

Mr. E. B. Sterling evidently intends to let everybody know what he has done, is doing, and is going to do. He is one of the most persistent advertisers in the stamp trade, using the columns of the philatelic press freely; and the price lists and circulars issued by him, are a model of neatness. His latest idea consists of a one hundred and twenty-four page pamphlet, pages the size of this journal, containing all the press notices and testimonials he has received during the past five years, in connection with Sterling's Standard Stamp Catalogues. The pamphlet is issued in the usual neat style, and may be had free, by application to Mr. Sterling, Trenton, N. J. The mailing charges are ten cents.

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Unsettled health and press of business have forced the editor of this journal to send in his resignation as a member of the C. P. A. Executive Committee.

To the illness of the editor is also due the delay in publishing this issue of the CANADA STAMP AND COIN JOURNAL.

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PHILATELIC SQUIBS.

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—The Swiss Cantonal stamps are nearly all very rare.

—The ten-pence Canada, 1852, bears the portrait of Jacques Cartier.

—"Yubin-hoka," on the Japanese envelopes, means "postal envelope."

—The Cheever & Towle local was issued in 1850, and was in use but a few months.

—The stamps of Nicaragua show the most artistic beauty of any series of stamps ever issued.

—The 1847 issue of the United States were printed by Rawdon, Hatch, Wright, & Edson, of New York.

—Spain has issued 182 regular-issue adhesives. The rarest is the 2 reales, red, 1851. It is worth about \$20.

—Turkey has issued two newspaper stamps,—a two paras blue in 1875, and a two paras, blue-red, in 1885.

—The stamps of Madagascar are not affixed to letters but are used as vouchers for the postage paid, by the post-officials.

—The registered letterstamp of the U. S. of Colombia is the philatelic giant. It measures five by two and one half inches.

—Heligoland is the smallest stamp-issuing country in the world, but it is not behind in the number of stamps issued, by any means.

—The stamps of Turkey surcharged "R. O." were for use in Eastern Roumelia. The letters stand for "Roumelia Orientale." They are quite rare.

—The 1879 issue of Bolivia are issued annually by stamp dealers who had the control of printing them. But few, even of the cancelled ones, have ever been used for postal purposes.

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This is the first of a series of illustrations representing the Nova Scotia tokens. Other cuts will follow, from month to month.

They will be found useful for reference, and especially so by our foreign subscribers.

A list of the tokens appeared in our first two issues.



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—The movement to restore the Flemish speech in Belgium seems to be making some progress. Coins of this year do not bear the old French motto "L'union fait la force," but have something in Flemish in its place, while instead of "Leopold II, roi des Belges," the inscription runs, "Leopold II, koning der Belgen."—[Free Press.

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