

Colonies," in various sized types, and it is no part of those words. I must therefore take a leap in the dark, and suggest that it is the D of De la Rue, who either manufactured the paper or had their name watermarked in it. If I land on secure ground, of course my previous surmise as to the printers of this set are correct.

I am now going to tread on very delicate ground, and fully expect our Vice-President's incisive pen will be in motion very soon. You all know, I take it, that certain values of the long stamps, in the colours of the Crown and C C set, are supposed to exist without watermark, of which our Vice-President has several. I do not believe in their existence without a watermark. My reasons for coming to this conclusion are, first and mainly, because I have never seen one. I have had several sent me, and had several myself, that I fondly believed to be like Cæsar's wife; but I have found, on submitting them to a bath, and otherwise carefully examining them, that every one revealed either a portion of the Crown and C C, part of a letter, or a line; and I have little doubt, if I might be allowed to soak and examine any of these so-called no-watermarked long stamps, I should find a watermark.

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NOTES.

THE President purposes paying a visit to Europe soon after the annual convention of the C. P. A. is held, when, he informs us, he intends calling upon the philatelic societies of Great Britain and the continent, and using his best efforts to bring them into closer and more intimate relations to our association than they now are. We believe that his tour will result in much good to the C. P. A.

MR. A. A. BARTLETT, of Charlottetown, a member of the C. P. A. and A. P. A., is visiting Europe. He writes from Amsterdam under date of the 22nd of April. He says that the philatelic exhibition there was very interesting and a complete success. He speaks of it with great praise. Thence he was to go to Paris to see the world's exhibition and will improve the occasion to call on philatelic friends there. He expects to return home early in June, and his arrival will be looked for with much interest, as he will doubtless bring lots of valuable information.

THE Canada 2c Registration stamp will soon be a thing of the past. The following is the official order in connection with it:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

CHANGES IN POSTAGE RATES UNDER AUTHORITY OF POST OFFICE ACT 1889.

The rate of postage upon Letters posted in Canada, addressed to places within the Dominion or in the United States, will be 3 cents per ounce instead of 3 cents per half ounce as heretofore.

Upon Drop Letters posted at an Office from which letters are delivered by Letter Carrier, the postage rate will be 2 cents per ounce, instead of 1