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Argentine Republic.

Its Rule and Rulers 1816-1890.

BY APÉMANTUS.

The separation of Argentine Republic from the home government was declared in 1816, and from that time until San Martín led his victorious troops into the city of Lima, Peru, the great stronghold of the Spaniards, the Argentines had little hope of independence.

The war was continued until 1824 when the final victory was gained, though the Spanish government did not acknowledge their independence until 1842. With the exception of Rivadavia, San Martín seems to be the most popular of the Argentine patriots for illustrating their stamps. His picture appears on the 15c., 1867; 24c., 1877; 15c., 1888, 1c., 1891; 1c., 1892-99.

In 1823, Rivadavia was elected president, which office he filled until 1827, when he resigned to prevent civil war. His policy was to form a strong national government, while that of his opponents was for the independence of each state as far as possible. His successor of the opposing party was Vicente Lopez.

Rivadavia is portrayed on the 5-, 10-, and 15-cent 1864-67; the 5-cent, 1867; the surcharged varieties, 1877-84; 8-cent, 1877-87; 5-cent, 1891-99. He "stands in America second alone to Washington the representative statesman of a free people." He was instrumental in securing the independence

of Uruguay, in 1828. His later days were spent in exile in Europe, and he died in Spain in 1845 at the age of 65 years.

Vicente Lopez who succeeded Rivadavia, was born in Buenos Ayres. He was president of the republic until succeeded by Dorrego, in 1827, and held many important offices until the time of his death, 1856

He was author of the Argentine national hymn. His portrait adorns the 2-cent, 1888-90.

Dorrego, who was of the same political faith as Lopez, was at the head of the government until 1828, when he was defeated by the opposing party under General Lavalle, and in trying to regain the city was captured and shot, without trial. Lavalle, who had fought under San Martín against Chili and Peru, and the Brazilians, was no doubt a strong partisan of Rivadavia, and bitterly opposed to the government of Dorrego, which must account for the seemingly inhumane treatment of him. Dorrego is portrayed on the 40-cent, 1890.

Lavalle was governor, 1828-29, when he was defeated by Roses. The government was practically in his hands until 1852, he was defeated by the forces of Urquiza. Under Urquiza a new constitution was declared, on very much more liberal lines than that of the former government. He was elected president for six years, but Buenos Ayres refused to join the confederation, until forced to do so in 1859. Urquiza retained the presidency until 1860, when he took command of the army until defeated by Mitre in 1861. With this battle the Federalist System came to an end; Urquiza retired to Entra Rios, where he was assassinated in 1871. Urquiza's picture may be found on the $\frac{1}{2}$ cent 1888-89 $\frac{1}{2}$ cent 1890.

The Specialist's Error and Its Correction.

BY W. HAMMOND.

In the good old days of fifteen years ago when a complete set of state departments could be bought for \$7.00 and others in proportion, it was the universal practice among collectors to collect anything in the postage stamp line which came their way and as minor varieties were unknown a collection naturally embraced all nations and a collector would point with pride to gems from all parts of the globe.

The collectors of these early days studied and worked as hard as any of the present students of minor varieties but it was in a different way.

They didn't don microscopical glasses and burn the midnight oil to discover if there were really 157,698 hairs in Washing ton's queue or only 157,697 as the catalogue said, or if the exact color of their latest French acquisition was light blue, blue, dark blue, bluish ultramarine, ultramarine, etc., ad infinitum.

The world, however, moves fast. With the discovery of varieties (?) prices have naturally advanced, and they have advanced on the wings of the wind, mounting skyward, until now many are away out of the reach of mortal hands. Then with the rise of prices various countries went into the discovering business, and what did they discover? Simply that they positively must have a new issue every two or three years with a commemorative issue or two on the side to act as a spice to the Philatelic appetite.

These things went on until a collector could no longer hope to get a fair representative collection from all countries so the

great majority became specialists. This is the natural outcome of minor varieties and unnecessary issues. Now what is the natural outcome of specializing? Why the collector studies the stamps of his favorite countries and discovers still other, and more minor varieties (?) and so the work goes on, discouraging all who have not the time to spend deciphering minor varieties.

There have appeared from time to time in the magazines, articles decrying this evil and its effect in driving the young collector from the ranks of Philately and causing his enlistment in the ranks of the numerous other armies of collectors, but I have yet to see the man who has suggested a feasible scheme for suppressing the tendency.

Many are agreed that the only way is to do away with minor varieties, but how? As long as there are searchers? Now I don't advocate sending them to the Philippines or feeding them on "coffin beef" but should use a little gentle persuasion.

These searchers after varieties mistake the true object of stamp collecting. They study the stamp for slips of the engraver's scapel, slight differences in color, etc., but what does this all amount to? What have we learned? It nearly goes to prove the old adage "To err is human" and shows that the engraver and printer are only human, but to my mind the discoverer errs more than the engraver. Certainly no one profits in real knowledge. The dealer profits in a financial way. That is all.

Now to my mind the true object of collecting stamps is to get a better knowledge of countries, peoples, customs, manners, languages, monies, etc., and this cannot be done by seeking for unintentional vari-

eties. To be sure we cannot study the governments, etc., with the aid of stamps alone, but they can, and should, act as guides and reminders.

In studying forms of government, the revenue stamps are of as great value as the postal emissions, and by studying these along these lines the young collector would receive aid in the study of civics and kindred subjects as great as that given by the average teacher. As for the advanced and older collectors, if they would work along this line and ignore all unintentional varieties they would find much which would be new to them, and thus add a small amount of practical knowledge to their store-house of facts instead of storing it with chaff, which is something, yet is nothing.

Therefore, I say, collect all legitimate varieties (as there are less than 12,000 of these varieties it is not an impossibility) and also the revenues of all countries if possible and study them for knowledge of the country represented and not of the particular stamp. You may not, probably will not, have a complete collection as many varieties of necessity are nearly impossible to obtain, but you will have obtained knowledge, and "knowledge is wealth."

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The manufacture of letter sheets was discontinued on August 30th 1894, per order of the P. M. General.

Postmasters in the U. S. are not permitted to arrange for fictitious canceling of stamps, thereby gaining personal profit for themselves and the purchaser at the expense of the department. —G. A. Hunt.

Send your subscription to this paper.

Philatelic Items.

BY BERTRAM J. BISHOP.

The P. S. of A. convention will be held in Detroit, this year, and everyone should turn out in force and make this the banner meet. Detroit has fought for the place a long time and well-deserves the honor—and needs it to—for philatelists in the "City of the Straits" have become discouraged at Michigan's poor representation, and many of them have laid aside their collections and have nearly forgotten them. Let us hope that the convention will bring things to life again, and that old Michigan will once more be able to hold her head proudly in comparison with the other states.

Stamp Collectors in Cuba are a great deal like the proverbial hen's teeth—hard to find. I spent some time in Santiago after leaving the the Bahama Islands—but failed to find a friend.

In Nassau, however, I looked up N. P. Solomon, whose name used to be in the blue books, but he had abandoned his collection two years previous, nevertheless, the old fraternal feeling still existed, and he paid his compliments to me by inviting me to enjoy a fine afternoon drive with him. Many of the stores of Nassau have cheap stamps for sale but nothing to interest the philatelist as they are all continentals.

One thing which was very gratifying to a stranger was the cordiality with which I was received everywhere. Uncle Sam's uniform is a potent factor in making friends and acquaintances.

Bertram J. Bishop,

Late, 2nd Lieut., 35th Mich U.S. I.

Read Royal Stamp Co's ad.

Notes.

BY INVERTED WATERMARK.

In order to comply with the Postal Union Regulations, the New Zealand Government intend altering the color of the $\frac{1}{2}$ p to green, 1p to red, and 2p to dark blue. This will make it necessary to alter the color of the 4p and 6p, the colors for these have not yet been selected. The alterations will take place as soon as the present stock of stamps is sold out. The old perforating machine, measuring 11, will be used until worn out.

The Gov. Life Ins. 2p is to be found in two distinct colors, red brown, and dark brown, the latter is the scarcer of the two.

Williams & Co., of Peru, appear to have given philatelists in all parts of the world a turn. The New Zealand Philatelic Society freely circulated their price lists of cheap sets, etc., of Peru, to all its members and I know of several who sent away for large orders. The prices seemed so low, and the firm bore such a big name, that no doubt as to their genuineness seemed to have existed. However, once bitten twice shy, and those who have fallen in on Williams & Co. will not be in such a hurry to buy up any catch line from foreign firms in the future.

More Philosophy.

BY ZURA.

Specimens and reprints are like twins; if you separate them you destroy both.

A damaged stamp is worth more than no stamp, as it utilizes space.

Some boys find more wisdom and knowledge in their stamps than they ever can in books.

How many of us pay dearly for experi-

ence and never advertise it? Bro. Bach would be in this class, if rival publishers had not advertised for him.

After all the moonshine whiskey we hear about from Tennessee, the best "Pub. Lev" can offer visitors is hard cider.

Counterfeits are a good cover for dullness or a blank space: there is nothing too ornamental for a fool.

Good stamps increase with age. Sec-becks never do.

Chinese locals, made in New York, are just as pretty as those supposed to have been made in China and when it comes to surcharging them "Boston" printers can do a good job.

An o. g stamps needs more watching than a red-hot enemy because he's a stick-er.

On the backs of the New Zealand stamps we see "Use Sunlight Soap" they use it there to wash the gum off.

Canada is the center of the philatelist's attention at present. This paper is the *only paper in Canada* which appears on time and contains the latest philatelic news of Canada.

"Vaster" Than Ever.

ORILLIA PACKET.

While gazing on a letter from a friend of mine,

My eyes fell on the stamp of '99;

I noted with much pleasure and surprise

How our young country had increased in size,

And stretches boldly east and west till she

Would e'en incarnadine the deep blue sea.

A British crown adorns the northern pole

And Uncle Sam's dominions are swallowed whole;

So if that postage stamp don't lie like sin,

"We hold a vaster empire than has been"

Postal Peculiarities.

BY GEO. W. HICKS.

Rat-tat. "Only the postman". And we open the letter and throw away the envelope without the glimpse of a thought of the wonderful machinery by which it has been carried—perhaps between three and four hundred miles—in ten hours or so at the cost of a few cents, a fact which certainly entitles the post office to a place pretty high up amongst the marvels of a modern civilization.

Let us carry our minds back to the time when the postman was not, and the letter-carrier, as a letter-carrier, was an unknown being; when letters and packets, unless they were sent by a special messenger, wandered about from carter to carter, and if they finally reached their destination at all, which was by no means to be looked upon as more than probable, took a most unconscionable long time about it.

Not till the period of the Wars of the Roses, in England, three hundred years ago, did our ancestors think the establishment of anything approaching to a post-office a necessity; but the conveyance of letters then began to be entrusted to the common carriers, whose heavy waggons splashed along leisurely through mud and mire; and if the reply to a letter, say to London, came back within a couple of months or so, the sender of the original missive thought himself an extremely lucky individual.

Wretched as was this method—or want of method—of letter-carrying, it was endured with only a moderate amount of grumbling; the richer classes sending their correspondence by private foot-runners, until in the sixteenth century foot and

horse posts began to be regularly employed, and continued to be the only means used for a couple of hundred years or thereabouts.

The postal service of those times was a very deliberate affair, with an entire absence of that haste without hurry, and speed without confusion, which characterize the post-office at present. An idea of its rapidity may be gathered from the fact that in 1635 the reigning monarch, Charles I., of unhappy memory, anxious to expedite the carrying of mails between London and Edinburgh, the most important post in the kingdom, issued a proclamation commanding his "postmaster for foreign parts to settle a running post or two" such was the almost studiously ambiguous wording of the document, "to run night and day between Edinburgh and London; to go thither and to come back again in six days". Nowadays the mails are whirled between the two capitals in something like nine hours.

But as late as the year 1715 foot-runners were the only letter-carriers in Scotland. The runner went what he considered a fair day's journey, and then quietly put up for the night and started again in the morning that is, if it didn't happen to rain hard, because if it did he frequently felt quite justified in not starting until he could do so without danger of a wetting.

Little wonder that many of the packets entrusted to the care of the Post Office bore startling and uncomplicated superscriptions, calculated, as the writers hoped with a feeling of half despondency, if such a seemingly contradiction of terms is allowable, to goad the lazy runners into a little extra exertion. Here is a specimen: "Be this letter delivered with haste! Ride, vil-

lain, ride for thy life,—for thy life". Such a direction upon an envelope would, in this nineteenth century, cast considerable doubt upon the sanity of the writer thereof. But the times are changed.

But people grumbled hugely, and Mr. Palmer, who eventually introduced great reforms into the service, complains a little less than a hundred years ago, that the post, instead of being the swiftest, is almost the slowest conveyance in the country, and that though from the great improvement in the roads, other carriers have proportionately mended their speed, yet the post is as slow as ever.

But the penny post came and put a stop to all this. Some who read this page will remember the scarlet coated postman of their early days, with his chimney-pot hat, adorned with a cockade. His uniform probably cost nearly three times as much as that of the busy Mercury of to-day, and he took things considerably more easily.

But these are days of express speed in this as in other matters, and the work of the Post Office never ceases, now, by night and day.

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The Stamps of Servia.

BY CHARLES FRANCIS ROBINSON.

Servia is a kingdom belonging to Balkan peninsula of Europe, lying between Bosnia on the west and Bulgaria and Roumania on the east, and between the Turkish province of Albania on the south and the Austrian Military Frontier on the north. From Bosnia it is separated by the Dwina, from Austrian and Roumanin territory by the Danube and the Save, and from Bulgaria partly by Timok. Some parts of the southern frontier are indicated by mount-

ains but elsewhere there are no natural boundries. In shape Servia is an irregular trapezium, situated between 42° 30' and 45° N, Lat. and 19° and 22° 30' E. Long.

The area is 18,760 sq. miles, and the population was estimated at the end of 1884 to be 1,902, 419, thus giving a density of about 100 to the sq. mile. This low density, only about one-third of that of the U. S., is explained by the nature of the surface, the inland position, the defective communications with the exterior, and the absence of manufacturing industries. As a general rule the Servian highlands consist of detached groups of mountains and conical hills with gentle slopes rising from verdant valleys, and they are mostly covered to the top with forests, chiefly of oaks and beech, the higher summits in the south also with conifers. But the plains, though numerous, are of no great extent, and occur chiefly along the banks of the rivers.

The stamps of Servia first appeared in 1866, consisting of 1, 2, 10, 20 and 40p. They exist in various varieties, until in 1868 they appeared imperf. The next year a new issue came out, being perf. 9½, 11 and 12. consisting of the following denominations 1, 10, 15, 20, 25, 35, 40 and 50p. In 1872 the 1p appeared imperf., with the addition of a 2p black, and, in 1879, some of the higher values appeared perf. with wider margins. A new and beautiful design appeared in 1881, of the denomination of 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50p. and a 1d. They were perf. 13. Another design somewhat similar, came to view in 1890; it consisting of the same denominations as the last issue.

In 1894 the design was again changed; this time the head being in an oval frame instead of a square one as before. It was on white wove paper and consisted of the usual denominations. The only outside issue indulged in by Servia is a series of unpaid letter stamps; having issued no envelopes, wrappers etc. The stamps of Servia can reach the collection of them illionaire as well as the school-boy, as the catalogue value extends from 2c to \$25.00.

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Bis dat qui cito dat. Our motto—Bis dat qui cito dat—has been bothering some of our readers not a little and some have requested an explanation of it. When we commenced the publication of the ADVOCATE philatelic journalism in Canada had reached such a point that it was a big surprise if a stamp paper issued two numbers without missing a month, so we started out with 8 pages and cover determined to issue our paper every month and always before the 15th of the month. We adopted the latin phrase which heads this article meaning, "He who gives promptly gives twice as much." We have kept up to our determination and with this issue present the thirty-sixth number without missing a month or being late.

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Several reviewers mention that the ADVOCATE's last number was "thin." This statement is misleading and false. The regular issue of this paper is 12 pages and all over that number are to be considered as a gift from the publishers. This paper is not "thin" unless it contains less than 12 pages. We think 12 pages and cover for 25c a year is good value but during the past year (Aug. 1 to July 1) we have given 214 pages, an average of 18 pages a month. Because we come down to a regular sized issue occasionally is no reason why reviewers should give the public the impression that we are not giving full value for money received.

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F. I. Weaver has changed his new paper *Energy*, from a semi-monthly to a monthly.

We do not want Happy Days Coupons of the present series.

W. C. Stone, reviewer of the *Era* objects to the statement made by "Apemantus" in our last issue that certain stamps never reached Honduras. 'Apemantus' reply to this criticism reached us too late for insertion. It will appear next month.

The members in attendance at the D. P. A. convention were a little surprised that Willard O. Wylie, who was in Toronto at the time of the convention, did not find at least a few minutes to devote to his philatelic friends.

The writer who sent the report of the D. P. A. convention to *Mtkeel's Weekly* must have got his information from some of the absent members. Several errors occur, one of which has already caused the Secretary some trouble. The report says one ballot was rejected. This was not the case as only one vote on the ballot was not counted as the member had voted for the two candidates for the same office.

All the dealers in Canada and the U. S. report that the stamp trade for July has been exceptionally good. It appears that auction sales are the best way to sell stamps during the hot weather. What a vast difference this is from a few years ago. Even last year in July the trade was not one half as large as it is now, especially in Canada. We believe that one of the best reasons for this grand condition of trade is, that the number of collectors is gradually increasing.

With the papers too, the advertising patronage is far in excess of last year, although there have not been many dealers started during the year.

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 Official Organ—THE PHILATELIC ADVOCATE

President's Address.

To Officers and Members,
 Dominion Philatelic Association.
 Gentlemen,

I, take the present opportunity to tender you my sincere thanks for my election as President of the Dominion Philatelic Association for the current year, as conveyed to me in the following telegram.

Toronto, Ont. July 1, 1899.

Captain Ernest F. Wurtele,
 Quebec,

"Congratulations 88 majority."

Dominion Philatelic Association.

I was pleased to note in the Proceedings of the meeting, the number in attendance, as also the addition to our ranks in the way of new members and proposals in connection therewith.

The proposed publication of a D. P. A. Hand-book is a move in a direction to prove beneficial to our association and I trust that its appearance may be looked for at an early date.

Members are requested to give the Exchange Department their consideration and to make an effort to increase the work performed during the past year. A well conducted exchange is essential and when par-

ticipated in by a large number, will serve to interest the members to a greater extent in our association.

Hoping we may continue to increase the usefulness of the association to its members and that all will lend a hand with that object in view,

I remain, yours very truly,
 ERNEST F. WURTELE,
 President.

Report of Exchange Supt.

Fellow Members:

I am trying to keep the department going in spite of the warm weather, and would be glad to receive filled books and requests to be placed on circuit.

We are getting some nice stamps at fair prices and sales are good. One member just purchased \$13.65 worth from a circuit of six books.

Our new exchange books are ready (and they are dandies) and I would be glad to have the members send for as many as they can use at 5 cents each; 6 for 25c.

They hold 100 stamps each. I expect to attend the convention of the Empire State Philatelic Society in N. Y. and if the members will fill out books and send them to me I will take them along and endeavor to make some sales there. I will be pleased to receive the proxy of any members of the E. S. P. S. who cannot attend the meet which is to be held Aug 23, 24, 25.

Respectfully,

E. L. SHOVE. Ex. Supt.

Card of Thanks.

St. Catharines, Ont.

To the Members of the Dominion Philatelic Association.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

On behalf of the St. Catharines members of our society I wish to thank those who have helped to bring the convention to our city in 1900 and can assure them of a big time. Trusting that the members will aid us in our efforts, and again thanking them,

I remain,

R. G. WIDDICOMBE.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS

299. Chas. Cabaniols, New Orleans, La.
 300. Jas. P. Allen, Oak Park, Ill.
 301. Miss Kate Galbraith, Princeton, Ont.
 302. F. A. Quimby, Albany, Ore.
 303. S. E. Moisant, Kankakee, Ill.
 304. Hugh Mc Gillivray, Antigonish, N.S.
 305. A. H. Pettifar, Sydney, N. S. W.
 306. A. R. McGill, Montreal, Que.

APPLICATIONS.

307. Herbert Pope, Southwest Point, Que. Age 35, Dist. Supt. Govt. Telegraph, Refs. G. W. Starnaman, W. A. Starnaman,
 308. Leonard Cunningham, Court St. Antigonish, N. S. 18, Book-binder, P. G. Masson, Starnaman Bros.
 309. G. B. Wood, 57 Belmont Ave., Montreal, Can. 13, Student, Hew R. Wood G. W. Starnaman.
 310. Jacob Weigel, 266 Burnett St., New Brunswick, N. J. 37, Tonsorial Artist, Starnaman Bros. O. B. Sherman.
 311. Chester L. Davis, Wingham, Ont. 15, Student, Starnaman Bros. J. E. Davis.
 312. Geo. E. Mueller, Berlin, Ont. 17, printer, Starnaman Bros
 313. G. W. Maynard, 2632 Champa St., Denver, Col., 17, P. O. Messenger R. L. Doak, Helen Maynard.
 314. Arthur R. Butter, 8&E. Sts. N. W., Washington, D. C. 27, Physician, Starnaman Bros. Chas E. Cambell.
 315. Edward C. Dowse, Sherborn, Mass., 20, Stamp Dealer, C. Arthur Dowse, Starnaman Bros.
 316. Emmet F. Horine, 521 Lee St., Americas, Ga. 14, student, W. A. Starnaman, G. W. Starnaman.

If no objection is received against any of the above they will be admitted August 15th and will receive their membership cards on payment of dues to January 1st, 1900 amounting to 18c.

RESIGNATION.

201. L. L. Thompson, Meaford, Ont.
 (Change of address.)
 Wm. A. Jacobs, 1433 Josephine St., Denver, Col.
 J. C. Neeland, Box 244, Barnesville, Minn.

REINSTATED.

298. Louis Strohm, Toronto, Ont.
 256. Edgar Ek, Chicago, Ill.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Balance last report.....	\$29.22.
Received for dues, etc.....	5.86.
	<u>35.08.</u>

Expenditures.

Paid Official Organ.....	2.16.
Postage.....	.75.
Trustees Postage.....	.48.
Toronto Philatelic Club.....	1.00.
Stationery.....	.50.

Balance on hand 30.19.

35.08.

GEO. W. STARNAMAN,
 Secy-Treas., Berlin, Ont.

12th Auction Sale.

Bids must be in by the 15th. Rules of this dept sent free on receipt of return postage 1c. Members I want your help.

Lot	*unused.	Scott no.	res.
1. Canada *8c Reg. o. g. fine	156	\$1.35	
2. " *15c red lilac "	43	.60	
3. " 2 *½c black o. g. "	33	.18	
4. " 20 2c Reg.	151		
5. " 20 5c "	155		
6. " 100 Imperials asstd		45	
7. " 100 3c Jubilees		35	
8. U. S. 10c Green	47	40	
9. Sierra Leone three sets of *1, *3, *6 pence and 1sh			
10. 100 Columbian 2c			
11. Set Newfld *Envelopes & Wrapp. 101, -2; 151, -2, 3;			.30
12. 10 Sets Porto Rico '98 issue 1, 2, 20c			2.00
13. 100 HongKong 3 var.		.50	
14. 10 Canada 3 env. surch. *2c (entire).80			
15. 10 " " Letter Card " "		.60	
16. 100 " 2c Imperial asst		.45	
17. 100 " " " light blue		2.60	
18. 100 U. S. Columbia env.		25	
19. 100 " " '61 3c		25	
20. 100 " " '90 8c		1.00	
21. Merchant flags of the world (colored)		.25	
22. 3700 U. S. Columbian soaked.		1.25	
23. Collection of nearly 300 in an album 10" x 7½" cloth cover, spaces 3.500 1000 illustrations			1.00

Auction Dep't Rules.

1. All bids must be in by the 15th.
2. A card will be sent to all successful bidders, when they are expected to remit and stamps will be forwarded.
3. All lots offered for sale must be in the hands of the Auct. Mgr. on or before the 15th.
4. Bidders desiring their lots to be registered must enclose postage for same; as the society will not be held responsible for lots lost in the mails.
5. Postage extra on all lots under \$1.00.
6. Only members may offer lots, but any reliable person may bid.
7. 10 % will be charged on all sales to defray expenses.
8. A reserve bid may be placed in lots.
9. Any article which can claim any relationship to our hobby may be offered for auction.

Send all bids to

R. S. MASON, Auction Mgr.
Hamilton, Can.

Vice Pres'. Greeting.

To the Members of the D. P. A.
Ladies and Gentlemen.

Please accept my best thanks for the honor you have conferred in electing me Vice President of our society.

I was surprised when I found myself nominated for the office, and much more so when I read the result of the voting.

We now have our President in the east, and Vice President in the West,—may philately increase, and our society gain members throughout this vast Dominion.

To further these objects, shall be pleased to do all I can.

With fraternal greetings,
I remain,

Yours faithfully,
THOS. S. FUTCHER,
Vice President.

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10 S. America. 8 Belgium. 6 Bavaria.
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25 small envelopes with name & address 7c
All for 17c postfree. 1st answer gets one
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I am breaking **Two Collections**

for exchange.
Send me 50 to 500. Stamps of equal value
will be returned. W. S. Eyles, 1 Wall-
bridge Ave., Frome, Somerset, England.

The Lot FOR ONLY 10c

Postage extra.

25 variety Foreign.

5 " Mexican Revenues.

5 " Canadian Revenues.

5 " Post cards.

1 set of 5 var some European country.

25 Hinges.

3 blank approval sheets.

20 Manilla envelopes (for packets).

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1 Memo Book.

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Do U Need These!

3 var Canada postcards, used.....	.03
5 " " " " " " " " " " " "	.06
2c Can. map stamps 10 for 10c; 100 for	.60
1000 Perfect Hinges and Advocate 3 mos	.10
8c Canada Jubilee unused.....	.15
6c " maple leaf " " " " " "	.10
8c " " " " " " " " " "	.11
10c " " " " " " " " " "	.13
3 var " " " " " " " " " "	.10
1c Can. letter cards unused 3c; 10 for	.20
2c " " " " " " " " " "	.30
2c " red envelopes " " " " " "	.35
1c " green " " " " " " " "	.25
1c " RED postcards " " " " " "	.15
1c maple leaf, unused 2c; 10 for	15c.

Postage 2c extra on orders under 25c.

Canada Jubilee

Complete set 1/3c to \$1.00 postfree for \$2.50.

Will send registered for 5c extra.

Registered with 8c Jubilee for 15c extra.

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Alma Appleton, Goodale's Corner, Me.

Canada 12d Black

for a 4c Omaha? No, but Canada map stamps, rare blue shade, only \$2.50.
 U. S. periodical set \$5.00 as ad. by post office, registered 8c extra.
 *N'Fl'd '80 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10 12, 24 95c
 Cabot Set \$2.50. 10 unused Maple Leaf 4c for 20c. 6c for 10c 60 used Can. Map 45c.
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A Long Felt Want.

An album especially designed for Canadian Revenues, post free only 85c. Same, with 40 var in it postfree \$1.80.

A large stock of these pretty, popular and cheap stamps from which to select.

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Peterborough, Ont.

Wanted.

Numeral issue Canada at following prices.

½c used per 100	\$.25
1c " " "	.02
2c " " "	.04
3c " " "	.03
6c " " "	2.50
8c " " "	1.25
10c " " "	3.00

Any quantity taken, must be soaked (on paper 1c per 100 less)

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HAMILTON, CAN.

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Circulars.

		100	250	500.
2 x 3 in	50 words or less	\$.10	\$.15	\$.25
3 x 4 "	" " "	.15	.20	.30
3 x 5 "	125 " " "	.20	.30	.45
3 x 6 "	150 " " "	.25	.35	.50
4 x 6 "	200 " " "	.30	.40	.50

Stationery.

100 note heads, your name on	.35
100 Envelopes your name in corner	.25
100 packet envelopes 20c.	.50 for
All postfree.	

Starnaman Bros., Berlin, Ont.

My 3rd Auction Sale...

Lot	United States.	Cat.
1.	20 Sets Portgs Angra	\$2.20
2.	25 Sets Doc. Rev. '98 9 var	7.50
3.	50—50c " " "	2.50
4.	100—25c " " "	3.00
5.	250—5c " " "	5.00
6.	250—3c " " "	7.50
7.	350—10c " " "	7.00
8.	850—1c " " "	8.50
9.	1000—2c " " " 4 lots res.	.25
10.	1850—2c " " " reserve	.45
11.	500—4c " " " 5 lots res.	1.25
12.	1500—4c " " "	3.75
13.	500—2c green '87	5.00
14.	400—2c '90-'93	4.00
15.	650—1c Col.	6.50
16.	950—2c "	9.50
17.	400—1c Omahas	4.00
18.	1000 2c Omahas	10.00
19.	1900 2c "	19.00
20.	1400 2c Old Rev. 5 var	14.00
21.	7500 U. S. and For. Com.	

Bids Close on August 15th.

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I desire to enter into exchange relation with collectors in all parts of the world.

RARE FOR RARE.

I offer the stamps of Chili (1852 to 1899) Peru and Boliva.

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The Search Light an 8 page monthly paper one year and 100 stamps all different 25cts. **Harry R. Marlow**, Warren, Ohio.

Stamps 200 foreign 10c, 100 better 10c **Chas Wrigly**, 477 Yonge St. Toronto, Ont.

Canada entires wanted. Stamped env. or stamps on cover; send what you have with lowest price. Cash by return mail. **W. E. Elliott**, Box 159 Goderich, Ont. s

Plate numbers. Canadian, for sale at lowest cash prices. Write to **Geo. E. Daveport**, 70 Melbourne ave., Toronto, Ont. 37s

Want to subscribe to all stamp papers. Kindly send sample copy and all other papers, address **Henry Christopher Woehlcke** 915 Corinthian Ave., Phila., Pa.

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7th AUCTION SALE.

All Stamps are in Good Condition. Bid by Lot.
Postage paid by Purchaser. * Means Unused.

Lot. No.	United States.
1.	5 2c env. one scarce die '99 entire
2.	25 3c 1861 some grilled.
3.	40 25—1c, 15—2c Omaha
4.	2 5c Col. env. entire '93
5.	13 1c Omaha
6.	21 used war rev. '98 incl. $\frac{3}{4}$, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, 4

Canada.

7.	16 5c 1859 on cover
8.	10 3c 1868 on cover
9.	4 2 1c, 2 3c env '78 old shades.
10.	2 3c 95 and 3c 98 env. entire
11.	4 2-2c env. 95, 1 and 2c env '98 used
12.	14 2c 4 leafs
13.	50 5c Register shades.
14.	30 $\frac{1}{2}$ c 1892
15.	58 3c figures
16.	100 $\frac{1}{2}$ c figures.
17.	30 3c Jubilee
18.	24 1c "
19.	110 1c 4 leaf.
20.	62 2c figures
21.	80 1c figures
22.	15 2c registers
23.	100 3c 4 leaf
24.	34 2c 4 leaf
25.	78 71 $\frac{1}{2}$ c unused, 7 used, 4 leaf.
26.	10 6c figures
27.	56 5c 4 leaf
28.	2 2c on 3c entire letter cards.
29.	3 1c, 2c '95, 3c '98 ent letter cards.
30.	10 3 *1c, 3 *2c, 4 *3c '95, let. cards.
31.	2 *2c envelope entire '95
32.	10 3c envelope '98 entire.
33.	13 *3c envelope '98 entire.
34.	4 *2c on 3c env '95 entire
35.	15 5 2c, 10 5c Register
36.	50 1c 4 leaf
37.	100 2c figures
38.	100 1c figures.
39.	7 2c figures pale blue
40.	25 2c Xmas shades

41.	30 10 sets 1c, 2c, 3c Jubilee
42.	28 2c Xmas shades
43.	46 * $\frac{1}{2}$ 1892 no gun:
44.	100 3c figures
45.	23 8c 1892
46.	20 6c 1892
47.	300 3c figures
48.	100 2c Xmas shades
49.	500 2c Xmas shades.
50.	34 ass. revs. cat \$2.98 Adams
51.	4 wghts and meas 2 \$1 $\frac{1}{2}$, 2 \$2cat 80c
52.	2 50c sur L. S. Ont Law cat \$2.52.
53.	8 20c sur L. S. Ont Law cat .80
54.	10 30c " " " " 1.50
55.	25 50c " " " " 3.75
56.	25 50c " " " " 3.75
57.	18 50c " " " " 2.70
58.	50 50c " C. F. " " 3.00
59.	50 50c " " " " 3.00
60.	9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Ont Law red brown
61.	20 10c " " .80
62.	15 50c " " cat .60
63.	26 50c " " " 1.04
64.	15 \$1 " " " .45
65.	45 \$1 " " " 1.80
66.	11 50c Gas Stamp cat .66
67.	11 50c " " " .66
68.	2 25c " " " .20
69.	18 var. rev. fine " 1.76
70.	4 Japan postcards 1 rare
71.	1000 assorted foreign cat \$15
72.	100 well assorted cat \$20
Newfoundland.	
73.	25 3c 1890
74.	30 10 sets, 2c, 3c, 5c 1887
75.	20 2c orange 1887
76.	15 3c 1890
77.	56 3c 1890
78.	25 3c 1887
79.	1 U. S. 1869 3c no grill, damaged.
80.	25 U. S. well assorted cat \$4.00

Send in your Bids soon as possible.

We have too many for approval department now. Our
8th Sale next month is B. N. A. stamps.

Royal Stamp Co., Box 433, St. Catharines. Ont.