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## Toronto Notes.

BY WALDO.

Edgar Nelson, of New York, has been in the city during the past month. Kelsey Hall of Peterboro, Chas. A. Needham of Hamilton and H. C. Stork of Brampton visit us frequently.

The "Colonial Stamp" will appear from Toronto in March by the Colonial Stamp & Pub. Co. We wish them success.

Several attempts have been made in this city to organize a stamp collectors' club but as yet they have not resulted successfully. A movement is at present on foot to organize a "Collectors' Club" and we hope to be able to report success next month.

Nearly every boy in Toronto who collects stamps when he gets a few duplicates he embarks as a stamp dealer has a few letter heads printed and then he thinks he is "all the way." The number of young dealers in Toronto is surprising.

It is rumored around town that the large dealers intend forming a stock company for the purpose of publishing a weekly stamp paper after the manner of Mekeet's Weekly. No doubt such a paper, as a Canadian paper, would be a success. More anon.

## Massachusetts Items.

BY HERBERT GILE.

The new U. S. 1c green appears in a great variety of shades.

An effort is being made to establish a stamp club in Sharon, a small town near Boston, but the effort bids fair to be unsuccessful, through the lack of interest on the part of the local collectors.

The Omaha stamps find few supporters. Those who do uphold them are only half in earnest.

The writer recently saw a collection in the possession of a boy in which were some very fine stamps whose color had been changed by sticking them flat with bad mucilage.

Most of the green stamps of the U. S. may have their color changed by applying soda. It remains to be seen whether the new 1c green can be changed to blue by this process.

There is a great tendency on the part of collectors in this vicinity for sending stamps to foreign countries for exchange. The results are often very good. But there is one general fault, for at least 25 per cent. of the letters remain unanswered. This is either the fault of the correspondent or the postal service in foreign countries must be poor.

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## Editorial.

Mr. Oswald having disposed of his share in this paper I am now publishing it myself. I intend, as far as possible, to get the issues out on time every month. It will be my aim to have all latest and up-to-date articles.

Owing to lack of time to prepare this issue, I had to reduce the size. Next number however the paper will have its usual number of pages and will appear on time. Advertisers had better send in their copy a little earlier so as to cause no delay.

We have received one of the Blue Books of the Merchants' Collecting Agency of Lowell, Mass. It is very useful and should be in the hands of every dealer. It is free for the asking and protects one in part from "dead beats."

The Editor of the Ontario

Philatelist, although he is the Auction Sale Manager of the D. P. A. and a resident of Ontario, thinks that it would be quite right if the eastern members of the Association were to send in their resignations because they did not get "Eastern Secession" in the last election. It is hard for a new-comer to see what ails the different officers of the D. P. A.

We must beg to apologize to our readers and friends for the abrupt manner in which we stopped our prize competition. We do not want our readers to think for one instant that this prize competition was published as a mere sham. It was not. We published and had made provision for the filling of the prize lists. Towards the end of February Mr. Oswald sold out his share and I decided to carry the paper on myself. When he left the business everything had to be looked after by myself. Not having sufficient time to look after everything I determined to postpone the prize contest till some future day.

I hope my readers will not deal too harshly with me this time and I will try never to let such a thing occur again.

Mr. Batchelder, manager of the New England Stamp Co., has made an extensive tour across the country, stopping at Detroit, Chicago, Kansas City, Denver, Colorado Springs, Sacramento, San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Antonio, Houston, New Orleans, Memphis, St. Louis and Cleveland. It remains to be seen what the result will be.

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