

Auction Department.

[Matters relating to Auction Sales, and prices realized, will be published in this department each month.]

Messrs. Venton, Bull & Co.

Tokenhouse Yard, Nov. 5.—The above firm held a sale here to-night. A few of the principal prices realized are appended. Attendance small.

	£.	s.	d.
Victoria, 1862, 6d black, wmk single lined "4."	4	0	0
Canada, 1868, 1c., laid paper	1	14	0
N. S. W. Laureated, 3d, with wmk "12."	5	0	0
Mauritius, 2d, blue, the pence error.	3	0	0
Uruguay, Utiligencia, 60c, blue.	1	10	0

Messrs. Chevely & Co.

London, Nov. 13.—The above firm held an interesting three-day sale on Nov. 10th, 11th and 12th at 64 Chancery Lane. A few of the more interesting prices are as follows:

	£.	s.	d.
Balse, 2½ rp, unused	4	0	0
Madrid, 3 ctos. bronze, unused	4	12	0
Tuscany, 3 lire	8	0	0
Geneva, double stamp, severed and re-joined	7	5	0
Zurich, 4r, clipped	3	12	6
Moldavia, 1st issue, 54 paras, cut round	2	12	6
Tuscany, 2 soldi	4	8	0
Labuan, 16c blue, surcharge "6" in red	15	0	0
Ceylon, 8d, imperf	5	0	0
Turk's Island, 1 sh. prime	4	4	0
St. Vincent, star wmk, 5 sh, lake, unused	2	0	0
Buenos Ayres, steamship, 5 pesos, yellow	5	15	0
Bolivar, 1st issue, small, 10c, green	4	15	0
Buenos Ayres, steamship, 4 pesos, red	1	0	0
N. S. W., 3d, Sydney	2	0	0
Victoria, 5 sh, blue on yellow	4	0	0

Mr. Hadlow's Recent Sale.

London, Nov. 19.—Considerable merriment was caused by a little incident at the above gentleman's sale this evening, occasioned by a calm man sending up a message to his unknown passenger demanding his fare or, in default, demanding instruction how much longer he had to wait. Nobody responding, we all began to look at each other with suspicion; but there came another message saying it was a man in a light overcoat, and the laugh was quietly turned against a well-known attender of the sales. No great varieties were offered, but there was a good attendance. The following are some of the principal prices realized:

	£.	s.	d.
Lubeck, complete sheet of 2 sc, brown, showing the two errors, 2½ sc.	8	10	0
Labuan, 6c on 16c, blue, wmk sideways, with surcharge reversed	6	10	0
Labuan, 6c on 10c, ochre, surcharge reversed	6	0	0
Mauritius, post paid 1d, orange, unused	4	10	0
Natal, 1863, curved scb, in black, twice printed	4	8	0
St. Vincent, 4d on 1 sh, vermilion	2	10	0
South Australia, 1860, 10d, yellow rouletted, surcharge reversed	3	15	0

Messrs. Sellschopp & Co

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 17.—The fourth sale of the above firm was concluded to-night. The sale began on the 13th, and was continued on the evenings of the 15th and 17th. The sale realized \$2,100. A few of the prices are appended:

New Haven, signed reprint	\$23 00
Baton Rouge, 2c, on original envelope	34 00
U. S., 1865, 90c, unused	10 30
U. S., 1875, re-issue, without grille, 24c, unused	5 80
Same 90c, unused	12 55
U. S., 1861, cut envelope, on white, unused	12 00
U. S. Justice, 90c, used fine	11 30
U. S. Newspaper, unused—9c, \$6 30; 72c, \$3 40; 84c, \$5 20; 90c, \$2 10; \$1 92, \$1 25; 3d, \$4 00; 6d, \$7; 9d, \$11 25; 12d, \$12; 24d, \$17; 36d, \$20; 48d, \$32 50; 60d, \$40.	

London Philatelic Club.

The first stamp auction ever held in this city was held at the second regular meeting of the club. It being a novelty, the bidding was spirited. The following are a few of the prices realized:

Nova Scotia, 1d, fine	\$ 4 55
Canada, Off., sealed, pair, unused	3 80
Canada Bill, 3-d issue, 83, unused, strip of 4	3 75
Argentine Centenary, 1892, 2c and 5c unused	12 40
Canada, 1868, 1c, watermarked	1 30

It is expected that another sale will be held at the next meeting as the results of the first have been encouraging.

S. B. Bradt Company.

Chicago, December 15, 1892.—The S. B. Bradt Company held their ninth sale last evening. The sale consisted principally of the collection of Mr. T. J. Mitchell, of this city. Fair attendance. Auctioneer, Mr. C. W. Willour. A few of the best prices are:

U. S., 1847, 5, 1½	\$2 00
U. S., 1869, 24c	3 00
U. S., 1869, 90c	6 50
U. S., 1888, 90c, block of 12	6 00
U. S., Executive 1c, used	2 75
U. S., State, 90c, pen cancelled	3 25
U. S. Treasury, complete	4 50
Cape of Good Hope, 4d, wood block	6 50
Scinde, ½ anna, white paper	7 50
Loruth, 1877, on blue laid paper	4 00
Labuan, 16c, blue, unused, C. A. sideways	3 05
Wartenburg, 1851, 18 kr.	2 05

No great varieties were offered, and majority of prices realized were very low in comparison to their value. A number of wholesale lots were offered.

Western Philatelic Union.

One of the most successful sales ever held in Chicago was that of the Western Philatelic Union, which took place on the 15th and 16th of December. We give a list of such stamps as realized \$10 and over:

U. S., 1851, 5c, extra fine unused	\$18 50
U. S., 1851, 5c, strip of 3, used, fine	23 00
U. S., 1851, 12c, block of 4, original gum	12 00
U. S., 1857, 5c, red brown, unused	15 00
U. S., 1861, 5c yellow, unsevered pair	14 50
U. S., 1866, 3c scarlet, unused, original gum	17 15
U. S., 1868, 3c rose, griffed all over, unused	18 35
U. S., 1869, 90c, unused	10 30
U. S., 1870, 12c, fine	17 75
U. S., newspaper, \$9.00, full gum	13 25
U. S., " 12.00, " "	16 75
U. S., " 24.00, " "	25 05
U. S., " 36.00, " "	33 00
U. S., " 60.00, " "	42 00
U. S., Justice, 90c, very fine	50 05
Same, used	10 25
U. S., State, 85.00, unused	9 50
U. S., State, \$10.00, unused	63 00
U. S., State, \$20.00, unused	19 00
U. S., State, \$20.00, unused	22 00

And others too numerous to mention. A lot which brought a remarkable price was No. 464:—Envelope, 1887, 2c, green, on *manilla* amber paper, rejected die, sold for \$146 05, which is quite a price for a variety of a common stamp.

AUCTION NOTES.

Auction sales have been held in London, England, seven days during November.

Mr. H. Gremmel will hold his eighth auction sale on Feb. 2nd at 23 Ann St., New York.

The S. B. Bradt Co. hold their 10th sale at 136 Wabash Ave., Chicago, on Jan. 18, 1893, at 8 p. m. Sale consists of 435 lots.

Mr. C. H. Holden, of Muskegon, Mich., holds his 9th sale on Jan. 25th inst. The best thing offered is a pair of N. B. shillings on original envelope.