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Chronicle of New Issues.

[All new issues and discoveries will be chronicled under this heading as soon as we can obtain specimens or description of same. Correspondents are requested to send any possible information as regards new issues, immediately succeeding their issue, for which proper credit will be given.]

AFGHANISTAN.—We learn from various sources that the 1 shahi, black, dated "1290" has been discovered in violet. It has been said this is a changeling, but it is a fact that black cannot be changed to violet, and that, as the 1 shahi of the next two series are found in violet, it is very probable that this is a genuine issue.
1 shahi, violet, dated "1290."

ARGENTINE.—The $\frac{1}{4}$ centavo has been redrawn, and is now printed on azure paper. The 1 centavo has been again re-engraved. The 6 centavo has also been retouched, and is now printed in a washy slate, which gives it the appearance of a lithograph.

$\frac{1}{2}$ c. green on azure.
1 cent again re-engraved.
6 cent slate.

BURMA.—We see by *Le Timbre Post* that the 4 annas of Sept., 1890, issue has been found lilac pink.
4 annas, *lilac pink*.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.—A new value has been added to the set issued last year, of the same design.
3p. *gray on a green*.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—The $\frac{1}{2}$ d. wrapper now comes to hand, printed in a red brown.
 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. *red brown*, white paper.

CANADA.—The die of the 1c. wrapper has been changed, and now corresponds to the new die of the post card. The change has been made by the cutting away of the scroll ornaments at the sides, as they had become worn.

Wrapper, 1c. *blue*, (die 4.)

CURACAO.—The stamps with the head of the young queen have now been printed, and are of the following values and colors:

12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. *green*; 15c. *carmine*; 20c. *brown*.

CUBA.—We see by the *American Journal of Philately* that the colors of the current set have been changed, on account of forgeries of the old colors having been discovered, they now come to hand as follows:

$\frac{1}{2}$ m. *violet*, 3 m. *violet*, 2c. *lilac brown*,
1 m. *violet*, 4 m. *violet*, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. *salmon*,
2 m. *violet*, 8 m. *violet*, 20c. *blue*.
1 c. *olive green*,

EGYPT.—Mr. Jos. Edwards informs us that he has seen the new 3 millimes stamp that has just been issued, color, *purple brown*, unmarked *crescent and star* and perforated, 14.

3 m. *purple brown*.

GREECE.—We see by the *Philatelic Record* that the 2 lepta has been issued of the native printing, both perf. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$, and unperforated.

2l. *light bistre*, perf. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$, and unperforated.

GRENADA.—We have received specimens of the new surcharges, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ on 8d.

2 $\frac{1}{2}$ on 8d. *grey brown*.

INDIA.—We have received the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ reply card, surcharged in heavy, black block capitals, "one anna," "One anna" on $\frac{1}{2}$ a. *blue* reply card.

NORTH BORNEO.—The 8 cent green now comes to hand surcharged "6 cents" in black. We hear that the stamps of this place are to supersede those of Labuan, which fact we are sorry to note.

"6 cent" in black on 8 cent green.

NEW SOUTH WALES.—The design of the 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. card has been altered.

NORWAY.—The 1 ore stamp is now issued in dark brown, instead of gray.

1 ö. *dark brown*.

PERSIA.—We are informed that 19 new varieties and sub-varieties have been issued. List later. Enlarge your albums in the meanwhile.

PORTO RICO.—The following new stamps have been received, old design, but new colors. That baby king is fond of new colors and gay apparel.

$\frac{1}{2}$ m. olive green,	3c. red,
1m. bright violet,	5c. blue green,
2m. brown violet,	8c. brown,
5m. yellow green,	20c. mauve,
1c. red brown,	80c. orange.

QUEENSLAND.—A new 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ card has been issued, and is of very artistic design. It is also accompanied by reply to match.

1 $\frac{1}{2}$ brown, buff P.
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ brown, buff P.

ST. LUCIA.—A shortage of the $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1d. stamp gives us the following new var. of provisionals.

$\frac{1}{2}$ d. on 3d. lilac and green, black surcharge.
 $\frac{1}{2}$ on vertical half of 6d. black and blue, black
1p. on 4d. brown, black surcharge. [surcharge.

SOKOTRA.—In addition to the adhesives for use in this Island, a post card, value $\frac{1}{2}$ anna has also been issued. It is made from the 1 piaster, carmine on buff of Cyprus, by printing "Sokotra Island" in thick type over Cyprus, and surcharging stamp in Indian currency.—*Philatelic Record*.

$\frac{1}{2}$ anna on 1 piaster, carmine on buff, black surcharge.

SWAZIELAND.—In each sheet of current 2d. stamp, the stamp in the lower left corner is without the final "d."
2d. *olive green* (error Swazielan.)

Written for the CANADIAN PHILATELIST.

GENERAL COLLECTING vs. SPECIALISM.

BY J. BERNSTEIN, JR.

I notice in the CANADIAN PHILATELIST, an article headed, "Specialists and Specialism," by a subscriber, which is very good as far as the *pros* are concerned, but is the contrary as to the *cons*, which, by the way, is crowded out, (perhaps for lack of space.) Mr. Subscriber begins with the steady advance of price in the older issues of nearly every stamp-issuing country in the world, and that the cause of this is the decline of general collecting, and the rapid increase of specialism. Now that may be the case as far as the advance of stamps is concerned, but the increase of specialism is *not* the cause. As a rule, as every one with common sense knows, it is certainly the older issues that advance in price. Surely no one expects the stamps of the present issues to advance. So the older issues advance, not because it is a result of specialism, but simply because it becomes older and therefore rarer year by year, thus Mr. Subscriber's theory is not correct. I cannot, in any way, see the great advantages the specialist has over the general collector. I daresay that no collector can form a complete collection of all countries; but that is no reason to turn to a special country so as to obtain a complete collection of that country. Now, supposing that the specialist has gratified his wish and is the owner of a collection of a *certain* country; has he gained anything in knowledge? in science? in historical or geographical culture? or in anything else worth mentioning? He has, without doubt gained in wealth (?) *selling* his stamps, which have increased in price, at the end of five or ten years. But such is not Philately. It has never been meant as a money-making scheme. It has a nobler aim than that—far more noble. The real pleasure of Philately it not found in the attainment of a complete collection, but in the pursuit of the same. Specialism frames stamp-collecting in a hobby, a child's play, and, outside of possessing a few pieces of paper that will bring in money at a future date, it is a mere nothing. As specialists, we can never term Philately by its true name—a science—which we are so proud of mentioning. It turns its back to the hobby of some time ago. Do you think then, that specialism is the right promoter of Philately. I think it is not. It is a tendency to the opposite of any welfare of Philately, as every one will

decide at once. The writer goes on to say that the reason why collectors turn away from general collecting is because, in their grasp for everything, they neglect the older issues that so rise in value. That, I think, is true of the inexperienced and selfish collector who is so ready for his grasp. The wise collector, however, is not so foolhardy, but only moderately reaches over for the older issues before they advance, and leaves the present issues, *if he has not the means to include them also*, to a later date. At any rate, the collector should remember, that, "variety is the spice of life." Not only the beginner and young collector, as the writer of that new doctrine asserts, should be general collectors, but old and advanced collectors must not, as Philatelists, take up any other branch of collecting, but that which is general collecting. There is another objection to this "Specialism scheme," unless the collector has unlimited means, he cannot specialize his collection, if he has that desire. Do you think that if a collector makes North American Stamps his specialty, does he have the advantage of that which we pride ourselves. Fancy the historian, geographer, geologist, or philosopher studying only-part of their respective specialties. That seems absurd, and still more seems specialism in a scientific culture. Or does the specialist who is in South America lay his nest profit any better? Or has the European specialist a better result? No, a thousand times no! They all tend to the same object, and that is, breaking up the ground work of philately, which our more advanced and learned philatelists have spent their energy on. The only point which I admire in Mr. Subscriber's article is his frankness in his criticism of specialists of *too great ambition* (of course they are all ambitious.) He characterizes Monsieur Française, Herr Deutch and Mr. Henglishman in their respective typical styles, and their connections with specialism. And yet he still, in the face of this, strongly persists in his study and lore of specialism. That is a very great example of specialistic ambition which "Subscriber" fails to mention. He has so much ambition, that he lacks the energy of considering in a rightful manner the *pros* of general collecting and the *cons* of specialism, but on the contrary, does not forget the *vice versa* of that. There is certainly no objection for any collector to give more special attention to his own country than to any other, for that is only natural, and indeed shows a good patriotic tendency in the stamp collector's

characteristics. But there is no need of any broader speciality.

I may add, in conclusion, that Mr. Subscriber errs in his belief that specialism is growing. It is rather more on the other side. Trusting that this will turn some to the right, I thank you for your valuable space.

FOR THE CANADIAN PHILATELIST:

HOW I FOUND SOME "RARETIES."

BY O. ED. KLAPP.

Like all other collectors, my collection was very small at first, but as I became interested in stamps more and more, I commenced searching the "lofts and garrets", and found there stored away a few valuable specimens of the 3 cent green. Besides those there were numerous others, with some small catalogue value; these filled my stamp album pretty well, and made my collection amount to nearly one thousand varieties in all.

My interest in stars grew less day by day for nearly two months, when I had the pleasure of visiting one of my neighboring cities. After staying there several days, my friend and I went to an old "rubbish" room which was at one time an old store room of a wholesale grocery. In this room was placed all of their deeds, documents, letters, etc. There was a scene that would wake up the dullest of philatelists, for around us on either side were bundles of letters, postals and documents of all kinds. The first thing that I laid my eyes upon was a letter dated 1849, upon which was two unsevered 5 cent brown, first issue. This was just a commencement; next I found a document with one \$5 unrev. stamp cat. at \$2.50, also eight \$1 stamps. We next found in an old letter a block of six unused 3 cent blue, 1869; on a box full of bank cheques we got about 7000 bank cheque rev. stamps, 200 blue and orange express stamps, a few proprietary, and last but not least, 41 2 cent orange playing cards stamps. After searching around a little while longer, I came across a bundle of unused U. S. postal cards, 3rd issue, about 350 in all. There were also several packages of stamped envelopes, mostly the 2 cent brown and carmine. After we had both been searching for several hours we went home rejoicing, and found on looking over our "treasures," that they catalogued at no less than \$80. The above is my own experience, and is actually true.

Literary Review.

[All philatelic publications received are reviewed under this heading in a fair and impartial manner. Exchanges are requested to send two copies.]

The *Chicago Stamp News* for February comes to hand improved with the addition of a *Chronicle*.

The *Stamp Collector* for February comes from over the water and contains some interesting matter.

The *Collector* for February comes to hand like clockwork. It is composed mostly of official matter of the *Sons of Philately*.

The last of the new aspirants to come to hand this month is the *Royal Philatelist*, from Sterling, N. Y. 8 pages and cover.

The *Curio* comes to hand after a long absence, composed of almost all advertisements. We trust to receive its visits regular in the future.

The *Missouri Philatelist* for February comes to hand promptly. It is one of the neatest and most carefully prepared papers in America, its size considered. See adv. of the publishers in this number.

The February *American Philatelist and Collector* comes to hand *very late*. It contains report of the close of their voting contest, in which Mr. J. K. Tiffany, of St. Louis, Mo., is made the most popular philatelist in America.

The *American Journal of Philately* is the best of our exchanges, and also the most prompt. Our limited space will not permit us to review the choice contents. Published by the Scott Stamp and Coin Co., New York, N. Y.

The *Philatelic Fraud Reporter* is a valuable little paper, but would be appreciated to a greater extent if its editor would expend a small sum towards providing better paper for the same. Guy W. Green, Stormsburg, Neb., publisher.

The *Ontario Philatelist* is announced to appear from Brantford, Ont., on or about May 1. Two P. S. of C. members at the helm. W. S. Smart, editor; N. T. Johnston,

business manager. We extend our best wishes for its success.

The *Postal Card* has been resurrected. It appears from Elizabeth, N. J., with Geo. H. Watson and Adolph H. Lohmeyer as editors. Instead of being a semi-monthly as it was heretofore, it comes to hand as a monthly. We welcome it back into the ranks.

The February *Philatelic Era* is up to its usual standard, and is composed of choice philatelic reading, among which we note: some poetry on "An old Album"; articles on "Why should not Philately live?" "A new(?) way of detecting substitutes," and choice and crisp editorial notes and a Chronicle. W. W. Jewett, 502 Congress-st., Portland, Me., is the publisher.

Correspondents' Column.

[This column is open to all, and we hope you will take the opportunity to express yourself on any Philatelic question. Those who want any information should send in their queries, which will be published in the following number.]

Minneapolis, Minn. 25th, 1892.
J. S. ROBERTSON, ESQ.,
St. Thomas, Ont.

MY DEAR SIR,—Received last number of Canadian Philatelist, and note that exchange dept. is in working order. I wish to participate; enclosed find fifty cents to pay for ten sheets. I mean to try good stamps, and I think your scheme an admirable one. We are not afraid to place our stamps on circuits, under such conditions. Please furnish the blanks referred to, and I will have them properly filled, and return with filled sheets.

I remain, yours very truly,

N. E. CARTER,

Member P. S. of C., No. 48.

Present address, P. O. Box 430, Minneapolis, Minn.

To the Editor of THE CANADIAN PHILATELIST:

DEAR SIR,—As the person who obtained the incorporation of the P. S. of C., I am greatly interested, and naturally so, in the well-being of the Society and in seeing its prospects set fairly and fully before the Philatelic public, and especially that portion thereof residing in Canada, and I respectfully urge on all of them who are desirous of ascertaining facts for themselves to look at those portions of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1887 (which, for short, I will hereafter refer to as R.S.O.), and decide for themselves the amount of reliance that is to be placed in such effusions as the following, which I clip from the February number of the *Dominion Philatelist*:

"We have carefully read over the Declaration of Incorporation of the Philatelic Society of Canada, and must say we are very much disappointed with the manner in which this Society is incorporated. Here is what the Judge who signed the paper says: 'The within Declaration appears to be in conformity with the Act, and this certificate is given by me in pursuance of the said Act, and the provisions

thereof.' The incorporation is merely a local affair. All the officers must reside in the Province of Ontario. The Act under which it is incorporated was intended for the purpose of incorporating agricultural societies, school sections, etc. Better have no incorporation at all than a one-horse affair like this."

It is usual that a person who attempts to criticize any particular matter should have, first, the knowledge and ability to do so; and secondly, the desire fairly and truthfully to state the facts on which that criticism is based.

Now, I find in the above, with the exception of the statement that he is very much di-appointed (which no reasonable person can wonder at, as the extract, which is found on page 19 of the February number of the *Dominion Philatelist*, is an effusion of the editor thereof, the exchange superintendent, and the controlling influence of the rival Society, the C.P.A.), at the incorporation of the P.S. of C., certain objections, which may be divided into four critical assertions as follows:

(a) Only certified by a Judge;

(b) Incorporation local;

(c) Officers must reside in Ontario;

(d) Incorporation Act was intended for incorporating agricultural societies, school sections, etc.;

And my object in writing this is to show that all such objections are groundless; that the facts they are based on do not exist; and then I will ask my readers to adopt the only rational conclusion that this effusion (I cannot call it a criticism, as it lacks the essentials of a criticism, viz., truth and knowledge) was conceived in jealousy and brought forth in spite.

Now, let us look at the Act of Parliament under which we are incorporated. Let the reader call at any lawyer's office or on any justice of the peace, and let him ask such person for the second volume of R.S.O., and turn to page 1692, being chapter 172, "An Act respecting Benevolent, Provident and other Societies," and he will find the first two sections of that Act enact as follows:

1. "Any five or more persons, of full age, may become incorporated under this Act for any benevolent or provident purpose, or for any other purpose not illegal, save and except the purpose of trade or business; and any purpose provided for by any of the Acts mentioned in the schedule to this Act."—R.S.O., 1877, c. 167, s. 1.

2. "The proceedings to obtain incorporation shall be as follows:

1. "Such persons shall make and sign a declaration in writing setting forth the intended incorporate name of the Society, the purpose of the Society, the names of those who are to be first trustees or managing officers, the mode in which their successors are to be appointed, and such other particulars and provisions as the Society may think fit, provided that the said particulars and provisions are not contrary to law.

2. "The declaration may be made and signed in duplicate, or in as many parts as may be required.

3. "The declaration may be produced to a Judge of the High Court, or to a Judge or Junior or Deputy Judge of a County Court, or to a Stipendiary Magistrate; and if the same appears to him to be in conformity with this Act, he shall endorse thereon a certificate to that effect.

4. "One of the original parts of the declaration shall be filed in the office of either the Provincial Registrar or the Clerk of the Peace for the county or union of counties in which the Society is to hold its annual and general meetings.

5. "When these directions have been complied with, the persons who signed the declaration shall thereby become, and they, their associates and successors, shall thenceforward be a body corporate and politic, and shall have the powers, rights and immunities vested by law in such bodies."—R.S.O., 1877, c. 167, s. 2.

With the exception of companies organized for the purposes of trade or business (for which incorporation must be sought under R.S.O., 157), or the fifteen kinds of companies expressly referred to in the schedule of R.S.O., 172, there is no provision whatever for incorporation in the laws either of this Province or the Dominion except by special Act, it being the intention that all other kinds of companies, or, more properly speaking, all companies for other objects than those mentioned, should use this Act. It provides a cheap, sure and expeditious way to incorporate, and the effect of the Judge's certificate is, as above, that "the persons who signed the declaration shall thereby become, and they, their associates and successors, shall thenceforward be a body corporate and politic, and shall have the powers, rights and immunities vested by law in such bodies." I need only refer to the Independent Order of Foresters and the Provincial Provident Institution, two of the largest Mutual Life Insurance Companies doing business in this Dominion, whose operations extend from Nova Scotia to British Columbia, and even through many parts of the States, and which are both incorporated under the same Act that we are, to show how untrue, uncalled-for and malicious is this young man's reference to a "one-horse affair," Insurance, pure and simple, being under the jurisdiction of the Federal Parliament, the I.O.F. obtained a special Act of Incorporation from that body, fearing that a question might arise at some time; but the P. P. I. being satisfied that the Act was sufficient, relied solely upon that, and its validity was upheld by the highest Court of Appeal in Ontario. This young man can find that decision in volume No. 17 of the Reports of the Court of Appeal for Ontario, at p. 66. So far for objection (a).

As far as objection (b) is concerned, all I have to say is, that there is nothing either in the Act itself under which the Society is incorporated or the declaration of incorporation itself which does or can, by any stretch of a healthy imagination, possibly, directly or indirectly, be construed to limit the Society to a purely local affair. True, its head-office is in St. Thomas, but it must be in some place, and so as well here as any place, seeing that at the general meeting—which is, of course, held at the head-office—nothing can be done except what is authorized at the meeting of the members, which can be held at ANY place. Every Society must, of necessity, have a head-office. The Bank of Montreal's head-office is in Montreal, so is the C.P.R.'s, yet the former has branches in London (Eng.), New York, Chicago, and all the cities and most of the towns of Canada, and the latter has property in all parts of the Dominion and States; yet who ever heard anyone say they were local because their head-offices were in Montreal? Forsooti! The only way evidently in our criticizer's opinion to escape being merely local is to be in the position of the C.P.R., without head, tail or body—a being that can be found in any place, and which is,

"Like the wandering dove that found
No repose in earth around,"

but unlike it in so far as it

"Cannot to its ark repair,
And enjoy it ever there,"

because it has no ark and no abiding place, but is like the Wandering Jew and itinerates from place to place without home, shelter or friend, scorned and rejected of men, a thing of sorrow and acquainted with grief; forsaken by its friends, like the Joseph of old, it has fallen among enemies in the guise of friends, and its decimated ranks are now anxious to recruit its membership at the expense of others.—Like a drowning man, it grasps at straws, and the exchange superintendent and general controller, boss, financier, secretary and governor combined, thinks he can, by such articles as the one we refer to, vilify his opponents and glorify himself. It needs but exposure to prove their unreliability.

As to objection (c), there is not one word either in the Act under which we are incorporated or the articles of incorporation which enacts that the officers must reside in Ontario. As a matter of fact, they do not, as our criticizer will see if he looks at page 69 of the January number of THE CANADIAN PHILATELIST. Why does the editor of the *Dominion Philatelist* make such, absolutely untrue statements? Can it be for any other reason than to decry our Society and prejudice people against it? I may state further, for the information of our wise legal friend and criticizer, Mr. Ketcheson, editor of the *Dominion Philatelist*, exchange superintendent of the C.P.A., the most extensive dealer in stamps and advertiser of pills and patent medicines (vide *Dominion Philatelist*), who has "carefully read our declaration of incorporation," and is greatly disappointed because the officers of the P. S. of C. (in his own opinion) must be residents of Ontario, that I have now in my possession a letter from the Department of the Attorney-General (perhaps Mr. Ketcheson has heard of Mr. Mowat and his reputation as a constitutional lawyer), in which it is stated that the Assistant Attorney-General is "instructed by the Attorney-General to state that he sees no reason why a company composed wholly of American citizens cannot be incorporated under Ontario statutes," which was written in respect of a company I was incorporating under the same statute, but, of course, for business reasons I withhold the company's name; however, he can see the original if he likes to come to my office. I trust my readers will find no difficulty in deciding which opinion is entitled to the most value—Mr. Mowat's or Mr. Ketcheson's.

As to objection (d), this is positively untrue, as any lawyer or justice of the peace will tell any reader. The vague generality of the "etc." I cannot deal with, but, as Shakespeare says, can give the "lie direct" in regard to agricultural societies, school sections, etc. Agricultural societies are incorporated under R.S.O., chap. 162, and are expressly exempted, in the schedule to R.S.O., 172, from the operation of that Act. School sections are a portion or section of the municipal government wholly different from any society or company, and expressly provided for in R.S.O., 225, and are formed by township, city, village and town municipal councils, and the trustees elected by the ratepayers.

I regret to have taken up so much space, but I must admit I have rarely met such stupendous ignorance displayed by any one who attempted to criticize as the editor of the *Dominion Philatelist* has displayed in his unjust attack on the P.S. of C., and will, in conclusion, give him the advice of the English statesman who advised a young writer "to get a slight knowledge at least of his subject before he wrote, or leave it alone."

Yours truly, J. S. ROBERTSON, *Ex. Suft.*

The Philatelic Society of Canada.

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EX. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Fellow-Members P. S. of C. :

I have to report considerable enquiry regarding my department, and also that I am ready for work. I was delayed first by finding the sheets I had ordered would not suit, and consequently I had to get others ruled and printed. An election (in which I took a considerable part, but in which, unfortunately, my party did not succeed) then took up considerable time; and then the addition of a new department caused me to alter many of my plans; but "I am now settled and ready for visitors."

There will be two circuits—a guaranteed one and an unguaranteed one. Owners of stamps must choose which they want their sheets circulated in. If in the former, they must remember that as it is a new idea in Philatelic societies, it may be longer before I can arrange good circuits. In reference to this, I refer you to a letter in another part of this number from Mr. Carter. Other advanced Philatelists no doubt think as he does, and in time this will be the best exchange department on the continent. In reference to the other branch, owners must remember it is easier to sell than collect, and if delays occur, the department should not be blamed. All members who take unguaranteed sheets must sign the same agreement as the others without a guarantee attached. One good solvent member will be acceptable for another, so I would advise ALL to go into the guaranteed branch if they want the better class of stamps, and feel sure owners will not want, after the past experience of exchange departments in other societies, to put their good stamps in an unguaranteed exchange. I have made circuits on only six members, so that I can debit and credit quickly. This just costs me three times as much postage as an 18-member circuit. I will have to make this up in fines for not forwarding in three days, so members must not keep over the time. If I can keep short-time circuits, I am perfectly willing to pay the additional postage. I trust all members will at once send in for sheets and agreements, and be prompt in forwarding and remitting both cash and the particulars of their takings, and so keep the official collector with time instead of work on his hands.

Yours, etc.,

J. S. ROBERTSON, *Ex. Supt.*

SECRETARY-TREASURERS REPORT.

No objection having been received, the following are elected and entitled to the full benefits of membership.

NEW MEMBERS.

- No.
 238 H. E. Deats, Flemington, N.J.
 239 A. Corbman, Midland, Ont.
 240 G. G. Ford, 50 W. St. Paul-St., Rochester, N.Y.
 241 S. H. Saunders, Hanover, Ont.
 242 Guy Watson, Hamilton, Ont.
 243 G. H. Lowe, Spadina Avenue, Toronto, Ont.
 244 F. H. Pinkham, Newmarket, N.H.
 245 C. P. Newcomer, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
 247 S. C. Everett, 87 Broad-St., St. John, N.B.
 248 G. S. McCord, Sackville, N.S.
 249 F. L. George, Portsmouth, N.H.
 250 E. H. Remington, Brockton, Mass.
 251 F. Honore, Ottawa, Ont.
 252 J. A. Craig, Chemist, Yarmouth, N.S.
 253 Geo. Urick, Chelsea Road, Hull, Quebec.
 254 L. L. Brophy, Geological Survey, Ottawa, Ont.
 255 H. P. Brummel, Geological Survey, Ottawa, Ont.
 256 H. Valin, 205 Wilrod-St., Ottawa, Ont.
 257 Eugene Lebeuf, care of Panama Railroad Co., Colon, U.S. of Columbia.

APPLICATIONS.

- DUNCAN S. WYLIE, 60 Broadway, New York.
References—J. R. Hooper and W. J. Beatty.
 ALBERT R. ROGERS, 75 Maiden Lane, N. Y.
References—J. R. Hooper and W. J. Beatty.
 JOHN THOMPSON, care of Y.M.C.A., Quebec, Que.
References—J. R. Hooper and G. Hooper.
 H. W. LIDDICOTT, St. James' St., London.
References—L. M. Stäbler and G. Bailey.
 G. E. DAVENPORT, South London, Ont.
References—L. M. Stäbler and W. McMahon.
 W. J. McDONALD, 249 E. Tremont St., Fostoria, O.
References—L. M. Stäbler and R. M. Miller.
 GEO. L. GRAY, Ithaca, New York.
References—F. C. Anderson and W. J. Beatty.

Dues received since the last report: Nos. 155, 225, 3, 14, 257, 238, 244, 247, 248, 249, 250. The dues

of nearly all members are paid, but there are still a few who have not yet paid their dues, and such are requested to have same on hand before my next report.

STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP.

Membership heretofore reported,	237
New members,	19
Applications,	7
Less Resignations,	0

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Yours in P.S. of C.,

L. M. STÆBLER, *Sec.-Treasurer.*

Clippings.

All Clippings from newspapers thought by the Editor to be of interest to Collectors will be published in this column. Subscribers are invited to send clippings, which always prove acceptable.

THE PROPOSED NEW POSTAGE STAMPS.

To *Editor Montreal Star*:

Sir—I notice in your issue of the 19th inst. a suggestion by "Philately," which I believe ought to receive a much broader consideration than it now does. It is, in a certain measure, a suggestion of greater importance than seems to the bare mind. The writer intimates that the Government should make special postage stamps, in view of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of this city. To my mind, this statement has two attractions worthy of note: First in importance is the knowledge that such an action will serve as a memorial in years to come, and tend to bring up pleasant memories in the minds of our offsprings. And, secondly, it will not only remind our own subjects of this especial feture, but will also tend to place Canada, and even Montreal, in a more broad-minded sphere of existence in the world than it now enjoys. Then, again, it is a certain attraction also to scientific researchers of the present days, among them those interested in philately, a science which is fast finding its way among the more intelligent and aristocratic class of researchers, and which is very extensively practised in circles of royalty and nobility. I hope that the Government will consider the *pros* and *cons* of the matter, and I only beg to remind all of the jubilee stamp of our Mother Country and the living monument it affords in the hearts of all patriots. Trusting for a favorable result, I thank you for the use of your most valuable space. J. BERNSTEIN, Jr.

THE CZAR DOESN'T WANT STAMPS.—Different monarchs have different manners. When Her Majesty Queen Victoria receives

one of those innumerable gifts of every kind, from a pin cushion to an Indian shawl, which it is the lot of kings and queens to receive, she acknowledges it with a courteous letter, and, except in very rare cases, accepts the gift in the spirit of which it is offered. His Imperial Majesty, the Czar of all the Russias, does business on a different plan, at least so it would seem from a letter received by Mr. Glackmeyer, the City Clerk, yesterday. Some time ago Mr. S. Burford Gibson, of Montreal, sent the Czar a collection of 53 postage stamps of every nation on the American Continent, neatly pasted on a sheet of paper. It was an interesting philatelic exhibit, and was no doubt offered in a gracious spirit. But the Czar did not look at it in that light and returned the stamps to the Russian Imperial Embassy in London, with the request that, owing to the absence of Russian Representatives in Canada, it should be sent to the Canadian Government for transmission to the sender.—*Montreal Gazette.*

POST OFFICE ROBBERIES.—SMART SENTENCES.—*Henry Burgoyne Bassey*, 34, postman, and *William Bassey*, 56, clerk, pleaded "guilty," the former to stealing, and the latter to receiving, a letter, the property of the Postmaster General. The commissioner sentenced William Bassey to five years' penal servitude, and the other prisoner to three years.—*Walter Coates*, 16, pleaded "guilty" to stealing a post packet containing cigarettes. He was sentenced to twelve months' hard labor.—*Henry Hearne*, 19, a letter carrier, was sentenced to six months' hard labor for letter stealing.

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

We increase our circulation to 2,000 copies for this and April issue, in order to supply those who have requested a sample copy. This circulation till end of April only, guaranteed. After April we go back to our old circulation—1,000. Advertisers, take advantage of this in our next issue.

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EDITORIAL.

APOLOGY.—Last month the editor of this paper was busy with outside business, and was unable to oversee the arrangement of the paper and proof-reading, as it is his custom to do, and the work was entrusted to other hands. As a result of this, several bad typographical errors made their appearance owing to careless and indifferent proof-reading. One of the worst of these errors to which we desire to call attention occurred in the third sentence of the first editorial item on page 90, in which case, the word "sent" appeared in place of the proper word, "semi". Special care will in future be taken to prevent the appearance of such errors as these.

We notice a general improvement in the quality of our philatelic literature, and we are pleased to mention it. The small, worthless, trashy papers seem to be on a decline, while our better papers are constantly improving.

Not only has the P. S. of C. the best exchange department, but it has also the best collecting agency in existence. Mr. Miller is a hustler, and his plans for debt collecting and fraud prosecuting are perfect; not only this, but Mr. Miller carries these plans out to the letter. The great and only drawback and bane of philately are the *approval sheet dead beats* and forgers, who, by their unlawful and detestable practices, cause much inconvenience to our calling and much discredit to be thrown upon it by the outside world. Frauds are given too much encouragement; when they find they can successfully swindle a dealer once and have no more done against them than the mere publication of their name as a *fraud*, it leads them to try again and again their fraudulent practices. If dealers instead of merely publishing the names of frauds, would *prosecute them*, there would be an end to this thieving, when they found they had the law to deal with, they would "*quiet down*". Mr. Miller will take the most severe steps against all cases of fraud placed in his hands by *members*, and the chances of *one* of these "*rascals*" escaping is very limited. Put your cases in our Official Collector's hands.

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Among the prominent Philatelists who have called on us during the past month were Mr. E. Y. Parker, a prominent Toronto dealer; Mr. J. S. Robertson, of St. Thomas, the Exchange Superintendent of the P. S. of C., Mr. L. Miller, of Toronto, the Official Collector of the P. S. of C., and others. Our office is now situated in the heart of the business part of the city, within two minutes' walk of the G. T. R. station, and we should be pleased to have all philatelists who are passing through or stopping at London to give us a call, and they will be cordially welcomed.

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Business is reported brisk all over this continent and Europe, and dealers have all they can attend to, *in fact* a little more. Never have collectors been so numerous nor so enthusiastic as now, and the steady advance in philately is becoming more and more apparent day by day. The leading Canadian, English and American newspapers are now beginning to publish occasional articles on philately, and the public now regard it more in its proper light than they have done in the past. The editor feels assured that Philately will continue to increase in the future, even more so than heretofore.

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We are again obliged to announce that all subscriptions *must* begin with the current number; back numbers are *very* scarce, as we reserve only a few of each number, in order to give our advertisers the advantage of every possible copy printed. We have a few back numbers left and will supply them *while* they last at 10 cents each, except No. 7, which is 25 cents. These numbers are sold to subscribers only.

Collectors should take more active interest in inducing their friends to start the formation of a collection. How easily it is done! Those common and (to you) useless duplicates you have lying around; what good do they do you? Would it not be better to put them to a good use? Give them to some friend whom you think would be apt to form a collection. We have known of scores of collectors who have started their collection by a slight act of some friend who gave them a few duplicates. Start your friends now.

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There are some two or three P. S. of C. members who have of late not been conducting their dealings with their brother collectors in a honest and straightforward manner. Such must not and cannot be allowed to pass unobserved. The by-laws of the society are very stringent on this point, and on complaint to the executive, the offending member will be tried; and if found guilty, the executive have full and *lawful* authority to expel said member, and take such steps as they may deem wise. We would warn these members. Pay up your liabilities in an honest way. Do not have it necessary for your case to be brought before the executive. We trust that these members may profit by this timely and friendly warning.

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It is possible that but few of our readers understand the distinction and difference between the Hartford and Philadelphia dies of the Centennial envelope. For such as do not, the following short explanation may throw some light on the subject. The envelopes were first printed in Hartford, but the die was removed to Philadelphia during the exhibition, and on its removal, the line under the word "postage" in some way became injured, and to remedy it the line was re-engraved, making a double line of it; therefore the distinction is:—the Hartford die has a single line under "postage," while the Philadelphia die has a double line.

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THE SEA POST-OFFICES.—Much has been said in regard to their establishment and trial. When matter relative to the same was published in the various Philatelic magazines, collectors gave it but little attention, looking on it as merely an item published to fill up space. It should not be regarded in that light, for the sea post-offices will be an important factor to the collector or dealer who has any foreign correspondence whatever. When the mail for this country is sorted coming over on the ship, it can be immediately forwarded to its destination on reaching New York, instead of being subjected to a delay of two or three days, as has been the case in the past. Collectors all know what a few days' delay means, when it is considered that foreign correspondents are generally slow.

Five or six years hence, the *Philatelist* of that day will most likely be filled with articles discussing the "Great Canada Provisionals of 1892." For the benefit of the *learned* publishers of that day we may cite an example: Mr. N. F. Johnston, of Brantford, Ont., had a letter posted to him by a collector of that city, which bore the lower diagonal half of a current 3 cent stamp. This *new* provisional came safely through the post-office, finally cancelled by the Brantford postmaster, and, furthermore, no *due postage* was charged, although not a government issue. Mr. Johnston informs us that he values it highly, and that, as the government accepted it as postage, he considers it worthy of place in his collection, it being carefully preserved on the original envelope.

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Collectors please note! We have discontinued to send sheets to agents, etc. Lack of necessary time on account of rapid increase of the sale of our packets and mixtures. The large number of collectors who have hitherto handled our sheets are requested to give their patronage to some of the dealers who advertise in the CANADIAN PHILATELIST

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Our price lists on the *cover* have been thoroughly gone over, and been almost entirely changed this month. The quality of goods offered has been improved, and we would ask you to examine the same, and we feel sure that it will result in an order and your future patronage. We introduce this month a series of dealers' and collectors' stocks, which we feel sure will meet your approval. Dealers, try our "fine mixtures," and you will use no others. See revised list on last page of cover.

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Auction catalogues for the the coming sales of the National Philatelic Society, New York; S. J. Bradt & Co., Chicago; Bogert Dubrin & Co., New York, and W. Sellschopp & Co., San Francisco, have been received, for which we thank the cataloguers.

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A large lot of sample copies are sent out this month to specially-selected names. If you receive a copy and are not already a subscriber, forward us the small amount required for your subscription. We will also be pleased to enter your name for a year's subscription if you induce four of your collecting friends to subscribe.

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CAN. PHILATELIST. BROOKLYN, N. Y., March 11.

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