NOTES.

SEVERAL errors occurred in Mitchell & Co.'s adv. last month. Please read it in its corrected form.

THE American Philatelist is as usual at the top, especially to be commended is Corwins, "Various and Sundry."

CASEY'S sale for May, 3rd and 4th, promises to be something good, judging from the catalogue which we have had the pleasure of receiving.

We notice that the April No. of the Q. C. P. has a couple of pages filled with idiotic trash. Something better would be expected from a paper like it.

Mr. J. M. Douglass, Jr., Middleton, Ct., has sent us a copy of his very neat little catalogue of United States adhesives. The prices are remarkably low.

A NEW directory of stamp collectors will shortly be issued by Mr. Chas. A. Townsend. It will give size of collection, speciality, etc., and will fill a long-felt want.

MR. J. B. SMITH has favoured us with copies of the Springfield Republican in which he conducts quite an interesting Philatelic department. The department contains more real news than many of our stamp journals.

ONE of our city collectors has in his possession a pair of philatelic oddities which are almost unique. They consist of the 3d. Nova Scotia stamp, with 5c. printed on it, on the original envelopes. They are postmarked respectively January 13th and January 20th, 1860. As the Nova Scotia currency was changed in January 18th from £ to \$ c., it is probable they are due to an enterprising postmaster who wished to keep up to the times.

WHILE speaking of N. S. stamps we are reminded that we have seen for the first time the only Govt. provisional issued by Nova Scotia. This is the 3 p. cut in halves diagonally. It was authorized so as to make the odd 1½d in the 7½d postage to Great Britain. The specimen we have seen is on the original envelope, addressed to Scotland, and consists of two 3d. and a split 3d in an unsevered block. They are very rare on this side of the water but should be commoner on the other.

Scott's revised list of postage stamps in the American Journal of Philately has gone into the differences of U. S. envelopes and has given cuts, etc. which an ordinary collector can understand. I must confess that I could never take any interest in the envelopes of U. S. on account of the large number of varieties and the slight distinction between them, but Mr. Scott is now putting his information and cuts in such a form that an ordinary mind can grasp it, which cannot be done with several others who have written on the subject.