

year he obtained from him another loan of 100,000 "dollars" at what is called the low interest of six per cent.

About the year 1700 there was a Scottish coin called dollar, worth about 4s. 6d., English. These coins, according to Sir Isaac Newton, were put away in the North of England for 5s., and at this price began to flow into England. In Sir Isaac's report upon the coinage (1707), he says, "I gave notice to the Lords of the Treasury, and they ordered the collector of taxes to forbear taking them, and thereby put a stop to the mischief."

In Reis, "Cyclopædia" (1802-19) we find the following: "Dollar, or daller, a silver coin nearly of the value of the Spanish piece of eight or French crown. Dollars are coined in divers parts of Germany and Holland, and have their diminutions as semi-dollars, quarter dollars, &c.

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EDITORIAL REMARKS.

MR. J. R. HOOPER requests us to state that he has been appointed Canadian Agent for L'Echo de la Timbrologie.

THE address of the "Nederland Tydschrift voor Postzegelkunde" is now "Nieuwendyk, 114," and not Spengstraat, 171, as given in our advertising columns.

TIFFANY'S "Library Companion" is now advertised for issue in January. It is to be hoped that no further delay will occur. It will include all papers that have appeared up to December 31st.

THE number of persons contributing "Canadian Notes" to the American philatelic press, is rapidly increasing. Who they all are, is the question. Who is "Moose"? If you find him, shoot him.

MR. KITCHENSON is now Canadian Agent for Mekeel's albums and publications.

THE "Stamp Collectors' Gazette" has appeared from Liverpool, G. B. Mr. Geo. Birtwhistle, Editor.

OUR LITTLE FOLKS VISITOR, of Basil, Ohio, has added a Philatelic Department to its already overflowing columns. Support it.

WE claim that the article on the Coins of Nova Scotia, in the Nov. "Old Curiosity Shop" is a plagiarism on those in the first two numbers of this paper.

PLAIN TALK, under its new management, is a decided improvement over the old paper. This is especially noticeable in the Philatelic Department, which is now conducted by Mr. Alvah Davison,

THE "Old Curiosity Shop" is now owned by Mr. E. M. Haight, Riverside, California. It presents a neat appearance, is well edited, and has readable contents. We hope its wanderings have ceased.

THE Editor of the "Stamp Collector" will please mind his own business, which is as much as any man can attend to, and do it well. Confine your time and brains to the improvement of your paper,—especially to proof-reading—and don't bother about us.

IT is a pity that Mr. Goodrich was unable to continue the "Eastern Philatelist" in the excellent form in which the first issue of the new volume appeared; but he did right to return to the old style, when he did not receive the prompt support of collectors.

MR. W. S. McLEAN, formerly of Englishtown, Cape Breton, now of 11 Church St., Boston, announces a new venture in the philatelic line, the "Stamp Collectors' Guide." It will contain a directory of stamp collectors, papers, and societies; philatelic doings of 1898, statistics, choice articles, etc. Write him. It will cost 30 cents, paper; 55 cents, cloth.