

PERSONALS.

Mr. O. E. Klapp, of St. Paris, Ohio, is a printer by trade. He possesses a collection of about 2,000 varieties, mostly U.S.

Mr. J. E. Handshaw, the well-known dealer of Smithtown Branch, N.Y., runs a large stationery store in that town.

Mr. H. J. Wright, a leading collector of Toronto, Ont., is a leading barrister of that city.

Mr. Roy F. Green, of the *Eagle Philatelist*, has just recovered from a long illness, and the publication of the magazine, which was suspended during his illness, will be at once resumed. Glad you are better, Roy!

Mr. Fr. Gottorff, one of the oldest collectors of Hamilton, runs a large marble and monument works on York street, in that city.

We had the pleasure of a call from Mr. A. M. Scott, a prominent collector and druggist of Woodstock, a few days since.

Capt. E. F. Wurtelle, of Quebec, is treasurer of the Q.M. and C. Ry. He possesses a collection of about 7,000 varieties.

Mr. W. C. Benson, one of our advertisers, attends the High School in this city.

Mr. O. L. Schmidt, of Harriston, Ont., is a teacher in the Hamilton High School.

Mr. W. Corbman, of Port Severn, Ont., is a boat-builder by trade.

Mr. R. F. Maddigan, of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, is a grocer and stationer of that city.

Mr. George C. Harvey, of Constantine, Mich., is assistant cashier in the First National Bank of Constantine.

Mr. E. V. Parker, one of the leading philatelists of Toronto, is at present spending two weeks among the Montreal collectors.

Mr. Morten Webb, late of Petrolia, has removed to Montreal, where he will permanently reside.

Mr. Lionel E. Widder, of Goderich, Ont., has removed to London.

Mr. H. A. Kreis, a collector of Cardington, Ohio, is dead.

Mr. L. S. Morton, who writes New York and Brooklyn notes for *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News*, is a medical student.

Mr. W. L. Scott, late of Kagoshima, Japan, has removed to Mobile, Alabama. Mr. Scott is probably the largest dealer in Japanese stamps in the world.

Mr. C. W. Grevning, of New York, late of the firm of Albrecht & Co., has left the above firm, and is now with H. Gremmel.

The publisher of the *San Marino Philatelist* informs us in the last issue of his paper that he is on his honeymoon trip!

FROM OVER THE BORDER.

Mr. Loney A. Roth, of Boulder, Colorado, informs me that he will issue *The Rocky Mountain Philatelist* on January 1st, 1893. I am afraid another publisher will find the sea of journalism not as smooth as it looks, but a trifle "rocky."

Mr. W. F. Bishop, of La Grange, Ill., is hard at work on his new album, "The Columbian." He is giving it very extensive advertising, and from what I have heard I judge it will be a success. One of the strong points in its favor is, that (it is claimed) you cannot misplace a stamp with this album. The publisher says it is the album of the future, but it takes some skill to prepare an album that will excel Scott's International.

"Another miserable sheet, the *Massachusetts Philatelist*, is announced (by the *Philatelic Era*) to appear on Jan. 1st." I don't know why the editor of the *Era* called it a miserable sheet; surely he does not think it will prove a rival!

Mr. Deats, of Flemington, N.J., has purchased the large stock of philatelic literature held by the Western Philatelic Publishing Co. of Chicago. Close on 50,000 pieces were included in the deal, many being very rare. The company also transferred to Mr. Deats all of their copyright, with plates, etc. This is one of the largest deals in philatelic literature at present on record.

Another supposed fraud has turned up in Buffalo: A. J. Merlin, 13 Church street. The Post-office Inspector is trying to locate him. There is no such number in Church street, Buffalo.

The third Assistant Postmaster-General is still persistent in his determination to crush all papers who have the misfortune to be smaller than their contemporaries. The *Postal Card* is one of the latest "victims."

The membership of the Sons of Philately is now about 600. Another large list of applications was published last month. Will their rapid advance continue?

The Monthly Visitor, a philatelic magazine, has changed hands, and the new publisher will continue it as an amateur journal, with a philatelic department. The unexpired subscriptions will be filled by the *Nebraska Stamp*.

It is said that the United States Postmaster-General receives more mail matter than any one person in the United States.

The new Reply Card is having a very extensive use. I find that collectors cut them in two and use them in preference to the common cards. By the way, have you ever noticed the small quantities of small cards that are used?

The long-dead alive! Have you heard the latest? Herbert C. Beardsley, in partnership with Mr. A. Swanbeck, will resurrect his *Western Philatelist* on January 1st. This is news, and welcome at that.

More anon.

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