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ONE of our advertisers—Matthew R. Knight—just sent in a contract for four inches of space to run for one year. Mr. Knight knows a good thing, and is also prompt to take action.

WE have been informed that "Stamp Lore," of London, Ont., has ceased publication owing to Mr. Pritchard's time being otherwise taken up. Last number issued is dated January.

This issue we are mailing three thousand cepies, and it is our intention to mail larger editions during the summer months, as we believe business in the stamp world will be very great compared with former seasons, when many shut up shop. The time is fast approaching when the dealer who drops his business and advertising for any season will "not be in it."

WE will present every tenth subscriber to this paper with a set of the Canadian Jubilee issue from 1/2c to 50c, inclusive. Every one sending in a subscription will also stand a chance of being the hundred one, to whom is given a complete set of the stamps, from 1/2c to 85, including the postal card. Send in to-day.

STAMP collectors find many bargains in the stamp papers that reach them. In this issue will be found among the ads.

stamps that everybody wants, and prices to suit all pockets. Wm. R. Adams has many good things in his ad, and any collector wanting anything will have careful and prompt attention.

ANOTHER catalogue of Canadian Revenues has appeared, published by W. Kelsey Hall, Peterboro, Ont. It is well worth the price asked—15 cents—were it only used to compare the prices as asked, by the various dealers who have issued similar catalogues.

Copied Manuscript.

IT should be unnecessary to make a plea of the following kind, but the state of too many of our philatelic journais at present makes it necessary.

Why should we have so much copied MSS, at present in our philatelic papers? Are there not many advanced collectors who could impart much stamp knowledge and keep many dissatisfied collectors from leaving the ranks? Assuredly so, but some publishers do not encourage the writers, and think they are throwing money away when they purchase MSS, and what space they cannot themselves fill up, they fill with copied matter.

There are many journals that could be and much more successful if publishers would only make it a rule to spend so much each month for good copy?

Some editors only re-print an article when it is one of merit and they wish to call special attention to it. These cannot be criticized, but when the main object of copying is to fill space, then the publisher should either stop his paper or get some original matter.

These are the days of philatelic literature collectors, who subscribe for all the journals and expects to find something original in all of them.

WM. EHRICH.

Catalogue of Canada Stamps.

NEW BRUNSWICK PROBATE.

This Province has a set of 6 stamps, which are used for the payment of Probate duty, and were first issued in 1895.

In design, the stamp varies greatly from the artistic law issues. It is a dagger turned upwards, above which are the scales of Justice, both within a circle. "New Brunswick" appears at the top, while word "Probate" appears below.

10 cents yellow.

20 " red. 50 " brown.

\$2 blue.

85 green.

\$20 purple.

P.E.I. Curiosities.

This Province takes the honor of having some of the most curious specimens of the printers' or lithographers' art. The printing of some of the denominations has been so carelessly done, that collectors just beginning will not put them in their albums, thinking them to be counterfeits (of which there are a number) which has induced me in a very short article to give a few pointers.

The stamps most unacceptable are of the 1870 issue, and comprise the 1d, 2d, 3d and 9d. Being printed 30 on a sheet may account for some of the impressions or again poor rollers and bad ink may have had something to do with it. On some of the 1d will be seen a broken N, in island, two lines apparently running together and two full stops at . Island. In the 3d, a colored dot in the centre before 10 in Pence can be seen. Others have a dot over top bar of the last E in Three. In the 9d a dot in front of Stg. and on others of this value two full stops one over the other, after Stg.

In seeing the above markings on any of these stamps, do not hesitate to add them to your collection as they are all right, since the forger so far has not been able to imitate the missing links.

One of the rarest of the P.E.I. stamps is the 1d, which has an outer line all around it. This seems to be found in a golden brown color.

FRANK H. BEST.

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