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## OUR THIRD AND (WE HOPE) OUR LAST APOLOGY.

"Why don't I receive my paper?" "What has become of the ECHO?" "Has the ECHO suspended?" are the questions which have been pouring in upon us for the last two or three months. To all inquirers, we dedicate the following reply:—

We sent copy for our October and November numbers to our printer in due time, and failing to receive the papers after a reasonable length of time had elapsed, we wrote him repeatedly inquiring the cause of delay, but received no reply whatever, until a few days ago we received a communication informing us that he had gone out of business and had not attended to our work. This remissness on the part of our printer, has caused us a great deal of annoyance, disappointment and loss. Had we foreseen this delay, we might have managed differently, but as it has so happened, we can only tender a humble apology to our patrons, asking their kind consideration for us, in the matter, and assuring them that in the future, we shall endeavor, to the best of our ability, to give them entire satisfaction.

We have been fortunate enough to secure the services of a printer, whom we think will perform his share of the work more promptly than his predecessor, and so, we trust, we can confidently assert, that we will have no more irregularities in the publication of our paper.

Soliciting the warm support of the public for 1884, we conclude by wishing one and all

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

NOTICE.—Would our British exchanges kindly send an extra copy to B. Wright, 33 St. Paul's Road, Camden Square, London, N. W. We, in return, will send two copies if so desired.

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The "Agents Banner" published at Bowerston, Ohio, is one of our best exchanges. It is brimful of very interesting matter, and comes every month for only 50cts., per year. Each subscriber receives a ticket in their grand distribution of prizes to take place April 1st, 1884.

The "Exchangers Guide and General Directory" is a neat little book containing a large number of addresses of collectors and exchangers of Coins, Stamps, Minerals, &c. Price only 15 cts. It is published annually by W. L. Lewis, Rockford, Iowa.