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Vot runs der street around,
I never ride in him again
Sometimes, ven I got outd.

Already sometimes, I did ride
Most allways as I did,
To keep mein frau from valking
Who usually goes mid.

Vell, now I dinks. I guess I am
Sometimes already sad
I ride upon dot drolley gar,
Und dot was werry bad.

He scare der life near oud off me,
He nearly kill mein frau,
He run like off lightnings quick
Und I will told you how.

A clothes line from der street runs up
Ten feet straight up about,
Und from der roof off dot street gar
A fishing pole sthicks out—

Der gar he comes already yet,
Der drifer he youst turns
Zwei handles mid-each ein handt
Der dracks mid fire burns.

Und ven his bell most usually
He rings upon der streets,
Most allways sometimes, vat you dink?
He rings him mid his feet.

Now ven mein frau vants me to ride
Till Doomesday she can dalk,
For ven I ride dot gar again
I guess, by Jinks—I volk.

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ST. HELENA AND HER STAMPS.

BY C. T. RENO.

SAINT HELENA, one of the most lonely and desolate isles of the sea, "the home" of the exiled Napoleon, forms an interesting theme for a philatelic discussion.

The island was discovered on St. Helena's Day, (May 22,) in 1502, by a Portuguese navigator, Juan de Nova Castella. A few years after its discovery it was ceded to Holland and until 1673 it was a Dutch settlement. At that time it was ceded to the British East India Company, who controlled it until 1833 when it was made over to the British Crown.

It is situated about 1200 miles from the western coast of Africa, or to be more exact in lat. $15^{\circ} 55'$ s, and long. $5^{\circ} 44'$ w. Its area is 47 square miles. The general character of the land is hilly and mountainous, and no more than 100 acres are cultivated. However there are several plains, in the largest of which, Longwood, was Napoleon's home. Its population is about 5,000 or thereabouts. Its principal valuation consisted in being a supply station for vessels going around the Cape of Good Hope, but since the opening of the Suez Canal, its valuation has greatly decreased. James Town is the only place of any importance on the island.

Its first issue of stamp appeared in 1856. It was a 6 penny blue, with Victoria's head in circle, on white paper and water-marked with a star. In 1862 this stamp was perforated in 14, $14\frac{1}{2}$ and 15, and in

an unused state is, with one exception the most valuable St. Helena.

1863—The above stamp was surcharged with new value in black type, and was unperforated. The original value was cancelled with a bar of varying length, ranging from 16 to $18\frac{1}{2}$ mm. in length. (This forms an interesting topic, and an article on it will be found in the Metropolitan Philatelist, vol. II.) But let's pass these surcharges, they're a nuisance anyhow.

In 1890 a new issue appeared as follows:

$1\frac{1}{2}$ d red-brown and green.

And 1893

$2\frac{1}{2}$ d, blue on 6 pence.

In 1896 the following appeared:

1d. carmine.

2d. yellow.

$2\frac{1}{2}$ d. dark brown.

5d. violet.

10d. brown.

Frequent changes are made in St. Helena's stamps, and it is a hard matter to keep them intact. To a person interested in surcharges we would recommend a careful study of the stamps of St. Helena. During my career as a collector I have studied these stamps, and while not so very valuable, yet they possess a sort of fascination, and few young collectors are content until they secure at least one St. Helena.

A STAMP DEALERS REMINISCENCES.

WRITTEN FROM ACTUAL EXPERIENCE OR RELIABLE INFORMATION.

BY RUDOLPH C. BACH.

I. THE ROMANCE OF A 12 PENCE CANADA.

One cold night in November 1851, two men were seated in a small room in a building facing the mighty St. Lawrence river. Montreal was a small city then. The principal firms had their offices and warehouses at the river front, in some instances almost at the brink of the mud wall which protected the city from floods in

the spring-time, and this house was one of them. You could throw a stone from its window with ease into what was then one of the deepest parts of the river in that vicinity, for there was the wharf where the Quebec boat moored. The night our story opens, the river was covered with a thin sheet of ice. The men in the little room were having a hot argument. On a small table stood an

iron box, was open, the documents in the box lay a address it was — package, mention by strangely man with streaked dissipate so. It u up and d ing by th package, cannot le It does n entrusted Quebec, which I money w shall ev betrayed in Cleme under hi it too." Clement "Ever si been dra got to st my best me were, I promis so. I g money v because demand He had without l from the saw this, the table Quick as nearer to He faced you mak done so r package, "Ha," la and I am made a s the neck him. St the lamp crash, th to the wa ing the p Hanson,

iron box, a small affair, the lid of which was open, showing it to be filled with documents of various kinds. Beside this box lay a large package with many seals, addressed, and stamped. The stamp on it was—the 12 pence black. This very package was evidently the bone of contention between the two men. They were strangely contrasted. One, an elderly man with a firm resolute look, his hair streaked with grey, and the other a dissipated looking fellow of about 30 or so. It was he who was walking angrily up and down, while the other was standing by the table, his hand resting on the package. “No Clement,” he said, “I cannot let you have any of this money. It does not even belong to me. I was entrusted by Francois Rochette, of Quebec, to collect his accounts here, which I have done. To-morrow, the money will be mailed to him. No man shall ever say that Charles Goodwin betrayed his trust.” “But,” here broke in Clement, “I must have money” and under his breath he added, “I will have it too.” “You are always wanting money Clement Hanson,” retorted Goodwin. “Ever since I helped you up, you have been drawing money out of me, and it has got to stop. When your father, who was my best friend, died, his last words to me were, ‘Charles, take care of my boy.’ I promised him to do so, and have done so. I gave you a position, gave you money whenever you wanted it, and now, because I have no money on hand, you demand me to rob those who trust me.” He had got excited while he spoke, and without knowing it, had taken his hand from the package on the table. Clement saw this, with a sudden spring he reached the table, grabbed the precious package. Quick as he was, however, Goodwin was nearer to the door and reached it first. He faced round and cried, “Thief, would you make me a ruined man? I, who have done so much for you? give me back that package, or I shall take it from you.” “Ha,” laughed Hanson, “I have it now and I am going to keep it.” Goodwin made a spring at him, grasping him by the neck, and wrenched the package from him. Struggling to and fro, they upset the lamp, which fell to the floor with a crash, the burning oil quickly setting fire to the wooden partitions. Goodwin, seeing the place on fire, released his hold on Hanson, and throwing the package into

the iron box, he slammed the cover, and grasping it in his arms, made for the window. Hanson, who had reached the door, suddenly pulled out a pistol, and levelling it, fired, and saw Goodwin fall. Then he turned and fled down the stairs, for the fire was spreading rapidly, muttering to himself, “In the morning when they search the ruins, the box will be uninjured and will pass into my possession.” But Charles Goodwin was not dead, although badly wounded. With a superhuman effort he reached the window, and lifting the precious box, put all his remaining strength into a last effort and threw it far out of the window into the river. It crashed through the thin ice and immediately sank. In those days the fire department was different from what it now is. The company reaching the scene first received a bonus from the insurance companies, consequently there was a great rivalry between the various stations. The man who brought the alarm to the station received a shilling. When the first hose company arrived at the fire, the house was almost destroyed, and all that could be done was to save neighbouring property. Next morning, the ruins were diligently searched by Hanson and others, but although Goodwin’s remains were found, no trace of the iron box was discovered. Goodwin’s death was put down to accident. Hanson was killed soon after in a drunken brawl.

Now let us skip forty-one years. All this time the iron box had lain on the bottom of the St. Lawrence, covered with an ever-increasing layer of mud. In 1892 Dredge No. 4 of the Montreal Harbor Commissioners, was dredging the channel opposite Jacques Cartier square. The depth of the channel was being increased from 20 to 32 feet. Suddenly one of the men on the mud scow, onto which the earth, etc., taken up by the dredge was dumped, noticed a rusty iron box. Nobody was looking, so securing it, he stowed it away inside the locker where he kept his clothes. That night he took it home, well wrapped up. There, the box was opened, and on top lay the package with a stamp on it, such as he had never seen before. This man was honest, he was not going to keep the money and papers if the heirs of the rightfully owner could be found after these many years. He went to his lawyer, who after a long

search, found the heirs. In his gratitude at recovering the papers, which really were valuable title deeds, he presented the man with the package on which was this rare 12 pence, and with a handsome cheque besides. Through his lawyer, the man sold the 12 pence to a Montreal philatelist, for \$350, and it now rests as the gem

"par excellence" in a superb B.N.A. collection. And its present owner has good reason to be proud of it, for few stamps have such a history.

Next month we shall publish an article telling of an actual experience, which will especially interest the younger dealers.

NOTES.

BY R. C. BACH.

I see by the daily papers of October 9th, that Great Britain has proclaimed a protectorate over Egypt. Does this mean new stamps or more surcharges?

The "Maple Leaf" can't be beat. It never was.

How's your collection of foreign revenues? They'll soon be all the rage. Better fill up on them, while they're cheap.

Will Turkey issue a set of stamps to commemorate the visit of the German Emperor? Perhaps. We always thought that the Turkish treasury was in a rather dilapidated condition.

We read in the papers that the officials in the Klondike are a very corrupt crowd, charging \$2.00 to mail a letter, for instance. Why the mischief don't they issue a \$2.00 stamp, and give us poor collectors a chance?

We wonder why the American Bank Note Co. doesn't give us better postage stamps. While the Cigar stamps turned out by them are really beautiful we have to put up with postage stamps on which not even the Queen's ear-rings are of proper size.

Omaha's are scarce here in used condition (especially the higher values.) Kind friends, please take the hint and use them on your correspondence.

If you intend to paper your room with stamps, use the Trinidad Jubilees. They are large stamps, and it would be a good thing for stamp dealers if a room full of them were out of the market.

The story is told that the Duke of Norfolk on entering the post office of an obscure town the other day, was treated with considerable incivility by the "young

person" in charge. He quietly wrote out a telegram and handed it over the counter. The message was directed to the Permanent Secretary G. P. O., London, and ran: "Clerk at this office exceedingly insolent to the public. Reprimand severely. Discharge on second complaint, Postmaster General.

NEW CANADIAN STAMPS.

(Special to the "Montreal Philatelist.")

Ottawa, Nov. 16.—Canada will issue a commemorative stamp on Christmas Day, to celebrate the going into force of Penny Postage. The stamp will be of large size.

LATER.

It is now said that an entire commemorative set is in preparation. The stamps will be in use a limited time only.

The 10c numeral stamp has been issued.

HOW'S THIS.

In the last number we advertised a large quantity of Canadian "Maple-Leaf" and numeral stamps. The entire

lot was
house, at

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1c maple leaf	30c per 100
2c " "	35c " "
3c " "	25c " "
5c " "	\$1.50 " "
6c " "	3½ each
8c " "	\$2.50 per 100
10c " "	6c each
1c numerals	25c per 100
2c " "	30c " "
3c " "	20c " "

It must be borne in mind, however, that these were *all* fine specimens, right through. 415 offers were received, ranging from offers for 50 of a kind, to

offers for the lot.

This shows an unprecedented demand for these stamps and to enable disappointed bidders to get some, we shall run a column, headed as follows :

The following parties want to buy Canadian Stamps in quantities:

One insertion 15c.

3 insertions 25c.

Names in large type.

If you want to buy Canadian stamps, just advertise in this directory.

MONTREAL NEWS.

Stamp dealers here find trade brisk. The "good times" so often prophesied seem to be here.

There seems to be an extraordinary demand for maple leaf Canadians. 60c a hundred for halves, 35c per 100 for tens, \$1.50 a hundred for fives, \$2.50 per 100 for eights, 4c each for sixes, and 5c to 7c each for ten's are the ruling prices for picked specimens, and there are not enough to supply the demand even at this price.

A new stamp company has been formed in this city under the name of "The Edwards Stamp Co." It is composed of two well known philatelists, and is sure to be in the front rank, where bargains are concerned. See their advt.

The new 8 cents with numerals in the lower corners, is of a very pale yellow shade, and has also been seen in yellow brown.

Rumors of a big find in this city are floating around, but nothing definite can be ascertained so far.

The Editor and Mr. W. E. C. Thomas spent a few days at St. Agathe des Monts, in the Laurentian Mountains, hunting. Sport was good, partridges were plentiful, two deer were also killed.

Stamps were not forgotten up there, however. At a farm house near Belisle's Mills, where we stopped about 6 o'clock one night, we inquired as usual for old stamps, and were informed by the farmer that he did have some old letters upstairs, and he went up to get them. What visions we had while waiting. Then he came down with a packet of old letters, very old letters he said. Then we took a look at those letters, and nearly fainted. The first letter we looked at bore a pair of 7½d Canada's, then came 6d s', rods and so on, such a splendid lot. We were just reaching out to take them, when—we awoke. We had gone asleep by the fire, while waiting and the farmer had awakened us to show us *his* letters. But when we looked at the real letters, the first rarity we saw was a 1872 3c green U.S. But let us say no more, for all the rest of the letters were the same.

NOTES FROM GERMANY.

(From our own special correspondent.)

A shilling Nova Scotia, on original cover, was sold in Berlin for 450 marks, (\$110). A sixpence cut diagonally and used as a 3d, on original cover, changed

hands at 150 marks, (\$35.).

American dealers having rare old European, especially old German States, should send them over here to be sold.

Prices realized for that class of stamps are much higher here than in America, on account of the big demand for them here by specialists.

German colonials, i.e. China, Cameroons, etc., have a good sale, especially used on cover, good prices are realized.

Speaking of German Colonials, some of the surcharges were extensively forged, but the police nipped the scheme in the bud, by arresting several of the forgers. One was sentenced to 4 years and another to 2½ years in penitentiary.

EVEN WAR would not stop the publication of this paper. Full arrangements are made to continue this paper in case Great Britain calls out her troops, (which is doubtful—as France won't fight,) and ye editor has to shoulder his musket—excuse us, we should say magazine rifle. Therefore Mr. Dealer, let us have your ad. for our December number. Xmas is a good time to bring your goods before the public, provided a good medium is used. The "Montreal Philatelist" is a good medium. We don't claim that the M.P. is the *only* good medium, Oh no, there are others, but the M.P. equals the best and excels the rest. Just read the following unsolicited testimonials. They tell the story better than we could. (notice the dates.)

Peterborough, Oct. 20, 1898,

Dear Sir,—I can honestly say that my former ads. in the M.P. have paid me well, both as to cash sales and new clients secured thereby, while I have been deluged with replies to my ex. notice, from collectors wishing to get Can. Revs. in exchange for their duplicates.

W. Kelsey Hall.

This is not a bluff, Mr. Hall backs it up with a page ad. Here's another :

Duluth, Oct. 27, 1898.

Dear Sir,—We are exceedingly well pleased with the results of *all* of our ads. Ever since we started to use the M.P. we are kept busy filling orders for it.

Zenith City Stamp Co.

Ottawa, Oct. 7, 1898.

My ads in the "Montreal Philatelist" have paid me very well.

Chas. F. Fry.

And others say the same. Now, if it has paid others, it *will* pay you to advertise in the M.P. Just give us a trial and see for yourself, we'll convince you pretty quick.

Send in your advt. Copy for Dec. No. should be in by December 15.

SPECIAL.

We have decided to issue another big number, "A mid-winter special" on January 25th, '98. Ads. to be in by January 15, '98. Special Rates for ¼, ½ or 1 page ads., Drop us a card—
Montreal Philatelist
451 Sanguinet st.,
Montreal, Can.

HOW THEY RUN THE POST OFFICE IN TURKEY.

They do things in the good old style there. Nearly all the great European countries have a postoffice in Constantinople, as the Turkish post office official is about as unreliable as can be. But if Turkey proper is bad, Turkey in Asia is ten times worse. In Jerusalem, when the European arrives from Jaffa about once a week, there is great excitement in the town. All those expecting letters congregate in the square in front of the Post office. After being kept waiting for a good long time, the Postmaster at last opens the windows, and reads out the names of the addresses. The addresses on hearing his name called, shouts "here," and the P.M. neatly flings him his mail. Letters, which are not claimed, are placed in a glass case and hung up on the wall. If you ask for your mail in the Syrian rural postoffice, you are requested to look for it in a big heap of letters, which is usually kept in a clothes basket. There are no letter boxes in any of the cities in Syria. If you mail a letter, you must either pay the postmaster an extra, or your letter might rest somewhere in a corner for a month.

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EXCHANGE. We earnestly desire to exchange two copies with all philatelic publications.

AUTHORIZED AGENTS.

John Edwards, 62 Rivard Street, Montreal.
J. Wurtele, Montreal.
Parke Advertising Agency, New York, N.Y.
R. Cimmino, Naples, Italy.

Sole agent for Australasia.
Ralph W. Gosset, Auckland, New Zealand.

General Agent for Germany.

Peter Müller, Cöln-Nippes, Germany.

Agents wanted in Paris, France, England, Africa, etc.

Editorial.

We are a little early with our Xmas Number, but—give the other papers a chance. With this, our first (and we hope, not our last) Xmas No., we begin the second half of Vol. 1. When this paper was started in April, 1898, we had many difficulties to contend with. Three times we believed our printer's promises to get out a good paper, and three times he failed to keep them. Then we changed printers, and No. 4 came out as well

printed as any other paper in Canada. Then the tide turned. Subscriptions and advertisements came in, and now, with our seventh number, we can proudly say of the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST"—"It equals the best, and it excels the rest. Now, dear reader, if you are not already a subscriber, will you aid us to "beat the best?" 25c. a year is not a big price for a 16 to 24-page monthly, but several hundred quarters come in handy with us. We promise you to keep on improving the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST" with every number, and you will receive good value for your money.

Two 12 pence Canada's, also Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and New Foundland shillings and a \$200.00 U. S. Revenue are advertised in this number. What other paper can beat this? Advertisers, that tells *where* the M.P. goes, and the kind of readers it reaches.

PARENTS, Xmas is coming. There is no better present for your boy or girl than a stamp album, a packet of stamps, and a year's subscription to the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST".

THE League of Canadian Philatelists seems to have taken a good hold, and bids fair to become Canada's leading national society. Certain philatelic papers have said that the L. of C. P. was organized by some defeated D.P.A. candidates out of spite. That is not true. The organizers of the L. of C. P. are not even members of the D.P.A., and the L. of C. P. was organized to have a national Canadian society, free of political wrangling and disputes. Those papers making these false assertions are just showing their jealousy, that's all, and that don't amount to much.

AND now we leave you to peruse this number, and wish you a merry Xmas in advance.—THE EDITOR.

IT IS TO LAUGH.

A Boston broker boasts of rather a bright office boy. One of his friends dropping in at the office despatched the lad for some cigars, giving him a dollar bill to pay for them. The boy returned with four cigars. The caller commended him for purchasing such good ones, and passed them around. Shortly after the broker was left alone in the office, when the shrewd urchin handed him six cigars with the remark: "Ere's the rest of them cigars, Mr. Margin—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

First Spaniard—Don Mustachio y Whiskerado appears to be very heavily decorated. Why does he hold his head so high? What are his honors?

Second Spaniard—Why, he claims to have been the first soldier in the war to surrender to the Americans.—Up-to-Date.

Willing to oblige.

An irrepressible poet wrote to an editor:

"I give you one more trial. Will you not send me a check for this?"

The editor replied:

"We have tried to check you for years past, but it really seems impossible."—Atlanta Constitution.

A crier in the Assize Court at Galway was ordered by the judge to clear the building of all persons but the lawyers, whereupon he shouted: "All ye blackguards that isn't liars quit the court."

Man is born to rule the world, but woman comes along and makes him forget what he started out to do.—Chicago Record.

Footlight—How did your friend play the part of Julius Caesar?

Sue Brette—Great! I really thought the audience would assassinate him before Marc Antony had a chance.—Yonkers Statesman.

She—Did you sound papa this afternoon concerning our marriage?

He—Yes, I sounded him, and I'll bet everybody in the block heard it when I struck the bottom.

SOME SPANISH NEWS.

A FEW INSTRUCTIONS SENT TO THE ARMADA'S ADMIRAL.

Pleasant Prospects For President McKinley, Congressmen, Millionaires and Stamp Dealers—Other interesting and Veracious Information In the Financial Line.

To the Admiral of the Great Spanish Armada, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cross the ocean by way of the South pole. But if you find any stray Deweys there, take the north one instead—anything to preserve Spanish honor. Caramba.

Having arrived at Havana, coal up and start across the river to New York. Blow up Park Row first, then proceed to demolish the buildings occupied by the Cuban Junta. Having done so, capture the palaces of the Fifth Avenue millionaire pigs intact. We need them all in our business. Go up Nassau St. and chase out those stamp cranks. Unearth a few more millions of Cuban stamps, without fail.

Make Vanderbilt's palace the crown's headquarters and send out scouting parties into the suburbs as far as San Francisco and Bangor. Let them take their lunch with them, as it may take them all day. Plant the Spanish flag—it will grow.

Load the armada on vestibule Pullmans—we understand that these things are dead easy in America—and proceed three miles to Washington by night. Surround the White House and capture Mr. McKinley. Boil him in oil. Capture the capitol intact during congressional session seize the congressmen and senators, chain them in gangs and ship them to Spain as prisoners of war. We want something to throw eggs at to keep the people amused.

Loot the treasury! Tear the solid gold frescoes off the walls of the senators' houses. Reject anything less than 15 carat. Capture all the pretty women and pack in bales with a hay press. Load all loot on barges and ship to Madrid. Meanwhile we will do our best to fight off European capitalists who will want to loan us money at nit per cent a year just for the privilege of saying that they know us. A. DEADCINCHERINO,

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Our Foreign Circulation.



FOR the information of advertisers, we will say that our foreign circulation is very large. We reach EVERY country of the globe. Here is where this number of the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST" goes to:—

Canada	1114	Austria.....	67
Province Quebec.....	496	England.....	239
“ Ontario.....	521	Turkey.....	4
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“ New Brunswick.....	25	Norway and Sweden.....	16
“ Nova Scotia.....	26	Holland.....	14
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Saskatchewan.....	2	Total.....	1173
Newfoundland.....	6	Asia	76
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Germany.....	543		
France.....	192	Grand Total	4684
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This circulation is for *this* number only, and will reach over 5000, as we hold 600 copies, to be mailed to all who apply for sample copies.

Our regular circulation is 3500 copies, of which at least 1200 copies go to foreign countries.

It is quite probable that we shall increase our regular circulation to 4000—4500 copies, as this number reaches a great number of collectors who have never seen the "M. P." before, and of whom a large number will subscribe. Therefore it is in the interest of the advertisers to try the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST" as an ad. medium. We easily prove that ads. pay. Dealers who advertised in Nos. 1—2—3 and 4 of the "M. P." have large ads in this number, several even taking a full page. WOULD THEY DO THIS IF THEIR PREVIOUS ADVERTISEMENTS HAD NOT PAID THEM? NO, OF COURSE NOT. This alone proves that good results are achieved by advertising in the "MONTREAL PHILATELIST." We will set up your ad. in English, German or French,—or in all three languages. Just try an ad. and see how it will pay you.

About Our Next Big Number.

We will issue a "Mid-Winter Special" on January 25th, 1899. It will consist of at least 30 pages, but we want to make it 60 or 80. Let us have your support (and advt.) and help us to attain the latter figure. An advt. in the "Midwinter Special" will surely pay you. It will have a circulation of at least 6,000 copies, and as we are constantly receiving new addresses, this will be a good thing for advertisers. Now, we want your ad. Rates are only 50c. an inch, 2 inches 90c., $\frac{1}{4}$ p. \$1.50, $\frac{1}{2}$ p. 2.75, 1 p. \$5.00. Remember that the big number will have a very large foreign circulation.

Now, let us have your advt.

"MONTREAL PHILATELIST."

451 Sanguinet St., MONTREAL, Can.

NOTICE—When sending advt., please state whether it is for December number or for "Midwinter Special," (January No.) Ads. for December No. should be in by December 10, and ads. for big January No. should reach us not later than January 15/99. EARLY ADS. get best positions.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Applications for membership :

8. V. Ruggeri, Long Point.	References, R. C. Bach, H. M Matthews
9. W. Kelsey Hall, Peterborough, Ont.	" " H. Wilson.
10. C. J. Carver, Buckingham, Pa.	" " A. D. Fill.
11. W. Russell Brown, Port Arthur, Ont.	" " G. Nelson.
12. A. H. O'Brien, Ottawa, Ont.	" " G. Brown.
13. R. S. Mason, Hamilton, Ont.	" " H. Wilson.
14. J. B. Ouellette, Arthabaskaville.	" " W. R. Brown.
15. J. A. Poisson, "	" " "
16. H. Smith, Medford, Mass.	" " H. Wilson.
17. Frank Cooper, Montreal, Que.	" " "
18. F. G. Hendry, Simcoe, Ont.	" " "
19. Clark W. Brown, Syracuse, N.Y.	" " H. Matthews.
20. Ernest F. Wurtele, Quebec, Que.	" " A. E. Labelle.
21. Geo. W. Hicks, Mitchell, Ont.	" " Geo. W. Starnaman.
22. Louis Van Bockel, Antwerp Belgium.	" " J. Noerth.

If no objections are received within 30 days, the above applicants shall be declared elected. Membership cards will then be sent on receipt of dues.

This is a record breaker. Keep it up, and we'll get there. JOIN NOW, and get your friends to join. Application blanks free on request.

FINANCES OF THE SOCIETY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand	\$ 2.04
Initiation Fee of 16 Applicants @ 10c.	1.60
Dues from 7 members @ 25c.	1.75

\$ 5.39

EXPENDITURES.

Official Journal for November.	\$ 0.20
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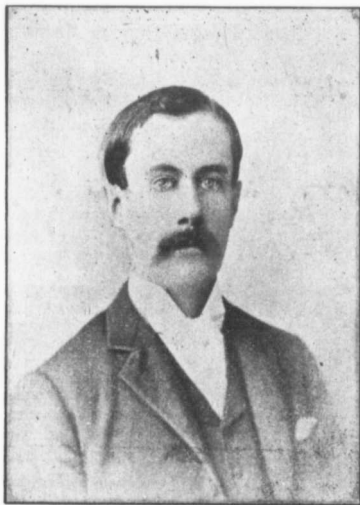
W. KELSEY HALL.

We take great pleasure in presenting herewith, the pleasing countenance of our friend, Mr. W. Kelsey Hall, of Peterboro, Ont. Mr Hall, who is 30 years of age.

He has been collecting coins since he was 10 years old, and stamps since his fifteenth birthday. He has been dealing for the past 8 years and through his upright and prompt dealings has gained the esteem and patronage of the leading collectors. His specialty is the medium to rare grade with a penchant to Canadian Revenues, not surprising on account of their beauty.

The gem of his stock is a beautiful mint state copy of the 12 pence Canada, for sale at \$485.00. He has also in stock, a splendid collection of B.N.A., for sale *en bloc*,

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PHILATELIST will do well to give Mr. Hall a trial with their want lists, both postage and revenue. "Cheaper than the cheapest, and as good as the best." All orders filled day of receipt.

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Editorielle Notizen.

Wir widmen unseren deutschen Lesern in dieser Nummer diese Seite in deutscher Sprache.

Unser Blatt, dass sich sowohl in America, als auch im Ausland der grössten Beliebtheit erfreut, wuenschen wie besonders in Deutschland noch mehr einzufuehren.

Desshalb, lieber Leser, betrachte diese Nummer als eine Aufforderung zum abonnieren.

Abonnements koennen direct an uns, oder an unseren General Agenten fuer Deutschland, Herrn Peter Müller, Hartwich Strasse, 68, Coln-Nippes, gesandt werden. Der Bezugspreis des MONTREAL PHILATELIST ist nur zwei Mark pro Jahrgang. Dafuer erhalten Sie :

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Post Anstalt Beraubt.

Um zwei Uhr Morgens, am 27ten October, drangen Rauber in die Zweig Post-Anstalt, Notre Dame Str., Montreal. Sie spengten den eisernen Geldschrank mit Dynamit auf, gebrauchten aber aus Versehen zu viel von dem Explosiv-Mittel. Bei der Explosion wurde die Thuir des Geldschrankes in Stuecke gerissen, sammtliche Fenster zertruemert, und die ganze Nachbarschaft aufgeweckt. Die Diebe flichteten und liessen ihre Beute im Stich. Als der

über der Post Anstalt wohnende Postmeister, nur mit dem noth duertigsten bekleidet, herunter eilte, quollen dicke Rauchwolken aus den Fenstern. Die sofort alarmirte Feuerwehr erschien binnen weniger Minuten, ebenso der Polizei Patrouille-Wagen. Der Brand wurde rasch geloescht. Von den Dieben fand man keine Spur, ausser in einer nahen Gasse einige aufgeschnittene Postsaecke 15,000 Dollars hatten-die Diebe in ihrer Eile ueberschen.

Von den neuen Canada Marken sind bis jetzt erchiene, ½-cent, 1-cent, 2-cent, 3-cent, 6-cent und 8-cent. Neue Werthe werden taeglich erwartet.

Canada wird [eine 4-cent Marke ausgeben.

Es heisst, das in Montreal ein grosser Fund von alten Marken gemacht wurde. Wir haben aber bis jetzt noch nicht's darueber erfahren koennen.

Die Canada Marken, 1898, mit 4 Blaettern, sind in riesigen Verlang. Fuer 6-Cent Marken wird 4-Cent per Stueck bezahlt, und fuer 10-Cent, 5 bis 7-Cent per Stueck, natuerlich nur fuer gute Exemplare.

Ubrigens sind die jetzigen Marken, (mit Ziffer in den Ecken,) sehr verhasst, und es wird uns von ziemlich glaubenswuerdiger Seite mitgetheilt, das eine ganz neue Serie nahe bevorsteht.

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Chili, Ohio, U.S., Oct., 24, '98.

Brother Philatelists,

I have just received a copy of our new official organ, and must give the board of directors credit for their selection, as a more interesting philatelic journal does not come to ye president's desk. Am very much pleased to note the progress made by the society since organization, and to see the interest taken in it by the present members. We all know that the most important want of the society at this time is new members, and I hope to see each member apply to the secretary for application blanks, and then do his best to procure all the new members possible. Am also pleased to see that all the departments are in running order, which shows that the right kinds of persons which will insure the success of the society are at the helm.

Yours Fraternally,

WM. EHRICH, Pres.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

New Members.

12. Charles E. Voltz, Chili, Ohio.
13. H. L. Ambrose, Charlotte, Mich.
14. R. C. Bach, Montreal, Canada.

Applications.

15. Victor Ruggeri, Longue Point, P.Q., Canada. Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

16. Arthur B. Spencer, 542 Broadway, New York City. Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

17. F. E. Morehouse, 600 11th St.,

Oshkosh, Wis. Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

18. Treymond Babcock, Dayton, Liberty Co., Texas. Ref. R. L. Doak, W. C. Doak.

The above will be admitted to membership by Dec. 2th, if no objection is filed with the secretary previous to that date.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Receipts.

Dues and initiation fees \$o 95
 From Sec'y pro tem o 10

\$1.05

Expenditures.

Montreal Philatelist for Oct. \$o 14
 Over space allowed for Oct. o 25

\$o.39

On hand \$o 66.

CHANGES IN ADDRESSES.

R. L. Doak from Pearl, Ohio, to Chili, Ohio.

Guernsey French, from Anaconda, Mont., to Berwyn, Ill.

All Charter members have paid their dues and fees with an exception, of Nos. 3 and 7 who according to Art. III, Sec. II are requested to send the amount (15c) before December 20th, or their names will be dropped from the membership list.

Those desiring application blanks can secure them from the publishers of this paper by sending him a stamp or of the secretary.

You had better join at once.

Yours Fraternally,

R. L. DOAK, sec'y treas.

Chili, Ohio

Hints to Advertisers, By our "ad" expert.

The first idea, of course, is to catch the readers attention. The second and *main* point is to *keep it*. A catchy headline will not always ensure a careful perusal of your ad., Oh no, don't fool yourself on that. The ad must be attractive *throughout*. You may have a very good heading and then comes a lot of closely printed figures and dates, etc. Now the reader notices that ad, he reads the heading, and then, in nine cases out of ten, he passes over the ad without reading the rest of it. Make your ad. attractive throughout, and make the publisher of the paper in which you advertise set it up as you want it, if he won't, well don't advertise in his paper. Following are a few sample ads, you are at liberty to use them, they're not copyrighted. Use them in this paper if possible. Mr. Bach guarantees to set up all ads in A1 style. Please note that these "ads" are reduced size on account of lack of space.

STAMPS STOLEN

No, not from me. There's no need to do that, for I sell them cheap enough to suit anybody. But if they were I'd have

THE THIEF ARRESTED

Quick enough, Provided I could catch him. Now the following

STAMPS would'n't pay to be

RECOVERED

CAN I SELL YOU SOME

Canada 10c. 1859, 1c.
U. S. \$1.00, Columbus \$2.00

GUM PAP. THE STAMP DEALER

4979 Perforation Ave.

STAMPVILLE, CAN.

This ad with the words "Stamps Stolen, Thief Arrested, and Stamps Recovered," in large type, would be very attractive for a whole page ad. You could put in your best bargains, in either single stamps or packets, and rely on good results. Right here I might say *always* put your *full address*, street, number, or P. O. Box, as the case may be. If a party answers your ad. and by any mistake he spells your name wrong, you are still sure to get the order, if the P.O. Box, or street No. is given.

Now here is an ad. which would do good for 1-4 p (half column.)

WAR

Yes, war has been declared on high prices

BETWEEN

me and you, aren't these prices for stamps from

GREAT BRITAIN

and her colonies low. I can also offer some

FRANCE,

but my specialty is Great Britain and Colonies.

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Stamps Advertised

H. O. N. DURAS, BOX 9999
Milton,
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Here is a sample 2 inch ad



IFE IS SHORT



Enjoy it as long as you can

Your

STAMP COLLECTION

will help you to enjoy it, and these packets will help you to enjoy your Collection.



A neat border around this ad. helps it to look attractive and aid its drawing powers.

(To be continued.)

PENNY POSTAGE.

Now Rate to go into effect on Christmas Day.

(Special Cable Despatch to "The Montreal Philatelist.")

London, Nov. 9.—Penny postage between the colonies and Great Britain will go into effect on Christmas Day. India is to be included.

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HISTORICAL AND FISCAL MATTERS OF THE DUCHIES OF MODENA, PARMA AND TUSCANY, ITALY.

BY F. P.

The above named countries were up to the year 1859 independent, and have existed many centuries. In 1545 reigned in Parma Duke Pierluigi Farnese, of Parma and Piacenza, a very despotic ruler who was assassinated because he was a tyrant. The duchy had an area of 1,260 square miles, a population of 258,000, and the city of Parma was the capital. The last reigning duke was Robert I, a very jocular fellow, who kept a grand court in his little domain. In 1859 he had to abdicate, and Parma became a Sardinian-Italian province. Duke Robert was a prince from the royal family of Bourbon. The Duchy of Modena had an area of 2,900 square miles, and a population of 360,000, and the capital was Modena City. The last reigning Duke was Frances V, an Austrian prince, who had to abdicate in 1859, and Modena too became a Sardinian-Italian province. The Grand Duchy of Tuscany had an area of 8,500 square miles and a population of 1,900,000, and the capital was Florence. The last reigning was Ferdinand IV, who had to abdicate in 1859, and the Grand Duchy of Tuscany became with the aid of Austria, independent, because Austria had conquered Lombardy and Venetia territory. King Charles Albert of Sardinia and Piedmont, had in 1842 tried to seize the three duchies, but the Austrian army defeated the Sardinian king in 1843 at the battle of Custoza, and in 1849 at the battle of Novara, Italy. But in 1849 on March 21st, King Victor Emanuel had ascended the throne of Sardinia, and in 1854 conquered part of the Austrian-Italian territory. The Sardinian Secretary of State, named Cavour "dreamed" of one united Italy! and audacious King Victor Emanuel, of Sardinia and Piedmont, in 1858 went again on the warpath. The Sardinian army conquered the duchies of Modena and Parma and the Grand Duchy of Tuscany, made those countries Italian provinces in 1859. Now I come to the Fiscal part and begin with the Duchy of Modena, which country issued the first "Revenue Stamps" on February 1st, 1853, the value is 9 centesimi black violet. This revenue stamp was intended as a

"tax" on foreign newspapers arriving in Modena territory. Inside a double circle is the inscription "Gazette estere" and surrounding this is the inscription "Stati Estersi," on the bottom is the denomination. Black printing on white paper. If obtainable, the price to day is at least \$1.

The second issue appeared on April 1st, 1853. There are two denominations, vide: 9 centimi violet, and another 9 centimi violet with a small change. Within a square is an eagle, crowned, on top is the inscription "Poste Esserre" and the value, and the letters B.G. The one of the 9 centesimi violet values is without the letters B.G., otherwise same description. The price to-day is, if obtainable, 50 to 75 cents each. A third issue appeared in 1850, the last year of Modena's independence. The denomination is to centesimi black on white paper. Within a circle is an eagle with a crown. The surrounding inscription reads "Tassa Gazzette" [newspaper tax], below is the value. Now follows the Duchy of Parma. These revenue stamps were intended as a "Taxe" on foreign newspapers, and the first issue appeared on February 1st, 1853. Within a threefold circle is a lily, (signifies the arms of the French Bourbon family,) and above it is a crown. In the centre is the value, 9 centesimi, black, and in the outer circle is the inscription "Gazette Estere Parma." Black printing with a handstamp. This revenue stamp is so rare that no price can be quoted for it. The second issue appeared in April 1853, and the value is 9 centesimi blue, on colored paper, black printing, within a covered octagon is the value, on top is the inscription "Stati Parmensi" (Parma State.) In 1857 appeared a third issue of Parma revenue stamps, and the denominations are 6 centesimi rose and 6 centesimi red, same description as preceding, but with a watermark, an octagon. The price for these Parma revenue stamps, if obtainable, to day is at least \$1 each. Then follows the Grand Duchy of Tuscany. Only one revenue stamp was issued, intended as a "taxe" on newspapers. The value is 2 soldi; black on yellowish pelure paper. Within a double circle is

the value and the surrounding inscription reads "Bolls Strasrdioaria" [extraordinary stamp], and per le Poste, [for the postoffice]. This newspaper "tax" such stamps are classed as "revenue stamps," and not as postage stamps as American Postage stamp catalogues class them is priced, if obtainable, \$1, but as it is the only revenue stamp issued by Tuscany the lucky possessor can ask, and will get any high price for it.

"Sic transit gloria mundi"; So vanishes the glory of the world! Forgotten almost is the history and existence of the former duchies, Modena, Parma, Tuscany, but their Revenue Stamps are now-a-days a real treasure; and merit a good place in the golden book of mother "FISCALIA."

We beg to acknowledge, with thanks, the following:

A Splendid Cabinet Photo of the Millbury Stamp on original cover from Mr. F. J. Laurie, Worcester, Mass. (25 cents each.)

Finely illustrated list from W. F. Bishop & Co., LaGrange, Ill. (Free)

Auction catalogue from Judson N. Burton, Madison N.Y. (Free)

Syracuse Packet No. 1 from Mr. C. W. Brown. This is a very good Packet, easily worth double the price asked for it. (See advt.)

No. 1 of "Stamp Talk" has reached us and presents a very neat appearance. We wish it every success on the troubled waters of Philatelic Journalism.

Chili, Perou et Bolivie

Je désire entrer en relations d'échanges avec collectionneurs de tous pays en timbre-poste. S'offre tous les timbres du Chili (1852 à 1898), du Pérou et de Bolivie.

Base—Senf's '92, Scott '98.

Adress:

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Casilla No. 37

Limache,

(Republica de Chile)

Expositions Internationales de 1892 à 1897: **St-Etienne 1895; Marseille 1886; Nice 1896; Arcachon 1897; Toulon 1827; Marseille 1897; Nice 1897, etc.** 7 médailles d'or, 6 diplômes d'honneur, 4 Grands prix, 1 royaume de mérite, Croix insigne^e Palme de mérite. Hors concours, Membres du Jury.

LOUIHENRI MERCIER,
Éditeur.

Genève (Suisse) Case Poste No 49.8

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1850, Neuchâtel 5 cent	1-	3
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1850, Poste locale 2 1 2 Rp	1-	3
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Vol. XII.

1899.

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For 50-100 well mixed Stamps (no trash)-(specially desired Canadian and Newfoundland Jubilee)-I will send Montenegro, Servia, Bulgaria, Roumania, Hungary, etc., by Senf. Catalogue. Rare for Rare. For \$4.00 worth of stamps, no stamp under 5c. cat. value, I will send one set of Hungary Millenium Post Cards, unused, 30 varieties. Registered letters only.

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Pays for a trial

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Send for booklet of our combination ads. We can save you money.

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FOR BEGINNERS

A Specialty. Stamps marked below Catalogue. Discounts 50% and 33 1/3%. Reference required. Also, some fine sheets of Foreign Revenues are now made up, marked at low net prices. Send for some.

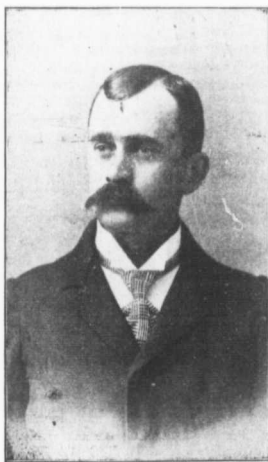
RUDOLPH C. BACH,
 451 Sanguinet Street,
 Montreal, Canada

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CLARK W. BROWN.

We are happy. Fortune has smiled on us, and it is with the greatest pleasure that we herewith present the pleasing features of Mr. Clark W. Brown, of Syracuse, N.Y. Mr. Brown was born in 1865, at

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CLARK W. BROWN.

business methods, has built up a splendid mail trade, which is constantly increasing. Mr. Brown has made many friends in Canada, and wishes, not only to continue his pleasant relations with his present patrons, but desires to make new ones. You make no mistake when

writing to him; he is one of America's "Gilt Edge" dealers, and treats all his customers, be they school-boy or bank president, justly and fairly. Mr. Brown's present and past customers are his best references, and you do well to give him a share of your trade.

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" " " 44, 1p unused	35	18
Brazil 1889 unpaid 10c unused	5	2
" " " 50c "	12	5
" " " 100c "	15	7
Cyprus 1882 ½ pi	3	1
Scott's No. 41, 2 pi, used	5	5
France 1802 unpaid 10, black	3	1
1804 " 10, brown	3	1
" " 15, green	4	2
" " 30, carmine	3	2
Gl. Britain, Scott's No. 131, 3 pence	18	9
Jamaica Official set, ½, 1, 2	6	3
Japan 1891 2 carmine	4	2
5, blue	10	4
Natal 1884 ½ and 1 penny	2	1
6 penny	5	2
1887 2 "	4	2
1889 2½ "	3	2
Newfoundland 1887 1c, green	3	1
1890 3c, slate	3	1
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1898 1c, red, used.	3	3
" 1c, green "	1	1
" 2c, orange "	3	3
" 3c, orange "	2	2
South African Rep. 1896 1 penny	2	1
" " 2 "	3	1
Straits Settlements 1884 2c, rose	2	1
1892 1 or 8c green	6	3
Turkey 1892 2 pi	3	1

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Syracuse Packet No. 1.

Contains 25 Var. U.S. stamps mounted on blank sheet, incl. 1890 2c. Lake, 1890 Cap, 1895 Triangles 1-2 and 3. 3c-4c-5c-6c-8c-10c, etc. Price only ten cents.

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100 Var. Foreign, incl. Panama, New So. Wales, Natal, Jamaica, etc. Price 10c.

Send references for my approval sheets at 50% discount.

I give stamp hinges free to all of my customers.

Add 2 cents for postage on all orders under 25 cents.

Write me anyway.

CLARK W. BROWN,

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SYRACUSE, N.Y.,

E. S. P. S. No. 130 U. S. A.

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Stamps? Of course not, but we have

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Your attention. Haven't we? We want to keep it too. Just read this:

Grand West Indian Packet—Contains 25 varieties and is guaranteed to contain stamps that catalogue at 8 and 10c. each. This packet could not be sold by any other dealer for less than \$1.00, for it is a grand bargain. Try one. Price only 50c. postpaid. A year's subscription to the M. P. free with every second order received. "Perfect Hinges," 100c-10c; 3000 for 25c; 5000 for 40c. Philatelist Albums, 116 pages and cover. Price 25c.

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- Cent. American S. S. Co. '86 Complete, New Cat. 70c.....25c
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- Jamaica '90, 2½ p. on 4 p. Obsolete, scarce.....25c
- Phillipine '94 newspaper. Complete, new.....5c
- Phillipine '98 newspaper. Complete, new.....5c

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Postage extra on orders under 25c.

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I wish my many friends and patrons a merry Christmas, and a happy New Year, trusting that the New Year will bring you Joy, Happiness and Prosperity.

I thank my past and present customers for their patronage, and solicit a continuance of same. I am especially desirous of making new friends in the coming year, as I have largely increased my stock. I have always on hand a full line of stamps, entires, packets and approval sheets. My stock is a large one and is constantly being increased. Trusting to hear from you,

I remain,

Yours truly,

RUDOLPH C. BACH,

Montreal, Nov. 20th, 1898.

PHILOSOPHY.

BY G. A. HUNT.

A Counterfeit must be far superior to the original to equal it.

The size of a collection does not command flattery, it is the quality and condition that is worth praise.

Did you ever see a stamp auction yet in which more was realized than was anticipated?

Kind Heaven will compound with us for 50c. on the dollar, but a cold exacting collector must have his 50 p.c. off Scott.

The most compact way to collect stamps is to burn them and preserve the ashes.

Injustice is an insult to every man living yet many invest in justice.

There isn't much fun in collecting duplicates, but in disposing of them there is.

Cuba is the graveyard of the Spanish army, while Spain is the resurrection place of Cuban remainders. Is it possible that the soldiers are transmigrated and allowed to be licked twice?

Foreign collectors are scarce in this country, yet there are many who collect foreign.

The general definition for an error is: the result of an inquisitive chemist.

The Omaha Fair stamps are fair looking stamps after all.

It is easy enough for a man to pick out a stamp for another man, he always picks out the one he don't want himself.

One drop of kerosene oil will scent a mountain spring; just so, a counterfeit will poison the genuineness of a whole collection.

One collector claims that he loves his collection better than his wife. Did she but know this, how quick his collection would rise in value, as an extinct accumulation.

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CANADA 1858—1c Pink (Cat. 8c each).....25 for 50 cents

All Perfect Used Copies.

- 5c Beaver,.....25 for 25c.
- 15c Blue Gray,.....4c each.
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- Maple Leaf, ½—1—2—3c., sets of 4,.....10 sets for 20c.
- Special Delivery.....used, 13c.
- “ “.....unused, 13c.
- New Issue ½—1—2—3, sets of 4,.....10 sets for 20c.
- 6 Varieties Post Cards for.....5c.
- 20 “ Canadian stamps, incl. 5c Beaver, 1859 1c Pink, etc., only 15c.

This packet is a beauty. Try one.

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Foreign Exchange Wanted.

CANADA.

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Packets—

- 20 Var. Can. Revs., Cat. 80c, only 20c
- 40 “ “ “ \$3.00, “ 75c

Bill Stamps—

- 1st Issue 1c to 50c.....50c
- 3rd “ 1c to -1.00.....25c

CANADA POSTAGE

Packets—

- 10 Var. Canada Postage.....5c
- 25 “ “ “.....25c

THE CANADA PACKET

75 Var. Canada only \$1.25

This packet contains 25 var. Canada Postage, incl. Jubilee, Beaver and Register stamps; 40 var. Canada Revenues cataloguing by Adams at \$3.00; a 1cc unused Special Delivery stamp, 4 cent re Canada Post-Cards, and the following unused Entires: A 3c Envelope, a 2c Post-card, a 1c and a 3c Letter-card, all of the 1898 issue; and also a 1c Envelope of old issue. This magnificent packet only **\$1.25 post-free.**

Canada Postage and Revenues on approval. Reference required. Wish to exchange stamps with collectors in Newfoundland and other British Colonies.

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Packets—

- 20 Versch. Kanada Stempel. (Kat. w. 80c) nur 20c
- 40 “ “ “ “ \$3.00 “ 75c

1st Ausgabe Stempln—

- 10—50c, NHF.....50c

Dritte Ausgabe Stempln—

- 10—\$1.00, NHF.....25c

KANADA POSTWERTHZEICHEN

Packets—

- 10 Versch. Briefmarken, nur.....5c
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DAS "KANADA" PACKET

75 Versch. Kanada, nur \$1.25

Dies Packet enthält 25 Ver. Kanada Postmarke, darunter Jubiläum's, 1859 Biber, und Registrierungs Marken; 40 Ver. Stempel'n Katalog wert nach Adams \$3.00, eine 10 c ungebr. Eil brief marke, 4 Kanadische Ganzsachen (Postkarte 1), und die folgenden UNCEBR. Ganzsachen, 3c Couvert, 2c Postkarte 1c und 3c Kartenbrief, alle von der 1898 ausgabe, auch das 1c Couvert der alten emission. Dieses prachtvolle Packet, nur **\$1.25 Franco**

Ich mache Auswahl e dungen von Kanada Post und Stempel-Marken. Suche Taush mit Sammlern in Neu Furd and und anderen Br. Colonies.

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All stamps are in fine condition and guaranteed genuine originals.

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3-30 " " from Oriental countries	25
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