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## CURRENT TOPICS.

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The de Coppet sale was very well managed—not one string snapped.

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The Nova Scotia shilling has reached \$60, which is all it is worth.

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In our own humble opinion the "Review Dept. in the *Philatelic Era*" is so much valuable space wasted. We also expect to be sat down on by its worthy editor for saying so.

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Mr. L.H. Benton, of Taunton, Mass., has now ascended to the editorial throne of the *Golden Star*. This paper is not, now, devoted entirely to stamp matters, but a column or so of space devoted to its editor's favourite tendency is a redeeming feature. A cover would greatly improve it, Mr. Benton.

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Our friend Mr. L. M. Staebler, of London, Ont., has undertaken a complete illustrated catalogue of United States stamps, which promises to be something rich. The price is fifty cents, and if up to prospectus it will be well worth that sum.

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At the A. P. A. convention, C. H. and I. A. Mekeel held between them 99 votes; it will thus be apparent that they had their little say in most matters.

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The only difference of general appearance, between a set of seebecks and the five dollar Columbian, is the price.

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It is, to say the least, extremely difficult to maintain our journalistic life on a rare shade of the U. S. 1890—2 cent, a copy of Scott's catalogue and the latest number of the *Philatelic Era*. So if you think twelve consecutive numbers are worth 10 cents, we will be pleased to hear from you.

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### EDITORIAL.

THIS is number one, and should you see fit to subscribe you will have the pleasure of seeing numbers 2 to 13 inclusive.

As a Philatelic Press Association is proposed, we hope it will soon be an accomplished fact. Such an association should not, however, attempt to raise the subscription rates, as the philatelic public will claim a slight say in the matter.

THE *Philatelic Era* gives us the welcome news that it will forthwith refrain from "blowing" It is the intention of its editor to let its readers do the praising in future.

BUSINESS will now be picking up and dealers will soon be enjoying the fall demand for stamps. Dealers will now be placing advertisements and we hope they will not forget to try us.

WE would ask you to view that expressive line which appears above this Editorial column. *Ads. accepted from reliable parties only.* Take it all in. It was placed there for the proper and just protection of our advertisers and subscribers, provided we get any.

ROY F. GREENE has "gone" into the stamp business. We managed to get some of his sheets and we liked them so much that we were loath to part with them. So we wrote Roy F. and he "writ" back saying, that as we lived in Halifax he would accept cash exchange for them.

In his "Golden Star," Bro. Benton says "Subscribe is still the word." We agree with him and hope there will be a few hundred that will agree with us.

WE want to let every collector get a sample copy, so if you can write your name on a postal card you should do so. If you don't know your name ask your postmaster, and if you can't write your little brother will do it for you.

**IMPORTANT.**

Whereas our two existing societies, the C. P. A. and P. S. of C., are not in such a flourishing condition as might be wished, we are of the opinion that a society modelled something similar to the S. of P. would "take." We would like to hear from you if interested, and please give references if convenient. We are in favor of adopting the constitution of the S. of P. with such changes as the majority are in favour of.

**NOTELETTES.**

The split values of Nova Scotia stamps can hardly be called "provisionals," as they were provided for by the government and for such a value as 7½ pence were necessary, as there was no stamp of that denomination.

What is the U. S. going to do with the remainder of the Columbian issue?

In that remote time when the public will have discovered that we have come

to stay, you will find the Nova Scotia 12½ cent catalogue higher than the 10 cent.

The "Yankee Philatelist" is now under new management. We hope to see it improve in quality of reading matter.

The collection of revenue stamps is greatly in the increase.

Scotts new catalogue will list past cards.

The "Standard Stamp Co." of St. Louis, Mo., sends out a fraud list to the trade.

Canada's new issue that was so confidently announced some three months ago has not materialized. The U. S. will probably have a new set in January.

The small U. S. card (ladies' size) will be quite scarce as very few were used and a new issue of cards is expected.

**STRAY FACTS.**

The U. S. department stamps were in use 10 years from 1874—84.

Sets of Samoa are often seen *cancelled* with the original gum on the back.

When you find that your business would stand a little increase, you will find this paper an excellent medium.

The S. of P. is fast catching up to the Dresden Society.

The "Dominion Philatelist" is not, now, the organ of the C. P. A. If the advertisements were confined to their proper place, the subscription price lowered to 25 cents., and the quality of reading matters improved, it might take.

The "Philatelic Californian" is announced from San Francisco.

Any person who thinks we expect to make a fortune out of this magazine is mistaken. We expect and are content to lose a few dollars on each number, untill such a time as it shall pay for it self.

The "Canadian Philatelist" *was* the best philatelic paper in Canada, but now that honour undoubtedly belongs to the "Canadian Journal of Philately."

The "Western Journal of Philately" has departed this life and gone into that land where the woodbine is said to twine.

The "Stamp," of New York, is now published in reduced form. The price is also proportionally reduced.

The "Philatelist Sons of America" is an organization for young collectors. R. W. Ashcroft is Secretary, C. W. Kissinger is President.

Mexico is to have a new (speculative) issue, to be in use a short time, and then the plates will be sold. None of the worthless labels will ever get into *our* album.

Now that the rate from Newfoundland has been reduced to 3 cents, a rise in value of the 5 cent blue is expected.

The time it now ripe for some old mossback to predict a rise in value of U. S. in the new Scott's catalogue—54th. edition.

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