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EDITORIAL.

Try an inch add. only 35c., it will
pay you.

Advertisers will remember that
we do not take a holiday in the
summer as some stamp papers do.
Try an advt. in our next No. See
our combination rate with the
Adhesive.

Our next number will be out July
15th. All copy and advts. must be
in by the 5th. One inch advt. 15c,
two inch advt. 30c.

Mr. H. A. Chapman will favor us
each month with interesting notes
and articles. You should not miss
them so subscribe at once. Six
months for 15c, twelve months
for 25c.

We also have notes from London,
Eng., Philadelphia, Mass. and Ill.

Scott Stamp & Coin Co. have
held their last auction this season.
Over \$7,000 was realized from it.

How about that contract? We
give special rates for time contracts.

Hon. Mulock is preparing books
of stamps similar to those used in
the United States, for Canada.
The stamps will be between paraffin
paper, and the books will fit into
the vest pocket.

Several stamp papers state that
C. E. A. Holmes has moved to
Smith's Falls, to aid in running the
JUBILEE. We wish to contradict
this statement. Mr. Holmes spent
a week or two in Smith's Falls but
returned to Montreal and since then
we have heard very little of him,
our letters being unanswered. He
may turn up in Quebec.

We cannot understand why one
Canadian paper can publish cuts
and the other two cannot. Perhaps
someone can explain.

When our first volume is com-
pleted the JUBILEE will appear in
magazine form, October being
Vol. 2 Whole No. 13.

A. S. BERTRAND.

RANDOM JOTTINGS.

HENRY A. CHAPMAN.

CAPS.—As well known, the 2c
carmine 1890 stamp of the United
States is often found with what is
termed a "cap." The left figure 2
has it the oftenest, while it is less
common on the right 2, and still
scarcer is the stamp which has
"caps" on both. The 1900 cata-
logue has all in as minor varieties,
which was not the case in former
catalogues. Recently Mr. J. F.
Dodge sent me a used block of four
of the 1890 2c stamp and both of
the stamps on the left had "caps"
on the left figure 2 and I consider
this block worth keeping as a
novelty. The 1c blue of 1890 is
found with a "quirl" on the side
of the left figure 1 which is desig-
nated as a "squirrel tail." This
variety is not mentioned in the
catalogue.

THE STAMP BOOKS.—Probably
everybody or nearly everybody in
the States has seen the little stamp
books issued by the U. S. post
office department, but some of the
JUBILEE PHILATELIST readers may
not have seen or heard of them.
For their benefit I will describe them.
The little books are the size of a
block of six stamps in two vertical
rows and come containing 12, 24
and 48 stamps, which cost respect-
ively 25, 49 and 97c. or each book
costs one cent more than the face
value of the stamp. Between each
sheet of six stamps is a layer of

thin paper to prevent the stamps
from sticking together. Thus they
can be conveniently carried in the
vest pocket or pocket-book, and
are handy to send by mail. Four
distinct perforations occur in a sheet
of six, viz: Two stamps are im-
perforate on the left side, two im-
perforate on the right, one im-
perforate on the left and bottom and
one imperforate on the right and
bottom. All that I have come
across so far seem to be on thicker
paper than those that come in sheets
of 100. It is said that some have
plate numbers, but I have seen
none yet. On the covers are items
concerning postal rates.

WRONGFULLY USED.—I recently
saw the word "unperforate" used
two or three dozen times in the
advertisement of one of our leading
dealers. It may appear all right to
some unsophisticated people but
really there is no such word in the
dictionary. "Imperforate" is the
correct word, meaning a lack of
perforation.

A SMALL POST OFFICE—The
Evergreen State Philatelist says the
smallest post office in the United
States is at Virginia, California,
the dimensions being six feet long,
five feet high and three feet wide,
with five locked drawers. Possibly
this may be the smallest building
called a post office but there are
plenty of places where the mail is
laid on the centre table of a private
house, and there are no boxes in
use at all.

OFTEN MISPELLED.—One of the
necessary articles used by philate-
lists is much mis-spelled, viz, the
gauge. "Gauge" is wrong.
There are words connected with our
hobby which puzzle us, however.
The latter part of May I received a
paper from Valparaiso, Chile, which
spelled it Chili all through, yet the
stamps have it spelled Chile. Phil-
ippines is often spelled wrong too,
but the country most mis-spelled of
any is the Colombian Republic.
Columbian and Columbia being
wrongfully used for Colombian.

ANENT THE STAMP BOOKS.—Al-
ready we hear complaints that the
new books are "n. g." and that the
stamps stick prematurely in spite of
the protection intended by the para-
ffine paper. Of course there is a
choice of places to keep your little
book of stamps, and it isn't neces-
sary to make them sweat as a test.
And this isn't all. Up rises some-
body and exclaims that he invented
the style of book used, and he wants
a royalty on every book produced.
Query: Will the U. S. Government
make a special count for this claim-
ant, and will he get a slice of the
\$2,000,000 the government expects
to clear annually from the new-
fangled arrangement?