

Philatelic Literature dropped in on us again last month after a long vacation. Although not up to former issues it was very welcome.

Wouldn't it be a blessing if some one were to slide up behind the guy that writes the Dutch "twaddle" served up in such inelegant style in the Philatelic Spectator and smite him with an axe.

We think we see signs of a lively "put to" between the Virginia Philatelist and the Philatelic Bulletin. The papers have had one editorial shot at each other and there will doubtless be more to follow.

The Twin-City Philatelic Ass'n.

The stamp collectors of Berlin and Waterloo have banded themselves together for mutual benefit under the name of the Twin-City Philatelic Association. The organization took place on Feb. 21, in the directors' office of the Economical Fire Ins. Co., of Berlin. The following officers were elected:

President—Rev. R. von Pirch, Berlin.
Waterloo Vice-Pres.—A. B. McBride
Berlin Vice-Pres.—Rev. Eli S. Moyer
Sec'y-Treas.—W. H. Schmalz, Berlin
Counterfeit Detector—F. H. Illing,
Berlin.

Librarian—H. W. Ernst, Berlin
Auction Manager—F. I. Weaver, Berlin
Executive Committee—Messrs F. B. Filsinger, Waterloo; G. A. McIntyre, Berlin; A. B. McBride, Waterloo; B. Poehlman, Waterloo, J. Knauff, Berlin, to act with the President and Sec'y.

After talking over the work to be done the meeting adjourned until Mar. 2nd. On the latter date a most interesting meeting was held. Three new members

were admitted. President von Pirch presented the Association with Stanley Gibbon's catalogue bound in three volumes. By the next meeting, April 6th, it is expected that all the departments will be in working order.

Thanks Bro. Wylie.

Here is what W. O. Wylie says of ENERGY in its new form, in the March Adhesive: "ENERGY Vol. 1, No. 1, Berlin, Ont., springs up out of that hot bed of activity, with F. I. Weaver the power behind the throne. It is modest in size yet withal so lively as to win an audience with the casual reader. It has a good opportunity to grow."

From the Western Metropolis.

By Arthur C. Trask.

The Prairie State Philatelist is announced to appear from Chicago. We wish the new comer success.

Samuel Leland has resigned the presidency of the Chicago Philatelic Society because of lack of time. Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer has been elected to the office.

Mr. Wolsieffer has just put on the market a decided novelty in the shape of a button, bearing a genuine postage stamp.

The C. P. S. Auction Sale which occurred on Jan. 27th, was a decided success. Mr. Massoth acted as auctioneer and he disposed of nearly four hundred lots at fair prices. There were about 50 collectors in attendance and the society's room was full to its utmost capacity. The collection of 2870 varieties catalogued at \$185 by the 59th brought \$40. A \$5 Canada Jubilee brought \$2.45 and a \$2 Jubilee brought \$1.05.