

TORONTO NOTES.

Mr. C. H. Mekeel, of St. Louis, Mo., was a recent and a welcome visitor to our City the past month. The Local fraternity has not had the pleasure of a visit from Mr. Meekeel since 1894, and it goes without saying that we all were again glad to welcome him to our city. Mr Mekeel combines business and pleasure, and I understand that he secured some particularly fine lots of B.N.A. from the local dealers.

Speaking about the prospects of the coming winter trade Mr. Mekeel assured your correspondent that philately will shortly see a revival that has not been experienced since the balmy days of '88 and '90. We trust that every effort will be put forth by collectors and dealers alike to give the many new appointments a cordial and hearty reception into the ranks of philately.

Something interesting has developed here during the past month. A local dealer purchased in the usual way 1400 surcharged 3c Numerals, bunched in 100 lots. As customary for him he opened a few hundred to examine the condition of same, only to find that the entire lot were bogus (i.e., bogus surcharged), and had been carefully salted (if I am permitted to use the term), with a genuine surcharge on the top of each hundred lots.

Upon examination we find that the work is likely that of an amateur, very poorly executed, and printed with a rubber hand stamp. I would therefore advise any collectors or dealers to carefully examine any future lots which they may have offered to them, as I regret to say many have been sent out of town, likely from the same source from whence they came.

While on the subject of bogus stamps perhaps many readers are ignorant of the fact that the much lauded Great Barrier Island or pigeon post stamp has, through the efforts of Witchfield, King, and Co., to be a rubber stamp label, and the most deplorable fact is that that the work has been done by a dealer, who once resided until recently in Montreal, Canada. It would be interesting to know who this party is. Perhaps some of our readers in Montreal can enlighten us.

Dealers in Toronto report business on the decline during the past month. The only reason given is that collectors have the War fever to some extent, and, together with the new catalogue, tend to slacken trade somewhat. However, a revival is expected shortly, and we all are quite confident in a brisk winter trade.

Quite a few amateur dealers are represented in the windows of various book and stationery stores

through the city. 1, 2, 3c. sheets and packets to suit any purse, are displayed, and one usually sees a crowd of youngsters discussing the ways and means of philately about these spots after school hours. Not a few collectors in this city have received their first inspiration to collect through this medium.

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23	Ditto, ditto, 4c brown.....	50
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25	Ditto, 1897, 5c blue.....	55
26	Ditto, 1894, 1c Red Brown.....	10
27	Ditto, ditto, 8c mauve.....	10
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