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[All philatelic publications received are reviewed under this heading in a fair and impartial manner. Exchanges are requested to send two copies.]

The *Royal Philatelist* for June, comes to hand much enlarged and improved.

The *Florida Philatelist* is announced to appear on July 1st. D. C. Hazen, of Thonotosassa, Florida.

The *Chicago Stamp News* for June is illustrated with, what we suppose to be, a reproduction of the S. R. Bradt Co.'s store.

Mr. Cleve Scott, of Central City, Neb., is soon to issue his *Manual of Philately*, in which will be found some fine articles by America's best Philatelic writers.

We received the July *Philatelic Monthly and World* on the 26th of June. It well deserves the title of being the promptest Philatelic journal in the field.

The *Ohio Stamp News*, a little four-page sheet, published by Harris & Sanford, of Garrettsville, Ohio. We have the first issue before us, and it is little more than a price-list.

The *Stamp Collector* for June is greatly above its usual standard. We are pleased to notice these needed improvements, and trust they will continue.

The *Detroit Philatelist* for June is composed of a reprinted article, an abundance of short notes, well-written editorials, reports of the Detroit Philatelic Society and Michigan Philatelic Association.

The *North-Western Monthly* is one of the best amateur papers on our exchange list. It is constantly improving, every number issued being better than the preceding one. It is published at Fargo, North Dakota.

The first issue of a fine high-class journal, *The Humanitarian*, has reached us for the first time. It is a fine piece of composition, art, and typographical appearance, and as it contains no advertisements it is a typical journal of its class.

The *Pennsylvania Philatelist* for June is somewhat better than it heretofore was. It contains "The Philatelic Publisher's Soliloquy," a very interesting parody on Shakespeare; "The Philatelic Writer," "The Duty on Stamps," composing the best part of the reading matter. The editor expresses his views under an article headed "Amalgamation Certain."

Our aged contemporary, *The Stamp News*, seems to have that complaint so common to Philatelic papers in summer, "Decrease in size." The number before us is only about one-sixth the size of the number issued a few months back. The matter is, however, unchanged in quality.

The *Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser* for June is before us, but, as usual, its chronicle and advertisements constitute the largest part of the journal. It contains a quantity of reliable auction reports, and a valuable article on reprinted stamps is now in course of publication in this journal. Sample copy free, by addressing 23 Francis Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, England.

The *Post Office* for June is still pushing the A. P. A. and amalgamation. The June issue contains a supplement on pink paper, which, with prominent headlines, and brilliant expressions, has but one object in view—amalgamation. The *Post Office* evidently succeeds in making good use of the amalgamation cry to its own advantage by filling up space with this all-important topic.

Although some of its English rivals have hinted that the quality of its matter was degenerating, it is our opinion that the *Philatelic Record* is still maintaining its usual standard. The June issue now before us, consists of superior editorials, a first-class chronicle "The Stamps of France," a rehearsal of matter relating to the "Official Stamps of South Australia," etc. Published at 11 Queen Victoria Street, London, England.

Among our many exchanges there are few that are making such rapid strides as our worthy contemporary the *Eagle Philatelist*. The June issue now before us is brim full to the top with good things, and among them we may mention a well-written poetical selection on "The Baby King" (stamp), by Roy F. Greene; "The Stamps of Canada," by J. R. Hooper; "The Proposed Increased Subscriptions to Philatelic Magazines—a Dissent," by Lieut. H. M. T. Chandler. Besides this there is abundance of well-written editorials, and a portrait and sketch of J. Henry Thomas, a New England Philatelist. This paper deserves first-class support.

The *Philatelic Journal of America* for June comes to hand with some changes worthy of notice. First, the publishers have invested in a new cover plate, which is of very tasty design; again, the publishers have done that which they expressed their disapproval of some time since; in other words, they have raised their subscription price from 50c. to \$1 per year. Besides its usual chronicle and notes, it contains some valuable information on the counterfeits of the early Spanish stamps, together with well-executed, enlarged cut, showing the distinctive differences of the forged and genuine stamps. A few good articles are also given. Published by C. H. Mekeel, Locust st., St. Louis, Mo. Sample copy free.