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## Ten Years Ago.

By D. O. MINION.

### I. PHILATELIC JOURNALS.

Have you ever sat down to a huge pile of stamp papers issued ten years ago or more? If you have not, do not miss the first opportunity you have of doing so. You have no idea of the amount of real pleasure you will enjoy comparing them with the stamp papers of to-day.

Few philatelic magazines issued in 1887 are alive to-day and almost every one that is alive claims to be the oldest in existence.

Some of the foremost journals of ten years ago, were: The Philatelic Journal of America, American Journal of Philately, Empire State Philatelist, Keystone State Philatelist, Quaker City Philatelist, Quaker City Philatelist, Toronto Philatelic Journal, Stamp Collectors Figaro, The American Philatelist, The Old Curiosity Shop and The Halifax Philatelist.

The papers of that day will compare favorably with any of those now in existence. For instance take The Keystone State Philatelist published at Philadelphia. The first number of this paper appeared in January, 1887. It was an eight page covered journal chock full of good reading matter with a plentiful supply of advertisements. For a first number it was better than any paper that was launched on the stormy sea of philatelic journalism in 1897.

It is really surprising to think that the stamp papers of the present time are really inferior, as far as good reading matter is

concerned, to those published a decade ago.

Among the articles contained in the first number of the K. S. P. is one entitled "Stamps of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries." The writer describes the system of prepayment carried on in Paris by M de Valayer in 1653. Instead of the Adhesive stamps they were strips of paper wrapped around the envelopes and on these bars were printed "Postpaid the —day of—, 1653 or '54; these blank bands were sold at various places. The writer then goes on and describes the system authorized by Spain in 1716, and by Italy (Sardinia) in 1819 and then he comes down to the time when the first adhesive stamps were issued in 1840. For this he gives credit to Mr. Rowland Hill.

In another column of the K. S. P. is an article reprinted from Bric-a-Brac, the Stamp Collectors' Manual, this is an extract from the Report of the Sir Rowland Hill committee. This article proves that Mr. Chalmers is the originator of the adhesive postage stamp and not Sir Rowland Hill although the government accepted the proposal of the plan by Mr. Hill.

Following is a squib taken from the first number of the K. S. P. "Isn't it funny, when the P. O. Dept. cancels a stamp the stamp dealers can sell it again? The P. O. Dept declare that they will not allow a discount on any amount of stamps purchased, and yet allow a margin on every sheet of 100 stamps—even ones."

The Keystone State Philatelist issued seven numbers in all when it was consol-

dated with the Quaker City Philatelist and it is to be regretted that it was not continued as it was one of the best of its kind then in existence.

Another good paper published at the same city was the Quaker City Philatelist. This was a large paper of 16 pages and cover. In an article entitled "A little of Everything not much of Anything, and a good deal of Nothing." The writer Mr. C. E. Hutchison, describes the novel way a Union soldier used a postage stamp. The stamp used was the common 3c green of the 1861 issue, but instead of being on the envelope the stamp was stuck on the letter inside and a square hole had been cut in the envelope so that the stamp might be seen. It had gone through the mails and was postmarked "Washington," partly on the stamp and partly on the envelope. The letter was accompanied by the following explanatory verses.

"Without intent, when I went  
On a tramp, this postage stamp  
To my paper like a wafer, it did stick.  
Now a soldier on a tramp  
Can't afford to lose a stamp  
So let these lines to all develop  
Why the hole is in this envelope."

The following note is taken from the July 1887, Q. C. P. it doubtless refers to E. B. Sterling the once famous dealer of Trenton, N. J. "Sterling has more stamps than would pave a road from Boston to Philadelphia and his private collection is immense." This is probably the same collection Mr. Sterling sold to Mr. H. E. Deats for \$7000,

The Toronto Philatelic Journal was the leading stamp journal in Canada, ten years ago. It was an eight page journal

with a handsome engraved cover. The T. P. J. was edited by Mr. G. A. Lowe, who is still one of Toronto's leading dealers.

Another Canadian stamp paper of ten years ago was the Halifax Philatelist. It was the leading light in American Philatelic journalism of that day.

The American Philatelist was edited and published by the A. P. A. Literary Board. It was first published at Altoona, Pa. issuing five numbers at this place, in 1887. It was then issued at Philadelphia until 1890. In 1891 it appeared from Chicago, and in 1892 from Chicago and St. Louis. It was issued from the latter city until it ceased to be a monthly. It now appears annually and is designated the year book of the association.

The Stamp Collectors Figaro published by E. W. Voute, at Chicago, seemed to be one of the most successful publications of 1887. Its first number appeared in March of that year and it contained 12 pages and cover; by December of the same year it had increased in size to 40 pages and cover. In this latter number there is one article of which we will make a special notice. The title of this piece is: "Philatelic Publications of 1887 of Canada and the United States." It was written by Mr. Henry S. Harte.

Mr. Harte explained in his introductory that he intended to take up and review, month by month, those journals which appeared as new lights on the philatelic horizon in 1887.

The Halifax Philatelist, Keystone Philatelist, Western Philatelist, International Philatelist Advertiser and the American Philatelist appeared in January of that year.

The Stamp Record and the Philatelic

Review were the February arrivals. In March, the Stamp Collectors Figaro made its debut as did also the Germantown Philatelist,

The new lights for April were: The Philatelic Fortnightly, The Useful Instructor and the Philatelic Century.

June saw the appearance of the International Collector,

The Witch City Philatelist had the nerve to appear in sultry July.

For August Mr. Harte had to credit the appearance of no less than four new aspirants for fame in philatelic journalism viz. The American Philatelic Record, Niagara Falls Philatelist Buckeye State Collector and the Texas Philatelic Journal.

September was a blank month for new papers.

October gave us the Toronto Philatelic Journal, The Charleston Philatelist and the Philatelic Journal of Ohio.

November was another blank month.

The Badger State Philatelist saw the light of day in December.

Mr. Harte gave a good review of the above-mentioned papers.

Thus it will be seen, that twenty-two embarked on the sea of philatelic journalism in 1887, and to prove that the sea was as stormy then as it is in 1898, we need only state that of these papers only about half lived to see the dawn of the new year.

The following note is taken from No. 2 of the Halifax Philatelist; "We have in our possession an oddity, a very few of which are known to be in existence, it being a 3c of the present issue of Canada, but instead of being red it is of a very dark brown shade, nearly black, it is genuine and unused, as it was purchased among others at the post office. A brown 2c and a blue 5c

Registration are also known to be held by parties here." Much discussion was taken part in by some of the foremost stamp men of the day as to whether these were government errors or not. The following letter taken from the correspondence column of the Stamp Collectors Figaro we think proves beyond a doubt that they are genuine.

Editor Figaro—Replying to Mr. Fraser's statement, throwing a shadow on the genuineness of the 2c brown Canada Registration stamp, would say that both the 2c register and 3c postage, present issue were printed in error in brown instead of red. I have received both on correspondence and they had not been on letters more than a day or two, so had no chance of changing color on account of mucilage. Besides this my brother has seen them sold at the post office here but did not tell me until too late, as I would have been only too glad to lay in a stock of them, for I feel sure that in a short time they will become exceedingly rare. Trusting that you will publish and thereby uphold the reputation of dealers and others who have sold these stamps as errors, I am yours truly,  
Montreal, Can. Robt. F. Mc Rae.

Part II.—Prominent Dealers—will begin in the next issue of the B. O. P.

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Zululand has been annexed to Natal so no more stamps will be issued by that colony. Moral—Freeze on to Zululand.

Bro. French of the E. S. P. does not like our new issue and hopes it will not continue in use too long. What! R. W. do you want another new issue?

The Metropolitan Philatelist has appeared as a weekly publication. It should certainly succeed with the father of American Philately at the helm,

### Some Stamp Troubles.

FROM TORONTO GLOBE.

The new issue of Dominion postage stamps while a pretty one is not without its disadvantages some of which cause slight inconveniences to business men. For instance, the two dollar stamp is the same color as the four dollar one, and while not

many persons make use of these there is some danger of confusion. There have also been seen some Canada letter cards bearing an engraved 1 cent stamp instead of a three, which the law calls for. The most important feature, however, is the confusion arising from the color of the new one cent stamp, which corresponds with that of the old two cent. Cases are very numerous of city delivery letters, whether in error or not, having the new one cent stamp affixed, going safely through the mails without detention or the collection of the excess postage

due. Of course this is to the loss of the Government, but there are cases where even the stamp vendor at the General Postoffice has sold ones instead of twos owing to mixing of colors.

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Thanking all those who did live up to their agreement

We wish to remain

Your sincerely

ONTARIO PHILATELIC Co.

## Some Idle Thoughts.

By D. O. MINION.

H. A. Chapman has achieved an honor which seldom falls to the lot of philatelic publishers. He has published over twelve consecutive issues of his "Perforator" without having been granted second class rates. Now, we are sorry to learn, he has disposed of the Perforator. Mr. J. W. Stowtill was the purchaser, and we hope he will keep the paper up to its present standard of excellency.

We remember, about a year ago the editor of the Omaha Philatelist boasted having more reading matter than the Advocate, but compare the two now, The

March Advocate had eight pages of reading matter and the Omaha had three and now we learn it has discontinued, Same old story; "Pride must have a fall,

The Texan Philatelist bobs up serenely every month; kind of helps you to kill time, but it wants a little more life and better paper.

The N. Y. Philatelist is not overly particular in its selection of articles, We notice some therein which "maketh the heart sad with much weariness,"

The Stamp Advertiser boasts that it is the only paper that can boast a flat rate, i. e. so much per inch regardless of time or space. Well Bro. Turnbull you're about six months behind the B. O. P. in that respect.

The Stamp Advertiser is certainly a very interesting sheet and we wish it success.

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## Purloined Fragments.

News for collectors—reve-uees.

The stamp collecting mania—Tasmania.

Do not be too anxious to obtain complete sets of current issues, but rather complete your sets of the old issues which are rapidly increasing in value.

For advertisers—Thou shalt not write thy adv. on both sides of the paper nor incorporate it with thy letter, as it causes the publisher to wax wroth at thy thoughtlessness.

Thou shalt not condense a six inch ad. in a three inch space, as it will bring fewer returns and you will blame the publisher therefore. Space is cheap (especially in the B. O. P.) help thyself.

Thou shalt be wary of the publisher who

saith his paper is the best on earth, for lo! the land is full of them.

Thou shalt not, being a stranger, send copy to a publisher without the ducats therefor. Thou askest cash from the stranger for thy goods, why shouldst thou think the publisher a fool?

The Duke of York's collection is valued at between \$150,000 and \$200,000

Mr. Rothchilds' is valued at about \$400,000.

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### Of Interest to D. P. A. Members.

We publish below, the ticket we hope to see elected at our next convention in Hamilton, July 1st and 2nd.

To all members of the Dominion Philatelic Association:—

Ladies and Gentlemen:  
You are doubtless aware that I am in the field for a second term as Librarian of the D. P. A. I solicit your vote and in-

fluence and wish to say that if elected I will do all in my power to make the Dept. a success.

When I took office one year ago there were 61 papers sent me by the former Librarian, since that time up to date I have received over 200 donations which I think is a creditable showing. Again soliciting your support.

I wish to remain,

Sincerely yours,

Findlay I. Weaver,

D. P. A. Librarian.

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Join the Dominion Philatelic Association the editor will furnish you blanks.

### The Philatelic Advocate.

Our candidate for official organ, is the "Advocate," which is without doubt the best organ the society ever had. Its last issue was a D. P. A. special and the best number of any stamp paper issued in Canada for several years. It is always on time and never suspended publication.

It publishes Auction Reports of one column or less free—something none of the former organs ever did.

Finally, in the best interests of the Association, we ask you to support The Advocate, Canada's Premier stamp paper for official organ of Canada's Premier stamp society—the D. P. A.

If you are going to attend the convention be sure to send your name to R. S. Mason, 207 James St., S. Hamilton and let him know if you desire a billet or not. Don't neglect this important matter.

### Our D. P. A. Ticket.

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Official Organ—The Philatelic Advocate.







### Charles Bailey

The subject of our sketch was born in Toronto, Ont., in 1873. In 1885 he became interested in stamps and has continued as an active collector ever since.

He has recently disposed of his collection numbering over 2000 varieties, and is now specializing in unused stamps on the original cover of which his collection now numbers about 500 varieties.

Mr. Bailey is a charter member of the D. P. A., and Counterfeit Detector of the same society. He is also a member of the P. S. of A., L. of A. P., C. P. S., and S. P. A.

Mr. Bailey has always taken an active interest in anything to advance the cause of Philately and he is especially interested in the encouragement of young collectors.

Canada lost a faithful philatelist when Mr. Bailey moved to Kaukauna, Wis., where he now resides, being connected with the J. A. Bailey Plumbing and Heating Co., of that city.

At the urgent request of many of his friends he has decided to become a candidate for the office of U. S. Vice-President of the D. P. A., a position we feel sure he will fill to the entire satisfaction of all.

W. A. S

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### Findlay I. Weaver.

The above is ourself. As will be seen we are "only one" and are therefore not numerous.

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Geo. W. Starnaman, our Candidate for D. P. A. Secretary-Treasurer.

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As most of our readers are aware The Dominion Philatelic Association is the only live society in Canada. This organization

is not however an exclusive Canadian society, to the contrary it **The D. P. A.** is one of the most popular international philatelic associations in existence. We have members in almost every country of importance under the sun. The yearly dues are only 25c per year with 10c initiation fee. Anyone wishing to join can get application blanks from the editor of this paper.

Our paper is no longer official organ of the Boys' Own Philatelic Association. The society is not a success and we favor amal-

gamating it with the D. P. A. as a junior department, if an organ should then be needed the B. O. P. would be pleased to act as such.

The Dominion can now boast of seven philatelic magazines and five of these are published in Ontario. The Advocate seems to be in the most healthful

**Our Canadian Papers.** condition: The Stamp Reporter and the Ontario Philatelist are winners but the other Ontario paper is in very bad health. One Canadian stamp paper outside of Ontario is the Philatelic Messenger which is published in New Brunswick and it is one of the best too, but it does not stand in with the P. M. G. (Since writing the above the Phil. Messenger has been granted second-class rates.

We are striving to make our little magazine popular and we would be much pleased if our readers would

**Your Opinion Wanted.** suggest ways in which we might improve the paper. If such are considered feasible they will be carried out if it is in our power to do so.

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So far we have held our peace in regard to the Omaha stamps. We think it would

have been better had they not been issued, but one good they **The Omaha Stamps.** will likely accomplish is to shut up the "Yankee blather-skites," who had so much to say about our Jubilee stamps.

The third Annual convention of the Dominion Philatelic Association will be held in Hamilton, the Ambitious City, on July 1st and 2nd 1898. The

The Hamilton Stamp Club have D. P. A. taken the matter in hand and Meet. are making great preparations.

This gathering will without doubt be the greatest in the annals of the society. Our own Berlin will send down five or six representatives. In other parts of this issue we give some views of Hamilton and "Hamiltonese"

We hope to meet many of our readers at the convention.

The best time to commence your subscription is—NOW.

As you have probably noticed this number contains the articles which were to be the contents of the Canadian

The Philatelic Annual. The Annual Annual. was a financial failure, but as will be noticed on another page all who booked orders for the work are getting far more than they paid for.

The American Souvenir Card Co. are putting their stuff on sale as postcards with philatelic value. Fudge! what nonsense.—

The new Cuban Stamps with the Recent boy-head instead of the baby-head News. look "up to the limit."—One million each was the number issued of the 1c 2c and 5c Peruvian stamps —In the R. M. S. for February Mr. R. S. Baker has another chapter of his. "Five Years of Philatelic History." It treats of the literature of the period and is very ably written. Mr. Baker is one of our brightest literary lights.—Chas. W. Grev-

ning the prominent philatelist of New York is dead. He at one time was the publisher of The Stamp.

## The Stamp Collector.

SELECTED.

Three months ago he did not know.

His lessons in geography;  
Though he could spell, and read quite well,  
And cipher too, he could not tell  
The least thing in topography.

But what a change! How passing strange;  
This stamp collecting passion  
Has roused his zeal for woe or weal,  
And lists of names he now can reel  
Off in amazing fashion.

I hear him speak of Mozambique,  
Heligoland and Bavaria,  
Cashmere, Japan, Turkey, Soudan,  
Samoa, Spain, Waldeck, Kohran,  
Ceylon, Siam, Bulgaria,

Schleswig-Holstein; oh! boy of mine,  
Genius without a teacher!  
Wales, Panama, Scinde, Bolivar,  
Jellalabad and Kanahar,  
Cabul, Drecan, Helvetia.

And now he longs for more Hong-Kongs,  
A Fiji and Mauritius,  
Greece, Borneo, Fernando Po,  
And when he'll stop no one can know.  
He's grown so avaricious.

This paper will be sent one year to any address for any stamp catalogued 10c or 5 stamp papers dated before 1897. Papers must be in good condition.

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By REGINALD KINNERSLY.

Unlike all great events, we come not with blowing of trumpets, clashing of cymbals and shouting of people; but nevertheless we are here to stay. Although we hail from the "wild and woolly west," we are not ignorant of the fact that many Easter contemporaries are singing a song entitled "Too many stamp papers."—Rocky Mountain Stamp.

The present status of philately can only be a matter of pride to all earnest collectors. Recent years have seen a steady increase in the number of devotees and an increased interest and ever-growing intelligence. Continual study and comparison has made the general body of philatelists experts, and they are not easily deceived by the most skillful fabrications.—Filatelic Facts and Fallacies.

Stamp collecting cannot be killed, but it can be injured by the injudicious activity of men who are indebted to it for a living. The most potent influence for evil so far developed is the multiplication of minor varieties with their attendant albums and catalogues.—Metropolitan Philatelist.

We are hardly convinced that the U. S. stamps were ever printed on regular laid paper. A veteran collector informs us that the so-called ribbed paper varieties were so common that he gave up examining them, as a waste of time.—Weekly Phil. Era.

The slang word "fake" so commonly used in philately is traceable to the German word "fegan"—to furbish up, clean, sweep. Mr. Nankiwel says, "It is a question

whether the use of the word should not be extended to the clever mending of damaged stamps. Here is good material for discussion. What is the true status of a mended stamp? Is mending "faking"—Stamp Collector's Fortnightly.

We do not particularly care whether all agree with us, but our opinion is that the collection of plate numbers of the U. S. stamps is rank nonsense. There is no more philately in it than there is in collecting cigarette pictures. When it is considered that the number may go as high as 1000 or more, the nonsense of the fad becomes apparent. There is no science in it.—The Stamp.

A dealer in Hanover is offering fac-similes of the U. S. Columbian issue at 15 marks per 100 sets (less than 4c a set.) It is said that over 28,000 sets have been sold. It is to be regretted there is no way of stopping its sale.—Stamp Lore.

A serviceable stamp paper is one that will furnish the collector with information and at the same time afford him opportunities for securing stamps at the lowest market prices.—American Stamp.

It has been said that "a candidate is the is the noblest work of God!" Therefore let us look over the candidate, and if one shall please us, let us call him one of America's foremost philatelists; but if one shall not please us, let us "soak him in the neck" for it doesn't amount to a row of beans. It's only a sham battle after all. Nothing will be hurt but people's feelings and feelings are considered outé and objectionable in these civilized times.—Halifax Philatelic Magazine.

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