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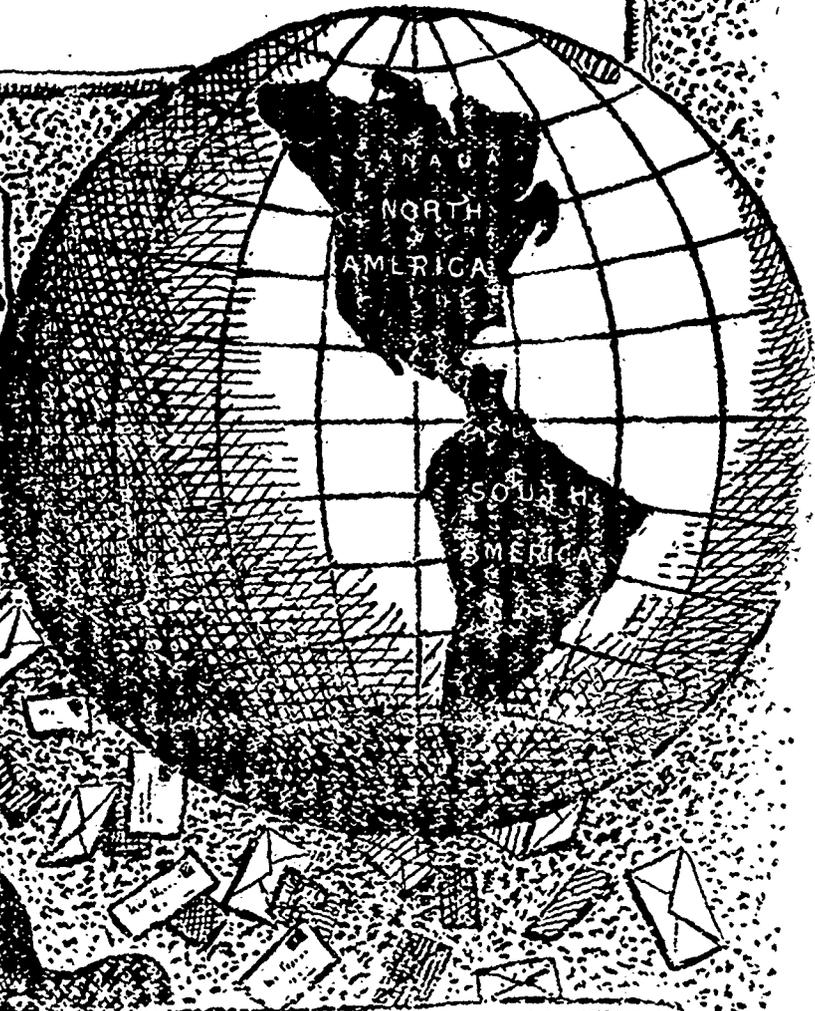
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SAVED FROM THE HAMMER.

BY JULIA S. MASON.

The day was drawing to a close one of those glorious June days, the pride of our Canadian summer; the sun was just sinking behind the tall steeple of a neighboring church, but before bidding adieu to the busy city it sent a soft kindly ray through the latticed window of a lowly looking cottage, and rested on the flushed and wasted features of a little girl, apparently about 9 years of age, whom we will introduce to our readers as Ella Linden. Beside the bed stood a tall dignified looking lady with handsome features, but whose face was sadly marred with mental suffering. As she bent over the little sufferer a stranger could easily read in the careworn affectionate face the relationship that existed between nurse and patient, Mrs. Linden, for she was the child's mother, looked like a person who had seen better days. In fact, she had been reared in comparative luxury.

In order to give our readers a brief history of the interesting personages who form our brief sketch we will have to go back a few years. Two brothers, Edgar and Walter Linden, had been left orphans. In England provision had been made for their maintenance and education. Rev. Mr. Lockwood who had been appointed

their guardian, and who had been an intimate friend of their parents, spared no pains in giving the boys a good English education. While their holidays were spent at his house their companion and playmate a lovely little girl who was under the tutelage of a resident governess. Many happy days were spent with her new found companions during vacation roaming over the commons and through wooded grove under the care of her governess in search of botanical specimens. Her companions were intense lovers of nature, and many were the specimens of insect life which found their way into Mr. Lockwood's library where he had prepared cabinets for their reception. Thus developing a practical knowledge of the natural sciences that could not otherwise be obtained. But when the weather rendered those out-door amusements impracticable their chief pleasure consisted in philatelic research. In this Mr. Lockwood lent his encouragement for well he knew that in this occupation they would combine valuable knowledge with amusement, and ever on the alert to develop the minds of his beloved charge, he allowed them to devote a part of their pocket money in purchasing the postage stamps of the different countries and assisting them in learning the history and data of each. They proved apt pupils and in time amassed a mind of general know-

ledge as well as a magnificent collection of revenue stamps which was in itself of no mean value. On arriving at manhood Edgar took his portion of his father's fortune and sought the far famed shores of New Zealand, where he hoped to increase his fortune by careful investment. Walter remained with his guardian who placed him in business, where by careful and prompt attention he soon became an expert in his branch of trade. In course of time he loved and won the hand of Miss Lockwood, his guardian's daughter, and with bright prospects and anticipations came to Canada, determined to try his fortune in the new world. He opened up business in one of our commercial cities. Two children a boy and girl blest their union. For a time all went well; prosperity seemed to be their lot until he overstepped the bounds of prudence and in an unlucky moment ventured in speculation, which proved disastrous to his business. As usual in such cases the worst came, and poor Mr. Linden after satisfying his creditors found he had nothing left. A friend in kindly sympathy offered him a position in his warehouse which he gladly accepted in order to provide for the immediate wants of his family. In his heroic attempts to build up his fallen fortunes he made undue demands on his strength. With a mind ill at ease and an overworked body he soon fell a victim to disease. While returning home one evening from business, exhausted both in mind and body, a cold and heavy rain storm swept up, and before he could reach the car, was thoroughly saturated. The long ride home produced a chill which resulted in pneumonia. The morning found him delirious. He rallied but a few days, and then the end came as it comes to us all, but to him in the full vigor of youth it came all too soon. But what wonder it is when we reflect how business men spend their days in the anxiety for wealth, in the bustle, the jostle, the rush and

excitement, combined with hurried meals and close impure offices, the wonder is that so many survive. Mrs. Linden now felt the keen edge of sorrow. What woman who has passed through the same but knows the utter wretchedness the fierce heartache. But for her children's sake she must not nurse her grief. They have no one to look to now for protection and support but herself, for, since her husband's failure, her friends had lost sight of her. These shots pass rapidly through her mind as she sits behind him who was once beautiful in life now to her beautiful even in death. She could gaze on that pale refined face and see a hollowed smile resting on the half parted lips. Softly her children creep into the chamber of death and with their artless questions innocently bring their mother out of her lethargic grief. After the last said rites had been paid to the departed, Mrs. Linden realized for the first time in her life what it was to face the world, and earn her own and her children's bread. But one thing her mind was fixed on, she would never give up her children. They would never be without a mother's love and care while she had life. With this firm resolve and blessed with good health and a large amount of courage, she went forward taking up the burden of life, and to a lady of her refined sensibility and tender training it was no easy task, but she had a vigorous intellect and thanks to her father's prudent training her mind had been stored with a large fund of useful knowledge which she turned to practical account in lessening the expenses and rendering her home comfortable. We will not follow her into the details of her life, her struggles and heartaches. She met with many obstacles but occasionally some encouraging circumstance, would produce a silver lining on her otherwise obscure horizon. She selected a small but neatly appointed cottage in a respectable quarter of the city. She was skilled in fine art and needle work,

also drawing and music. She also possessed a fine rich voice which she now prized and valued as it would be a means of contributing to the comfort of her little ones. With a brave heart and undaunted courage she soon found open avenues for her talents. A position was obtained in one of the large church choirs, and this soon led to a recognition of her musical talents. Her services soon became in great demand.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

More About Miss Green.

The Miss Green swindle has now become quite interesting, and additional developments are coming to light. This party was in Winnipeg on April last, and wrote to Mr. W. B. Hale, of Williamsville, Mass., as Miss Ada Krington, giving the fictitious reference of McKay & Bland, 214 Main St. Miss Krington said her uncle was postmaster at Toronto 25 years ago(?) The postmaster at Winnipeg wrote to say that there are no such persons as McKay and Bland, and that Miss Ada Krington had left there in May or June. She next turned up at Lincoln, Neb., as Miss Etta F. King, giving writing reference from "Strong & Co." From there she went to Denton, which is in same county as Lincoln. There she wrote under the name of Miss Jessie E. Green, giving reference of J. G. McKay and J. J. Winters, barrister. Next we hear of her at Los Angeles, where Alec M. Krington is the name used. Further developments in this wonderful case are expected and anything relating to it should be sent to John R. Hooper, Vice-President, C.P.A., Ottawa, Ont., who has sifted the case to the bottom. This bogus female is being tracked by a U.S. P.O. Inspector for swindling through the mails, while the chief detective of Minneapolis police department has the case in his hands with orders to arrest for robbery. Already over \$300 in stamps is known to have been

sent to this king of frauds. Here is a chance surely for the A.P.A. or some other society to distinguish itself by taking this case in hand.

ROME, N.Y., July 7th, 1888.

GENTLEMEN,—I noticed your charges against Miss Jessie E. Green, of Denton, Neb., in the June No. of the TORONTO PHILATELIC JOURNAL, and having a small amount invested in Miss Green, I write you not for sympathy and condolence, but to show you the recommendation given by her to me, endorsed by J. J. Winters, Jr. I have made no enquiry in regard to her as my investment in her is small, not to exceed \$5.50, and shall await the result of your investigation.

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Convention 1889.—Montreal.

The election of officers will take place at the Convention to be held in Toronto on Sept. 19th and 20th. All members who cannot attend, but wish to be represented, should send their proxies to Mr. E. Y. Parker, 47 Huron St., Toronto, with instructions as to how they wish their vote to be cast, etc. Members entrusting their proxies to Mr. Parker can be assured that their vote will be cast as desired.

C.P.A.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Our list of applications this month shows a considerable falling off, which is, no doubt, due to the approach of the hot weather. I would again call the attention of those not having as yet joined our ranks to the fact that members are admitted for the balance of the year at 50c. No 40 was through an oversight published last month as having been expelled for non-payment of dues. This should not have been done, and I trust the gentleman will kindly overlook the error. Particulars of the Philatelic Exhibition to be held at our Convention next autumn will be found in another column, and I trust that as the time for preparation is very much limited, every member will put his shoulder to the wheel and labor earnestly to make the exhibit a success.

LIST OF APPLICATIONS, No. 4.

A. Lehmann, Jr., 635 Main Street, Paterson, N. J. Reference A.P.A.

A. T. Ogilvie, care A. W. Ogilvie & Co., Montreal, P.Q. Reference A. E. Labelle, H. F. Ketcheson.

Edw. C. Biggar, Fremont, Neb. References, Geo. A. Lowe, W. H. Jones.

W. A. DeWolf Smith, New Westminster, B.C. References, A. W. Smith, S. DeWolf.

J. A. LEIGHTON,
Secy.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Members of the C.P.A.:

GENTLEMEN,—After corresponding with and having the opinion of most of the officers and some of the members of our Association, I have decided that Toronto would be the most convenient place of meeting, and we will therefore meet there for our Annual Convention on September 19th and 20th.

I trust all the officers will be present, and as many of the members as possible, as many important matters will come before the meeting. Every member in good standing who cannot attend in person should make arrangements to be represented by proxy, which should be done in writing and signed before a witness.

I have been asked by some of the members about a stamp exhibition at same time as Convention, but think we had better wait till next year. It would be a good idea for all the members who attend to bring their collections with them.

As the election of officers will take place at Convention, the Secretary is now ready to receive nominations for the various offices to be filled.

The Constitution and By-laws will come before the meeting for amending and revising so we can have them printed and circulated among the members.

I trust the Toronto members will make all necessary arrangements for place of meeting, etc.

Our Association is steadily growing and I want every member to secure at least one new member from among his fellow-collectors before the end of this year; I wish to double the membership and in order to do so will want the united help of the Association. We hope, by the beginning of next year, to have all the departments in working order.

Yours truly,
H. F. KETCHESON,
Pres. C.P.A.

DEAR SIR,—Since writing my official report I have reconsidered the question about a stamp exhibition, and have decided that we shall have one.

I will therefore name the following Executive Committee to make all necessary arrangements for said Exhibition: E. Y. Parker, T. J. McMinn, Geo. A. Lowe, J. A. Leighton, F. J. Grenny, and the following General Committee to collect and

forward the exhibits to the Executive Committee: Williston Brown, P.E.I.; H. S. Harte, N.B.; J. A. Craig and J. Noble Crane, N.S.; C. C. Morency and R. A. Baldwin Hart, Quebec; J. R. Hooper, W. D. B. Spry, A. G. Needham, Mrs. Mason, Ontario; J. H. Todd, Manitoba and British Columbia; J. M. Sheridan, Brooklyn, N.Y., for the U.S.

I trust all the members I have named on the General Committee will act and do all they can to make this exhibition a success.

H. F. KETCHESON.

EXCHANGE SUPT.'S REPORT.

The Exchange Department is very active, and a large number of stamps keep coming in. Send all you can, as a large variety of sheets gives me a better chance to suit the members' requirements. During the months of July and August a good many collectors are away or going away from home to spend their holidays, and stamp business generally languishes except with those ardent and enthusiastic philatelists whose numbers are on the increase - therefore, until September I will not send out as many books on circuit as usual. About sixty members are now taking advantage of the benefit derived from the exchange. Any member who has no duplicates to trade, but desires to obtain stamps from the Exchange Books, can do so by notifying me. Two branches are now in operation. No. of sheets received filled to date 350, value - \$1,500.

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Items.

Additional facts are coming to light regarding the approval sheet stealing which has been carried on at Denton, Neb., by a young man who goes by the name of Miss Jessie E. Greene. Not only have Canadians suffered but dozens of dealers in the U.S., including the proprietor of the *Mohawk Standard* and Mr. Wm. B. Hall, of Williamsville, Mass. The latter states he has been defrauded by this party, and that he has placed the matter in the hands of the trustees of the A.P.A.

Mr. Hechler will be a candidate for the Presidency of the C.P.A. at the next election.

Rev. Henry S. Harte, who is one of the best informed philatelists in the Maritime Provinces, is getting out a sketch of Canada's fiscal stamps.

NUMISMATIC DEPARTMENT.

All matters relating to this department should be addressed to Jos. Hooper, Box 145 Port Hope, Ont.

We have received a full set of Canadian Silver for 1888—50c. piece, 25c., 10c. and 5c., also the "Copper cent," same date.

The Bank of Montreal, side view, half penny, 1838 (in very fine condition) realized \$32.50 at the W. N. Friesner sale held in Philadelphia, April 5th and 6th last.

The demand for Canadian coin still prevails, and the collectors are increasing in number; greater enthusiasm apparently prevails in the Province of Quebec than any of the other portions of the Dominion.

We recently sold No. 23 (Leroux) at \$7.50 cash. No. 47 has been enquired for by several advanced collectors lately and is difficult to procure. We recently obtained the 50c. Brit Colonial as Leroux No. 74. No. 85, Jamaica on Barrel, is another extreme rarity, and hard to find.

The following is a description of a bronze Jubilee Medal, 1887, just received from England. Size, 49. Obverse, veiled bust of the Queen Victoria; around circle "Victoria Regina et Imperatrix." Reverse, in the centre a figure representing the British Empire sits enthroned, with the sea in the background, resting one hand on the sword of justice, and holding in the other the symbol of victorious rule. A lion is seen on each side of the throne. At the feet of the seated figure lies Mercury, the God of Commerce, the mainstay of our imperial strength, holding up in one hand a cup heaped with gold. Opposite to him sits the Genius of Electricity and Steam. Below, again, five shields banded together bear the names of the five parts of the globe, Europe, Asia, Africa, America and Australia, over which the Empire extends. On each side of the figure of Empire stand the personified elements of its greatness—on the right (of the spectator) Industry and Agriculture; on the left, Science, Letters, and Art. Above, the occasion of the celebration commemorated is expressed by two winged figures representing the years 1887 (the advancing figure), and the year 1837 (with averted head), holding each a wreath. Where these wreaths interlock, the letters V. R. I. appear, and over all the words "In Commemoration."

Dr. Leroux's new work has been received. Its title "The Canadian Coin Cabinet" (price \$5). While it represents considerable labor in its compilation, and in numbers run to 1881, still it falls far short of what is desired; many interesting pieces have been left out. The engraving of about one-half is mediocre, and the interesting description as given in McLachlan's work of each piece is altogether left out. The metal varieties are not given, and were we expected and looked for, an interesting and fully illustrated and correct illustration of Sous. The engravings are so poor as to be in

many cases unintelligible. A full compendium and correct list of Canadian coins, medals and tokens remains still a work of the future; we know of no one so able to produce such a useful work as Robt. W. McLachlan, Esq., of Montreal, and look forward with great expectancy to his supplementary work. The manuscript for which is well prepared, and will, we are promised, be issued this fall. While we do not wish to disparage the Dr.'s effort to give us all he was able, and would give him credit for work accomplished, still we have to state that a more thorough work, well described and fully illustrated, will yet be written and completed out of the material already furnished, together with more lucid descriptions, a better class of engravings and more systemization in arrangement. A very voluminous manuscript by Gerald E. Hart, Esq., of Montreal, which the editor of this department had the pleasure of examining would furnish valuable material which is yet wanted, and we hope to see utilized.

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