



PHILATELIC PHUNNIGRAMS.

By different people.

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Not Bashful.

Host.-- "Well Rastus what can I 'Servia'to"

Familiar Guest.-- "Hanover' 'Samoa' ob dat 'Turkey' wid lots ob 'Greece.'"

A New Fad.

Sam.-- "Did you hear the latest fad among philatelists"

Dan.-- "No! What is it?"

Sam.-- "Why they're beginning to collect door-mats because there are so many stamps on them."



POST CARD COLUMN.

Under this heading we will publish any question which our readers may wish to ask, which can be written on a post card and will throw it open for subscribers to answer. Answers to be published in following issue.



In what part of the world are the Seychelles Islands?

Is Samoa in the U.P. U?

Ignorance.



In how many distinct shades is the Canada 10ct. violet to be found?

D.K.:

POSTAL RATES IN THE GOOD OLD TIMES.

The following Postal Information is taken from an Almanac of 1858.

CANADIAN POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
Canada.--The postage on letters transmitted between any two places in Canada is Five cents for every half ounce pre-payment being optional. Newspapers sent by Canadian publishers to their subscribers go free. On all other papers a postage of One cent must be prepaid or they will not be forwarded.



Lower Provinces.-- The postage on letters to the Lower Provinces is as follows:--New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, Five cents. Newfoundland, 12 1-2 cents. Letters to be forwarded by British steamer from Boston must be so addressed. This will increase the postage 7 1-2 cents.



Letters to Great Britain and Ireland.

The postage on letters not exceeding half an ounce is by Cunard Steamer 10d or about 17 cts. By Canadian Mail Steamer, 7 1-2d or twelve and a half cts. Letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight, may be forwarded to Non-commissioned officers, Soldiers or Seamen in Her Majesty's Service, on pre-paying 1d.



United States.--Letters posted in Canada for any of the Atlantic States are rated at a uniform rate of 10 cents.



DOES THE THREE CENT CANADIAN STAMP CHANGE COLOR.

FROM THE CAN. WEEKLY STAMP NEWS.

In connection with the present 3ct. stamp question has just arisen a point as to whether or not a change in the color is advisable. Recently a prominent Ottawa barrister was charged by an officer of the department that he had been using 3-cent stamps which had been treated with acid the interference being that they were cancelled stamps which had been cleaned. Had it not been for the high professional standing of the gentleman referred to a prosecution might have followed,