.
- 149 C. F. W. Moser.

- 193 McClure De Graf-ferrud.
- 196 A. F. Wicks.
- 200 T. H. Harris.
- 201 Jake Phillipowski.
- 205 F. H. Eddy.
- 206 B. F. Hutchinson.
- 207 R. H. Young.
- 200 R. E. Johnston.
- 212 W. M. Hooper.
- 214 W. H. McDowell.
- 215 J. M. Dill, Jr.

Any of the above may be reinstated by remitting 25c for dues for 1900 to the secretary.  
Respectfully submitted,

WALTER C. LOWRY.

**REPORT OF SALES SUPT. S. P. A.**

In circulation February 13, 55 books.....	\$1007.05
Received to date, 20 " .....	790.55
Retired .....	84 " \$1707.60
Retired .....	21 " 302.06

Now in circulation.....	63 " \$1495.54
Sales from above 21 books.....	\$106.47.

CHAS. WAKING.

In circulation April 13, 63 books.....	\$1495.54
Received to May 24, 15 books.....	106.01
Retired.....	78 books.....\$1601.58
Retired.....	20 books..... 351.34

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 has parts of others attached, magnificent copy, catalogued, each..... 12.00  
 Four single Memphis, Tenn., 5c red (Scott's 88) on one cover, various shades; one badly torn,  
 three others fine, cover considered as three stamps; catalogue each..... 6.00  
 One Albany, Ga., provisional env., orange (Scott's 1) 5c blue; not priced in cat.; worth about..... 50.00

## GENERAL ISSUES.

One TEN CENTS blue (Scott's 208) very good copy, catalogue price..... 7.00  
 Nineteen covers, each with one 10c blue (Scott's 211) cat. each..... 70  
 Ten covers with single and pairs 5c blue (Scott's 203) cat. each..... 15  
 Three covers with one and two 5c blue (Scott's 203) cat. each..... 75  
 Two covers with one and two 5c green (Scott's 200) cat. each..... 40  
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 envelope" worth full catalogue..... 80  
*Two covers, each with one diagonal half of 20c green (Scott's 212) Confederate soft provisional  
 Very rare. Fine copies—postmarked; not priced in catalogue. Sell at \$6 and \$7 at auction*

## UNITED STATES.

One Providence, R. I., 5c on original cover, magnificent, reserve price..... \$70.00  
 Strip of three U. S. 1851-58 1c blue Type 1. First two stamps to the left show type distinctly,  
 third stamp is Type II (Scott's No. 30) catalogue price each..... 25.00  
 One cover with one 1862-66 2c black vertical half used as 1c—very fine copy, cat. price..... 25.00  
 Stamps sent on approval to parties giving satisfactory reference. Cash offers—no exchange.  
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25c " P. P.....	16	50c Mortgage P. P.....	75
50c Surety Bond.....	03	\$1.00 ".....	80
50c " " P. P.....	20	1.00 " Imperf.....	75
25c Protest.....	07	2.00 ".....	90
25c " Imperf.....	20	5.00 ".....	20
25c Warehouse Receipt Imperf.....	25	10c Foreign Exchange.....	13
25c ".....	15	10c ".....	12
25c Life Insurance.....	06	70c ".....	10
25c Insurance P. P.....	07	70c " " P. P.....	30
2c Proprietary '71-75.....	03	\$1.00 " " Imperf.....	20
9c ".....	10	5c Int. Exchange Imp.....	40
9c ".....	03	20c Inland Exchange, Imperf.....	15
3c Telegraph.....	17	30c " " Imperf.....	15
3c Telegraph P. P.....	07	30c " ".....	12
2c Certificate Imperf.....	07	40c " " imp.....	10
5c Certificate, Imp.....	07	40c " " P. P.....	10
25c " P. P.....	01	60c " " P. P.....	30
2c Bank Check (blue) P. P.....	01	\$1.50 " ".....	14
2c Playing Card (orange).....	20	2.50 " ".....	12
60c Passage Ticket.....	01	1c Express P. P.....	20
50c Original Process, imp.....	10	1c " imp.....	20
\$1.00 Manifest.....	20	2c " ".....	15
50c Probate of Will.....	20	2c " P. P.....	15
\$1.00 ".....	35	1c ".....	10
\$2.00 ".....	2	5c " Imperf.....	10
50c Conveyance P. P.....	07	1c Second Issue.....	12
\$1.00 ".....	0	20c second ".....	15
1.00 " Imperf.....	08	\$1.00 ".....	13
2.00 ".....	13	2.50 ".....	18
50c Life Insurance.....	0	5c Third Issue.....	12
\$1 ".....	05	1c ".....	15
50c Lease.....	10	\$1.00 ".....	12
50c " Imperf.....	35	2.00 ".....	15
50c Lease P. P.....	25	2.50 ".....	15

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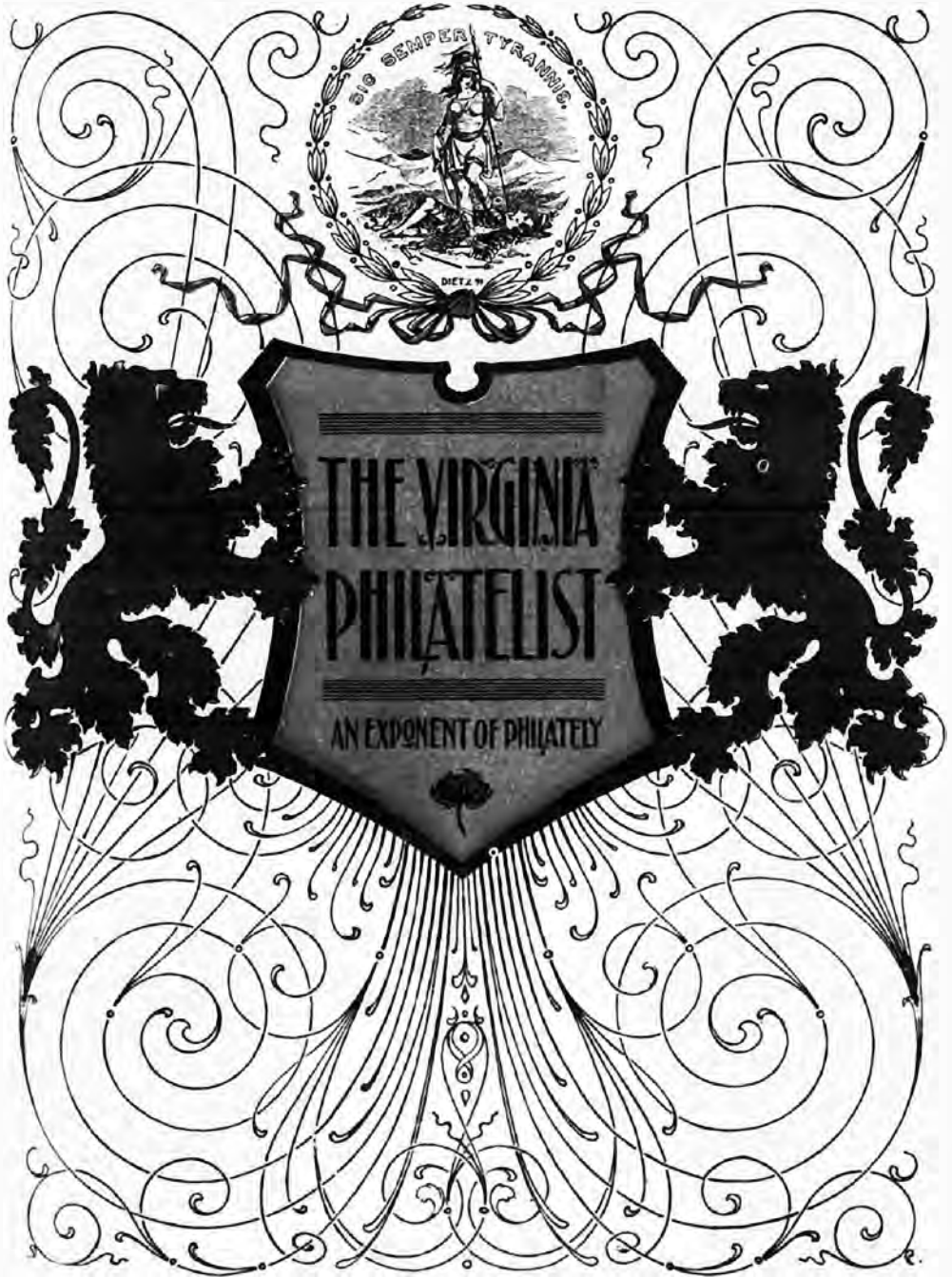
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Following are a number of desirable stamps that are often lacking in the larger collections. All are in fair condition. Anything unsatisfactory will be exchanged. . . . .

## UNUSED.

Abysinnia, 1894, ¼g.....	\$ 03
Barbados Jubilee, 1897, 1 farthing....	02
"    "    "    ½d.....	02
British East Africa, 1896, ½.....	03
"    "    "    1896, 1a.....	05
China, 1885, 1 cand.....	03
Congo, 1895, 5c.....	03
"    "    10c.....	05
Cooks Islands, 1893, 1d, cat. 25.....	10
Great Britain, 1900, ½d green.....	02
Rhodesia, 1891, ½d.....	03
St. Helena, 1894, ½d.....	03
"    "    1896, ½d.....	03
"    "    1d.....	05
St. Vincent, 1885, 1d.....	02
"    "    1d.....	05
"    "    1898, 1d.....	04
"    "    1d.....	04
"    "    1893, 4d yellow.....	12
Seycheles, 1890, 2c.....	03
"    "    4c.....	04
"    "    13c.....	13
Stellaland, 1884, 3d.....	20
"    "    4d.....	20
Tonga, 1897, 1d.....	03
"    "    1d.....	05
Venezuela, '87-88, 25c orange, lith...	04
Zanzibar, 1899, ½a.....	03
New Hebrides, 1897, 1d.....	05

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*Mexico '90, 1 to 25c, inclusive, Scott's Nos. 212 to 220, cat. value \$1.38, our price.....	10
Portugal, set Vasco de Gama, 24-150r	75
Canada, 5c Registered, o. g. ....	12

## USED.

C. of Good Hope, 4d blue, triangular	40
China, 1898, 1, 2, 4, 5, and 10.....	12
Tasmania, 1856-57, 1d.....	20
"    "    1864, 6d.....	05
Austria '90-91, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12, 15, 20, 24, 30, 50kr, 1gul, cat. 33c....	\$ 12
Austria '96, 1gul, cat. 5c.....	02
Bolivia '94, 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20c.....	08
British Guiana, 2c jubilee.....	05
Greece, Olympian Games, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 25 .....	12
Labuan, 18c error.....	09
Iceland, 3, 5, 6 and 106.....	08
Bosnia, 7 varieties.....	10
Sweden, 35 var., including official and unpaid—great value.....	25
Straits Settlements, 1c on 8c orange.	03
"    "    1c on 8c green...	03
Brazil '50, 30 and 50r, each.....	03
Natal, ½ on 1d rose.....	03
Hungary, 1 florin.....	02
*25 var. Portugese colonies, crown type, unused, o. g.....	60
Cuba, New Issue, 1, 2, *3, 5 and 10...	20

# THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST

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## CHARLES PRICE DAVIS.

It is a singular fact that stamp collecting attracts only the thinking man—the man with “mental undercurrents,” so to speak—while it holds no charm for the superficial, the every-day man.

It is therefore quite in order that Philatelia should number among her adherents the subject of our sketch this month—Charles Price Davis, —“Jack at all Trades” —good at all: genius net.

Charles Price Davis was born in Richmond, the Capital of the Confederacy, on July 10, 1863. After a thorough course in the public schools of his native city he was employed by Mr. L. Lewis, a man of parts, who first brought electrotyping to Richmond, and it was there that Mr. Davis acquired the first knowledge of a craft in which he has since reached the highest stage of efficiency. He assisted in making the first plate ever turned out in Richmond, and to-day is manager of the Richmond Electrotype Foundry, a plant turning out electrotypes for every printery in this city, and, practically, in Virginia. Charles Davis is considered one of the finest artisans in his line in this country.

He has made electricity and her adjunct sciences a life-study—ever experimenting—with success—on new

schemes and ideas of his own.

He is an artist in colors of no mean ability, as well as an excellent draughtsman and engraver.

A confirmed kodak fiend he has devised tandems of Malay kites to which he attached a kodak and from aerial heights, by means of a percussion device of his own, has succeeded in securing some fair negatives of the city.

As an all-round athlete, he is naturally fond of his wheel, and is said to have the longest reach of any man in Richmond in a sparring match.

He has delved into the dark arts, and is an ardent student of the science of hypnotism at which he is quite an adept.

But enough of his innumerable accomplishments.—Above all he is a stamp fiend—of recent conversion. His collection, though small, promises—with his enthusiasm to push it—to soon be in line

with the others.

Mr. Davis is a Past Sachem of the Red Men, and also an Odd Fellow.

But with all his many pursuits and his well occupied time, he is the most congenial companion, ever ready to “talk a few lines on stamps” and to tell of his interesting experiments; and this month *THE VIRGINIA* comes to his den on his natal day—may it be an humble token of the high esteem in which he is held by his numerous philatelic friends. DIETZ.



CHARLES PRICE DAVIS.



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#### Change of Address.

THE attention of correspondents is called to the change in one Mr. Bradley's address, from 410 W. Clay St., to 507 E. Leigh Street, Richmond, Va.

#### Fake C. S. A. Local.—Warning!

COLLECTORS of Confederate States locals are warned against the probable appearance on the market of a 10 cent Danville, Va. stamp.

From reliable information received from parties who have been approached on the subject we have cause to believe that such a fabrication will be placed on the market.

While we sound this note of warning we add the information that there was never issued a 10 cent local for Danville, Virginia.

#### Mr. Bradley This Month,

IN reply to numerous enquiries regarding the responsibility for certain editorials which have appeared in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST we would state that our publication is edited alternately by Messrs. Dietz and Bradley.

It is not a desire to shirk responsibilities, nor the faintest inclination to retract any editorial which emanates from our pens, that elicits this explanation, but the plain desire, and THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST will in the future pursue the even tenor of its way—"unfettered and free; servant only to the truth."

In order to calm our agitated friends, we will state that Mr. Bradley edits this issue.

#### An Important Capture.

THE Boers have captured a large supply of stamps intended for Tommy Atkins' use in So. Africa. The command (doubtless there were some of our Boer correspondents of a philatelic bend in it) also took charge of 2000 bags of mail. Quite a "find" to be sure, and quite a sequel to the little story of plucky Miss Walton of Van Wyk's Vlei.

How about the pluck of *that* convoy?

### The New German Colonials.



We are enabled to reproduce from *Die Gartenlaube* an enlarged illustration of one of the pfennig values of the new type prepared for the various German Colonies. These stamps have been fully described in THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST some time ago.

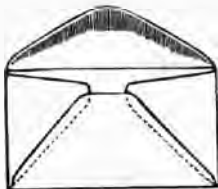
### People and Glass Houses.

CLAUDE Trexler Reno, memorial and Fourth-of-July orator, and also review editor of *The Perforator*, attempts, in some ridiculous effusions and comments anent the remarks of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST on the Boer war, to give us instructions as to what class of matter a stamp journal should contain. This is all very nice, but we judge—from observation—that Mr. Reno's ideas of what constitutes proper reading matter is a "History of the Philatelic Sons of America," an article in which huge chunks of "taffy" are generously interspersed; and the entire thing of about as much interest to a philatelist as so much Sanskrit would be to an Esquimaux, in fact we find nothing at all PHILATELIC in the *Perforator* this month.

### Collectors of Confederate Stamps.

THE attention of advanced collectors of Confederate States stamps—local and general issues—is directed to the last paragraph of our Mr. Dietz' announcement on the back outside cover of this number.

### Another New Shape Envelope.



THE 1899 issue of envelopes seems to be very prolific in shapes. An entirely new one of size number 5 has just been sent us by Mr.

Robert S. Nelson of Birmingham, Ala.

It resembles the extra official size of Reay issue more than anything else to which it can be likened. In the specimen at hand the side flaps do not meet in the finished envelopes. The bottom flap is gummed over the sides leaving a space of 23 millimeters between the tops of the side flaps. The upper or loose flap is very similar to knife 75 as described by Mr. Toppan in the June 1899 number of the *A. J. P.* No doubt there is a reason why the P. O. Department makes this change but we fail to see wherein this new shape gives a stronger or better envelope than that made by knife 50.

### Confederate Surcharges.

THE following is clipped from the Chicago Correspondence of *Mekel's Weekly Stamp News*, and may be of interest to our readers:

In a recent auction sale at Boston, a U. S. 1857 envelope, 3-cents, surcharged "Confederate States of America, Official Business," used, sold for \$2.20. These curiosities are met with occasionally and possess much interest to the specialist. In addition to this three line imprint, the majority of the official envelopes of the postoffice department of the Confederate States bear a fourth line, such as: Chief Clerk P. O. Department; Chief of the Appointment Bureau; Chief Clerk P. O. Division; Chief of the Contract Bureau, or Chief of the Finance Bureau. The U. S. stamped envelopes impressed into service for official purposes of the Confederacy were: 1853, 8, 6 and 10-cent and 1857, 3-cent of different sizes. The 3-cent 1853 has been found with the oval handstamp "Dead Letter Office, Confederate States of America" and date.

### The Mafeking Siege Stamps.

MAFEKING. We present a correct illustration of the type used for the surcharge on the stamps used in Mafeking during the seven months' siege of that town.

6d.

BESIEGED

Aside from the question whether this issue was necessary or not, they are and will be the most interesting philatelic souvenirs of the war. They were issued by authority of Britain's most intrepid soldier, Col. Baden-Powell, the hero of Mafeking, and the following values have been illustrated in the *London Illustrated News*:

1d	on half penny	Cape of Good Hope.
3d	on one penny	" " " "
6d	on three pence	" " " "

### Still More Varieties.

We note in the *Weekly Stamp News* that a collector with the British army of invasion in Natal writes that while the Boers were in Natal they used stamps of the South African Republic on their letters, while the Free Staters used Orange Free State stamps, and the British used stamps of Great Britain.

Verily, war does bring forth numerous surcharges and provisional issues, as almost all of the states and colonies have had their stamps surcharged "V. I. R.," or "Z. A. R.," to say nothing of "Besieged" or "Baden-Powell" issues.

AN Amsterdam daily paper says that the new Colonial Dutch stamps, the new Netherlands set, merely surcharged with the colony and value, are only provisionals and will be replaced at a very early date by definitive full set for each colony as they have had them heretofore.—*P. M. and W.*

### Hawaiian 12c Cornered.

We learn from a clipping in the May issue of *Filatelic Facts and Fallacies*, that speculators have purchased all of the remainders of the current 12c Hawaiian stamps—some 40,000 or so. The stamp is now offered at 25 cents in quantities, and will doubtless be forced up in price, temporarily, at least.


While speaking of Hawaiians, it is well to note that since the recent news regarding their discontinuance, all of the different varieties are advancing in price.

SIAM has ordered an entirely new set of postage stamps at London and we will probably hear about its being placed into the distributing offices within a short time. The portrait of King Chula-Long-Koru will be a profile instead of the three-quarter face we have seen for so long a time and the colors will comply with the schedule accepted by the Universal Postal Union at the Postal Congress in Washington.—*P. M. and W.*

*Madrid Filatelico* calls attention to a new counterfeit of the Don Carlos postage stamp of September, 1874, the one bearing the inscription "Espana Valencia" catalogued in Scott under Spain, No. 505. The principal points of difference, according to our esteemed contemporary, are: The genuine is printed in rose on white paper, the stamp is 21 mm. high and 17½ mm. wide, the oval is 15 mm. high and 12½ mm. wide and has 31 lines across in the background. The counterfeit is more scarlet on yellowish paper, the stamp is 20½ mm. high and 16 mm. wide, the oval 14½ mm. high and 12½ mm. wide and the groundwork shows 43 lines across. Still this counterfeit is dangerous when an original is not handy for comparison.—*P. M. and W.*

## The Trading of Duplicates.

BY EVERY PAGET.

 STAMP is worth as much as it will bring in the market. Some of us are inclined to pay a good price for a stamp and by and by we get another copy of the same stamp. We do not need both of them. One is sufficient. We then wonder what we shall do with the second copy.

There are various ways of disposing of our duplicates. Some we take up and adopt; others we discard. Some of us merely store our duplicates away and keep them. This latter method may be all right if the stamp is rare and likely to advance in price, from a personal monetary standpoint, but it does no good to our philatelic friends and brothers. The original aim of Philately was not to hoard stamps for speculative purposes. When we commence to make speculation a theme we make philately a mere every-day matter of business. Philately is a pastime. The collector who has two copies of the same stamp should put one of them on the market. He should give his philatelic friends and the philatelic public at large a chance to procure his surplus copy. There may be an hundred or more collectors desirous of obtaining that very copy, and, inasmuch as the collector himself has no use for the second stamp he should dispose of it.

But how to dispose of duplicates is a question that does not find an every-day answer. And yet it is a simple matter. The owner, first of all, should not ask too much for the stamp. And yet he should not ask too little. He should get a fair price for it.

Some of us have relations with dealers whereby they will allow a certain amount in cash, or perhaps a little more in exchange, for such stamp or stamps. The

collector thus disposes of his duplicates and obtains other stamps in their stead.

Through the auction is a good way to dispose of duplicates. If the stamps are valuable, it is an excellent way to list them with some large responsible firm who hold frequent auctions. If you do not want the stamp to bring too low a price, it is your privilege to attach a reserve price to the stamp, or buy it back. The auctioneer charges a comparatively small sum for making the sale, and the stamp brings the best price anyone is inclined to pay for it. Not only those who are present when the sale takes place may bid, but also as well anyone throughout the whole country. Catalogs of the sale are distributed broadcast, and even across the Oceans, and every one is given an ample opportunity to make bids by letter or by telegram or through some friend or dealer who will attend the sale.

The prominent societies of Philately have well conducted sales departments, where, for a few cents, any member of the society may purchase a book and place therein his duplicate stamps, and mark below each one his price for the same, and send the book to the sales superintendent of the society. This official has a list of all the members who desire to participate in the sales department, and which names are formed into circuits. The book is sent out and each member on the different circuits is given ample opportunity to inspect the stamps and retain as many as he wishes before forwarding the book to the next member. After the book completes the circuits, the sales superintendent collects for the value of the stamps retained by the members, and remits the proceeds to the owner of the book, less his commission which is usually ten per cent. This official at the same time returns the book and whatever unsold stamps, if any, remain.





GERMANY.—I have received the following new cards, all except the first, which is of the old type, bearing the Germania stamp. The small size 2pf. card was printed experimentally in May, 1899, with imprint "599", but after, (according to *I. B. J.*) 300,000 were struck off the experiment was abandoned, and all subsequent printings, of which "599", "699", "799", and "899", are known, are of the regulation size, 90x140mm. The small cards are also noted as existing on a blue-green, transparent card board.

*Der Philatelist* chronicles two different sizes, 78x128 and 81x128, received from the City of Metz, which appears to be the only postoffice where these small cards were placed on sale early in April.

I chronicle only such as I have before me:

P. C. 2pf. dark blue on blue, 80x120 "599".

2pf " " " 90x140.

2+2pf " " " " T. 3.

5pf green on cream

*Pneumatic Post.*

2+pf yellow-brown on rose 87x126.

PHILIPPINES.—Having received a stock of the surcharged U. S. cards, I find that the 2c reply card is blue with frame and not black as given on p. 136. I therefore correct.

P. C. 2+2c blue (S. 4015) on white, T. 3.

Surcharged "PHILIPPINES." in blue under stamp.

ROUMANIA.—The inter-urban rate for letter cards having been increased from 5 to 10 bani, the stock of the 5 bani letter cards has been made to do duty under the new order, by impressing an additional 5 bani stamp in the upper left corner.

*Provisional Issue.*

L. C. 5x5 bani, Emerald green on gray, perf. 1.

**Victoria War Stamps Will be Locals.**

THERE is a crumb of comfort in the fact that the special war stamps to be issued in Victoria will, in accordance with postal union rules, be restricted to the Australian Colonies, and will not be available for over-sea postage. From the latest issue of the *Australian Philatelist* we learn that the deputy postmaster-general of the colony was interviewed on the subject. He explained that the localization of the stamps would be due to that rule of the International Postal Union which lays it down that any stamp of a commemorative or similar character may not be used for international services. "It is hard," this gentleman goes on, "to understand why philatelists should not recognize this issue of ours, unless for the reason that it will take £3,000 from the public."

That is exactly the reason. It is because the major portion of the £3,000 would come from philatelists that the issue is not being recognized as a legitimate postal issue by the stamp collecting world. Fortunately the day when any postmaster could force an issue of stamps down the throats of philatelists is gone for ever.—*Fortnightly.*

*Il Francobollo* announces the appearance of a counterfeit of the surcharged postage stamp of Italy of 1890, 20c. on 50c. lilac. It is easily recognized by the dull, almost grayish color of the surcharge, which in the original is of a brilliant, shiny black. The counterfeit surcharge is printed with a handstamp and is nearly always slanting, while the original is perfectly straight. The "mi" of the surcharge "Cmi" is very badly printed and quite different from the originals.—*P. M. and W.*

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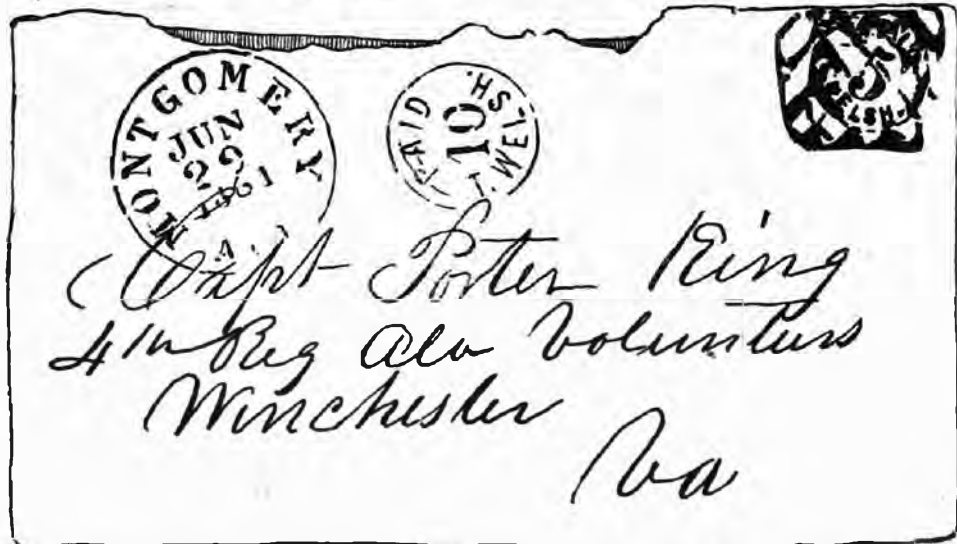
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Lost!—A Reward!

A FEW days previous to the opening of the Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association in Richmond, Va.,

valuable Confederate provisional envelopes here illustrated. They were for exhibition at the Convention.

This letter never reached its destination, and the most careful research has



last September (1899), Mr. R. S. Nelson of Birmingham, Ala., posted a Special Delivery letter at the Birmingham post-office addressed to Mr. Bradley, then just arrived in Richmond, containing the two

failed to disclose any clue as to its fate. Investigation at the Richmond post-office established the fact that no Special Delivery letter was received by this office at the time mentioned—the books con-

taining neither record or receipt for the letter. The inference is that the letter was lost either at Birmingham, or *en route*.

Mr. Nelson is very anxious to recover his lost treasures, and requests us to state that he offers a handsome reward for their recovery, and it is hoped that through the extensive circulation of THE VIRGINIA this may be accomplished. At least this notice may serve to warn philatelists against purchasing these covers if presented for sale.

Our illustrations are slightly reduced, being redrawn from photographs, but they present *fac similes* of the cancellations, handstamps and addresses.

The stamps lost are the 5c Greensboro, Ala., and the 5c Montgomery, Ala.

Correspondence should be addressed to Mr. R. S. Nelson, Arlington Ave. S. H., Birmingham, Ala.

#### Stamps That are Getting Rarer.

WE were asked not long ago, by a reader who appreciates the value of money, to provide a list of stamps that were "likely to rise in value in the near future." It is no easy job to point to individual varieties coming within this category, but there are certain classes of stamps which must rapidly appreciate in value as the hobby of Philately grows.

The older stamps of Great Britain, for instance, especially in unused condition, are clearly a "good line."

Following them closely come the unused stamps of all the older European issues. Recent realizations at auction have shown that old unused Europeans are one of the safest philatelic securities possible. The sale of Mr. M. P. Castle's European collection for, it is said, the enormous sum of £30,000 is a clear indication that these stamps are now enjoying high favour.

British Colonial stamps are perennial

favourites, but in certain directions these have been over-boomed at various times. The stamps of the various West Indian Islands, which went up with a rush in 1895-1896, are now quoted at much lower figures than formerly—in other words they have settled down again to something like their proper market value. In certain other directions the converse holds good. \*South Africans for instance are in many cases cheaper than they should be. The final conquest of the Boer republics will show as one of its results a marked recovery in the interest taken in all South African stamps—perhaps one of the most interesting groups within the range of the philatelist's study.

The various countries comprised in British North America have always been held in high favour by philatelists. These are stamps which will certainly never decline as long as stamp-collecting remains a popular hobby.

Certain stamps there are which are fated never to rise in value so long as the world goes round. These include the Chinese locals, the commemorative stamps of such states as San Marino, Guatemala, &c., &c., and, we are afraid we must add the labels of such Indian States as Baira, Faridkot, Sirmoor, *et hoc genus omnes*.—*Fortnightly*.

THE successor of King Malietoa on the throne of Samoa is not disposed to display his royal effigy on the new postage stamps of his archipelago. This, at least, is the reason given for the issue of two new postage stamps in the colors adopted by the Universal Postal Union at the Washington Congress. The type chosen is the same old group of coconut trees of 1887. So far the ½ penny, green, and the 1 penny, brownish-red, have made their appearance.—*P. M. and W.*



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#### SECRETARY'S REPORT.

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R. W. Wichmann, Cassilla 240, Asuncion, Para-  
 guay, S. A. Age 27. Bookkeeper. Refs.:  
 Waldemar Hoffmann, Adolph Lohmeyer.

##### CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Waldemar Hoffmann, Rodriguez Pena 128.  
 Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic, S. A.

#### RENEWAL LIST NO. 4.

04, 195, 147, 154.

##### COLLECTIONS.

I have collected for dues since my last report  
 \$4.10, and from sale of "Bulletins" \$1.00, making  
 with the \$1.00 on hand from last report \$6.10; of  
 this amount I have remitted to the Treasurer  
 \$4.00, the remaining \$2.10 having been received  
 since I made my remittance to Mr. Morse.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. GAFFORD, Secy.

CHURCH HILL, MD., June 18th, 1900.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

On hand, May 16.....	\$107.32
Received from Secretary .....	4.00
On hand.....	\$111.32
(No payments).....	

J. N. MORSE, Treasurer.

BOSTON, June 16th, 1900.

#### PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

I have received the following renewals since  
 my last report, W. P. Agee \$5.00, B. V. Jenkins  
 \$5.00, John N. Morse \$4.55, W. A. MacCalla \$5.00,  
 Allan Forbes \$5.00, W. Sellschopp \$7.00, Frank A.  
 Knoll \$10.00.

During the same period I have made two dis-  
 tributions of new issues, adding 50 varieties to  
 the collections of the participants of this depart-  
 ment, and yet there are members in our Society  
 who seem to be blind to the advantages offered  
 them.

Distribution No 46 was made on June 3, con-  
 taining cards from Austria, Turkey, Philippiens  
 ou U. S., Italy, Ceylon, Gibraltar, French Moroc-  
 co, German Morocco, German Empire, Russia,  
 South Australia, Queensland and Crete, 37 Cards  
 in all.

Distribution No 47 was sent out June 16 and  
 contained cards from Austria, Bosnia, Rouma-  
 nia, New Zealand and Victoria, 18 cards.

I must urge upon members the importance of  
 renewing their subscriptions promptly when  
 called for, in order to keep the department sup-  
 plied with sufficient funds at all times to enable  
 me to send out remittances to Foreign countries  
 as soon as I learn of a prospective new issue.

Some members seem to lose sight of the fact  
 that these remittances must be made in advance  
 and that from two to six months may elapse be-  
 fore they receive the cards.

It must not be expected of me to advance the  
 funds as I had to do to some extent a few weeks  
 ago.

Respectfully submitted,

ADOLPH LOHMEYER,

Baltimore, June 18, 1900.

Pur. Agent.

#### EXCHANGE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Since sending in my last report I have sent out  
 the following: Circuit D4, containing 20 covers  
 from Adolph Lohmeyer, valued at \$58.86 to the  
 following members 128, 140, 44, 19, 139, 110, 47,  
 146, 91, 147.

Circuit D5, containing cards from Bryant,  
 Adler and Rasmus, valued at \$49.76 to members  
 97, 110, 139, 146, 140, 3, 19, 44, 128, 147, 91.

Circuit D6, containing 23 covers from Adolph  
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 members 147, 152, 19, 44, 140, 126, 110, 139, 146, 47,  
 97, 91.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

FRED DOUGHTY,

Exchange-Supt.

535 S. Fourth Ave., Saginaw, Mich.

June 17th, 1900.

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**REPORT OF SALES SUPERINTENDENT.**

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	72	\$1871.75
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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.**

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Our Texas members are already laying plans for the Sixth Annual Convention, which will convene some time in October, the location to be determined later. A large attendance is looked for, and we are promised a royal welcome.

A little interest manifested in introducing new members would not come in amiss. Write the Secretary for a lot of application blanks.

Fraternally,

ROY B. BRADLEY, President.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT.**

**NEW MEMBERS.**

- 235. Bauer, Anthony J., 2122 Nebraska-ave., St. Louis, Mo.
- 246. Wood, E. R., Dana and Dakota Sts., Cincinnati, Ohio.

**APPLICATIONS.**

None.

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Respectfully,

W. C. LOWRY, Sec.-Treas.

THE postage stamp recently offered for public sale at Antwerp by the Belgian government and of which we spoke in an earlier issue, were all cancelled from the Antwerp post office. They were all assorted in packages of 50 stamps, wrapped in gray paper and tied with string, so that no one could see what he bought until after the purchase was made. More than a quarter of the stamps were defective or had perforations cut, since the government employees had cut these stamps carelessly from the papers they had been applied to, without considering the perforations at all. The result was that after the first few packages had been paid for and delivered, the bidding ceased to be spirited and the sale was what might be termed a downright frost.—*P. M. and W.*

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Sweden '55, 4 blue.....		06
" '58, 2 1/2 orange.....		04
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*1884 1c violet.....	12		
2c vermilion.....	24		
5c blue.....	45		
6c green.....	25		
18c dull rose.....	40		
*1875 2c brown.....	05		
12c black.....	1	00	
*1882 1c blue.....	07		
2c lilac rose.....	15		
5c ultramarine.....	04		
10c black.....	85		
15c brown.....	1	65	
*1885 1c green.....	02		
2c rose.....	02		
10c brown.....	08		
10c vermilion.....	05		
12c mauve.....	1	15	
25c violet.....	1	75	
*1888 2c red, imperf., reprint.....	15		
2c violet.....	07		
5c black blue.....	1	00	
*1893 1c violet.....	13		
1c blue.....	13		
1c green.....	03		
2c vermilion.....	1	75	
2c brown.....	20		
2c rose.....	08		
2c violet.....	02		
5c black blue.....	20		
5c ultramarine.....	07		
6c green.....	20		
10c black.....	24		
10c vermilion.....	27		
10c brown.....	20		
12c black.....	24		
12c mauve.....	4	00	
15c brown.....	50		
18c red.....	34		
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50c red.....	90		
*1894 10c used 10c.....	15		
25c blue.....	35		

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*1880 2c carmine.....	8	02	
2 4-8c ultramarine.....	04		
5c gray blue.....	06		
6 2-8c green.....	15		
10c pale mauve.....	08		
12 4-8c rose.....	05		
20c bistre.....	12		
25c brown.....	12		
*1887 50m bistre.....	08		
1c yellow green.....	04		
1c gray green.....	03		
6c yellow brown.....	25		
*1889 2c carmine.....	02		
2 4-8c ultramarine.....	02		
5c dark blue.....	12		
8c yellow green.....	06		
10c blue green.....	20		
12 4-8c yellow green.....	10		
20c rose salmon.....	30		
*1891 10c pale claret.....	05		
25c blue.....	20		
*1892 2c gray violet.....	02		
2 4-8c olive gray.....	08		
5c blue green.....	06		
5c light-brown violet.....	08		
6c brown violet.....	05		
8c ultramarine.....	10		
10c bright carmine.....	05		
15c red brown.....	12		
20c gray brown.....	15		
*1894 2c brown.....	02		
6c vermilion.....	05		
8c lilac brown.....	05		
12 4-8c flesh.....	10		
15c rose.....	20		
20c violet.....	15		
*1896 1c green.....	30		
2c blue.....	02		
5c emerald green.....	05		
6c carmine.....	25		
10c brown.....	05		
15c blue green.....	18		
20c orange.....	12		
*1898 1, 2, 3, 5m orange brown (4).....	03		
4m orange brown.....	22		
10c on 2 4-8c Scott's 172.....	20		
8c on 2 4-8c Scott's 181.....	10		
Same punched.....	03		
2 reales on 2 4-8 174 punched.....	15		
2 4-8 on 2 Scott's No. 352.....	06		
2 4-8 on 5 " " 358.....	08		
2 4-2 on 1/2 " " 367.....	04		
2 4-8 on 5 " " 381.....	05		
2 4-8 on 10 " " 363.....	04		
*Newspaper 1/2c green (1896).....	03		
2m blue (1896).....	03		
5m brown.....	05		
1890 lilac brown set of 4.....	06		
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Barbadoes, 1892, 1/2 on 4p.....	\$ 0	06
British Bechuanaland, 1892-1, 2p.....		07
" " " " " " 4p.....		15
" " " " " " 1/2p, No. 41.....		04
British Honduras, 1892, 1c on 1p.....		02
Ceylon, 1890, 6c on 15c.....		04
Gabralhar, 1889, 5c.....		02
Havti, 1891, 1c.....		05
" " " " " " 2c.....		05
" " " " " " 3c.....		07
" " " " " " 5c.....		12
Johore, 1896, 1c.....		01
" " " " " " 2c.....		02
" " " " " " 3c.....		03
" " " " " " 4c.....		04
" " " " " " 5c.....		05
" " " " " " 6c.....		05
Natal, 1896, 1/2 on 1d.....		03
Rhodesia, 1891, 1/2p.....		02
" " " " " " 8p.....		20
" " " " " " 1s.....		20
" " " " " " 1892, 3, 2p.....		20
" " " " " " 3p.....		10
" " " " " " 4p.....		30
" " " " " " 6p.....		25
" " " " " " 1896, 1s.....		25

\*Unused. All stamps in fine condition. Cash with order by P. O. money order. Unexcelled approval books at 50% for good reference.

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Austria 1900, newspaper stamps, 2, 6, 10, 20h		
The set.....	\$ 15	
Austrian Levant 1900, 10, 20pa, 1, 2pia, the set	30	
" " " " " " 5pia.....	40	
Bosnia 1900, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10h, the set.....	12	
" " " " " " 20, 25, 30, 50h, the set.....	40	
Cameroon 1900, Registration, 10c blue green.....	12	
German S. W. Africa, 3, 5, 10, 20pf, the set.....	22	
French Offices in Corea, 5r, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5r, set.....	20	
" " " " " " 8, 10, 15, 20, 25s, set.....	70	
" " " " " " 1900, wedding stamp.....	04	
Labuan 1899, 4c on 25, 50c, \$1, the set.....	65	
S. Borneo 189, 1c on 25, 50c, \$1, \$2, 25, \$10, set...1	50	
Tosmania 1900, 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6p, the set.....	70	

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Turks Islands—1/2, 1, 2 1/2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 1/-	
Leeward Islands—1/2, 1, 2 1/2, 4, 6, 7, 1/-, 5/-	
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50c Surety Bond.....	03	\$1.00 ".....	30
50c " " P. P.....	20	1.00 " Imperf.....	25
25c Protest.....	07	2.00 ".....	01
25c " Imperf.....	20	5.00 ".....	20
25c Warehouse Receipt Imperf.....	25	10c Foreign Exchange.....	15
25c ".....	15	70c ".....	12
25c Life Insurance.....	06	70c ".....	05
25c Insurance P. P.....	07	70c " P. P.....	01
2c Proprietary 71-75.....	03	\$1.00 " Imperf.....	30
3c ".....	10	5c Int. Exchange Imp.....	01
3c ".....	03	20c Inland Exchange, Imperf.....	07
3c Telegraph.....	07	30c " Imperf.....	15
3c Telegraph P. P.....	07	30c ".....	02
2c Certificate Imperf.....	05	40c " imp.....	10
5c Certificate, Imp.....	07	40c " P. P.....	10
25c " P. P.....	01	60c " P. P.....	30
2c Bank Check (blue) P. P.....	01	\$1.50 ".....	01
2c Playing Card (orange).....	20	\$2.50 ".....	02
50c Passage Ticket.....	01	1c Express P. P.....	15
50c Original Process, imp.....	10	1c " imp.....	20
\$1.00 Manifest.....	20	2c ".....	07
50c Probate of Will.....	20	2c " P. P.....	20
\$1.00 ".....	35	5c ".....	04
\$2.00 ".....	25	5c " Imperf.....	10
50c Conveyance P. P.....	07	5c Second Issue.....	02
\$1.00 ".....	05	20c second ".....	05
1.00 " Imperf.....	08	\$1.00 ".....	05
2.00 ".....	03	2.50 ".....	08
50c Life Insurance.....	02	5c Third Issue.....	02
\$1 ".....	05	15c ".....	12
50c Lease.....	10	\$1.00 ".....	15
50c " Imperf.....	35	2.00 ".....	15
50c Lease P. P.....	25	2.50 ".....	15

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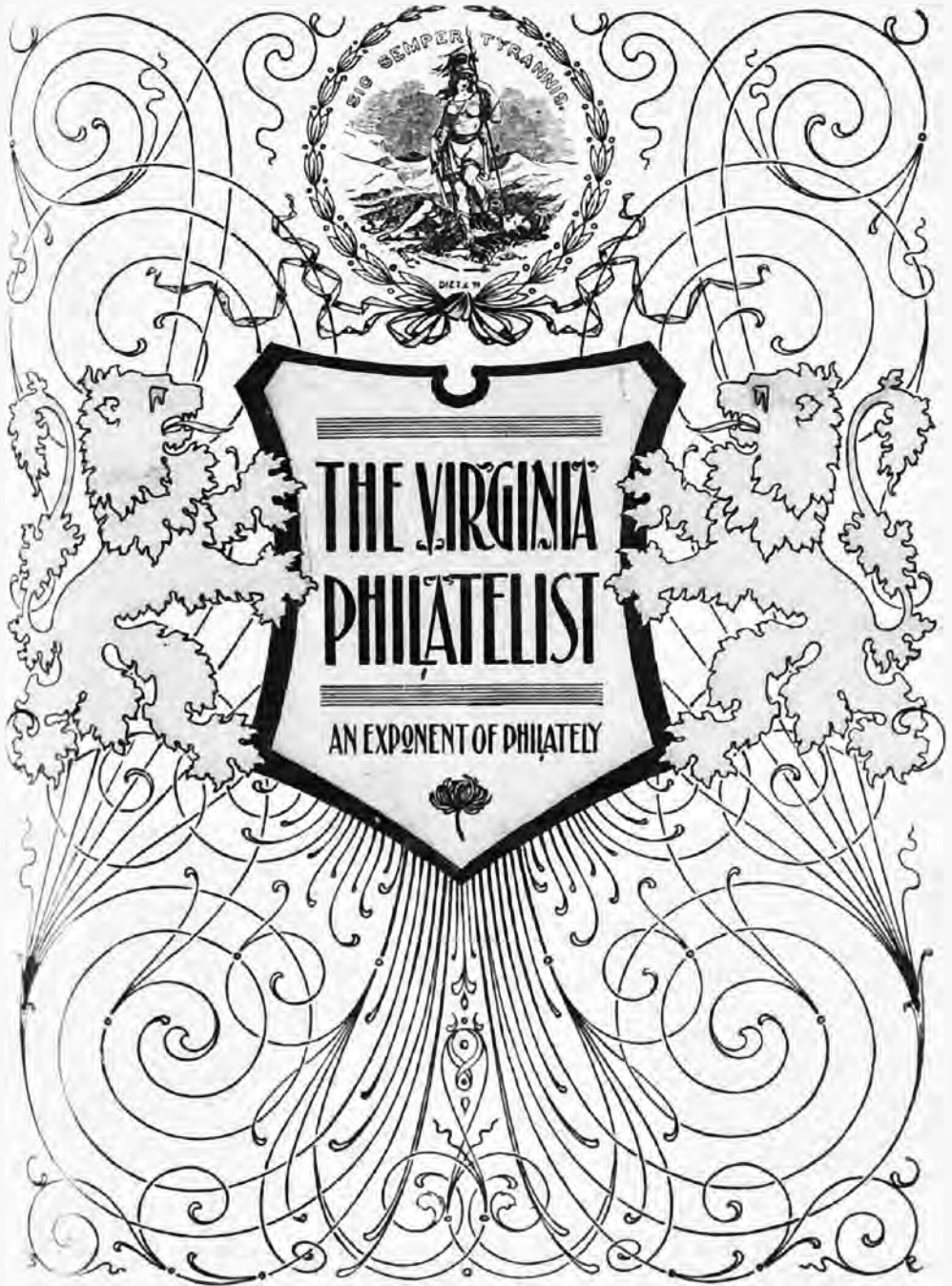
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# A PAGE OF BARGAINS!

Following are a number of desirable stamps that are often lacking in the larger collections. All are in fair condition. Anything unsatisfactory will be exchanged. . . . .

## UNUSED.

Abyssinia, 1894, ¼g.....	\$ 03
Barbados Jubilee, 1897, 1 farthing....	02
"    "    "    "    ½d.....	02
British East Africa, 1896, ½.....	03
"    "    "    "    1896, 1a.....	05
China, 1885, 1 cand.....	03
Congo, 1895, 5c.....	03
"    "    "    "    10c.....	05
Cooks Islands, 1893, 1d, cat. 25.....	10
Great Britain, 1900, ½d green.....	02
Rhodesia, 1891, ½d.....	03
St. Helena, 1894, ½d.....	03
"    "    "    "    1896, ½d.....	03
"    "    "    "    1d.....	05
St. Vincent, 1885, ¼d.....	02
"    "    "    "    1d.....	05
"    "    "    "    1898, ¼d.....	04
"    "    "    "    1d.....	04
"    "    "    "    1893, 4d yellow.....	03
Seychelles, 1890, 2c.....	03
"    "    "    "    4c.....	04
Stellaland, 1884, 3d.....	20
"    "    "    "    4d.....	20
Tonga, 1897, ¼d.....	03
"    "    "    "    1d.....	05
Venezuela, '87-88, 25c orange, lith....	04
Zanzibar, 1899, ½a.....	03
New Hebrides, 1897, 1d.....	05

*Mexico '90, 1 to 25c, inclusive, Scott's Nos. 212 to 220, cat. value \$1.38, our price.....	30
Canada, 5c Registered, o. g. ....	12

## USED.

C. of Good Hope. 4d blue, triangular	40
China, 1898, ¼, 1, 2, 4, 5, and 10.....	12
Tasmania, 1856-57, 1d.....	20
"    "    "    "    1864, 6d.....	06
Austria '90-91, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12, 15, 20, 24, 30, 50kr, 1gul, cat. 33c.....	\$ 12
Austria '96, 1gul, cat. 5c.....	02
Bolivia '94, 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20c.....	08
British Guiana, 2c jubilee.....	03
Greece, Olympian Games, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 25.....	12
Labuan, 18c error.....	09
Iceland, 3, 5, 6 and 10c.....	08
Bosnia, 7 varieties.....	10
Straits Settlements, 1c on 8c orange.	03
"    "    "    "    1c on 8c green....	03
Brazil '50, 30 and 50r, each.....	20
Natal, ¼ on 1d rose.....	03
Hungary, 1 florin.....	02
*25 var. Portuguese colonies, crown type, unused, o. g. ....	60
Cuba, New Issue, 1, 2, *3, 5 and 10....	20

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## HIRAM EDMUND DEATS.

POSSIBLY no American philatelist enjoys such deserved popularity in his own country, and is, at the same time, so well and favorably known abroad as our friend Mr. Hiram Edmund Deats of Flemington, New Jersey.

Though he has been selected the subject of innumerable sketches, and the story of his wonderful treasures told and re-told, it remains for THE VIRGINIA to present him to the new generation of philatelists of the South, as the possessor of the most complete collection of Confederate stamps—both local and general is-

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Hiram Edmund Deats, the only son of

the late Hiram Deats of Flemington, N. J., was born in Stockton, N. J., thirty years ago.

In 1887 he entered Peddie Institute, graduating with honors in 1891. He is now a member and Secretary of the

Board of Corporators of Peddie, to which institution his father gave largely of his means, and the son continues to follow the father's noble example.

Mr. Deats is married, and his home at Flemington Junction, brightened by the laughter and mirth of four charming little tots, leaves naught to complete its ideal happiness.

Endowed with rare literary talents, and possessed of

this world's goods to make him indifferent to the financial side of any fancy he may choose to take up, he carries on his researches, not for his own gratification, but with a view of giving others the full

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**An Adieu.**

WITH this, the closing number of the third volume, the founders of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, Messrs. Stearns and Dietz, retire from the concern, transferring their interest in the Virginia

Philatelic Publishing Company to Mr. Royal Bennett Bradley, the associate editor, who will conduct the publication of THE VIRGINIA in the future.

Throughout the years that have passed since the initial number of THE VIRGINIA was issued the work has grown dear to us, and the leavetaking, though imperative, is none the less painful.

It is not a lack of interest in the pursuit that induces us to retire from THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST, but solely the want of time to give it that attention it deserves.

THE VIRGINIA was designed to be pre-eminently a stamp-collectors' paper published by and for stamp-collectors. This it has ever been. Unfettered and fearless it has stood for Right and principles in the light as it saw them, regardless of the envy and malice encountered in some quarters.

Mr. Bradley will continue it along the same lines, and for him we would bespeak a continuance of that support so generously accorded us in the past.

To the many friends acquired through the medium of THE VIRGINIA we express our sincere gratitude: their unswerving loyalty under all conditions will be the fondest reminiscence of the years during which we stood at the helm of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

And now, adieu!

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*Mr. Franklin Stearns,*

*P. O. Box 6, Richmond, Va.*

and

*Mr. August Dietz,*

*P. O. Box 121, Richmond, Va.*

**The 1901 International Album.**

THE Scott Stamp & Coin Co. announce that their International Postage Stamp Album for 1901, now in course of preparation, will contain spaces for adhesive stamps only, omitting all foreign envelopes and wrappers.

They realized that the collecting of cut-square envelopes and wrappers was materially on the decrease, and, wisely decided to omit this stationery from an already bulky volume.

It is also probable that future albums of the Scott Company will contain only spaces for the stamps issued in the 19th Century. The 20th Century could then be provided for by a supplement, which, in a few years, would grow to quite a ponderous volume.

We venture to say that American collectors will appreciate the wisdom of the album makers.

BADEN-POWELL stamps are said to be selling at 10 shillings in England, but a slump is predicted in the near future—i. e. as soon as enough can be "prepared" to meet the demand.

**Stamps Denied to Charleston.**

WASHINGTON, July 21.—The Post-Office Department has denied the application of the authorities of the Charleston (S. C.) Interstate and West Indian Exposition for the government issue of a special series of postage stamps commemorative of the exposition.

The application is denied on the ground that there is insufficient time within which the stamps can be gotten out, and because it is contrary to policy to issue two different series of commemorative stamps during the same year, those commemorative of the Buffalo Exposition having already been arranged for.—*Richmond Dispatch.*

**"Flabbergasted."**

THE news of the "fall" of Pretoria must have completely "rattled" the printer of *The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*, for the June number of that worthy publication comes to us with its forms "backed up" wrong, resulting in the most ludicrous "hotch-potch" of reading matter we ever saw. Just as we begin to enjoy Theodor Bull's "Recollections of 40 years' Stamp Dealing," and turn to the next page we find some entirely foreign matter and glance at the folio which runs from 100 to 97. Undaunted—for the *P. J.* is an A1. paper—we turn to Franz Reichenheim's "History of the German Colonies etc.," and after a few paragraphs are ruthlessly dumped over into the "Chronicle." There we quit.

Now, Mr. Patrick Pemberton, won't you ship that printerman to South Africa—or Peking—and let us have a sober copy of the *P. J. of G. B.*?

By the way, how are the two philatelic juniors coming on—Osgood's and Jewett's?

## A Republic Within A Republic!

More Stamps.

QUITE a unique state of affairs exists in the United States of Brazil. One of their number, the State of Acre has "kicked over the traces"—revolted—declared its independence, and placed an order for a series of postage stamps.

From the *A. J. of P.* we clip the following decree bearing on this event, translated from *Folha do Norte*, of June 1st published in Belem, State of Para, Brazil.

### ORGANIZATION OF POST-OFFICES.

"First report of the Secretary General to the Director of the P. O.

In accordance with Decree No. 15, of the Provisional Government, which organized the mail service of the State, I inform you that on August 1st of this year, there will be put in circulation stamps of the following descriptions:

Stamps of the value of 800, 500 and 200 reis; they will measure 37x26 mm and will bear the following designs:

A landscape on the river Acre; 'History,' represented by a female figure seated, at whose feet are placed arms and ammunition, as emblems of strength and liberty. The 200 reis stamps will be blue, the 500 reis red, and the 800 reis yellow.

Stamps of the value of 2000 and 5000 reis, these will measure 26x37 mm and bear as a design the national flag in proper colors, surrounded by ornaments printed in black ink.

City of Acre, 1st May, 1900.

(Signed) RODRIGO DE CARVALHO."

## The Turk to Raise a Wind.

THE following item from the *Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser*, if true, affords Uncle Sam an opportunity to collect that indemnity claim against the "Sick Man." Suppose we garnishee the receipts from the sale of this Anniversary issue.

The Buller Stamp Exchange Co. write us:—"Blocks have been prepared by Nazim Bey, Minister of Art and of War, for stamps to be issued in honour of the 25th anniversary of the accession of His Imperial Majesty the Sultan. The stamps will bear the inscription 'Posta-i Devlet-i Ahi-i Osmanic' (Great Ottoman Empire Postage). In the centre of the stamp will be the following inscription in Arabic: 'The 25th anniversary of the propitious accession of His Most Gracious and Benign Majesty the Sultan.' On the right will be the Arabic date 1318 and on the left 'Ottoman Empire, 600.'"

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## Errors Galore.

THE collector of errors in surcharge will find a rich field in the 1891 surcharges issued for the French colony of Guadeloupe, no less than sixty errors occurring in the spelling of the word *GAUDE LOUPE*. These errors are distinct ERRORS, not broken letters as in the *CUPA* error, but transpositions throughout.

Both the printer and proofreader must have been out on a frolic and indulged in a generous quantity of absinthe—or "benzine" the night before.

## News to Us.

MAJOR Chapman, review editor of *The Philatelic Gazette*, a newcomer from Philadelphia, referring to our May number makes the following statement:

There has been ill-natured criticism because this number has much less reading matter than common, but some people always "want the earth" with an extra garden attached and do not stop to consider the whys and wherefors."

Indeed, this is all news to us, and we are inclined to attribute this little stab to the Major's ingenuity at "inventin'."

## How About a "Famine Stamp?"

WE WOULD suggest that Great Britain issue a "Famine Stamp" in behalf of her starving subjects in India. If England *must* rely on foreign charity for the carrying on of her wars and the alleviation of suffering of her subjects one more added to the many means of catching suckers would make little difference.

This idea isn't copyrighted.

## Let Dodge Write the Sequel.

THE third spasm of Claude Trexler Reno's roseate "History of the P. S. of A." appears in the July *Perforator*.

We'd like to read a sequel to this from Brother Dodge's pen.



**New Samoan Surcharges.**

**Swiss U. P. U. Commemoratives.**



On July 2 Switzerland issued a special set of 3 adhesives and 2 postal cards to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the organization of the Universal Postal Union. The values of the adhesives are 5, 10 and 25 centimes, with 5 and 10c postal cards. They will be on sale until the end of the current year.

**Provisionals for Dutch Colonies.**

OUR correspondent in Medan-Deli, Mr. J. L. Z. van der Laan, has kindly favored us



with specimens of the new Netherlands issue surcharged NED.-INDIË for temporary use in the

Dutch Colonies. We illustrate the type of the surcharged for the Dutch Indies slightly reduced.

**Marshall Islands Cancellation.**

THOUGH the German Postoffice Department has altered the spelling of the surcharge on the stamps for this colony from MARSCHALL-INSELN to MARSHALL-INSELN, the postmaster at Jaluit clings obstinately to the old spelling, and continues to cancel them MARSCHALL-INSELN.

**Samoa**

ON March 20th the German postoffice was opened in Samoa, with a complete set of the old type German stamps from 1 to 50pf.

surcharged diagonally in black "Samoa," in type similar to that of our illustration.

**A New 1 Shilling Great Britain.**

STANLEY GIBBONS *M. J.* prints the following:

GREAT BRITAIN.—*The Philatelic Record* describes and chronicles the new 1s stamp, though we believe it has not yet been issued. The design is stated to be unaltered, but the central portion, including the inscriptions, is printed in green, and the surrounding parts in lake. The sheet consists, as before, of one pane of 120 stamps, with a double-lined frame, the inner line, colored lake, being continuous and the outer green, broken at the corners. The *impituitus* sheet was registered at Somerset House on April 12th.

**More Pictorial Stamps.**

THE Italian colony of Eritrea is to have a series of pictorial stamps, says *Evoen's Stamp News*, and a Roman painter has been engaged to prepare the designs.

*Evviva Garribaldi!* Trot 'em out!

**Here's One for Japan.**

THE Mikado should complete the trio of his commemorative issues by giving us a "war stamp" with the suggestive scene of a Jap' picking the chestnuts from the fire for the Powers.

**Still More War Stamps.**

QUEENSLAND too, we learn will issue a set of "war stamps." The values are to be 1 and 2 pence, and they will be sold at 1 and 2 shillings each.

"Skin game."

**More Ploughing of Neglected Ground.**

BY JOHN PAALZOW.

**M**ISS SWIFT'S most excellent article on State Revenue Stamps in the June number of THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST suggests to me another "neglected field" in the revenue stamp line and that is the stamps printed on checks and other documents. Why should they not be as collectible as revenue stamps? Such they surely are.

Their purpose was to pay a tax, the same as the adhesives, and they were made under the same safeguards as the adhesives which were printed under contract by the different firms of Butler & Carpenter, Joseph R. Carpenter and the National Bank Note Co.

Then as now the government appointed certain concerns in different parts of the country to imprint these stamps upon such papers as were required by law to be stamped. The dies from which these impressions were made were kept in the custody of a government inspector stationed at the establishment, whose duty it was to keep a record of each impression made, and to see that the Treasury of the United States received its share. I use the word "share," for, strange as it may seem, a discount off the face value was allowed.

Before me lies a receipted bill of the American Phototype Co., 87 Cedar street, New York, dated April 27, 1867, against a well-known lithographing firm of Richmond, for printing Revenue stamps and it may be well to repeat it here *verbatim*.

254 impressions .....	\$ 2.54
1016 stamps @ 2c less 2 1/2% .....	19.82
Expressage .....	1.25
do .....	1.50
	\$25.11

This discount was not as great as that allowed by the government for the purchase of the adhesive stamps in quanti-

ties, for on them a rebate of 4% was allowed for stamps purchased in sums of over twenty dollars, and 4 1/2% for purchases in sums of over one hundred dollars. This discount, however, was payable in stamps at par.

This same receipted bill has in its upper left hand corner the two cents revenue impression required at that time on all receipts over twenty dollars. The company advertises its business upon this bill-head as follows:

This Company under contract with the  
Internal Revenue Department  
PRINTS  
REVENUE STAMPS

on the following vouchers, viz.:—Checks, Bills of Exchange, Drafts, Bills of Lading, Bills of Sale, Certificates, Brokers' Notes, Original Process, Pawnors' Checks, Passage Tickets, Powers of Attorney, Proxies, Protests, Warehouse Receipts, Weighers' Returns, Satisfaction of Judgment-Sheriffs' Returns, Receipts for Money or Property, etc.

A good many of the vouchers mentioned above, required by law much higher values than a two-cent impression, so there must have been such also.

Unfortunately for the Southern collector this section of the country does not yield many finds in Revenues and so, with the exception of the single instance of a five cent impression, described later on, the writer has not seen any such of higher value, and it is to be hoped that some one more fortunate than he in the possession of such will give description of them. As it is the writer can only give an account of what he has and leave it for others to complete the list. He writes this brief account only from such specimens as he possesses.

The first impression seems to have been in use from 1867, probably a good deal earlier, but no specimen of an earlier date than on the bill already mentioned, viz. April 27th, 1867 is at hand, and it is on checks dated in 1871. The design is as follows: A sharp



Stamp with Label

pointed oval 47 millimeters high, has on each side of the top and bottom, scroll ornamentations, making the extreme width at top and bottom 30mm. Around the inner edge of the oval runs a band 1mm. wide upon which the figure 2 alternates with an X. Six mm. from the bottom point of this band is a cross line and in this space is the numeral of value.  $1\frac{1}{4}$ mm. above the line is another, and in the band thus formed, is the inscription TWO CENTS in colorless letters.

From each end of this band rises a white line which 24mm. above forms another oval; in this space is the Bird of Freedom, with flapping wings and outstretched neck. What it is resting upon is hard to describe, for the impressions on hand are rather dim. Four mm. above are two other lines, starting out from the inner band, intersecting and then continuing to the band, forming thus four spaces. In the upper one are the colorless letters U. S. in monogram. On the space in either side are three ivy leaves, and in the space formed between the two lines is INTERNAL REVENUE with a star between the two words. The impression is yellow in color varying in shades from light to dark. A variety of this stamp has below the whole an octagon shaped band 28mm. long and 4mm. wide, bearing in colorless letters

GOOD WHEN ISSUED FOR THE  
PAYMENT OF MONEY.

This last is on a receipt for a note sent to close an account. The variety without this addition is found on checks as well as on notes, letter heads used by bankers, and other business men, acknowledging receipts of money, etc.

On a certificate of membership to the National Tobacco Association dated December 6th, 1870, a stamp similar to the one described above is imprinted with the exception that



the value is five cents, and in place of

the screaming eagle, Lincoln's full face bust is upon the stamp.



A new design of the two cents impression must have been decided upon early in 1871. I have a check dated June 26, 1871, which bears the following: A circle 36mm. in diameter has Washington's bust in it; a colorless ring 1mm. in diameter runs around the circle containing the bust, in the center of this ring is a fine circle surrounded by a larger one, 3mm. in diameter. Shell-like ornaments divide this circle in four parts which contain the words UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE; the former two in the upper, the latter two in the lower spaces. Two more circles surround the one bearing the inscription, the first one consisting of a band with colorless dots. A row of fancy work completes the central design. From each side of this, two parallel bands are running out 12mm. apart, each band 5mm. wide; the bottom and top lines of these two bands measuring 19mm.; the two inner lines measuring 11mm. Between and at the end of these two bands is on each side a fancy shield, upon each one of which the figure 2 is given three times and the spelling of two ten times. Surrounding this addition and between the bands until they touch the fancy shield are arabesque ornamentations. This impression I have also on a notehead used to acknowledge receipt of money dated January 18th, 1873, and on checks as late as July of the same year.

The next design is on a check dated July 27, 1872. It is a parallelogram 28mm. wide and 50mm. high. One mm. from the outer edge a white line runs all around; in each corner are small



colorless ovals measuring 5 by 3½mm. in which the numeral 2 appears. Touching the lower edge of the upper and the upper edge of the lower ovals and the top and bottom line of the parallelogram is an oval bearing the inscription TWO CENTS in top between the two small ovals, and in a similar position between the bottom ovals. Lace work covers the space below the top inscription and above the one in the bottom, so that the oval appears broken 10mm. from the top and bottom. In the center is an oval 30mm. high enclosing another 23mm. high. On the band formed between these two ovals are the inscriptions UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE; the first two on top, the other two at the bottom in colorless capital letters. The center oval contains the bust of Franklin to the left, very similar to the one cent stamp of the 1870 issue. The last check with this stamp is dated June, 1873. Co-existing with it must have been two other designs which I find on checks dated September and October, 1872, respectively.



The first of these two is another Eagle design. It consists of a circle 28mm. diameter containing an inner one of 22mm. diameter. The 3mm. wide band so formed bears the legend UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE TWO CENTS. In the inner circle is the eagle with spread wings and head thrust forward, this time looking toward the right. It is perched upon boulders of rock. Above and below the outer circle are two small circles 5½mm. in diameter and each bearing the colorless numeral 2. Scroll work ornaments finish the design at either side of the small circles. This design was still in use in 1875.



On a check bearing date Oct. 12, 1872 is one entirely different from any of its predecessors. An oval 26mm. high and 20mm. broad has in it the bust of Washington looking toward the right. The oval is bound by a rope like ornament; above the top is a shell shaped ornament and at the bottom a shield. A scroll, starting at a point 24mm. from the edge of the oval on the left, and on a level with the center, runs downward to the shield; this scroll is 4mm. wide and bears the inscription UNITED STATES; a like scroll starting on the other side of the shield, and running to a point 24mm. to the left of the oval, has the inscription INTER. REVENUE. At the ends of each of these two scrolls is a small circle 5½mm. diameter which contains the numeral 2. A scroll starting 19mm. from the left and on a line with center of the oval runs up to meet the shell-like ornament on the top and has the inscription TWO CENTS; a like scroll starts from the top ornament and runs correspondingly to the other, bearing also the words TWO CENTS. The spaces formed between the scrolls and the oval, both on the right and left of it are filled with scroll and lace work. Scroll work outside of the inscription-bearing scrolls, gives them also a fine finish, and this design is perhaps the most striking looking of the lot, to which the red orange color in which it is printed adds also.



The neat design which was in use in April, 1873, is composed of an oval 30mm. high and 25mm.

wide supported on each side by a circle 18mm. in diameter. The oval contains a smaller one measuring 24 and 19mm. respectively. On the 3mm. wide band so formed are the words UNITED STATES above, and INTERNAL REVENUE below the central oval, which itself bears the bust of Franklin. The circles on each side are each surrounded by another one 6mm. larger, which latter, however, is broken and disappears when coming in contact with the oval. The band thus formed contains at the point of greatest distance from the oval the words TWO CENTS, the balance of the band being ornamented by a double row of colorless dots. The inside of the circles is filled with engine turned work. From the band and starting from the beginning and ending of the TWO CENTS is an ornament resembling the top of a pointed oval, the apex of which is 6mm. distant from the band. A similar ornamentation goes out above and below the central oval which has the colorless numerals 2, at top and bottom, the remainder of the band so formed being ornamented with scrollwork.



The next one to appear is a design very similar but a good deal smaller and neater appearing. In it the center is a circle 22mm. diameter to which are joined on either side a circle 10mm. diameter. The center has a bust of Franklin. The two side circles each bear the colorless numeral 2 on a horizontally lined ground. At the top and bottom of the large and at the side of the small circles is placed a heart-shaped ornament. Between these ornaments runs a cogwheel band 1½mm. wide. The centre circle is surrounded by an outside circle broken into four parts by the side circles and the heart shaped ornaments on top and bottom forming a band 3mm. wide. The four spaces contain the words: UNITED

STATES INTERNAL REVENUE. A similar narrower circle forms a band 2mm. wide around the side circles which contain the words TWO CENTS at the points of conjunction of the 3 circles scrolls ornament the indentations.



1st, 1883 the tax on checks was abolished. This is a rhombus 80mm. from one side apex to the other; enclosing another rhombus measuring 64mm. The four bands so formed contain the words UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE in colored capitals upon a white ground. 19mm. from the side apex of the inner rhombus is an oval 24mm. wide containing a smaller one 20mm. wide, which latter has in it a very crude head of Liberty upon a vertically lined ground. The band 2mm. wide formed by the outside oval is ornamented with horizontal lines. On each side of this band and 2½mm. distant from it at the top and bottom and 2mm. at the center runs a curved line which forms a space in which appear the words TWO CENTS in colorless capitals. The space of the inner rhombus not taken up by the ovals is ornamented with colored lines alternately broad and narrow, The angles of the two rhombuses are each broken above and below the oval by a small circle 9mm. diameter containing a smaller one 7½mm. diameter which each contain the colorless numeral 2 upon a horizontally lined ground. Scroll work ornaments the edges of the circles as well as the side angles of the whole design.

The outline drawings of the different designs which Mr. Dietz kindly adds, will give the reader perhaps a better idea of the shape, which, to describe, is a rather difficult task.

This brings me now to the last one and the one which I think was still in use when on July



### Another Rare C. S. A. Provisional.

BY AUG. DIETZ.

**R**OBERT S. NELSON, the indefatigable "stamp hunter" of Birmingham, Ala., has submitted for inspection, with the privilege to illustrate, another interesting Confederate envelope, which bids fair to rank among the more valuable postmaster's provisionals.

can not be ascertained, and the envelope is denied admittance to the catalogue.

The envelope submitted is of heavy laid paper, deep orange in color. It is of the high-cut pattern, and the flap has embossed upon it a tress of diagonally crossed lines interspersed with dots, surrounded by a circle.

Every point on the face of this Confederate provisional is in its favor—the variance of inks in the hand-stamp and



Mr. Nelson has been singularly fortunate in his "finds" of Confederate locals, and we dare say this provisional will not prove one of the least, inasmuch as not another copy of the Aberdeen, Miss., seems to exist.

To prove conclusively that such an envelope was prepared by the postmaster, and sold over the counter thus stamped, is the difficult problem confronting the owner of every Confederate hand-stamped provisional envelope; and in many instances, though the very appearance of the article would seem to carry this proof upon its face, the *facts*

the cancellation; the difference in the type of both stamps, showing that the same setting was not used both for stamping and canceling; and, the difference in the type used and in the abbreviation of the State name.

The remaining proofs as to the method of preparation and sale will, I doubt not, be duly forthcoming, as the cover was found by Mr. Nelson among war-time family correspondence.

PUT THE VIRGINIA on your ad-list of journals for the fall season.

### Hiram Edmund Deats.

(Concluded.)

extent of his labors in Philately, Numismatics, Archæology, Local History, etc.

His stamp collecting career began in 1880, but little progress was made until four years later, when his discovery of some Document stamps in his father's office lent fresh impetus to his pursuit, and in 1888 he purchased the entire collection of proofs, stamps, coins, paper currency and curios of Mr. E. B. Sterling. This at once placed him in the front ranks of American philatelists, and to-day his collection, which has been freely added to, has given him the name of being the possessor of one of the largest collections of United States and Confederate stamps in America. He, however, some months ago disposed of his collection of Adhesive Revenues of the issue of 1862-83, realizing the handsome sum of \$5,300 at the famous Deats Revenue Sale in New York.

Since his purchase of the celebrated Moens Library, Mr. Deats also possesses the largest philatelic library in this country, and possibly in the world.

Mr. Deats modestly claims to be a New Jersey farmer, and I dare say he has raised about the finest philatelic crop of any of the tillers of that soil in this country. His co-authorship in that herculean task "The History of the Revenue Stamps of the United States," is a fair sample of the work of his ploughshare. His grandfather was the inventor of the "Deats Plough," well known in that State, the business being carried on by his father for over 60 years. At his father's death he was too young to assume charge of the business, and it was turned over to his cousin, who still continues it.

Mr. Deats holds membership in every American and nearly all of the promi-

nent foreign philatelic societies including that of Dresden and the Philatelic Society of India. He is also Secretary of the American Philatelic Association.

His specialties are United States and Confederate States stamps, and, of course, philatelic literature.

The offices of trust he holds are too numerous to mention, but the esteem in which he is held by his fellow citizens is best evidenced by the fact that he is a member of the Board of Trustees of Bucknell University, Member and Secretary Board of Education, Flemington, a Director in the Flemington National Bank, and Librarian of the Hunterdon County Historical Society, and publisher of *The Jerseyman*, a quarterly magazine devoted to the local history of that county.

During his attendance at the Fifth Annual Convention of the Southern Philatelic Association in Richmond last year I had the good fortune to meet Mr. Deats and to inspect his wonderful Confederate collection then exhibited. Limit of space does not permit me to write of his treasures nor of their congenial owner, suffice it if I voice the sentiments of all theregathered in saying that we were proud to have him with us and were loath to bid him adieu. DIETZ.

### Mr. Deats the Purchaser.

IN our June number we reported the sale of Mons. Moens' philatelic library to an American collector for the sum of \$1,250.00.

In a letter just received from Mr. H. E. Deats, of Flemington, N. J., we are informed that the library was purchased by him.

We congratulate Mr. Deats, who, in adding this magnificent collection of philatelic literature to the finest in America, may now claim to possess the finest in the world.

### New Issues and Discoveries.

BY ADOLPH LOHMEYER.

**AUSTRIA.**—I have received the Levant Cards and Letter Cards which complete the 1900 issue.

- P. C. 20 paras on 10h. car. and blk. on buff.  
 20 20 " 10 10h. " " T. 3.  
 L. C. 1 pinster on 25h. bl. & blk. on gray.  
 Perf. 1.

The latter is printed only for use in the Levant and is not issued for Austria proper without the surcharge as erroneously chronicled in *Mekeel's Weekly* of June 7.

**COLUMBIA.**—I have recently acquired for my collection an uncatalogued variety of the 2c. card of 1882, (Scott P. C. 3).

- P. C. 2c. black on lavender.

**CONGO FREE STATE.**—I am indebted to Mr. Foulon of Brussels, who is traveling in the Congo State, for a set of the new Inland Cards which he addressed to me from Banana. They bear the new instructions, three lines on the single, and four lines on the double card, extending the service southward to German Southwest Africa and northward to the Gold Coast Colony. The type remains unchanged.

- P. C. 10c. orange red on dark buff.  
 10 10c. brown and olive green on pink. T. 3.

NOTE: The reply half of the double card is printed in olive green.

**HUNGARY.**—The following new issues have come to hand to this date (July 14):

- P. C. 4 filler, brown on buff.  
 " 4 4 " " " T. 3.  
 5 " emerald green on rose.  
 L. C. 6 " blue gr. on gray, perf. 1.

**Telegram—Letter Card.**

- 62 filler br & blue on white, 98x155 perf. 1.

FOR CROATIA.

- P. C. 4f brown on buff.  
 L. C. 10f carmine on gray, perf. 1.

I hope to be able to give a description of the rest of the issues next month.

**ITALY.**—I have received the 7½c reply card, dated "98."

- P. C. 7½+7½ carmine on rose, T. 3.

**SWITZERLAND.**—My correspondent in Berne has addressed to me a set of two Postal Cards, issued on the occasion of the 25th anniversary Jubilee of the founding of the Universal Postal Union on July 2d, 1900.

I give an illustration of the 10c card. The 5c card has the same stamp, but is without the Postal Union inscriptions.



- P. C. 5c emerald green on white.  
 " 10c carmine " "

**WURTEMBERG.**—The following new cards have come to hand, all of type P. C. 13. The instructions on the first half of the reply cards *Die angebotene Karte ist für die Antwort bestimmt* have been reset, the first line measuring 45 mm, and the words "Postkarte (Antwort)" on the reply half are now in one line.

- P. C. 2pf bl. gr. on buff dated 31 3 00.  
 " 2 2pf " " T3 " 25 3 00  
 " 3pf br. on buff dated 12 12 99.  
 " 5pf gr. " " 9 4 00.  
 " 5 5pf " " T3 " 23 3 00.

### The Buffalo Exposition Stamps.

THE *Era's* Washington correspondent gives the following list of designs formally adopted for the Buffalo Exposition stamps, which are to appear next year:

- 1c Lake Steamer.  
 2c Express Train.  
 4c Automobile.  
 5c Niagara Falls.  
 8c Canal Locks Sault Ste. Marie.  
 10c The American Flag.

The stamps are all to be in two colors, with the exception of the Flag, which is to appear in three colors.

SEPTEMBER will open the boom season. See that your ad is in THE VIRGINIA.



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**SECRETARY'S REPORT.**

**NEW MEMBER.**

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**RENEWAL LIST NO. 5,**

44, 77, 136.

**DROPPED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.**

The following members are herewith dropped from the list for failure to pay their dues.  
 72 Monson Morris, New York City.

36 Fritz Engelhardt, formerly of Portland, Ore., present address unknown.

Members may be re-instated upon payment of dues to March 1st, 1901—\$1.

I regret that I am compelled to drop the above members from our list, but as I have used all possible endeavors to collect the dues, even to writing personal letters, which remain unanswered, the provisions of our Constitution had to be carried out.

**COLLECTIONS.**

I have collected for dues since my last report \$3, making with the \$2.10 on hand from last report \$5.10, which amount I have remitted to the Treasurer. Respectfully submitted,

T. H. GAFFORD, Secy.

CHURCH HILL, MD., July 18, 1900.

**TREASURER'S REPORT.**

On hand last report.....\$111.32  
 Received from Secretary..... 5.10

On hand.....\$116.42

J. N. MORSE, Treas.

BOSTON, MASS., July 17th, 1900.

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.**

I acknowledge receipt of the following renewals since my last report: F. L. Smith \$3.48, Max P. Heaveurich \$5.00, Geo. H. Worthington \$5.00, W. Alex Smith, Jr., \$3.48, Wm. C. Stone \$10.00, Edw. H. Buehler \$3.48, J. Oakley Hobby \$3.48, W. Dormitzer \$3.48, W. S. Allen \$6.50, J. E. Zahn \$3.48, S. Schachne \$3.48, Nicholas Adler \$3.48, and one new subscription, Dr. Paul Rossberg \$5.00. Distribution No. 48 was sent out July 14th and consisted of 16 New Cards and Letter Cards from Austria, Hungary, Italy and Wurttemberg.

Respectfully submitted,

ADOLPH LOHMEYER, Pur. Agt.

BALTIMORE, July 16, 1900.

**The Southern Philatelic Association.**

President—Roy B. Bradley, P. O. Box 6, Richmond, Va.  
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 Official Journal—THE VIRGINIA PHILATELIST.

**SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT.**

**APPLICATION.**

Chapman, Silas, Jr., Hartford, Conn. Age 54, Fire Insurance Agent. Refs.: C. P. Galyon, W. C. Lowry, F. Stearns.

**FINANCES.**

**RECEIPTS.**

Balance last report.....\$45.78  
 Received from members..... 50  
 Total..... \$95.28

**EXPENDITURES.**

To post cards.....\$2.00  
 printing same..... 1.00  
 Sec. postage from Oct. 15, '99, to  
 June 2d, '00..... 6.27  
 Total..... \$9.27

Balance on hand.....\$27.01

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LOWRY, Sec.-Treas.

HILLSBORO, TEXAS, July 19, 1900.

**The First German-China Surcharge.**

*Senf's Ill. Briefmarken Journal* chronicles a provisional from German-China. It is the 10pf surcharged 5 Pfennig in addition to the regular "China" overprint.

# Newfoundland

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