

Mr. Applegath Heard From.

MR. GEO. BRADLEY,
Pub. THE STAMP REPORTER,
St. Catharines,

SIR:—

I am to-day in receipt of the September number of THE STAMP REPORTER and have read the disgraceful letter of A. M. Muirhead, ex-President of the D. P. A.

In order to set myself right before the members, I wish you to kindly publish this letter in your October number.

Previous to the convention, Mr. Muirhead placed me on the Committee of Arrangements, and in order to perform a certain duty in connection with the office I had occasion to call up Mr. W. A. Starnaman ONCE by telephone, and then the conversation was for the most part with reference to the special convention number of the Philatelic Advocate.

With reference to Mr. Muirhead's statement:—"Mr. Applegath kicked about allowing the members to vote and wanted proxy voting." I would say that I did write Mr. M. with reference to this matter but I advocated proxy voting with reference to general matters, such as the Constitution, By-Laws, etc., and received his reply confirming same under date of April, 27th, 1898, saying:—"Proxies of course will be used for general purposes," and which I may say was not done.

I deny the statement that I "used every means possible to frustrate the plan instituted by

myself to give every member a vote if he lived in Hamilton or Dawson City."

As the ballots were not sent out in time to allow any member living outside of Canada or the States to vote so that his ballot would reach the Credential Committee in time to be counted, yet Mr. M. says that his plan "gave every member a vote."

Trusting that as you know the facts of the case you will be honorable enough to set me right before the members who read the Manifesto in your last number.

Yours respectfully,

CHAS. S. APPLGATH.

A Philatelic Journalist at Home.

A. M. Muirhead's articles have always filled me with wonder and amazement, and one day I determined to visit the Philatelist at home and discover, if possible, the secret of how he wrote his articles. Arrived at the house I found Mr. Muirhead in a brown study, a sort of character study, see, (see Muirhead's Manifesto in September number of Stamp Reporter.)

The room was a large one and the walls were lined with book cases filled with volumes of reference on the different ologies. A well worn volume was called "Fifteen hundred of the longest words in the English language," and another was "How to make simple sentences complex. As I entered, Mr. Muirhead stood before a window holding in one hand a measuring glass into which he was carefully pouring something from a long-necked