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DECEMBER,
1897.

The
Philatelic Advocate.


D. P. A. Official Organ.

A Monthly for Stamp Collectors.

Starnaman Bros., Berlin, Ont.
Editors and Publishers.

**What will you give for your advertisement in this
space to commence in Jan'y No? Best offer
received before Dec. 15th takes it**

THE BARGAIN PAGE.

Notices on this page one cent a word. No charge for address. Three insertions of same notice for the price of two.  No ad taken for less than 10c.

Ceylon 1882 4c. lilac-rose, cat. 50c only 12c postpaid.

Wanted to purchase stamps. Western Union 1893 unused cat. 50c only 6c.

Scott's 5th 58c. Straits Settlements 3c on 32c rose only 4c.

Two bargains. Siam 1 on 3c 6c. Ceylon 8c orange 15c.

Stamps catalogued at \$1.00 for 18c postfree.

Selangor 3c on 5c only 5c; Don't you want my Bargain list?

Kindly send your name. For above address Eben S. Martin, Minneapolis, Minn.

Free! Free! A choice packet to all sending for any of the following: Stamp tongs 22c; Atlas Hinges 9c per 1000; Jubilees, 1/2 to 50c 11 var \$2.85; 8c Jubilee 25c; gummed paper 4 sheets 10c; packet A contains 50 different stamps many rare 13c. Atlas Stamp Co. 155 King St. W. Hamilton. Ont.

A Nice collection free. Send 25 cents in stamps for one year's subscription to the Philatelic Messenger, one of the very best of the monthly stamp papers, and we will send you free a nice collection of 100 different foreign stamps, also free exchange notice. Send, with subscription, a stamped and addressed envelope. Matthew R. Knight, Oak Hill, Charlotte Co., N. B. Can.

Confederate Money cheap. Send me five 2c stamps and I will mail you 5 Confederate bills. First one answering ad. gets \$100 bill free. Wm. G. Lauterbach, Lock Box E. Meriden, Ill.

Used jubilees 1, 2, 3, 5 & 10c accepted as 1c each in payment for stamps from my sheets. Mrs. A. H. Hall, (D P A 128) 30 Mt. Pleasant St., North Cambridge, Mass.

Collectors attention! Have you sent for my Approv. Books at 50% dis. Price list free. E. G. Koch, Box 497. Peoria, Ill.

Specimen copy "International Stamp" for the asking. Address Minneapolis, Minn.

50 var. stamps including Hong Kong, India, Honduras, etc. to any person sending for our unequalled approval sheets at 50 per cent com. Reive Stamp Co. Markham Ont.

1000 finely mixed U. S. 20c. post paid. I have purchased a lot of these stamps from a Sunday School and will offer them at only 20c per 1000 or 10,000 for \$1.75. Chas. E. Williams, Palmyra Wis.

Send 10c for Packet A, contains 25 var. U. S., also Columbians, Can. Rev. wanted. Unique Stamp Co. 28 Brainard Ave. Cleveland Ohio.

Free! this paper or the "Perforator three months to every eighth purchaser of my 50 variety packet of foreign stamps at 13c post free. E. A. Marris, 200 James St., N., Hamilton, Ont.

Boys and Girls make big money selling our goods. Something new; good seller; samples 10cts terms free. Delhi Novelty Co. Delhi Ont.

THE PHILATELIC ADVOCATE.

VOL. 3. NO. 7. BERLIN, ONT., DECEMBER. WHOLE NO. 16.

Pithy Philatelic Points.

Sayings and articles of noted writers carefully condensed.

By REGINALD KINNERSLEY.

Genuine errors in U. S. stamps are almost unknown unless we consider mistakes double grill as such. The Navy 2 cts green may be an error but this is disputed by men whose opinions we are bound to respect. George F Crofoot.

The so called Republic of Cuba 10 centavo stamp issued about 1874 is interesting as being the outcome of the rebels. Whether it can be considered an essay, forgery, or what, is a question that has bothered collectors since its issue. It was never really in use.—Herbert Carlyle.

The Chinese locals are midway between purely local stamps, such as the U. S., and government issues. The Imperial Government does not sanction them in any way, yet they carry mail to any part of the Empire having a P. O. of its own. Therefore they are not exactly "local"—Lewis G. Quackenbush

Most persons feel justified in registering an occasional kick and stamp collectors are not an exception to the rule. They have grumbled about Seebecks, about the collection of revenues and locals, about specializing, about somebody's hinges and somebody else's albums, about philatelic poetry, philatelic fiction and the press in general, as well as about surcharges.—Frank Brown.

Clever and ingenious forgeries of the 1869 U.S. 15 cent and 24 cent with inverted medallion have been discov-

ered. The centre design of the genuine stamp is peeled off without injuring the back, then inverted and subjected to high pressure. A close examination detects it.—F.S. Parmalee.

I think the boycott of speculative issues should extend to chronicling. This conspiracy of silence would put an end to the swindling rubbish which is increasing at such a rapid pace as to threaten to choke the life out philately. We blind fools are buying worthless stuff by the million solely because we do not put an end to the systematic robbery. Let us make a black list of countries which should be excluded from all serious collecting.—Edward J. Nankwell.

No issues of stamps have excited among collectors a greater and more general interest than those which have been used by the various British Colonies. We know little of popular feeling in Canada as to annexation but we do know that the prosperity of North America is one and that Canada will never reach its proper position among the nations until it unites with the U. S.—Crawford Capen.

Ninety per cent of those who launch stamp papers are without previous experience in publishing. This explains the repeated failures. The stamp papers which pay even small profits may be counted on the finger of one hand. F. Brown.

Our next number will contain "The inside history of the Philatelic Advocate. Subscribe now. Send 25c. for a years subscription."

The Dirigo Stamp Co.

A philatelic story.

By HERBERT IREY WATTS.

Brief Outline of Concluding Chapters.

Many messages were offered to both "Dirigos" during the two days telegraphic communication was cut off by the flood. Lauretta conceives the idea of issuing the tiny bits of paper used for sending pigeon messages with stamps printed thereon.

Afterwards these stamps being similar to the Fresno Bicycle stamp were listed in stampic catalogues creating of course a demand for them.

The proceeds from the sale of these is invested in stamps for the benefit of the different members' albums.

AN EXPLANATION.

Entirely unexpected to me came a notice to conclude this story in one chapter. As this could not be done I outline it, briefly, above.

If there be even one person who was interested in this little narrative I desire that person to understand that this unbusinesslike conclusion arises from no act of mine

THE AUTHOR.

From the Ambitious City.

By CHAS. S. APPLGATH.

It is with much pleasure that we inform our readers and fellow members of the D. P. A. that Hamilton has been elected as the 1898 Convention seat of the society. A committee will be formed at once for the purpose of making preliminary arrangements for the '98 meet. We shall expect every member who possibly can, to attend the convention next year, and while

it may be somewhat early to mention it, nevertheless we want to keep it before your mind. "Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

Having won the convention seat Hamilton collectors are now not slow in joining Canada's leading society. Peep into another page and you will see five applications from our city.

On Tuesday Nov. 9th. the first stamps of the new issue made their appearance at the post office here, as one of our local dailies had it, "Mr. C. S. Applegath had the pleasure of purchasing the first half cent stamp of the new series." The new stamps answer very well to the description given in this paper last month. The half cent is the same size as the other stamps, the 1c being green instead of yellow.

W. A. Starnaman of the ADVOCATE spent Thanksgiving day in this city and called upon some of the local dealers.

A New Departure.—W. A. Howell Jr. for many years an active collector, has joined the ranks of the dealer. His adv. will be found in this issue under the name of "The Atlas Stamp Co."

Designs were sent for the cover of this paper from two Hamilton collectors

Since our last issue the Star Stamp Co has been registered in the County of Worth Registry Office as a joint stock Company.

Read the "Inside History of the Advocate" in Next Number. It will give you a little insight into the publishing of a stamp paper

Submitted for Prize Contest.

King Philately.

By H. I. WATTS.

The other "fads" and "hobbies" have held sway over a certain portion of this world's pleasure loving people, not one has grown and flourished like Philately.—The King of Pastimes.

Yes, King Philately with his fair Queen, our mystical goddess, fair Philatelia, holds reign over twice a million willing subjects in all parts of the world.

From the cool calm Northland to the warm impetuous south—from the quaint, centuries-old, civilization of China, to the wide border life of palm-shaded Congo—the word goes forth that of all pastimes and pleasure Philately is king!

And Why?

Because around that mystic throne has been built a mighty structure of thought of learning and of wisdom.

No other pastime affords the rich opportunity of pleasure and learning at one and the same time in such profuseness as does Philately.

The girl or boy who cannot attend a business college will find a liberal education in philately. The acquiring of a collection will bring numberless chances of learning business and business ways.

Again, a well informed philatelist is a mine of knowledge on the subject of postal laws, both of his own country and of others.

Then there is its own peculiar literature,—papers and catalogues, stories and even novels. The youth aspiring to honor as a writer will find here opportunities of gaining experience and

wisdom, and he will find that the standard of philatelic literature is ever raising higher. And he or she who, wishing perhaps, to raise the means of attending college, will soon find a profitable investment in a small but well selected stock of stamps. Colleges usually teem with stamp collectors and a shrewd young person having the elements of business success enthroned in a level head, will find many a profitable sale.

But the great claim philately has upon the public fancy, is its cosmopolitan nature. On its common ground all are equal. Rich, poor, big, low famous, unknown, young, or old, all find in philately a pleasant pastime and in philatelists, cordial friends.

Many a life long friendship has had its start from philately. There are many friends known to each other only by correspondence, and who philately has bound together.

Once there was a time when the world spoke of philately only in mockery. That day is gone; we command the respect if not the sympathy of all fair-minded people.

For fifty years our hobby has went on, ever growing, never ceasing, till now I feel fully justified in writing once more—Philately; King of Pastimes.

There are post-offices in Maine four days' journey from Augusta. Fourteen incorporated towns have no post-office at all. Stage drivers have quite a number of fees annually for taking mail from post offices and delivering it anywhere from eight to twenty miles.
—Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News.

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Organized Sept 1 1894,

OFFICERS.

President. A. M. Muirhead, Halifax N. S.
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 Official Organ THE PHILATELIC ADVOCATE,

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

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The above will receive their membership Certificates on receipt of dues to Jan. 1899, amounting to 28 cents.

APPLICATIONS.

Fred. A. B. Reynolds. Stamp Dealer
 3 Green St. Halifax N. S. Refs. A. M. Muirhead F. H. Reynolds.

W. Irvin Stahlnecker. Clerk. Lock Box B. Newberry Pa. Refs. Starnaman Bros.

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 R S. Mason. 207 James St. S. Hamilton Ont. Refs. C. S. Applegath, L. H. Miller.

P. K. Moore. Stamp Dealer. 109 Hughson St. W. Hamilton Ont. Refs. C. S. Applegath, L. S. Graham.

F. M. Robinson, Bank Clerk. 34 Hannah St. E. Hamilton. Ont. Refs. C. S. Applegath, W. A. Lydiatt.

Herbert F. Rollins, salesman. 217 Park Place Brooklin N. Y. Refs. L. S. Graham, W. A. Beatty.

Wm. Meyers, Merchant. 243 Eaton St. Toronto Ont. Refs- F. I. Weaver, R. G. Widdicombe.

Ralph Weaver, Student. Box 484 Berlin, Ont. Refs F. I. Weaver, L. E. Stroh.

R. S. Knox, Bank Clerk. 13 Robinson St. Hamilton, Ont, Refs. C. S. Applegath, P. K. Moore.

The above will be admitted to membership Dec. 15th provided no objection is filed with the Sec'y before that date.

1898 Convention Seat.

Hamilton 17. Halifax 14. Majority for Hamiton three. I am glad Hamilton got it and serry Halifax lost it. May we all meet in the Ambitious City in 1898 hope to meet our brothers in Halifax in 1899. For Application Blanks and all information Address
 L. S. GRAHAM. Sec'y-Treas.,
 MERRITTON, ONT.

Counterfeit Detector's Report.

Fellow members of the D. P. A. Up to date I have only received five stamps for examinaion in my depart-

ment and I can't understand why you don't make better use of this department; it being one of the best in the society. Have you any stamps that I could pass my opinion upon?

I note Bro. Garraty's letter in Oct. No. of ADVOCATE and agree with him that the Counterfeit Detector's and Exchange departments should be the best features in our society. But we officers are unable to accomplish much without your support. I am anxious to get my dept in working order and trust that the members will help me by sending any doubtful stamps for examination and thus make use of this department and not have us officers as figure heads.

Fraternally yours,
Chas. Bailey, Count. Detector.
Kaukauna, Wis.

Trustees Report.

Fellow members of the D. P. A.

R. G. Widdicombe being anxious to get the Auction dept in working order has complained to us, about Messrs Starnaman Bros. demanding 5c. per lot for advertising any stamps offered at auction. After communicating with both parties and W. McMahon, late publisher of the Official Organ (Philatelic Canadian) We find that in view of the fact that Mr McMahon received 5c per lot for advertising each lot for auction, we think it only right that Messrs Starnaman Bros. should receive likewise and that Mr. Widdicombe should immediately inform such parties who have sent in stamps for auction that a fee of 5c shall be necessary for each lot for advertising same.

Hoping the above will be entirely

satisfactory,

We remain,

Yours for the D. P. A. welfare,
Chas. S. Applegath.
W. A. Lydiatt.

P. S. We were unable to procure Mr. Beatty's signature on this report because the so called trustee refused to answer any communications sent to him. (We also wrote Mr. Beatty and received no reply. The pubs)

Hamilton Stamp club

Branch No. 4 of the D. P. A.

Nov. 25. the local branch of the Dominion Philatelic Association met in the office of the Star Stamp Co. and formed a club under the name of the Hamilton Stamp Club, Branch No. 4, of the D. P. A.

W. A. Starnaman, of Berlin, publisher of the official organ of the D.P.A. acted as chairman and organizer. The following officers were elected: F. M. Robinson, President; R. S. Mason, secretary treasurer; C. S. Applegath, Librarian; E. A. Marris, Auction Manager; W. B. Grant, Sup. of Information bureau.

Membership application cards may be had from the secretary-treas, 207 James Street South.

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Editorial.



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It is a very valuable handbook giving
 the date issue, color, shape and value
 of any postage stamp ever issued. It
 contains over 600 pages and also gives
 hints for collectors, tables, in English,
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 terms used in philatelic catalogues; coin
 table giving approximate value of
 foreign coins in U. S. gold.

The price is 58 cents post free. It
 may be procured from the Scott Stamp
 & Coin Co. 18 E. 23rd. St. N. Y. City,
 or we will give this paper one year
 and the catalogue duty and postage
 prepaid for only sixty-five cents.

Sample Copies. We have received num-
 erous requests for sample
 copies during the past
 month, and no doubt all who receive
 their papers marked "Sample Copy"
 will want to see our next number con-
 taining the inside history of our paper.

"The controversy which of late has
 been going on between the editors of the
 'Halifax Philatelic Magazine' and the
 PHILATELIC ADVOCATE of Berlin, Ont.,
 as regards the respective merits of
 their papers has been unexpectedly
 decided by no less authority than
 the Hon. Wm Mulock, postmaster-gene-
 ral His verdict was in favor of the
 Ontario paper. Among twenty papers
 of Canada until now enjoying second
 class mailing rates and which the post-
 master-general evidently thought we
 could do without and accordingly with-
 drew the mailing privilege, I find the
 name of the 'Halifax Philatelic Maga-
 zine.'"—From Weekly Era.

Our Prize Contest We were well pleased with the result of our last contest. Sixteen designs were received for our cover. The best was the one submitted by T. E. Young, Seaforth, Ont. Had there been a second prize it would have been awarded to W. A. Lydiatt, Toronto. Very good designs were sent by the following. R S. Mason and C.S. Applegath, Hamilton, Ont.; Fred Brighton, Berlin, Ont.; W. H. Kessler, Detroit, Mich.; S. B. Sturtevant, Boulder, Col. and H. H. Coombs, Simcoe. Several good designs were thrown out on account of mis-spelling.

The case of J. R. Hooper. We have been informed that Mr. Hooper intends to present his petitions shortly to Hon. David Mills, new Minister of Justice. All interested in his release are requested to send at once for blank petitions to Mrs. Katie Baulch, Port Hope, Ont.

We acknowledge receipt of following: price lists from Chas. C. Rogers 109 W. 16th St. N. Y. City; A. F. Wicks, London Ont. Comet Stamp Co. Toronto, Ont.; C. H. McKeel, St. Louis, Mo. Annual report of Birmingham Philatelic Society.

We are pleased to announce that the election of D. P. A. convention seat resulted in favor of Hamilton

Well Alex. the "pipe hitters" won after all your blowing.

Owing to lack of space we are compelled to discontinue the Exchange Column. The rates for Bargain notices will be one cent per word in future. This will not affect those who have contracted in advance for

notices.

Peruvian News Items.

E. J. WILLIAMS & Co.

The 20c. unpaid stamp of the 1874 type are now in use surcharged "Deficit" as on the 5 and 10c issued in August. The 1c unpaid 1879 type is also being prepared with this surcharge. Less than 30,000 of the 1c unpaid 1879 type surcharged "Franqueo" were placed on sale Nov. 6th. for ordinary use during that month, supply of the 1c 1896 issue being exhausted. We have been favored with a view of the new 1, 2 and 5c which will be on sale Dec. 1st. It is officially stated that these will not be a commemorative issue.

Premiums.

Send us 25c **before Jan. 1st.** and we will give you this paper until **JAN'Y, 1899**, a 20 word adv. on the Bargain Page and your choice of any one of the following: **An 8c unused Canada Jubilee stamp.**

"Philatelia" the "Trilby" of the philatelic world.

Set of 6 var. Cuba, unused, '74 to '81
25 Blank Approval Sheets.

15 ditto with your name printed on.
HALF INCH ADVERTISEMENT in this paper.

Adam's '97 Canadian Revenue Catalogue Regular price 25c.

This paper until Jan'y. 1899 and **Scott's 58th Catalogue for 65c.** No postage or duty to pay.

Present subscribers may take advantage of this offer by renewing their subscription.

Starnaman Bros.,

Box 104. Berlin, Ont.

Toronto Notes.

The $\frac{1}{2}$ cent variety of Canada's new issue was placed on sale in Toronto Nov. 8th. Collectors here do not admire the choice of the officials in choosing such a plain design to adorn our stamps when we only get a new issue every 30 years or so. Anything that is worth doing is worth doing well. By the picture on the stamps no stranger would take our Queen to be the pretty woman she is. Those engravings must have drawn her face out of shape.

The Jubilee stamps are still in great demand. If it keeps on the demand will soon exceed the supply.

Your correspondent had the pleasure of meeting the Iceland delegate at the W. C. T. U. Convention recently held here. I had a pleasant talk about the postal service in Iceland the substance of which I may give to the readers of the ADVOCATE in some future issue.

W. A. Lydiatt has opened an advertising and subscription agency.

What's the matter with sending to L. S. Graham Merriton, Ont. for an application blank for the D. P. A. Every up-to-date philatelist should join. Do so now.

A new society has been organized viz. The Boy's Own Philatelic Association. It will be conducted in the interests of beginners and junior collectors. You should send for application blanks to W. A. Lydiatt, sec'y pro-tem, 229 Davenport Rd. Toronto.

I. E. Weldon has moved from Gerard St. to 8 Balmuto St.

Exchange Column.

Can. Jubilees to X for Can rev. W. C. Wells, 122 Mt. Elliot Detroit Mich.

I have Scotts no. 1099 unused and entire for any other stamps or envelopes. Erastus Cornell, Marshalltown, Iowa.

Collectors in Canada, U. S. or Mexico. For \$3.00 worth good stamps from your sheets, I will send, postage paid with desirable Columbian stamps, 15,000 mixed U. S. 15 to 20 varieties Joel H. Dubose, Huguenot, Ga.

For a U. S. or Can. dime dated prior to 1890. I will send prepaid a specimen of quartz from the Klondike guaranteed to be genuine. A unique specimen for the Cabinet. Willard B. Dobbins, Box 22 Barnesville Ohio.

Match and Med; U. S. adhesive to X for Can. Reva. Unique Stamp Co., 28 Brainerd Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.



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BOYS' OWN STOCK NO. 1.

25 stamps @ 1c =	25c
15 " @ 2c =	30c
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5 " @ 5c =	25c
100 mixed stamps	10c
155 stamps Total	\$1.20
All for 20c postpaid.	

Special to all purchasing this stock before Jan 1st. and mentioning this paper we will give a copy of **Canadian Philatelic Annual** the Hit of the season. Regular price 10c. It will contain valuable reading matter and be profusely illustrated.

Ontario Philatelic Co.
Box 494. Berlin, Ont.

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4 Nicholson Place St. Louis, Mo. H. FLACHSKAMM, Manager. Established 1885.
Incorporated. Capital Stock \$25,000.00 Paid up.

We offer good packets as follows: **No. 10 - Price 25c.** Contains 25 diff. stamps from **South and Central America only**, many rare, such as Salvador, Chili, old and new Brazil, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Venezuela, Peru, Argentine Republic, etc. etc.

No. 11. - Price 25c 25 diff. stamps from **West Indian Islands only**, such as Grenada, Repub. of Dominica, Bermuda, Trinidad, Barbados, etc. many good values and unused.

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