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PROMINENT CANADIAN PHILATELISTS.

1.—MR. A. A. BARTLETT.

WE take great pleasure in presenting to our readers, a good likeness of Mr. A.

A. Bartlett of Charlottetown, P. E. I., one of Canada's foremost collectors. The photo shows him in the mess uniform of an officer of No. 1. Company 4th (P. E. I.) Regiment of Canadian Artillery, which Company captured the prize for the years 1893 and 1895 as the most efficient Co. of Artillery in the Dominion.

Mr. Bartlett was born in St. John, N. B. but for the last fourteen years he has lived in Charlottetown, having married a Charlottetown girl (who, by the way, are noted far and wide for their beauty). At the present time he has an agency in the Maritime Provinces for a large Scotch wholesale dry goods house.

Mr. Bartlett commenced collecting in 1888 not taking interest in any special stamps until about four years later, when, with the exception of the stamps of Great Britain and Colonies, he sold his collection by auction through the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. At the present time he takes particular interest in the stamps of B. N. A., West Indies and Australia of which he has a magnificent collection.



One of the books of his collection contains 600 covers of B. N. A. and Australia among which are 60 "splits" including the stamps of all the old provinces with the possible exception of British Columbia. A handsome specimen of the ¼ shilling of Nova Scotia is the unique gem of this book. His P. E. I. stamps are complete, having three of every combination of pence and cents.

Another feature is the collection of sheets of unused New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, P. E. Island, Newfoundland, British Columbia and Leeward Islands, 90 sheets in all.

Among those in his collection worthy of special note are the following:

In Great Britain, sets of used and unused "plate nos." also inverted watermarks and very many oddities; in New Brunswick, 3 shillings, 2 Connel's, many blocks and single of 6 pence; in Nova Scotia, 2 shillings, block of 5 unused 1 penny, blocks of used 1 penny, 3 pence and 6 pence; in P. E. Island, everything possible including two 2 pence rouletted; in Newfoundland

many vermilion and a fine lot of lake used and unused.

Taking it all in all Mr. Bartlett has one of the best and richest collections in America.

Mr. Bartlett is a member of the Canadian Philatelic Association, at present being Vice-President of that Society. He is one of those most anxious to see Philately placed on a better basis in Canada.