THE PHILATELIC MESSENGER.

7. 6c yellow-brown. 8. 6c dark brown. 9. 124c blue. 10. 12ke dark blue, 11. 15c red-lilac. 12. 15c lilac. Thin gravish white wove paper. 13. 4c black. 14. 1c brown-red. 15. 2c green. 16. 3c red. 17. 6c brown. 18. 121c blue. 19. 15c lilac. Bluish wove paper. 20. 4c black. Paper watermarked with makers name, "E. & C. BOTHWELL, CLU-THA MILLS," about 20 stamps in each sheet showing part of watermark. 21. 1c brown red. 22. 2c green. 23 3c red. 24. 6c brown. 25. 121c blue. 26. 15c lilac. We believe the 1c stamp does not exist with above watermark. Laid paper. 27. 1c brown-red. 28. 3c red. 29. 15c lilac. 1869. A change of color in the 1c value. 30. 1c yellow. 31. 1c. orange. Variety, imperforate. 32. 1c yellow. (To be continued.)

Detroit Notes.

The Detroit Philatelist has not been heard from for some time and the probabilities point to a change in ownership.

Mr. Howard C. Beek, deputy city controller of Detroit, is now doing business as "The Michigan Stamp Co."

The annual meeting of the Detroit Philatelic Association was held at its rooms in the Cowie building Monday, December 6th. About thirty were present and much interest was manifested. The secretary's report showed an increase in membership, making a total membership of forty-seven. The treasurer's report showed a good balance in the treasury. The annual election resulted in the following offic-

ers being chosen:—President, Freemont Woodruff; vice-president, Thos. Farmer; jr.; secretary-treasurer, Howard C. Beek: executive committee, Messrs. Bates, Porte, Aikman and Begg. Mr. Lewis Rice then gave a very interesting talk on fractional currency and its connection with stamps, illustrating the talk with his own magnificent collection. Few have the pleasure of listening to such an instructive address as that given by Mr. Rice and we regret that we are not able to reproduce it in full for the benefit of our P. M. readers.

Two well known Detroit collectors intend entering the dealers' ranks in a short time.

. Although auction sales are held in nearly all of our large cities, Detroit has had none yet to our knowledge, except the impromptu ones held at the society meetings. There are plenty of stamps and plenty of buyers in Detroit and we fail to see why a well conducted auction should not be a success.

The new Detroit post office is at last opened to the public. It has been under way for ten years and is a beauful stone structure occupying an entire block and is elegantly fitted up. The new office is not quite so central as the old one, but it would have been an impossibility to have secured enough ground where the old office stands, as it is on the Wall street of Detroit.

We recently received a postal from a youthful Detroiter offering for sale a magnificent collection of 450 varieties, including a complete set of Ecuador, many from Spain, Italy, Africa, South America and others equally rare. If I were in the market for good collections he solicited an offer on the above. Needless to say we were not in the market. AMERICAN.



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