

form the staple of her export trade. The school system is very complete, and comprises 18 Public and Separate Schools, a Collegiate Institute and a number of private educational establishments. There are 54 churches of all denominations and two large Convents. News is furnished by three papers, The Times, Spectator, and Herald, the two former issue weekly editions. To philatelists Hamilton is the "city of stamp collectors," having more active collectors than any other city in Canada.

Space, however, will not permit a more lengthy description.

Come and see for yourself at the Convention on July 1st and 2nd. All will be made welcome.

#### Hamilton Notes.

The Hamilton Stamp Club have nearly completed arrangements whereby they will obtain the use of the Hamilton Y. M. C. A. Hall for convention purposes. This fact alone ought to attract a large number of delegates.

In the interests of the Ontario Philatelist, R. G. Widdicombe and W. A. Beatty of St. Catharines paid a visit to the H. S. C. on good Good Friday and Saturday. On Good Friday afternoon some of the members and the visitors went for a ramble over the beautiful mountain and it was only with much difficulty that we persuaded the visitors to come away from the building on top, (the Asylum), but in the end we are sorry to say, we had

to leave one of our own members there.

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"War" has been declared between the Philatelic Advocate and Ontario Philatelist. The struggle is likely to be a warm one but as far as the Hamilton electors are concerned it will be cool as they are with few exceptions in favor of the Advocate.

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The new 3c envelope has made its appearance here. It is in every respect a neater stamp and the design is much ahead of the old one.

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Our mutual friend Mr. P. K. Moore will not attend the convention this year, having departed this life to a much larger convention above.

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Quite a few 10c Jubilees were sold at the Post Office here a few days ago. It is stated that the small country Post Offices have not been able to dispose of their supply and are sending them up to the cities to be disposed of.

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It is evident that speculators in the Jubilees are getting tired of holding them. The writer has recently seen two different letters, one with four 1-2c Jubilees and a 1c new issue and the other two 1-2c Jubilees and a 2c new issue. Collectors be on the lookout.

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The programme committee has nearly completed a large programme for the D. P. A. Convention. Everybody come.

"PHILO."