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IN the report of the Dominion Philatelic Association convention in Toronto, we are credited with seconding a motion moving for a permanent official organ, "because there was no immediate prospect of amalgamation." As a matter of fact, we did not attend the meeting in question, and nobody was instructed to represent us.

OWING to the indisposition of Mr. B. L. Beard, of Montreal, he has to postpone the issuing of his Directory until January, 1898. Every collector is requested to send his name and address for free publication.

A SIGHT not often seen in any city was a strip of three of the rare ten cent green, 1861 issue, of the United States. It is in the possession of a local collector, and is not for sale.

ON another page appears the report of the president of the Canadian Philatelic Association. We hope, now that amalgamation has been shelved, to again see the pioneer society of Canada amongst the foremost.

THE auction sale which appears elsewhere, is worthy of perusal by readers of this journal. The goods were not owned by one individual, and collectors will wait

and hunt a long time ere they can gather the collection of Canadian revenues. By sending in bids for them now you may get them. The demand lately for this class of stamps has been very great, and the supply just the opposite.

SIR OLIVER MOWAT, the Minister of Justice for Canada, has decided that John R. Hooper must serve the sentence imposed on him some years ago. The Minister of Justice of the late Conservative government also decided in the negative, and now comes the judgment of the Liberal government. Sir Oliver is a man who gives every possible doubt to the accused, that will favor them, as witness his late judgments in pardoning and commuting to life imprisonment those who were found guilty of crimes against life. While it is quite proper to sympathize, we must remember that sympathy may be misplaced, and no one should sign their name to a petition for pardon, because of Mr. Hooper at one time having been a leading light amongst collectors. Belief of innocence is another matter.

OUR February issue will complete Vol. III, 12 numbers to the volume.

THE Catalogue of Canadian Revenues which Mr. Adams will issue in March, will be found to contain more than he advertises.

THE postage stamps of Canada will soon be commenced in this paper, maybe next month. It is hardly possible that we will price them, as they are not like the revenues—hardly known. However, should we price them, impartial figures may be expected.

SOME papers have it that the contract to print and engrave Canada's stamps has been awarded to an American firm. Mr. Burland, the present contractor, has put his tender in this form: "To accept the contract at the figures of the lowest tenderer." Should this be the case, we can safely rely on the work being given to the Canadian firm.

Watch for the new issue of Canada.