



PHILATELIC PHUNNIGRAMS.

By PHENNY PHILATELISTS.

'Tis said that stamp collecting and clocks differ in this particular:- The latter serve to point out the hours and the former to cause us to forget them.
Philatelic West.

Why is a spanked boy like a used post stamp? He has been well licked.

Why do collectors buy stamps? Because they can't get them for nothing.

What does a counterfeit stamp become when put into water? Wet.

Johnny's Scheme.

Johnny Brown's father compelled him to give up stamp collecting. He had to show his father all the letters he wrote. This is one he sent to a friend asking him to buy his stamps. This is what his father read:

Dear Fred:- Father has made me quit stamp collecting. I do hate to give up collecting stamps but I intend to do as he wishes. I would like to keep on collecting "on the sly" but know he would find me out soon. Yesterday I added 50 to my collection so it makes me feel bad to quit now. I intend to try at once and get rid of them. Don't you think you could buy my old traders and get better ones for your collection

Johnny Brown.

If you will read this again beginning at the first line and read every other line you will see how his friend read the letter.

OTHER PEOPLES' GOOD THINGS.

Canada has issued a new 2c. postal card with stamp of improved design.

This is intended for foreign service to postal union countries..

Daily Stamp Item.

Sierra Leone is being afflicted with a complete new set (of which we have seen but two values) of the current Leeward Island type. In two colors of course.

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Dr. C. W. Evans writes from Indiana mineral Springs, Warren Co. Ind. that "There are 1000 8c. and 600 5c. Columbians for sale at this office. Collectors should beware of paying a premium on these and other Columbians which are still to be had at face.

Daily Stamp Item.

The commemorative issues of Venezuela and Uruguay have been black-listed by the S.S.S.S.

Texan Philatelist.

The most remarkable piece of surcharging on record has just appeared from Orange Free State. In a sheet of 240 stamps (1½d. on blue) there are no less than seven distinct types.

Daily Stamp Item.

I foresee a day when magic lanterns will be used, not merely for the comparison of genuine stamps and forgeries, but for the detection of almost perfect imitations.

Percy C. Bishop's "Notes from England"

Mekeel's Weekly.

The Duke of York has been elected president of the London Philatelic Society. This ought to be a sufficient answer to those who still talk and write of stamp collectors as maniacs at large.

Home Worker.