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OUR GREETING.

IN PRESENTING this, the first number of this PHILATELIC JOURNAL, before you, we do so feeling that from the list of failures in Philatelic journalism in Canada in the past, our outlook is not a very bright one. However, we take this opportunity of telling our readers that we have come to stay, and those who favor us with their subscriptions, that they will receive twelve numbers of this paper. We intend to devote ourselves almost entirely to the interests of Canadian collectors and would ask for your support and encouragement. To advertisers we would say that you will find this journal one of the best advertising mediums to be found, as this paper will be sent to active collectors only, throughout Canada and the United States, and a trial 'ad, will convince you that what we say is true.

We would ask all our readers who from time to time obtain information

that would be of interest to the fraternity to forward same to us for publication, and we will give you credit for the same. This journal will be devoted to stamp collecting and nothing else; notes and articles on any other subject are not wanted and will not be published.

Again we ask for your support, either by advertising or subscription, feeling satisfied that you will get good value for your money.

As soon as our success warrants it, we will enlarge and don a cover. For the present we feel it is best to creep before we walk, feeling satisfied that we will be able to walk in time. Now who will be the first to send us 15 cents for a year's subscription? To the first we will give an 8 cent registered stamp of Canada, unused, catalogued by Scott at 40 cents; and to every tenth we will give a one dollar third issue Canada bill stamp worth 15 cents. Send along your subscriptions.

THE CANADIAN WATERMARKED STAMPS OF 1868.

SEVERAL articles have appeared of late relating to the watermarked stamps of 1868, and as I am the one that called the attention of the collecting world to the fact that they existed I hereby submit what proof I have of their existence:

First, I will ask those of you who have in your Philatelic libraries "The Philatelist" (an English publication) for 1870, to take a look at the February number of the same and therein an article on the stamps of "British North America," by W. Dudey Attee, you will find the following: "Issue for Confederation, April, 1868, Three Cent vermillion, carmine, vermillion and brownish red. Note.—There is also in the last series of adhesives a Three Cent printed on paper watermarked with maker's name; these were most probably issued after the thin paper and before the usual stout paper emissions."