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The forgeries, being turned out today, are far more dangerous and ten times more likely to deceive, than those of the '60's and '70's. We must not believe that we are outgrowing the forger. The forgers have brought their art to a high state of perfection. No one can doubt that there are more high-class forgeries at present than ever. No doubt there is more counterfeiting of surcharges, grills, fraudulent postal cancellations on revenue stamps, fraudulent perforations, etc., than ever before.—John D. Kirke.

It is probable that when all the County Clerks in the U.S. have found all the revenue stamps and put them on the market these "boomed" stamps, with prices greatly inflated, will drop to their real value.—Georges Carion.

I sold these Columbians, unused, for less than face value, because they represent the total proceeds of a Harlem widow's fortune, which had been invested in them. The \$2.00 unused has been selling in quantities, for from \$1.50 to \$1.80 apiece, when the corner broke. The poor woman was in despair, having over\$100,000 invested. As a last resort we applied to the Postmaster-General offering to sell the stamps or exchange them for others used at present. We received a very brief reply stating that "neither this dep't. nor its postmasters will redeem or exchange postage stamps."—Albrecht Loewit.

There are now being published many articles that should nover have been allowed in a philatelic periodical, but publishers are compelled to accept them as the demand for philatelic Mss far exceeds the supply.—S. E. Simpson.

It is not the lack of manuscript, but the quality, which necessitates publishers filling their pages with worthless articles.—W. W. Jewett,

I do not deprecate the practice of reviewing publications and critizing writers to a certain extent. It is the extent and character of the criticisms to which I object. Here is "la juste millien."—W. L. Moise.

Another set of terms is added to the collectors descriptive vocabulary. The expression "N. W. corner" is used instead of "upper left hand corner," etc. The geographical terms save much space and should be adopted by all.—Ed. H Wilkinson.

A surcharged issue was adopted in British North Borneo to save delay and expense of preparing new dies. We are not Philatelists, and the objection raised against the stamps, which arises apparently from a collectors' point of view, is not one that we feel called upon to consider.—Benj. T. Kindersley, Sec'y B. N. B, Co.

A person who knows anything worth while about Philately and Philology, should be able to find many connectious, very interesting, between the two.—A. E. Layman.

It is a weak plea to ask U. S. specialists to collect Canada stamps because it may be annexed. The U. S. may be annexed to Canada. Canadians do not want annexation and the U. S. is large enough now to be comfortable.—W. Wethee.

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