

**An
Agreeable
Surprise.**

While speaking of new Canadian journals, we must needs mention one hailing from our own city, which is of unusual merit for the first issue of a new magazine. We refer to the *Philatelic Journal of Canada*, established by Messrs. Dickson & Bernstein, two enterprising young London dealers, who, to all appearances, will make this magazine a glowing success. The contents throughout are well written and show careful preparation. Canada now has three philatelic magazines which occupy places in the front rank of those on the American continent. The publishers of the *Philatelic Journal of Canada* claim it to be the best journal of the kind in Canada,—on which point we modestly disagree!

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**Canada's
Stamp
Centre.**

London is booming up as *one* of the leading stamp centres on the American continent, and it already is the leading stamp centre of Canada, supporting at present two first-class magazines, with a third to appear on January 1st. It is a philatelic stronghold.

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**Some
Further
Remarks.**

It is also probable that as the new year is ushered in, with it will come a new weekly stamp paper. Many new magazines are announced to appear from the United States, and we may expect a deluge of "aspirants" ere our next issue. We have already received several of these, but have not room to review them here. Although some of these little upstart papers prove a great or complete loss to their publishers, it only serves to show the keen interest manifested in the science of philately.

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**The
Paris
Exhibition.**

In our last issue we mentioned that we expected to have the report of the Paris Philatelic Exhibition for this issue. Unfortunately it did not arrive until just as we are going to press, and had not the necessary space to insert it. It is very interesting, and we regret greatly that we could not insert it. Watch for it next month.

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**Bradt's
Eighth Sale**

Was held the day following that of the Bogert Company, October 19th, 1892, at 7:30 p.m., at their office, 132 Wabash ave., Chicago. The majority of the stamps were of the *scarce* class, no exceptional rarities being offered. The S. B. Bradt Co. are making a great success of their series of auction sales. They now announce their intention of holding three sales of more than usual importance during the World's Fair. These three sales will likely take place in June, August and September, 1893.

**Current
Topics.**

One of these which excites interest is the World's Fair Philatelic Exhibit. We are informed that the Commissioners are experiencing some difficulty in securing the desired space. It is said that in addition to the regular philatelic exhibit, each Government will probably show a complete set of stamps of each of their respective countries.—Some parties, apparently not well-wishers of the Association, circulated a report that as an incorporated association the members became individually responsible for its debts. Replying to this report, Secretary Walton says it is entirely false. As an incorporated association, the members are not responsible. But were the A.P.A. not an incorporated body, as was the case some time ago, *then* the members would be liable for its debts. Another advantage in incorporation!—It is said Canada will have a new post-card *very* shortly, to be of a larger size than the current issue. Whether it is to be of a new design or not, we have not heard.

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**The I.P.A.
Convention.**

Although the report of this gathering should have reached us in time for our last issue, it failed to do so, and this month, not having space for the whole report of the Iowa Philatelic Association Convention, we give a few points which may interest our readers. Muscatine was the place selected for the next convention. A resolution was passed requiring all officers to be over 21 years of age. Term of office to be one year. The following resolution was passed: "Whereas, the Iowa Philatelic Association, in convention at Des Moines, August 30th and 31st, 1892, recognizing the value of amalgamation of all national societies, as promulgated by Alvah Davison and P. M. Wolsieffer, to the cause of philately, be it resolved, That we heartily endorse any action leading to its fulfilment. Furthermore, be it resolved, That every member of the Iowa Philatelic Association should become a member of the American Philatelic Association." A motion was introduced to exclude all collectors under 16 from membership.—Lost. The attendance was somewhat small, only 13 members being present. The convention was very orderly from beginning to end. Mr. Cornell, of Marshalltown, brought his kodak along and took a "snap shot" at the members, having a "Northwestern" car for the background. The above items constitute the more interesting part of the report.

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**Our Retail
List**

We would call the attention of our customers to the fact that our Third Annual Retail List has just been issued, and it is larger, cheaper and better than ever before. Every collector and dealer should possess a copy. To those who have not yet received it, we shall be pleased to forward it, *post free* on application.