

A Condensed Philatelic Encyclopædia.

By OBSERVER.

Albino. A stamp printed without ink, usually means white when it should have been some other color. An impression taken without inking the plates.

Amber, rose. Two words to designate color. The first has reference to the color of the stamp proper, and the word in italics refers to the color or tint of the paper upon which the stamp is printed.

Approval, approbation, sanction or liking. Stamps sent on approval are stamps to be seen before purchasing.

Bands. Wrappers used on newspapers and small packages.

Battone. Foreign note paper having parallel lines close together both horizontally and vertically.

Bogus stamps. Stamps made to defraud collectors. Stamps of which there are no originals.

Burelage or Burele. Network of fine lines covering the face of the stamp. When on the back of the stamp it is sometimes called moire but this is more properly wavy lines to represent a mottled appearance.

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