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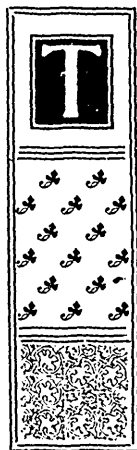
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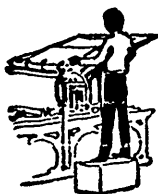
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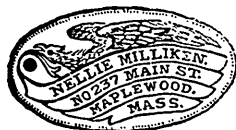
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WHOLE NO. 46.

Interesting Paragraphs.

BY JOHN PELZ.

Many of our philatelic writers who use so much valuable space to give their opinions against the collecting of minor varieties, evidently do not quite practice what they preach, for some collector-dealers who "kick" so much against the minor variety fad still *deal* in them. Then we agree with Brother Chapman who wishes to drive "noms" out of philatelic journals. Some writers who are afraid to write under their own names should give up altogether, for they do more harm than good when they so persistently run down a branch of collecting they have no taste for.

When the war between the United States and Spain was on, and after it was over, the stamps of Cuba, Philippine Islands and Porto Rico became very popular and many values took a leap upward in price and all the stamps generally rose in popularity. Now that the war in South Africa is going on, it seems that collectors have turned to that continent, and are zealously collecting those stamps, and it can be safely predicted that an advance in value will soon set in, similar to the Cuba, Philippine and Porto Rico stamps. (Philatelic) "History Repeats Itself."

A dealer not long ago stated in his price list which he issued, the following: "I sell no reprints, all stamps sold by me are guaranteed genuine, original specimens."

Happening to send for a packet of stamps from the dealer not long after, I found one stamp from Heligoland and one from Roman States, which if genuine are worth about one dollar; and the packet only cost me 25 cents. But ARE they genuine? I doubt it, even though the dealer stated that he only sold "genuine stamps, reprints go into the waste paper basket."

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Whether the first issue of stamps of the United States are collectible has been largely discussed and while there are many who would say nay, yet when it is treated as one of the Centennial sets and classed in with the reprints of the 1856 and 1861 issues, there can be no question but they should be signed a place in the album, but should the collector reject the reprints he should certainly reject, also, this only official counterfeit of the American nation. —E. R. Aldrich.

It would be well for collectors to devote some of the time now given to the examination of the U. S. adhesives and envelopes in search of infinitesimal variations caused by too much or too little ink, worn dies, etc., to the study of our revenue stamps for they afford a wide field for careful research.—E. R. Marshall.

When a stamp paper has been established three or four years, it is almost safe to subscribe to that paper, especially if it contains over 200 pages in a year. See our Premium Offers.

Arthur R. Magill

Was born February 9, 1878 in Newport, Rhode Island, where he resided until June 1897 when he moved to Montreal and took a position in the head office for Canada of an English Fire Insurance Company.

Mr. Magill has collected for about ten years, but lost his first collection by fire while at college, but after about two years he again started to collect; this time making a specialty of a few countries. He also deals in stamps but handles very little excepting Canada which he makes his specialty.

Mr. Magill has written for a number of papers. At present he is the Montreal correspondent of the *Weekly Philatelic Era*, and the Canadian

correspondent of the *Adhesive*, *Nebraska* and *Virginia Philatelist*.

The D. P. A. was the first philatelic association that Mr. Magill ever joined, and he has always worked for it. He is President of the Mount Royal Stamp Club, Librarian of the League of Canadian Phil-

atelists, and a member of the Executive Committee of the Montreal Philatelic Association.

Mr. Magill hopes to be able to attend the Convention at St. Catharines. He is a candidate for the office of Exchange Supt. of the D. P. A. We are confident



ARTHUR R. MAGILL, MONTREAL.

Candidate for D. P. A. Exchange Supt.

that he will make a good officer, and members will make no mistake if they mark their ballots for Mr. Magill.

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W. Russell Brown. If these are elected the affairs of the Society will be under good management.

Do not fail to send your ballots promptly. Address them plainly to George Bradley, D. P. A., St. Catharines, Ont. All ballots must be in by July 2nd.

The Postal Service of the New American Colonies.

BY A. R. BUTLER.

Some time before the landing of the American troops in Cuba the problem of a provision for handling the mails of the army of invasion confronted the postal administration of this country. And that problem was a hard one; the displacing, in a land having a different language, of a postal service founded on ignorance, corruption and medieval conservatism and the introduction of altogether different methods. And this, too, in a time of war, when the native-speaking clerks were afraid to co-operate with the Americans or were unwilling to do so: it amounted to the same thing in the end. To their minds, the final issue of the conflict was in doubt, and they feared the Spaniards if the Americans were defeated. And, too, the postal administration being a civil affair, the usually passive but sometimes active manifestations of the contempt and jealousy of subordinate military officials operated in the first to interfere with the successful handling of the mails. This latter obstacle brought with it a remedy, for the War Department, when this action of lower officials became known, at once issued an order demanding the fullest co-operation of the military with the postal authorities. The spirit of these men "clothed in a little brief authority" is shown by one of them, who upon being asked to detail a soldier to assist in the handling of an accumulation of mail, that it might be delivered to the soldiers anxiously awaiting news from home, retorted "Our men are here to be taught to shoot Spaniards, not how to shuffle postal

cards". This apparently, however, was the spirit of only a few of the army officers, the general spirit of willingness to help being specially mentioned by the Postmaster-General, he stating that he received "the hearty co-operation of the War Department", and it was probably the volunteer rather than the regular army men who were unwilling to help out the civilians.

The Postoffice Department had never before been confronted with this question; during the rebellion the distribution of the comparatively few letters sent was done through the army organization almost wholly, and aside from the fact that fewer letters were written, it was easier to get at the armies when they were capable of being reached at all. There wasn't any distribution of mail to Sherman's army on its march to the sea, and a letter once in three months was sufficient for any soldier in the war of '65. In the Spanish-American war things were different, daily letters were in many cases written and received by the volunteer trooper, newspapers, clothing and all sorts of articles were sent him through the post. He expected deliveries and collections to be as frequent and as punctual as in New York City; when they were not, his friends, at home and in the army, his Congressman, and his Senators were importuned, and they in turn deluged the Postoffice authorities with inquiries, remonstrances and threats; the official reports rather complain of this as expecting a little too much of a temporary and emergency service. The first intimation the Department received as to this standard that had been set for its service was received from the encampment at Chicamauga Park, in Tennessee. The Army heads had selected this as a collect-

ing place for a large portion of the volunteer troops, the local postoffice, Lytle, being a small fourth class office with the postmaster as the only employe. In consequence of this there was a three days delay in the delivery of the mail that brought forth a wail from citizens and members of Congress causing the postal people to bestir themselves and to authorize the postmaster at Chattanooga to take charge of affairs, employ a force and build such shelters as would enable the mail to be handled without delay: under this arrangement 75,000 pieces of mail matter per day were handled by a force of 29 clerks with an automatic stamping machine and slight help from military details, besides a very heavy money order and registry business.

This experience should have prepared the authorities for the requirements of the army in Cuba, and should have warned them to make provision for the service, but a department is slow to take action and mail for the investing army accumulated at Tampa, on transports, and on the beach at Siboney until June 9, 1898. A short time prior to that date Mr. Eben Brewer, an experienced employe of the postal service, had been sent from the states as postal agent, but he did not arrive until June 14th, and he had been provided with no force to handle such a mass of letters, or the necessary means to transport them to one spot for distribution. By June 25 he was joined by another postal employe, Kempner, and the two, with a Sergeant Dawson, opened the the first United States postoffice on foreign soil, at Daiquiri. The first mail consisted of 298 sacks. Agent Brewer at once began to distribute the letter portion of this, and endeavored

to make arrangements to have it delivered to the addressees at the fighting line, 18 miles away. The army officials refused to give any assistance whatever, so he bought a horse, hired a Cuban and his pony, loaded them up and started for the front through roads of mud without bottom. Only those people familiar with the usual methods of addressing army letters can appreciate the magnitude of the task undertaken by him, but the letters were delivered to soldiers in the trenches, the three men braving the fire of the Spanish guns. The next mail was 130 sacks, and through urgent representations to General Shafter, he gave orders that an army wagon should be used in transporting them and messengers were sent from the various regiments for their mails, thus relieving to some extent the pressure on the postal clerks. On July 6 the office was moved to Siboney, with the newspaper mail remaining and 200 additional sacks received on the day of arrival. But the limit of endurance had been reached, Brewer succumbed to yellow fever, and in a week was dead, and Dawson broke down with typhomalarial local fever and after a long illness was returned to the states. On July 10 Agent Kempner, now alone, received a reinforcement of four experienced postal clerks with 120 more sacks of mail. His troubles seemed to be ending, but the same day a squad of soldiers appeared to burn the building and its contents on account of the possible infection with yellow fever. The orders were peremptory and it was with difficulty that a sufficient delay was obtained to secure an order from headquarters that the mails should not be included in the general conflagration. This was secured, but the personal effects of the

postal clerks were destroyed and they were compelled to work in tents with disinfectants around. Then Siboney was isolated for ten days on account of the fever and for ten days no mail was delivered, until on July 23 a load of soldiers' mail for the states was shipped on the steamer Concha. The capitulation of Santiago brought the American agents into their first contact with the Spanish postal system in its full beauty. A Spanish postmaster and fourteen clerks were here, drawing salaries about twice as great as the total receipts of the office, and probably stealing as much more. The postmaster and ten clerks were immediately "relieved" and three clerks retained at \$30 per month each. The Spanish methods were peculiar, to say the least; stamps were not sold at the post office, but were wholesaled at a discount to parties who retailed them to users. Mail boxes cost from \$2 to \$20 per year according to the needs of the renter and the cheek of the postmaster. Carriers were not paid by the office but were permitted to collect any sum they saw fit to from the addressee. The whole system was rotten, the clerk's salaries were irregularly paid and they reimbursed themselves by peculations and extortion. One fact will convey a hint of the condition of things almost impossible of comprehension to a person accustomed to the American or Canadian postal systems: when our representatives took possession of the Havana postoffice, over 2000 *registered* letters addressed to accessible people in the city the accumulations of three or four years were found, undistributed and undelivered. As the American troops advanced, the office in each town was reorganized on the American plan and put in charge of a

United States agent. On December 21, 1898, a Director General of Posts was appointed for the island and entire control passed to him. The service for convenience was maintained by virtue of military authority, although it is now practically autonomous. The stamps and supplies were furnished by the United States at actual cost, and trained employees were detailed from the home service to train the Cuban clerks and improve the personnel. In overprinting the stamps of the U. S. used prior to the distinctive Cuban issue an error of philatelic interest occurred. Under the impression that the "drop letter" rate was 2½ c de p., 2,000,000 two cent stamps were over printed with that value and sent to Cuba. The true rate, however, was 2c de p., so that these stamps were unnecessary, but they were used as two cent stamps notwithstanding the surcharge. The reconstruction of the service from that point to the present day was only a question of time and administration. Today the Cuban service is rapidly reaching a point where the efficiency and accuracy will be a matter not only for wonder to those who were acquainted with it under Spanish rule, but of pride to the men to whom this bringing order out of chaos is due. So much for Cuba, where the department encountered the problems, the solving of which rendered the introduction of our postal system into the other colonies comparatively simple.

In Porto Rico where our army had little opposition, a commission was sent out to look over the ground and report on the best methods to adopt; they reported in favor of an autonomous system, as in use in Cuba, but the hurricane of last August has delayed the independent action of the

Porto Rican postal system.

In the Philippines the putting into effect of a complete system has been accomplished. Aguinaldo and his forces only delay its extension, they cannot embarrass it where established. The war being ended the Spanish speaking residents and natives were anxious to cooperate with the winning side, and this cleared the way from difficulties such as obtained in Cuba. Guam—well, since the advertising of the "leery cove" in charge of that island, with his postal issue for revenue only, it is hardly necessary to state that the United States postal service is in force there.

The hardships of the clerks who first devised the service in Cuba cannot be estimated. They being civilians no provision had been made for their food, shelter, or clothing; the military authorities not permitting them to use or to purchase, at cost, army supplies, and the salaries they received, while ample in the states, were not sufficient to provide when private resources were held at war rates. Overworked, poorly sheltered and fed, they fell an easy prey to the yellow and climatic fevers. The accumulations of mail were great, but the Spanish postal appliances were calculated rather to retard than to facilitate its distribution. They suffered and contrived in silence, the appeal of an employe, to the "god of the machine," they knew from experience not to be effective within the span of one man's life and they were too busy to "organize the pull" as used by the privates of the volunteer army to cause immediate action in the case of delayed mails.

The history of the United States Postal Service in our new colonies is a history of the triumph of individual energy and in-

genuity over manifold obstacles, of climate, of environment and of red tape, and too much credit cannot be given to the men who achieved the results, some of them, as Brewer, giving their lives to the effort.

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United States Minutes.

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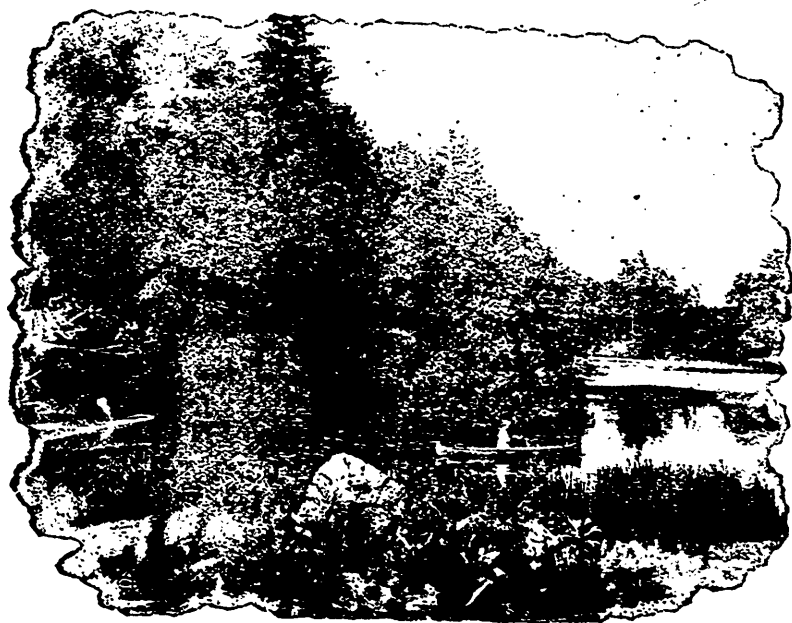
The Buffalo Exposition is to be pre-eminently a commercial exposition, and the Postoffice Department is desirous of using designs upon stamps for it that will emphasize the fact. The designs which have so far met with favor illustrate the aid by modern invention. A modern American lake steamer, the Empire state express train, Niagara Falls, the canal locks at Sault Ste Marie, an automobile, and, finally, the American flag; have been chosen. The connection given is easily seen, except the phrase "trade follows the flag" may give a reason in addition to patriotism for introducing the stars and stripes.

It is hardly likely that the readers of the *ADVOCATE* are in danger of being victimized, but the Postmaster General has just issued a fraud order against The National Society of Sculpture, and A. W. Blouin, of Montreal Canada.

Envelopes, entire vs cut square, will never be settled, but a writer in the *Bay State Philatelist* gives the best summing up of the matter I have seen, and condemns them for the general collector on the ground of bulk and difficulty of mounting. A collection of entires has just changed

Scenes in St. Catharines

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In getting together sets of Porto Rico on U. S. it must be remembered that the 1 and 2c. values were surcharged with the spelling "Puerto Rico" before that relic of Spanish was finally superseded by the Porto Rico Act of Congress. There was a curious conflict of opinion about this spelling. The Postoffice Department surcharging these two values Puerto after having issued numbers with Porto, while the War Department consistently stuck to the Anglicised spelling.

Another fraud order recently issued was against Bernard Leprohon, of Montreal, for conducting a lottery business.

Publishers wail about sample copy fiends, and will continue to do so. The sample copy fiend is a product of evolution and his increasing number and bother marks a corresponding increase in the number of philatelists. All businesses have their parasites, seeking to live on the substance and earnings of others, and no legitimate trade is destroyed by them though individuals may be called upon to bear an undue part, in proportion as their publications are valuable. The friend is encouraged, and the true collector made weary, by the sample copies, repeated month after month, full of grammatical and proof errors, and even in the advertisements; the editorials teeming with spiteful attacks upon more worthy contemporaries.

There are some exceedingly tasteful color schemes in the cover designs of some of the May monthlies. Black and Lilac, Pink and Dark Green, Scarlet and Green. But a Michigan Journal caps them; carmine cover, printed in silver and black,

really beautiful. And I seem to notice that, usually, an attractive cover accompanies good reading matter.

One of our monthlies states that they have ceased publication of city notes, stating "It is a well-known fact notes from a large city interest only those that live in that city". It all depends on the notes, I cannot agree with such a sweeping statement in its entirety, and it is noticed that the leading weeklies and monthlies in our field here, use notes from cities philatelically active. If a paper is to get the news it must get it from persons on the ground, and it is a question of printing the news without acknowledging the author, or giving credit as is done in *Mekel's*. This, I think, is the better way.

Probably the paper thus ceasing to publish notes is dis-satisfied with the quality of its local correspondence.

The following are the private proprietary stamps so far issued under the war Revenue Act of 1898.

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Fletcher (Castoria)	1½c
Hostetter Co.	2½c
Warner Safe Cure Co.	3½c
Radway & Co.	½c
Lanman & Kemp.	½, 1½, 1½, c
Od Chemical Co.	2½c

This number contains a large array of good advertisements from responsible dealers and excellent articles from expert writers. Its subscribers are those who read the ads as well as the articles.

"Our Eye."

CONDUCTED BY PURITAN.

"The value of a gourde" has been a much discussed topic in the columns of the American Press and many are at sea regarding the true status of affairs. Some claim that a gourde, Hayti money, is equivalent to a dollar U. S. currency, while others claim that half the latter sum would represent the correct amount. My experience teaches me that the one who deals with the Post Office Department of Hayti direct, will find the officials filling orders on the dollar for dollar basis. If, however, you have an agent who will exchange your draft for Haytian money you will be able to make your cash go twice as far. The moral is plain. Notwithstanding Mr. Gregory's claim in *Meekeel's Weekly Stamp News* that a gourde is nearly the equivalent of a dollar, we still maintain that he is not a genuine Yankee in the matter of getting his money's worth.

The stamps of New Zealand are leading us a very pretty race! Since the appearance of the pictorial issue we have been in suspense as to what the local print would show. Indeed, four months ago the 4d was printed in the two colors of the 1d, blue and brown, the change evidently being based on the expense of printing the lower value in two colors. Printed four months ago, it is now in circulation and on unwatermarked paper. In the meantime the 1d green, 1d carmine and 2d violet have been issued on watermarked paper, with slight changes in the 1/2 and 2d. Of course the next printing of the 4d will be on watermarked paper and we are told that the colors in the future will be blue and carmine. All these stamps, locally

printed, are poorly executed and the perforation is vile. It would puzzle a Philadelphia lawyer to keep track of these changes. Indeed the intricacies that confront the student of New Zealand's philatelic conditions are such as to call for a stout heart and a clear head.

I look upon the stamps of Samoa as a good investment, if one believes in investing in stamps. I write this with all due regard to the speculative taint of recent months in the knowledge that hereafter Germany and the U. S. are to take charge of the postal affairs of the Island. I know one dealer-correspondent who very recently scored severely the dealers who handled Samoans, yet the paper had hardly appeared before some of the "Provisional Govt" of last year changed hand, on one occasion where the aforesaid dealer-correspondent was one of the principals and not the buyer.

I am told the German government proposes to sell its colonial issues, such as Mariana, Caroline and Marshall Ids. at the central postoffice in Berlin. We are gravely informed that this is done not only for the convenience of philatelists but for those who may have business relations with the colonies.

A little bird whispers that another effort will be made this year to take the official organship of the A. P. A. from the *Era* and give it to the *Metropolitan Philatelist*. I am at a loss to understand the reason. The *Metropolitan* is a house organ of the most pronounced type. Were it not for the work of Mr. Bartels we should find very little worthy of reprinting. On the other hand the *Era* is a collector's paper and its editor has no other purpose to serve than to give the members the best

paper possible. I hope the A. P. A. will think twice ere it makes any change.

I noticed in a recent *Era* that the stamps of Mauritius were to be changed but particulars were lacking as to whether designs or colors were to be affected. 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 rupees are to be added to the set.

We read of a pioneer postal card that has been presented Her Majesty and it marks the possibilities of a new era in the development of the mail service of the "dark continent." This card bears the postmarks, Nyassa-Land, Toro, Omdurman, and Cairo, having travelled via the great lakes, the Nile and Egypt and is the first to make this trip. The agency of the explorer was of course called into use, but ere many years we shall find the twin lines of metal pathway carrying these silent messengers through the very heart of Africa.

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St. Catharines.

THE 1900 D. P. A. CONVENTION CITY

The City of St. Catharines is situated on the Welland Canal, in the midst of the Niagara District fruit belt, and has been rightly called the "Garden City of Canada." Though numerous beautiful buildings and parks, so common to many large cities, are few, yet, on every side are to be found large farms where, every year, thousands of baskets of fruit are shipped to every part of the Province, and other places, well worth visiting, should one feel inclined to do so.

Twelve miles away are the world famed Falls of Niagara, which is visited yearly by thousands of tourists. It is quite likely that this will be included in the programme which the members of the city are arrang-

ing. Lundy's Lane, Queenston, Fort Niagara and other historic places, none of which are twelve miles distant, might also be taken in if the members so desire.

It is needless to say further along these lines — we will now think of other things, which in some ways, are of more importance to our visiting friends.

THE PROGRAMME.

No programme has yet been definitely arranged; though by July 2nd, everything will be in readiness.

TO THOSE CONVENTION BOUND.

As yet we have received word from very few who are coming. We want every member who can to come, and ask you to forward your names to either, R.G. Widdicombe, or Geo. Bradley, to that effect.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS.

First class accommodation can be secured at the Russell House at \$1.50 per day, and if a sufficient number are in attendance, a lower rate may be secured. The Committee has decided to make this house headquarters, for visiting members, and arrangements will be made accordingly—so let us know if you are coming. Good hotel accommodation can be had at \$1 a day.

PLACE OF MEETING.

No place has yet been decided upon, but the committee has under consideration a first-class hall which can likely be secured.

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

Half rates will prevail on all railroads in Canada, which will, or should, greatly increase the attendance.

Let us know how you are coming and when you will arrive, and we will do our best to meet you. You might also give us some means of recognizing you.

Any information will be cheerfully furnished by the committee.

We want all who can to come, and last but not least don't forget the dates—Monday and Tuesday July 2nd and 3rd.

R. G. Widdicombe } Committee
Geo. Bradley }

CAMPAIGN MATTER.

Every member who possibly can should attend the convention at St. Catharines, Ont., July 2nd & 3rd.

Every member must send their ballot immediately whether they attend or not.

Your vote and Influence respectfully solicited.

Geo. E. Davenport.

Vote for

Capt. E. F. WURTELE
for President.

Under the management of Capt. E. F. Wurtele the D. P. A. has advanced more than ever before. Mark your ballots for him for another term.

D. P. A. Members. Special Notice.

Our 5th Annual Convention at St. Catharines, Ont. July 2nd and 3rd, promises to be a huge success. I personally solicit the attendance of all whom can possibly arrange to be present. An enjoyable time is guaranteed to all. To those who cannot possibly attend the meet. I hereby solicit your proxy, which shall be used (not to put through any measure of my own or my friends) but to the best interest and welfare of the society and members as a whole. Mail your proxy to me until June 30th.

Thanking you for past favors.

Fraternally yours,

Charles Bailey, D. P. A. 4,
85 Euclid Ave., Toronto, Can.

Arthur R. Butler, candidate for trustee of the D. P. A. was born at Brentwood, England, March 17, 1872. By place of birth English, by date of birth Irish, and by naturalization an American. Is an M. D. by profession, but is at present employed by the United States Civil Service Commission. Has been collecting some 20 years and in 1898 branched out as a dealer-collector.

Vote for the men who will have influence.

FOR TRUSTEES

Your vote and influence requested by

H. A. Chapman, Hartford.

A. R. Butler, Washington.

W. A. Starnaman, Berlin.

The trustees really control the interests of the society, so be careful who you vote for. Mr. Brown having withdrawn as candidate for Trustee, Mr. W. A. Starnaman solicits your vote and support.

MR. T. S. FUTCHER, CANDIDATE FOR CANADIAN VICE PRESIDENT

secured 8 new members since last convention and enlivened philatelic interest in Western Canada. It's the workers that are wanted in the D. P. A.

We request your vote and support for the following:

President.—E. F. Wurtele
Vice President. (Can.)—T. S. Fletcher.
Exchange Supt.—A. R. Magill.

Trustees.—H. A. Chapman.

A. R. Butler.

W. A. Starnaman.

Yours fraternally,
Starnaman Bros.

A. R. Magill

—FOR—

Exchange Supt. D. P. A.

A capable man is necessary to fill such an important office as Exchange Superintendent. Mark your ballot for Mr. Magill and you have done your share towards electing a capable man.

The Philatelic Advocate.

With which is consolidated
The Philatelic Messenger,
The Ontario Philatelist,
and the Stamp Reporter.

Official organ Dominion Philatelic Ass'n

Our Motto. "Bis dat qui cito dat."

Subscription Rates.

25 cents per year to any part of the world.

Advertising Rates

Price for one insertion.

1 inch, 40c. 2 inches 70c. $\frac{1}{4}$ page \$1.00.
 $\frac{1}{2}$ page \$1.50. 1 page \$2.00.

Reduced Rates.

12 inches of space given for \$2.00, or 36 inches for \$5.00. On receipt of remittance checks good for one inch will be sent to cover amount. These checks may be used at any time, and can be transferred as often as desired. 2 checks equal 2 in ad, 3 equal $\frac{1}{4}$ page, etc. Ads and checks *must* be paid in advance. U. S. Revs. not accepted.

All ads. set in brevier body type.

Forms close on the **20th** and all copy must reach us **BEFORE** that date to ensure insertion.

U. S. Advertising Agent
 S. J. Petree, Russellville, Ala.

If this is marked it signifies that, your ad. reached us too late for this no.

Cash did not accompany your order.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by correspondents.

X We will exchange one or two copies with any paper published.

Address all communications to,

STARNAV IN BROS.

Box 104, Berlin, Ontario, Canada.

46 If this number appears on your wrapper it signifies that your subscription has expired. Please renew.

Copy for Advertisements for July issue must reach us before the 20th of JUNE or it will be too late.

EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

The D. P. A. pages are specially interesting this month. On the campaign page some of the different candidates have there say. One candidate who we are not supporting thinks the official organ should not support any candidates. It is not, but the publishers of the *ADVOCATE*, as members, have the right to support any person they like. No mention of supporting anyone is made in official matter.

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Mr. Shove has informed us that it will be impossible for him to accept the office of Exchange Superintendent for another year. We know that Mr Magill is capable of taking Mr. Shove's position. A vote for him will not be misplaced.

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Do not forget that all copy for ads in July number must reach us by June 20th.

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At last the original *Stampie America* has made its address known. The last number gives its authorized agent as Miss Amy L. Swift, Whitman, Mass. Subscription is 5c per copy. This unique paper is printed on a typewriter in duplicate. The last issue contains an unmounted photo of two feline philatelists (we presume the property of Miss S.)

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The following is a copy of an agreement which is being circulated among the philatelic publishers and to date has been signed by the publications named. "Believing that counterfeits and reprints are hurtful to philately, the undersigned agree to refuse all advertisements in which same are offered, as to insert same would be detrimental to all classes of collectors. Signed, *Bay State Philatelist*, Virginia

Philatelist, Allegheny Philatelist & Herald Exchange, Northwestern Philatelist and PHILATELIC ADVOCATE.

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Rev. A. C. Waghorne, Bay of Islands, Newfoundland, who went to Gordon Town, Jamaica, for his health, died at that place on April 11th. He took a great interest in philately and was an ardent student of botany; many plants peculiar to the island of Newfoundland bear his name,

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Alfred L. Connor, Madoc, Ont. is selling a receipt for making your own rubber stamps. See ad on Bargain Page.

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One of the most attractive ads that we have set up lately is that of Mr. Albert H. Hall, of Cambridge, Mass which appears on another page. Not only is it descriptive, concise, artistic and catchy, but it is symbolic of the structure of a successful stamp dealer's business.

The base is the cheap packets of many common stamps, which will always be the foundation of the beginner's collection. The pillars are the medium priced packets from continents and special countries, such as the general collector always wants to round out his album. And the capstones are the single stamps which everyone needs to complete his sets and fill up his pages. In the middle of the doorway Mr. Hall hangs out his doorplate. Call on him and you will be assured of courteous and appreciative treatment.

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In our last issue Mr. Magill's ad read 20c Canada vermilion 4c, this should have been 12c.

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Through an error in arranging the type

one of the tables in our article on South African stamps, in May number, became badly mixed up. The third table should read as follows; The figures in first column refer to the number of the colony.

1.	1898	.03	\$.23
2.	1894	.12	40.00
3.	1889	.12	37.50
4.	1893-96	.01	25.00
5.	1898	.04	.60
6.	1882-84	.01	15.00
7.	1887	.50	10.00
8.	1868	.02	10.00
9.	1898	.05	.30
10.	1899	.05	66.50
11.	1896	.02	20.00
12.	1884	.60	5.00
13.	1889-90	.68	25.00
14.	1898	.04	.60
15.	1894-96	.05	37.50

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There are still a few persons who send in ads without the cash. We treat everybody the same; no matter whether the firm has \$25,000 capital or \$25.00 they must pay for their ads in advance. By buying one page the rate is very low, 12 inches ad space \$2.00, can be used 1 in. at a time.

Those of our readers who are interested in Philatelic Literature should join the Philatelic Literature Society. This society was organized in 1896 and at one time had a large membership but owing to irregular appearances, lateness, and changes of its official organ, it has not advanced very rapidly. It is now gaining in membership and will soon be up to its former standing. Some benefits: Members have the use of the Auction Department to dispose of duplicate papers; subscription dept., through which to subscribe to papers at reduced rates; A bureau of Information, Library, etc. Chas. F. Frey, Ottawa, O., Secy-Treas. will be pleased to furnish information to those desiring it.

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Organized Sept. 1, 1894.

OFFICERS.

- President—E. F. Wurtele, Quebec, Que.
 Vice " —T. S. Futcher, Victoria, B. C.
 " " U.S.—F. D. Sawyer, Otisfield Gore, Maine.
 Sec'y-Treas.—G. W. Starnaman, Berlin, Ont
 Count. Det.—F. J. Garraty, 500 Guy St., Montreal, Que.
 Ex. Supt.—E. L. Shove, Unionville, N. Y.
 Auc. Mgr.—R. S. Mason, Hamilton, Ont.
 Att'y—J. A. Wainwright, Northampton, Mass.
 Librarian—F. I. Weaver, Berlin, Ont.
 Trustees—Chas. Bailey, 85 Euclid Ave., Toronto, Ont., C. S. Applegath, Hamilton, Ont., G. W. Hicks, Toronto, Ont.
 Ad. & Sub. Agt.—H. A. Chapman, Rocky Hill, Conn.
 Official Organ—THE PHILATELIC ADVOCATE

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

468. Fred H. Barrows, Providence, R. I.
 469. Wm. Wilson, Victoria, B. C.
 470. Odell Newman, Castleton, Ont.
 471. Chas. S. Stewart, Port Arthur, Ont.
 472. Wilfred Vanstone, Brantford, Ont.
 473. Albert S. Paulsen, Catskill, N. Y.
 474. J. G. Linn, Avalon, Penna.
 475. W. H. Newton, San Antonio, Texas.
 476. Ed Stephenson, Orillia, Ont.
 477. L. Wight Lassell, Berkely, Calif.
 478. C. F. Greene, Berlin, Ont.
 479. John W. Patterson, Moravia, N. Y.
 480. Wm. K. Gibb, Galt, Ont.
 481. Albert E. H. Coo, London, Ont.
 482. M. Pelletier, Shenectady, N. Y.
 The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

Marshall Olson, 648 Erie St., S. E., Minneapolis, Minn. Age 29, Secy-Treas.
 Refs. Geo. W. Starnaman, J. H. Kaltenbach.

A. J. Young, Manitowaning, Ont. 47, clergyman. W. H. Allison, Geo. E. Davenport.

H. A. Harding, Port Rowan, Ont. 16, student. Alan Lees, R. D. McKeracher.

Harold V. Hawkins, 2209 Bancroft Way Berkeley, Calif. 15, student. Walter M. Lester, Mrs. A. D. Hawkins.

Ethel V. Ott, 1501 Louisa St., Berkeley, Calif. 15, student. Walter M. Lester, A. L. Ott.

K. Nakanish, 158 Kokutaigi Mura, Hiroshima, Japan. 24, lawyer's clerk. F. M. Richardson, T. Fujii.

Emil N. Kiefer, 712 Liberty St., Allegheny, Pa. Publisher. Starnaman Bros, F. A. Brereton, 208 Dover Court Road, Toronto, Ont. 22, clerk. E. B. MacGillivray, C. Ussher.

Rowcliffe F. Wrigley, 293 King St. W., Toronto, Ont. 14, student. E. B. MacGillivray, C. Ussher.

John Howard Brohm, Haliburton, Ont. 21, farming. G. W. James, Ed. Spurr.

Chas. S. Osgood, Box 204, Salem, Mass. 28, stamp dealer. A. A. Fisher, D. Mac Keracher.

C. S. Iyer, Attungal, Travancore, India. 29, stamp dealer. Starnaman Bros. A. V. Maherrham, postmaster.

Chas. D. Higley, Salamanca, Cataragus Co., N. Y. 40, kather. Starnaman Bros. John C. Kueger.

The above will be admitted to membership June 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

REINSTATED.

483. A. F. Wicks, London, Ont.
 156. Nels. T. Thorson, Omaha, Neb.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

J. F. Rust, 720 Prospect St., Cleveland, O
 Chas. Usher, 4 St. Patrick Sq., Toronto.
 Sidney H. Barnes, Marsecline, Mo.
 Mrs. A. H. Hall, 16 Gray St., Cambridge, Mass.

OMITTED IN HANDBOOK.

E. J. Eckerson, Cobleskill, N. Y.

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report.....	323
Reinstated.....	2
Paid 1900 dues.....	6
	331

A ballot is enclosed in this issue, use it.

When voting by ballot was instituted, voting by proxy was done away with, so no blank proxies are enclosed.

The President informs me that he has appointed the following credential committee: Geo. Bradley, St. Catharines, Ont.

Chas. Bailey, Toronto, Ont.

Geo. W. Starnaman, Berlin, Ont.

One ballot is enclosed with the Official Organ to each member of the D. P. A.

All ballots must be sent to Geo. Bradley, D. P. A., St. Catharines, Ont. by June 30th.

THE CANDIDATES.

Although I notified all the members who were nominated for more than one office to withdraw from all but one, one did not do so.

PRESIDENT—E. F. WURTELE.

G. E. DAVENPORT.

CAN. VICE PRES.—T. S. FUTCHER

J. R. SEAVEY.

U. S. VICE PRES.—C. F. ROBINSON.

E. L. SHOVE.

SECY-TREAS.—Geo. W. STARNAMAN.

EXCHANGE SUPT.—H. S. VANDERBURG

A. R. MAGILL

W. R. BROWN

COUNT. DETECTOR.—C. BAILEY

LIBRARIAN.—F. I. WEAVER

AD AND SUB. AGENT.—G. W. HICKS

ATTORNEY—J. A. WAINWRIGHT

AUCTION MANAGER—R. S. MASON

TRUSTEES.—H. A. CHAPMAN.

Vote for 3. W. A. STARNAMAN

A. RENE

A. R. BUTLER

E. A. CORKER

G. W. HICKS

1901 CONVENTION SEAT.—MONTREAL

OFFICIAL ORGAN—PHIL. ADVOCATE.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report..... \$48.53.

Received for dues, etc. 4.70.

53.23

Paid Official Organ 4.12.

" postage..... .96.

Balance on hand..... 48.15.

53.23.

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer
GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

Those who expect to attend D. P. A. Convention.

J. A. Williams, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Hen. R. Wood, Montreal, Que.

A. R. Magill, " "

C. Bailey, C. Usher, " "

E. B. MacGillivray, } Toronto, Ont.

W. Russel Brown } also a large quota from Toronto, no number stated.

F. I. Weaver. } Berlin, Ont.

Carl F. Greene, } Geo. W. Starnaman

W. A. Starnaman } St. Catharines.

R. G. Widdicombe } Geo. Bradley

Alpheus St. John } Walter Lloyd

E. L. Shove, Unionville, N. Y.

Chas. Farr, Brockville, Ont.

E. N. Kiefer, Allegheny, Pa.

E. E. Elster } Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. E. E. Elster } D. F. Miller

C. F. Robinson }

President's Address.

To Officers and Members

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Gentlemen:

This being the last opportunity of communicating with you by means of the official organ, before the date of our Annual Convention, I take the opportunity of addressing you with regard to the same. It is hoped that as many as possible will be present on the occasion in order to make it successful as possible. The large gain in membership during the past year, must be most gratifying to all and the continued prosperity of our association is assured. All members are requested to send their votes for election of officers to permit of as large a representation as possible in this connection.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant.

ERNEST F. WURTELE.

President.

The D. P. A. Workers.

180 paid-up members were admitted since last convention. They were secured as follows.

Starnaman Bros. secured 49, A. F. Wicks 13, A. R. Magill and T. S. Futcher 8 each, P. T. Coburn 6, A. A. Van Wie and Chas. Bailey each 5, 4 each by W. M. Lester, E. B. Mac Gillivray and H. Gough, 3 each by R. H. Baker, F. L. Collins and C. Rawson, 2 each by D. Mc Keracher, F. I. Weaver, G. Bradley, A. A. Fisher, P. G. Masson, R. L. Doak, E. F. Wurtele, W. E. Elliott, C. F. Robinson, G. W. Hicks and F. J. Garraty, 1 each were secured by H. R. Wood, J. E. Sohn, F. Reynolds, J. Lowe, J. Wurtele, R. Bateman, R. S. Mason, H. G. Thorpe, H. E. Tuttle, R. Bolton, H. R. Saunders, A. Bickerstaff, O. Hardwell, M. Mitchell, M. Ingersoll, F. W. Coning, E. V. Champion, J. Jackson, E. J. Gifford, H. I. Collins, B. E. Norvell, A. Rowland, N. Conquest, A. E. Widaman, E. A. Greene, H. Rice, G. James, F. M. Richardson and W. R. Brown.

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D. P. A. Prize Contest.

There were not many members who secured enough new members to win a prize.

Set 2½p Turks Isd, 5c Nova Scotia, and a pair of unused U. S. Special Delivery, won by Starnaman Bros.

50c ad space in *Energy* or a set of 12 var. Argentine, or 2½ inch ad in *ADVOCATE* won by A. F. Wicks.

1 year's sub. to *Energy* or 1 inch ad in *ADVOCATE* won by A. R. Magill, T. S. Futcher and P. T. Coburn.

1 year's sub. to *Energy* won by A. A. Van Wie and C. Bailey.

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19th D. P. A. Auction Sale.

Several bidders bid regularly every month. You don't know what you are missing if you don't, Non-members may bid but only members can send stamps.

Bids must be in by June 25th.

Lot No.	*unused	Reserve.
55.	85 Argentine 5c	
58.	Australia 25 asstd.	
61.	4:4 asst. foreign, mounted	

Lot No.	Reserve.
77. Quebec and Ont. Rev 17asst law	\$.50
78. Nova Scotia Rev. 11 var bilis	1.00
80. *Brazil 10 var 1894.	.9J
81. U. S. 16 Doc. Rev.	.45
83. Ecuador, 93 surch "Telegrafos"	.70
84. Cuba 1898 four each 1, 2, 3c	.20
85. U. S. Dues, 5 var. 1894	.25
86. U. S. Omaha, 7 var.	.40
87. Foreign Reprints 74 asstd	4.84
88. Foreign 1500 asstd	1.00
90. Canada 2nd Bill 8c scarlet	.35
91. " " " 30c "	.25
93. " 50c blue 1892 "	.20
102. " 100 numeral ½c	.30
106. " 100 " 3c	.10
107. " 100 " 5c	.35
108. " 100 asst maps	.50
111. New Zealand 130 3 var new issue	.50
112. " " 70 ¼d news 1895	.20
115. Canada, 10 5c beavers	.20
116. Japan 50 asst. 5 var.	.15
117. Hong Kong 50 asst. 3 var.	.25
118. Canada Rev, 100 asst. 5 var.	.35
119. " " \$3 second bill (fair)	3.00
120. " Jubilee 10 1c	.15
121. " " 10 2c	.20
122. " " 25 3c	.10
123. " set maple leaf ½ to 10	.25
124. " " numerals ½ to 10	.15
125. " 100 purple 2c	.10
126. " 500 red 2c	.20
127. " 1000 numeral 2c	.35
128. " 25 2c on 3c leaf	.35
129. " 25 2c on 3c numeral	.25
130. " 500 numeral 1c	.20

Send your bids now.

R. S. MASON, Auction Manager,
HAMILTON, ONT.

Are you a member of America's

Leading Philatelic Society, the D. P. A. Over 325 paid up members, members have use of one of the finest Exchange Departments in existence, also use of the Auction Dept to dispose of their stamps. The society has a fine philatelic library, and every member gets monthly a copy of the official organ, the *PHILATELIC ADVOCATE*, which contains from 12 to 64 pages each month. All this costs you 10c to join and 25c a year dues. Write to Starnaman Bros. Berlin, Ont., for application blanks.

Philatelic Literature Society.

OFFICERS.

Pres.—A. G. Allison, Napanee Mills, Ont.
 Vice do.—Maud C. Bingham, McGraw, N. Y.
 Sec-Treas.—Chas. F. Frey, Box 34,

Ottawa, Ohio.

Ex. Supt.—Chas. Frey, Ottawa, Ohio.

Auc. Mgr.—R. H. Rockwood, Orono, Me.

Sub. Agt.—H. S. Adair, McConnellsville, O

Lib'n—A. G. Allison, Napanee Mills, Ont.

Bureau of Information—Edwin Reynolds,

Brockton, Mass. H. I. Watts, Riverside, Cal.

Trustees—Chas. F. Frey, Ottawa, Ohio.

H. McConnell, Talcott, Mich, and Fred

Doughty, 535 S. 5th St. Saginaw, Mich.

Official Organ—PHILATELIC ADVOCATE.

Secretary's Report

NEW MEMBER.

37. J. A. Cook, Waterloo, Iowa.

APPLICATIONS.

R. R. Thiele, Manchester, Wis. Refs.

C. F. Frey, W. C. Stone.

G. W. Starnaman, Berlin, Ont. Refs. C.

F. Frey, W. A. Starnaman.

W. A. Starnaman, Berlin, Ont. Refs. C.

F. Frey, G. W. Starnaman.

Fellow Members:—Last month I published a list of suspended members and the amount each owed but as yet none of them have replied. The name of E. L. Shove was published through an oversight of mine. Applications have commenced coming in faster and I hope that each member will obtain a few new members. Try your best and let us make the society a "howling success." I would be pleased to hear from all of you.

Cash Report.

On hand last report.....	\$1.33
Fees and dues received.....	1.49
	Total 2.73
Paid Official Organ.....	\$1.20
" Membership cards.....	1.25
" Sec'y postage.....	.10
	2.55
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CHAS. F. FREY, Socy-Treas.,

Box 34, Ottawa, Ohio.

EXCHANGE SUPT'S. REPORT.

I have received a few exchange sheets and some requests to be put on circuits. All members wishing to be put on circuits will please notify me at once. Exchange sheets cost 5c each or 6 for 25c. Hope you will patronize this department.

Chas. F. Frey, Ex. Supt. Ottawa, Ohio.

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Special Notice

To Those Attending D. P. A. Convention.

No hall for the meetings has yet been secured, but if those who are coming will let either Mr. Bradley or myself know when and how they will come, they will be notified as soon as arrangements are completed, and met by someone at landing place if possible.

There may be those who do not decide to come until the last moment. To those we will say that if they will call at the Y. M. C. A. hall and make known their errand they will receive full information.

Further particulars that anyone might wish, will be furnished on application to either members of the committee.

Geo. Bradley } Committee on
 R. G. Widdicombe } Arrangement.

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BRITISH VICTORIOUS

Notwithstanding all the opposition made by Editor Dietz of the *Virginia Philatelist* Pretoria, the capital of the Transvaal, has surrendered to the British. On May 31st all Canada celebrated the event.

The Orange Free State has been annexed to the British Empire and will henceforth be known as the "Orange River Colony."

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This paper, with a circulation of 3,500 each issue, has proven such a valuable medium that advertisers stay with us through the dull months and get good results.

<p>Orange Free State.</p> <p>6 penny, rose 3c 1 shilling, buff 5c</p> <p>Beautiful in design and color. You need them.</p>	<p>NATAL.</p> <p>Half on 1p, rose 2c 6 penny, lilac 3c 1 shilling orange 3c 2 revenues 5c</p> <p>You want them.</p>	<p>So. African Republic.</p> <p>5 different revenues 25c 6p to 5 shillings.</p> <p>Scarce and Odd. You'll like them</p>
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<p>6 Different Revenues from PERSIA Unused only 25 cents.</p>	<p>All stamps in good condition.</p> <p>Postage paid on orders For 25 cents or more.</p>	<p>30 Different Stamps from South America only 20 cents.</p>
<p>30 Different Stamps from Australia very interesting Only 20 Cents.</p>		<p>Albert H. Hall, 16 Gray St., Cambridge, Mass. U. S. A.</p> <p>Your money back if you are Not satisfied.</p>
<p>100 different stamps Many United States FOR BEGINNERS. Only 5 Cents.</p>	<p>100 different stamps From all over THE WORLD Only 10 Cents.</p>	

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I offer the stamps of Chili (1852 to 1900) Peru and Bolivia.

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Limache,

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A collection of 178 of these desirable stamps neatly mounted in a Needham album. **Make an offer for them.**

I wish to sell quick so the first offer that is at all near their value takes them. Will send if wanted a detailed list with catalogue price.

Here is a good chance to get a good Canadian Revenue collection of straight issues, with no colors, etc., variations, and in nice condition.

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200 Gummed Labels. 10 CTS.

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Do you have to pay for your PRINTING?

If so, you want it done right, quick, and at reasonable rates. We know our business and give you the benefit of that knowledge.

100	Envelopes with your name printed on	25c
250	" " " " " "	55c
100	" better quality " "	35c
250	" " " " " "	75c
100	" Duplex (blue inside).	50c
250	" " " " " "	\$1.00

These Memo Heads are all the rage.

100	Memo Heads on fine linen paper	35c
250	" " " " " "	75c

Everything advertised by us is sent prepaid.

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6 Months' Subscription and 1000 Hinges for 10c.

1 year's subscription 25c with a complete B. N. A. catalogue with over 100 engravings of stamps as a premium. It is the only complete work published.

ADVERTISERS

Our July number will be a Convention Special. Our regular circulation is 1050 per month guaranteed. But the Convention Special will reach 4000 readers. Rates for this issue cut in two:

1 inch	15c	$\frac{1}{2}$ page	75c.
2 "	25c	1 "	\$1.25
		$\frac{1}{4}$ page	45c

Can you afford to miss this great offer?

F. I. Weaver, Publisher, Box 494, Berlin, Ont.

An 8c unused Canada Jubilee and this paper one year for 25 cents.

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12 one inch ads, } For \$2.00, Cash in
6 two " " or } advance. Ads can
4 three " " } be used in any issue.
STARNAMAN BROS., BERLIN, ONT.

FREE! 15 var for. to each applicant for my app. sheets at 50% who send A1 reference and 2c postage. "Perfect" hinges 1000 9c, 300—25c. 100 var 10c. F. P. Brenner, 200 E. Side Sq., Clinton, Ills.

25 old U. S. Revenues, fine 10c
Set of 5 var. Pan-American Souvenir stamps, a pocket album, also 25 var foreign stamps all for 10c. FRANK H. KERR, NEWCASTLE, IND.

10 Stamps Free Approval sheets 50%
250 Cuba, Egypt, etc. only 10c. 100 mixed U. S. stamps only 6c. Special beginners price list free. Eagle Stamp Co., 1633 Superior St., Toledo, Ohio.

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25 Foreign stamps and a nice stick pin 10c
To be in the swim,
Wear a Kimberly Pin.
T. C. Wainwright, Maurice St., Pittsburg, Pa.

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If you desire to receive a neat selection of stamps on approval at reasonable prices send me a good reference or cash deposit of \$5.00. I make a business of trying to please my customers and I have stamps for the Beginner, the Advanced collector or the Specialist at from 10 to 50% dis. I also fill want lists and would be pleased to receive yours.

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\$2.50 for \$1.00. \$1.25 for \$.50

The U. S. 1855, 10c	The U. S. 1879, 10c
green unused cat by	verm., Interior dept
59th \$2.50 for only	unused cat by 59th
\$1.00 and the names	\$1.25 for only 50c
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HAMPDEN STAMP CO,
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U. S. A.

U. S. on the Original Cover.

1851 3c Various shades per 10	10c
1855 3c " " " 10	10c
" 3c Outer Line " 1	15c
1861 3c various shades " 10	8c
Address:	Postage extra.

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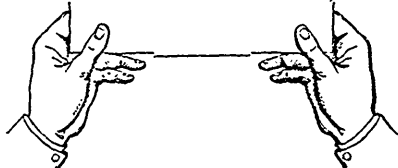
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Perfect, 10c per 1000, 3,000—25c
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—They're both good.—
Postage free.

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Mixed
Stamps
postpaid 6c.
MARY E. BISH,
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Made of finest onion skin paper, die-cut,
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Positively the best stamp mount made.

3,000 for 25c. 5,000 for 40c

Postpaid with $\frac{1}{2}$ c stamps.

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Scott's 58th Catalogue and a Directory of over 1300 Canadian Collectors, both postfree 60c.

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MARY E. BISH, WATERLOO, ONT.

Mention ADVOCATE when answering ads.

CANADIAN STAMPS

At your own price.

MY SIXTH SALE.

Stamps are used unless otherwise stated.
Postage to be paid by purchaser.
All stamps in good condition. Your money
back if not satisfied.

Best offer before June 28th takes them.

Lot No. CANADIAN STAMPS.

1. 50 2c issue before Jubilee
2. 50 5c " " "
3. 100 $\frac{1}{2}$ c " " " (small)
4. 50 5c " " "
5. 25 1c Jubilee
6. 100 3c "
7. 4 5c " unused (block)
8. 1 50c " "
9. 1 \$1. " "
10. 65 2c purple, four maple leaves.
11. 113 $\frac{1}{2}$ c black " " "
12. 200 3c red " " "
13. 500 1c green, figures in lower corners.
14. 200 3c red " " "
15. 100 2c on 3c " " "
16. 65 5c blue " " "
17. 15 6c brown " " "
18. 100 2c Imperial (maps)
19. 17 Canada stamps viz: 7 6c before Jubilee, 5 6c four leaf, 1 5c four leaf, 3 10c maple leaf, 1 15c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

20. 22 var. Porto Rico unused.
21. France unused, 2 5c, 2 15c, 1 25c.
22. Chili unused, 34 1900 2c, 44 1900 1c, 2 30c
23. 100 blank approval sheets.
24. 5000 Perfect Hinges.
25. 50 Native Indian States, 4 var.
26. 4 Newfoundland $\frac{1}{2}$ c (baby head) on cover
27. 41 1 farthing Barbadoes, unused.
28. unused Mexico, 8 1c, 4 3c, 22 5c, 27 10c
29. 4 \$3.00 U. S. Doc. Rev.

MARY E. BISH, Erb St., WATERLOO, ONT.

\$3.00 U.S. stock of Stamps.

Wishing to retire from stamp dealing I have laid aside several lines in U. S. stamps and offer at above price an assortment actually at less than half the ordinary wholesale price.

Contents of \$3.00 stock

	Wholesale Prices
1000 entire envelopes value	\$2.25
600 " postal cards "	1.20
2000 adhesives "	3.00
600 revenues "	1.20
4200 stamps	7.65

Of the 1000 entire envelopes the 20 3c 1857 should sell for at least 10c each, thus you get $\frac{2}{3}$ of your money back and have over 99% of your stock left.

POST CARDS 7 or 8 varieties are used including first issue watermark.

ADHESIVES comprise many values from 1861 to 1899 but no 1c or 2c current issue. Postage due and depts are represented.

REVENUES consist of many varieties, from the series of 1864 to the issues of the present time and almost all values up to \$1.00.

As my supply of entire envelopes is limited to 17 of these \$3.00 stocks, it is advisable to place your order early, for when present supply has been sold, it will not be possible for me to get any more at these prices.

Send Money Order or Express Order.

Chas. A. Townsend,
AKRON, OHIO, U. S. A:

CAN So can you buy the entire lot for 2¢ two cent stamps unused. **ADA**
ADA If registered 5¢ extra **CAN**

- 2 Canada letter cards sur. new.
- 1877 3c envelope, new entire
- 2 var. Canada sur stamps, unused.
- Hawaii, 1c green red sur. used.
- 1877 Canada sur. env. entire new.
- 10 var. Canadian Bill stamps.
- C. P. Ry. Telegraph frank.
- New Zealand 1898. 1p, obsolete new.
- 2 var. ½c Newfoundland unused.
- 1898 Canada Env. sur. used entire.
- 5c Registration Canada obsolete.
- 3 var. Canadian ½c stamps new.

CANADIAN PLATE NOS.

Geo. E. Davenport, Toronto, Ont.
 70 Melbourne Ave.,
 President Philatelic Club of Toronto.

Send 50c for the XLCR packet of 222 different foreign stamps. Approval sheets 50c per cent. F. O. HANSCOM, No. Lebanon, Me.

SUMMER BARGAINS

U. S. Postage, adhesives, 30 varieties	11c
" " " 50 "	25c
" " envelopes 20 "	15c
" " " 40 "	57c
Canada " 20 "	15c

I want to buy

stamps at prices given in April ADVOCATE page 110.

STAMPS ON APPROVAL

½ and ¼ commission. References required.

A. R. BUTLER.

6 AND E. STS., N. W.,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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100 varieties 7c.

Italy 24 varieties.....	.09
United States 50c 1895... ..	.07
" 50c Omaha.....	.25
1 set U. S. Col. 1893, 1 to 10c.....	.10
Hungary 1900, 10 varieties.....	.10
Guatemala, 1900, 1 on 10 unused... ..	.03
*Porto Rico prov. 1898 6c lilac cat 25c	.09
* " " 1898 8c rose cat 25c	.09
1 set *Mexico 1890, 9 var " "	\$1.38 .20
U. S. postage due 50c brown cat	\$2.50 .75
1 set U. S. '98 Doc Rev 12 var "	22c .06
100 blank approval sheets.....	.19
1000 Perfect Hinges.....	.06

Postage 2c extra.

J. E. Wiedling,
BALTIC,
OHIO.

FREE Send me your **FREE** name and address for a selection of A. 1, stamps on approval and I will send you 6 var of old U. S. revs free. Set right down and write now. Fine stamps at low prices. Send 6c and I will send 2 old Leeward Isl and 2 old Gold Coast. Postage extra.
A. E. Carr, 42 Marianna St, Lynn, Mass.

My
Stamp Exchange

has been in successful operation for five years. It will pay you to write me for particulars.

HENRY D. HUMPHREY,
 P. O. Box 63, Dedham, Mass.

You Can Not Miss This.

Send a dime and a 2c stamp to the Royal Stamp Co., Brooklyn Sta., Md. and receive postfree. 1000 best stamp hinges. 10 blank app sheets.

1 unused Porto Rico post card. Scott's 59th catalog given to the one writing the neatest letter in answering.

Special Bargains.

GREECE, Olympian Games 1896, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40, 60 lepta	.35
CRETE, 1900, Beautiful Set *1, 5, 10, 20, 25 lepta, all fine...	.25
CONFEDERATE STATES *62. 5c blue, No 203 cat	.20
HONDURAS, 1891, Complete *1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 75c 1p	.30
HONDURAS, 1896, Complete Set 1c to 1 peso, 8 var. cat 43c only	.18
NORTH BORNEO, '95 Full Set 4, 10, 20, 30, 40 on \$1.00 cat 91c	.35
NORTH BORNEO, '97, 9 var 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 12, 18, 24c pictur set	.42
DUTCH INDIES, 70-92, Ten Var. '70, 10-15-20c '83, 1-2-3-5c, '92, 10-15-2c	.13

1899, Novelties, Unused.

*Mauritius, 6 on 18c.....	.06
*Ceylon, 6 on 15c olive.....	.06
*India, 3 pies carmine.....	.02
*British Guiana, 2 on 5c Jubilee.....	.05
*Mauritius, 15c on 36c.....	.10
*Samoa Provis, 2½d on 1sh black sur.....	.10
*New Zealand error 2½d, "Wakitipu".....	.12
*Samoa Provis. 2½d on 1sh red surch.....	.12
*Paraguay 10c on 40c blue.....	.05
*Surinam, 10c on 20c green.....	.10
* " 10c on 25c blue.....	.10
* " 10c on 30c brown.....	.10
*Sarawak, 2c on 3c brown.....	.02
*Straits Settlements, 4c on 5c carm.....	.05
*Paraguay, 10 on 15c orange.....	.05
*Ceylon, 1½ rupees on 2½ rupees.....	.72
*Spain, 2c black.....	.01
*Grenada Jubilee, 2½d blue.....	.07
*Trinidad Jubilee, 2d.....	.06
*Brazil, 20 on 10 reis.....	.02
*Samoa, ½ penny green.....	.02
* " 1 penny brown.....	.03
*Br. East Africa, ½ anna green.....	.02

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* " " 1, 2, 5c surch "O. S.".....	.12
*Bolivia, fine new set 1-2-5-10-20c....	.35
*Bavaria 2-30-40-80pf, new values....	.55
*Ger Morocco 3.5-10-25-30c on Germany.	.25
*Japanese China 5r, 1-2-3-4-5 sen.....	.18
*Guatemala, 1c on 10c carmine.....	.02
*Ceylon 12c carmine and olive.....	.08
*Iceland, 4 aur, blue and carmine....	.02
*So. Australia 1d carmine.....	.03
*Port Said on France 1, 2, 3, 4....	.04
*Alexandria on France 1, 2, 3, 4....	.04
*Samoa 2½ on 1d green, red surch....	.10
*Morocco Agencies, 3, 5c on 3, 5pf....	.04
*Cape of Good Hope 1d carmine.....	.03
*Japanese China, 5 rin, 1 sen.....	.03
*Dutch E. Africa, 2 pesa.....	.02
*French Morocco, 5c on 5c.....	.02
*Mauritius, Labourdonnais 15c blue..	.10
*South Australia ½ penny green.....	.02
*Uganda Protectorate, 1 anna red....	.04

Unused U. S. Colonial Sets

CUBA, 1899, Surcharged on U. S. *1, 2, 2½, 3, 5, 10c de peso.....	.40
CUBA, 1900 Regular Issue *1, 2, 3, 5, 10c de peso.....	.30
PORTO RICO, 1899, Soon obsolete *1, 2, 5, 8, 10c surcharged on U. S.	.38
PHILIPPINES, 1899, Set of Five *1, 2, 3, 5, 10c surcharged on U. S.	.30
HAWAII, 1899, New Colors *1c green 2c; 2c red 3c; 5c blue 8c; all	.12
PORTO RICO, '99, Entire Envelopes *2c and 5c sur. on U. S. mailed flat	.12
CUBA, '99, Entire Envelopes *1, 2, 5c, regular issue, mailed flat.	.14

Colonial Melange=Unused

PHILIPPINES, '99 15c surch on U. S.	.20
" " '99 50c on U. S. unwmk	.70
*CUBA, '99 10c blue Spec. del. on U. S.	.15
* " '99 10c orange spec. delivery	.15
* " '99 entire env. 2c carm on buff	.25
* " '99 " " 2c green on buff	.25
* " '99 " " 2c red on amber	.25

POSTAGE EXTRA.

Otis Stamp Co.,

PIERCE
AVE.,

Beverly, Mass.

WAR! WAR! WAR!

South African Stamps are to the front now.

We offer the following in sets.

Natal	3 var.	.05	Transvaal	6 var.	.09
Cape of Good Hope	6 "	.03	Orange Free State	5 "	.07

Or all the above for 20 cents.

Further.

Orange Free State, surcharged T. F. (Telegraph) and used postally.
6d rose, cat. by S. Gibbons 36c, our price 16c.
1/ buff " " " 64c " " 28c.

Orange Free State Fiscals.

*1.00	each	60c.
*2.00	"	90c.
*5.00	"	\$1.50

These five stamps will certainly be extreme rarities, and can not even now be replaced at the prices offered by us.

Further we offer.

Perak	4 var.	.06	Negri Sembilan 1c and 3c	.04
"	5c	.04	" " 4c on 8c	.12
"	10c	.06	" " 4c on 3c	.17
"	25c	.14	Sungei Ujong 2c Tiger	.03
"	50c	.30	" " 3c	.03
" 5c Service		.07	Straits Settlements 3c brown	.01
Selangor, 1 and 3c		.03	" " 4c on 8c blue	.06
" 3c on 5c		.05	" " 4c on 5c brown	.10

Siam, beautiful Siam.

Siam 1 att and 2 atts	each	.01	Siam 1 att on 64 atts each	.03
" 8 atts	"	.03	" 2 " on 64 " "	.04
" 12 "	"	.05	" 4 " on 12 " "	.06
" 24 "	"	.09	" 10 " on 24 " "	.08

Russia.

Russia 35ko	each	.04	Russia 1 ruble each	.16
" 50ko	"	.04	" Levant 2 ko "	.02
" 70ko	"	.18	" " 10 ko "	.03

We have a few extra choice copies of Nova Scotia 5c blue unused o. g. and well centered, which we offer while they last at \$3.00 each.

Postage extra on all orders under 50c.

Our famous "Kolona Packet."

No other firm known to us can offer such value. They wonder how we do it, but we do. Think of it, 500 finely assorted British Colonial postage stamps from about every Colony of the Empire including also Transvaal and Orange Free State and each stamp cat from 1c up to 35c. **The Entire packet for \$1 00.** As a special premium we enclose in every 10th packet one New Brunswick 3d 1851.

KOLONA STAMP CO.,

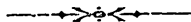
DAYTON,

OHIO.



DESIRABLE FOREIGN STAMPS.

Bulgaria 1882--30s	used \$.02
" 1882--50s	"	.03
" 1889-1L	"	.05
" 1892-15 on 30s	"	.03
" 1889-set of 4 Jubilee	"	.08
" 1896-30s unpaid	"	.06
Belgium 1851-40c	"	.03
" 1863-40c	"	.05
" 1893-1fr	"	.09
Labuan 1895-10c on 1d	"	.06
Uruguay 1897-10c	"	.03



U. S. REVENUES.

Lightly canc. 1898-40c	"	.03
" " 1898-80c	"	.15
" " 1898-\$3.	"	.10
" " 1898-\$5.	"	.20
" " 1898-\$10.	"	1.00
Private Prop. Branca Bro. 4c new	"	.15
" " Antikamnia 2½c	"	.15
" " Dr. Williams 1½c	"	.10
" " Johnson & Johnson ½c	"	.04

Postage extra on orders under 50c.

B. F. EGAN,

519 S. WEST ST.,

Indianapolis, Ind.



A Few Cheap Sets.

5c for any one of these sets.

6 Argentine—15 Austria—13 Belgium—
5 Colombian Republic—6 Costa Rica—7
Cuba—12 Denmark—15 France—10 Mexico
—10 Netherland—5 New Zealand—7 Porto
Rico—10 Portugal—6 Servia—13 Sweden
—5 Venezuela

6 sets for 25c

Do you deal or exchange with foreign countries? Here are a few U. S. cheap.

U. S. 1890, 4c, 5c, 10c.....	per 10	3c
U. S. 1893, 4c, 5c, 10c.....	" 10	3c
U. S. 1895, 3c.....	" 10	4c
U. S. 1895, 6c.....	" 10	7c
U. S. 1895, 8c.....	" 10	4c
U. S. 1895, 15c.....	" 10	11c
U. S. 1898-99 4c, 5c, 10c.....	" 10	3c
U. S. 1898-99 6c.....	" 10	6c

Postage extra under 25c.

• I have lots of other stamps, what do you want? I buy too.

J. D. HUBEL, 1265 Trumbull Ave.,
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Acquainted

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Half regular rate.

Energy is Canada's up-to-date stamp paper

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Berlin, Ontario

WANTED, 25,000 to take Empire Philatelic for 1 year 10c. First 10,000 sending will receive two stamps catalogued at 20c. First number out June 1st. Empire Philatelic, Box 203, Williamson, N. Y.

POSTFREE 5c packet of stamps guaranteed to cat. 15c. Better packet 10c cat. 25c. John A. Kirkpatrick, 53 Passaic St., Trenton, N. J.

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