

**As to the Amalgamation of the D. P. A. and the C. P. A.***To the Trustees of the Dominion Philatelic Association.*

We, the committee appointed by your board to negotiate with Capt. Ernest F. Wurtele of Quebec, president of the Canadian Philatelic Association, to find out upon what basis a union of the two Associations could be consummated, beg to report as follows :

1. In the matter of dues, we find that no sum under 50c. per annum would be considered by the C. P. A., and that their preference would be \$1 per annum.

2. The President of the C. P. A. would require a meeting of representatives of the two Associations in January, 1897, for the purpose of considering all matters not touched on herein, and for the purpose of electing or appointing a new board of officers for the coming year.

3. Capt. Wurtele recommends a larger grant to the official organ, preferably \$50, and not less than \$25 per annum.

4. The president of the C. P. A. recommends that a certain sum of money (the amount to be determined by the state of the treasury) be paid to the Secretary in consideration of efficient services.

4. Capt. Wurtele expresses himself as quite in favor of amalgamation, substantially under the above named conditions, and your committee therefore beg to report that, under the foregoing conditions, they believe a union of the two Associations can be consummated.

Committee on amalgamation { ALEX. M. MUIRHEAD, Chairman.  
CHARLES BAILEY.  
RAYMOND S. BAKER.

Nov. 23rd, 1896.

For the benefit of those members who were unable to attend the late convention of the Association, and on that account are in darkness in regard to the amalgamation question, I publish herebelow the letter of Capt. Ernest F. Wurtele, which was read and discussed at the convention :

QUEBEC, AUGUST 20TH, 1896.

DEAR SIR : With regard to the subject of Philately in Canada, I note that your annual meeting is to take place next month. Would it be possible to have the subject of amalgamation taken into consideration at that time? If so, I would be thankful if you would submit the following for the purpose of getting matters under way, and with the object of ascertaining the views of your members :

1. That the Canadian and Dominion Philatelic Associations amalgamate into one Society in the general interests of Philately in Canada.

2. That, to bring about this result in a satisfactory manner, both Associations arrive at the same conclusions, and then decide upon some plan of action upon which to reorganize.

I would suggest as a proper and just plan that a list be obtained of all those