

# Stamp Collecting not so Foolish after all.

There is no pastime of the present day more instructive, than that of collecting postage stamps. Stamps were invented and first used in Great Britain in 1840, and have since been gradually adopted by almost every country of the globe, China being the last to introduce them, though the first to use coined money. We are frequenty asked the use or sense of collecting "hose dirty bits of paper?" To such querists we say "what is the use of collecting oil paintings, old china, potter and bric a-brac of all kinds? There are thousands of persons who do it and derive no instruction from it compared to what they would learn from stamp collecting. From the latter we learn geography, history, language and arithme tic. Take for example the one penny (1865) stamp of Bermuda. We see the name and na turally ask where are the Bermudas, we take our atlas and find that they are a group of islands in the Atlantic ocean, about 800 miles east of Charlestown, S. C. We see the profile of Queen Victoria on the stamp, and thereby know the is lands belong to Great Britain. The one penny next attracts our attention how much is a penny? about two cents. Thus we learn where countries are situated, their rulers, the kind of money they use, the numerals of their language, and also learn to make the finest distinctions between colors; to tell steel engravings from wood cuts or lithographs, and many other useful items of knowledge. Now parents and guardians when you see your children and wards engaged in this instructive amusement, do not discourage them from it, but give them every assistance and encouragement in your power to send their orders to the Dominion Bazaar Co., Toronto, Ont., and if they wish to make a little pocket money, give them a start in an Agency for our cheap genuine Stamp Packets.

### The Language of Postage Stamps.

The language of postage stamps just invented. A postage stamp placed upside down on left corner of letter means: I love you; in same crosswise. If heart is another's; straight: Good-bye, sweetheart, good-bye; upside down in right hand corner. Write no more; in centre at the top: Yes; opposite at bottom: No; on right hand corner at a right angle: Do you love me? in left hand corner. I Late you; top corner right: I wish your friendship, bottom corner left: I seek your acquaintance, on line with surname: Accept my love, same upside down: I am ergaged; at right angle in same place: I long to see you; in middle at right hand edge: Write immediately. While this is all very good as far as it goes, those who put a postage stamp on any but the right hand upper corner of an envelope must hold themselves responsible for all the swearing of the post office clerks, and are at any time liable to persecution for turning the Queen's head upside down.

Should stamp collecting be subject to ridicule when such noble personages as the Royal Family of England, his Holiness the Pope, Baron Rothschild, and probably the most prominent of American collectors—Gen. W. T. Sherman, deem it entertaining enough for them.

The late king Victor Emanuel and A. T. Stewart were both active stamp collectors.

Mr. F. E. Hunter's collection sold at auction last March in New York and realised \$148.847.

An article in one paper says there are about 200,000 persons in the U.S. alone who are engaged in the business of stamp collecting.

If you wish to spend your winter evenings pleasantly, there is no amusement where you can gain more useful knowledge and in a cheaper manner, than in forming a collection of stamps or coins. Send stamp for our coin catalogues.

### NEWLY ISSUED STAMPS.

By the new arrangements of the Postal Union. postal cards are inscribed "Union Postale Uni verselle" "Carte Postale," also same words in language of the country. These are designated Postal Union Cards.

Abbreviations-P, Postal; U, Union; C, Cards;

env., Envelopes; adh., adhesives

ALWAR. - anna blue: 1 brown.

ANTIOQUIA.—21 centavos, blue; 5 green. ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.—Env. and wrappers, heads in ovals: 8 centavos, Chicleria, rose, 16, Avellaneda, green. 24, Vicytes, blue. 1. Albasez, carmine. 4, ———, brown.

P.C., head between fasces, single 4 gray, double 4 green on buff. P. U. C., single 6, double

6 x 6, rose and black on buff.

BHOPAL. anna green; 1 red.

BHORE.—1 and 1 anna red.

BOLIVIA.—5 cent. blue, 10 orange, 20 green,

BOSNIA.—Large eagle, 1 kr. grey; 3, green; 5, rose; 10, blue; 15, bistre; 25, violet; post card 2 kr. brown on buff

BULGARIA.—Lion in oval, 5 cent., black and yellow, 10; black and green 25; black and mauve, 50 blue and black, 1 fr. black and red.

BRITISH GUIANA.P.U.C.3, carmine on buff. BELGIUM.—P.U.C. carmine on blue grey, 10c. CANADA.—"Post Office Canada" "Officially

Sealed" "Dead letter Office" in scrolled frame, brown. P. U. C. 2 cents green on buff.

CASHMERE.—} anna. 1, 2 red, ½, 1 lilac, perf. CHINA .- A moon-eyed Celestial favors us with 2 varieties of envelopes, profusely stamped with hieroglyphics, on rice paper; 1 cand. green, 3 red, 5 orange, adh.

CUBA.—5 cent black, 10 orange, 121 red, 25 blue, 50 grey, 1 peso light brown.

CURACOA.—21 gulden brown and violet; 15 cts. P. C. surcharged "71 cents."

CYPRUS.—10 rose, 20 yellow, 50 blue.

COREA.—Clown in large circle of small circles filled with toys and letters. Value hand stamped after the stamp is placed on letter.

CORDOBA (ARGENTINE REPUPLIC.)-25 centa-

vos, yellow; 50 green; 1 peso, carmine.

DANISH WEST INDIES.—3c. rose on white.

DECCAN.-Env. 1 anna red, 1 grey brown,

EGYPT.—Provisional 5 and 10 paras surcharged on 2½ piastres. New types, 5 paras brown, 10 lilac, 20 blue, 1 piastre rose, 2 orange, 5 green, P.U.C. 20 paras, brown on buff. Inscriptions in English and French, with translation in Arabic.

FIJI ISLANDS.—Changed from C. R. to V.

R., surcharged, two pence.
GRIQUALAND.—5/- surcharged with a small and large letter "G," in red and black, 10/0, £1, £2, £3, £4 and £5; £20 postage on a single packet

of diamonds accounts for issue.

HELIGOLAND.-1 mark, black, green and red on white, 5 mark, black, green, red and yel low on white. 5 pf. P. C.& C surcharged "union postals" and 2½ pence.

HOLLAND.—C., 2½ x 2½ cent, mauve on buff.

HONG KONG.—P. C., 2 cand, black on yel-

low and red on white.

INDIA.—P. C., 1 anna, brown, 1 black. U. C. 14 blue on buff.

ITALY.—P. C., Victor Emanuel on white, 10 blue and 20 yellow adh. "Estero." Head of Head of Humbert I, 5 cent, green, 10 rose, 20 chrome, 25 blue, 30 brown, 50 purple, 2 lire, vermillion. C. 10 brown on white, 15 x 15 rose on white.

JAPAN,—3 sen orange, 50 blue. P black, 5 blue, P.U.C. 2 grey, 3 green. JOHORE.—1 anna, black and orange.

JAMAICA.—3d, Card "surcharged one penny half-penny" across stamp, "Universal Postal Union" across card.

LABUAN.—2c. green, 6 orange, 12 red, 16

LUXEMBURG.-124c. C. rose, 6 surcharged 5 cent. P. U. C. 10 x 10 x 10 cents brown. cent lilac now reads poste karte and cart postale.

MADEIRA.—50 reis adh. blue, 25 and 50 reis env., 20, 15 x 15 and 30 green. P. U. C. of

Portugal surcharged.

MAURITIAS.—2 P. C. for adh. stamps, and new series of adhesives. 2 brown, 4 orange, 8 blue, 13 grey, 17 carmine, 25 yellow, 38 violet, 50 green, 2 r., 50c. brown violet, also 50c. brown

envelope

MEXICO.—1c. brown. 2 mauve, 5 yellow, 10 blue, 25 rose, 50 green, 85 violet, 190 lilac. P.U. C. rose on lilac. Porte de Mar stamps, 2c. brown, 5 yellow, 10 red, 25 blue, 50 green. 100 violet. NEWFOUNDLAND.—P. U. C., 2c. red on

NEW GRENADA .- 25c. green on white. NEW ZEALAND.—2/- carmine, 5/- grey black. ORANGE STATE.—5/- green. PERSIA.—P. U. C., 21/2 paistres, black and

red on buff. PHILLIPINE ISLANDS .-- 100 mils de peseta green, 20 mil P.C.

QUEENSLAND.—2d. blue, new type.

RAJPIPLA.—Env., 1, 2, 3 and 4 paisa black. ROUMANIA.—14 bani black, 3 olive, 5 green, 10 carmine, 15 brick, 25 blue, 30 vermillion, 5) stone.

RUSSIAN LOCALS.—Stamps, and probably postal services of Maripol, Schatz, Saratoff, Toropetz, and Tchern, are suppressed.

SIRMOOR.—"Sirmoor State Postage Stamp"

green on white.

SAN SALVADOR .- 1c. green, 2 rose, 5 blue, 10 black, 20 brown.

SERVIA.—P. C.  $10 \times 10$  violet. SORUTH.—4 annas red brown

SOUTH AUSTRALIA .- 1d., lilac on white. STRAITS.—"Five cents" surcharged on 32 and "seven cents" on 8 cents.

TOBAGO.—Victoria, 1 d. carmine, 3d. blue,

6d. orange, 1/- g een.

TOLIMA.-5 i esos yellow brown, 5c. brown, 10c. blue.

TRANSVAAL.—Id claret, 3 solferino, 4 green,

6 olive, 1 sh. blue green, 2 dark blue. TRINIDAD.—P. U. C. 11d vermi lion-TURKEY.-Adhesive surcharged: Imprimes."

P.U.C. single and x. UNITED STATES. - Unpaid letter stamps.

Values 1, 2, 8. 5, 10. 30 and 5; cents, brown.

"Official sealed" stamp, brown, "Post Office
Department" above, "United States of America"
below, head in oval in centre, "officially" on one
side of head and "sealed" on other. Postal Ser-

vice in black on white, extra official size.

WEST AUSTRALIA.—P. C. 1d red brown on

salmon, 1d blue on white.

### TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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All orders to, or correspondence with us, requiring attention should be accompanied with stamp or exchange equivalent.

We have insufficient exchange stock of old Canadas, &c., to fill all our orders, in return for foreign stamps, but hope to fill soon. Parties sending us

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better than purchase our Packets first as a nucleus, and then build up with sets and single stamps of

We will make up collections in any album at cheap rates, and in all cases the best stamps then in stock will be used, and more uniformity in obliteration, &c., will be obtained, than is possible for a collector to procure in the ordinary way.

EXPLANATION re ORDERS DELAYED.—In January we sent Stanley Gibbons & Co. order for Parcel Colonial Stamps, none received. In April we asked for explanation,-reply stated that being registered we must have got it. We denied it, requesting registration receipt and copy of invoice. S. G. & Co. sent list of stamps (common Continental, mainly at extravagant prices, not at all as ordered) which they had addressed to Dominion Stamp Co., Toronto. We traced its receipt to J. R., formerly connected with the D.S. Co., a defunct firm, who says S. G. & Co. owed him money for 2 years, so he refuses to give up We explain to S. G. & Co. requesting settlement,—they refuse, and have the effrontery to charge us with their outlay for postage of a useless and absurd reply on a 1d. Postal Card, resulting from their own blunders. How about resulting from their own blunders. How about our outlay and interest? We publicly request S. G. & Co. to at once send us amount due or we shall order our printer to favor them with a standing advt. Correspondents should address Dominion Bazaar Co., not Stamp Co.

NOTICE TO OUR FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS. -The new Postal Regulations require letter rates prepaid on parcels of Stamps, Envelopes and Cards, used or unused, sent from the Dominion to Great Britain or Foreign countries. This does not apply to our correspondents within the Dominion sending to or receiving parcels from us. Stamp for reply every time please. Any correspondent getting new issues please send to us for review, we will return or give double value for first specimen of any new issue sent us.

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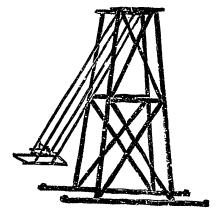
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