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Owing to absence of Secretary-Treasurer, his report will not appear until next issue.

Ottawa Philatelic Society

The members of the Ottawa Philatelic Society held their annual meeting on Wednesday evening, October 2nd, at their rooms, No. 51 Sparks Street. Mr. N. C. Sparks, the retiring president, occupied the chair and reports for last year were presented. The secretary treasurer's report showed a balance of \$10.97 on hand and a membership of over twenty five. The exchange superintendent reported a business transacted in his department during the past year to the extent of over \$500.

The election of officers for this season resulted in the selection of the following: President, H. P. Crumell; vice-president, R. H. Hunter; secretary treasurer, C. N. Robertson; exchange superintendent, A. F. Sladen; members of the executive committee, N. C. Sparks, J. P. Nutting and C. P. Powell.

An informal discussion took place upon the plan of work for this season, and some of the members exhibited some of their recent acquisitions in the stamp line. Three new members were received

during the evening. Meetings will be held every first and third Wednesday in each month.

The first meeting points to a very successful season. The society will be glad to receive communications on subjects of mutual interest. Such may be addressed to its secretary treasurer, Mr. C. N. Robertson, P. O. Box 464, Ottawa, Ont.

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Never soak the stamps of Japan or Austria, as owing to the thick and greasy quality of the gum, the stamps are usually in worse condition after soaking than before. We state this for the benefit of those soaking large quantities, who might thoughtlessly throw some thousands into a basin of water to soak, and as a result have a rather difficult task on their hands. A single specimen can be soaked with considerable attention; after the paper has been detached from the back, carefully wash all the gum from the back, this will prevent the stamp from curling up and becoming as good as useless.