

Germany; Nathan Solomon, Bucarest, Roumania; Jos. Hooper, Port Hope, Ont.; W. R. Adams, Toronto, and others.

The Secretary wishes us to say that Mr. H. Hechler has given the society some very valuable pointers.

The age limit and annual dues will be decided by vote, as well as the matter of official organ.

Each member will receive a copy of this issue and they should carefully preserve it, to save the Secretary the trouble of sending lists.

Where are the live Philatelists of Toronto?

Being requested by the Secretary of the C. P. A. to state our terms as an official organ, we would respectfully submit that we will give the C. P. A. the free use of our columns at any time and to any extent, and moreover, we will mail THE HALIFAX PHILATELIST free to each member of the Association, and furthermore we will, in order to induce a great number to join, make special low rates for advertising to those who are in any way connected with the C. P. A.

We are in possession of the 20 paras Turkey, which have been perforated from the right upper corner to the left lower one and used as ten paras—a surcharge of 10 in block figures used to denote the value.

POMPEY was sent to the post office with a letter, and money to pay the postage. When he came back he said, "I guess I did de ting pretty slick dat time." "How so?" said his boss. Pompey said, "I see'd a good many folks putting letters into the post office froo a hole, so I watched my chance, and den got mine in for noffen."

LARGEST ISLAND IN THE WORLD.

NEW GUINEA, THE LATEST ACQUISITION TO THE COLONIAL EMPIRE.—A TALK WITH MR. MUSGRAVE.

Anthony Musgrave, deputy commissioner of New Guinea, a son of Rev. B. Musgrave, of Aylesford, Kings, is on a visit to Nova Scotia, enroute for England, and is registered at the Halifax. Mr. Musgrave was for some years private secretary to his uncle, Sir Anthony Musgrave, governor of New Zealand, and was appointed deputy commissioner three years ago, six months after the declaration of the British protectorate. "New Guinea," said Mr Musgrave to a HERALD reporter, "is the latest acquisition to the colonial empire. It is the largest island in the world, its area being over 300,000 square miles, and is situated north of Australia and divided from that continent by the Torres strait, the well known pearl fishery ground. The chief characteristics of New Guinea are its natural resources. It lies within the tropics and abounds in most of the tropical products. Only a small portion of it is known. It is the great terra incognita of the world. The Australians are showing great enterprise in encouraging exploration parties. The natives are pure Papuans in the interior and on parts of the coast. On other sections they show a mixture of Malay blood. The population is estimated at 2,000,000. They are excellent fishermen—mullet, sea perch, bream, turtle and dugong. The Australians were afraid that this island would be absorbed by foreign powers and converted into convict stations, or used as a base for hostile forces. QUEENSLAND, which is the nearest to the island,