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## SOME POINTS FOR CANADIAN COLLECTORS.

Arrangements have been made for an increase in the limit of weight from 7 lbs. to 11 lbs. of parcels addressed to or received from the United Kingdom, and for a reduction in the rate of postage for each pound in excess of one pound from 20 cts to 16 cts; the rate for the first pound will continue as at present, 20 cts. This increase in the limit of weight will also be extended to parcels for or from other countries, to which parcels in excess of 7 lbs. weight are sent by the United Kingdom. All letters which may be posted having postage stamps affixed thereon, which appear to have been previously used, are to be post-marked and transmitted to the Postmaster General, the words "Stamps previously used" being written across the face of the letter. The only request letters that can be recognized or dealt with as such are those originated within the Dominion, the United States or Newfoundland, and addressed to places in those countries. Similar requests appearing on letters from other countries cannot be complied with.

A Postmaster is not legally bound to furnish change to persons purchasing stamps wherewith to prepay their letters, nor is a Postmaster required to affix stamps for the public to letters, etc., posted at his office. but may require that the exact amount of postage due upon any letter or packet be tendered to him in current coin, and that the necessary postage stamps be affixed thereto before any letter or packet is accepted for posting. Prepayment on letters addressed to Postal Union countries generally is not compulsory, but in case of non-prepayment or insufficient prepayment, the letters are stamped "T" at the dispatching exchange Office, and go forward subject to a charge of double the amount of deficient postage. Unpaid or insufficiently paid letters posted in Postal Union countries addressed to Canada are likewise charged on delivery in this country with double the deficient postage. Registered letters must however be fully prepaid at the time of posting, and if not fully prepaid, as regards both postage and registration fee, will not be forwarded.

The Registration fee to all Postal Union countries is five cents. The special stamps will soon go out of use, and the old oblong series of 2 cent, 5 cent and 8 cent will now be consigned to the care of philatelists.—CANADENSIS.

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