

speaking from experience we consider it both convenient and profitable, moreover, just and right to patronize our home market, especially when the chances for fair treatment are in its favour. It is not in the spirit of contempt for European stamp dealers that we are writing as there are certainly a great many honorable dealers who are only too willing and ready to please their customers, nevertheless, the European continent from north to south abounds in unprincipled vendors whose study of the day and dreams of the night are how much they can "scoop" in. Philatelic papers ought to be well informed as to the standing of stamp dealers around their respective locality, and if any one should feel like taking advantage of advertisements, either to buy or sell, we think that if such party would apply to the organ of such place asking for any information relating to same, that it would be the duty of such organ to cheerfully furnish all particulars. This we think would at least be one way to bring about a more healthy atmosphere in the stamp trade. The stamp journals, on the other hand, should also exercise more care in their choice of advertisers, and not allowing a clean inch of space in exchange for a filthy amount of money.

SINCE the recent change of the Post Master General in the sale of postage stamps to the public, we learn that Mr. G. E. Morton, who has the sale of the same in the Post Office building in Halifax, is no more working on a commission but is getting a salary of \$750 a year, so the *Recorder* says.

FIRST issue of Young Canada to hand. Success to you.

It appears that the Gibraltar stamp is used in Algiers, as we wrote to a friend in Gibraltar some time ago to purchase at the post office some $\frac{1}{2}$ d. stamps, but not being able to procure any went across to Algiers and there secured the desired amount.

WE have it from pretty good authority that Newfoundland is not going to have any new issue as was intended at least for some time to come. The new colours were ordered but by some mistake they were struck off in the old colours, and we are told enough of them are on hand to last at least one year.

STILL another 2c. Canada registered, brown was received on a letter a few days ago by a party here in Halifax. The same party has written to the issuing post office for particulars and also with a view of procuring the remaining stock.

MR. A. B. S. DEWOLFE whose advertisement appears elsewhere has a few back numbers of the Halifax Philatelist on hand. We would advise our friends to procure the complete file of the first half year's issue, as they contain some excellent information from the pens of Messrs. H. Hechler and Theo. Larsen.

WRITE to Mr. DeWolfe for the first six numbers of the Halifax Philatelist containing a full history of watermarks and the best treatise on S. P. M. surcharges. Both invaluable to collectors.

WESTERN PHIL. P. Co. has our best thanks for a copy of the Chicago Tribune, containing matters relating to the A. P. A.