

SOME STAMP FINDS.

WITH APOLOGIES TO BARON WM. CHAUSEN AND LEWIS ROBIE. BY A. LLOYD JONES.

In the back room of a stamp shop on Nassau street, New York City, four stamp collectors had met to look at a particularly fine collection that the owner of the shop had received. He was a German who had been only a few years in the United States. After the collection had been looked over and talked about, one of the collectors, a typical Yankee, asked "How many of you here gentlemen have already read "Stamp Hunting."

This was enough to start up the German. "Mister Robie may haf mate some pretty goot findts of stamps but I tinks I haf mate some pretty goot vones mineself. I remember my first nice fint so well as I had mate him yesterday. I vas a lawyer in Baden and once I hadt to forclose on a beetle mortgage on the home of a vidder. She vas a goot honest voman and I hated to do it but I vent to see her apout it. Vile I vas dere I 'appens to notice some envelopes dat she hat peen looking at and hat not put away again. One of them hadt on a rare old Hamburg stamp dat alone wouldt almost pay one fifth of the mortgage. I vas at once curious and spoke to her apout it and she said she hat a whole lot of letters like dem she had got from her husband who hat peen a soldier and dat if the stamps were any goot to me I might haf dem and velcome. Vell, she vent and got the letters and, vat you tink! there vas enoof old German states and Alsaca and Lorraine stamps to make a cash value of apout three times the amount of dat mortgage. I told her they were verth a goot deal and if she would gif them to me I would cancel the mortgage and gif her a nice little soom of money pesides. Vell she tanked and tanked and tanked me so mooch and so often dat I feels ashamed of mine-self for vile I vas helping her I vas making as much as the voman herself got.

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UNITED STATES NOTES.

For over five years there has been no stamp paper published in Chicago; now however, the city is represented by "The Chicago Philatelist." The publishers (which are quite young) are to be commended for their enterprise.

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- 6 Tuscany, 1860, 3c lire; Yellow, unused
- 7 Moldavia, 1858, 81 paras, Black on Blue, used
- 8 Ceylon, 1857, 4 pence, Rose, unused
- 9 Moldavia, 1858, 81 paras, Black on Blue, unused
- 10 Ceylon, 1857, 8 pence, Brown, unused
- 11 Hawaii, 1851, 5c Blue, used
- 12 Newfoundland, 1857, 1 shilling, Orange, unused
- 13 Tuscany, 1860, 3 lire, Yellow, used
- 14 Hawaii, 1851, 13c Blue, used
- 15 Austria, 1851, newspaper, Mercury, Red, used
- 16 Canada, 1851, 12 pence, Black, unused
- 17 Spain, 1854, 1 real, Pale Blue, unused
- 18 British Guiana, 1856, 4c Black on Blue, used
- 19 Hawaii, 1852, 13c Blue, used
- 20 Canada, 1851, 12 pence, Black, used
- 21 Reunion Islands, 1852, 15 centimes, Black on bluish paper, unused
- 22 Cape of Good Hope, 1862, 1 penny, Blue (error), unused
- 23 Reunion Islands, 1852, 30 centimes, Black on bluish paper, unused
- 24 Cape of Good Hope, 1861, 4 pence, Red (error), used
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