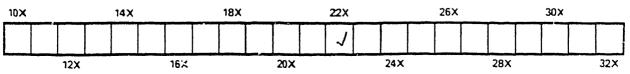
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Document Stamps of U.S.

BY J. EDWARD SOHN, JR.

The Revenue Stamps of the U.S. are of historical value, in as much that they played an important part in the civil wars of America. They composed a form of government taxation made from necessity, during the days of emergency in 1862.

The National Congress by an act passed July 1, 1862, levied a stamp tax or duty on hundreds of the daily necessities of the people. This resulted in an issue of document stamps in 1862, in value from 1c to \$2, the colors of the stamps being green and blue; their use being confined to legal documents of all kinds, of playing cards, photographs, receipts, telegrams, express packages, etc.

The first issue of these stamps were imperforated. They were issued during the next years only, and are consequently classed among the rare stamps of our country.

In July 1864, a new Internal Revenue act was passed by the U. S. Government, and additional burdens were imposed upon the people. The new issue of stamps were similar to those of

1862 in color, value and style, excepting that they were perforated.

These document stamps had to be affixed to all instruments of writing designated by law. covering every form of business or legal papers, none of which were valid or could be placed on record without them.

In 1871 the government had the tax on all articles abolished excepting matches, medicine and legal documents. For these, a new issue of document stamps were issued from 1c to \$500, of the color of blue and black.

In 1872 the government still issued another series of government stamps very similar to the last issue. The series was in value from 1c to \$20.

At this time the tax on matches was taken off. In 1871 the government had issued a special proprietary stamp, differing from those in use on legal documents. The series from 1c to 6c was issued in 1871, from 50c to \$5 in 1874, and 10c in 1875.

The Perforator will hereafter be published by Stowell & Kissinger, and Mr. Kissinger's magazine, Pennsy, will be consolidated.

Hamilton Notes.

On the 7th of June the writer received the Messenger for May.

How about the new Omaha stamps, we have not seen many of them here yet.

Mr. Mason of Hamilton headed the polls in the election for Trustees. Well why not?

There are lots of Jubilees coming through the post office here. Lookout for a drop in prices.

A person in Hamilton bought 200 eight cent Jubilees at the post office a few days ago. Look out for more.

For one more year the Philatelic Advocate will act as Official Organ of our noble society and we wish it luck for the ensueing year.

The ten cent stamp with the with the maple leaves in four corners has again been placed on sale at this post office after an absence of about two weeks

Well here is the new issue a larger horse collar than ever around the Queen's head and the numerals in the two lower corners. We wonder who will kick next.

A number of the members of the Hamilton Stamp Club will start their snumer camp in a few days. They will go to Hamilton Besch, one of the finest summer resorts iu Canada.

Well the convention is over. elections and all and there are a good many surprised people. There were about twenty outsiders here and everybody had a fine time.

There is a great demand here for the 10c, 8c, 6c and 5c stamps of this issue. A man here paid as high as high as \$2.00 for fifty 8c the other day. The 10c stamp sells for 5c easily and the 6c for 3c.

The new 3c. and 1c. stamps are now on sale at this post office. The design is much better. The large oval is larger and the maple leaves in the lower corners are taken out and replaced by figures.

At the convention the question of reopening the polls for the election of a president was brought up, but after much discussion it was voted down. What's the matter with Muirhead? He's all right!

Among those present at the convention was Mr. Chas. Bayley who came all the way from Chicago. This shows that there is at least one person who has an interest in the D. P. A. Mr. Bailey occupied the chair.

The Hamilton Stamp Club has closed its rooms for the summer months, July and August. The meetings will be resumed at the beginning of September when we hope to have our membership list reach the thirty mark.

The new special delivery stamps made their appearance at this post office on the 1st July. The design is by no means neat, it is more like a tobacco stamp than anything , in fact most tobacc⁰ stamps are of a better design.

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Chicago Notes.

BY A. CHICAGOAN.

Will we have U. S. Colonials?

The Omahas were placed on sale hers June 17th 1898.

Wolseiffer's July sale will close the auction season in Chicago.

We have a local stamp club on the south side of this city which meets every other Wednesday. We have an all round good time at every meeting.

Collectors in this neighborhood are demanding Hawaiian stamps and I tkink that there will be quite a demand owing to the annexation of Hawaii.

In the July number of the International Philatelist claims that the new Revenue stamps cannot be used for postage. I know of two instances where a letter with a two cent documentary stamp arrived at its destination without due stamps at the other end.

The new Revenue stamps have been placed on sale here. The current one cent green surcharged "I. R." in red and the two cent red surcharged "I. R." in dark blue, appeared before the regular stamps. The regular stamps bear the picture of the battleship "Maine" and, in my opinion, are more beautiful than the Omahas.

Jones: "They are not going to make the U. S. Postal Cards any longer."

Smith: "Why?"

Jones: "They are long enough now."

Ohio Notes.

BY J. EDWARD SOHN, JR.

The new "Revenue Law" on account of the war with Spain went into effect July 1st.

The following Omaha stamps have been put on sale, 1, 2, 4,5, 8, 10 and 50 cent, 1 and 2 Dollar,

Since Uncle Sam has annexed Hawaii, I suppose he will issue stamps for it. He might use the present issue and surcharge them Hawaii Postage.

The new reply card is now on sale. The 4 cent present issue will be printed red-brown. The 6 cent will then be changed. It is also said that the 10 cent will be changed.

If the U. S., receives Porto Rico and Phillippine Islands for the indemnity of the war from Spain, there will be stamps issued for them. They might use the present issue and surcharge them Porto Rico ond Phillippine Is., Postage.

The following stamps have been issued for the law:-The 1 cent green and the 2 cent carmine of the present issue have been surcharged "I. R." The 5 dollar periodical has been surcharged "INT. REV. DOCUMEN-TARY," The new stamps, which bears the picture of Battleship Maine" are as follows:--2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25 and 50 cent and One Dollar Documentary; 1-8, 1-4, 5-8, 3-8 of a cent, 1, 2 and 4 cent Proprietary; 1-2 of a cent, 1 cent, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10 and 50 Dollar Documentary; 1 1-4, 2 1-2 and 5 cent Proprietary.

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Editorial Notes.

Mr.J.Edward Sohn Jr, of Cincinnati, Ohio, has our thanks for the sight of the new U.S. Revenues.

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PAPERS RECEIVED.

Boston Stamp Book, July.

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The Little Wave, July.

The Easlern Philatelist, June.

"Upwards and Onward" seems to be Bro. Stearns motto, for each succeeding number of the Virginia Philatelist is an improvement on the last, and the July number is better than any heretobefore. An article 011 'United States Postal Money Order Cards" from the pen of 'John Paelzaw'' is both interesting and instructive.

The International Philatelist for July appears in eight page form. It containg highly inter-esting articles on United States, new issues and changes.

The old reliable "Philatelic Advocate" to hand as usual with a full report of the D. P. A. convention. The essay on "Portu-gal Vasco du Gama" by Jubilee, is of a very interesting nature.

The publisher of the Montreal Philatelist claims he has the best German-American paper in the world. I agree with friend Bach on this point. His revenues department is something new and is very useful to revenue collectors.

ACROSS THE LINE.

Masssachusetts Items.

BY HERBRTT GILE.

At last the U.S. has a genuine surcharged stamp. The denominations surcherged were the land 2c values.

patriotic Every American (whether Canuck or Sammy) should have the stamps of the Cuban Republic in complete sets.

noticed that for We have every paper that dies, there are two or three new ones which are sure to spring up and take their places.

Much disappointment is expressed by collectors over the much talked over Omahas. Yery few of the 4, 8, 10 cent values have been used.

The Prop. set of Revenues has received much attention. By this time probably every one has seen them. The workmanship is fair and the "Maine has been remembered". In the estimation of the writer, the 21-2 cent values takes the prize,

A new paper has come into the field of philatelic journalism. It is the smallest we have yet seen. It has been decided to enlarge it. The publisher is Mr J. M. Chandler of Jamaica Plain.

It is whispered that the 4c., present issue, is to have its color hanged to red-brown. This will make a change in the 6c. value. The 10c. will have its color changed as will the 5cent. However it will only be a different shade of blue in the 5cent.

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Official Organ-Stamp Reporter.

The Secretary's report is unavoidably absent this month.

The members, it is likely, would like to hear from the President. Surely he could find time to write an address if only a short one.

Excharge Superintendent's Report.

Dear Sirs and Brothers.

As my business is increasing daily and I see all my time will be taken up to a great extent. I think it my duty to give up the exchange debt to some one who will be able to devote more time to it than I can at present I will still continue to be a member and will be pleased at any time to correspond with any of my fellow members.

> Yours Fraternally, JOHN. H. LOWE.

Toronto Notes.

Walter McMahon closed his office in the arcade on the 1st of July, where he has been in business for the last three years.

There is a rumor of a new society in Toronto to be formed in September. Messrs. Chas. L. Bailey- John H. Lowe and W. J. Porter are using strenuo :: efforts to bring about a successful local society,

Stamys are of course a trifle slow in Toronto owing to the warm weather, though the dealers do not complain, are looking foward to a good fall trade. Several dealers here are picking their stands for the Industrial exhibition to be held at the latter end of August. this method of advertising their goods is becoming popular with stamp dealers. Two years ago Mr. G. A. Lowe started it by having a stamp Last year counter at the fair. there were two and there are several more looking for suitable locations this year.

LAYOS.

Items of General Interest.

Uncle Sam is now trying his hand at surcharging.

Mr. Chas. Bailey, lately of Chicago, is residing in Toronto.

D: T. Eaton, of Muscatine, Iowa, succeeds to the business of Joe F, Beard.

A new philatelic paper will soon appear from Stoughton, Mass. Mr John Bisbee will be the publisher.

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The Halifax Magazine is likely to appear again under the old managers.

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