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Stamp Collecting.

Just now the stamp collecting mania has infected so many thousands that what would otherwise be worthless bits of paper command startling prices. "Stamp collecting is the most alluring of hobbies," said a dealer to a New York "Sun" reporter. There are 6500 stamps known. The value of certain single stamps is equal to many a person's yearly income.

A leading banker, whose residence is on Madison Avenue, has an album of stamps worth at the lowest estimate \$30,000. Another album owned by a lady is valued at \$25,000. I could name several more varying in value from \$20,000 to \$5000. "Are corners in the stamp market possible?" "Certainly! many collectors are at present buying up all the match box and medicine revenue stamps which passed out of use some time ago. They hope to create a corner in the market, and get them off their hands at immense prices. We sold a match box stamp the other day for \$15." "What collections have been sold at notably high prices." "There was one sold in London in 1870 for \$8000. Another sold in Paris for 40,000 francs. We ourselves have sold several \$5000 collections. This may surprise you, but remember that some of these little stamps sell for more than

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"When and where did this mania for stamp collecting begin."

"It may be said to have originated in London in 1862 when Mount Brown Esq, published the first list of postage stamps. Dr. J. E. Gray of the British Museum, followed with a similar and more complete work in the same year. These works were widely read, excited much curiosity, and caused thousands to become stamp collectors. The mania went on increasing until at present I can safely say there are more than a million persons seriously devoted to collecting stamps." "Anon."

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