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Notices on this page 1c a word, 3 insertions of same a-lv. for price of two. No ad. taken for less than 10c. No charge for address.

Bargains are our approval sheets at 50%. Try them. References required. Egyptian Stamp Co., 111 Meldrum Ave., Detroit, Mich. 4

Send 100-150 mixed stamps 20-30 var. from any one foreign country and receive the same value in U.S. and other American stamps. Send 100 Canada 10 var. and get 100 U. S. 20 var. David B. Emert, Dawson, Ohio, D. P. A. 123. 2

Say! Send for our beginner's sheets at 50%. We give premiums. Send reference. New stock and list. The Stamp Concern, Gainesville, Ga. 2

Free. List of U. S. stamps at 50% dis. 50c orange 8c. 3c agriculture 12c. Central Stamp Co., L. Box 53, Wannego, Kan.

Bargains. 50 U. S. 10c., 50 Can. 10c 5 Can Register 5c. All for 23c 100 fine var \$1.00. 25 small stamp envelopes 18c. Geo. E. Mueller, Berlin, Ont., Can. 30

Special Bargains. 100 U. S. stamps 6c., 100 foreign 9c., 25 var worth 50c for 23c postfree. C. H. Bachman, Berlin, Ont.

Trade your duplicate stamps to N. S. Moore, Naples, Illinois, for stamps from his sheets. 30

Hay! There! 4 different U. S. 1898 revenues and two Omahas for 5c. Ralph B. Bartoo, St. Ansger, Iowa. 10

Wanted. Newfoundland Jubilee in exchange for Canadian. Will exchange Canadian post-cards for foreign stamps. Try our 10c Packet. O. J. B. Yearsley, Port Hope, Ont.

Wanted. Imperial penny stamps, lavender back-ground. High prices paid A 2. Playing card, lake, unused for only 6c. W. Weber, Organist "Sacred Heart" Church, Buffalo, N. Y.

Hampden Stamp Co., Granby, Mass. Have fine sheets send for a selection.

50 foreign stamps 5c., 18 Japanese with postal cards, mounted in album 25c. A Bargain. Send for approval sheets. Maple Leaf Stamp Co., Drawer L. Peterboro, Ont.

Wanted. Exchange desired with foreign collectors. Write Lawrence Stamp Co., 5 Washington St., New Castle, Pa.

Rev. S. T. Birtlet, Madoc, Ont., desires exchange for Canada and British Colonies, etc.

Bargains. 3c to 8c used Maple Leaf 10c, 6c unused Numeral issue 7c, 1, 2, 3, 5c Jubilees (Canada) used 10c, 100 used 1 and 3c Jubilees 35c. J. O. DeLong, Box Waterdown, Ont.

Exchange. Will exchange U. S. postage and revenues for similar Canadian on catalogue basis. Send sheets and receive mine. C. D. Tillson, 1009 4th st. B. one, Ia.

18 var. Japanese stamps, cat. over 50c and 3 Jap. postals entire, mounted in a nice album all for only 25c. R. C. Potteiger, 179 S. River St., Wilkesbarre, Penna.

Send for my approval sheets at 50%. M. H. Anderson, Tory Hill, Ont.

I have Happy Days, Golden Hours, Recreation, Argosy, and all kinds of novel and story papers to exchange for stamps. Send stamp for list. Frank E. Parks, 76 Summer St., Stoneham, Mass. 4

Wanted to purchase, Newfoundland, Canada Jubilee use 1. Also used Omaha stamps. Collections wanted. W. P. Kelly 3324 Peery Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

10 var. Oceania, Fiji, Hawaiian, West Australia, etc. 10c. 10 var. Peru, Chili, etc., 5c. 10 var. Asia Turkey, Shanghai, etc. 5c. 8 var. Africa 4c. All for 20c. Leon V. Cass, McGraw, N. Y.

Send for our fine approval sheets at 50% commission, no reference required, two stamps cat 25c each to largest buyer before July 1. '99. Dewey Stamp Co., 2407 North 19th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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Historical Stamps.

BY LEON V. CASS.

Probably nearly every country's postal issues if studied well, will teach the philatelic student considerable concerning the history of the country in which the stamps were used. For example, take the Columbian issue of the United States or the Jubilee issue of the Dominion of Canada. Do these stamps not teach us history? But the stamps that appeal to the writer as the greatest history teachers, are those which were issued by governments now overthrown.

There are quite a few of these countries more than anyone unacquainted with the affairs of the world for the past forty or fifty years, would suppose.

Probably the most widely known, to the non-philatelic public in America at least, are the stamps of the Confederate States. These stamps are mementoes of one of the greatest events in the history of the United States. Among the European countries or states the stamps of Poland are a good example. The stamps of these countries are not in much demand, as many philatelists are unable to make a good showing in them, on account of the prices being somewhat high, but unlike the high prices at which many stamps are marked, they are worth the prices asked by most dealers. I wish to urge collectors to fill up the blank spaces in these countries as soon as possible

as I believe they will be much sought after in the near future. Collectors should be careful when purchasing these stamps as many of the scarcer varieties have been counterfeited.

Philatelic Notes.

BY G. A. HUNT.

An interesting minor variety is found in the 1 cent Omaha. In the word "Marquette" the two t's are connected in the majority of the stamps I have examined, frequently, however, I find one with the 2 letters separate. TT, T T.

I recently saw a fine copy of the 6 cent Prop. orange, which I was informed by the owner only cost 15 cents. Upon examination I found it was only a 6 cent Inland Exchange Revenue, with the words "Inland Ex." erased, and the word "Proprietary" painted on its place, it was a clever piece of work and would deceive most collectors.

I am informed on good authority that but 65,000 \$2.00 Omaha's were issued, and that during the year 1898 they were on sale at only a limited number of postoffices.

The 5 cent Prop. is a hard stamp to find used unless cancelled to order. It is found on an article that retails for \$2.00

I recently procured two 4 cent Prop. from a wholesale box "Adams" chewing gum but have failed to see a 5 cent used on the original package as yet.

Your subscription is requested now.

U. S. Notes.

BY DOTTIE LONESOME

There were 155 different plates used in printing the Omaha series. 125 for the 2 cent, 14 for the 1 cent, the others having one, two, or three plates for each denomination. A good chance for a few hundred varieties for the plate number collector.

December 23rd, our government shipped to Havana the following stamps, all surcharged on current U. S. stamps, for use there in the post office department, now operated under military rule; the lot consisted of 1,000,000 1c de peso on 1c green,
 1,000,000 2½c de peso on 2c rose
 4,000,000 5c " " " 5c blue
 400,000 10c " " " 10 brown

Shortly after the above shipment was made another lot of about the same quantities was ordered to be shipped at once.

The secretary of the Treasury has been requested to submit to the Postmaster-General, designs for a set of stamps for Cuba. As yet no designs have been decided on.

An order was sent out from the post office department some time ago, to all the post offices in the country, calling for all the newspaper and periodical stamps on hand to be returned to the department at once. Stamps of all denominations and issues have been pouring in ever since. The department has not yet decided just what to do with the stamps. Some of the more prominent dealers have been consulted as to the disposition of the stamps. The dealers do not agree. Some want them sold at face value, others want them sold at \$10.00 a complete set, others think \$5.00 the right price. The department have not as yet made any plans known.

Bartel's plate number catalogue has appeared giving a complete list of all postage and revenue plate numbers issued by the government since 1890 together with prices for the different positions, etc. The book is a very handy pamphlet but would be more in keeping with good business to sell it for ten cents.

Of the new colors for the regular issue, the 4 cent red brown, 10 cent light brown and 15 cent olive green have all appeared. The 4 cent and 10 cent are nearly alike though. The 10 cent will have to be printed in another color.

Attempts have been made to counterfeit the I. R. surcharged stamps. The object being to defraud the plate number collector. There are some very valuable plate numbers of the surcharged stamps and a successful counterfeit would be very hazardous to those interested in plate numbers.

It is generally conceded that the 6 cent and 10 cent Canada maple leaves are under priced in Scott's supplement to the 58th edition catalogue. The 6 cent brings about \$5.00 a hundred and the 10 cent about \$8.00 a hundred. Either the prices quoted in the catalogue for these two stamps are too low or all the others are too high.

The \$30.00 revenue stamp was put into circulation about Dec. 1st. It is a bright red color.

There will be no more Omaha stamps printed and as soon as the present supply is exhausted, the regular issue will take the place of the Omaha.

January 5th, *Mekeels Weekly Stamp News* issued what to our mind is the best single issue of any stamp paper ever published, unless we except the magnificent

holiday number of the *ADVOCATE*. The weekly contained twenty-four pages and an artistic cover. Every page in the paper had something of interest for collectors and while it contained a goodly number of advertisements it certainly was a credit to its editors and publisher.

The Imperial 2 cent Canada has been received with favor here. The stamp takes well and although some of Canada's stamps are better emblems of the master art, yet we like the Imperial 2 cent.

The Bureau of printing and engraving which is owned and operated by the government, printed and delivered for current use for the year 1893, 92,979,473 stamps, being about 7,000,000 more than was used in 1897.

No one seems to be able to tell with any degree of accuracy, whether or not the revenue stamps will continue to be rouletted or changed to perforation. Some correspondents in Washington say one and some the other, but common sense says our stamps will all be perforated soon.

Omaha stamps are going up. The 8 cent brings from two-and-one-half to three cents each and the ten cent, from two to two-and-a-half cents each. The higher values are worth half face and all values still going up. These prices are for stamps in used condition.

Our federal courts are very much in earnest about prosecuting any guilty persons who have broken the law in relation to the use of the mails. It has been held that a dealer has no protection under the law, when sending stamps on approval. The case of Wolle in St. Louis, is perhaps the latest and was watched very closely by dealers throughout the country, which resulted in Wolle's conviction and punished to

the limit of the law. He was, perhaps, as hard a conviction to secure as any combination of dealers will ever have, for skilled attorneys were employed on both sides. The law is just and says it is wrong to defraud dealers out of their stamps, and he whosoever transgresses, shall reap the penalty for reward.

A word for the encouragement of literature collecting, is, perhaps, better directed and with probably better results than many of the items found in our journals today. A complete file of any good stamp paper is of great value to a collector. Editors try as near as possible to print only original matter and as long as this custom prevails, the more papers you have the better philatelist you will be.

The Bureau of Printing and Engraving are at work on designs for private proprietary stamps. Seven different designs or denominations are now in preparation.

The Postmaster-General recommended in his annual report, the adoption of a special stamped envelope of superior material of the denomination of ten cents to provide greater safety and security to registered letters, and that all persons registering letters be induced to purchase one of these at the face value of the stamp, as is now the case with postal cards.

R. F. Albrecht of New York has gone to Europe to purchase stamps and to secure rare lots for his auction sales which he holds regularly in New York City.

The *ADVOCATE* has proven that it is one of the best advertising mediums in North America. Those who have tried it, know it; those who have not tried it, do not know it, but those who try an ad. *will* know it. Our rates are reduced. See page 66.

A Few Testimonials.

What the readers say of the Holiday Number.

"It is both interesting and instructive."—Raymond S. Baker.

'Best seen from your country.'—L. T. Brodstone.

"The Jan issue of the Phil. ADVOCATE is a 'corker.'"—Elwood B. Carter.

"It is a grand success. It needs no praise as it will speak for itself."—C. W. Grahm.

"None of the other Canadian Phil. papers can touch it."—A. A. Howe.

"It is much superior to any specials I have seen and I place *Mekel's Weekly* next to it."—Lorne L. Thompson.

"It is the greatest stamp paper I receive and I am a subscriber to all the leading ones in U. S. and Canada."—H. Hoffman.

"It was a masterpiece of philatelic production. That number alone is worth more than 50c-\$1.00."—H. Wendt.

"It is a veritable book full of philatelic news."—A. Lohmeyer.

"I consider it a credit to yourselves and to our country."—J. H. Riddell.

"January number of ADVOCATE is very creditable."—W. F. Gregory.

"My most hearty congratulations on the enterprise and the fine appearance of the paper. Long life to the ADVOCATE."—C. Bailey.

"It is simply immense."—Dan'l. Cornell.

"Must say it is away above the average, indeed a splendid number."—S. J. Wood.

"It is full of good things for everyone." E. J. Gifford.

"The reading matter is good and there is plenty of it."—Jos. Gibson Jr.

FROM ADVERTISERS.

The following were written within ten days after the Holiday No. was mailed.

C. BAILEY, Toronto Ont.—"I have received \$15.00 worth of cash orders from my 3 inch space. I have no hesitation in say-

ing that the ADVOCATE is the best advertising medium in Canada to reach buying collectors."

ROYAL STAMP CO., Jackson, Mich.—"On Jan. 13th we received seventeen orders for stamps advertised, and it more than pays to advertise in your paper."

The following is from one who is afraid of the consequences of writing philatelic poetry, and wishes his name suppressed.

THE ADVOCATE! THE ADVOCATE!

THE PHILATELIC ADVOCATE!

I've waited for you many a day,

And wondered why you were so late.

But now the reason is quite plain

Why I have had so long to wait.

My sorrow soon is changed to joy

When I behold the ADVOCATE.

Six inches thick or thereabout;

Chuck full of news, and sure as fate

The edge is red: The inside too,

Or soon will be if you can wait.

"Oh come," my father cries in w' rath,

"Why do you make the dinner wait?"

"Oh, father dear, oh father dear,

I cannot leave the ADVOCATE.

"Oh come" my sweetheart cries, "and rest

Your curly head upon my breast.

"Oh no, my dear, 'tis cruel fate,

I cannot leave the ADVOCATE."

My sweetheart shed some bitter tears

And then she found another mate.

'Twas ever thus, but I'll not mourn

While I have still the ADVOCATE.

"Come go to bed," my mother said,

"You must not sit around so late."

"Oh mother dear, be not severe,

This is my Holiday ADVOCATE."

I've vexed my ma, I've vexed my pa,

I've lost my girl, sad to relate;

I'm cold as ice and hungry too,

And all for thee sweet ADVOCATE.

The fire burns low, the light goes out.

And I must soon abscquatulate.

How can I leave my peach, my plum,

My honey-dew, My ADVOCATE.

A few words more and I am done,

"Bis dat qui cito dat."

I do not know what this may mean,

But hope it rhymes with ADVOCATE.

Toronto Notes,

BY OUR TORONTO OBSERVER.

I was recently shown a copy of the 2 cent Imperial stamp on thin card board which I have reason to believe is a genuine variety. I have also seen the same stamp on thick and thin wove paper and soft spongy paper.

A dispatch from Ottawa announces that the 2 cent stamped envelope is out. I believe a few hundred were printed in the color of the two-cent purple stamp. But the color has been changed to vermillion to comply with the colors of the Universal Postal Union.

The current 2 and 3 cent stamps have been recalled, and when the stock of the 3 cent has been exhausted (this stamp so long a pet of the Canadian public) will be a thing of the past. The two cent will appear in vermillion, and we may expect two new values shortly, viz 4 and 7 cent to cover double letter rate and registration.

Toronto collectors have suffered a loss in the ranks of their dealers, Mr. John H. Lowe having discontinued his down-town office for an indefinite period.

The 16th weekly meeting of the Philatelic Club of Toronto was held in their club rooms, Forum Bldg., vice president W. J. Porter occupied the chair. The usual business was dispensed with to give the members an opportunity of viewing the magnificent collection of used and unused Canada, U. S. and Br. Colonies, the property of Mr. E. A. Davenport.

It would require many pages of the ADVOCATE to describe the contents of his albums. Suffice to say the collections are mounted in up-to-date blank albums, with pages ruled in quadrille with a border

of thin card board to protect stamps and prevent rubbing. Among many choice stamps were a strip of four $\frac{3}{4}$ Canada, rare 6 and 10 penny, pence and shilling Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Many excellent things in U. S. and a host of rare British Colonies. The members have no hesitation in saying it was by far the best accumulation of choice stamps they ever had the pleasure of viewing. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Davenport, and all went away well repaid for the night's meeting.

MORAL. Associate yourself with some up-to-date stamp club and gain many benefits.

The prompt philatelic journal is a jewel. The ADVOCATE is so uniformly prompt at the commencement of each month that if it is late a good reason is looked for. The Jan. issue, which was a few days behind the usual time, proved this. It was ahead of the majority, as it was, and furnished 60 pages, about evenly distributed between reading and advertising, to say nothing of the cover. I am informed that the STAR-NAMAN's set every line of it themselves. It was well made up and he who finds fault with this year's initial number will find fault with anything. It would take too much space to particularize, which would be a manifestly unfair proceeding. Everybody should have this number if it costs 25 cents to get it, but that price will probably suffice to procure it and eleven more numbers with it.—Henry A. Chapman.

As late as 1892, entire sheets of the different value stamps of Bremen were given away as a premium to anyone that would buy a thousand cigars of the manufacturer. As they were as common as this it would seem that the present high prices for these stamps in an unused condition were considerably overrated. Used Bremen stamps are worth having.—G. A. Hunt.

The Philatelic Advocate.

With which is consolidated
The Philatelic Messenger.
 Our Motto. "Bis dat qui cito dat."

W. A. STARNAMAN. Business Mgr.
 G. W. STARNAMAN. Subscription Mgr.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Subscription Rates.— Twenty five cents per year to any part of the world.

Advertising Rates.—One inch, 40c; two inches, 70c; quarter page, \$1.00; half page \$1.50; one page \$2.00. per month. No discount for time or space. All advs. set in brevier body type.

Forms close on the 20th and all copy must reach us **BEFORE** that date to ensure insertion.

Sample copies are only sent on the first of the month.

If this is marked it signifies that, Your ad reached us too late for this no. Cash did not accompany your copy.

Return postage must be enclosed with MSS. sent on approval or no attention will be given to it.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by correspondents.

X We will exchange one or two copies with any paper published.

Address all communications to,

Starnaman Bros.,

BOX 104, BERLIN, ONT., CAN.

Editorial.

Our Marriage.

Although the publishers of this paper are old enough to get married they never seriously contemplated matrimony until they received a proposal, which, although it came from one older than themselves, they accepted. The result is that Canada's oldest stamp paper, the *Philatelic Messenger*,

is now united with the *ADVOCATE* and all unexpired subscriptions will be filled by it.

Those who are already subscribers to this paper will have their subscription extended for the unexpired term. This combination of the two best advertising mediums in Canada should prove a boon to advertisers. We know by experience that the *Messenger* was a good medium, and our advertisers tell us that our paper brings good results. (Jas. F. Irwin says, "I received about \$40 worth of orders from my two page ads. in last issue.") Subscriptions to *Messenger* will commence with next number and although our circulation will be nearly 1000 more than at present, the rates will remain the same. See adv. rates.

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Jots.

All parties having complaints against the late D. P. A. Auction Mgr. are requested to send same to Chas. Bailey, President, 85 Euclid Ave., Toronto, Ont., as action is to be taken to have the matter straight-up.

Thos. J. Renaud, of New Orleans has our thanks for a specimen of the 1c U. S. surcharged "Cuba, 1c Peso."

R. G. Widdicombe sent us a copy of the 2c stamped envelope printed in purple. There were only a few hundred printed when the order came to print them in red. Those who have them are holding them at a high price.

The 2c red envelope has appeared.

The 2c Imperial stamp has been found with plate number 1.

Mr. H. A. Chapman, Rocky Hill, Conn., has been offered a permanent engagement in Hartford, and accepted. He will be at his home daily, and continue his philatelic work as at present.

We wish it distinctly understood that we do not deal in stamps. Parties wishing to buy should write to our advertisers, not to us.

There is a slight error in J. F. Irwin's adv. on page 71. A * was inserted instead of a n. This does not mean that the set is unused.

If you receive this paper as a sample you are invited to subscribe. We will only invite you once and if you do not accept, the invitation will be given to someone else.

Publishers thinking of discontinuing their papers will find it to their best interest to secure our terms for filling unexpired subscriptions. All correspondence strictly confidential.

The Hamilton Stamp Club has opened the season by electing the following officers: President, Dr. E. G. Kittson; Vice Pres., Fred Robinson; Sec'y Treas., A. H. Ward, Librarian, Chas. Applegath; Sec'y. Inform. Bur., Jas. Slater; Auc. Mgr., R. S. Mason.

We have received the prospectus of a grand Philatelic Exhibition to be held at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 18th to 31st, by the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. Space will not permit a full description of the prizes. Full particulars may be had by addressing John D. Carberry, 1206 Bushwick Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

"Stamp Hunting" and this paper 1 yr. 50c

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Price Lists Received.

Siewers Bros., Salem, N. C.,
W. F. Gregory, New York, N. Y.
Edward C. Dowse, Sherborn, Mass.
Challenge Stamp Co., Muscatine, Iowa.

Directory of Virginia Philatelists, price 10c by H. B. Vesey, 154 York Place, Norfolk, Virginia.

Always mention ADVOCATE when writing. **Send** to Hampden Stamp Co., Granby, Mass for good approval sheets.

Canada 8c Jubilees, unused, wanted for cash. State quantity and price. Starnaman Bros., Berlin, Ont.

Garfield letter sheet, 35 varieties Confederate notes, and pocket kodak to exchange for good stamps. J. Mardon Jr. 161 W. Springfield St., Boston, Mass.

Premium List.

All former offers are hereby cancelled.

Send us 25c and we will give you this paper one year, a 20 word adv. on the Bargain Page and your choice of any one of the following:

Premium No. 1.

To Get Subscribers

to the Philatelic Advocate.
we offer

\$1.05 FOR 25 CENTS.

18 Japanese stamps and 3 post cards
mounted in a finely colored
album made of rice paper worth .50
12 blank Approval Sheets10
PHILATELIC ADVOCATE one year25
20 word adv. on Bargain Page of same .20
Total \$1.05

All for 25c postpaid with 4c stamps or if you prefer, with the new Imperial Penny Postage stamp.

- No. 3. One 5, 6, 8, or 10c Canada, (maple leaf) used or unused.
No. 4. 1000 PERFECT hinges.
No. 5. 50 Can. four maple leaf 3c used.
No. 6. 100 stamps ALL DIFFERENT.
No. 7. Half incl. adv. in this paper.
No. 8. Lone Star State Philatelist one year.
No. 9. Perforation Gauge and Mill. Scale.

We will give 5 subscriptions, with premium to each, for \$1.00.

Renewals are entitled to premiums the same as new subscribers.

STARNAMAN BROS., Berlin, Ont

In Memoriam.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of F. J. Whatley Jr., of Toronto, Ont. He was a member of the Dominion Philatelic Association.

Frederick James Whatley, was born at Hamilton, Ont., July 29, 1876. Died Dec. 26, 1898. He was educated in the Public and High Schools in that city. Many old school mates will remember Fred as a generous hearted and openhanded boy, always ready to join in any game of fun there was on hand.

He moved with his parents to Toronto, some six years ago and when other duties allowed, took great interest in stamp collecting, having had business transactions with many philatelists who speak of him as a straightforward business-like young man.

His death was indirectly the cause of an accident which injured his spine, ultimately paralyzing his lower limbs, causing him much occasional suffering for two years, during which time he was confined to the house. His relatives and many friends sadly feel the loss.

One by one earth's ties are broken

As we see our love decay,

And the hopes so fondly cherished,

Brighten but to pass away.

One by one our hopes grow brighter

As we near the shining shore,

For we know across the river

Wait the loved ones gone before.

W. A. S.

Mr. W. C. Estes sends the following taken from the *Omaha Bee* of Jan. 13, '99
More Exposition Stamps.

The local post office officials have received from the 3rd Ass't. P. M. General, all the Trans-Mississippi Exposition stamps which were undisposed of. These amounted to \$67,500 as follows:—500,000 1 cent, 1,000,000 2 cent, 100,000 4 cent, 50,000 8 cent, 100,000 10 cent, 20,000 50 cent, 500 \$1.00 and 2,000 \$2.00.

Note—This looks as if there was a corner on the 5 cent and \$1.00.

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Organized Sept. 1, 1894.

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Exchange Supt's Report.

Blank exchange books sold	51.
Filled books received	17.
Value of same	\$102.24.
Value of books in circulation	74.36.
Value of books not yet circulated	27.88.
Sales to date	9.02.

The Dept. is in fine working order, the only thing I have to find fault with is that the members are so slow in sending in their stamps for circulation.

If those who have bought blank books will only send them in promptly, I think I can circulate them to advantage, as I have more requests to be placed on circuit than I can comply with.

Fraternally,

E. L. SHOVE, Unionville, N. Y.

Trustees Report.

Fellow Members:

As a date for the '99 convention, which is to be held in Toronto we select June 30th and July 1st which we think would be a very suitable time.

Yours in D. P. A. interests,

R. S. Mason, Chairman Trustees.

E. A. Marris.

D. P. A. 8th Auction Sale.

Bids must be in by Feb. 15th. A card will be sent notifying successful bidders, when they are expected to remit, and stamps will be forwarded.

Stamps are used unless otherwise stated. All lots to be offered for sale, must be in the hands of the Auction mgr. on or before the 15th of the month.

Postage extra on all lots under \$1.00.

Registration extra in all cases and the society will not be held responsible for lots lost in the mails.

Lot no.

1. 100 stamp papers assorted.
2. 19,000—2c Columbians.
3. 10 set. U. S. Rev. 1c to 50c 1898.
4. 3000 1c Columbians.
5. 12 Br. Guiana 1 and 2c mixed.
6. 50,000—3c Canada 1890
7. 4000—2c " 1890
8. 12000—1c " 1890
9. 1 set '98 U. S. rev. 1c to \$1 including 1c and 2c surcharged.
10. 75,000—1c and 2c U. S. 1890-1895.
11. 5000—1c U. S. 1890-1895.
12. 5000 U. S. Cut sp. envelopes 1, 2 and 3c—1887-1893.
13. 44 Can. Rev. cat by Robie \$4.30
14. 100 stamp papers assorted.
15. 3000—3c Maple Leaf issue.
16. 500—5c Registers.
17. 100 stamp papers asst.
18. 1000—8c Canada 1890
19. 300—5c Canada 1890
20. 1 B. N. A. Postage Stamp Album publisher's price 25c.

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47 Elizabeth St., Toronto, Ont.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS

197. Dave Taussig, Chicago, Ill.
198. C. H. Hayden, Jr, Northampton, Mass.
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Thos. E. Morgan, Delhi, Ont. Age 22, Clerk. W. A. Starnaman Geo. Starnaman E. A. Greene, Orillia, Ont. Age 15, Stamp Dealer. Starnaman Bros.

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J. R. Seavey, 249 King St. W., Hamilton Ont. Age 40, Artist. Refs R. S. Mason, C. S. Applegath.

DECEASED.

122. F. Whately, Jr., Toronto, Ont.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Balance last report.....	\$ 8.88.
Received for dues, etc.....	16.47.
	25.35

Expenditures.

Paid Official Organ.....	1.73.
Postage	1.14.
President's postage account.....	.75.
Stationary.....	.25.
Trustees' postage account.....	.94.
Express on papers to Library.....	.25.
Balance on hand 20.29.	
	25.35.

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102. Wm. Quinn, Muscatine, Iowa.
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38. T. H. Caudwell, Brantford, Ont.
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131. Jno. B. Davis, Chelsea, Ind. Ter.

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150. F. H. Munroe, Goderich, Ont.
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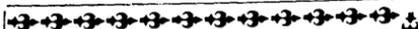
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