

not only stir themselves to obtain for us a remunerative circulation, but to send us articles on the stamps contained in their collection or on any other subject they choose. Those who are acquainted with any foreign language, particularly those spoken in the Asiatic and other Oriental countries, are requested to let us know. We will have recourse to their assistance, when we wish to have translated the inscription on some stamp, or some article from the foreign papers. We also hope they will send us any foreign stamps which have not been previously described that may come into their possession.

Thanks to the remittances of our foreign correspondents, and the assistance of our countrymen, we can promise that our magazine will not only be, as it is at present, the best ever published in America, but equal in importance and value to any published elsewhere.

Letters and packets intended for the editor should be addressed, *post paid*, "Editor of *The Canadian Philatelist*," Quebec, Canada.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the "Canadian Philatelist."

DEAR SIR.—I was indeed glad to receive No. 1 of the new series of "*The Canadian Philatelist*," and beg to congratulate you on its contents and appearance. It has been re-issued just at the proper time, as winter is now drawing nigh, and collectors are about setting themselves to work again.

Stamp Collecting in this city, I am inclined to think has somewhat fallen off during the last few years, but I am pleased to find that at the present moment it is rapidly increasing.

I was much pleased with your article on the collection of envelopes, it will be of much value to our collectors. Wishing you success in your valuable undertaking.

I am

Yours &c.

H. LOYLOCK.

Toronto

Answers to Correspondents.

K. & Co, St. Thomas.—You will find full particulars in this number; your advertisement will cost 40 cents first insertion, and half price afterwards.

H. N. J. New Jersey.—Many thanks for your kind wishes of success, we shall be most happy to meet you, whenever you come to Quebec.

C. E. MONECY.—The stamp of which you send a drawing is we believe spurious, we are engaged just now in hunting up information about it and other Canadian locals. You will have a satisfactory reply in our article on locals next month.

C. H. COSTER.—Thanks for information sent, you will see, we have made use of it in the present number.

F. A. GRAY.—Our publishers desire us to state that they sent two numbers, and cannot understand why you did not receive the first. They cannot do the same thing again.

H. L. TORONTO.—You will find part of your letter reproduced. The extract is of no use to us, as we have the original in our possession. We possess files of nearly all the magazines, so that extracts are not of much use.

M. & G.—In future please address exchange notices to ourselves not to our publishers.

Our Prize Essays.

To encourage the writing of philatelic essays, by amateurs, we offer four prizes a year, of five dollars worth of stamps each, for the best written articles on given subjects. The first prize will be given in December, and the subject of the essay to be "*The Government adhesives and envelopes of the United States*."

RULES.

1. Essays can be received from regular subscribers only.
2. Essays must be written on only one side of the sheet of paper, and must be accompanied by a written guarantee of the originality of the work, also by the name and address of the writer in full.
3. Manuscripts must be addressed to the editor, and must reach us not later than Dec. 1st.