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The Halifax Phila-Haps and telic magazine has appeared dated January, 1897. It is edited by

Mr. Alex: M. Muirhead who' was first to fill the editorial chair of the Canadian Philatelic Magazine. It means no harm to the D.P.A. rest assured. The new paper is published by Muirhead and Van Malder Halifax N.S.

The Pennsylvania Stamp has ceased to exist as have also the Bay State Philatelist, Stamp Facts, Washington Philatelist.

Mr. Alex. Nafe of Preston spent part of the holidays in Berlin.

The Ontario Philatelic Association is now an assured thing. All Ontario collectors should communicate at once with the secretary pro tem; Mr. Pritchard Box 316 London Out.

The Toronto Daily Mail and Empire recently gave an interesting article on stamp collecting, two columns in length. It was illustrated with cuts of W.H.Brouse, president of the Toronto Philatelic Club, and Walter McMahon two of Toronto's most prominent philatelists. It also contained illustrations of rare and curious stamps.

D.P.A. becoming a power in the land. If every member does his duty the member-

does his duty the membership will be nearly four hundred one year hence. This year is going to be one in which many things will happen which will go down in philatelic history. Let us make it D. P. A. year. Let each and every member get to work and not stop until the four hundred mark has been reached, it can be done now do it.

Rememer it is not only Canadians we want as new members. Gather in all your forty second cousins the world over.

A person would almost think the dues were enough to break some people by the work it takes to convince them to join whereas they are only 25c. per year. Now don't be an old fogy but