

117TH REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 18TH, 1892.

The meeting was called to order by the President, with the following members present: Messrs. Aug. Dejonge, Hy. Clotz, R. F. Albrecht, H. Obert, R. H. Benary and A. Leinhardt. Minutes of the 116th regular meeting were adopted as read. R. F. Albrecht proposed E. H. Remington, of Brocton, Mass. Albert R. Rogers proposed Bruce V. Jenkins, of Baltimore, Md., which were referred to the Executive Committee. Mr. Clotz reported that our application to admit our members in the A. P. A. under conditions stated at our special meeting, has been refused, we not being recognized as a National Society. Resignations of Mrs. Lizzie Benary, Messrs. Hugo S. Mack, Millard F. Walton and C. H. Mekeel were accepted, with regret. Letter from Dr. Hy. F. Koester was read, and, on motion, the Secretary is to answer the same, inform the Doctor that his wish to resign was only expressed after he had been elected, and under the circumstances the society considered themselves entitled to dues. Price lists were received from J. H. Schloss and H. F. Zacca, and also the beautiful catalogue of envelopes and wrappers of the United States by Joseph Rechert, which was accepted with thanks. Mr. C. Wyt presents the Society with the blue 5 bani error of Rumania (counterfeit), which was accepted with thanks and placed in the counterfeit album. Meeting adjourned at 9:30. Next regular meeting will be held Friday, December 16.

H. R. BENARY, Secretary *pro tem*.

COLUMBUS POST CARDS.

(From the POSTAL CARD.)

I.

WORLD'S COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION.

EXHIBITS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 27, 1892.

MR. ADOLPH LOHMEYER,
922 North Gilmor St., Baltimore, Md.

SIR: Your communication of the 22nd inst. has been received. It is as yet uncertain whether the Department will issue a postal card commemorative of the discovery of America by Columbus; but the matter is under consideration.

Yours very respectfully,

MADISON DAVIS,
Acting Third Assistant Postmaster General.

II.

UNITED STATES POST OFFICE EXHIBIT,
WORLD'S COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 2, 1892.

MR. ADOLPH LOHMEYER,
922 North Gilmor St., Baltimore, Md.

SIR: Your letter of the 31st ult. has been received. In reply I beg leave to say that the Department does not contemplate the issue of a postal card commemorative of the discovery of America by Columbus. The likelihood is that no such card will be issued.

Yours respectfully,
A. D. HAZEN,
Third Assistant Postmaster General.

LOCAL HITS.

It is a fact, strange but true, that although London has been one of the most prominent cities in a philatelic line in Canada, it has supported no local society. Collectors have awakened to the fact that in this respect they are behind the times.

A local committee has been actively engaged in organizing a local society for some time since. It is expected that an inaugural meeting will be held on or about Friday, Dec. 23rd. We trust it will be brought to a successful issue, as its need is greatly felt here.

The publishers of the *Philatelic Journal of Canada* inform us that they will issue no December No. Reasons various.

The partnership existing between Messrs. Dickson and Bernstein, in the Star Stamp Co., has been dissolved. Mr. Dickson retires, and Mr. Bernstein continues under the old name.

Mr. Atwell Fleming, business manager of the *Advertiser*, has been exceedingly lucky lately, having struck several dozen small finds!

A city dealer recently found a large number of Canada 10 pence blue on the original envelopes.—Finds of this nature do not occur daily.

Stamp Companies seem on the boom here!—Whether their business is in a like state, we cannot say, but it is!—

London is to have another new paper in the new year, published in Spanish, French and German. It will be devoted to the interests of dealers and collectors desiring foreign correspondence, and it will be a success, as everything else from the Forest City is. Particulars later.

As it stands now, London lacks but one thing in a Philatelic line, and that is a Philatelic Club, and the day is not far distant when we shall have that.

BEATS THE WORLD AGAIN.

CHICAGO POST OFFICE DID A BRISK BUSINESS DURING DEDICATION.

CHICAGO, Oct. 25.—A quarter of a million of Chicago citizens sent newspapers with full accounts of the dedicatory fete to their distant friends.

Every letter box in town has been stacked up with papers, and bushels of stamped copies have been dumped on the sidewalk under mail boxes a dozen times a day.

Saturday 200,000 separate parcels of newspapers were received at the post-office.

Friday the pressure was as great. Thursday a trifle lighter, and about the same Sunday.

Altogether the post-office disposed of more mail matter in the three days of the dedication than was ever handled before in an equal period of time by any office in the world.