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EDITORIAL.

An Apology. An apology is due for the lateness of this and the two following issues.

Our January and February issues are under way and will be mailed within two weeks' time, and we can in future promise that the paper will be mailed promptly on the 1st of the month.

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P. Heinsberger Again. It is quite evident from a piece which appeared in a New York paper of recent date that we have not seen the last of this party and

his *German-American Philatelic Association*. This swindle was exposed some time ago in the columns of the *Canadian Philatelist*. The society, as we stated, consists mainly of P. Heinsberger and F. R. Phillips, who are one and the same party. The plan of this swindle is to secure members, and of course the so-called president and treasurer pockets the dues, which, it is said, prior to the exposure of his schemes brought him a snug little income. We again warn our readers against this society. The officers elected, it will be seen, are collectors who are unknown to philatelists, and probably

originated in this party's somewhat fertile mind. We append a bogus report of a meeting of this society which was taken from a leading N. Y. daily. We have every reason to believe that no meeting whatever was held. "The German-American Philatelic Association, 'Germania,' of New York, held their fifth annual convention yesterday (Jan. 15th) at the rooms of the association. President Frederic Heinsberger opened the convention at 10 a. m., and welcomed the members from various states. The president in his annual address reviewed the work of the association during the year 1893. There are now 595 active members and 75 corresponding members of the association in the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. According to the treasurer's report the financial condition of the association is good. The dues have been reduced to \$1.00 per year. The librarian reported that the "Curio-Annex" of the association numbers now 75 curio collectors in America and Europe. Officers were elected to serve for the year 1894 as follows : President, Frederic Heinsberger ; Recording Secretary, A. Schumacher ; Treasurer, H. Heaman ; Librarian and International Secretary, F. R. Phillips ; Trustees, A. Salinger, Vermont ; S. Cramer, Illinois ; H. Meier, Kentucky." We trust that our contemporaries will not fail to expose this swindle.

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Advance in Prices. We have received the pocket edition of Scott's 54th Edition Catalogue, and owing to the fact that so many improvements are introduced in this

edition we cannot but give an extended review of the same. A new feature, which will be appreciated by many collectors, is the introduction of a prize catalogue of all varieties of post cards, which, from the brief inspection we gave it, seems to be very complete. U. S. and Canadian stamps have advanced greatly in many instances. The U. S. 1847, 10c., has advanced from \$2.25 to \$3.00 ; the U. S. 1861, 5c., yellow, has advanced from \$4.50 to \$5.00 ; the 1890, 90c., orange, has gone up to 40c. ; the 90c., purple, of the 1889 issue, has been advanced to 75c., which price, considering the large quantities held by dealers for the purpose of speculation, is far too high. The Columbian set are priced in used condition at \$18.25. Among the department stamps there are a few marked changes, that of the Justice set being especially noticeable. Canadian collectors will appreciate the cataloguing of many varieties of British North American stamps which the firm have hitherto omitted. Among the Canadian the different sizes of perforation, varieties of paper, and the watermarked issue of 1868, are now for the first time listed. Among the advances in Canada