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## TORONTO NOTES.

Mr. A. H. O'Brien, a member of the Toronto Philatelic Club, was recently appointed assistant Law Clerk at Ottawa.

By an order of the Government, so it is said, all the red Weights and Measures stamps were ordered to be destroyed, as owing so their having no value on them, they were seldom used by the various inspectors in performing their duties. Should the above prove true, these stamps will gain their old level (they now sell at from \$2 to \$6 each), as less than two years ago they readily sold at \$14 each.

The junior members of the Y.M.C.A. of this city recently listened to a stamp lecture from Mr. Wilson Wilby of the Weston Stamp Co. It is proposed to have a series of lectures, which is sure to benefit the young members.

The new Electric Inspection stamps will largely do away with the Gas Inspection series.

Mr. Ketcheson, of Belleville, visited the dealers sometime ago, combining business with pleasure.

It is current report that the present 15c slate will either be dropped or change its color.

Mr. W. Kelsey Hall, of Peterboro, was on one of his trips to the city with some fine stock during week of 27th.

A firm in London, Ont., state they will issue a Canada revenue catalogue soon. A dealer in Toronto may also issue one at no distant date.

A change badly needed in auction reports is the grading of stamps in their condition. This is necessary as many collectors place great value on auction sales as the market valuator of stamps. A recent report had a 30c Justice bring \$10, and many Canada stamps fetch prices that must make dealers "ache" at such sacrifices, while collectors here and elsewhere in Canada would eagerly buy. However, grade the specimens, and then one can judge for themselves.