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A FEW OF THE COMMONER

VARIETIES OF THE

U.S. STAMPS.


By E.S.

ISSUE OF 1872. The entire set has been found on both thick and thin wove paper, and the 2, 3 and 15 ct. values also exist on ribbed paper. There are many shades of all values.

We might mention three varieties of the 1c., which have come to our notice, i.e. Solid and plain frames surrounding the picture. In the solid there are shading lines while on the plain frame there are none. The third variety of the 1c. is the straight line background. All the lines being horizontal while in the others vertical lines cross the horizontal. 

1875. Of the 2c. stamp. Of this issue there are said to be about 15 varieties some however being hardly worth their notice.

It is also found on ribbed paper.

1882  At this date the 1, 3, 6 and 10c. values of this issue were re-engraved and a new 5c. was added to the list.

Of the 1c. there are three varieties. One with heavy shading below the bust; another with no shading there, and the last has a light patch in place of the shading in the first.

The 3c. green re-engraved is readily distinguished from the originals by the shading under the medallion which is only about half the thickness of that in the originals of 1872.

The 5c. of 1882 is found with both cross and straight line ground-work.

In 1883 two new stamps were issued, value two ct. and four ct. Of the two-cent there are two varieties. One is shaded below the shield while the other is not. This stamp was also printed in aniline ink which soaked through the paper causing the back to become purple:



1887 The remarks given on the two ct. of '83 and 5 c. of '82 will apply to the 2c. and 5c. stamps of '87.



1890. There is an abundance of varieties of this issue. One variety which we have not seen mentioned is that one in which the design of the 4c. is about one half mm. longer than usual



WHAT THE P.A. WOULD LIKE

TO KNOW.

Why more Canadian Philatelists do not join the D.P.A?



Why space is given in the International album for U.S. Revenues and even locals while Canadian Revenues are left out in the cold?



Why some prominent Canadian dealer does not get out a Canadian album?



When Canada will get a new issue of postage stamps?




If the funeral of Seebecks will take place and who will be the chief mourners?



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PHILATELIC PHUNNIGRAMS.

By different people.

☞ A phew phunny philatelic phel-lows wanted to send phunny philatelic jokes phor insertion in this column.



Not Bashful.

Host.-- "Well Rastus what can I 'Servia'to"

Familiar Guest.-- "Hanover' 'Samoa' ob dat 'Turkey' wid lots ob 'Greece.'"

A New Fad.

Sam.-- "Did you hear the latest fad among philatelists"

Dan.-- "No! What is it?"

Sam.-- "Why they're beginning to collect door-mats because there are so many stamps on them."



POST CARD COLUMN.

Under this heading we will publish any question which our readers may wish to ask, which can be written on a post card and will throw it open for subscribers to answer. Answers to be published in following issue.



In what part of the world are the Seychelles Islands?

Is Samoa in the U.P. U?

Ignorance.



In how many distinct shades is the Canada 10ct. violet to be found?

D.K.:

POSTAL RATES IN THE GOOD OLD TIMES.

The following Postal Information is taken from an Almanac of 1858.

CANADIAN POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
Canada.--The postage on letters transmitted between any two places in Canada is Five cents for every half ounce pre-payment being optional. Newspapers sent by Canadian publishers to their subscribers go free. On all other papers a postage of One cent must be prepaid or they will not be forwarded.



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Letters to Great Britain and Ireland.

The postage on letters not exceeding half an ounce is by Cunard Steamer 10d or about 17 cts. By Canadian Mail Steamer, 7 1-2d or twelve and a half cts. Letters not exceeding half an ounce in weight, may be forwarded to Non-commissioned officers, Soldiers or Seamen in Her Majesty's Service, on pre-paying 1d.



United States.--Letters posted in Canada for any of the Atlantic States are rated at a uniform rate of 10 cents.



DOES THE THREE CENT CANADIAN STAMP CHANGE COLOR.

FROM THE CAN. WEEKLY STAMP NEWS.

In connection with the present 3ct. stamp question has just arisen a point as to whether or not a change in the color is advisable. Recently a prominent Ottawa barrister was charged by an officer of the department that he had been using 3-cent stamps which had been treated with acid the interference being that they were cancelled stamps which had been cleaned. Had it not been for the high professional standing of the gentleman referred to a prosecution might have followed,

as within the past year or two many parties have been prosecuted for using cleaned stamps. When the matter was brought to the attention of this party he was able to show from stamps in his possession that the one complained of was a specimen of several others held by him and which he had discovered in his pocketbook where they had been hidden for some months. During that period they had completely lost their salmon color and taken on a much darker tint. For protection therefore of the community generally Mr. Mulock should see to it that a change is made in the color of the stamp which is perhaps, more used than any other in Canada.

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There are many incongruities and anachronisms in our stamp papers. A recent number of the Badger Philatelist is "Vol. 1, No. 6, Whole No. 8." The Mankato Philatelist makes itself conspicuous by having two Vol. 1, No. 4s. According to the cover, the Midland Philatelist has two initial numbers but a glance at the inside title page straightens this matter out.

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I have among my stamp papers one which I have not seen listed anywhere as far as I know. It is the Stamp Collector and Messenger of St. Francis Xavier Union of Stamp Collectors, and is published at St. Francis, Wis. The Vol. 1, No. 1 which I have is dated August, 1894. The "stamp collectors" referred to in the title are veritable collectors from the word go—they collect them by the bushel, for

charitable purposes. The number before me contains 24 7 x 11 pages, and is well printed. It has an engraved cover. Whether other numbers were issued or not I am unable to say, but I am inclined to think not.

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In the Hawkeye State Collector (of Wyoming) for March 25 1888. I note this paragraph:

"Twenty-five stamp papers issued their first numbers in 1887. Of these 16 'busted'."

Twenty-four have "busted" now for, there is but one left at the present time, and that one is the Eastern Philatelist, of Newmarket, N.H.

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The appearance of the North State Philatelist from McAdenville N. C. K. W. Henry Publisher, marks the entrance of that state into philatelic journalism. There are quite a number still, however, which have yet to issue their initial publication. Louisiana has never had a strictly philatelic periodical.

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L. H. BENTON.

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We are sorry that Irving E. didn't get in as Int. Sec'y of the P.S. of A. But he's not going to die about it nor start a new society either.

Send in your questions and answers to the postcard column and make things hum. We want you to help us build up an A1 paper.

The Penn. Stamp came to hand this month. It was the Patriotic number. The beautiful faces of Messrs R. M. Miller, George Carion, Geo. B. Klebes, Chas. Beamish, H. D. Ruhlman and Geo A. Katsenburger, grace its pages.

D. H. King contributes an interesting article under the title of "Little Reminders" This is one of the patriotic articles.

H. B. Briggs explains how a Phil. Literature collection can be formed.

Breezy Editorials and Society nominations make up a very interesting number.

Another surprise! W. R. Adams shows us the color of a Canadian Weekly. We have seen one copy. It is four pages, three columns to a page filled with interesting stamp news. Here is long life to the "Canadian Weekly Stamp News"

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In answering advertisements please don't forget to mention that you saw the ad. in this paper.

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WITH THE ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

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SOCIETY YELPS.

THE RESULTS.

At the 11th. Annual convention of the A.P.A. the following were successful; F.F. Olney, W.C. Van Derlip, G.L. Toppan, J.L. Kilborn, N.W. Chandler, Joe. F. Beard, H.B. Phillips, E. Doebelin, G.D. Me Keel, Boston '97.

The "Sons" elected the following directors at their 4th. annual meet.
 Oney K. Carstarphen President.
 R. W. Ashcroft Vice do.
 Chas. Beamish Sec'y.
 C. W. Kissinger Treas.

Roy F. Greene Int. Sec'y
 1897 Convention to be held at Atlantic City.

Following is the result of the Sons of Philatelia convention held in Aug. at Gettysburg.

Pres. B.P. Thomas
 Vice do. J.E. Zahn
 Sec'y R.M. Miller
 Treas. P.L. Messer
 Int. Sec'y R.J. Russell

Mr. Kissinger wanted to get the Pennsy in as official organ but it was decided to leave it as it is.

NOTES.

Candidates can now cease calling each other pretty (?) names until next year.

Of course the defeated candidates are the ones that should have been elected.

Detroit, what's the matter with your drawing card?

'Tis said that there will be a good crop of new societies this year judging by the number of defeated candidates

Before and After.
 Specimen of conversation heard lately.
 Time, before the convention.
 Friend (to candidate) "Do you think there is any chance of you getting that office?"
 Candidate "Well I should say so I can't help getting it."
 After the convention.
 Friend "Hello did you get that office?"
 Candidate, "Well-er no the other fellow got ahead of me. I think I'll start a new society and get even with him."

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"	12 1-2	Blue	--	68
"	17c	Black	--	25

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"	5c	Blue	--	23
"	5c	--	on original cover	30

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