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# The Dominion Philatelist

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IN THE INTERESTS OF STAMP COLLECTING.

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Vol. I

## IF YOU WILL SEND — — —

To E. T. PARKER, Bethlehem, Pa., for a copy of his Monthly Priced List of Postage Stamps, you will, after examining it, have cause to be glad that you did so.

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do 4 do do do 6  
And many other rare British Colonies. Advanced  
collectors should send for some of my sheets; there  
are many bargains on them. H. F. KETCHESON,  
Box 499, Belleville, Ont.

## NOTES.

—We wish to exchange with all Philatelic papers published. Send two copies and we will do the same.

—We understand that the Montreal members of the C.P.A. have organized a branch, but we have had no particulars of same.

—If the proposed amendments to the present postal laws of this country become law, we will likely have two or three new stamps.

—In another part of this paper will be found an account of the organization of the Barrie Branch of C. P. A. This is a step in the right direction, and we wish our Barrie brethren success.

—The attempt on the part of the P. M. General to increase the rate on drop letters from one to two cents, and also to charge postage on monthly publications, is very unpopular, and deservedly so.

—Mr. P. C. Jones, of this city, has issued a Catalogue of Canadian coins, which can be obtained from him at the extremely low price of five cents. His full address is P. C. Jones, box 475, Belleville, Ont.

—A letter bearing the following address, recently passed through the Peterborough P.O.:—

“Young—Annie Ida, is her name,  
Rush Point is now her station;  
Ontario's her native country,  
Teaching her occupation.”

—Mr. W. H. Bruce, of Hartford, Conn., writes:—“Wish you would warn all dealers and collectors against a young swindler, operating at Yarmouth, N.S., operating under the name of Chas. D. McGill. He is an irresponsible youth of thirteen years, but by false references he has managed to get the best of a number of dealers.”

—We have been informed that the auction sale held last month by the Nova Scotia Philatelic Association was decidedly a success, \$194.00 having been realized for the 100 lots sold. The prices realized were above the average, the N. S. and N.B. bringing between \$27 and \$28 each. They intend to continue them every month.

—The Executive Committee of C.P.A. do not seem to understand what their duties really are, as we are informed they have been appointing officers to fill vacancies that have occurred since the late elections. In doing this they have decidedly exceeded their authority, as the constitution distinctly states in article iv., section 4, that the President only has power to fill vacancies.

—The proof-reading of the late issue of the C. P. A. Constitution has been severely criticized, by several persons, among which is our worthy Secretary. As the editor of this paper had charge of the publishing of said constitution, we wish to state the cause of so many errors occurring in list of members' names. It is that the list furnished us by the Secretary was incorrect in many places, and so badly written as to be almost illegible. We engaged an expert copyist to try and decipher, and make a correct copy of the said list, but it was utterly impossible, so we did the best we could.

## THE C. P. A.

Our Association is not growing as rapidly as we would like to see. By looking at the reports of the Secretary we notice that members are resigning about as fast as others are joining. This ought not to be, and the officers should take steps to ascertain the cause and remedy it if possible. We think that there are some attractions that similar societies possess that we lack, for we notice that they manage to keep the old members, as well as add new ones; for example, notice the A. P. A. Last month four members resigned, and twenty-two new members were added, while in the C. P. A. four members resigned and only two new ones were added.

A postal clerk worked in his dirty car, Hustling mail near and far  
In a “get there Eli” sort of a way.  
He talked himself and I heard him say,  
“That a D. C. postal clerk, is, as a rule,  
An under paid, overworked Government mule.”

—American Stamps.

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## OUR CATALOGUE,

Which the public have been expecting to appear for some time, has been unavoidably delayed, but we are now pleased to state is nearing completion, and will reach all who have ordered them about the same time as this paper does, or perhaps a few days later.

Those who have not already ordered one should do so at once, as the edition will be limited to 500 copies, and a good portion of that number are already sold. Paper 25 cents; cloth 50 cents. Address,

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## THANKS.

We wish to thank those who so generously responded to our appeal last month for more subscriptions and advertising and to state that our expectations were

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## BARRIE BRANCH OF THE C. P. A.

Through the efforts of the members of the C. P. A. residing in Barrie, they have succeeded in fully organizing what is now known as the Barrie Branch of the C. P. A. The society has for a beginning a large membership and many more are expected. The regular meetings of the society are held every Monday evening.

Monday evening, March 4th, the election of officers took place and the following were elected:—President, E. J. Rogerson, Box 211, Barrie, Ont, Exchange Manager, E. J. Rogerson, Box 211, Barrie, Secretary-Treasurer, Will. D. B. Spry, Box 223, Barrie, Librarian, A. L. Ball, Box 28, Barrie, Executive Committee, Messrs. W. D. Morton and A. Lane, with the officers of the Association.

Mr. E. J. Rogerson has consented to act as Exchange Manager as well as President and with the remaining efficient staff, this branch will no doubt do good work this season. The Librarian requests the publishers of Philatelic papers and magazines to forward a copy each month to the Library for the use of the members. Applications and any correspondence relating to the Association should be addressed to Will D. B. Spry, Box 223, Barrie, Ont.

## SUPREME COURT STAMPS OF CANADA.

BY "KANUCK."

These stamps I believe are the least known of all the revenue stamps of Canada.

In 1876 the inspection of Weights and Measures and Gas Meters as well as the regular duties of the above Court were placed under its control and during the same year three sets of stamps were issued for the purpose of collecting the revenues under its control. These stamps are divided into three classes viz: Supreme Court Stamps proper, Gas Inspection and Weights and Measures Stamps. The Supreme Court Stamps proper may be described as follows: length three inches, breadth one and one quarter inches perforated 15, color, blue shaded, from very dark to light; across the top and bottom in an oblong frame is the value in figures; in the centre, but much nearer the top than bottom in a circle about an inch in diameter, is the queen's head, crowned; at the top of the circle the word "Canada" and at the bottom "Law Stamp"; between the head and the value at the bottom, on a scroll is the registered number in red and just below this on a curved scroll, the value in words.

These stamps are finely engraved and I consider them the most beautiful stamps ever issued by the Canadian Government.

There are six values, 10 cent, 20 cent, 25 cent, 50 cent, \$1.00 and \$5.00. They are all of similar design.

Gas Inspection Stamps are two inches long and three-quarters of an inch wide and perforated 15. They may be described as follows: color bright blue; across the centre is a blank space in which the registered number is printed in red. I may here add that in each value the registered number seems to be printed with different type of various sizes. Above the registered number we have the word "Gas" and below "Inspection"; the upper part of the stamp is occupied by a crown surmounted by an irregular frame; in the centre of the

lower part is an oblong frame in which is the value in figures surrounded by engraving similar to that seen on bank notes around the values. There are nine values, 5 cent, 25 cent, 50 cent, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$10.00.

They are all of same design and color. The Weights and Measures stamps are the same size, perforation, and design as the Gas Inspection with the following changes, viz : "Weights &" above the blank space in the centre and "Measures" below. The registered number is sometimes printed in blue and sometimes in red; it is also sometimes printed across the top of the stamp instead of in the centre; also various sized type is used in printing these numbers.

There are eleven values and thirteen varieties made up as follows:—1 cent, 2 cent, 5 cent, 10 cent, 15 cent, 20 cent, 30 cent, 50 cent, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00 all in black, and 1 cent and 2 cent in blue.

The Supreme Court stamps proper are used on writs, summonses, &c, issued by the Supreme Court.

Gas Inspection stamps are used on certificates issued by the inspector certifying to the correctness of the metres.

Weights and Measures stamps are used on certificates given by the inspector certifying that the scales and measures he has tested are correct.

## SOME FANCY PRICES.

The following prices were obtained at Scott's sale:—

U. S. Brattleboro, 5c., black on buff .....	\$160 00
" St. Louis, 5c., Die B, very fine .....	54 00
" Envelope, 1875, 5c., blue on white, die C, full letter.....	21 20
Athens, Ga., 5c., plum, used.....	18 00
Goliad, Tex., 10c., black .....	100 00
Macon, Ga., 5c., black on buff .....	52 00
Nashville, Tenn., 10c., green.....	95 00
Baton Rouge, La., 5c., carmine and green ..	27 00
U. S. of Colombia, Antioquia, 1868, 2½c., used .....	40 00
U. S. of Colombia, Antioquia, 1878, 10c., violet .....	34 00

The total of this grand sale amounted to over \$2800.00.

Foreign correspondents will confer a favor by remitting money order, or unused stamps, of the lowest denominations.

## OLD ENGLISH POSTAL RATES.

COPIED FROM AN OLD GUIDE, PUBLISHED IN 1810.

Rates of postage from the general post-office, Lombard Street, London, to any place in England or Wales :—

### *Postage on a single Letter,*

From any post-office in England or Wales, to any place not exceeding 15 miles from such office .....	4d
From any dist'nce above 15 m'ls, and not exc'dg 20 m'ls. ....	.5d
" " " 20 " " "	.6
" " " 30 " " "	.7
" " " 50 " " "	.8
" " " 80 " " "	.9
" " " 120 " " "	.10
" " " 170 " " "	.11
" " " 230 " " "	.12

And thus the postage increases progressively, one penny for a single letter, of every like excess of distance of 100 miles.

N.B.—All double, treble, and other letters and packets, whatever, (except by the twopenny post) pay in proportion to the respective rates of a single letter, unless such letter weighs an ounce; in such case it is rated as *four single letters*, and so in proportion for every quarter of an ounce.

FRED. INESON.

## ON REPRINTS,

It is not our “innate selfishness” that causes our “antipathy to reprints,” but the simple fact that we are collectors of stamps, and not merely specimens of engraving. \* \* \* These things are not stamps, and should not be accepted as such by stamp collectors.—Major E. B. Evans in the American Philatelist for Nov., 1888.

These latter (reprints) are not postage stamps, and the collector of postage stamps should not be satisfied with anything but postage stamps.—R. R. Bogert in the American Philatelist for Nov., 1888.

## ERRORS IN PERFORATION.

A great deal has been said through the Philatelic press of the United States, about errors in perforation of the stamps, of that country; and so much interest has been aroused that the leader of Philatelic journalism, “The Ameri-

can Philatelist,” has deemed the subject worthy its attention.

We wish to call the attention of the philatelic world to the fact that the United States is not the only country that has errors in the perforation of their stamps. We have recently discovered a number of Canadian stamps with double perforations, some at top only, and others at top and bottom. We have in our possession a pair of Canada three cent stamps having two rows of perforations at top and bottom. We have also a two cent register perforated all around and then diagonally across the upper half of it.

## A COLLECTION STOLEN.

The house of Nathaniel Thayer Kidder, of Milton, Mass., was entered by burglars the night of November 4th, and his valuable collection of stamps stolen, together with silverware and other articles.

Through a circular issued by the Supt. of Boston Police he offers a reward of \$500 for the conviction of the thief and the recovery of the property.

The collection will probably be offered to some stamp dealer for sale. The following is an extract from a circular recently sent out :—

Should it come to your notice, I hope that you will notify me at once, or Mr. Trifet, 408 Washington Street, Boston. Mr. Trifet knows almost every stamp that is in the collection.

A large proportion of the stamps are uncancelled; many are put on with round gummed wafers.

The following are conspicuous for their rarity :—

Sandwich Islands, 1852, 5 and 13 cts. Canada, 12d.

Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Newfoundland, 1 shilling.

Spain, complete.

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United States, State Department, 2, 5, 10 and 20 dollars, marked “Specimen.”

Russian locals, very complete.

Naples, Tuscany, all rarities.

I enclose a specimen of paper on which the collection is mounted.

NATHANIEL THAYER KIDDER.  
Milton, Mass.

ESTABLISHED 1885.

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1859, 1 cent . . . . .	2 "
" 5 " . . . . .	2 "
" 10 " . . . . .	5 "
" 12½ " . . . . .	12 "
" Set of 4 . . . . .	18 "
1868, ½ cent . . . . .	2 "
" 1 " red . . . . .	5 "
" 1 " yellow . . . . .	3 "
" 2 " . . . . .	2 "
" 6 " . . . . .	2 "
" 12½ " . . . . .	8 "
" 15 " . . . . .	8 "
" Set of 8 var. . . . .	28 "
1868, 3 cent. Laid paper . . . . .	\$1 00
1870, set 8 var. . . . .	0 08
1877, Reg. 8c., 5c. and 2c. set . . . . .	0 30
5 varieties Wrappers . . . . .	0 10
2 varieties Envelopes . . . . .	0 03
9 varieties Post Cards, unused . . . . .	0 60
1st issue Bill, 5 varieties . . . . .	0 25
2nd " 6 " . . . . .	0 25
3rd " 8 " . . . . .	0 10
Gas Stamp, 2 varieties . . . . .	0 12
Weights and Measures, 3 varieties . . . . .	0 10
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