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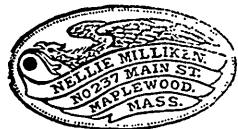
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WHOLE NO. 53.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

The Postmaster General has just unearthed a neat scheme in connection with the annual dead-letter sale. The goods received unclaimed are supposed to be tied up in packages of approximately equal value and submitted by the auctioneer wrapped up; unsight, unseen. Now it transpires that some of the clerks in the dead-letter office, who put up the packages, arranged to make certain of the packages contain all the valuable goods, and then at the sale they bought these packages in. Of course, knowing the value of the package they could afford to outbid the general public. The Postmaster General had some spotters present, and there was trouble for the conspirators. It is curious to note however, that although these people had been betraying their trust, causing the government to lose money on the one hand and on the other hand keeping the public out of a fair deal, yet only two of them were dismissed. The same affair in a private office would probably have ended in the criminal courts.

In some paper recently, appeared a statement that U. S. stamps used in Hawaii could be distinguished by the fact that the cancellation "is invariably in purple ink." If this was ever the case, it is not so now, the ordinary black ink is used throughout the islands.

The prices of some of the stamps as given in the 60th edition are much closer to their real net value than in previous editions, and it will be difficult to give the usual 50% discount, especially on popular countries. In some cases it is difficult to see where the profit will come in even at catalogue rates.

The 1 cent Guam has been found with inverted surcharge.

Four cent envelope die B current issue (large draped bust with inner serrated oval) is a rare stamp, says Mr. Bartels. Red brown and orange two centers are not in it for rarity.

Prices on the high value and new revenue stamps are wobbly and, I think, too high, as the sections of the War Revenue Act which are proposed for repeal are not the ones which will affect those values. The \$1000 is quoted at \$150, the \$500 at \$70, the \$100 at \$20, the \$50 at \$2.50, the \$30 at \$10, the \$10 at \$1, the \$1 red at ten cents and the \$3 red at \$1.

Philatelic Inconsistencies

BY C. L. O'LUCKEN.

"Oh consistency, thou art a jewel!" is particularly applicable to philately as it exists today. Perhaps the one thing which does more to keep philately in ill-repute, or to be more precise, to give our beloved science a reputation as child's play, is the inconsistency with which the

matter of stamps is treated. This statement, to be understood, needs, doubtless a somewhat lengthy explanation, but instead of attempting one, I shall rather point out some of the inconsistencies which I have encountered during my comparatively brief philatelic career, a few of the more glaring ones.

A short time ago I greatly desired to complete a few sets, each of which lacked the most expensive stamp necessary to complete the same. I accordingly sent want lists to several dealers, and was at last rewarded by receiving a stamp on approval, together with a note from the dealer stating that he regretted the fact that the stamp was a little off on account of having one straight edge; however, if I could use it in that condition, I might have it a discount considerably larger than could have been offered had the stamp been perforated on four sides. Of course I took the stamp, but it seemed to me a trifle inconsistent to give a discount off a stamp which obviously was more of a "rara avis" than one of the ordinary perforated-on-four-sides kind. As every one knows, there are fewer stamps with two straight edges. Ought not, then, the straight edge stamps to be more rare, and consequently more desirable and higher in price than ordinary stamps which are perforated on four sides? In a recent issue of the U. S. surcharged for Cuba, it happened that in printing the five cent stamps, the lower lobe of one of the "B's" became broken, thereby making the surcharge on this particular stamp in each sheet somewhat resemble "CUPA," and this so-called error or variety is catalogued in the 59th at \$1.00, while the perfect specimen is catalogued at but the usual advance over

face. By the same token, then, ought not the straight edge stamp, which constitutes but a small fraction of the entire issue be worth considerably more than the others? And ought not those very scarce two-straight edge stamps be worth as much in proportion as this "CUPA" freak? If a broken type in a surcharge makes a "variety," then surely the straight edge stamp, which is an entirely legitimate production, is equally entitled to distinction. If we are to pay attention to such unintentional varieties, let us be consistent about the matter, and give the straight edge its just deserts. Let us make philately a science, and discontinue fool's play.

The matter of the difference in price between used and unused specimens has been extensively treated by various philatelic writers, but a word more or less on the subject will not be out of place here. I am forced to confess when I turn to the pages in my album devoted to the Central American countries, and am obliged to admit that the beautiful unused specimens which adorn those pages are worth but a few cents each, and considerably less than cancelled specimens of the same stamp that philately has not yet reached the stage when it can properly termed a "science," and cannot be until there is some method of doing away with these worthless back numbers which some second or third rate governments palm off on the philatelic public at the end of each year. So long as we permit ourselves to be imposed upon in this manner, so long we cannot consistently, it seems to me, in any sense be termed "scientists," and the term "freaks" is undoubtedly more appropriate. Some one will inquire now why I do not practise what I preach, and remove

from my collection those unused specimens which I so strongly denounce? I expect to decrease my collection by some 200 varieties, which I shall gently consign to the waste paper basket, the place where they belong.

The action on the part of the publishers of certain philatelic journals in agreeing to refuse all advertisements in which counterfeits and reprints are offered is certainly commendable, and is a step in the right direction. Can they not be induced also to include in the category of pictures (they certainly are not stamps,) harmful to philately the remainders which are annually sold to dealers by various governments? I cannot see how a small picture, printed upon a piece of gummed paper, which has never done duty as a postage stamp, and yet is not good for postage in the country by which it was issued, can be termed a postage stamp. Why, then, give them a place in our catalogues and in our collections?

To one who is inclined to look into the future, the undoing of philately will seem to have its beginning in these glaring inconsistencies with which the "science" is at present burdened. Until these are remedied we must not hope to have philately placed upon a substantial, scientific basis.

Postal Systems.

Did you ever stop to think of the wonderful organization that insures the regular transmission of every little letter, and its final safe delivery to its owner, even at the remotest ends of the world, the crowded foreign city, or the solitudes of the mountain or the forest? You cannot go to a point so isolated as to be beyond the

ministrations of the postoffice; but in some foreign countries you would find very strange messengers and methods employed.

In the United States the system is so admirably organized that the work of the letter-carrier ceases to have any individuality. If you were to cross the ocean, however, and visit some of the countries of Asia, you would see some very queer postmen. In northern India, among the Himalayas, letters are carried by native runners at the end of a cleft stick. Sometimes one of these postmen will travel a hundred miles to convey his precious missive, the letter being delivered in as clean a condition as when it started.

The commonest type of Indian post-runner, or "toppal-wallah," wears a long white coat, very light trousers, and a huge light-blue turban. His letter bag is slung from his shoulder, and he carries a long stick with a sharp iron point, which can be used as a weapon in case of need. The stick is adorned with six little brass bells which serve to give notice of the approach of the post.

If you were in Japan you would see lithe, wiry runners, with very little clothing on their brown bodies, darting here and there among the crowd. Everybody gives way before them, for they are the postmen of the empire. Their mail is carried in small baskets strapped to their sides. They are capable of sustaining a good deal of fatigue, and make wonderful journeys at times.

Among the placid Chinese, hurry is a form of vulgar impatience, consequently very little dispatch is used in carrying the mails in that great empire. They are content to convey all ordinary communications either by slow paddling or poling

boats, or else by foot-runners, whose high sounding title of "the-thousand-mile horse" does not quicken their pace beyond about twelve miles in twenty-four hours. They carry a paper lantern and a paper umbrella, and their letter-bag is secured to the back by a cloth knotted across the chest.

Among the most picturesque letter-carriers of the world are the "Camel Express Messengers" of Bokara. The men wear a serviceable red uniform, and a large green turban embroidered with gold thread. From their girdle hangs a curved saber in a red sheath. The camels are adorned with trappings of gay tassels ornamented with blue beads and cowrie shells, and with small brass bells round their neck to give notice of their approach. The rough and rapid trotting of these animals, sometimes at the rate of eighty miles a day, is so trying to the riders as to shorten their lives.

Of vehicles, we find every conceivable variety used to aid the post-runner in his labor. In Natal the post-cart is a light four-horse vehicle, not much to look at, but capital as a means of getting over vile roads with deep ruts. In the mountain districts of Brazil a two-wheeled wagon, drawn by oxen, is in use, the wheels being cut out of a solid block and fastened to the axle.

In some parts of Russia buffaloes harnessed to two-wheeled vehicles carry the postmen on their road, but more frequently mail sledges are drawn by horses, by reindeer, or, in the far north, by dogs.

The latter we find again in Canada—as for instance, in the mail service between Selkirk and Lake Winnipeg, where the work is done by trains of letter-sleighs,

each drawn by three dogs harnessed in single file.—*Philadelphia Times*.

Lands Without Official Postage.

Many persons are under the impression that the Val D'Andorra, a strip of no man's land between Spain and France, is the only portion of Europe which can boast the absence of an official postage stamp. As a matter of fact, a piece of country known as "Moresnet Calamine," which lies where the Belgian province of Liege meets the Prussian regency of Aix-la-Chapelle, is in a like position. As it has been found impossible to agree as to the frontier delimitation German and Belgian stamps are used indiscriminately. Further, this piece of country has no coinage of its own and uses that of the Latin union.—*London Globe*.

All those who received our last number say it was, by far, the best number of any stamp paper published at the present time; it contained over 100 pages and cover, and more than 50 pages of excellent reading matter. We always try to give our subscribers all the reading matter possible. Those who receive this number as a sample copy and did not see our "20th Century Number" can receive it by sending 25 cents for a year's subscription, and as a premium we will send an 8c Jubilee or 100 different stamps.

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If this number appears on your wrapper it signifies that your subscription has expired. Please renew.

Copy for advertisements for MARCH issue must reach us before the 20th of February or it will be too late.

Editorial Opinions.

Our Last Issue.

This issue is necessarily small on account of the lateness of our January number. We hope to have March issue mailed on time. Although it is only a short time since the January number was mailed the results have been very gratifying. It would take another hundred page issue to reprint all of the good things our readers say about it. The following is from one of the advertisers and shows the results of our paper as an ad medium as compared with one of the other philatelic journals. We withhold the name of the writer. This letter was written only six days after the paper was mailed and was only a small ad.

"Dear Sirs—We have received two answers a day from our small ad in *JANUARY ADVOCATE* which is more per day than we ever got of "West" per month. Yours is the finest paper that we have ever seen. They all say that "West" has lots of type in use in his paper but your Dec. No. (only eight pages) was honestly more interesting than his of over 100 pages. We have heard several persons here in town who have read your paper say they enjoyed every inch of it."

We do not like to publish anything against other papers but when publishers stoop to falsehood against us and our associations we cannot help showing them when we get a chance.

We have heard a few criticisms on account of having ads mixed with reading matter. Our aim is to give advertisers the best value possible for their money, and I y

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Stampic America the philatelic mystery of the nineteenth century has been discontinued. It has never been known (only by a very few) who was the editor and publisher. We often wondered if A. H. Hall had anything to do with it.

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A complaint has been received regarding substitution on a D. P. A. Exchange circuit. This practice should be discontinued. An investigation is being made and the guilty party or parties will be expelled from the society. The meanest of thieves is the party who substitutes stamps and any person who does so should be exposed in all the papers and punished to the full extent of the law.

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In our last number we stated that a new issue of stamps would probably be issued bearing the lineage of King Edward. This should have read lineament of King Edward.

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Our Holiday "20th Century Number" contained over 100 pages and cover in three colors; over fifty pages of instructive reading matter; good advertisements from all the up-to-date stamp dealers and a number of half-tones of prominent collec-

tors. We will give this grand number, a 20 word bargain notice and the *ADVOCATE* until Feb. 1902 for only 25 cents in stamps, coin or money order. If you prefer two premiums send 25 unused 2 cent stamps of United States or Canada and the name of a friend and we will send you the paper one year and both premiums and your friend will also receive the paper one year.

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With this issue we commence to fill the subscriptions of the *Jubilee Philatelist* and *Mount Royal Stamp News*. Those who are already subscribers to the *ADVOCATE* will have their subscription extended. This will be another benefit to our advertisers. Although this adds nearly 500 to our circulation our rates remain the same at present. Advertisers got good results from the *Jubilee*; what will they get from both? Subscribers to the *Jubilee* can secure a copy of our 104 page January number by sending 10c to Starnaman Bros., Berlin, Ont.

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The Postmaster-General denies the report that he has authorized the issue of a new set of stamps, but that he will wait to see what action the Mother Country takes.

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There is a feeling amongst some dealers that there is going to be a sudden rise in stamps. There are quite a number of stamps in the catalogue priced at almost net value and collectors are sure to make a sudden rush for these stamps. The result will be that they will go up in price. This will benefit philately in many respects: it will be the cause of getting these stamps into circulation and as collectors will purchase other stamps as well, the dealers will do a larger business.

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Paid up last report.....	497
Paid up since.....	3
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Total paid up.....	409

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	34.68
Paid Official Organ.....	5.51
" postage.....	1.26
Printing ballots.....	.50
Balance on hand.....	27.41
	34.68

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GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

JOIN THE D. P. A.

Mr. Gile Apologizes.

Starnaman Bros.,

Sirs:—I hereby beg to apologize for any remarks appearing in the *Bay State Philatelist* "derogatory to the interests of the Association"

Respectfully

Herbert Gile.

Dues.

Members who have not paid their dues for 1901 are requested to send them in at once. All who are not paid up on April 1st will be suspended and deprived of all the benefits of membership.

Changes in Constitution.

Several members have expressed a desire to have certain sections of the constitution changed and the President has appointed the undersigned a committee for receiving suggestions for such changes.

These changes will be voted on at next election.

Send suggestions to the chairman at once
W. A. Starnaman, Chairman. }
Findlay I. Weaver } Berlin, Ont.
Geo. W. Starnaman }

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A large number of ads were received too late for this issue. Copy for next issue must reach us before Feb. 25th.

25th D. P. A. Auction.

Successful bidders will be notified, when it is expected they will remit, upon receipt of which lots will be forwarded. Bids will be accepted on this and the 24th Sale until March 1st.

378. 700 mixed Canada	20	1.00, 2.00	9.00
379. 500 " "	15	390. Upper Canada Laws L. S. 20,	
380. 500 " "	15	30, 40, 50, 60, 1.00, 2.00	80
381. 500 " "	15	391. Upper Canada Laws F. F. 10,	
382. 3000 to 3500 mixed 75 to 100 var.	90	20, 30, 40, 50, \$1.00	15
383. A set of rubber numerals for pricing stamps on approval sheets, used a short time—the type are mounted on wooden handles.		392. Canada Weights and Measures	
384. Complete set of rubber type on lead mounts from 2 to 4 copies of each letter. Tweezers, pads, etc. all complete, used a short time, cost about \$1.50 (postage extra) no reserve		10, 15, 20, 50, 1.50, 2.00 blue centre	15
385. Canada Revenues 7 var 1 issue bill Standard cat 14c		393. Gas—50—100	5
386. Canada Rev 2nd bill 8 var cat 16c		394. Electric Light 25, 50, 100	125
387. " " 3rd bill 1c to 2.00 complete, 17 var, cat 37c		395. Ontario Law 5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 1.00, 2.00	50
388. Can. Rev. 200 green laws well mixed.		396. Canada ½c Jubilee	20
389. Upper Canada Laws C. F. 5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80,		397. " 6c "	35
		398. " 4 var Registers	
		399. " Special Delivery	
		400. " Jubilee set ½c to 50c	1.75
		401. " 50c blue	.18
		402. " four leaf set complete	.25
		403. " 25 assorted surcharges	.25
		404. " 3 pence beaver 1851 fine	.25
		405. 5000 mixed foreign	.95

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- 3. 300 2c " " red
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- 5. 13 2c on 3c " "
- 6. 10 5c " " "
- 7. 100 3c Canada four maple leaf
- 8. 8 5c " " " "
- 9. 2 8c " " " "
- 10. 15 2c " Imperial (maps)
- 11. 25 3c " Jubilee
- 12. 13 different Russia
- 13. 12 " unused foreign
- 14. 100 " foreign
- 15. 1000 Perfect Hinges
- 16. 25 blank approval sheets.
- 17. Directory of 1300 Canadian collectors.

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| " | 2. 2000 1c yellow " " |
| " | 3. 200 2c purple " numerals |
| " | 4. 100 2c assorted " maps |
| " | 5. 100 3c red " Jubilees |
| " | 6. 100 5c gray " 1882-90 |
| " | 7. Block of 25.2c " maps unused |
| " | 8. same as No. 7 |
| " | 9. 100 2c carmine U. S. rev 1895 |
| " | 10. 100 1c claret U. S. due 1895. |
| " | 11. 100 2c " " " " |
| " | 12. 100 10c green U. S. 1894 |

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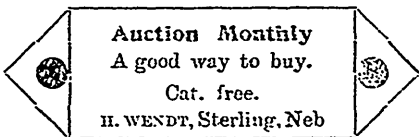
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