

A new philatelic weekly will appear from Berlin shortly.

It is rumored that a big effort is again to be made to wrest the A. P. A. organship from the ERA. That would be a sad mistake.

Our local contemporary the PHILATELIC ADVOCATE has issued a convention number of thirty-six pages.

The Philatelic Literature Society seems destined to progress after all; thanks to the new official organ.

The plenitude of new issues from Europe will please the boy collectors.

The MAY JUNIOR COLLECTOR is a fat little number of 20 pages and a credit to its progressive young publisher.

An ad that will interest all is that of the Canada Stamp Co. Look it up.

Send in 5 cents and get ENERGY 5 months on trial.

By a recent ruling of Postmaster General Mulock philatelic publications in Canada are extended the privilege of publishing stamp cuts.

A French letter card for use in Morocco has been issued. Value 25c.

Iceland has issued a new 10 aur post card.

The native Indian State of Orcha has issued stamps as follows:--1.2 a red; 1 a violet, 2 annas yellow and 4 annas green.

Orange Free State stamps have been surcharged V R I for use in the Orange River Colony,

Sanctum Sayings.

Berlin has seen the rise and fall of a number of philatelic journals. The first stamp paper hailing from our good town was the PET PHILATELIST. It was a small 3 x 4 8 page and cover paper and lived four months, issuing from September to December 1895. The PHILATELIC ADVOCATE was established in September 1896 by Messrs Starnaman Bros. and F. I. Weaver. Starnaman Bros became sole owners one year later and are still successfully conducting the paper which is one of the leading philatelic journals in America. The Boy's Own Philatelist was established in Dec 1897, was conducted as a monthly for six numbers then changed to a weekly. The name was subsequently changed to the Canadian Philatelic Weekly. In all fourteen numbers of the weekly appeared. Then it was changed to the Canadian Philatelic Review and published fortnightly. After five issues under this name the paper was discontinued. ENERGY, established in June 1899, took over the subscription list. ENERGY was then a variety monthly but since February has been devoted entirely to philately. Now we have the Philatelic Spectator, published by Geo E Mueller, which has issued eight numbers up to date.

The stamp books which we announced in our last number as being in preparation by the Postmaster General, have since been issued and are finding ready sale.