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## Our Philatelic Album.

**T**HE subject of our sketch first saw the light of day in February, 1860, and, consequently, is now 32 years of age.

He first became interested in stamp collecting in 1872, while attending the Collegiate Institute at Galt, Ont., but ceased collecting after a short time, owing to a misfortune in losing his album.

In 1886 he encountered his missing collection, and was once more awakened to Philately with revived zeal, continuing so ever since.

His collection at present numbers 5,250 postage stamps, about 1,000 revenues, and over 300 cards, &c., an aggregate total of over 6,500 varieties. He won the "first prize" and "bronze medal" for the

best postage collection at the Central Ontario Exhibition held in Ottawa, Sept. last, and "third prize" for a collection of Canadian Revenues.



CAPT. ERNEST F. WÜRTELE.

He was one of the charter members of the C. P. A.; then Vice-President for Quebec, and subsequently Chairman of Trustees. At the last election, however, he was unanimously elected President, the position which he at present occupies. Besides the C. P. A., he is also prominently connected with the Postal Card Society, Montreal Philatelic Society, Societe Tim-

brophile d'Echange de Paris, and several others.

He is also very prominent in military circles, having joined the Royal Military College of Kingston in 1878

and graduated in 1882, when he accepted a commission in the 8th Royal Rifles and served with them ever since, five years as Adjutant and then as Captain. Besides the above he is also the Sec.-Treas. of the Royal Military College of Quebec; and the Treasurer of the Q. M. & C. Ry. of the same city.

In short, in this gentleman, we have a devotee much to be proud of, and we will conclude by wishing him long life and prosperity in the folds of Philatelia.

Written for THE PHILATELIC JOURNAL OF CANADA.

### A Plea For Our Better Philatelic Societies.

BY CLEVE SCOTT.

AS years fly by in the course of a Philatelist's career, he looks back to the blooming days of some of our greatest Philatelic societies. He well remembers how much persuading and coaxing it took him to scrape up a dollar, or even twenty-five cents, to join one of the Philatelic societies of the day. It was without the least hesitation as to which of those to join when he had the means to do so. That undoubtedly was due to the scarcity of such at the time, but more likely to the common opinion as to the best and most beneficial. But not so now, when the number of Philatelic societies is legion; when none has a *universal* claim of superiority, and when none is without its qualities nor faults.

But right here, let us say that our duty is nevertheless to patronize the old and well-established society and avoid the good-for-nothing and small one that is organized ever and anon. In mentioning the latter, we, of course, do not mean the *young collectors' societies*, as these have a different scope from the ones previously mentioned, but it is the society that is trying to be run on the same basis as our large national and incorporated ones, that we should put down.

Now, some will inquisitively ask the reason of this war against these societies. Our answer is prompted by several reasons. *Firstly*,—We should patronize the old and well-established society which we know is *bound* to stay, and whose benefits can be appreciated. *Secondly*,—The so-called other national society is principally organized for its founders' benefits only, and not for that of the community at large, and cannot offer one-fourth the inducements that the larger one can. *Thirdly*,—What goes to the small ineffective one of course takes away so much members and material from the large one. *Fourthly*,—The old should be patronized in preference to the new.

Studying the above facts, we cannot but come to the conclusion that the old one can benefit us more than the newly-organized one, and we are in duty bound to assist the former in its work. So that if you wish to join a good one you must make your choice accordingly.

In speaking of Philatelic societies it would not at all be out of place to mention a few of the better and greater ones. Of these the United States has the following:

- ' American Philatelic Association."
- " Western Philatelic Union."
- " Philatelic Society of America."
- " Sons of Philatelia."
- " United Philatelic Association."

Canada also supports two large reliable ones, as follows:

- " Canadian Philatelic Association."
- " Philatelic Society of Canada."

In speaking of societies, we would mention the fact that a person holding an office in one society cannot do full justice to that one if he hold any other offices in other societies. A good rule, we believe for the Constitutions of such would be "that no person holding offices in others can legally hold such in it."

This would result in that an officer would work exclusively for the one, and keep strictly out of the affairs of all

others. Referring to the above comment, we can cite incidents where one holds an office in no less than three different societies, and how can he do justice to all?

Our course and duty is therefere clearly defined. We must not only wholly give our time and devotion to *one*, but it must also be the *old* and *national* one. So make your choice, brethren.

## New York Notes.

BY R. W. A.

I hear that excellent prices were realized for U. S. stamps at Roger's private sale. Bids at 25 % to 40 % above reserve price were away down.

A man was known to fiddle with a string and he received a shower bath. How does this apply with new Canadian papers? Success to *the PHILATELIC JOURNAL OF CANADA*.

R. M. Miller tried, rather unsuccessfully, to ingraft some of Gus. Luhn's natural and sparkling grammatical constructions into "Our Waslanton Trip," in the last number of the *Collector*. The general opinion is that Miller is too conscientious to be funny.

The Metropolitan Press Club was organized on the 29th day of October, in New York. Among the organizers were the following, whose names will be familiar to philatelists: R. Perkins Spooner, Beecher Ogden, C. Whittier Grevning, Ralph W. Ashcroft.

The post office department has experienced a great change lately. The result is that the *Florida Philatelist*, the *Pennsylvania Philatelist*, and the *Stamp*, have procured second class rates, while the *Long Island Philatelist*

will have them shortly. Had the *Malden Philatelist* issued another number, they would have procured them.

Scott's 53rd Standard Catalogue is out with a pink cover. Fifty cents is the price this time, postage free, and it is well worth it. Among the advances I note that the 6c. used U. S. present issue is priced at 5c. The stamp is unobtainable at several large post-offices already. The '69's' also show an advance, but, — wait.

The man who writes "Pokes" in the *Pennsylvania Philatelist* ought to have his head poked into a barrel of molasses. Such rhymes as the one he inserted in the October number of that journal are ignominious. New Yorkers who are acquainted with "Charlie Grevning" are indignant. By the way, Grevning is now employed by Henry Gremmel.

There is a great rush now to get into the ranks of the Sons of Philatelia. It is indisputed, here and elsewhere, that the S. of P. is *the* society of the future. I note that S. B. Bradt and P. M. Wolsieffer have both placed their youngsters among the list of applicants. Probably to find out what the real advantages are! The result will be that they will join themselves, sooner or later.

Quite an amusing incident occurred lately here. A philatelist called up one of his friends on the phone, and told him that Mr. C. H. Mekeel was at his side and would like to talk with him, as his train left in less than two hours. Quite an interesting conversation followed. The man who was called up still believes that he was speaking to the original Charles Haviland.

*We have an excellent supply of good things for our next number. So do not fail to receive it. Subscribe at once.*

## Chicago Notes.

BY K. O. DAK.

A. P. A. matters are booming here. A great many Chicago collectors have joined recently, and we now have a branch in this city which holds meetings once a month.

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During Dedication Week Chicago was favored with the presence of many well-known collectors from all parts of the country. It was a foretaste of what to expect in 1893.

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The resolution in regard to Passive Members came up for action at the meeting of the Chicago Philatelic Society, held Thursday evening, Oct. 20th. After considerable discussion the resolution was carried unanimously.

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One of the best known of the Chicago Philatelists is Mr. C. E. Severn, Secretary of the Chicago Philatelic Society. Mr. Severn is literary in his tastes, and contributes many articles to stamp papers. They are always interesting and instructive.

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The S. B. Bradt Co.'s 8th auction sale was held on the evening of October 19th. The sale was the collection of Mr. Chas. A. Townsend, Akron, O., and consisted of 510 lots. The collection abounded in no special rarities, but fair prices were realized. The total of sales was \$662 15.

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On Tuesday evening, October 18th, the S. B. Bradt Co. tendered an informal reception to Mr. H. E. Deats, of Flemington, N. J. Mr. Deats exhibited a part of his collection to the attending Philatelists. A great number of rarities were shown. A fine block of sixteen 1869, 90 cent stamps, unused, attracted considerable attention.

Many writers are now agitating a State society for Illinois. Chicago Philatelists will always welcome and aid any good work for Philately, and if a State society should be organized it will receive full support from Chicago collectors. It would be a good idea for some of our brother philatelists who live in the country, and have not the advantage of a local society, to express their views in regard to the same. They will have the good of it and are the ones that need it most. Let us hear from all.

## Personal and Pertinent

O. E. Klapp, St. Paris, Ohio, is "devil" in the office of the *Era-Dispatch* of that city.

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W. H. Linn, a leading S. of P. spirit, is engaged in the spring-bed business at Hannover, Pa.

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Frank S. Scammel, a leading Canadian collector, is one of the largest coal and commission merchants of St. John, N. B.

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Frank Kline, of Reading, Pa., and F. Scott, of Woodstock, Ont., are both leading druggists of their respective cities.

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Mr. Jas. I. Thompson, editor of the *Toronto Journal of Philately*, is a law student in one of the leading law offices of Toronto.

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Geo. A. Lowe, Sec.-Treas. of the Toronto Philatelic Club, is the principal of the famous "Lowe's Commercial Academy" of Toronto.

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R. W. Ashcroft, editor of the *Long Island Philatelist* and Secretary of the U. P. A., is now on a railroad tour over New York and other States

H. H. Zobel, of San Francisco, Cal., is a large tea and coffee importer of that city. He is also the Secretary of P. S. of S. F. and a prominent writer.

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J. E. Weldon, Lindsay, Ont., manager of the Lindsay Stamp Co., is a law student at that city. He is also an editor of a local monthly educational journal.

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P. J. Stanton, editor of the *Philatelic Tribune*, prophesied the election of "Ben." and the G. O. P. in his last issue. Sorry you're left, Bro. Stanton.

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W. Kelsey Hall, of Peterboro, Ont., is a law student, but is also interested in stamp dealing. He has just been appointed V. P. of the S. of P. for Ontario.

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Mr. J. Oswald, of Montreal, Que., devotes all his time to stamp and coin selling at his office on St. Catherine street, and, we believe, does a rushing local trade.

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Major Fred. J. Grenny, of Brantford, Ont., is one of the oldest, if not the oldest, and most advanced collectors of B. N. A. He is engaged in the post office of that city.

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## Current Topics.

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Philatelic journalism in Canada is taking a turn for the better. Three new ones in October beats the record.

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Scott's 53rd edition catalogue is out at last. A noticeable fact about it is that the U. S. envelope stamp illustrations are discontinued owing to the law in regard to same.

A new local society, the "Toronto Philatelic Club" has been organized in Toronto, Ont., on a grand scale.

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"Canadensis," in the *Weekly Stamp News*, hints that the *Ottawa Philatelist* will not issue another number. Very sorry!

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The *Philatelic Fortnightly* is announced to appear Nov. 15th, and every two weeks thenceforth, from Minneapolis, Minn.

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Mr. L. M. Staebler's "Canada and Her Stamp Collectors" is out at last. It is a very valuable book, and especially for dealers and publishers.

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The S. of P. election for the vacant offices resulted in the election of Dr. R. J. Russell, as Inter-Secy.; Roy F. Greene, as Librarian; and Geo. W. Achard, as Attorney.

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A new weekly, called the *Weekly Philatelist*, is announced to appear shortly, by R. M. Miller, of New Chester, Pa. As the subscription will only be 25c. per year, we do not expect much. At least Mekeel need not worry.

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The *Malden Philatelist* and *Western Philatelist* have "given up the ghost" on account of being unable to secure second-class rates, and several others are doomed to the same fate. Evidently there is "no love lost" between the P. O. Department and our "stampies."

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We have received a copy of the Standard Stamp Co's. price list, consisting of 64 pages and cover and fully illustrated. The publishers inform us that 35,000 copies have been printed, and, together with postage, the total cost will be \$1,500, the largest amount ever spent on a stamp price list. A copy can be obtained free from them at 925 La Salle street, St. Louis, Mo.

Written for the P. J. of C.

## Our Young Collectors.

BY OMEN.

So often are we attracted by the various charges hurled at our young collectors by our so-called journalistic exponents, that a brief defence of that part of our community would not be out of place at this stage.

The chief and only reasonable cause of this attack is, as they say, that our "younger collectors threaten to discredit the advanced social standing of Philately in the non-collecting world," an argument which, in certain cases, bears evidence of truth.

We cannot but agree, to our sorrow, that the aspect is very threatening, when we consider the amount of roguery practised by some of our younger collectors, including the hateful "approval sheet fraudery" and others equally as galling to our better part. But yet we must remember that the practice is limited to a small number of these, and in condemning the latter we must not include the whole race, as is done when referring to "our younger collectors."

And is it not yet quite evident that the younger collectors are the future PHILATELISTS and promoters of our cause? If you are not absolutely *sure* of the fact, we would wish to impress upon you that all past experiences have shown that it is more than impossible to impress our older non-collecting friends of the advantages of Philately, and that we would now have a wretched field before us, had it not been for the former boys—our present representative Philatelists.

As our space is limited we must conclude right here, trusting that we have at least convinced our readers that we must uphold and befriended the better class of our young collectors.

*Are you a subscriber to Canada's national journal?*

## Spying Around.

BY BEN. ABOUT.

While in Detroit recently we had the pleasure of looking over Mr. Crittenden's photograph album, and saw—well I guess Mr. C. wouldn't like us to give it away entirely. She was there, anyway, and we can tell you she doesn't disgrace the album, either. Perhaps he intends making a stamp collector of her, or better still, a *genuine* philatelist. Time will tell.

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So Tom has turned heels and fled. We suppose the P. S. of C. book he was to publish will never materialize. We hoped it would as it is something we want. We think every society ought to get out something like *his proposed*, say every six months. It would pay both the society and the advertiser.

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Not long since we read some Canadian notes written by one Colonialius, from Montreal. We know, for a fact, that there is no collector in Montreal writing under that name. Can you guess who it is? Perhaps you could tell by the nature of the language used and especially against the P. S. of C., and he is one of the founding members of the Society, too.

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My, how the Sons of Philatelia do go ahead. We think it is a Society worthy of the support of all collectors. A great deal of its success is due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Miller, the Secretary.

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For a regular down-right national society nothing can beat the Philatelic Society of Canada (Incorp.) Its officers are all tried and true philatelists and men who have the Society at heart, and are sure to make it prosper. It has ten branches already, with a total membership of over 300 active collectors.

## Correspondence.

Under this heading we will insert any clippings or correspondence of interest sent us.

F. C. R., Ottâwa, Ont.—We are unable to use your MSS. Send postage for their return.

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J. E. W., Lindsay, Ont.—We are unable to publish your article this month on account of lack of space.

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EDITOR P. J. OF C. :

Dear Sir,—Over one year ago I tried to expose one Thos. O. Pardoe, Jr., of Ingersoll, Ont., and published him as a fraud in the *Philatelic Fraud Reporter*. I tried to show him up in other papers, but he headed me off with his "wonderful bargains" in each paper I wrote to. I wrote to the P. M. at Ingersoll, who answered that evidently I had been swindled, yet he was unable to do anything. As a consequence, no goods of mine for the past year have crossed the border owing to distrust of foreign parties.

To show that Pardoe was an "ignorant" fraud I may state the fact that he positively denied having received a "registered" letter, and, what is more, I could get no information as to the contrary from the authorities there. Had Pardoe been in the U. S. I have enough evidence against him to send him up for a term of years. As it is, I can do nothing.

If not asking too much, please publish this letter over my signature, and oblige,  
Yours truly,

M STEFFAN.

*Why! oh why! should not Canada be able to support her own Journal? So rally around and make THIS JOURNAL a success.*

## One Cent Postage.

Postmaster General Wanamaker of the United States, in his forthcoming annual report, will urge that the country take over the telegraphs, as in Great Britain, and run them in connection with the postoffice. As an argument for one-cent letter postage, Mr. Wanamaker will present the fact that the postoffice department will probably be self-sustaining in another year. It is coming. Will it not be a great disadvantage to Canadians if our neighbors, who now have a two-cent letter rate, begin to carry letters for one cent before we get below the three-cent limit?—*London Advertiser*.

## Postage Stamps.

It takes eighty men and women to make a postage stamp. First the white paper is cut into sheets, each large enough for a hundred stamps. The stamps on each sheet are counted twenty-six times to make sure the number is correct. The printer counts and passes the sheet to the gummer, the gummer gums the back, and having counted, gives it to the perforator, who divides the stamps by rows of little holes, not forgetting to count. It is surprising how quickly and accurately the hands can work. Seven hundred millions of postage stamps are made every year in the United States. New York City uses eight millions a month.—*G. T. R. Daily Bulletin*.

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**Editorials.**

We are indebted to Mr. F. H. Barker, of Washington, D. C., for a copy of the new U. S. domestic Reply Card, sent us on the 25th of October, the date that they were placed on sale. As such a long time has transpired since that date and the publication of this number, and as most of our readers have probably seen it, we will not enter into a full and particular description of it, more than remarking that the card presents a neat and tasteful appearance, and reflects great credit upon its designer

The stamp season is now in full blast, and dealers, collectors, societies, and journals are experiencing its effects. Auction sales are in line, trade at its highest, societies in a state of prosperity, journals at their best, and collectors on the increase. In all, every devotee of Philately has reason to be happy, as the season promises to excel all its predecessors. This, no doubt, we owe to the general promotive power of Philately during the last year. With such, we predict that Philately will soon stand foremost as a recognized factor in the social world.

A notable event in Canada for the past month was the appearance of three Canadian journals the *Ottawa Philatelist*, *International Philatelist*, and *Philatelic Journal of Canada*, all seemingly hale and healthy and above the average. We would not, however, be called selfish in professing the apparent superiority of the initial number of the latter, although they all deserve Philatelic support. Canada can now pride herself with five fine journals, distributed as follows: Two in London, and one each in Belleville, Ottawa and Toronto. We can only say in the words of Rip Van Winkle, "May they live long and prosper.

For certain reasons we were unable to procure the photo of Mr. J. S. Robertson this month. We have, however, obtained that of Capt. Ernest F. Würtele, of Quebec, President of the C. P. A., for this issue, and are certain that our readers will appreciate it, as it is a rare treat to possess the photo of this gentleman, who is one of the greatest of Canada's collectors. We shall continue the feature regularly, and would be pleased to receive your subscription if you wish to possess the series. In the meantime watch out for our Christmas Number. It will be a "dandy."

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With this number we send out a great many sample copies, and if you are not yet a subscriber, send us 20c. at once for 12 months. We shall make this journal, during the following numbers, the best one in British North America. The subscription price is very low, and will neither make nor break any collector. So do not lose the opportunity of subscribing and possessing a full and complete volume. If you are a dealer, examine the journal and consider our ad. rates, which are only 50c. per inch. During our next 12 numbers the circulation will be about 3,000 copies monthly, on an average. This is about 15c. per inch per 1,000 copies. So make your contracts early.

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The United Philatelic Association has held its second annual elections, with the following results: President, J. Bernstein, Jr.; Vice-President, Carl Young; Secretary, R. W. Ashcroft; Treasurer, Fred. H. Barker; Librarian, C. J. Tyren; Exchange Superintendent, Dan. E. Hazen; Purchasing Agent, H. S. Dickson; Executive Committee, Messrs Carter, Whitall, and Barnes. This is the best staff of officers it had ever had, and we predict a successful year. This association, though only one year old, possesses a large and

growing membership. Every department is now in full working order. The dues are only 25c. per year, including a subscription to its official organ. Every collector should join. Address Secretary R. W. Ashcroft 247 South 3rd street, Philadelphia, Pa

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It is only one month since we stepped into the Philatelic arena, and yet our presence has effected a wonderful improvement, and a marked addition to Philatelic journalism. Our initial number, though undoubtedly the most imperfect of the series, was given a royal reception by all young and old, beginner and advanced. This is shown by the scores of congratulatory letters of welcome which greeted our appearance, and hailed us into the ranks of Philatelic devotees. But not only have we been encouraged with kind wishes and words, but also with patronage in the form of subs. and ads. in abundance. In all, we are well satisfied with our prospects of long life and growth, and heartily thank those dealers and collectors who have extended us a helping hand and liberal aid.

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Is there no means of ridding Philately from an everlasting malady, and a dangerous enemy? In our last issue we made mention of another of the many frauds threatening to discredit Philately. Later we received a letter from Mr. M. Steffan, Memphis, Mo., a leading American stamp dealer, on the same subject, a portion of which we reprint. The rascality of the fraud is quite evident from previous experience, but what surprises us is the encouragement of fraudulent practices by our so-called journalistic exponents who adorned their pages with his entrapping ads. after he was pronounced and published as a serious fraud. It is galling enough to bear the evil itself, without encouragement from those who should rout it. If this can not be

stopped in any other way we would suggest that all honest collectors and dealers should withdraw their patronage from such self-interested journals. So, stop it, brothers! stop it!

## Literary Review.

We would be pleased to exchange either one or two copies with philatelic papers, and all received will be impartially reviewed.

The *Florida Philatelist* appears increased to 20 pages brimful of reading matter. The number also contains a photo and short sketch of Aug. Dejonge, Pres. of the Staten Island Philatelic Society, besides several interesting articles. We are also treated with some more of "Uncle Phil's" pointers, which are so entertaining. Published by D. Hazen, Thonotossa, Fla.

The *Philatelic Era* for October is simply perfect in everything. Forty-four pages full of interesting reading matter is a rare occurrence in Philatelic journalism. The Philatelic Review by Mr. Small is the most impartial in the world, in our opinion. The number contains matter to interest old and young. Our congratulations, Bros. Jewett & Small, on the success of your *Era*. Published at 502 Congress St., Portland, Me.

The *Pennsylvania Philatelist* was the first November number to hustle into our sanctum, and a better one never was seen. Articles for old, articles for young, poetry, notes, "Pokes," editorials, and some other interesting matter, constitute the number. It is evident from the number that Bros. Kantner & Kissinger believe in "variety is the spice of life." Published at Reading, Pa.

The Oct. number of the *Nebraska Stamp*, and the first we have seen, was "up to date," 12 pages and cover of choice reading matter. "My Canada Cousin" is becoming interesting already. Editorials, a poem, notes and articles, conclude the number. The journal is very neat and tasty, and published by the "Hon." Cleve Scott, of Central City, Neb.

The initial number of the *Ottawa Philatelist* has appeared, consisting of 8 pages and cover. The contents are not what we expected. "A Philatelist's Misfortune" and "A Warning to Stamp Collectors" (both of which have appeared in the *Eastern Philatelist* some time ago) a short article on the Registration Stamps of Canada, Editorials, and Reviews, fill up the number. Published by F. P. Chevner, Ottawa, Ont.

A pleasant surprise was the initial number of the *International Philatelist*, hailing from Toronto. It consists of eight pages and cover, presenting a neat appearance, but we believe that a little more original matter would be most welcome. By the way, Bro. Weatherston we would advise you to use your covers for ads, as it would look much neater, besides giving the journal more room for reading matter. Published by W. S. Weatherston, Toronto, Ont.

The *Detroit Philatelist* for October is better than ever. Among the many good things we notice "How to Become a Successful Philatelist," "The Philatelic Magazine of To-day," "Origin of Postage Stamps," "A Progressive Service," Cleve Scott's noted "Grills and Surcharges," and a poem entitled "My Fantasy" by Guy W. Green. The usually brisk Editorials, Reviews, Notes, &c., complete an A No. 1 number. Published at 169 12th St., Detroit, Mich.

The *Stamp* for November to hand. The contents are fair, but rather condensed, as the P. S. of C. matter takes up fully three pages. And the review—well, we knew a thing or two about the “fearless and independent” Mr. Chas. W. Grevning, but we never imagined that he was so poor a mathematician, that is in reviewing this journal. It is also evident that he is not “seriously in love” with new Canadian journals, and we can guess at the reason, too. In all, it is a pity that Editor Spooner cannot attend to the review also, and give us something worth reading. Published at Long Branch, N. J.

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In addition to the above we have been favored with copies of the “Washington Philatelist,” “Postal Card,” “New Jersey Philatelist,” “Philatelic Tribune,” “Pennsylvania Philatelist,” “Philatelic Facts and Falacies,” “Philatelic Journal of America,” “Electric Philatelist,” “Monthly Visitor,” “One Dime,” “L. Echo de la Timbrologie,” and “Meekel’s Weekly Stamp News,” which we are unable to review on account of lack of space.

“Errata.”

In our last number, in the article entitled “History of the Postal System” on page 2, line 25, “1874” should have read “1774.” Also in the 4th line of the second editorial, page 8, “P. S. of C” should have read “P. S. of A.”

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