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ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Friends and Patrons of the "Canadian Philatelist":

This month the *Canadian Philatelist* and the *TORONTO PHILATELIC JOURNAL* are combined, and the business will be carried on by the Toronto Philatelic Co. who will fill all subscriptions and advertising contracts that have been made with either of the above-mentioned papers. All papers now inserting exchange advertisements for the *Canadian Philatelist* will please discontinue them at once and make new arrangements with the Toronto Philatelic Co.

It is with great reluctance that I have given up the publication of the *Canadian Philatelist* as a separate journal, but I am compelled to do so by the increased demand upon my time by my regular occupation. My paper has succeeded beyond my anticipation, and, I think I may say, has been received very favorably by stamp and coin collectors in this and other lands. I have thoroughly engaged the editing and publishing of the paper, and shall always look back with pleasure to my experience in this direction.

Besides, being as source of amusement, it has been fairly remunerative, and I must thank my many stamp dealing and collecting friends for the able support which I have received from them. If any of the publishers of stamp papers see fit to continue my name on their mailing lists, I shall be heartily obliged to them as I shall always retain my interest in philately.

Hoping that the new journal under the new management may have your hearty support.

I am, yours fraternally,

L. F. BARKER.

NOTES.

We want agents in every city and town in the world to get subscribers for this paper.

The Toronto Philatelic Society has postponed their regular meetings during the summer months.

Mr. W. G. Whilden, Jr., of Pelzer, S. C., is our authorized agent to receive both subscriptions and advertisements.

The author of "Silver Threads among the Gold" has been appointed a postmaster in Wisconsin with a salary of \$242 per year.

We have come across some counterfeit triangular Cape of Good Hope. They are printed on very poor paper, and the impression is taken from a wood cut, very badly executed. Collectors, look out for them.

We have received the following papers up to date, publishers accept our thanks: *Philatelic Monthly*, *Museum*, *Capital City Philatelist*, *Youth's Gazette*, *Collectors' Companion*, *Silent Nation*, *Stamp World*.

The 30 sol. silver piece, issued in 1670 for the French-Canadian colonies, was sold for \$800, in fine condition. Obverse, bust of Louis XIV., LVD. XIII. D. C. FR. ET. NAV. REX. Reverse, crowned shield, GLORIAM REGNI TVI DICENT; size 18, milled edge. This same piece, the property of a gentleman, giving up collecting, was offered at auction, May 22, 1885, by Messrs. George A. Leavitt & Co., 787 Broadway, New York, U. S.

For some years past the Indian post-office has successfully worked what is known as the "Value Payable Post;" that is, it not only carries parcels from tradesmen to their country customers but also undertakes to collect the prices. It has often been proposed to extend the system to the conveyance of parcels between England and India. It is now said that the project will be sanctioned shortly, as the English postal authorities are cordially in favor of it.

The paper lately issued by Mr. Batchelder, *Our American Youth*, has suspended.

We send you a copy of this paper as an inducement to subscribe if you have not already done so.

More than 60,000 stamps are found every year loose in the letter-boxes of the United Kingdom.

Since 1871 Japan has organized mail routes over 36,000 miles, and has established 3,927 postoffices and 7,439 letter-boxes. Seven thousand five hundred persons are employed in the regular service.

NEW ISSUES

That have appeared, or are about to appear:

Bahamas.—The color of the 1 shilling has been changed to violet, and a new value issued, viz., ½d. green.

Ceylon.—The 8 cent stamp has been printed in lilac, and surcharged "Revenue and Postage, 5 cents"; and the following also, "10 cents" on 16 cents; "28 cents" on 32 cents.

Hong Kong.—The following surcharges are announced: 20 cents on 30 cents, violet; 50 cents on 48 cents, brown; 100 cents on 96 cents, slate.

India.—The 4 annas with "India Postage" has been issued.

Macao.—These stamps are now in use in this principality. They bear the head of the prince: 5 centimes, blue; 15 centimes, rose; 25 centimes, green.

Mauritius.—Another provincial has been made by surcharging the 98 cents "cents" in black. Three new stamps have also been lately issued: 2c. green, 4c. rose, 16c. brown.

Senegal.—This French colony is said to be using stamps of the French Colonies surcharged with the name "SENEGAL."

Victoria.—The 2 shilling stamp has been surcharged "Stamp Duty."

NUMISMATIC DEPARTMENT.

NOVA SCOTIA.

BY J. MOORE.

(Continued from the *Canadian Philatelist*.)

9. Obverse, small bust of Geo. III., laureated to right, half-ponny token, 1814. Reverse, government house, pay-