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CHRONICLES OF NEW ISSUES, ETC.

Conducted by William C. Stone, Springfield, Mass., to whom all information respecting new issues, etc., should be sent.

The figures in parenthesis after the names of the countries refer to the number of this paper containing the last previous notice. Colors in italics represent the colors of the surcharges. All envelopes unless otherwise stated are on white wove paper. All post cards unless otherwise stated are on buff cardboard.

ADHESIVES.

Argentine.—A 3 centavo stamp of the same type as the other low values was issued February 18. 3 centavos, orange.

Brazil, United States of—From E. T. Barrows we have received a new stamp of the value of 100 reis. In the center is a small head of liberty laureated and facing to the left in a small double circle inscribed "Republic des E. U. de Brazil." Above the circle is "Correio" and below "Reis 100 Reis." The stamp is rectangular in shape, the spaces outside the inscriptions being filled in with various fancy ornaments and designs. Perforate 13 horizontally and 11 vertically. 100 reis, rose.

British Central Africa.—A 4 shilling stamp has been provided by using the adaptable die of the South Africa Company printed in gray with the value in red and "B.C.A." surcharged in black. 4 shillings, gray and red; *black*.

Curacao.—Two more stamps of the new type are in use it is said. 10 cents, blue. 30 cents, gray.

Diego Suarez.—The *Revue Philatelique* has seen the following additional values of the unpaid letter stamps with "Diego Suarez" surcharged in black: 1 centime, black; 2 centimes, black; 3 centimes, black; 4 centimes, black; 5 centimes, black.

Dutch Indies.—A new issue of unpaid letter stamps with "Cents" below the numerals of value is beginning to appear. 20 cents, carmine and black.

Ecuador.—The *American Journal of Philately* has seen the following stamps which have been used to pay postage on letters, etc.: Telegraph stamp, 1 centavo, green and red. Telegraph stamp with top cut off, 1 centavo, gray and red, 5 centavos, yellow and black. Stamp cut from letter card, 10 centavos, vermilion and blue. New stamps are in preparation, it is said, and they will probably bear the likeness of ex-president Rocafuerte, who served from 1839 to 1844.

Fiji—From *Vindin's Philatelic Monthly* we learn of the issue of three new stamps. They are said to somewhat resemble the current 1 penny New South Wales, but have for a central design the setting sun and a native in a canoe. 1 penny, black; 2 pence, green; 5 pence, blue.

France—The new unpaid letter stamps are of the same design as the previous issue the colors only being changed. 1 centime, black; 5 centimes, blue; 10 centimes, bistre; 15 centimes, green; 30 centimes, carmine; 50 centimes, mauve; 60 centimes, brown on bistre; 1 franc, mauve on brown.

French Congo--A few more surcharges which we had overlooked. They are on the unpaid stamps and the number issued of each is annexed. 5 centimes on 5c, black, *red*, 2500; 5 centimes on 20c, black, *red*, 2,400; 5 centimes on 30c, black, *red*, 2300.

Gibraltar--The *Monthly Journal* gives the following list of the surcharged issue, showing the number issued of each denomination. 5 centimos on $\frac{1}{2}$ penny, 57,120; 10 centimos on 1 penny, 100,320; 25 centimos on 2 pence, 54,720; 25 centimos on $2\frac{1}{2}$ pence, 240,720; 40 centimos on 4 pence, 14,520; 50 centimos on 6 pence, 14,760; 75 centimos on 1 shilling, 12,400. Thus it will be seen that of the once thought to be "rare error" of 25c. on 2 pence nearly as many were issued as of the 5 centimos, which only sold for a few cents. The 75 centimos will no doubt become a rare stamp before many years are past.

Great Britain, Levant--The supply of 40 paras stamps having been unexpectedly exhausted, the $\frac{1}{2}$ penny stamp was surcharged "40 Paras" in black by the local authorities on the 25th of February and used for a couple of days, when the supply was received from England. They were not sold to the public, but were affixed at the office by the employees. 40 paras on $\frac{1}{2}$ penny, vermilion, *black*. The $\frac{1}{2}$ penny stamp is used on printed matter unsurcharged for the 10-para rate, but as the $2\frac{1}{2}$ penny rate is held to be equal to 40 paras, these stamps are not surcharged, but used solely for printed matter without any overprinting.

Hawaii--A newspaper letter from Honolulu under date of April 28, states that the postage stamps will be issued about May 20, with the surcharge "Provisional Government of 1893."

Labuan.--*Le Timbre Poste* has received the unwatermarked 8 cent stamp with the surcharge "6 cents" in black in two lines. 6 cents on 8 cents, violet; *black*. In view of all these recent surcharges the story that all the remainders of the unwatermarked set were sold to a dealer looks a little fishy. Either it was a fairy tale or there has been a new supply printed.

Liberia.--The old 3 cent inland postage stamp is now printed in a new color according to several of our exchanges. 3 cents, *red*.

Luxemburg.--The *Illustrirte Briefmarken Zeitung* gives three high values of the new set: 1 franc, blue violet; $2\frac{1}{2}$ francs, black; 5 francs, red brown.

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Morocco.—French Offices. William Brown reports that some of the unpaid letter stamps were recently surcharged “Timbre” at the top and “Poste” at the bottom with a thick bar over “a percevoir.” Only a limited number were surcharged as will be seen. 5 centimes, red and black, (150); 10 centimes, red and black, (600.)

Mozambique.—The *Monthly Journal* has received the old 40 reis stamps surcharged “Joarnaes” across the top, and the new value, and “Reis” across the bottom. It is said that only 110 of the red surcharges were printed and a few hundred of each of the others. 2½ reis, on 40 r., brown, *black*; 5 reis, on 40 r., brown, *black*; 5 reis, on 40 r., brown, *red*.

New Caledonia.—The following are the number issued of each of the provisionals listed last month: 5 on 75c. black surcharge, 15,000; 5 on 75 c. blue surcharge, 15,000; 10 on 1 franc, black surcharge, 18,000; 10 on 1 franc, blue surcharge, 12,000.

Portugal.—The 100 reis of the new type is listed by *Le Collectionneur de Timbres Poste*, 100 reis, brown on yellow. Two more of the stamps with head of Dom Luis have received the “provisorio” surcharge. 50 reis, blue; *red*. 80 reis, yellow; *black*.

Seychelles.—A change in postal rates has rendered necessary the surcharging of several of the current set with large numerals of value on the bottom of the bust and “cents” across the original numeral. 3 cents on 4 c., carmine and green; *black*. 12 cents on 13 c., gray and black; *black*. 15 cents on 16 c., orange and blue; *black*. 45 cents on 48 c., yellow and green; *black*. 90 cents on 96 c., violet and carmine; *black*. It is said that the 12 cent is not yet in use.

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Surinam.—Four values of the set with head of the queen are reported by our contemporaries. 12½ cents, violet; 20 cents, green; 25 cents, blue; 30 cents, brown. We listed a 12½ cent green last month but it was a mistake.

Sweden.—Two of the official stamps are now printed in new colors. 4 ore, gray black; 50 ore, pale gray.

Tonga.—*Vindin's Philatelic Monthly* states that the current set of stamps was issued February 13, uniformly printed in blue with "G. F. B." surcharged in large red capitals for use as officials. The meaning of the surcharge is not given. 1 penny, blue and red; 2 pence, blue and red; 4 pence, blue and red, and 1 shilling, blue and red.

Venezuela.—*Le Timbre Poste* reports having seen the 10 cent stamp cut in half for a 5 cent value, and W. F. Gregory informs us that he has seen 50 cent similarly treated to provide a 25 cent.

Tunis.—Senf Brothers report in their paper that the 10 centimes has been perforated "T" for use as an unpaid stamp. 10 centimes, black on lilac.

Western Australia.—The *London Philatelist* reports a provisional 1 penny stamp formed by surcharging the 3 pence with "One Penny" in capital letters just above the old value. 1 penny on 3 p., brown; green.

ENVELOPES.

Brazil, United States of—The new 100 reis exists on the following sizes according to *Le Timbre Poste*: 156 × 87 mm; 152 × 92 mm; 133 × 103 mm; 138 × 104 mm. The first is on white wove paper, the next two on thick satin wove, and the last on laid paper.

Ceylon.—We have received the 5 cent envelope with a large figure 2 surcharged on the head and a heavy bar above and below it. At the left on the envelope itself is the following inscription in three lines: "District Letter Envelope, price 2½ cents.—This Envelope will not pass through more than one Post office, will—only be delivered when called for, and will not be re-directed." Size 140 × 79 mm. 2 on 5 cents, ultramarine;

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blue. We also hear that the registration envelope has been surcharged "Ten Cents" in black capitals over the old value. 10 cents on 15 c., rose; *black.*

Ecuador.—The 10 centavos has been surcharged under the stamp with "5 centavos" in a horizontal line. The number issued is said to be only 2,000. 5 centavos on 10 c., green on amber; *green.* 5 centavos on 10 c., green on amber; *black.*

Portugal.—The envelope now bears the stamp with portrait of Dom Carlos. 25 reis, green; 50 reis, blue.

WRAPPERS

Barbados.—The 1 penny has been surcharged " $\frac{1}{2}$ d" in violet over the original value, according to *Le Timbre Poste.* $\frac{1}{2}$ penny on 1 p., carmine, *violet.*

British Bechuanaland.—The *Stamp News* reports having seen or heard of the $\frac{1}{2}$ penny gray green with red surcharge instead of black and the English wrapper with four lines of instructions surcharged as in the current issue. $\frac{1}{2}$ penny, gray green on manilla, *red.* $\frac{1}{2}$ penny, $\frac{1}{2}$ penny, brown on manilla, *black.*

Tasmania.—The 1 penny, oval type, is reported in a new color by *Le Timbre Poste.* Size 129x346 mm. 1 penny, emerald green.

POST CARDS

Argentine.—We note in *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* the announcement of a 3 centavos which we suppose is of the same type as the rest of the cards. 3 centavos, golden yellow.

Austria.—The frame of the 5 kreuzer is now said to measure 125x77 mm.

Bavaria.—The *Postal Card* reports the following: Horizontal wavy lines in watermark; 5 pfennig, dark green, 93; 10 pfennig, carmine, 93; vertical zig-zag lines in watermark; 3x3 pfennig, yellow brown, 92; 10x10 pfennig, carmine, 92.

Bulgaria.—*Der Philatelist* reports that a change was made in the 5 stetinki on December 2. The top line is in heavy face type and the second line in skeleton type, while the third line measures 46 mm. 5 stetinki, gray green on white.

French Congo.—And now they say the old issue colonial cards were surcharged for this settlement by virtue of a decree dated November 9, 1892. 10 centimes, black on lilac, black; 10 centimes, black on bluff, black; 10x10 centimes, black on blue, black.

Japan.—The 3 sen is now printed in olive instead of bright green.

Lagos.—It is said that the penny halfpenny cards, both single and double, were utilized as provisional penny cards by erasing the word halfpenny with a red line drawn with pen and ink.

Monaco.—The double card noted last month is on light blue.

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Natal.—The *Monthly Journal* reports the issue of a reply paid $\frac{1}{2}$ penny card of the usual type. $\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$ penny, red brown.

Saint Lucia.—We find in *Der Philatelist* the report of the issue of a double 1 penny card of the same type as the single. 1 x 1 penny, carmine.

Surinam.—The $2\frac{1}{2}$ penny card now bears the stamp of the numeral type. The reverse of the card is white. $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents, carmine on rose.

Switzerland.—The following are reported by La Carte Postale. 10 x 10 centimes, carmine: V.92—48,000. 5 x 5 centimes, black: IV.92—120,000.

United States.—For some reason or other the new reply card for the Postal Union does not seem to have come into general notice. Our local office has had a requisition in for some months, but has not yet received them, and on application to the New York office, during the naval review, we were informed by the stamp clerk, that he could not sell us a package (25), as he did not have so many. In general design it resembles the single card but has the necessary additional inscriptions in the frame to fit it for a reply card. The stamp has the head of Liberty in a large double oval stamp, with inscriptions as on the (x) cent. 2 x 2 cents, blue on bluish white.

Wurtemberg.—The official card now has the inscriptions in black instead of green, says *Der Philatelist*. 5 pfennig, green and black.

LETTER CARDS.

Argentine.—L'Echo de la Timbrologie says that a 3 centavos letter card was issued quite recently. 3 centavos, golden yellow on buff.

Belgium.—The perforations on the 25 centimes, are now similar to those on the 10 centimes; that is, they do not extend to either the sides or top. The 25 centimes of 1883

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also exists, with the perforation on the right side extending to the top of the card, while the top perforations do not extend to the right side. We take the above from *La Carte Postale*.

French Congo.—The colonial cards of the old type were surcharged for provisional use, it is reported. 15 centimes, blue on gray. 25 centimes, black on rose.

Saint Pierre—Miquelon—*La Carte Postale* says that the 25 cent letter card exists with perforations extending only to the sides and also extending to neither sides nor bottom. Whether the new cards or the surcharged or new cards are meant we can not say.

TELEGRAPHS.

Ecuador.—There are three more values of the telegraph set which we noted last month. 50 centavos, green; *black*. 1 sucre, bistre; *black*. 5 sucres, rose; *black*.

Nicaragua.—*La Carte Postale* says that the 1893 cards have stamp of the adhesive type and are on tinted ground. 2 centavos, blue and rose; 2 x 2 centavos, blue and rose; 3 centavos, blue and green; 3 x 3 centavos, blue and green.

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The Executive Committee of the Worlds Fair Philatelic Exhibit held a meeting on April 25th. The Treasurer reported that over \$1,000 had been subscribed of which \$600, had been paid in. He had paid out for various expenses \$160.99.

Mr. Calman and Mr. Rogers went to Stamford, Conn., on the 18th and inspected the cases which were about finished and which will be placed in position in the Fair Grounds before May first.

Mr. Deats and Mr. Rogers visited Boston and Providence on the 12th. At Boston the members of the Philatelic Society attended largely and much interest was taken in the work of the committee. Several members offered to exhibit whatever they might be called upon to, and a number of subscriptions were promised.

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QUEBEC, May 5th, 1893.

To Members Canadian Philatelic Association.

GENTLEMEN—With a view of selecting a month and date therein, for the coming Convention, to be held in the City of Quebec, which will prove most advantageous to the members, who propose being present, I would request all those who are desirous of attending, to communicate with me at their earliest convenience, stating whether July or August would be most suitable and also the date of the month.

With this information in hand I will select a time which will permit of the largest number possible to attend.

The June issue of the Official Organ will contain the date to be selected.

The Officers are desirous of seeing a large attendance as matters of importance to the Association will be taken into consideration.

Trusting that this request will receive your kind attention.

I have the honour to be, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

ERNEST F. WURTELE. *President.*

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SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT.

BELLEVILLE, May 23, 1893.

To Members of the C. P. A.

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to submit the following report for May:

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.—Ralph P. Ashcroft; references H. A. Fowler, T. S. Clark.

NEW MEMBERS.—283. John McQuoid, Consecon, Ont.; 284, C. S. McKee, Peterborough, Ont.

RECEIPTS.

Balance last statement	- - - - -	\$4 05
Dues 24, 25)	- - - - -	4 00
		<u>8 05</u>

EXPENDITURES.—Viz.

May 22, Balance on hand	- - - - -	\$8 05
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ON April 11th, Henry Charles Wilsher, a postman, came before the common Serjeant at the Old Bailey, to answer a charge of letter stealing. Not only had this man stolen a number of letters, but he had also taken from the envelopes of others a large variety of postage stamps, which the police found at his house. The prisoner, who had been detected by means of a specially prepared test letter, was sent to 18 months' hard labor.—*Stamp Collector.*

THE Philatelic Society of Canada is now nearly two years old, and still its Exchange Department is unorganized, and its *energetic exchange manager* has yet to send out its first exchange circuit. Will some one of the P. S. of C. members kindly inform us what are the benefits offered by the Society, other than to relieve its members of 50 cents of their surplus cash annually.

THE Canada six pence, used between 1851 and 1858, is found on about 10 varieties of paper, and in over 30 different shades, from bright violet to jet black. One Canadian collector we know has over 50 specimens in his collection, and each one differs from its fellow in color or paper.

A LITTLE bird has whispered to us that there is want of harmony among the members of the Toronto Philatelic Club, and that many resignations are likely to follow. We trust we have been misinformed.

CONSIDERABLE difficulty is experienced in obtaining the large postal cards, the post office officials refusing to sell them in lots less than 100, and then only after being assured they are to be used for printing on.

EVERY collector uses stamp hinges. When buying you should always try to get the best. The "Ideal" excels all others. 10 cts. per 1000, 25 cts for 3,000. Sold by H. F. KETCHESON, Belleville, Ont.

MR. H. P. BOYLE, 1719 Q Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., is authorized to receive advertisements and subscriptions for this journal.

L. C. LAW Stamps, 10 varieties, from 10c. to \$1.00, catalogue value \$1.60, for only 75 cents, post paid. Only a few sets, order now. H. F. KETCHESON, Belleville, Ontario.

ARE your sets of Canada Bill Stamps complete? If not send a list of your wants to H. F. KETCHESON, Belleville, Ontario. His stock is complete and his prices right.

FROM a St. John, N. B., correspondent we learn that Dr. Cameron, of Montreal, has been in that city during the past few days.

THE *Philatelic Journal of Canada* has suspended publication and its subscription list will be filled by the *International*.

THE *Ottawa Philatelist* has re-appeared, and promises to appear "regularly and on time" after this. It is much improved.

THE Canada 1c., 2c. and 3c. stamps are now being printed in sheets of 200.

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THE COOMBS FRAUDS.

ST. JOHN, N. B., *May 8th., 1893.*

The warning notice published by me a short time since, relating to the manufacture, in this city, of bogus "split" provisionals of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, need only now be supplemented by giving the names of the persons referred to. These are two brothers, B. F. COOMBS and H. L. COOMBS, both minors, but both old enough to know better.

The chain of circumstances which led me to feel convinced that these fellows were making bogus splits, and so led to the publication of my former notice, has now been fortified by the most positive proof, incapable of contradiction, and I therefore give the names of these youths to the philatelic brotherhood, as dangerous frauds and impostors, whom all persons will do well to avoid.

Beside the New Brunswick 5c. provisionals, these fellows have been manufacturing similar split stamps of Nova Scotia and (worst of all!) Prince Edward Island, besides cancelling New Brunswick remainders to order, by the sheet, and so doubling their price. I propose to force them out of the stamp business, once for all. In the meantime I shall be glad to report upon any of their emissions which may have found their way into the hands of collectors, and which may be sent to me for examination.

R. W. HANNINGTON, *Barrister-at-law, &c.*

A COLUMBIAN SET FREE!

A packet containing 60 varieties of gold stamps as U. S. Department, North, South and Central America, etc., in an entire 3c. red on blue **WAR DEPARTMENT ENVELOPE**, and CATALOGUED AT OVER \$1.50, will be sent for 25 cents. First purchaser gets a 1c. unused stamp of 1893; 3rd a 2c., 6th a 3c., 10th a 4c., etc., including dollar stamps. See **EAGLE PHILATELIST** for complete list, with names of purchasers so far. **ADVERTISERS** can save from 10 to 20 per cent. by placing ads. through my agency. A one inch ad. in any three of the following papers for one month will cost \$1.35, for three months \$3.20, for six months \$5.55, or for a year \$10.65. In six papers for double or in nine papers for three times given rates: "AMERICAN PHILATELIST AND COLLECTOR," "COLLECTOR," "DETROIT," "EAGLE," "FLORIDA," "LONG ISLAND," "PENTUCKET AND ELECTIC PHILATELIST," "HOOSIER STAMP AND PHILATELIC FRAUD REPORTER." I have 25 other papers on file and can make very low rates. **SUBSCRIBERS** can save 10 per cent. by placing their subscriptions through my agency. A years subscription to any three of the papers named will cost only 69 cents, to any six papers \$1.35, to any nine papers \$1.75. Remember 35 papers on file. Get rates.

H. P. BOYLE,

THE DE COPPET AUCTION SALE.

This was without doubt, one of the most important events in the history of philately, as it presented to the stamp world the finest array of material that has ever been offered at public sale. A great deal of credit is due to Mr. De Coppet for the manner in which he arranged and catalogued his collection, and also for the excellent manner in which he brought it to the notice of all collectors as the work was all done by himself. Unfortunately the catalogue was marred by a number of rank frauds and also by a general tendency to exaggerate the condition of the stamps in the interest of the owner and against the interests of the buyer.

We cannot, however, refrain from voicing the general sentiment that prevailed at the sale that "a string was tied to every lot" and that, notwithstanding the fact of reserves being openly placed on some stamps, they were actually placed on every stamp in the collection no matter how unimportant or common.

This is not the principle that is generally adopted in auction sales in America, and we hope that this beginning will not be an entering wedge for such methods in the future.

The total amount realized was in the neighborhood of \$30,000.00, but it is impossible to form an estimate as to the amount that was actually sold, as we know of a number of items having been bought in for the owner's account. We give herewith a list of the stamps that realized \$50.00 and over.

Antigua, 1p rose, unperforated, unsevered pair, watermarked star,	\$91.50
— 1p red, unsevered pair, unperforated vertically,	78.00
Antioquia, 5c green, written cancellation, fine margins,	50.00
— 10c lilac, written cancellation, fine margins,	86.50
Bolivia, Used sheet of 50 centavos blue, rather pale (not sold)	573.00
Bolivar, Unused sheet of 100 centavos green, unsevered with the exception of types 25 and 30 which are unsevered vertical pair (not sold)	370.50
British Columbia and Vancouver Island, 2½p pale pink, imperf. unused,	91.00
— 2½ dark pink, imperf., used	111.00
— 5c rose, imperf. used,	67.00
British Guiana, 2c circular on rose paper, cut round but neatly mounted on a piece of the same colored paper cut square; used,	1010.00
— 4c, yellow, cut round, of a rather dark shade, used,	137.00
— 4c yellow, pale shade, on tissue paper, cut round,	237.00
— 8c green, pale shade, cut square,	177.00

G. B. CALMAN

receipt of a card.

Wholesale dealer in Postage Stamps, 299 Pearl St., New York. My list is the largest and cheapest published, and will be sent free, to dealers only, on

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5 var. entire post cards and U. S. Stamps, valued at 25c, only 18c; 25 var. U. S., catalogue over \$1, only 32c; officially sealed, 1889, catalogue value 25 cts., only 12 cts. Send for sheet at 25 to 40% commission. Remit in ½ cent stamps or silver or postal note. Foreign correspondence wanted

JOHN E. SHEAHAN & CO.

DENNYVILLE, MAINE, U. S. A.

GREECE GREECE! GREECE! 12 varieties, 13 cents; 20 varieties, 28 cents; 25 varieties, 43 cents. Sheets of Greek on approval at net prices. Dealers' mixture, 35 cents per 100, \$2.62 per 1000. I pay the postage. Greek exchanged for used P. E. Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Canada of earlier issues and United States, Columbian issue. MATTHEW R. KNIGHT, Hampton, New Brunswick.

— 12c very pale blue, cut square, straight tail to 2, used,	\$62.00
— 12c pale blue, cut square, curled tale to 2,	63.00
— 12c slightly darker shade of blue, curled tail to 2, cut square	82.00
— 12c same shape as last but varying in type, curled tail to 2 and first "1" of "British" very slanting, cut octagonally,	84.00
— 4c magenta, a supperb used specimen, large margins,	75.50
British Guiana, 4c blue, on surfaced paper, beautiful specimen, very clear print, on entire letter,	427.00
— 4c blue, paper colored through. Another magnificent specimen on entire letter, (this was slightly damaged)	407.00
— Entire, uncut, unused sheet of 24 varieties, 1c rose,	202.80
— 2c yellow, reconstructed sheet of 24 varieties of type,	552.00
— 4c blue reconstructed sheet of 24 varieties of type,	900.00
Buenos Ayres, 4 pesos red, a beautiful used specimen,	60.50
— 4 pesos blue, error in color, nicked, used, (this was nothing but the common "to pesos" and the purchaser has been woefully stuck)	98.00
— 5 pesos orange, beautiful used specimen,	66.00
Canada, 12p black, speck from margin of lower left hand corner, otherwise fine margins,	176.00
Dominica, One Penny surcharged on 6p green, on part of letter, postmarked London, 27 July, 1886,	66.00
Dominican Republic, ½ real rose, uncut sheet of 12 varieties, unused,	90.00
Grenada, 6p red, on laid paper, unused,	102.00
Nevis, 1sh yellow green, perf. 15, on vertically laid paper,	156.00
New Brunswick, 1sh violet, superb unused specimen; thin spot on back,	65.00
— 1sh pale violet, magnificent used specimen; large margins on two sides showing part of adjoining stamps, other sides cut close,	70.25
— Triangular quarter of 1sh. violet, used as 3p. on entire letter; postmarked 23 April, 1860; something unique,	116.00
New Brunswick, 5c brown, perf. 12, Connell; beautiful specimen of this great rarity,	102.50
New Foundland, 1sh. orange, beautiful used specimen, fine shade of this extremely rare stamp,	76.00
— 1sh. deep orange on yellowish paper; a magnificent specimen of this great rarity,	105.00
— 1sh. bright vermilion, magnificent shade and specimen of this rarity, lightly postmarked,	53.25
Nova Scotia, 1sh. mauve, early shade, on piece of letter showing date of postmark, 28 April, 1852; beautiful used specimen of this rarity,	100.05
— Right half of both of 1sh. violet and of 3p blue, used on entire letter as 7½ pence postage; superb specimens of this great rarity,	130.00
Peru, 1 real blue on blue paper; beautiful specimen of this great rarity, used on entire letter,	61.50
— ½ (Medio) peso red, error used; remarkably bright shade with very wide margins;	60.10
St. Christopher, 1p on 2½p blue, surcharge 2 mm. high, unused specimen	

of this very rare stamp,	\$70.00
Tobago, half of 6p orange surcharged 1p with pen and ink, postmarked on piece of letter, extremely rare,	50.00
Tolima, reconstructed sheet of the ten types, consisting of five unsevered pairs, all pen-stroked, on blue vertically laid paper,	200.00
— Unsevered strip of three of the same plate, on blue vertically laid paper, types Nos. 2, 4, 6,	60.00
— Reconstructed sheet of the same on blue vertically laid paper, but letters still more disorganized; ten varieties, all pen cancelled,	200.00
— Unsevered strip of four on blue vertically laid paper with blue ruled lines, pen-stroked,	80.00
— The same on blue quadrille paper, unsevered strip of three, pen-stroked,	60.00
— Reconstructed sheet of ten varieties on buff laid batonne paper,	400.00
— Type 5 of same plate and paper, unused but cracked; a very great rarity,	50.00
— Second plate, on blue laid, batonne paper, similar to buff except in color; unsevered pair, types 6 and 8,	81.00
— Second plate, on blue quadrille paper. Reconstructed sheet of 10 varieties made up of 10 single specimens, types 3 and 9, unused, but the last is trimmed, all the others pen cancelled,	200.00
— Second plate, on blue wove paper, reconstructed sheet of 10 varieties, all cancelled,	200.00
— Second plate, on vertically laid paper, with five horizontally batonne lines in sheet, uncut, unused,	250.00
Trinidad, Lady McLeod, 2p blue, unused,	72.50
United States of America, unsevered, unperforated pair, 30c orange, unused, extremely scarce,	80.00
— 90c blue, unperforated, wide margins, very rare, unused, (nothing but a common proof.)	95.00
— 15c brown and blue, inverted centre, used, fine specimen of this rare stamp,	70.00
— 24c green and black, inverted centre, used,	110.30
— 30c blue and carmine, flags inverted, used, a superb specimen of this great rarity,	220.00
— \$5 green, State, unused, State,	90.00
United States of Columbia, 50c red, error, long neck "5" of "50" used; a superb specimen of this rarity, (this was a counterfeit)	99.00
— 50c red, error, square "o" to "50" with dash attached equally as rare as the last,	100.00
— 25c black on rose, used; a great rarity,	59.00
— 25c black on rose, used; a great rarity,	59.00

In our limited space we can quote only the great rarities but the general average of prices was enormously high, and truthfully, it may be stated that it is the first sale on record where collectors were not able to secure a single bargain.—*American Journal of Philately*.

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T. S. Clark, accompanied by Mrs. Clark, started for Europe on May 23rd. We wish them *Bon Voyage*.

KINGSTON NOTES.

Having been compelled to visit the old "Limestone City" on business a few day ago, I called on several of the Collectors in that city, and so passed a very pleasant afternoon with them. Some years ago Kingston had more stamp collectors for its population than any other town or city in Canada. Almost every one of the 400 cadets at the Royal Military College, as well as the boys around town having caught the "stamp fever." Now, outside of the small boy collectors, there are not more than five or six who are actively collecting, although there are dozens of fine collections made years ago by persons there who have not had a stamp added to them for 10 or 15 years, and yet the owners cannot be induced to part with them. Several quite large finds of early U. S. and Canada stamps have been made there lately, and which have aided some of the few active collectors to enrich their collections by exchanging. We spent the afternoon with Mr. R. Sutherland, who has a fine collection of North American stamps only, he being a specialist in these stamps, and H. E. Moore, the Secretary of the P. S. of C. Mr. Moore is an art student at Queen's, and as his studies take up most of his time he has allowed his interest in stamps to wane. His collection numbers about 4000 varieties, and during the long summer vacation he intends increasing and beautifying it.

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CANADA WEIGHT AND MEASURE STAMPS.

I have frequently noticed on looking through price lists of Canadian Revenues that "Weights and Measure" stamps are seldom offered for sale even by Canadian dealers. Occasionally we see a few of the many varieties offered for sale, but the price is always very high in comparison with other Canadian Revenues, as Bill Stamps and Law Stamps. What is the cause of this? It is evident that there must be a scarcity of these stamps. To what is this scarcity due? There two great causes:

First.—The Inspector of Weights and Measures is required to pay bi-annual visits for the purpose of inspecting. After being paid the inspection fee he places stamps to cover the amount on the inspection paper. These act as a receipt showing that the fee has been paid and cannot be removed until the next visit of the Inspector. During the ensuing two years the inspection paper is very often misplaced, although the party owning the articles inspected could made be pay the fee again. In this and many other ways many of the stamps are lost.

Second.—It is expressly ordered on the inspection paper that the Inspector must use the highest value, or denomination, of stamps, as far as possible. For instance, if the fee amounts to \$2.00 the Inspector is required to use one \$2.00 stamp, and not two or more of a lesser denomination. In this manner only one stamp is used where very often a larger number would be were it not for the proviso on the inspection paper. These are probably the chief causes for the scarcity of Weight and Measure Stamps,

R. H. HUNTER'S EXPERIENCE.

London, Ont., has within a very short time became quite a Philatelic centre. Several stamp papers and numerous dealers having sprung into existence as by magic. For some time past numerous complaints have been received at our office regarding the business methods of some of these London dealers, but owing to insufficient evidence to properly establish charges we have refrained from publishing them. One of them, a dealer and publisher, has come to grief and may ere this be in the "clutches of the law."

We admire the pluck of Mr. Hunter, whose letter to us and statement of the case we publish herewith, and only wish there were more collectors like him who would refuse to submit to be swindled out of their money and say nothing. The following is Mr. Hunter's experience :—

OTTAWA, 13th May, 1893.

TO H. F. KETCHESON ESQ, Belleville.

DEAR SIR.—I understand that you are the Editor of the Dominion Philatelist, and as you would no doubt like to have anything of interest to collectors, I enclose herewith a copy of a circular which I propose issuing, a copy of a criminal information which I sent to the County Crown Attorney, and a copy of reply from that gentleman. From the peculiar wording of the latter I would infer that Dickson's whereabouts is at present unknown. I think that owing to Dickson's numerous advertisements in the "Phil. Journal of C." it is of import-

Do you want to buy a Canada Six-pence of 1851-7? I have several beautiful specimens on thick and thin wove and laid papers, lightly cancelled, large margins, perfect beauties.

Send for prices, or will send on approval to collectors known to me.

H. F. Ketcheson,

Belleville, Ont.

ance that his dishonesty should be made known as soon as possible in order that others should not be entrapped in the way I have been. Yours truly,

RICHARD H. HUNTER,

CIRCULAR.

On the 24th March, I noticed in the February number of the "Philatelic Journal of Canada," an advertisement of a person named H. S. Dickson, who I believe is also the publisher of said Journal, offering a packet (Packet No. 11) of British North American stamps for \$4.75, I thereupon remitted to him a Post Office order for \$5.00, and instructed the party to send them by registered letter. Up to date the only reply I have received to my repeated protests against the delay in sending the stamps, has been a postal card acknowledging the receipt of the order; the card is dated the 28th March, and is signed by the initial of some one representing Dickson, and states that Dickson is "confined to his home through illness." On receipt of this card, I reasoned that the man was not likely to be too ill to instruct one of his staff to send me Packet No. 11, which would have been a very simple thing to do—nothing very complicated about it, I therefore came to the conclusion that there was something wrong; I then wrote asking for the return of the money or the fulfilment of the order.

Subsequently, the March number of the Philatelic Journal appeared, in which no mention is made of the alleged illness of its publisher, or any apologies for the non-fulfilment of orders, but a fresh lot of advertisements appeared, to one of which is appended a foot-note, i. e. "Orders filled day of receipt." Now if the advertiser was so ill as to be unable to take any notice of my order of nearly a month previous, then the act of inserting fresh advertisements appears to me to

I Buy Collections

I desire to buy a few good collections for cash.

Write me before selling elsewhere, or send me your collection naming your lowest cash price. If I do not buy, will return same at my expense.

H. F. Ketcheson,

Belleville, Ontario.

be an act of deception, the readers of this circular however, can put their own construction on Dickson's conduct. I fancy that he is sailing very close to the wind. Having come to this conclusion, I wrote Dickson on the 17th instant, an ultimatum, to the effect that if I did not hear from him on or before the 20th instant, I would be compelled to publish the particulars of my experience with him to the Philatelic world. Much as I regret having to take this course, I feel that I owe it my duty to inform my brother Philatelists of what I consider a most dishonorable action, which, if his course, if not promptly arrested would tend to bring dealers into disrepute, and cause a feeling of distrust among philatelists.

OTTAWA, 12th May, 1893.

SUPPLEMENTARY CIRCULAR.

Since writing the first circular, I received a post card dated London, 20, '93, reading as follows:—"Dear Sir.—Your numerous letters to hand. The reason I have been keeping you waiting is because I was disappointed in not receiving a lot of Br. Columbias sooner. Expect them in the course of a day or two. Your order will be filled immediately."

H. S. DICKSON,
Per S.

Upon receiving this I decided to give Dickson a day or two longer before taking extreme measures, although the explanation offered was a most unsatisfactory one for two reasons.

1st. That my order to Dickson was made immediately after the publication of his Journal for February, yet in the March number (knowing that he has no Br. Columbias on hand, according to his own statement) he publishes an

Blank Approval Sheets

Dealers should write for my prices on large orders of Blank Approval Sheets, before buying elsewhere.

I can furnish 1,000, 5,000, 10,000 25,000, or 50,000 lots at prices that will surprise you. Send for samples and prices.

Best material, finest workmanship.

ADDRESS

H. F. Ketcheson,
Belliville, Ontario.

advertisement offering these very stamps for sale. And besides he practically admits that he has no packets such as he advertised for sale in the February number of the Journal: legally this is a felony for it is obtaining money under false pretences, of course this is my present view in the absence of any explanation from Dickson.

2nd. If he had the slightest consideration for a would be customer, he would have forwarded the packet, minus the Br. Columbias, with a Memo to the effect that they would be forwarded as soon as possible, or offered other stamps in lieu thereof, if I did not choose to wait.

(COPY)

CANADA, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, COUNTY OF CARLETON.

The information and complaint of Richard Harrison Hunter, Accountant, taken this eighth day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, before the undersigned, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said County of Carleton, who saith that:—

1st. That on or about the twenty-fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-three, he did notice in the "Philatelic Journal of Canada" an advertisement of a person named "H. S. Dickson" offering a packet (described more especially as "Packet No. 11") of fifty varieties of stamps of Canadian for the sum of (\$4.75) four dollars and seventy-five cents. The particular number or issue of the aforesaid Journal was that purporting to be the February number.

2nd. That the deponent verily believing that the aforesaid person Dickson had the said Packet Number 11 in stock for sale as advertised, did remit to him a Post Office order for the sum of five dollars, and did request the said Dickson to send to the deponent the stamps by registered letter.

3rd. That deponent has not up to the date hereof received from Dickson, either directly or indirectly any stamps or the value thereof of any description whatsoever.

4th. The deponent on the thirty-first of March, received a postal card (Exhibit marked No. 1 herewith) purporting to come from Dickson, and bearing the date London, 28/3/93, in which Dickson acknowledges the receipt of Post Office order, and alleges that the delay in filling the order is caused by being confined to his home through illness.

5th. That the deponent has frequently written to Dickson protesting against the delay in the execution of the order.

6th. That Dickson by postal card dated the 20th of April, 1893 (Exhibit marked No. 2 herewith) acknowledges the receipt of deponent's numerous letters, and ascribes the reason of the delay in sending the packet of stamps is owing to the disappointment in not receiving a certain lot of British Columbian stamps; the deponent believes this to be a falsehood and untrue, as Dickson advertises these very stamps for sale in the March or subsequent number of the aforesaid Journal—or in other words one month after the issue of the February number.

7th. That the deponent believes that Dickson is the publisher of the "Philatelic Journal of Canada" which appears to be published in the same

building as the alleged stamp business is conducted—namely 57 & 59 Dundas street, London, Ontario.

8th. That the deponent verily believes that Dickson is committing a felony, inasmuch as he is advertising goods for sale which he is not possessed of, and that he has received money from the deponent under false pretences, and practically refuses to make restitution although requested to do so.

SWORN before me, the day and year first above mentioned.

(Signed)

JOHN HENDERSON, J. P.

For the County of Carleton.

(COPY)

Office of JAMES MAGEE, Barrister, &c.

County Crown Attorney and Clerk of the Peace.

LONDON, CANADA, May 10th, 1893.

DEAR SIR.—Your letter of 8th inst., with your information taken before Mr Henderson, J. P., against H. S. Dickson, and three exhibits.

I have not yet ascertained defendant's present address, but will write you further on learning it. Yours truly,

(Signed)

JAMES MAGEE,

County Crown Attorney.

R. H. HUNTER, ESQ.,

Topographical Survey,

Department of Interior, Ottawa, Ont.

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SOME interesting items are found in Roger's Philatelic Blue Book, which has just arrived. In it are given the names of collectors, their address, business, age, etc. We will take a short sketch of the officers of the C.P.A. by referring to this book. The President, Col. E. F. Wurtele of Quebec, is a railroad man by occupation, and is a member of the following Philatelic Societies: Quebec Philatelic Club and the C.P.A. He collects all kinds of stamps having no speciality. The number of varieties in his collection are 6,500. Mr. Wurtele is 32 years old. Mr. A. A. Bartlett, the Vice-President, is a resident of Charlottetown, and is a manufacturer's agent by business. He only belongs to one society, the C. P. A. His collection is composed of British Colonies and amounts to about 5,000 varieties. Mr. Bartlett is 40 years old. Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. T. S. Clark, is a resident of Belleville, and while away his time as bank clerk. Mr. Clark is a member of the American Philatelic Association, the Staten Island Philatelic Society and the C. P. A. He collects United States and Great Britain, and Colonies, and has 3,000 varieties in his collections. Mr. Clark is both a dealer and collector, and has \$1,000 invested in the business. He is 38 years old. Mr. H. F. Ketcheson, of Belleville, the exchange manager, is employed in the civil service, and is a member three societies, the C. P. A., the A. P. A. and the Staten Island Philatelic Society. Mr. Ketcheson's specialty is B. N. A. stamps and he has a large collection. Mr. Ketcheson is a dealer and collector, and has \$4,000 invested in the so-called craze. He is 30 years old. A. E. Labelle, of Montreal, Librarian of the C. P. A., is a bank cashier and is 27 year old. He has a general collection amounting to 5,000 varieties, and has \$500 invested in the business.

THE marriage engagement of Mr. Wm C. Stone has been announced in the Springfield (Mass.) papers, and probably it is not too hasty on our part to make known the fact in our columns. Mr Stone was a very happy man during the convention at Niagara Falls last year, and it was a subject of remark with every one ; the writer, being perhaps more inquisitive than most people, made an attack on Mr. Stone eliciting from him the information given above, but was under iron bound contract to keep it on the quiet. We extend our sincere congratulations to Mr. Stone as well as to the young lady whom he is to marry. Mr. Stone is a member of the Literary Board of the A.P.A., and editor in chief of the *American Philatelist* ; he also has charge of the chronicle departments of various philatelic papers.—*Mckeels Weekly*.

THE Eighth Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Association will be held at Chicago during the week of August, 14-19, the exact days depending on the date on which a hall can be secured. The following are the committee as announced by the President : " Messrs W. H. MacDonald, W. C. Kurzweg and C. E. Severn are the Committee on Hall ; Messrs P. M. Wolsieffer, S. B. Bradt and C. E. Severn are the Committee on Information, and will answer all communications addressed to them, as to rooms to be had, etc. The entire branch will act as Reception Committee, and Messrs Samuel Leland, A. L. Holman and T. Topan as a General Committee of Arrangements Further details will be announced as soon as arranged."

A FEW days ago at Belleville, Ont., a man was fined \$10 and costs, \$13 in all, for using a cancelled 3c. stamp to mail a letter.

The editor has visited Napanee, Trenton, Picton, Cobourg and Port Hope, on stamp business, during the past month.

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