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NO. 1.

## The Emperor and the Gardener.

Chosroes, King of Persia, while hunting one day with his train, came upon an aged man who was planting a walnut tree in his garden. The monarch, riding up, asked him his age. "I am four years old," replied the peasant, without looking up.

One of the Emperor's attendants rebuked the man sharply for his impertinence, but the gardener answered:

"You censure me without cause, I did not speak unadvisedly; for the wise do not reckon that time which has been lost in folly and the cares of the world. I therefore consider that to be my real age, which has been passed in serving Deity, and discharging my duty to society."

The Emperor, struck with the singularity of the remark, observed "Thou canst not hope to see the trees thou art planting come to perfection."

"Certainly not," replied the sage, "but as others have planted that we might eat, it is but just that we should plant for the benefit of posterity."

"Excellent!" exclaimed Chosroes, and then, as was customary whenever anyone was honored with the applause of the sovereign, a purse bearer presented the old man with a thousand pieces of gold. The shrewd peasant received them with a low obeisance, saying:

"Oh, King, other men's trees come to perfection in the space of thirty years, but mine have produced fruit as soon as they were planted."

"Bravo!" cried the Emperor upon which a second purse was presented, when the old man exclaimed:

"The trees of other's bear fruit only once a year, but mine have yielded two crops in one day."

"Give him another thousand gold pieces, cried Chosroes, then spurring his horse away, he said to the gardener, "I dare not remain longer, reverend father, lest thy wit should exhaust my treasury."—*Clinton Montague.*

## FORGERIES.

Some will regret it, others will chuckle over the moral backsliding of Gruat & Bonn, of 3 Tavistock Street, Bedford Square, London. This firm, one of "some respectability and reputation," has been openly accused of selling forged Reunions, French Chiffre Taxe, Newspaper Express, and "Balloon Letters." The most important of these is the Reunions. They are not sold as the originals of 1852, but as reprints of them. The originals were intended for prepay postage, but very few were used for this purpose; reprints, as every one knows, are fresh impressions of obsolete stamps taken for the benefit of stamp collectors—or dealers, one or the other of them—and not intended for postal purposes. To a collector of a little experience it should not be a difficult matter to be able to distinguish between copies of the 'Simon Pure,' that is either the originals or reprints, and copies of Gruat and Bonn's own make. The former being type set, do not present a smooth appearance on paper, this is more evident on turning to the back of the stamp, whereas, the latter, having been printed from a wood cut, or an electrotype, present a remarkably smooth surface, and on turning them over, no pressing whatever is evident. This is the key to the detection of these humbugs. A better one, however, and one easier discovered exists. On a couple kindly sent me by the editor of the *Stamp Collector's Journal*, to-wit:—the water-mark in English *super wove*. It is to be hoped all dealers will take warning from this, and not venture on the stamp making business. Nichols, Butler & Co., tried it, and they have had to quit the field and give up the trade altogether; so doubtless will the aforesaid Gruat & Bonn.

Another forgery monger in the person of Mr. Arthur Horn, 15 Duck Mill Lane, Bedford, awaits exposure. In the *Bazaar Exchange and Mart*, of 20th July last, and in his price list, he advertises eight Pacific Steam Navigation Company, 1857, for 7d., five Bolivia, 1868, for 6d., four Mexico, 1865 for 6d., and three Dominica, for 5d. We are enabled to dispense with all kinds of tests concerning the above whenever

we see rarities so "dirt cheap" as this, we can only draw one conclusion. It is to be hoped the kindly and gratuitous notices which Arthur has received will prove effective, and prevent him from again blowing his "Horn" in the same strain, even through the channel of a six-penny advertisement in the *Bazaar Exchange and Mart*.—T. MARTIN WEARS, in the Foreign Stamp Collectors' News.

### OUR WORD HUNT.

#### FOUR WORD CONTESTS IN THIS ISSUE.

Some of our readers will no doubt be sorry to hear, that we cannot award the prizes for "Factory" and "Zincode," as we have inadvertently destroyed our memoranda of the results. But, however, to show that we wish to do justice to our subscribers, we give, besides our regular words, two extra words to contest instead of "Factory" and "Zincode." We have made a slight change in the list of prizes, but we hope this will cause no dissatisfaction, as the prizes we offer now are more valuable than those offered before.

To the persons forming the largest list of words from the word

#### CAMEL.

we will give the following prizes:—

1st, \$1.00 in Foreign Stamps; 2nd, The American Diamond Dictionary, price 50cts.; 3rd, 3 months subscription to the "*Ladies Floral Cabinet*"; 4th, The Young America Postage Stamp Album; 5th, a set of trick cards; Next 5, 50 nice cards with name on.

For the largest lists of words formed from the word

#### MAYOR.

we will give:—

1st, Coins or Stamps, to the value of \$1.00; 2nd, 300 transfer Pictures; 3rd, a Young America Postage Stamp Album; 4th, Book of Portraits of the Rulers of the World; next 5, a packet of foreign stamps.

In our regular competition, for this month we give the word

#### BUGLE.

with the following prizes:—

1st, a Youths' Companion Stamp Album, elegantly bound in Gold and Black Cloth; 2nd, 50cts. in Foreign Stamps; 3rd, "Cyril Thorn-

ton"; 4th, The "Ink Manufacturer"; 5th, a set of Fancy Cards; Next 5, a packet of foreign stamps.

The competitions on "Camel," "Mayor" and "Bugle" all close on Feb. 29th. Competitors must be subscribers to the "ECHO," subscriptions may be sent in with the lists, however. Names of prize-winners will appear in the March number.

In addition to the above three contests we give the following

#### GRAND WORD HUNT.

To the person forming the largest list of words from the word

#### CRAYON.

we will give a

#### "FAIRY" SEWING MACHINE.

Value \$4.00. This is not a toy but a genuine machine, capable of doing good work.

This competition closes March 26th. Entrance fee 10c., which must be enclosed with your list. Competition on "Crayon" open to all whether subscribers to the "Echo" or not. Circular containing name of winner will be sent to each competitor.

For the benefit of those who have not competed in our word hunt before, we give the following

#### CONDITIONS.

which govern all four of the above contests:—

Only words found in Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, latest edition, without the Supplement, to be used.

All lists must be arranged in alphabetical order and be numbered. No proper names, abbreviations, contractions, prefixes, suffixes, or obsolete words are to be used. No letter to be used twice in the formation of a word.

Now we trust that everyone who receives a copy of the paper, will compete in all four of the above contests. Apart from the intellectual benefit derived, you have a chance of winning several valuable prizes. Remember, all prizes will be forwarded to winners, *positively*, within 5 days after close of each contest. Send in your lists *at once*. Address, your lists:—

#### WORD HUNT,

#### MONTHLY ECHO.

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If any of the prize winners in our word hunts, have not received their prizes, they will *do us a favor* by apprising us of the fact, giving full particulars, and we will see that their complaints are promptly attended to.

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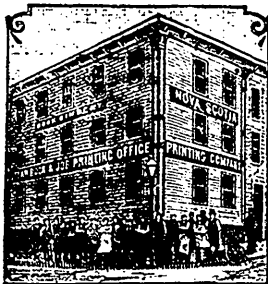
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A few more of the new U. S. Nickels, 5c., have been placed in my hands for disposal at 10c. each, gold quarters 35c., or half-dollars, 60c. each. Address as above.

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THE "Stenograph" writing machine is attracting a great deal of attention among shorthand writers. It is said that a speed of 250 words per minute can be secured with it.

NEIGHBORS are very considerate in Norway. When a baby is born a placard is nailed upon the door informing the community of the fact. Those who wish to move out of the vicinity are thus enabled to do so in good season.

A LADY was reproaching Mr. William Warren at a recent reception for going into society so little. "You ought to let us lionize you a little," she said. "I never heard of but one man," replied the veteran actor, "who was not spoiled by being lionized." "And who was he?" "Daniel."

"How long have you been married?" asked the clerk at the hotel desk, as the elderly bridegroom registered. "Two weeks," replied the happy man. "Front," cried the clerk: "show the gentleman to parlor B.; \$15 a day, sir." "Third wife," calmly said the guest. "Oh! excuse me. Front, show the gentleman to 824 back. Take the elevator. \$4 a week, sir."

"What are these cups for?" asked a well-dressed man of a jeweller, pointing to some elegant silver cups on the show case. "These are race cups to be given as prizes to the best racer." "If that's so, suppose you and I race for one," and the stranger, with cup in hand, started, the jeweler after him. The stranger won the cup.

A GOOD story about an old Methodist minister baptizing an infant is told in "Echoes from Welsh Hills." "He took the babe in his arms very affectionately, and addressed in a paternal fashion a few words of advice to the young parents: "See that you train up the child in the way that he should go, that you surround him with the best influences, and that you give him a good example. If you do so, who knows but that he may become a Christmas Evans or John Elias! What is his name?" "Jane, sir," replied the mother."

A patriotic manufacturer at Rouen has designed some handkerchiefs for the purpose of diffusing military knowledge. They are printed on linen in indestructible black. The information was compiled by two officers of high position; and besides comprising a complete system of drill, valuable hygienic information is given, and all sorts of instruction appear as to the best means of rendering assistance to the wounded, and how to help a comrade home who is injured. Great personal cleanliness is enjoined, and sound advice given as to hunger, thirst, sleeping, marching, etc.

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ENGLISHTOWN, N. S., JAN., 1884.

## OUR THIRD AND (WE HOPE) OUR LAST APOLOGY.

"Why don't I receive my paper?" "What has become of the ECHO?" "Has the ECHO suspended?" are the questions which have been pouring in upon us for the last two or three months. To all inquirers, we dedicate the following reply:—

We sent copy for our October and November numbers to our printer in due time, and failing to receive the papers after a reasonable length of time had elapsed, we wrote him repeatedly inquiring the cause of delay, but received no reply whatever, until a few days ago we received a communication informing us that he had gone out of business and had not attended to our work. This remissness on the part of our printer, has caused us a great deal of annoyance, disappointment and loss. Had we foreseen this delay, we might have managed differently, but as it has so happened, we can only tender a humble apology to our patrons, asking their kind consideration for us, in the matter, and assuring them that in the future, we shall endeavor, to the best of our ability, to give them entire satisfaction.

We have been fortunate enough to secure the services of a printer, whom we think will perform his share of the work more promptly than his predecessor, and so, we trust, we can confidently assert, that we will have no more irregularities in the publication of our paper.

Soliciting the warm support of the public for 1884, we conclude by wishing one and all

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

NOTICE.—Would our British exchanges kindly send an extra copy to B. Wright, 33 St. Paul's Road, Camden Square, London, N. W. We, in return, will send two copies if so desired.

When answering advertisements which appear in this issue, please say, "I saw your advt. in the MONTHLY ECHO."

Publishers finding this notice marked will please consider it as an invitation to exchange papers regularly.

When sending money to us, send Canada, or U. S. bills. In sums of less than one dollar, send scrip or Canadian silver, or if you cannot possibly procure these, send U. S. or Canada postage stamps or U. S. silver, which we will accept at their face value, although we lose on them.

ADVERTISERS—Give us, at least a trial advt., so that we may have an opportunity of convincing you that the ECHO as an advertising medium "can't be beat."

The "*Agents Banner*" published at Bowers-ton, Ohio, is one of our best exchanges. It is brimful of very interesting matter, and comes every month for only 50cts., per year. Each subscriber receives a ticket in their grand distribution of prizes to take place April 1st, 1884.

The "*Exchangers Guide and General Directory*" is a neat little book containing a large number of addresses of collectors and exchangers of Coins, Stamps, Minerals, &c. Price only 15 cts. It is published annually by W. L. Lewis, Rockford, Iowa.

**COIN AND STAMP DEPARTMENT.**

We wish to purchase at all times stamps of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, P. E. Island, Newfoundland, and Old Issues of Canadian stamps. Highest cash prices paid. This office.

**NEW ISSUES.**

**BERMUDA.**—A new 2½d. stamp has been issued.

**SIAM** has issued a new set of stamps. Values: 1-16 fyang, blue; 1-8 fyang, carmine; 1-4 fyang, vermilion; 1 salyng, yellow. A postal card, value 1-8 fyang, has also been issued.

**BELGIUM.**—We have just received the 25c and 50c values of the new series. They both have the portrait of Leopold, and are very neat in design. Color, 25c., blue; 50c., lilac.

**CASHMERE** has a new postcard, red on white, value 1-4 anna.

**St VINCENT**—A 6d., green, and a 1s., vermilion, stamp has appeared.

**UNITED STATES.**—The new 2-cent envelope is the prettiest and neatest that has yet appeared. There are altogether 9 varieties of color of paper and size.

**Our American Contemporaries.**

The *Old Curiosity Shop* for December lies on our table. It contains 16 pages of very interesting matter. It enters upon its 3rd volume with the January number.

The *Bayonne Philatelist* is a neat 4 page stamp paper from Bergen Pt., N. J.

Would the publishers of the *Granite State Philatelist*, *Union Exchange List*, *Stamp World* and *Curiosity Collector* kindly exchange with us, and if convenient, send back numbers.

The *Western Collector* is an exceedingly minute paper from Sacramento, Cal.

We hope all the new papers that are to come out this month will exchange with us.

We would respectfully request all stamp dealers and publishers to send us a copy of their catalogue, or other publication. All such will be reviewed in this department.

**Our British Contemporaries.**

By our London Correspondent.

The *Philatelic Referee* for July—the last number received—contains 12 large pages, and is well gotten up and full of interesting matter. It is only a wonder that the publishers take such pains on a publication that is gratis, and every dealer should give them an advertise-

ment, if only to encourage them in their endeavours to promote Philately.

The October number of the *Universal Philatelic Magazine* is the latest we have received. It contains 8 pages and is full of news.

The *East Anglian Philatelist* is a new venture. No. 1 (October) contains 4 pages, two of which are filled with advts. True, the price is only 1d., but when compared with the *Philatelic Referee*, even this low price seems very dear.

The *Foreign Stamp Collectors' News* is another new candidate for favor. The first number, published in October, contains 8 pages in colored wrapper.

The *Magazine of Philately* is one of the best philatelic papers now published in England. It contains 16 pages of interesting matter.

Written for the Monthly Echo.]

**WHAT SHALL WE COLLECT?**

OR,

**A Few Words to Young Collectors.**

BY B. W., LONDON, ENG.

The first word of advice, I would give a young collector is not to collect everything. Surely there is enough to collect if you take the stamps of Europe only, or America, or any other division you like.

Perhaps one of the most interesting would be Great Britain, and her possessions, and I am sure it would be sufficient occupation for you to form a complete collection of these, and quite sufficient outlay for your pocket. It would also be of more satisfaction for yourself, as you could thus attain something like a complete collection instead of the common stamps of every country, and there would be this further advantage, that if ever you wanted to sell your collection, you would get a much better price for it.

Thus, for instance, a complete set of Canadian stamps would be worth much more than an ordinary collection of, say 500 stamps, as most dealers would be glad to supply 500 stamps, all different, for 6s., but not one would sell a complete set of Canadian stamps for that price.

The young collector may argue, that this is very well, but that it would cost more to collect in this way. Here he is wrong, for if he buys the stamps singly, they would cost 1d. each or 40s. for the 500, for it must be remembered that the majority of beginners cannot afford to pay 5s. or 6s. down.

My advice is, do not purchase six separate stamps at a penny each but save that sixpence, for a stamp that is rare. Now having mentioned Canada, let us look into the value, number, etc., of these stamps. The catalogue now before me, mentions nearly 100 varieties including

envelopes, postcards, and different shades, and the prices before the issue of 1859, vary from 2s. to 20s. each. Now would it not be much better to spend your money, in completing a set like this, than to have 3 or 4 stamps of 100 different countries.

Of course, though I have taken Canada as an example, it is not to be supposed that the stamps of all countries are as difficult to obtain. Thus, a complete set of the stamps of Great Britain, may be collected at a very small outlay with the exception of two or three scarce varieties.

At all events, let the beginner try a collection of this sort; he can easily increase it afterwards if he is not satisfied.

Most Philatelic writers seem to think that forgeries are a great curse to philately; of course, we are better without them, but I cannot understand how it is that so many collectors are "taken in." How seldom, if ever, do we meet with a forgery which cannot be detected at a glance.

To guard against buying forgeries, all you have to do is to study your specimens, and when purchasing, if you have a doubt as to the genuineness of any stamp, take the advice of some more advanced collector, whom you will always find willing to advise and assist a beginner.

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