

Our Prize Contest We were well pleased with the result of our last contest. Sixteen

designs were received for our cover. The best was the one submitted by T. E. Young, Seaforth, Ont. Had there been a second prize it would have been awarded to W. A. Lydiatt, Toronto. Very good designs were sent by the following. R. S. Mason and C. S. Applegath, Hamilton, Ont.; Fred Brighton, Berlin, Ont.; W. H. Kessler, Detroit, Mich.; S. B. Sturtevant, Boulder, Col. and H. H. Coombs, Simcoe. Several good designs were thrown out on account of mis-spelling.

The case of J. R. Hooper. We have been informed that Mr. Hooper intends to present his petitions shortly to Hon. David Mills, new Minister of Justice. All interested in his release are requested to send at once for blank petitions to Mrs. Katie Baulch, Port Hope, Ont.

We acknowledge receipt of following price lists from Chas. C. Rogers 109 W. 16th St. N. Y. City; A. F. Wicks, London Ont. Comet Stamp Co. Toronto, Ont.; C. H. McKeel, St. Louis, Mo. Annual report of Birmingham Philatelic Society.

We are pleased to announce that the election of D. P. A. convention seat resulted in favor of Hamilton

Well Alex. the "pipe hitters" won after all your blowing.

Owing to lack of space we are compelled to discontinue the Exchange Column. The rates for Bargain notices will be one cent per word in future. This will not affect those who have contracted in advance for

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Peruvian News Items.

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The 20c. unpaid stamp of the 1874 type are now in use surcharged "Deficit" as on the 5 and 10c issued in August. The 1c unpaid 1879 type is also being prepared with this surcharge. Less than 30,000 of the 1c unpaid 1879 type surcharged "Franqueo" were placed on sale Nov. 6th. for ordinary use during that month, supply of the 1c 1896 issue being exhausted. We have been favored with a view of the new 1, 2 and 5c which will be on sale Dec. 1st. It is officially stated that these will not be a commemorative issue.

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