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Our Prospect.

THERE is a manifest desire among the people for information on all educational topics, as well as an increasing interest in the various branches of Philately. Although there is an extensive variety of Philatelic works and publications to which we may turn for information, we may safely assume that there is much more to be said and written about this *science* than we at present think. It is so to say in its infancy, and this enlightened generation is destined to unravel it and make it an every day topic.

The publisher first conceived the idea of issuing a journal for the furtherance of Philately during his recent sojourn on the Continent. There was at no time and is not at present any publication of its kind on Prince Edward Island, and as but few on the Island have as yet any knowledge of Philately—its value and many delights—the publisher feels himself justified in issuing this paper.

The Journal which is to be published monthly, will receive contributions from some of the most noted Philatelists at home and abroad; by this the public will be kept informed of philatelic doings etc, on the continent. Our foreign correspondent will favor us with a letter every month, and we hope to make this one of the most interesting features of our paper.

Our Exchange Column will be free to all subscribers. We have also determined to open an agents' column, in which we will try to publish the names of none but responsible agents who desire to sell sheets, etc.

An entirely new feature, which we venture to say has never before been introduced into any Philatelic Journal, will be our Auction Corner, wherein valuable stamps will be sold to the highest bidder.

Valuable treatises will be published of the stamps, etc., of the United States, Great Britain, Canada and other governments; and neither time nor money will be spared to bring new issues to the early notice of our readers.

We have obtained quite a number of foreign subscribers, and as stamps can be mostly bought cheaper in the United States and Canada—especially those of higher denominations which are the most valuable in general—we believe that it is safe to say that Advertisers would find it advantageous to advertise in our columns.

Hoping that you will give this number a careful perusal, and favor us with a share of your valued patronage as subscriber and advertiser,

We remain yours,

THE PUBLISHERS.