

## Publisher's Notice.

In presenting this work to the philatelic public, we have done all in our power to make it attractive. Whether we have succeeded or no, you are in a splendid position to judge.

When we first announced the CANADIAN PHILATELIC ANNUAL, our hopes were somewhat akin to those of the philatelic publisher when announcing the first number of his stamp paper, which is to fill a "long felt want." We expected to set the world afire. Had all those who booked orders with us for advertising space lived up to their agreement, we could have issued the ANNUAL as a separate work. However we have done the best we could under the circumstances and we hope the book will be well received.

Thanking all those who did live up to their agreement

We wish to remain

Your sincerely

• ONTARIO PHILATELIC Co.

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## Some Idle Thoughts.

By D. O. MINION.

H. A. Chapman has achieved an honor which seldom falls to the lot of philatelic publishers. He has published over twelve consecutive issues of his "Perforator" without having been granted second class rates. Now, we are sorry to learn, he has disposed of the Perforator. Mr. J. W. Stowtill was the purchaser, and we hope he will keep the paper up to its present standard of excellency.

We remember, about a year ago the editor of the Omaha Philatelist boasted having more reading matter than the Advocate, but compare the two now, The

March Advocate had eight pages of reading matter and the Omaha had three and now we learn it has discontinued, Same old story; "Pride must have a fall,

The Texan Philatelist bobs up serenely every month; kind of helps you to kill time, but it wants a little more life and better paper.

The N. Y. Philatelist is not overly particular in its selection of articles, We notice some therein which "maketh the heart sad with much weariness,"

The Stamp Advertiser boasts that it is the only paper that can boast a flat rate, i. e. so much per inch regardless of time or space. Well Bro. Turnbull you're about six months behind the B. O. P. in that respect.

The Stamp Advertiser is certainly a very interesting sheet and we wish it success.

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## Purloined Fragments.

News for collectors—reve-uees.

The stamp collecting mania—Tasmania.

Do not be too anxious to obtain complete sets of current issues, but rather complete your sets of the old issues which are rapidly increasing in value.

For advertisers—Thou shalt not write thy adv. on both sides of the paper nor incorporate it with thy letter, as it causes the publisher to wax wroth at thy thoughtlessness.

Thou shalt not condense a six inch ad. in a three inch space, as it will bring fewer returns and you will blame the publisher therefore. Space is cheap (especially in the B. O. P.) help thyself.

Thou shalt be wary of the publisher who