

Chevely & Co.

London, Dec. 23.—Mr. Chevely concluded a two night's sale of 446 lots last night. A few prices:—

	£.	s.	d.
Gibraltar, 30r., varieties.....	2	0	0
Spain, 1852, 2r., fine.....	3	0	0
Moldavia, 1st issue, 108 paras.....	18	0	0
Cape, woodblock, 1d. blue, error.....	25	0	0
Natal, 1s., buff, very fine.....	26	0	0
U. S. Executive, complete set.....	2	16	0
" Baton Rouge, 5c.....	15	0	0
Canada, 7½d., green, fine.....	1	4	0
Nevis, 1st issue, 1s.....	18	0	0
Victoria, 2s., green, rouletted.....	5	0	0

Messrs. Venton, Bull & Cooper.

Tokenhouse Yard, Dec. 10.—The above firm held a sale here this evening. We give below a few of the prices realized:—

	£.	s.	d.
Br. Guiana, 1850, 8c. consular, ent round.....	7	0	0
Lagos, 10, pence.....	2	0	0
Mauritius, 1848, 1d., unused.....	2	5	10
New Brunswick, 1, fine.....	6	10	0
St. Vincent, 5, star.....	2	6	0
Spain, 1854, 1r., light blue, used.....	4	8	0
Geneva, the double stamp joined.....	7	2	6
Turk's Islands, 1s., prune.....	4	0	0

Others are omitted for want of space.

Correspondents' Column.

[This column is open to all, and we hope you will take the opportunity to express yourself on any Philatelic question. Those who want any information should send in their queries, which will be published in the following number.]

H. E. M., West Winsted, Conn.:—From what your description implies, your stamp is a revenue of Brazil, of no great value.

R. F. M., Charlottetown, P. E. I.:—(1.) The best Canadian Society is the P. S. of C., dues 50c. per year; Secretary, H. F. Mooers, of Kingston, Ont. (2.) Tobacco stamps of Canada are collected by many and are hard to obtain. (3.) The Stamp Collector's Companion will be ready some time in March.

SHE BOUGHT POSTAGE STAMPS.

"Where did you buy that delicious perfume?" remarked a lady to a friend recently, upon detecting the exhalations of a most pleasing odor.

"At Blank Brothers," replied the person addressed, naming a prominent firm of chemists and perfumers. "They have a wonderful variety from which to select."

"Yes, I suppose so; but then are they not dreadfully high in their prices? Druggists always get more for their wares than any other class of men."

"I suppose they do," remarked the owner of the perfume. "My husband says they charge twice as much as other people, and I suppose it must be so, but there seems to be no help for it."

"Oh, mamma," spoke up the youthful daughter of the lady, who had remained an interested auditor of the conversation. "I don't think druggists charge more than other folks."

"Why, what do you know about it, my dear?"

"What have you ever bought from them?"

"Oh, postal stamps and postal cards," came the quick reply from the little one; "and," she added, "they don't charge no more for 'em than they do at the post-office."

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CURRENT PHILATELIC TOPICS

FROM ACROSS THE BORDER.

"Another one gone." The *Missouri Philatelist*, which has sprung such a record in the arena, has sold out to Ralph P. Spooner, of *The Stamp*.

It is not generally known, I think, that the only specimen known of the Alexandria, Va., 5c black, rests securely in the album of John K. Tiffany. This specimen could not be purchased for thousands.

There will soon be a change in the Columbian 1 cent stamp as it too closely resembles the special delivery stamp, and can be effectually used as a medicine label.

F. F. Gambs, of San Francisco fame, is said to be a successful photographer. A joke some years ago was enacted by him, and it was a costly one too! He placed one of the rare Hawaiian Missionary Stamps which catalogue at over \$100 in a 10 cent packet by mistake, and after he discovered his blunder offered \$50 reward for its return. "But it never came back!"

In a glass frame, in the office of a prominent stamp dealer one can see in this condensed space such stamps as St. Louis 10 and 5c; Baltimore Buchanan; Brattleboro; New York issues. While last, one gazes on the oft longed for "Millbury." Wonder who this dealer is?

H. E. Deats, like Von Ferarry, guards his stamps jealously in large steel vaults.

There is only one man or person I know of who possesses a genuine "Connell New Brunswick Stamp," and that is T. G. Sanders, of Omaha, Neb. He says he will not part with it!

Speaking of the above reminds one of the fact "who possesses a genuine Brattleboro," we read of so much? And some dealers have the nerve to list them in their catalogues.

A dealer in glassware had a quality of goods with fac-similes of U. S. coins for sale. He received a letter from a U. S. authority, asking him where and when he got the goods. The grocer replied to the query, answering all questions, and was told by the officer to keep strictly out of that business. I never heard what was done to the manufacturing company, but doubtless a seizure followed. The grocer says he has had experience enough in this line to keep out of the "reprint biz." He's wise!

Yours till the future,
PROFESSOR.

RE OUR HANDBOOK No. 1.

Your handbook No. 1, "The Stamps of British North America," just received. Was much pleased with it, and must say that it is the best work on Canadian stamps I have yet seen. Enclosed find 25 cents for your Handbook No. 2.

Yours truly,
FRANK M. LAWRENCESON.
Canton, O., Feb. 4, '92.