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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

CHANGES IN ADDRESS.

1 A. M. Muirhead, Vernon St., c.s.,
Halifax, N.S.
209 C. S. Applegath, 239 King St.
Hamilton, Ont.

NEW MEMBERS.

214 Howard Chester, Clifford, Ont.
215 R. P. Rickenbacker, 1213 G St,
N.W., Washington, D.C.
216. H. H. Coombs, Simcoe, Ont.
217.
218. Juan E. Carbonell, Bayarte 22,
Malma de Mallorca, Spain.
219. Alton Rowland, Box 87, Wind-
sor Mills, Que
220. Charles Parr, 271 Rosario, Sta
F. Buenos Aires, Argentine.
221 Henry A. Chapman, Hartford,
Conn.
222. D. L. Breed, 716 Willoughby
Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

The above are now members of the Association. Their membership certificate will be mailed on receipt of the dues, amounting to 25c.

Objection has been filed against John Bisbee (217), and same has been handed over to the trustees for investigation.

APPLICATIONS.

Louis E. Strohm, Drawer 55, Berlin, Ont., Refs—F. I. Weaver, R. G. Widdicombe.

Sidney Nichols, 926 Forest St., Racine Wis., student. Refs—F. I. Weaver, W. A. Starnaman.

Geo W Starnaman, Box 104, Berlin, Ont., publisher and printer. Refs—F. I. Weaver, W. A. Starnaman
Amos Harlock, Box 199, Berlin, Ont. Refs—W. A. Starnaman and Geo. W. Starnaman.

N. W. Campbell, Public School Inspector, Durham, Ont. Refs—L. C. Mackenzie, A. H. Adams.

A. Audley Thompson, Springhill, N. S., drug clerk. Refs—A. M. Muirhead, E. B. Fairbanks.

Roy Seitzer, New Ulm, Minn, bill publisher. Refs—H. W. Johnson and A. H. Adams.

James C. Jaimet, 36 Weber St., Berlin, Ont., clerk. Refs—F. I. Weaver, R. G. Widdicombe.

The above will be admitted to membership May 27th, provided no objection is filed with the Secretary prior to that date.

The Convention.

The second annual convention of the Dominion Philatelic Association will be held at Berlin, Ont., on July 21st and 22nd. Plans are being arranged for an excellent and enjoyable time. Let us all be there. It would be a convenience to the society if all who intend attending the convention, would notify the secretary. For those who cannot be in attendance, blank proxy forms will shortly be issued. The voice of the entire society is desired at the election; if you cannot be there, send your proxy to one who will be present.

Nominations.

Notice is hereby given that nominations for the various offices of the society will be received up to the 21st of June. Send in a good list, and let them be men both capable and willing to work for the society's welfare.

Dues.

A blue pencil mark opposite this paragraph means that your dues for 1897 are still unpaid. Remember, only those who are paid up can vote at the coming election, and besides we will be obliged to cease sending the Official Organ to delinquent members. There are only 36 on the list. Why not send in your dues and enable me to send in a perfect report at the convention? In next report a list of those remaining unpaid will appear for the convenience of the Committee on Credentials.

In last report, the references for H. H. Coombs should have been A. F. Wicks and W. A. Starnaman.

The members of the society will only receive this paper when it contains the doings of the society. If you desire to obtain it every week, send 25c to the publishers.

A. H. ADAMS,
Secretary.

Postal History.

According to the most authentic information obtainable, the first postal service was invented by Cyrus, King of Persia, on his Scythian expedition, he establishing one hundred and eleven posts from the shore of the Aegean Sea to Susa, the capital—each a day's journey from the preceding.

Though generally conceded by historians that posts were well-known among the Romans, it has been too difficult to trace with any degree of certainty the exact period of their introduction. It is a well-known fact, however, that Augustus instituted them along all the large roads of the empire and hired young men to deliver his dispatches from post to post until place of destination was reached. Shortly afterward the same emperor changed this