

Our Review.

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The November number of the Allegheny Philatelist contains twelve pages and cover. Phil. A. Telist tells us that all kinds of exchanging, whether through the Exchange Dept. of a society or with foreign collectors is a loss of time and money.

Now Mr. Telist tells us that the best way to get rid of our duplicates is to place them on sheets, and send them with lowest cash price to some reliable dealer.

Mr. Telist evidently has had some doleful experiences in the way of exchanging.

"Some Type Differences" by Mack, is the leading article in the December Herald Exchange. The essay is 'to be continued,' and treats so far of the type differences of the U. S. Confederate States and the Argentine Republic. It is written in a nice easy style and is pleasing as well as instructive.

The Xmas number of the Eastern Philatelist leads off with the Lesser Antilles by S. Mr. Hy. A. Chapman in his essay, "1874 and 1898" tells us that in 1874 light U. S. stamps could be purchased for \$1.82, and now in '98 the very same stamps can be purchased for the modest sum of \$367. What about Philately as an investment?

Mr. Chapman's Press Review is also very interesting. Mr. B. L. Drew conducts the "New Issues Month by Month" Dept. The December New York

Philatelist is a corker and no mistake. Mr. J. F. Farrell has a poem, "Philatelia" written in the metre of Longfellow's "Excelsior." The poem contains four stanzas. We are surprised to see in the editorials that Editor Herbst objects to our Imperial penny stamps. To use his own words, "The stamp itself is not very handsome altho the design is quite appropriate." Perhaps friend Herbst sees too much red to suit his taste, but I think all us Canadians agree that the stamp is quite as handsome, as appropriate.

New Issues of Peru.

Unpaid—5 soles. light green; 10 soles, lilac.

Wrappers—10c green, old type
Post cards—1 cent. violet; 2 cent. red; 3 cent. greenish gray; 1 cent. brown. These cards each bear a view; 40 varieties in all.

We are indebted for the above and a copy of the new 4 centavos brown, post card to Messrs. Williams & Co., Lima, Peru.

Thanks.

A copy of the new directory of Nebraska, compiled and published by William B. Hopson has been received. It contains over 1100 addresses of active collectors and is very neat. The price is 10 cents.

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The letter rate from the Dominion to the United States has been reduced from 3c to 2c making 2c per half ounce to certain British possessions and 2c per 1 ounce for city and any point in Canada or United States.