

ODD NOTES.

MR. HENRY HECHLER, our prominent stamp and coin dealer, has been elected as an Alderman for the City of Halifax in a recent election.

HENRY CLOTZ, of New York, has been appointed Superintendent of the Exchange Department of the A. P. A. We wish him every success in his new position.

SINCE the philatelists of Halifax will not form a philatelic Society of their own, we trust that if it is decided to start a Canadian Philatelic Society they will give it all the help that they can.

WE would like to see some of our contemporaries give a little more space to good philatelic articles, and not devote so much to wrangling about subjects that are not in our line at all.

CUBA has issued a provisional stamp. It consists of one of the regular stamps cut into and used as a half of the original value.

THERE are quite a number of people who owe us sundry small amounts, who, if they do not show up before next number will be entitled to a prominent position on our Black List.

Messrs Larsen Bros. of this city intend entering upon the wholesale business of stamps, post cards, etc. They are now importing a large stock, and will open business about September next.

The *Philatelic Gazette* has lit upon another firm dealing in counterfeit stamps. Verily they are becoming a terror to evil doers.

The *American Philatelist* is no more, that is as the official organ of the A. P. A. The board of management have decided that the *Western Philatelist* be the paper to represent the A. P. A., but the vote of the members gave a preference to the *Philatelic Journal of America*.

In a vote recently taken by *The Western Philatelist*, as to which is the best philatelic paper, it resulted as follows.

1. Western Philatelist. 2. Philatelic Journal of America. 3. Stamp. 4. Philatelic Gazette. 5. Quaker City Philatelist. 6. Stamp Collector's Figaro. 7. Keystone Stat. Philatelist. 8. Halifax Philatelist. 9. Collector's Review. 10. Philatelic World.

We do not know if all the other philatelic papers named, accept the position designated them by the subscribers of the *Western Philatelist*, but we certainly think that if any other of the papers took a vote it would naturally result in placing their own paper at the head of the list. We presume that all the other papers who have got no place, are no good at all, and might as well be dispensed with.

The *Quaker City Philatelist Society* have got themselves into a pretty tight place, in regard to the stand they have taken concerning the Chalmers' Mill controversy, and we are afraid that they will have to bring forth some stronger arguments than they have done to get out of it.

The *Quaker City Philatelist* thinks that the selection of the *Western Philatelist* as the official organ of the A. P. A. was caused through the vote of an interested party, (S. B. Bradt.)