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Mr. Harry Hegel, a well known Minneapolis collector, died recently.

We desire to call the attention of our readers to the fraud which Mr. Chris. Peterson mentioned in his Chicago notes last week and which he exposes fully in this issue.

We see by the *Philatelic Kaleidoscope* that Mr. Edward Loring, of Chicago, says, that the jokes which Mr. J. R. Hooper got off in a recent issue of the *Quaker City Philatelist* are taken from an old issue of *Puck*.

Mr. R. G. Widdicombe, of St. Catharines, Ont., inform us that on the 25th of March next he will issue a new paper which will be called *The St. Catharines Philatelist*. The size of the pages will be 5½ by 8½, and will consist of from 4 to 20 pages monthly.

The colors of the Cuba stamps have again changed. The 1c. de. p. is now sky blue in color, the 2c. de. p. is rose, the 2½c. de. p. violet and the 20c. de. p. light brown. The 4m.

de. p. for printed matter is printed in rose. Cuba supplies collectors with new issues altogether too frequently.

The French post office at Valky, the capital of Samos, in the French Levant is the latest of the French Colonies to be supplied with a series of surcharged stamps. Six varieties have appeared from this place, and are similar to those recently supplied the offices at Cavalla and Port Lagos.

Mr. Chas. E. Babcock has bought out the entire interest of the *Hoosier Stamp*, which paper is now in its second volume. The greater part of the paper is taken up by particulars of a prize contest which the publishers are conducting. A little solid reading would be appreciated.

The 19th auction sale of Messrs. R. F. Albrecht & Co. will take place at 25 Ann st., New York city, on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 27th and 28th. The sale comprises some very fine stamps, most of which are the property of Mr. Bernh. Neumoegen, of New York city. In all the sale comprises somewhat over a thousand lots.

We have just received a circular announcing the publication of another new journal. It is to hail from Lynchburg, Va., and will be called the *Virginia Philatelist*. The Virginia Publishing Co. are the publishers, and the first issue is announced to appear on March the 25th. By the circular before us we are led to believe that this is the first philatelic paper that has ever appeared from this state.

The following are a few of the principal prices realized at the Brock sale held in New York city on Wednesday evening January 31st: U. S. 1869 2½c. with inverted medallion, brought \$88; a used specimen of the \$5 State, brought \$40; a lenoir local brought \$66.75; a U. S. 30c. yellow, griddled all over, \$211; etc. A large number of collectors were present and the bidding was lively. We expect to have a more extensive review of this sale next week.

At the 35th sale of Messrs. Ventom, Bull & Cooper, which was held on the 14th and 15th of December, a large number of very fine lots were offered, among which we may mention, Tuscany, 60c. unused, which brought 210sh.; a Tuscany 3½c. sold for 300sh.; damaged specimens of the 82, 85 and 810 state department brought 205sh.; a Vaud 4c. brought 300sh.; a Basle 2½r. brought 80sh., and a Great Britain 4d., on blue, brought 180sh.

The *Sons of Philatelia*, according to the January number of its official organ, has on hand twenty new applications and nineteen new members. Against this increase the following decrease is noted: seven resignations accepted and fifteen new resignations received. How different is the progress now being made to what it was a year ago. Its young rival *The*

*Philatelic Sons of America* is progressing far more rapidly. Apparently the former Society is on longer a favorite.

At the 17th auction sale of Messrs. R. F. Albrecht & Co. a number of very fine North American stamps were offered, and the following are a few of the prices realized: Athens, 5c. violet, \$55; Danville, 5c. red, \$140; Lenoir, 5c. blue and orange, \$91; Lynchburg, 5c. blue, \$42; Macon, 5c. black on yellow, fancy border, \$75; Macon, 5c. black on yellow, plain border, \$125; Marion, 10c. black, \$300; Rheingold, black hand stamp, \$141; many other lots brought equally high prices, and altogether the sale was a great success.

Another new paper has been received. It is *The Evergreen State Philatelist*, and it is edited by Messrs. French & Bundy, two well known collectors. The publication office is located at Hartland, Washington. The paper is rather small in size, yet it seems to be well edited and gives some very interesting reading. The publisher wishes to exchange advertising space for stamps. From this we may draw two inferences, either that money is not desired out there or that they do not consider their advertising worth cash and therefore offer it in exchange for stamps!

Mr. John R. Hooper was brought before the Magistrate at Three Rivers, Que., on the 9th inst. The court room was again thronged by a very large crowd who came to hear whether the Magistrate would commit Hooper to the Criminal Court, or find the evidence insufficient and release him. The case was taken up by Judge Barthe at 2 o'clock, who read a long document giving his decision in the matter, and consigning Hooper back to jail to await the term of the Criminal Court which will be held in that place next June. Hooper's Solicitor applied for bail, but application was refused.

We have just concluded arrangements with the author for two very fine lots of MSS. which will appear in the *Canadian Philatelic Weekly*, at an early date. The first is a series of twenty very interesting philatelic stories entitled "Tales of a Philatelist" written especially for our columns by Mr. R. S. Walters, a well known English collector. The second is a continued article on the "Philatelic Societies of the World" which has been prepared for us by Mr. A. O. East. These two lots are about the best of the kind we have as yet published and cannot but prove of interest to our readers.

Nearly all the New Zealand stamps we receive now have advertisements ornamenting the back. It is said that the revenue which the government derives from these advertisements pays for the stamps and yields a good profit besides. Considering the size of the U. S. Columbian issue, which is twice the size of the New Zealand stamps, the U. S. government might have made a considerable amount by printing advertisements on the back. On the New Zealand stamps there are hundreds of