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From Philatelic Advocate.

Pithy Philatelic Points.

Sayings and articles of noted writers carefully condensed.

By REGINALD KINNERSLEY.

The forgeries, being turned out today, are far more dangerous and ten times more likely to deceive, than those of the '60's and '70's. We must not believe that we are outgrowing the forger. The forgers have brought their art to a high state of perfection. No one can doubt that there are more high-class forgeries at present than ever. No doubt there is more counterfeiting of surcharges, grills, fraudulent postal cancellations on revenue stamps, fraudulent perforations, etc., than ever before.—John D. Kirke.

It is probable that when all the County Clerks in the U. S. have found all the revenue stamps and put them on the market these "boomed" stamps, with prices greatly inflated, will drop to their real value.—Georges Carion.

I sold these Columbians, unused, for less than face value, because they represent the total proceeds of a Harlem widow's fortune, which had been invested in them. The \$2.00 unused has been selling in quantities, for from \$1.50 to \$1.80 apiece, when the corner broke. The poor woman was in despair, having over \$100,000 invested. As a last resort we applied to the Postmaster-General offering to sell the stamps or exchange them for others used at present. We received a very brief reply stating that "neither this dept. nor its postmasters will redeem or exchange postage stamps."—Albrecht Loewit.

There are now being published many articles that should never have been allowed in a philatelic periodical, but pub-

lishers are compelled to accept them as the demand for philatelic Mass far exceeds the supply.—S. E. Simpson.

It is not the lack of manuscript, but the quality, which necessitates publishers filling their pages with worthless articles.—W. W. Jewett.

I do not deprecate the practice of reviewing publications and criticizing writers to a certain extent. It is the extent and character of the criticisms to which I object. Here is "la juste millien."—W. L. Moise.

Another set of terms is added to the collectors descriptive vocabulary. The expression "N. W. corner" is used instead of "upper left hand corner," etc. The geographical terms save much space and should be adopted by all.—Ed. H. Wilkinson.

A surcharged issue was adopted in British North Borneo to save delay and expense of preparing new dies. We are not Philatelists, and the objection raised against the stamps, which arises apparently from a collectors' point of view, is not one that we feel called upon to consider.—Benj. T. Kindersley, Sec'y B. N. B. Co.

A person who knows anything worth while about Philately and Philology, should be able to find many connections, very interesting, between the two.—A. E. Layman.

It is a weak plea to ask U. S. specialists to collect Canada stamps because it may be annexed. The U. S. may be annexed to Canada. Canadians do not want annexation and the U. S. is large enough now to be comfortable.—W. Wethee.

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Very few collectors would spend so much of their spare money in the rarer varieties if they thought they would be unable to sell their collections for at least as much as they paid for it or, perhaps, even more. Although they expect stamps to advance in price, they do not help as much as they should to bring about this result.

There may be a few men start collections but the great majority of the beginners are boys. They may not possess very large collections, yet the mania for collecting is started and, like fire, the more it is fed the larger it becomes; so the more encouragement the boy gets the more enthusiastic and ardent he becomes, and perhaps in a few years he may get together a collection worth many hundred dollars. Certainly there are exceptions, but just as certain is the fact that the more attention that is paid him from older collectors, the more attention and study he will naturally give to stamp collecting.

You are not supposed to buy rare stamps to give away, or spend all your spare time praising up stamp collecting, but the thing is to have a chat with beginners now and then to keep them interested. Show them your collection explaining a few things such as watermarks, different kinds of paper etc. Tell them how and where you got some of your favorites, also the value of stamps now and a few years ago.

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