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ED. BEE'S LETTER

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To the Editor of the Ontario Philatelist.

The Duett Stamp Club had a most interesting meeting last month, or rather several interesting meetings; and we are learning something new every time. The address of our President is the feature of every meeting, and at the one of which I write you now there were present several of Toronto's most prominent Philatelists. I think I am getting to be a great man philatelically speaking, and our club seems to be quite the thing. We received a goodly number of members into the fold at our last meeting, and they were duly initiated and instructed in the art of philately. Our membership will be limited, however, and any who want to join had better address me through you at once. Our next meeting will be held on the 15th, and I shall tell you about it for the readers of THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST in due time. At our last meeting our President told us of the 1857 issue of U. S., which is a continuation of the series of addresses of which I have written you. He said:

"So far as known, there was no change in the law that created the 1857 issue: and without any announcement the three cent

type, 1851, was issued unperforate on the 24th of February, 1857, and the other values followed shortly, and so remained until late in 1860. They were perforated 15 holes in the space of two millimetre. On June 15, 1860, the twenty-four cent was issued, which has been described before by me, but was not regularly issued until now. It was 18½ by 25 m.m., lilac on white paper. On August 12, 1860, appeared the thirty cent. It was the head of Franklin in profile to the left, and was very similar to the carrier stamp. It was on an oval disc, with latched background bordered by a colorless line ornamented by a single fine colored line, a colored background, and has a shield of the U. S. in each of the four corners behind them ornamented by colorless rays with ornaments on each side. Above and between the ornaments was in two lines "U. S." and "Postage" in colorless capitals below "30." to the left side "Thirty," and to the right "cents." It was printed in yellow on white paper, and the plate was 20 by 24 m. m., and was perforated 15. The day following this issue appeared the ninety cent stamp, and was a bust of Washington in general's uniform after Trumbol, facing three-quarters to the left on latched ground square below and arched above, bordered by a colorless line, solid arched label above, with colorless capitals

"U. S. Postage," and below in solid straight label was "Ninety cents." The plate impression was $18\frac{1}{2} \times 24$ m. m., and printed in deep indigo blue on white paper, and was perforated 15."

I shall not attempt to give you our President's observations on this issue, but in my next letter I will tell you all about them. The next meeting promises to be most interesting, and I hope a goodly company will be present.

ED. BEE.

Coming Prices

Scott's 57th (1897) Catalogue

The advance sheets of the new catalogue are out, and show a marked change in prices on some of the various stamps. We will only give a few of the most important changes, as lack of space prevents our giving a list of all. Only U. S. and B. N. A. will be quoted:

(Continued from October number.)

NAT. BANK NOTE PRINT		
1870-71	New	Used
1c (9x11½)	\$ 5 00	\$ 50
2c	5 00	15
6c and 7c	15 00	4 00
10c	35 00	10 00
12c		75 00
15c	25 00	6 50
90c	25 00	7 50
1c, no grille	3 50	15
2c	2 00	05
3c	2 50	05
6c	5 00	20
7c	8 00	75
10c	20 00	20
12c	12 50	75
15c	6 00	50
24c	17 50	2 00
30c	10 00	75
90c	12 50	1 50

AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. PRINT		
1879—		
15c	50	20
30c	2 00	20
90c	7 50	1 25

Re-issue, 1880—	
2c black brown....	50 00
7c scarlet verm....	50 00
12c black purple..	50 00
24c dark violet....	50 00

CONTINENTAL BANK NOTE CO. PRINT		
1873 agriculture.	Thin, hard paper—	
1c	4 00	4 00
2c	1 25	1 00
3c	40	25
6c	75	75
10c	7 50	6 00
12c	10 00	8 00
15c	4 00	3 50
24c	5 00	4 00
30c	5 00	4 50

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT		
1c and 2c	10 00	10 00
3c	7 50	7 50
6c	20 00	20 00
10c	12 50	12 50

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT		
1c	25	25
2c	30	15
3c	25	10
6c	50	05
10c	75	50
12c	60	40
15c	75	50
24c and 30c	1 00	75
90c	3 00	2 50

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT		
1c	2 00	2 00
2c	4 00	4 00
3c	2 00	75
6c	2 50	1 00
10c	3 50	3 00
12c	3 50	2 50
15c	7 50	6 50
24c	20 00	20 00
30c	25 00	25 00
90c	60 00	60 00

NAVY DEPARTMENT		
1c	1 50	1 50
2c	65	65
2c green (error)....	40 00	
3c	40	20
6c	60	50
7c	15 00	10 00
10c and 12c	2 50	2 00
15c	3 50	3 00
24c	5 00	4 00
30c	5 00	3 00
90c	15 00	10 00

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT		
1c and 2c	25	25
6c	30	15

10c	2 00	2 00
12c	1 00	75
15c	1 50	1 00
24c	1 25	1 25
30c	1 00	1 00
90c	2 50	2 00

STATE DEPARTMENT

1c	3 50	3 50
2c	7 00	6 00
3c	75	75
6c	1 00	1 00
7c	3 50	3 00
10c	3 50	2 50
12c and 15c	5 00	4 50
24c	10 00	8 50
30c	8 50	8 00
90c	15 00	13 50
\$2	25 00	25 00
5	135 00	
10	70 00	
20	60 00	60 00

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

1c	35	15
2c	35	12
6c	20	10
7c	2 50	1 50
10c and 12c	50	25
15c	15	30
24c	12 50	5 00
30c	75	35
90c	2 00	1 00

WAR DEPARTMENT

7c	2 50	2 50
10 and 12c		30
15c	30	30
24c	75	75
30c	50	50
90c	1 50	1 25

(Continued next month)



From Messrs. Alfred Smith & Co., the well known English dealers who recently moved to London, E. C., we have received a useful and instructive booklet, advertising their famous "Rowland Hill" packet of stamps. Each country is taken up separately, with its history, etc. It is priced at the low rate of 15c. postpaid, and is instructive and useful even if the reader does not want the packet advertised.

Papers Received

Canadian — Canadian Philatelic Magazine, Philatelic Advocate, Stamp Lore, All Around Stamp Advertiser.

American—American Journal of Philately, Columbian Philatelist, Eastern Philatelist, Evergreen State Phil, Home Worker, Herald Exchange, International Phil, Junior Phil, Maryland Phil, Monthly Observer, Mekeel's Weekly (4 numbers), Monthly Bulletin, Texas Phil Association, Metropolitan Philatelist, New York Philatelist, North State Philatelist, Philatelic Free Lance, Philatelic Literature Collector, Post Office, Postage Stamp, Philatelic Californian, Philatelic West, Philatelic Literaturist, Stamp Advertiser, Stamps, Trans-Mississippi Stamp, Texan Philatelist, Weekly Philatelic Era (4 numbers), Western Stamp, American Collector.

Foreign — Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, Monthly Post, Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser.

We have also received Price List of Postage Dues from Raynor Hubbell Stamp Co., Buffalo, N. Y.; Catalogue of U. S. Stamps from R. F. Albrecht & Co., New York; Catalogue of Auction Sale of Philatelic Literature from J. M. Chappell Jr., Macon, Miss.; Auction Catalogue and Price List from W. F. Gregory, New York.



The Canadian Philatelist has been discontinued on account of the refusal of second-class mail privileges, and has been absorbed by Stamp Lore, which will retain all the correspondents and other features of the former journal.

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The Christmas number of THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST will be of special interest to all classes of dealers and collectors, as we intend to have a large circulation, and if you are a dealer would like to have an ad. from you. So send us your ads. at once, as we go to press on or about the 20th of the month.

The trustees, assisted by the Vice-President, are busy drawing out the constitution and by-laws of the D. P. A., which will be submitted to the members shortly.

We have received circulars announcing the organization of the "American Stamp Dealers' Association," with headquarters at Detroit, Mich., the object being the collection of bad debts.

Mr. T. S. Clark of Belleville, one of Canada's veteran stamp dealers, will shortly retire from the business, as his duties as accountant of the Bank of Montreal in the former place requires his whole attention.

The contract for the printing of the Canadian stamps has been renewed for a further term of five years, and it may be expected that a new issue of stamps may be a result of the new contract.

It is altogether likely that the D. P. A. will have a branch in St. Catharines, Ont., as Mr. L. S. Graham, Vice-President, is endeavoring to form one and is meeting with good success. Although our V. P. is not receiving much newspaper talk, he is doing good work.

With this number we enter upon our new duties as official organ of the Dominion Philatelic Association, at least for a time, until the

matter is finally decided by a vote among the members; and if *THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST* should be chosen, we will endeavor to make it one of the most attractive papers that has ever been published in Canada.

A new postal issue for Canada has just been issued for foreign use. The design is a great improvement on the previous stationary, and has the inscriptions printed in English and French, the latter being the official language of the postal union. The card has the Queen facing to the left, being similar to the 1868 issue, and is printed red on buff card.

Notes and Comments

By R. G. Widdicombe

The Herald Exchange improves with each issue.

Canadian stamps are bringing good prices at present.

The Trans-Mississippi Stamp is now published by a stock company.

Mr. J. F. Dodge of Columbian Philatelist fame has removed to New Oxford, P. A.

A neat and attractive private card is that issued by R. M. Miller, publisher of the American Collector.

Who will be the one to publish the next Provincial Address Book?

The Halifax Philatelic Magazine will appear Dec. 1st, with Messrs. Muirland and Van Malder at the helm.

The Canadian Philatelic Magazine for October is adorned with an artistic cover, which improves its appearance greatly.

THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST has secured the official organship of the D. P. A., and the first report appears in this number.

An entertainment fund for the Omaha conventions is being solicited, \$1 being least limit, to be paid July 1st, 1898, if Omaha gets the meet.

One reason why you should advertise in *THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST* is because the publisher never inserts his own ads. in his paper, thus giving his patrons every advantage.

Nova Scotia is at present a good country for specialism, since its stamps have so greatly dropped in value on account of the recent discovery and output of remainders. These stamps are now very cheap, and probably never will go any lower in value, therefore get them while you can.

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The above applicants will be admitted to full membership on Dec.

30th, provided no objection is filed with the secretary previous to that date.

With this number we publish our report in THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST for the first time. We trust that the change will prove satisfactory to all members. New and complete mailing lists have been supplied to the publishers, so that the prompt arrival of this paper each month is assured to each member.

A mark in blue opposite this paragraph signifies that your dues for 1896 to the Dominion Philatelic Association are still unpaid. If your dues are still unpaid when we publish our next report, we will be obliged to drop you from our lists and cease sending you this paper. We trust that all members in arrears will hasten to settle their accounts with the Association.

From the monthly reports of the Secretary it may be seen that our society is rapidly and steadily increasing. We hope that each member is doing his best to make this Canadian society of ours one of the largest and finest on the continent. Let each member secure at least one new member for the next report, and see then what a glorious list we will have. The newly elected Vice-presidents are doing good work, and we ask that each member in his district will give them his co-operation.

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