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“ “ 5d, “	.20
“ “ 1s, “	.45
“ 1898, 2½d, “ C.A.	..... .08
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Belgium, 1836, 2 francs, post. used	.12
Congo, 1894, 5 francs, us-d	.45
Netherlands, 1891, 2g 50c, used	.30
Shanghai, 1893, 7 var, unused	.20
“ unpaid, '93, 7 var, unused	.20
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new	.80
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Cook Island, 1893-1900, 9 var, new	1.25
Grenada, 1882, 8d, tete beche pair,	
new	2.00
Bermuda, ½d on 1s, block of 4, new	.10
Malta, ½d, Harbour, “	.06
N. Zealand, ½d, pictorial, “	.08
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"	1	" white	10 00	<b>1893</b>	Provisional etc., in <b>Red</b>				
"	2	" "	7 50	2c	brown	25,	"	35	
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"	15	rose	75,	15	brown	60,	"		
1872	12	black	1 12,	18	rose	42,	"	42	
1882	10	"	90,	50	red	1 50,	"	2 00	
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## NEWS OF THE MONTH

Our surmise last month, that the recent notice by the Government of Great Britain forbidding the use of obsolete stamps after June 1st, was not necessarily a decree of their demonetization, as our contemporaries assumed, turns out to be correct. The editor of *Morley's Philatelic Journal* wrote to the officials on the subject and has received the following reply: "Allowance of the stamps which will become useless on June 1st can be claimed at any time within 6 months of that date under the provisions of the Stamp Duties Management Act 1891." In Canada stamps are never demonetized, our government however refuses to redeem them, and in order to prevent those dollar value Jubilees, held by speculators, being used up in about the only way they can be used for the payment of newspaper postage in bulk, a recent order requires publishers of newspapers to pay their 2nd class rates in cash, not in stamps. The speculators have been selling out to the newspapers, at a discount, thousands of dollars worth of Jubilee stamps, and it is in order to stop this loss to the post office that the new rule has been adopted. An important event in commercial philately is the recent absorption of the Scott and New England Stamp Companies by the American Collectors' Co. of New York, which has increased its capital to \$450,000, making it, when the shares shall have been taken up, the largest stamp concern in the world.

### ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

**BOSNIA.**—(5 *Kronen stamp*). Another high value stamp, of the type of the 1 and 2 Kr. reported in our January number, 5 Kronen blue is announced by several European journals.

**CYPRUS.**—(Official Rs. 1.50). The 1 rupee 50 cents, rose, issued last year has been surcharged ON SERVICE.

**CHETE.**—(Rumored surcharged 1 dr. unpaid letter). Owing to its similarity

with the 1 lepton value, it is said that the 1 drachma of the new unpaid letter set is to be surcharged. It is also announced that the set in olive bistre, reported in our April number as unpaid letter stamps on the authority of the *Am. J. of Ph.* are really revenues.

**ECUADOR.**—(Further color changes). In our March number we announced the change of color of the lower values of the current type, the following are also reported:

20c. gray,	formerly	green.
50c. light blue,	"	rose.
1s. brown,	"	ochre.

**FRANCE.**—(Postal packet stamps). A set of stamps, similar in shape to the current high value postage but having a locomotive as the principle design, have recently been issued for the prepayment of packages on the Government railway system. They can hardly be termed postage stamps as they are issued, we learn, by the railway not the postal administration, but we suppose they are as much entitled to that distinction as the Belgian railway stamps. The set comprises:

5 centimes, gray.	50 centimes, blue.
10 " "	green. 1 franc, brown.
20 " "	rose, 2 " red.

(*The Military Frank*). In regard to the proposed frank in three colors, announced in our May number, it is now said on account of the expense of their production as intended, that they will not be issued, but that the surcharged 15c will continue in use for this special army service.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—(Official ½d.). The ½d green has been surcharged I. R. OFFICIAL in black.

**MONACO.**—(Color of 10c post card changed.) The 10c card has appeared in brick red on green.

**NEW CALEDONIA.**—(Another provisional 15c.) The 1 franc bronze green has been surcharged like the 75c, reported in May N.C.E. 15c.

**NICARAGUA.**—(Provisionals.) In addition to the three values of unpaid letter stamps surcharged CORREOS, reported last month, the 1, 2, 30 and 50c have also been operated upon. Besides these, of the regu-

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lar postage stamps the 1 peso has been surcharged 2 centavos, the 2 pesos becomes 20 centavos, and the 5 pesos becomes 10 centavos. The 6 and 12c post cards have been altered to 5 and 10c, and reply cards have been divided for use as single 2c cards.

**ORANGE RIVER COLONY.**—(*Provisional 1d reply card.*) In addition to the provisional  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 1d cards described in our April and May numbers, the Cape Colony 1d brown reply card has also been surcharged ORANGE RIVER COLONY in black.

**PARAGUAY.**—(*Color changes.*) The 5c stamp of the 1900 type has been changed in color from green to brown. As the former color was the regular U. P. U. one, the object of the change is not apparent. *Mekeel's Weekly* also reports the change of the 2c from grey to rose, and the issue of a new value, 40c, blue.

**SOUTHERN NIGERIA.**—(*Envelopes.*) A 1d envelope rose on white, and a 2d registration envelope blue are reported.

**SPAIN.**—(*10c. U.P.U. post card.*) The card described in May with stamp to left is for local use, another 10c. card with stamp to right, red on orange, has been issued for the Postal Union inscribed in the usual manner.

**TASMANIA.**—(*Discontinuance of the  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. pictorial.*) It is announced by the *Australian J. of Ph.* that on account of the expense of production, the  $\frac{1}{2}$ d pictorial issue is to be discontinued and the  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. of the old type to be re-issued.

**TRANSVAAL.**—(*E. R. I. Registration envelope.*) The 4d. registration envelope has been surcharged E. R. I. in type similar to that used on the adhesives. It is reported that a set of stamps is in preparation bearing King Edward's portrait.

**TUNIS.**—(*Letter cards in changed colors.*) Following the issue of adhesive stamps in U.P.U. colors, the colors of the letter cards have also been altered and now come as follows:—

- 10c. Carmine on grey.
- 15c. Grey on greenish.
- 25c. Blue on rose.

**TURKEY.**—(*20 paras post cards*) Single and reply cards with stamps of the new type have been issued; for foreign postage, 20 paras, red on rose; for interior postage, 20 paras, lilac on rose. The cards for the interior have Arabic inscriptions only, the others are inscribed in Arabic and French.

**URUGUAY.**—(*Official stamps.*) All the recently issued stamps are reported with the surcharge OFICIAL in black.

**VICTORIA.**—(*Envelope and cards.*) The 1d. and 2d. envelopes reported in our May number should have been described as being types (Scott) E7 and E8 with the words STAMP DUTY removed. Single and reply post cards with a 1d. stamp of the re-issued type (A26) rose-red on buff have been issued, also a 1d. letter card of same type and color on grey. The re-issued type

of the 2d. (A27) violet has also appeared on letter cards, and a stock of about 40,000 old type 2d. letter cards, have been issued surcharged ONE PENNY in blue across the stamp; the inscription on the back is struck out by three bars in blue, and a new inscription is printed on the face indicating that it is FOR USE WITHIN VICTORIA, and that an additional 1d. stamp must be affixed if addressed to any other Australian state, New Zealand or Fiji. The reason for this alteration is said to be, because of an error in the instructions on the back, which forbid any enclosures under penalty of the card being treated as an insufficiently paid letter; but as the 2d rate is the regular one for sealed  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. letters to any part of Australia, enclosures cannot legally be prohibited provided the total weight does not exceed the  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. On the new 2d. letter cards, however, this inscription again appears, so our correspondent's information may not be correct.

#### SPECULATIVE STAMPS AND COUNTERFEITS.

The stamps described under this heading, we would advise collectors to avoid, as they are manufactured either by official authority or by private individuals for their own gain at the expense of philatelists.

**FRANCE.**—(*Counterfeits of old issues.*) The last number of the *S. C. Fortnightly* illustrates forged *lete beche* pairs of the 10, 15, 20c, and 1 fr. of the first French Republic, which are manufactured in Italy and sold by the maker as "imitations." As the old post marks are also forged, these things are certainly dangerous. When old Europeans are offered, collectors should, before buying, consult an expert, as many other imitations are being turned out from the same source.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—(*Imitation of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. plate 17.*) The  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. claret plate 7 is catalogued at 3c. plate, 17 at \$1.00, but the stamp faker finds it an easy matter with a rubber hand stamp to print in a "1" before the 7 on the common stamp and convert it into the rare variety. This simply contrived fraud is exposed in the *S. C. Fortnightly*, which states that considerable quantities are in existence.

**Logic** A lady who some time ago advised us to be logical, *assumed* certain conditions as ours, and drew perfectly logical conclusions therefrom. We corrected the assumption and re-stated our premises, which, when applied to the lady's conclusion, formed an absurdity. The lady now complains we have misrepresented her. Beg pardon, madam, we did not misrepresent; we merely gave a little lesson in logic, and the *reductio ad absurdum*.

CONVENTION OF THE LEAGUE OF  
CANADIAN PHILATELISTS.

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The League, in accordance with the President's call, met in convention at the Chateau de Ramezay, Montreal, on July 1st. Most of the Montreal members were in attendance, but only one from out of town, Mr. Ruggeri, of Longue Pointe, Que.

Owing to the absence of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Secretary, Mr. F. W. Würtele was unanimously elected chairman, and Mr. W. James Würtele secretary of the convention.

The President's address was then read as follows:—

Fellow Members of the League of Canadian Philatelists:

I very much regret that it was quite impossible for me to be with you to-day, to preside over the deliberations of our first convention, but I sincerely trust you will work harmoniously together for the best interests of our Society and the advancement of the cause of Philately at large.

The dying days of the old century and the dawning of the new have constituted a history-making epoch, especially to collectors of the "little gim-crack pictures, fit only for babes and sucklings." The Empire has lost its noble, beloved Queen and Empress; a loss which has assuredly come a little nearer to collectors than to ordinary citizens, accustomed as we have been, from the earliest stages of our collecting, to the many-sided miniatures of that sweet face, as maid, wife, mother and widow. New issues, bearing the portrait of his present Majesty, will soon be the order of the day, but, for beauty and charm, the first issue of the Colonies, those gems of the engraver's art, like the Queen's memory, will always reign supreme.

Great Britain has added two new colonies to a list already very long and imposing, and no longer stands in "splendid isolation," but shows to a wondering world a united front and a united empire, not only in name, but in fact and deed. Truly, as a noted novelist has well said, the Boer War has been a blessing in disguise, and we Britons, the world over, owe much to Oom Paul Kruger, the "Cause of it all." To collectors the war has opened up a new and prolific field of research, and the making of new issues throughout the world goes merrily on. I am not, however, opposed to new issues in toto, for I honestly believe many recruits are thereby gained. It is stated the war has given collecting a tremendous impulse in the Mother land, and I doubt not that the Pan-American issue will have a like effect in the United States. If I ever before entertained any doubts as to the stability and permanence of our hobby, fad or science, which you will, they were entirely removed after a considerable portion of two days spent in the society of Mr. Chas. J. Phillips, the Managing Director of Stanley Gibbons, Limited. I would that such a gentleman could be with you to-day to give you a talk on stamps. I submit his coming to Canada was a noteworthy philatelic event, as he is the prince of stamp dealers, undoubtedly, and has great faith in the future of our hobby.

As to our Society, I think we can very well lay the flattering unction to our souls that all

goes well. Since 1st October, 1899, 150 new members have been enrolled, including many of the leading Philatelists of Canada and the United States, making up in quality what may be lacking in quantity. Taken all in all, we can safely make claim to be the leading Canadian Society, and, as such, I am making a motion, in the usual way, that our Society be henceforth called "The Canadian Philatelic Society," to my mind, a vastly better and more dignified title, and I bespeak for the motion your careful consideration. I understand from Mr. Smith that the Sales Department, the most important in our Society, undoubtedly, is in a flourishing condition. Let each member see to it that they introduce at least one new member in the coming year, and that he be above reproach.

Again regretting my inability to be present, and wishing you all a most enjoyable time, I beg leave to subscribe myself,

Very faithfully yours,

W. K. HALL,

President.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer and sales superintendent was then read:—

Fellow Members of the League of Canadian Philatelists:

I very much regret that I cannot be with you on this occasion, the first convention of our flourishing Society.

I think it unnecessary to make a very long report to you on this occasion, as the recent acquisitions to our ranks shows the prosperous condition of our Society, and that we are getting the right material to still further increase its popularity. It must be very gratifying to you, gentlemen, to see the steady growth we are making, but we are not looking for quantity, but quality.

We have certainly lost some few members, but most of them joined in the early days, when, I am afraid, sufficient caution was not taken in the selection of candidates. A new Society of this kind is liable to look more for members than anything else, consequently undesirable members creep in. These days, for this Society, have passed; and we are now so firmly established, that with proper management, the future looks most promising.

I have thought it well, gentlemen, to submit for your perusal a full list of those members in good standing, 145 in number. I also append a list of ex-members, some of whom it would be well to try and get re-instated. It will be noticed that out of 62 who joined previous to October, 1899, only 22 remain (3, however, having re-joined). This speaks for itself.

In the fall of 1899 we were fortunate in securing the services of Mr. W. Kelsey Hall as our President, who has done much to improve and increase our Society in many ways, and I think it will interest you, gentlemen, to know who have assisted him to build up the Society. I, therefore, give you the following list. Personally, I have been fortunate enough to secure 28 members: Mr. W. J. Würtele, the proprietor of our excellent official journal, 26; Mr. W. Kelsey Hall, 24; The Montreal Philatelic Association, 13; Mr. A. R. Magill, 7; Mr. H. A. Chapman, Vice-President for the United States, 4; Messrs. Moisant, Downes, Fowle, Marimian, and Rev. von Pirch, 2 each; Messrs. Brewis, F. W. Würtele, Croll, Pilo, Czeay, Colman, Estarallas, McIntyre and H. W. Brown, 1 each.

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In October, 1899, I also started the Sales Department, which I am pleased to say has, so far, worked very satisfactorily, and far exceeded my expectations. A full report of the same is annexed.

Many questions will no doubt be brought before you for consideration. I would submit one or two suggestions.

**FOREIGN MEMBERS.**—I do not think the dues here are sufficient to cover expenses, 5c. for notice of dues and 5c. again to send membership card, does not leave sufficient to pay for official organ and postage of same.

**CONSTITUTION.**—Several want revising. No. 3, for instance, does not apply. This should be open.

I now beg to submit my report as Treasurer. There being no regular appointed auditor, I got the two gentlemen who have signed their names at foot to audit the accounts, which I think you may safely accept, as they are both book-keepers in responsible positions.

I have endeavored to keep down expenses as much as possible, but I find it rather a difficult matter to make the "two ends meet" with a 25-cent subscription.

#### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS.

To 1st Oct., 1899.	
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To 1st Oct., 1899.	
Official Organ, Printing Blanks, postage, etc., per R. C. Bach, to Feb., 1899 . . . . .	\$ 9 15
Official Organ, Feb. to Oct., 1899. . . . .	7 12
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Postage to Oct., 1899 . . . . .	1 97
To 1st Oct., 1900.	
Official Organ to date . . . . .	\$13 38
Printing Blanks . . . . .	2 50
Postage. . . . .	5 64
Envelopes and small payments . . . . .	1 70
To 1st July, 1901.	
Official Organ to date . . . . .	\$17 92
Printing Notice Forms. . . . .	1 50
Envelopes, etc. . . . .	1 00
Postage to date . . . . .	5 71
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Printing Ballots . . . . .	3 65
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We, the undersigned auditing committee, have examined the books of the Treasurer, and find them to be correct, with proper vouchers for payments. We find the amount of cash on hand, \$7.09, to be correct.

CHAS. H. FOWLE,  
EUGENE C. WHEELER,  
Auditing Committee, League of Canadian  
Philatelists.  
Medford, Mass., June 25, 1901.

And now, gentlemen, having endeavored to serve you faithfully and in the true interests of the Society, I must ask you to release me from the position of Sec.-Treasurer, as I find it rather a pressure on the little spare time I have at my disposal; at the same time, I shall use my best endeavors to assist in helping to keep

the "League of Canadian Philatelists" in the proud position it now holds, and again thanking the members for all courtesies, I will inscribe myself,

Yours fraternally in Philately,

H. SMITH,

Sec. Treas.

#### SALES DEPARTMENT REPORT.

457 Books received, value . . . . .	\$7,334 22
286 Books retired, value. . . . .	4,203 44
Balance in circulation . . . . .	\$3,040 78

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Equal to about 23 per cent.

Number of Circuits sent out . . . . .	71
Number of Circuits returned . . . . .	56
Still in circulation. . . . .	15
Number of Members patronizing the Department as buyers or sellers, or both . . . . .	80

#### INSURANCE FUND.

Amount to credit . . . . . \$65 07

This report is made up to the 1st June, representing one year and seven months, the period the Department has been working.

The amount of Books in circulation would appear comparatively rather large, but several circuits have come in during the current month, the books of which I have not had the time to check up and retire. Now I have these reports for the convention off my hands, the owners will hear from me in due course.

In submitting this report, I have great pleasure in stating that the Department is working very satisfactorily. I am troubled occasionally by delays in forwarding circuits, generally the absence of the member or other explainable cause, fortunately most of the sellers understand these delays, but I am sorry to say there are a few who think they should have returns almost before their books get in circulation.

All I ask of sellers is necessary "patience," and I will do the best for them. Some lose sight of the fact that these circuits travel thousands of miles, starting here in Massachusetts to New York, Oregon and other places in the United States, to Vancouver, Canada, back through Canada, possibly to Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, and occasionally across the Atlantic; they should consider the time it takes to cover this territory.

There are very few that realize the work there is in conducting a Sales Department as it should be. I have tried my best to give satisfaction to both buyers and sellers (a difficult matter sometimes). The system I have adopted gives me lots of work, but my desire, gentlemen, is to make the Department a success, and if you think well to re-elect me as Superintendent, I will use my best endeavors to still further improve the Department.

**INSURANCE FUND.**—The amount received for this fund is \$70.13. Fortunately the calls upon it have been small, a stamp occasionally lost in transit, etc., amounting to \$4.06, leaving a balance of \$65.07 to credit.

I propose to make a reduction in the fee for books over \$20 in value, making it half of 1 p.c. the fee on books under that amount to remain as before, viz., 1 p.c. Should we, however, unfortunately meet with any heavy loss, the previous arrangement would have to be reverted to, of which due notice would be given.

I hope, gentlemen, you will excuse any short-

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comings in this report, for it has been written in a temperature of 95 degrees, and I hope, for your sakes, it may be cooler in Montreal on the 1st July, and that you may have a real good time.

With hearty good wishes,

H. SMITH,

Sales Dept.

N.B.—I find a few books have been in the Department nearly 8 months (this is the longest), but as they contained exceptionally good stamps, I was anxious all members on circuit should see them, and as I have now over 70 buyers, an average of 3 days each would give about seven months. Members will please note this.—H. S.

Mr. Magill then read his report as librarian as follows:—

Gentlemen:

Since I was appointed librarian of the League, sixteen months ago, I have received donations of 237 papers from various members.

As the former librarian had made no effort to secure papers, he had none to turn over to me, and consequently I had to start and build one up.

I have exchanged papers for a few members, and have loaned papers to several others.

I herewith desire to thank the members who were so kind as to donate papers. Hoping that you will accept this brief report, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

A. R. MAGILL.

The Committee of Arrangements then reported its doings in connection with the convention.

It was moved by W. Patterson, seconded by N. Huguenin, and carried unanimously, that these reports be accepted, and that a vote of thanks be tendered to Messrs. Hall and Smith and all retiring officers for their services during the past 18 months, which have resulted in placing the society in so enviable a position.

A communication from the President was then read appointing Messrs. Patterson, Huguenin, Cornish and Barwick scrutineers of ballots, but as the two latter gentlemen were not present, Mr. Roussel was requested to take their place. These three gentlemen then proceeded to open and count the ballots. While so employed, the Chairman read the proposed amendments to the constitution. The amendment to Clause I., changing the name, was proposed by the President. The other changes were proposed by W. J. Würtele and A. R. Magill, and after some discussion, the following motion was unanimously carried:—

Proposed by W. James Würtele, seconded by A. C. Roussel, that the constitution as already published be adopted by this convention, with the addition of the amendments annexed when approved by the society. That the amending clauses be published in the official organ, and that if no objec-

tion is raised to them by at least ten members before the publication of the September number, they shall then come into force. Should such objection be made, a mail vote for or against any changes which may be objected to shall be taken and a majority of votes shall decide.

On the conclusion of the discussion on the amendments to the constitution, the convention took a short recess to enable the scrutineers to complete their report. The result of the election was announced at 12.20 as follows:—

President, W. Kelsey Hall, Peterboro, Ont.

Vice-President, Ernest F. Würtele, Quebec.

Vice-President for U. S., H. A. Chapman, Rocky Hill, Conn.

Secretary-treasurer, C. H. Fowle, 43 Magoun Ave, Medford Mass.

Exchange Supt., H. Smith, Medford, Mass.

Auction Mgr., G. P. Legrand, New Carlisle, Que.

Attorney, Geo. F. Downes, Palmerston, Ont.

Librarian, A. C. Telfer, Montreal. Counterfeit Detector, H. A. Croll, Palmerston, Ont.

Foreign Correspondent, R. R. Bogert, Paris, France.

Trustees, Oliver Barwick, A. R. Magill, A. C. Roussel.

Official Organ, Montreal Philatelist.

After votes of thanks to the scrutineers, the chairman and secretary the convention was declared closed.

W. JAS. WÜRTELE,

Sec. pro tem.

#### SOUTH AFRICAN STAMP NOTES.

By H. Rudd, Capetown, June 1st, 1901.

I have seen a specimen of a Transvaal postcard printed by the Boer Government at Machadodorp. The printing is in red, and the design and wording somewhat similar to the late Republican issue. In the bottom left corner are inscribed the words, "Staats Veld Drukkery, Machadodorp" (official field press, Machadodorp). The only value I have seen is the 1d. These cards are already selling at 30s. a pair. With reference to my paragraph on "Schweizer Remeke Stamps," I have also seen the ½d. and 1d. current Cape of Good Hope issue roughly overprinted "Besieged" and used in the above-named place.

The first stamps to bear King Edward's head are to be issued for the Transvaal Colony.

The following are the prices paid for wholesale lots of the stamps named below in this city:—O.F.S., V.R.I., ½ in sheets, 20 per cent. above par; 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1s., Z.A.R., V.R.I., 10 per cent. above face value in sheets of 60; 6d. Rose, O.F.S., V.R.I., 10s. 6d. each; 5s. Transvaal stamps, 12s. each; set of V.R.I., O.F.S., postcards, 2s. 9d. set.

## EDITORIAL.

The reports of the President and Secretary of the L. of C. P. are of interest to all readers, whether members of the league or not, so probably there will not be much regret expressed that the convention proceedings have crowded out our usual editorial article.

Or stealing another's **Plagiarism** writings and publishing them as one's own, possibly being paid for the stolen work, is about as mean an act as that of the stamp substitutor. Persons guilty of it should be pilloried amongst philatelic FRAUDS. The latest fraud of this kind is Frank Moe, who publishes as his own in the July *Philatelic Advocate* an article, mutilated and partly copied from the editorial in the MONTREAL PHILATELIST of December, 1899. Can Frank Moe tell us where is to be found the original article by Mr. Pemberton, from which he professes to quote?

### The League of Canadian Philatelists

Organized September, 1898.

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 Board of Trustees—A. C. Roussel, O. W. Barwick, A. R. Magill, Montreal.  
 Official Organ—The Montreal Philatelist.

### Secretary's Report.

#### NEW MEMBERS ADMITTED.

208. C. B. Salisbury, Syracuse, N. Y.
209. C. E. Crouch, Rochester, N. Y.
210. W. H. Schmalz, Berlin, Ont.
211. Robert H. Platt, Phelpsston, Ont.
212. I. S. Bolton, Croydon, Eng.

#### APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

213. C. W. Merriman, Brockville, Can., U. S. Consul. Ref., W. K. Hall, H. Smith.
  214. Robt. Nandi, 50 Strada Vescova, Valletta, Malta, advocate. Ref., W. J. Wurtele, Int'l Stamp Co.
- C. H. FOWLE, Sec.-Treas.

## Sales Department.

I have just received notification of my re-appointment as sales superintendent, and beg to thank the members for their renewed confidence in me, and I will continue to use my best endeavors to give satisfaction and further improve the department. I have this week sent out 3 new circuits, and several of the old ones have come in; in fact everything seems to have come at once, consequently it will be a little while before I can get these circuits checked up and books retired, so sellers must please excuse a little delay, especially as the thermometer is ranging anywhere between 85 and 100 (mostly the latter) in these parts the last week. In the fall I hope to still further increase the department, and ask all members, not at present on the list, wishing to participate in the privileges of the department to send in their names in the meantime. Buyers will find many snaps in these circuits.

H. SMITH, Sales Supt.  
 MEDFORD, Mass., 6th July, 1901.

W. James Wurtele, Esq. Dear Sir:—Thanks for your card of the 2nd inst., notifying me of my appointment as attorney for the League of Canadian Philatelists. I might say that the term "attorney" is hardly the correct one in Canada, "solicitor" being the name used to designate our profession. However, the term makes little difference, as members generally understand the nature of the duties required of the officer. The term attorney is used in the United States societies, and so has doubtless been adopted by our league.

I have to thank the convention for their selection of myself as the League's attorney, and shall do my best for any members who entrust their business to me.

In the past I have not charged according to any fixed system, but have done my best to collect, and where successful remitted as large an amount as possible to the client, keeping very little for myself, as I felt that it was largely an honorary position I held.

However, at your suggestion that I give my rules for the future, I would say that my fees will hereafter be 10 per cent. of the amount collected and disbursements (postage), with a minimum fee of fifty cents for each collection made.

In one instance in the past I had a few accounts sent me for collection, but the particulars were not sufficiently definite (in one case no address of the debtor being given). This necessitated my writing for same. However, my letter was not answered, and although I have written three letters, I am not yet in receipt of the necessary information. This is not right, and in case clients are so negligent, they should be charged for the extra work caused by their negligence.

I trust that from the above you will be able to get the information you desire. If there is anything further I can do for you, I shall be pleased to have you ask it. Yours truly,

GEO. F. DOWNES.

P.S.—My fees will not be like those of the attorney to whom I think it is related that Abraham Lincoln once sent an account, stating that if the attorney could collect it, he might have 50 per cent. The attorney collected 50 per cent., and then wrote Mr. Lincoln that he had collected his half, but that the other half was hopeless.—G. F. D.



To Members of the League of Canadian

Philatelists:

I wish to express my sincere thanks for the choice you have made in selecting the "Montreal Philatelist" as official organ for Canada's only harmonious philatelic society. To the very few who voted for the other paper who opposed me (regardless of the fact that the constitution appointed the M.P. as official organ), I wish to say that I hope they will in time find out that the "Montreal Philatelist" is, after all, the only paper the Members of the League require, and although an amendment has been proposed by me to the clause which appointed the M.P. as official organ of the League (so as to give every other paper a chance), I sincerely hope the members of the League will again acknowledge that there is only one paper good enough for them, and when the time comes again, vote for the "Montreal Philatelist."

W. JAMES WURTELE, Publisher.

AMENDED CONSTITUTION as adopted by the convention. The original will be found in June number, the amending clauses are in italics.

I. NAME.—The name shall be *The Canadian Philatelic Society*.

II. (No change.)

III. MEMBERSHIP.—All philatelists in Canada, Newfoundland and the United States are eligible for active membership. *Philatelists in other countries can become members by paying in addition to the usual fees, the extra expense required for postage of the official organ, notices and other necessary communications.*

IV. (Add to this clause) and forwarded to the secretary-treasurer. *A list of all applications, with details of address, references, etc., shall be published monthly in the official organ, and if no objections are raised within three weeks the applicants shall be considered accepted.*

V. (add to this clause). *Upon receipt of the annual subscription, the secretary-treasurer shall send the member a certificate of membership good for one year, which shall date from either January or July 1st, as applicant may select, but no fractions of a year shall be considered.*

VI. (No change.)

VII. OFFICIAL JOURNAL.—All members will receive the *official organ* monthly, free of charge, from the date of membership. *The secretary-treasurer to pay to the publisher 15 cents from the annual dues of each member after same have been collected, also any postage collected from foreign members for that purpose. The official organ shall be chosen each year at the annual election, and shall charge a uniform rate of one dollar for every page over one month which is occupied by the reports of the society.*

VIII. IX. X. (No change.)

XI. (Add to the list of officers)—

*Vice-President for United States, Attorney, Purchasing Agent.* (Add to the clause). *The duties of these officials shall be such as ordinarily belong to such offices. Rules in conformity with the constitution, for the management of each department, shall be drawn up by the officer elected, subject to the approval of the president and trustees.*

XII. (Cancel this clause and replace by the following):—ELECTIONS.—*The election of officers shall take place annually, at a date fixed by the president, by means of a ballot addressed to one or more of three scrutineers, named by the president. One ballot shall be mailed by the secretary-treasurer to each member in good standing, six weeks before the date of the election, but members qualifying any time before the election can receive a ballot. The ballot forms shall contain full directions for their use, the names of the retiring officers and space for the insertion of the names the member wishes to vote for. Ballots are not to be signed, but are to be sent sealed in the envelope provided for that purpose to the scrutineers, with the voter's signature on the outside of the envelope. No other enclosure and not more than one ballot to be in an envelope. At noon on the date set the scrutineers will see that the envelopes are signed by members in good standing, they will then remove all ballots and destroy the envelopes, after which they will proceed to count the votes, and announce the names of the elected officers. As previous nominations are not required, members desiring to run for office, to arrange a ticket, etc., must personally bear any expense incurred for that purpose.*

XIII. Instead of "until the close of the next annual convention," read "until the next annual election."

XIV. (After words "any officer" read) *or malfeasance in office the position shall become vacant and*

XV. (No change.)

XVI. (New clause). AMENDMENTS.—*Changes in this Constitution can only be made by ballot at the annual election. Notice of such proposed change signed by at least ten members must be given in the official organ two months before the date of the election, and a two-thirds majority of the vote cast shall be required to effect the change.*

NOTICE.—Members objecting to any of the above changes are requested to notify the secretary before Sept. 1st after which, unless at least ten objections to any one change are received, they will come into force.

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## PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

JULY, 1901.

With this number we begin our fourth volume.

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