

Philatelic Facts.

Collectors who have been studying philately for years are not the ones who claim to know it all.

When asked to show his collection a philatelist generally apologizes for not having a better one.

The "Present Day Philately" is represented by a more substantial class of people than ever before; it has reached the stage of most careful study and appeals more to older minds than formerly, and while this is an indication which is very desirable and adds dignity to the pursuit, as well as substantiality, we ought not to crowd out the boys. There is room for all, and it is very frequently remarked that the youth will learn more from his stamps in many ways more than from his geography or history.

The new watermark of the Hungarian stamp, according to the Philatelic Monthly, is practically the result of an accident. The explosion of a boiler in the paper factory, which formerly supplied the paper to the government, having destroyed that plant, a supply was ordered elsewhere, and the manufacturer furnished, at short notice, paper with the new watermark. The design pleased the postal authorities and has since been permanently adopted. The new watermark represents the Hungarian crown in a circle covering about six stamps.

Local Happenings.

St. Catharines will run for D.P.A. convention seat in 1900.

The 5c stamp, numeral issue, has not been received at this office.

Plate No. 3 of the Imperial Postage stamps has been received here.

A supply of fifty cent jubilees have been sent to the postoffice here.

Jas F. Irwin, of this city, intends to leave shortly for the United States.

A dealer here recently sold some 2c Columbians, used, at 20 cents a hundred.

Mr. W. A. Starnaman, of Berlin, paid up a visit last week. He was attending the convention of the Canadian Order of Home Circles held here.

By the March number of Stamp Talk just to hand, we notice that the publisher of that journal has purchased the International Philatelist, bag and baggage.

One person, having noticed an item in one of the Toronto dailies, calling attention to the fact that the 2c purple envelope was an error and would likely be recalled, had the good fortune to secure fifty copies of the error which he has laid away for future developments.

SEE THE OTHER FELLOW,

Compare his Lists with mine and you will agree with me that for prices, conditions, etc., my stamps can't be beat. Try an order from the following and see if I am not right.

	Cat. Price.	Our Price.		Cat. Price.	Our Price.
1871, Jamaica, 3 d green(cc)	25	10	1863, Trinidad 4d lilac, cc....	35	45
1878, Mauritius, 50c on 1c gr.	20	8	1878, " 6d green.....	20	08
1867, Newfoundland 6c rose..	25	12.	1858, Two Scilies, 1 G lake....	35	15
1875, " 2c gr. (Roul) 1	50	75	1867, Victoria, 2 gray lilac....	20	08
1876, " 3c blue " 1	00	50	1868, " 5 S blue, carmine 1	75	85
1876, " 5c " " 1	00	30	1891, " 9d sea green....	50	30
1882, New South Wales 8d yel.	25	12	1895, " 4d green and red	18	07
1878, Norway, 1 or. 50 O blue	50	30	1865, West Aust. 1 d Bistie...	18	07
1879, Philippines, 8 on 100 m			1871, West Aust. 3d Brown...	25	10
Rose A 22.....	2 50	95	1890, " " 6d Purple... 10	05	05
1879, Salvador, 10c bl. k....	50	30	1890, " " 4d O Brown 05	03	03
1868, St. Settlement, 3d chart	15	08	1890, " " 1s O Green 15	06	06
1863, St. Helena, 6 d blue cc..	5 00	2 25			

Postage extra on orders under 50c If you don't see anything here, write and send want list. If you send good BANK or COMMERCIAL REFERENCES, I will be pleased to send a fine selection on approval at a good discount Address all orders to

W. A. BEATTY, St. Catharines, Ontario.

AUCTION SALE.

My 7th Auction was not completed last month owing to lack of space, so the balance will be held on APRIL 10th and all bids will be accepted up to the day of sale. NO RESERVE.

61-15 4c br red, 1899.
62-46 5c dk blue, 1899.
63-5 10c puce, 1899.
64-1c postage due, 1879-93.
65-133 2c postage due, 1879-93.
66-5 3c due, 10 5c due, 9 10c due, 1879-93; 24 stamps as 1 lot.
67-140 1c postage due, 1893-9.
68-310 2c postage due, 1893-9.
69-9 3c due, 5 5c due, 5 10c due, 1893-9; 19 stamps as 1 lot.
70-105 10c blue, special delivery, 1885-9.
71-15 10c orangex, special delivery, 1893.

UNITED STATES REVENUES.

72-1 1c green postage, 6 2c rose postage surcharged I.R. 1899; 7 stamps as 1 lot.

73-2 1c blue, 5 2c rose, 2 10c brown, 1 25c purple brown, 10 documentary stamps as 1 lot.
74-4 1-8c green 2 1-2c brown, 1 3-8c orange, 8 5-8c dk blue, 1 1c green, 2 1 1-4c dk purple, 18 proprietary stamps as 1 lot.

FOREIGN.

75-50 1d rose, Grenada, 1887.
76-50 1d rose, Grenada.
77-50 1c rose, Hawaiian Islands, 1882-92.
78-50 1c rose Hawaiian Islands, 1882-92.
79-3000 foreign continentals, good for packets and cheap sheets; a well assorted lot.
80-2000 foreign continentals, good for packets and cheap sheets; a well assorted lot.

TERMS OF SALE.

All bidders will be notified, and upon receipt of money goods will be promptly forwarded. I don't want bids from irresponsible people. Will some one make me a bid for a barrel of stamps said to be unassorted and weighing 120 lbs., estimated to contain 900,000 stamps. The highest bidder gets it.

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