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## THE OTHER SIDE OF THE QUESTION.

Starnaman Bros. Explain a Few Mis-statements Regarding Muirhead's Manifesto.

To the Members of the D. P.A.,
Ladies and Gentlemen :-
It is with much regret that we obey the call of duty and reply to the concoction of falsehoods, intersperced with a few truths, that appeared in the September Stamp Reporter under the caption of "Muirhead's Manifesto."

We regret, first, that after a fair fight our opponents cannot bear their defeat like men and let bygones be bygones. Our second regret is that there should still be enrolled as a member of our fair Dominion Philatelic Association, a man who, although he may have "the education, has not the decency to use proper language in discussing public matters through the press.

We propose, first, to show the inaccuracies of the manifesto, and then to show Mr. Muirhead
in his true character as a worker for the D. P. A.

In the fifth paragraph of the article Mr. Muirhead says "at the request of Mr. S." etc. This is untrue. Mr. Applegath wrote of his own accord and then informed us what he had done. True, we were at first opposed to a mail vote, as we had in mind the vote on convention sect, which had just taken place resulttng in only 31 votes being cast. But after Mr.M. explained his scheme of voting, we fell in with his plans at once.

Regarding Mr. Lydiatt being received into our bosom (as mentioned in seventh paragraph) this is also untrue, as we had practically nothing to do with Lydiatt at convention. The fact that he seconded a motion made by W. A. Starnaman, does not signify that he was "one of the elect." Neithet could we help it
if Mr. Lypiatt followed after us while at Hamilton. We were not so devoid of human kindness as to tell him that he couldn't walk on the same s:reet as we did, or even converse with the same persons. We leave it to Mr. Widdicombe if it was not Mr. W. A. Starnaman who urged him to stand for Adv. and Sub. agent against Lydiatt.

Regarding the '،letter acknowledging guilt being abdressed to us," one would infer that it was the confession of guilt in regard to the bicycle theft. This is not the case at all. It was a confession regarding an offence commited six or eight months ago. We knew nothing of the bicycle matter until we saw it reported in the Toronto papers.

Mr. Muirhead throws out base insinuations against our honesty, in paragraph 9 , because Geo. W. Starnaman is Sec'y-Treas., and the two of us publish the Official Organ. It is very strange how soon Mr. Muirhead forgets himself. What did he want? Look up his letter in the Ontario Philatelist, and notice how he urged members to vote for Mr. Widdicombe for Sec'y-Treas. Then Mr. Widdicombe was hot after the Official Organ. Just think of it Muirhead, Mr. W. would have had it all in his hands, but we have no doubt but that everything would have been square if he had been successful. We have only retained the cash that was due us, which Mr. Muirhead would have done also if he was publishing the Official Organ.

Mr. Muirhead says he is not ashamed of his record. Let us look into the actions of this man
who thinks he has done so much for the society. Since the convention held at Berlin, July 21 and 22, 1897. Mr. Muirhead has secured (we hate to show him up) only THREE members. Right here we wish to say, not as a boast, but to show what can be done if members have the interest of the society at heart, that in the same time that Mr. Muirhead secured his three, we had our name as reference to 52 members (first reference to 33 and second reference to 19).

In the Columbian Philatelist for December 20th, 1897, Mr. M. says:-"in two years the Dominion Philatelic Association will be as dead as a door nail." Fine words, these, to come from the pen of the President. In apology for this statement he says in the letter to Geo. W, Starnaman under date of August 9th, 1898:-"I perhaps said a lit" tle that should have received some revision but I may say that if you and your political confreres gain absolute control, the D. P. A. will not lust eighteen months." He was stiil president when he used these words, but we are happy to say that he has at last recieved his deserts.

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## ACROSS THE LINE.

## Massachusetts Items.

BY HERBERT GII, E.
It is generally conceded by New England collectors that the affairs of the D. P. A. are somewhat mixed. While we have not heard any sweeping declarations for either candidate (candidates no longer) nevertheless it is certain Mr. Muirhead has gained friends by the petty maliciousness with which some writers are attacking him.

The new New Foundland issue is all the rage at present. It is now abolit time for a new set to appear.

We have noticed that a certain G. Kohn. of Detroit, Mich. has been arrested as a stamp swindle. It was our experience last April to receive several letters from him requesting stamps on approval. As the tone of his letters did not suit, we communicated with a prominent Detroit firm and as a result did not get caught up. We wish that many other shady characters could be put in a "cooler" as Mr. Muirhead aptly puts it.

We notice that the Weekly contains a short piece declaring that "ambitious pen-pushers" have usually noted that the coming season is to take on great dimensions Whether this is so or not (we take McKeel's as law down this way) it is pretty near a truth in saying that the prospects are certainly bright.

They must have a very poor
postal service in Peru. No discredit to the authorities though.

## Chicago Notes.

BY CHICAGOAN.
Chicago may have a new stamp paper. Mr. Lewis Robie will publish the Stamp Hunter if, after "Stamp Hunting" is out, he can find sufficient time to devote to it,

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Mr. S. T. S. Doncyson, secretary of the Chicago Phflatelic Society has shown me a partial sheet of the one cent documentary which is not rouletted horizontally, only the vertical rouletting shows. These stamps have a ready saletat 25 cents per pair.

There are many hobbies in this world. A young lady has the most numerous collection of baggage labefs in the world. In the album in which the specimens are pasted are to be found labels from all parts of the glode.

A Boston lady has a collection of curious and famous shoes, outrivaling the specimens in both number and interes gathered together in the Clnny museum, Paris. Her little hobby has cost her up to the present time $\$ 12$,(continued on page 5.)

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Canada.

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1 bii5 2 cent green. $15 \pi \bar{i}-82$
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$\overline{3}$ I set Jubipee te to 00 c inclusive, unused
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5 bī̈cent.Jubile e, used
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$\because 163$ cent green, ; 9 cent green, 3 rd issue, bill stami)s
211196 cent. green, 3rd issue, bill stamp

## Newfoundland.

221 set Cabot issue 3 c to dac inchusive unused. 3 151 cent green, $158: 41$ cent blacel:, 183! : 4
 stamps as 1 lot
21 333 cemt bluc. 1897. Cabot issue, used
2) 31 cent. carmine, $1 s i k$ : 101 cent green, 1898 ; 3.4 cont orange, 1sis; 33 cent orange, 1598; $1!$ stamps as 1 lot.

## United States.

26 22 3 cent red unucrf. $1851 ; 1 ; 3$ cent rod perf. 1ajij: 03 stampis:as 1 lot.
27333 com red, $1554-66 ; 713$ cent blue. 1s69; 104 stamps as 1 lot
 3 stamps is 1 lot
29) 2003 cent green, 1500 -s:

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35 sis cent blue, $1 \times 5 \mathrm{si}$; 63 cent vermilion, 1 ss ; 3012 centred brown, 1853 ; 331 stampos as I 10t.
31 6a92 cent green. 18S5
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3t 20 3 cent parple, 189): 204 cent brown, 1890 2292 stamps as 1 lot.
372625 cent chocolate. 1590
38 j3 S cent lilac, $1 S \%$; 3610 cent green, 1890; 63 stamps as 1 lut
39) 3011 cent blue, 1593 . Columbian

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12 270 1 cent ultramarine. 1 som.
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47 2j1 cent.green Umaha, 25 2 cent red Omahat. 1S9S. 50 Stamps as 1 lot
is 251 cent postare due, 1879.93
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## United States Revenues.

51 S2 ecnt bluc (Bank (heck): o2:2 cent orange (B3ank (heck): 1412 (eent blue (Liberty); 171 stamps as lot
S 1.00 red (Power of Altorney): I 50 cent cent blac (surcty liond); 11 cent black A. Volge \& Col; lis stamps as 1 lot

53 is 2 cent red (on hand Playing (ards): 131 cent green and black (I'somienary); 18 stamps as 1 lot
it 221 cent green (Proprictary): 50 cent brown (1'roprictary: $?$ stamps as 1 lot.
in 682 cent blick and orenge (violet maper): 432 cent black and oriage (ereen paperl: 117 stamps as one fos

## Hawaiian Islands.

is 751 cent yellow. 1 sia

## Grenafa.

 32 stitimps so das 1 lot

Trinidad.
is $20{ }^{2}$ penny green. $158 ;$ sis 1 pemy red, ISsi: 10.5 stamps sold is 1 lot.

## New South Wales.

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## Jamaica.

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