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NEWS OF THE MONTH

It has now been officially announced in Parliament that a design for the new stamps of Great Britain has been selected, and that they are being prepared. It may be some time yet before they are issued, as a large quantity of the current issue are still to be used up, in the meantime all obsolete issues have been declared unlawful for the payment of any duty on and after June 1st, 1901. Whether the obsolete stamps will be exchangeable for current issues is not stated in the official notification, but our English contemporaries speak of it as a demonetization of the old issues. We do not think this interpretation of the notice is meant, however our English friends, accustomed to their own legal phraseology ought to know. New stamps for the colonies will not appear before those of Great Britain, at least from those colonies administered from the Colonial Office in London, so there is no immediate prospect of the flood of new issues that is yet to come. In the colonies having local self government, as new stamps are required, it is probable, as in the case of the high values of Victoria, announced this month, that the King's portrait will be used. With the issue of the new stamps for Turkey, an attempt has been made by the Sultan to suppress the numerous foreign post offices that exist in the Ottoman Empire. The representatives of the Powers protested, as they are not inclined to entrust their correspondence to the inefficient Turkish service, and in consequence the Porte has expressed regret at the interference and has ordered that no obstacles are to be raised to the foreign post offices, which are established under treaty rights.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

AUSTRALIA.—(No $\frac{1}{2}$ d commemorative stamps.) The $\frac{1}{2}$ d stamps reported as "decided upon" in our last number are

not to appear, the Federal authorities having declined to take the responsibility of issuing stamps before the postal bill is passed by Parliament.

BELGIUM.—(10c rose envelope.) The color of the 10 centimes envelope stamp has been changed from red brown to the U. P. U. color—rose.



BOLIVIA.—(5 cent-avos color changed.)

It is announced by several of our contemporaries that the color of the current 5c has been changed from green to dark red.

BULGARIA.—(Commemorative stamps.)

Two stamps, 5 st red and 15 st green are announced commemorative of the 25th anniversary of the liberation of Bulgaria from the domination of Turkey. A view of the first wooden cannon constructed to combat the Turks figures in the design. 230,000 of these stamps are said to have been issued for domestic postage only, and they are reported to have been on sale for two days only May 3rd and 4th. (Provisional 5 st.) The .3 st brown has been surcharged with a heavy figure "5" and a bar across the original value.



COLUMBIA REPUBLIC.—(Additional Tumaco Provisionals.)

In addition to the values reported in our May number the following are said to have been issued:—

2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, 50c, \$1, \$5, \$10, all are printed on common white paper from the same type, the value only

being changed. It is also said that a 10c registration label in similar type set style has been issued.

COSTA RICA.—(*Official stamps.*) We suppose the new set will like its predecessor be surcharged OFICIAL for government correspondence. The 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20c have been reported so surcharged.

GREAT BRITAIN.—(*King Edward VII. stamps.*) A profile portrait of His Majesty, executed by an Austrian sculptor Emil Fuchs has been selected as the design for the new stamps which are now being prepared. Some dissatisfaction has found expression in Parliament, that the work of a British artist was not given the preference.

GREECE.—(*Complete new issue.*) A year ago we reported that a new set of stamps was being prepared, and were expected to see the light last September. Unavoidable delays occurred in their completion, which necessitated the surcharging of all the available old stock on hand. Some of these surcharges had the appearance of a speculation on the part of the Greek postal officials, but we are assured that the numerous varieties were due to the fact that as fast as a surcharged stamp appeared the entire supply was bought up by the public, whether by stamp speculators or not, the Government had no means of knowing. This constant exhaustion of supplies, naturally brought out fresh varieties of surcharge, which were in turn eagerly bought up. We learn that the designs for the new set are now accepted, and that the stamps are in press. They are the work of Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. of London and consist of the following values:— 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 40, 60 lepta, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 drachma, also unpaid letter stamps of similar values from 1 lepton to 2 drachma. The values of these stamps are in local currency but for International money orders and parcel post a stamp of 25 lepta gold standard is also to be issued. The new stamps are expected to be issued early in June.

GUATEMALA.—(*Pictorial set contemplated. Provisionals.*) It is reported that imitating its sister republic Costa Rica, Guatemala is shortly to have a complete new pictorial issue from 1c to 200c. Remnants of old stock are to be surcharged "1901" and used up, converted into 1 and 2c stamps. We notice *Mekel's Weekly* reports the issue of the 25c red orange surcharged UN-1-CENTAVO-1901 in four lines.

MOROCCO.—(*Mazagan-Marakech local post.*) It is announced, on official authority, by *Le Colporteur de T.P.* that the local postal service between Mazagan and Marakech, has been taken over by the French postal administration. Stamps of the design employed by the local post (Scott type A 3) are still used by the French officials in the following colors:

	5 centimes, red	and black
10	" blue	" "
20	" lilac rose	" "
25	" yellow	" "
50	" violet	" "
75	" green	" "
1	peseta rose	" "

NICARAGUA.—(*Provisional 5, 10 and 20 centavos.*) The annual issue not being ready as soon as expected, and doubtless in order to keep the contractor's stock of remainders intact, as it will be remembered 50,000 sets cancelled to order are to be reserved for him, the 1900 unpaid letter stamps are now being surcharged for use as ordinary postage stamps. Above the central figure of value the word CORREOS has been surcharged and the date "1901" below. The 5, 10 and 20 centavos are reported with this surcharge.

PORTUGUESE COLONIES.—(*500 and 700 reis.*) The new high value stamps for the seven colonies, named in our April number have appeared; the 500 reis is black on blue value in red, and the 700 reis red lilac on straw, value in black.

SALVADOR.—(*1900, 12 and 26 centavos.*) Two more values have appeared of the set dated 1900, 12c light green and 26c. yellow brown, like the others of the set, disfigured by the surcharged control mark. *Mekel's Weekly* also reports a 5c. deep blue which may be a different shade of the 5c previously announced in slate green.



SERVIA.—(*The new 3 and 5 dinars.*) We illustrate the type of the two new high value stamps reported in our April number. The 1 dinar stamp of the current type issued in 1894 in blue green has been demonetized and the stock of remainders sold by auction in Paris. It is now being offered at less than face value; the 1896 1d red brown is still in use.

VICTORIA.—(*Edward VII stamps.*) Designs for stamps of the values of £1 and £2 bearing the portrait of the King

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have been accepted and will be issued as soon as the Government printer can get them out. The necessity for these high value stamps is explained, by the fact that it is the custom in Victoria to accept correspondence in bulk, instead of stamping each letter separately, stamps for the bulk postage being affixed to a printed form. Duty stamps have hitherto been used for this purpose, but as fiscal and postal revenue have now to be accounted for separately, it has been found necessary to have special high value postage stamps.



VIRGIN ISLANDS.—
(Envelopes and Post cards). Postal stationery, impressed with the current type adhesive, is reported by *Mekes's Weekly* as follows :

Envelopes (various sizes.)

1d. red on white
2½d blue on white

Post cards.

½d green on buff (small)
1d red on buff (large)

SOUTH AFRICAN NOTES.

H. RUDD, CAPE TOWN.

Schweizer Reineke Besiegte Stamps.

I have seen the ½d and 1d Cape of Good Hope, current, and various values of Transvaal stamps, roughly surcharged "Besieged," and used in the above-named place. This appears to be a Speculative Issue, as the reason for the surcharge is not apparent. The siege was but a short one, and there was probably no fear of the stamp supply exhausting, as in the case of Mafeking, which is apparent by the stamps not being surcharged to a higher denomination. Even had the issue been an authorized one, I would warn collectors against purchasing copies, except from a reliable source, as the surcharge is so rough, that it can easily be fraudulently reproduced.

HAWAIIANS GIVEN AWAY not at the present great rush for these ever popular stamps, but you can get them cheaper from F. R. Ginn, London than from any one else. Look up his ad, inside, front cover, read it carefully, then send him your order. He'll treat you right.

CREAM OF THE MAGAZINES.

THE ONLY TRUE LANGUAGE OF STAMPS.

A puzzled correspondent writes from Ashburton to the editor of a London weekly paper to know if he understood the so-called "language of stamps." To this query the editorial reply is:

Yes, I am an expert. When the stamp is where it ought to be, namely, in the top right-hand corner of the envelope, and straight, it shows that the sender is neat and sensible. When it is on the flap of the envelope, thus serving as a seal, it denotes suspicion and extreme caution. When the stamp is on the wrong corner of the envelope, or upside-down, or cross ways, it means that the person who affixed it is probably blind. Should no stamp whatever be affixed, it means: "I am careless," or, possibly, "I am mean." There are other "stamp-languages," I believe, but this is the one taught by professors in all the leading universities, and no others are genuine. —S. C. *Fortnightly*.

THE TRUTH ABOUT THE BOER "COMMANDO BRIEF STAMP".



The "Commando Brief" Stamp of the Boers, which the *Fortnightly* was the first British Philatelic journal to describe and illustrate, was not issued by the Post Office of the Orange Free State. I have proof of this.

In reality the stamp was issued, on his own initiative, by an official of the O.F.S. on duty at the Field Post office. There was no real necessity or occasion for the stamp for both in the Transvaal and in the Free State letters to and from the "fighting line" were allowed to pass post free. It was merely necessary for the sender to use on his missive the word "Vleddienst." The report put about that the Boer Commandant himself stamped the letters, and by the creation of this "Commando Brief" stamp was saved the trouble of doing so, is contrary to fact. All the letters would be post-marked whether stamps were attached to them or not.

Entire envelopes bearing postmarked and dated specimens of these stamps are shown as proof of the official character of these stamps. I say the postmark proves nothing. As no stamp was required the postmark would be applied to the envelope in the usual place whether

there was a stamp there or not. Had a fighting burgher prepaid his letter home with a Chinese local it would have been fully as efficacious as the "Commando Brief" label; and for the reason stated above the Chinese local would have been duly postmarked at the Field P.O.

The "Commando Brief" stamp I hold to be no proper postage stamp at all. I was in Johannesburg at the time of its issue and philatelists there never for a moment accepted the thing as an official issue, but merely as a private speculation. I was never more surprised in my philatelic life than when I came to London and saw this yellow label in a dealer's window marked "Very Scarce, £1 10s.!"

—S. C. Fortnightly.

RUSSIAN LOCALS.

In Russia everything large is loud, and the stamp collector who possesses some of the curious Russian local postal labels will be inclined to think so, too. Russia's postal system is worked on different lines from ours, owing to the vastness of the land to be covered. It is easy to understand that in a country of Russia's dimensions it would not pay to run the postoffice mail routes into every little nook and corner. The manner in which this difficulty is surmounted is both interesting and novel. The imperial post determines a fixed route for its mails. All districts which are not on that route are permitted to establish miniature posts, which carry letters to the nearest station on the route of the imperial post. These posts are organized and worked by the local municipal governments, which issue stamps for the purpose. These posts were authorized by an edict (dated September, 3, 1870), to carry local letters from one point in the district to another, and also to take letters to and from the nearest office of the government postal service. With their characteristic fondness for vivid colors, the designers of the rural stamps have made them of many hues, and if they are not particularly artistic they are decidedly highly colored. Some of the results are, in consequence, often absurd in the eyes of a Briton, but it must also be admitted that some of them are admirable specimens of the engraver's art.

The stamp of Tiraspol would vie with a match box label in point of size. Two penny English stamps could be laid side by side on top of this philatelic giant and still not cover it completely. Tiraspol is a district in the province of Cherson.

The stamp is a marvel of the designer's art, and is printed in no fewer than five colors, namely, gold, red, black, green and yellow. In it the Russian eagle is surmounted with a cross printed in gold, the arms of the municipality of Tiraspol are shown below the Russian standard, and the inscriptions indicate that it is a "Tiraspol rural stamp." * * * Anyone learning the Russian language would do well to collect these rural stamps. In a few weeks he would become so interested in Russia and its postal system that the language with its grammar, would be the only outlet for his enthusiasm. Another educational advantage to be gained from Russian rural stamps is the knowledge of the geography of the interior of the country, and the stamps pave the way for a very good knowledge of Russia's numerous provinces, municipalities and small towns. A curiously mystic-looking stamp comes from Tikhvin, in the province of Novgorod. The design shows a sun, printed in gold, and a band of silver on a shield of red and blue. The outer frame is in black. This handsome stamp is printed in five colors. Another illustration is of a stamp from Oustsolsk, in the Province of Nologda. It shows a typical local landscape, in the foreground of which stands a shaggy bear, whose gaze is fixed upon some unseen prey. The stamp is a pretty one, being printed in three colors, red, blue and brown, the last named colour being reserved for bruin, the typical animal of Russia.—*London Westminster Gazette.*

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

NOTES SUR L'ÉMISSION PROVISOIRE DES TIMBRES-POSTES FRANÇAIS DITS DE BORDEAUX (by Paul Hermand).

We have received a neatly bound copy of this work from the publisher Mr. Th. Lemaire, 16 ave. de l'Opera, Paris. It is a most interesting history of the Bordeaux printed stamps of the French Republic, issued in 1870, after the fall of the Empire of Napoleon III, during the time Paris was invested by the besieging Prussian army. Many official documents relating to this historical issue are given, enlarged photogravures of the different types, and illustrations of most interesting covers. Few stamps possess greater historic interest than this Bourdeaux issue, and the collector will turn to them with even greater interest when he has perused their history in Mr. Harmand's entertaining notes.

Editorial.

THE LEAGUE OF CANADIAN PHILATELISTS.

Few societies have proved so successful as the league of which we have the honor to be the official organ. It was started in September 1898 by seven Montreal philatelists, and as stated in our editorial of December 1898 it "was organized to have a national Canadian Society, free of political wrangling and disputes." It was probably with that object in view that the 7th article of the constitution names the MONTREAL PHILATELIST as its permanent official organ. Thus avoiding an annual wrangle, fostered by journalistic competitors, in which self interest would ordinarily be the motive force. To undertake a permanent task of such a nature, involves considerable responsibility, and imposes upon the editor of the official organ, a closer supervision of the doings of the society, its membership and officers, than would be necessary, if as in other societies the official organ were elected from year to year. It makes the interests of the society and its organ identical, what affects one affects the other.

Other articles of the constitution provide for the election by ballot of its officers at an annual convention, but here again we note the determination to avoid politics, by the fact that previous nominations are not required. Each member votes at the convention for whom he pleases, without regard to any nominations or tickets which have been previously made, and which are quite foreign to the objects of the society, as tending to introduce a party spirit. Upon the resignation of the first president, the duty of appointing his successor fell upon the trustees, and the choice they made of Mr. Hall, a man well known to be opposed to "philatelic politics," has by subsequent events proved a wise selection, while it carried out one of the express objects for

which the L. of C. P. was formed. At the time the presidency became vacant there were but 75 members, since that date 132 applications for membership have been received, most of which have been accepted. Quality not quantity has always been the policy of the league in regard to its membership, consequently its exchange superintendent has had no trouble with delinquents, and the position of attorney has been a sinecure. For several reasons it has not been deemed advisable to meet in convention till this year, consequently no elections could be held, and the officers have continued in office up to the present time.

In another column we republish the constitution of the league, for the benefit of those members who may not have our Volume I No. 6 in which it originally appeared. Some few explanatory articles will be proposed at the convention which will be held in Montreal, as per the president's call on July 1st and 2nd, the officers will be elected, stamps will be exhibited and discussed, an informal auction will be held, excursions and sight seeing enjoyed, and we trust the members will separate pleased to have met, better acquainted, and hoping to meet again.

A CANADIAN NATIONAL COLLECTION.

We notice that our antipodean contemporary *The Australian Journal of Philately* is agitating the subject of a National collection of the stamps of Australia. In India such a collection is we understand already in existence, the great Tapling collection in the British Museum, and the collection of the Postal Museum in Washington are also national in character and ownership. Why we should not have a Canadian National Collection? If the idea is accepted by the Government of the Australian Commonwealth, we trust that it will be brought to the notice of our Postmaster-General Mr. Mulock, who is now in Australia, and that upon

his return to Canada something may be done. There is now in the Library of Parliament a small collection of Canadian stamps, and proofs, but it is far from complete. The Postal Union specimens are received regularly by the department, but what becomes of them no one seems to know. We have heard it stated that they are given away to favored officials, whether this report is true or not, it is certain that they are not properly classified and mounted.

In the hands of a proper custodian, who knows some thing of the stamp business, where and how to exchange duplicates, with the material available at Ottawa an extensive and interesting collection could be made with very little expense. Let us hope that our philatelic friends in Parliament will agitate the subject during next winter's session.

CATALOGUE OF CANADIAN REVENUE STAMPS, 3rd edition, Wm R. Adams Toronto.

A note from the publisher, accompanying this catalogue, which claims to be the most complete published, informs us that "certain values of stamps, being more plentiful, prices have been revised." This revision of prices probably refers to Electric Light stamps as nearly all other prices are much higher than those of the Standard catalogue published in 1899 by Needham & Co., and which are still the generally accepted prices of nearly all Canadian dealers; in fact most dealers are selling the ordinary bill, law, weights and measures, and telegraph stamps at 25 to 33 1/3 per cent discount from the 1899 list. Electric light stamps were issued in 1895, to be used as evidence of the payment of the fees for the inspection of electric meters, and were attached to the certificate of inspection; such certificates are good for five years, consequently the earlier ones are only now requiring to be renewed. As vast numbers of these certificates, in all parts of the Dominion, are becoming valueless by the expiration of their five year term, the stamps are being removed and sold in large quantities. The prices quoted for them are about ten times their real value.

THE LEAGUE OF CANADIAN PHILATELISTS

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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The date of the first convention is now close upon us, and it is with much regret that I find I am unable to attend, through pressing business engagements. I wish on this occasion to convey to the members present my hearty good wishes, and trust they may have a most enjoyable and real good time. The arrangements are in such good hands that I feel sure every thing will be done to make the meeting a success.

The Society at present appears to be in such happy and prosperous conditions that I fervently hope the election of officers, &c., will pass off amicably and not cause any friction or unpleasantness amongst the members.

The Committee, Messrs. Wurtele, Magill and Barwick having received their instructions from the President, there is no doubt they will carry them out accordingly, and I will leave it in their hands to report progress.

In withdrawing from the office of Sec.-Treas. I beg to thank the members for the courtesy I have always received at their hands, and I trust what little I have done in the interests of the Society has been satisfactory.

H. SMITH, Sec.-Treas.
 Medford, Mass., 5th, June 1901.

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Peterborough, Ont., June 12, 1901.

As it seems to be in the best interests of our Society, that the annual Convention should be held concurrently with that of the Dominion Philatelic Association, I hereby beg to vary my former announcement regarding same, and I now issue a call for the convention to commence on the First day of July next at the hour of 9 a. m., in the Chateau de Ramezay, Montreal, to continue until such business as is brought before it, is finished. Trusting we may have a large attendance of members, believe me to be Sir.

Very Faithfully Yours,

W. K. HALL,

Pres. League of Can. Phil.

At a meeting of the committee of arrangements for the Montreal convention held on June 13, 1901, a letter from the President was read changing the date of the convention to July 1st commencing at 9 a. m. The Secretary was instructed to conclude arrangements for obtaining the use of the Chateau de Ramezay for that day. It was decided to request through the official organ that members intending to be present should at once notify the secretary of the Committee. The meeting then adjourned till Thursday evening, June 20th when each member is to report suggestions for entertaining visiting members.

W. JAMES WURTELE, Secretary.
Com. of Arrangements

CONSTITUTION OF THE

LEAGUE OF CANADIAN PHILATELISTS.

I. NAME.—The name shall be The League of Canadian Philatelists.

II. OBJECT.—The object of this society is to promote interest in philately, and aid the members in all ways possible.

III. MEMBERSHIP.—All philatelists in Canada and the United States are eligible to active membership.

IV. HOW TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP.—Philatelists desiring to join shall fill out the application blank. Same must be signed in own hand-writing by two references, one of whom must be a member of the society.

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VI. Members in arrears over two

months shall be dropped from the rolls, but can be reinstated upon payment in full of all arrears, etc.

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XIII. A majority of the votes cast shall elect, and each officer shall hold office until the close of the next annual convention and until his successor shall have qualified.

XIV. In case of death or resignation of any officer the vacancy shall be filled by the appointment of a new officer by the Board of Trustees.

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6d	violet	15
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	10 " green	02
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Journal Stamps	20 " lilac and black	04
Internal	5 " violet and black	02
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