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TORONTO, CANADA, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1898.

The Postage Stamps of Canada.

(Continued from last week)

At this time the post offices of the British North American colonies were under the control of the Postmaster-General of Great Britain, and neither the boon of cheap postage nor the use of postage stamps was granted to these colonies for some years, although asked for. The initiative appears to have been taken by Nova Scotia. The post office commissioners of that colony, in 1844, recommended the use of postage stamps in the colony, and petitioned the Postmaster-General of Great Britain to issue them. This petition was unheeded, but when notice was again called to it, the Government of the United Kingdom refused to grant the request, giving as an excuse that the stamps might be forged, the forgers would probably escape and a loss would be incurred. It took more than a polite refusal to repress the public men of those days in their agitations for reforms, particularly when reform appeared so necessary, and the reason for granting it so trival. A few years later all the British North American colonies joined in a demand for colonial management of the post office, and offered to account to the Postmaster-General of the United Kingdom for all letters going to or by way of the United Kingdom. The combined requisition stirred the Imperial Government to action. The time was opportune. A new colonial policy was to be given a trial. The leading men in the Imperial Parliament were beginning to recognize the fact thatto retain the affections of the colonies a greater measure of self-government would have to be granted them. Consequently when petitioned on post office affairs, an Act was passed by the Imperial parliament in the twelfth and thirteenth years of the reign of a

Her Majesty Queen Victoria, entitled "An Act for enabling Colonial Legislatures to establish Inland Posts "

After a great deal of correspondence between the various colonial Governments, an agreement regarding post office managementwas arrived at, and an Act was passed by the Legislature of each of the colonies of Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island on the lines of the agreement. The respective Acts were approved by the Imperial Government, and became law in each colony in 1850 or in 1851.

The main provisions of the Post Office Acts of each colony as to rates and stamps were as follows : The rate of postage on all letters from one place to another within the four colonies to be 3d. currency for $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. or under, and for a letter over $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. and not over 1 oz. 6d. and so on at the same rate; letters posted in the colonies addressed to the United States, except to California and Oregon to be rated at 6d, currency, or 10c. per half oz.; to California or Oregon, 9d., or 15c. per half oz.; the rate to Newfoundland, 71d., 3d. inland and 41d packet per half oz. from Nova Scotia the packet rate to be 4d.; the rate to the United Kingdom via United States by weekly closed mails, 1s. 2d. sterling, and via Halifax, semi-monthly, 1s. per i oz. The equivalent currency rate was different for each colony. In all the above cases prepayment was optional.

The Acts of all the colonies except Prince Edward Island, provided for the issue of postage stamps as an evidence of prepayment.

Sir Edmund Head, Governor of New Brunswick, suggested that the stamps of each colony should be of similar design. This suggestion was not followed by Canada, but it is a probable explanation of the likeness existing between the first issue of the stamps of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

(to be continued)

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Notes and Comments.

The majority of *our* readers may not know that there is a small unimportant and uninteresting amateur paper published in Berlin, Ont., under the same name as this paper but misrepresentations made in their issue of Nov. 16th, have forced us to make some explanation to those of our readers who may receive this Berlin circular. We ask the pardon of our readers for using space but we have deemed it necessary in order to place ourselves before the public in the right light.

It was about the end of September we first announced our intention of publishing the "Canadian Philatelic Weekly" and about the middle of October wrote Starman Bros., Berlin, Ont., for quotations while we duly received. On or about Saturday October 22nd, we wrote S. Bros. that we intended to publish our first number on Saturday Nov. 5th. requesting that satisfactory arrangements be made to this end. We received their reply dated Oct. 24 stating that "owing to permanent contracts having been taken they regretted to state they could not print a weekly." We immediately made arrangements with our present printer Mr. W. J. Dickson to print our paper as will be seen by his letter below.

After an absence of some three weeks the old "Boy's Own Philatelist" appears as the new Canadian Philatelic Weekly dated Wednesday, Nov. 2nd. We received a copy as our paper was going to press and too late for any change (which we would not have made in any case.) Now it appears after reading the statement of our contemporary's printers that they gave instructions to have the name changed from Boy's Own Philatelist to C. P. W. almost immediately on learning that we intended publishing our first number under that name on Saturday Nov. 5th changed their day of publication and dated the first number of their C. P. W. Wednesday, Nov. 2nd, thereby misleading the public in believing or receiving our paper that we were (to use their own vulgar language) "swipers" from "hogtown" and "copied."

We do not intend to make any rash statements as to originality, etc., but merely present the facts and leave the reader to judge for himself as to our position. We will mind our own business and hope others will do the same. We do not publish the "cheapest" and "oldest' weekly in Canada but we do and will publish the "newest" and most valuable weekly in our power, and will leave the public to decide whether we publish the best or no. Our advertising and subscription rates may seem comparatively high but we give value for the money invested in our paper. Compare the following :

A Toronto dealer states that he paid \$1 for two 2 inch advertisements to be inserted 5 (five) times in the Boy's Own Philatelist now the C. P. W. Out of the five insertions he did not get one answer.

Toronto, Can. Nov. 17th, 1898. Canadian Phil. Weekly, Toronto. Ont.

Dear Sirs : Kindly withdraw my advertisement as I am receiving too many answers from it, in fact more than I can attend to satisfactorily.

> (Signed) Imperial Stamp Co. per T. C. Hancock.

In a recent issue of the Berlin Weekly the publishers were complaining that they had no subscribers, and some delinquent advertisers in Hamilton, Ont., suggesting that the Hams be roasted.

Since our first number we have received six subscriptions from Hamilton and the following from a prominent Ham. "All the collectors in this vicinity who have seen the WEEKLY are very well pleased with it, and it won't be long before a fair sized bundle of them come to Hamilton." We had intended paying no attention to the babyish proceedings of these Berlin publishers, but their own actions have forced us to an explanation. We can promise our readers that this is the *finale* as far as we are concerned.

I have no hesitation whatever in heartily endorsing the statements made as above by Mr. W. A. Lydiatt, as I am in a position to know all the details, in fact, to my knowledge Mr. Lydiatt has had in contemplation the publication of this paper for more than six months, and am quite sure that he is entitled to the first use of the name of his paper as selected by him.

> William J. Dickson, Printer.

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401 Yonge St. Wm. R. Adams.

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Send for his Price List.

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Soudan Camel Post, 2 var	65
Soudan Camel Post, 5 var	25
Cape of Good Hope, triangular, rare	25
Chinese Empire, 5 var	14
Vasco de Gama, long, green, 5	12
" red, 5	15
India, 12 var. British Central Africa, 3sh negro	15
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Toronto, Ont.

D. P. A. OFFICERS MEET. Some Important Difficulties Settled.

The Dominion Philatelic Association Officers met in Toronto on Thursday, 24th inst, in response to the call of the President, Mr. Chas. Bailey. The meeting was called to order at 2 p.m., in the rooms of the Philatelic Club of Toronto, Forum Building, present: C. S. Applegath, W. B. Grant, R. S. Mason, and N. Matches of Hamilton: F. I. Weaver and Starnaman Bros. Berlin; Geo. W. Hicks of Mitchell; Chas. Bailey, Jno. H. Lowe, Wm. Myers, E. B. McGillivary, C. Morden. and Walter MacMahon, Toronto, and several Philatelic Club of Toronto members. President Chas. Bailey in the chair. A number of private discussions took place and the charges against the Auction manager proven false. No action was taken against Mr. A. M. Muirhead it being left to the discretion of Mr. Muirhead will have the Trustees. to apologise or give up his membership in the D. P. A was the decision of those present. Some dissatisfaction with the official organ was expressed but on promise of Starnaman Bros. to do better the matter was dropped. Various ways were discussed as to how best to increase the membership and benefits of the association. Meeting adjourned at 5.30 p.m. Messrs. Hicks and Applegath took group photographs of those present.

It is hoped and expected that this meeting will put new life into the D. P. A. and prove of great benefit. A quarterly meeting of the officers was suggested. A good thing, push it along.

The design for the new Imperial Penny Postage Stamp has been chosen. The stamp will be about the size of the Jubilee stamps and on it will appear a map of the world in miniature with the British Possessions in red. Surmounting this is a crown under which is a bunch of oak and maple leaves symbolizing the unity of England and Canada. At the upper edge of the stamp are the words "Canada Postage" and underneath "Xmas 1898." A special card will also be issued. Further particulars next week.

We wish to call your attention to the fact that we are publishing a high class Canadian weekly, and will continue to do We solicite a share of your patronage. so. ONLY RELIABLE DEALERS are allowed to use our columns for advertising. Our Dec. 3rd. issue will be greatly improved in many ways. Commencing this issue over 2,000 copies of our paper will be carefully circulated EVERY WEEK, occassionally increased. Don't forget our Xmas number.

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The non-appearance of Scott's Standard Catalogue this fall will not likely injure the present smart condition of the stamp business.

We are informed that another sheet of half cent Canada Jubilees was purchased at face at a branch post office in this city last week.

The Colonial Stamp Co. have opened shop at 399 Spadina Ave. They are comfortably situated in the central part of the city and we hope they will neet with success.

Several prominent Toronto collectors are discussing the formation of a stock company to deal in stamps and publish a high class philatelic monthly. We would like to see matters take a more definate position than at present, but those who have the matter in hand consider that whatever is worth doing is worth doing well and if you can't do it well, don't do it at all.

The last regular meeting of the Philatelic Club of Toronto, was held in the Club Rooms, 29 Forum Building on Tuesday, Nov. 22nd inst., ten members present. The Executive Committee made several recommendations but none were considered. After the business of the evening the members spent a pleasant half hour enjoying the treesures contained in Mr. E. Davenport's magnificent collection of foreign stamps numbering over 10,000 varieties.

Much interest has been aroused among numismatists by news just received from Rhodesia respecting the discovery of ancient Venetian coins in proximity to one of the Mashenaland rivers. The coins in question have, in the meantime, been sent down to Natal, and submitted to expert scrutiny at Pietermaritzburg, with the result that casts of the originals are to be sent on to London. The coins have been declared to be medals struck at Venice between 1570 and 1577 A.D. On the one side is the figure of St. Mark, with the inscription; 'This dukedom be thine, O Christ, and the giver be thine;' while on the reverse are three figures, two in a kneeling position, the other upright, with a halo, on which the inscription is: 'The Doge Aloys Murenigo, first magistrate of Venice.'-'St. James' Gazette.'

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