

The Philatelic Society of Canada.

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President,
Vice-President for Ontario,
Vice-President for Quebec,
Vice-President for Nova Scotia,
Vice-President for New Brunswick,
Vice-President for Manitoba,
Vice-President for United States,
Vice-President for British Columbia.

Secretary-Treasurer,
Exchange Superintendent,
Librarian,
Counterfeit Detective,
Official Collector,
Official Organ,
Executive Committee,

ADDRESS.

To the Stamp Collectors of Canada :

GENTLEMEN.—For some time the want of a really first-class national Philatelic Society has been felt in British North America. With the object of forming such, an organization committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Stæbler, Cary, Aube, Hartley and myself, issued an invitation from the committee signed by myself as Chairman, calling upon all stamp collectors to help us in our endeavors to provide for the collectors, especially a good Canadian Philatelic Association, to be alike a credit as a national society and to our pursuit. Our call has been responded to with unlooked for results, and I venture to say no society has started with a better prospect of a most brilliant future, or with a larger roll. As will be seen, we have secured several of the leading advanced Philatelists in Canada, who have heretofore held aloof from societies for reasons best known to themselves. We also welcome in our ranks many of the younger collectors, and trust all will endeavor to make the leading society of Canada what it ought to be. Our success is assured in point of membership and quality of material. It behoves our members to unite closely together, guard one another's interests and help to build up a grand monument to Philately. Deeming it wise to curtail all expenses, as far as possible, the organization committee have made arrangements whereby there will be no charge to join, and the small fee of 25c. will pay all dues to July 1st, 1892. This will cover the expenses of the Sec. Treas. and the official organ, a copy of which will be sent free of charge regularly to all members. From the roll published this month will be seen the names of many qualified to fill the various offices, and I trust the members will read the constitution carefully, then send in their nominations, *first obtaining the nominee's permission* to allow his name to stand for election. I trust every member

will see that his Philatelic friends are enrolled as members, and it is the desire of the committee to obtain, before December, at least 300. As soon as the Exchange Supt. is elected his department will be organized in ample time for the winter season.

Yours Philatelically,
J. R. HOOPER,
Chairman Org. Com.

SEC.-TREAS.' REPORT.

It gives me pleasure to report such a rapid growth of our Society in such a short time. During the past three weeks I have received a large number of applications, all of which were submitted to the Organizing Committee, and 73 of the applications were granted. I give below a full list of our members and their P.O. addresses. Now that we are fully organized it is our intention to conduct all business of the Society on the most approved plans. During the coming month let every member do his best to get his collecting friends to join—at least send in one application. If every member will do as above and get one new member, as a result our society will be a grand success. Take an active interest and we are all right. When sending in applications they must be accompanied by two references and the annual due of 25 cents.

As regards the Exchange Department, it will be set in working order immediately after the election, which takes place next month. Members are requested to send in nominations for the following officers :

President ; Vice-President for Ontario ; Vice-President for Quebec ; Vice-President for Nova Scotia ; Vice-President for New Brunswick ; Vice-President for Manitoba ; Vice-President for Br. Columbia ; Vice-President for the United States ; Secretary-Treasurer ; Librarian ; Exchange Superintendent.

I hope members will take the greatest care in selecting parties for above offices. It is necessary in all cases to obtain the consent of the nominee before sending in nominations. I have received the dues of the following