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From our Regular Correspondent.

Hamilton Notes.

BY CHAS. S. APPLGATH.

Philatelically speaking the past week has been a very quiet and uninteresting one, in this city, the one topic of conversation being the Dominion Philatelic Association Nominations.

Hamilton has put up another candidate for D.P.A. honors, in the person of Mr. W. B. Grant, who will be a contestant for the position of trustee. It is to be hoped J. Grant will receive better support this year than last.

Mr. F. I. Weaver of this city left to-day for Toronto. During his short sojourn with us he has made many friends, whose best wishes go with him to his new home.

One of our leading stationers and booksellers has been showing a philatelic window during the past week. It is made up of albums, catalogues and philatelic supplies generally.

The Imperial stamps have dropped in price in this city owing to their being placed on sale again at the post-office. Local dealers are now only offering about 25c per hundred for them.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Boston Notes.

BY C. C. BAKER, JR.

The dealers here are having a great run on Canadian stamps at present, and each company tries to outdo its neighbor for low prices.

Dealers and collectors are looking ahead for the St. Louis issue. Will they get it, mine friend?

Periodical stamps are going fast, not only to collectors, but to others not interested in philately, who but themselves "souvenirs" to put in their cabinets.

The Boston Philatelic society held a meeting, April 18th.

A certain local dealer sends stamps out on approval with no gum on their backs to sell for unused specimens. It is a question what shall be done to him for surely we can't let that pass.

One half of a 4c stamp has recently been seen on a letter. It is of no nominal value, but is quite a curiosity.

It has been my pleasure to examine the fine collection of Mr. G. A. Hunt, of Waburn. His album contains about 500 varieties of fine stamps. But his entries are the best, fully 1,000 different from "all over the world," were there.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Ottawa Notes.

BY J. S. DALTON.

The Government are selling a lot of their remaining jubilees now. We have had on sale the following values: 1c, 2c, 5c, 8c and 10c. There were not many eights on sale, however, as of course would be the case.

There are still some sets of jubilees on sale at this office, the set from 1-2c to 50c cannot be obtained now, however, but only from the 1-2c to \$1.00 and also the full set (1-2c to \$5.00).

Business is very bright here and is better than it has been for some time.

Some non-collectors have been investing in the latest issues of the Canadian stamps and are buying up a few of each of our new issues.

The 1-2c jubilee has taken a little little raise in value. Although the price is not very high it is a scarce stamp, as is the 6c.

The Stamp Exchange, No. 1, Vol 1, has been received here. If all the numbers to follow are as good as No. 1, it will be a good paper, having 32 pages and cover. We wish Mr. Tucker success.

There have been some of the 2c red post card, old issue, on sale here. They were only on sale one day, however.

The 2c lavender may stamp is now very rare and cannot be obtained at the post office here or any of the chief offices.

Many new recruits have been added lately to the long list of collectors in this city, and new ones are joining the ranks all the time.

The 4c and 7c stamps have not yet made their appearance. We hope to see them soon.

Bidding at Mail Auctions.

Send in your bids in good time; not only to avoid the rush but preference is generally given in order of receipt. Pay for your purchases promptly.

Damaged stamps are generally describer by the catalogue as "fair." Bear this in mind when bidding on such lots.

If you desire choicest specimens offered of rare and desirable stamps make liberal bids on them or somebody will be apt to get them instead of you.

When a series of lots of the same kind are offered place a reasonable offer and all with instructions that only one is desirable, as prices in such cases generally vary from high to low.

The actual value may be more or less than catalogue price according to condition and popularity of the stamp. Bid accordingly.

Local Briefs.

When a lot of sheets of stamps are received by the clerk to sell to the public, one will notice that he is careful to preserve all the plate numbers with two or three rows of stamps attached. Upon enquiry I found he had a customer who purchased them all.

Among the last consignment of stamps received here from Ottawa were several sheets of 3c numerals. From this it looks as though they will not be withdrawn entirely.

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Ourselves.

Word received from Newfoundland
announces that the new 5c blue, Duke
of York stamp will appear about May
24th.

In regard to the above there is every
evidence that the 2c purple and the
3c envelopes will be reprinted and will
be on sale in a few weeks.

The new Supreme Court Law stamps
are now without a rival for their artis-
tic beauty and is a credit to the
American Bank Note Co., of Ottawa.

The appearance of the reprints of
the Maple Leaf issue has caused much
dissatisfaction amongst the dealers,
who have held large supplies of these
stamps.

Press Review.

PAPERS RECEIVED.

Bay State Philatelist, Vol. 2, No. 4.
Evergreen State Philatelist, Vol. 11,
No. 62.
Michigan Philatelist, Vol. 2, No. 1.
Montreal Philatelist, Vol. 1, No. 11.
New York Philatelist, Vol. 6, No. 1.
Philatelic Journal of Great Britain
Vol 9, No. 100.
Patriot, Vol. 3, No. 1.
Revue Postale, Vol. 2, No. 3.
Stamp Exchange, Vol. 1, No. 1.
The Bay State Philatelist for April

ends off with a brief "New Issues."
The publisher was evidently short of
ads as we find notes run in on adver-
tising pages. This spoils the general
appearance in our estimation. Print-
ing of Stamps is the principal leader,
A poem, "Philately," is found on page
6. The remaining matter is mostly re-
print.

"Canadian Chat," by Julian, occu-
pies the place of honor in the Ever-
green State Philatelist for April, and
is very interesting. Veritas follows
with "Philately Month by Month." In
this article he discusses the philatelic
literature of the day, with good effect.
These, with the regular bunch of philatelic
items, form the principal part of
No. 62.

Yes, another Michigan Philatelist.
This one, however, claims to have come
to life again, after a short rest of just
one year. John C. Brassington, Hart,
Michigan, is the publisher. Looking
over its pages we find first class deal-
ers represented, some that do not ad-
vertise in every paper, either. What
you exclaim, these reliable firms sup-
port a fellow who won't pay his bills,
and whose name appears quite often
as an advertising "dead beat."

The Montreal Philatelist for April
is here as usual with its news, new
issues, etc. The make up of this paper
might be bettered, we think.

"Some Philatelic Abuses," is the
opening leader in the New York Phila-
telist for April. This is to be made
a regular monthly feature, and if the
following are up to the first, Editor
Herbst will be able to compliment
himself upon securing such an addition
of interesting matter. This month the
United States Government is severely
dealt with. Dan Cornell carries one
back a trifle in philatelic times in an
article, entitled "Old Times." William
M. Veebeck speaks in favor of the See-
becks. These, with the regular items,
go to make up a very creditable num-
ber.

New York Notes.

BY B. COHEN.

The stamp business is still booming.
The dealers report a daily increase in
business, there being a demand for
stamps which are priced low.

It is rumored here that a few thou-
sand sets of Periodical stamps are to
be placed on sale to supply the demand
of the collectors. Some Wall street
brokers who invested in a few hundred
sets have signs in their windows
"Newspapers and Periodicals for sale"

An out of town collector visited one
of the stamp store recently and asked
for a unused set of "Surch U. S.
stamps" for Porto Rico and was pos-
itely answered that he, the dealer, did
not keep fake stamps.

Canada is not alone in issuing Map
stamps, for the merchants of Buffalo
N. Y. have had printed a stamp simi-
lar to that of the Imperial stamp in
honor of the coming "Pan American
Exposition." The stamp is perforated
on all sides and has the same colors
as the Imperial stamp. On the top of
it is inscribed "Pan American," and
on the bottom the word "Exposition"
instead of "We hold a vaster etc", al-
so in place of the numerals 2c in the
squares is a Buffalo's head. A little
above the word exposition completes
the sentence. This stamp is used by
the merchants of the above city on
their out of town mail being placed be-
side the postage stamp. Many have
arrived in this city with the mails from
Buffalo.

We must caution our advertisers
against putting too many words in
their copy. A certain space will only
take a certain amount type, and it is
useless to attempt to crowd more in-
to it. If small advertisers would con-
fine their copy to no more than fifty
words to an inch their ad would then
be up in proper shape.

A FEW BARGAINS!

* means unused.

CANADA.	
5c beaver... ..	\$ 03
12 1-2c green, 1864... ..	30
17c blue, 1864... ..	1 00
*1-2c jubilee... ..	20
*10c special delivery... ..	13
70c blue, 1893... ..	30
NEWFOUNDLAND.	
*1-2c red, dog's head... ..	04
1-2c black... ..	02
5c blue, 1880... ..	04
1-2c Prince Edward of York... ..	02
UNITED STATES.	
6c Columbian... ..	08
8c Columbian... ..	08
15c Columbian... ..	15
10c Omaha... ..	05
Postage extra on orders under 50 cents.	

E. KER,
Box 474, St. Catharines, Ont.

"STAMPS."

CANADA.

2c surcharged on 3c envelope, unused, entire, fine...	10
1868 1c red brown...	10
1868 3c red...	02
1859 1c and 5c...	06
1868 12 1-2c blue (scarce)...	15
1892 50c blue...	22
1875 2c and 5c register...	02
1898 *1-2c 4 maple leaf...	02

NOVA SCOTIA.

1860 5c blue...	15
NEW BRUNSWICK.	
Complete unused set *1, 2, 5, 10, 12, 1-2 and 17...	50

NEWFOUNDLAND.

1880 1c and 3c...	07
1887 1-2c, 1c, 2c, 3c and 5c...	10
1890 1-2c, 3c, and 6c...	10
1898 1c carmine (scarce)...	05
1898 *2c orange, fine...	04
Special 100 assorted U. S. and B. N. A. postage stamp, 1859 to 1898 in Canada, and it is best value on market, only...	20

WHOLESALE.

Xmas assorted per 100...	85
3c figures, per 100...	14
3c figures per 1000...	1 25
2c purple, per 100...	25
1-2c to 8c for maple leafs...	10
Orders under 50 cents postage extra 2c.	

Free 500 I. X. L. hinges with every order of 50c up.

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CANADA!

Maple Leaf issue, new, complete	40
Numeral issue, new, complete...	35
Jubilee issue, new, complete.....	16 50
Jubilee issue, 1-2 to \$1.00, new...	2 50
Jubilee, 1-2c, new...	18
Envelopes, 2c purple, new, entire	60
Envelopes, 1c and 2c, new, entire	06
My bargain packet, A., 15 var. fine foreign...	07
New Zealand, 1898 issue, 1-2d, 1d, 2d, used...	05

Orders under 50c, 2c extra for postage.

Address orders to

J. S. DALTON,

150 Cooper St., Ottawa, Can.

Edna's Album.

BY GUY W. GREEN.

The lamplight sheds its softened glow
O'er floor and wainscott, while the
wall
Seems darkly distant to the sight—
In curtained alcove shadows fall.

Within the light sweet Edna sits,
The tangles of her loosened hair
Reflecting back the golden gleam
That seems to seek them everywhere.

Her head is bowed. Long lashes drop
Her eager, searching eyes alone;
Her parted lips bespeak the birth
Of sudden pleasure, joy or love.

Before her lies the treasure trove
Where countless colored boards
abide;
Her rounded cheek is bent above
Her mute companion, old and tried.

She touches with caressing hand
The battered book, each page and
leaf,
Bold sorrow enters not the room,
But flees with sadness, pain and
grief.

Like Peri locked from Paradise
I see the joy I cannot share;
I long to stand by Edna's side
To touch with trembling hands her
hair.

I envy every stamp that lies
Beneath her pulsing finger tips;
I envy every page that sees
The happy smile of curved lips.

But hopelessly I turn away
To dream of Edna fresh and fair,
Of album open 'neath her touch,
Of drooping lashes, loosened hair.
—From the Post Office.

News in Brief.

At present a movement is on foot to establish a local stamp club at Winnipeg, Man. Mr. C. T. Kirkley is the pusher.

On Shrove Tuesday, M. Lemaire threw, about 300 pounds of stamps out of the windows on the Avenue de l'Opera instead of confetti. This novelty proved to be a great success and led to some interesting scrambles.

The German post office intends issuing stamps of the value of 30 and 80 pf and of 2 and 5 mark.

M. Bernichon has bought an entire sheet of the 1 real blue, Spain, 1855, issue, containing the error 2 reales. The price paid is £300.

The new Mexican stamps are being printed in England.

Plate number 4 of the Imperial penny stamp has not been received here yet, although plate number 5 was received some time ago.

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Going Up!

Yes, the prices of the maple leaf and numeral issue are liable to take a big jump any day.

Look through the list and see if your album contains all mentioned.

*1-2c maple leaf...	..03
1-2c numeral...	..01
1, 2, 3 and 5c maple leaf...	..03
1, 2, 3 and 6c numeral...	..03
5c maple leaf...	..02
6c maple leaf...	..05
8c...	..03
10c...	..08
6c numeral...	..03
*10c numeral...	..12
*2c Xmas...	..04
2c Xmas...	..02

Printer's Error—In last week the offer 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10c maple leaf, 10c; should have read 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 8c maple leaf—10c.

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Box 474, St. Catharines, Ont.

The Bay State Philatelist

One year, 25 cents. With Stamp Reporter, 50 cents.

A Magnificent Offer.—First ones answering will receive, FREE, a stamp of Cuban Republic in first number of paper.

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100 VAR. OF STAMPS.

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JOHN H. LOWE,

100 HURON ST., TORONTO, ONT.

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when answering ads.**

Forgery.

The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain gives the following:

TURKEY.—1865, 25 piastres.

According to the Echo, forgeries of this high value have lately been seen in Constantinople. The color of the forgeries (they exist used and unused) is dull, the paper too thin, and the perforation too rough, whereas the color of the originals is bright orange or vermilion, the paper medium thick and the perforation regular. The inscriptions on the forgeries are, however, well imitated and can easily mislead,

Important News.

Casnough, who under the name of Williams & Co., worked one of the biggest philatelic swindles on record, has been seen in Paris, says the Montreal Philatelist, where he passed under the name of Lenpall, of New Jersey, U. S. A. He had the nerve to call on those in Paris whom he had swindled. Just as he was to be arrested he disappeared, it is said, going to London. A full description of him has been obtained and placed in the hands of the police.

Several Important Don'ts.

Don't remove the gum off any stamp.

Don't cut or otherwise trim stamps.

Don't divide blocks or pairs of stamps.

Don't take old stamps off their original envelopes.

Don't use gum or paste; use hinges.

EXCHANGE COLUMN.

Free to subscribers. Limit 35 words including address. To non-subscribers 1c. a word each insertion. Notices must be written on a separate piece of paper, no display allowed.

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To buy some stamps as Canada 4 leaves, numerals, old issues; Newfoundland. U. S., Omahas, and revenues 1864 to 1893. All used for which we will buy for Cash or will exchange.

All used.

Peru, 1894, 10c green... .. .04
Honduras, 1892, 1 Peso mauve... .. .09
Newfoundland, 3 var.06
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Lot. CANADA.

1. 21 1-2c black 1882.
2. 62 5c olive green.
3. 8 6c brown, 87 8c slate 1892, 95 stamps as one lot.
4. 2c red, registers.
5. 5c green, registers.
6. 6 1-2c black, Maple Leaf.
7. 71 1c green.
8. 8 2c purple.
9. 151 3c red.
10. 38 1c green (figures)
11. 22 2c purple.
12. 45 3c red.
13. 20 1c Jubilee.
14. 34 3c Jubilee.
15. 3 2c green, Jubilee, 4 2c "Maps", 7 stamps one lot.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

16. 30 1c green.
17. 20 3c slate.
18. 1 1c rose, 1 1-2c black, 12 2c orange, 1 3c brown, 2 5c blue, 17 stamps as one lot.
19. 4 3c red unperf 185, 7 3c red 1861-6, 3 3c blue 1869, 2 3c red 1867, 16 stamps as one lot.
20. 10 4c carmine 1887, 2 5c blue Garfield, 8 10c blue 1880, 20 stamps as one lot.
21. 6 1c, 50 2c, 1 5c Omahas', 57 stamps as one lot.
22. 13 4c 1899, 1 \$1. red rev. manifest, 14 stamps as one lot.
23. 11 3c, 26 4c, 53 5c, 20 6c, 11 8c, 34 10c 1890, 155 stamps as 1 lot.
24. 4 3c, 6 4c, 18 5c, 1 6c, 6 8c, 13 10c 1893, 48 Columbians' as one lot.
25. 130 3c purple, 1893-99.
26. 200 4c brown, 1893-99.
27. 244 5c chocolate, 1893-99.
28. 36 6c, 1893-99.
29. 60 8c, 1893-99.
30. 187 10c green, 1893-99.

reserve 50c.

34. 72 1c Due 1879-93.
35. 200 2c Dues 1879-93.
36. 6 3c, 16 5c, 20 10c Dues 1879-93, 42 due stamps a sone lot.
37. 200 1c due 1893-99.
38. 207 2c due 1893-99.
39. 300 same.
40. 19 3c, 8 5c, 10 10c dues 1893, 37 due stamps as one lot.
41. 167 10c blue spec. del. 1885-99.
42. 15 10c orange spec. del. 1893.

FOREIGN.

43. 1 Columbia Rep. 10 claret, British unused.
44. 100 1c rose Grenada 1887.
45. 10 1c black G. and Britain 1840.
46. 7 2 1-2c blue G. and Britain 1876-80
47. 100 2c rose Hawaii 1882-92.
48. 7 1c, 3 2c Hawaii 1893 10 stamps as one lot.
49. 6 10c red, B. Hong Kong.
50. 1 1c lilac 1873-8 New Zealand wmkd. large star.
51. 50 1c violet N. S. Wales 1889.
52. 50 2c blue N. S. Wales 1889.
53. Block 4 Philippines Isld. 1c on 2c; 3c ultia marine new.
54. Block 25 Spain 4c blue unused reserve \$1.00.
55. 6 2c slate West Aust 1882-93.
56. 6 1-2c green West Aust, 1882-93
57. 27 2 1-2c blue West Aust, 1882-93.
58. 2000 good Continentals, good for packets and sheets.
59. 1000 same.
60. 20 Great Britain 3d rose 1867 on entire covers.
61. 11 Great Britain 2 1-2d claret 1876 on entire covers.
31. 17 15c blue 1893-99.
32. 56 5c dk. blue, 1899.
33. 1 12c violet Interior Dept. unused

TERMS OF SALE:

All bidders are notified, and upon receipt of money goods will be forwarded. I don't want bids from irresponsible people. I will advertise in my next sale those who bid but refused to take lots when notified. I do this to protect other auction sale people. If interested in a collection send me your want list. Always address

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N. B.—I want the names of all Literature collectors. I have something interesting.