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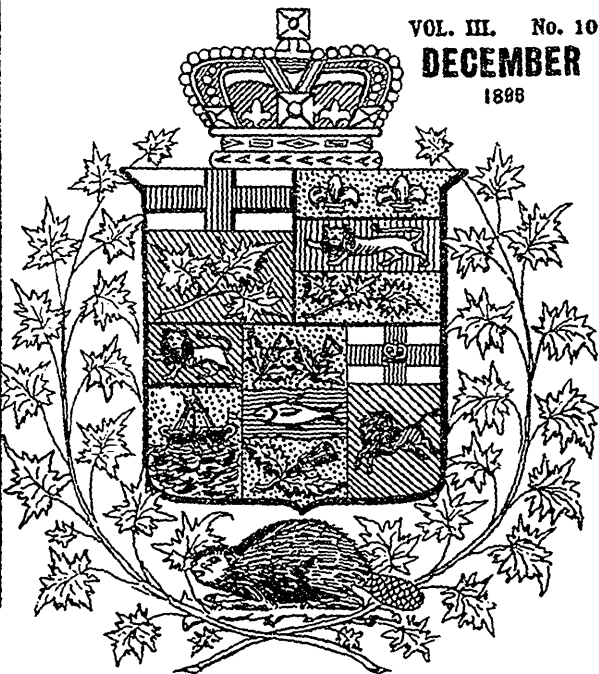
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YOU MAY KNOW THEM.

When King Cacambau of the Fiji Islands in 1871 issued the postage stamps for that country he did not forget to show his conceit, by having the letters C. R. (Cacambau Rex) placed in the centre of the stamp, and again it seems that he was not the only vain ruler of that small domain, since a very short time elapsed before we find that Her Britannic Majesty Queen Victoria, found good advertising space by surcharging her initials over those of Cacambau, those of (Victoria Regina) V. R. There may not have been the slightest vanity on the part of either rulers, but often such trivial cabalistic meanings or logograms, as it were, are more puzzling to many collectors than a whole book of Euclid, and in this article I will endeavor to solve a few of the most intricate riddles. Of course all collectors know that U. S. stands for United States, C. S. A., representing the Confederate States of America; N. F., Newfoundland, and many others might be mentioned but for their well understood meaning.

The abbreviations on many of the South American stamps are more interesting, the United States of Columbia afterwards, the Republic of Columbia, being very prolific, in the number of varieties of abbreviations: For instance E. U. de Columbia have the same meaning as E. E., U. U. de Columbia viz United States of Columbia; in this republic the various states such as Panama, Santander, Tolima et c. etc., have the

letters E. S., meaning Estada Soberano, or in our language Sovereign State. Some of the stamps of this country have the words Correas Nales and on some again, in Spanish, the same meaning, only a little longer drawn out Corros Nacionales the meaning of those is "State Postage," or may represent not only a "State," but the whole union of States.

The first stamps issued by the Sandwich Islands (Hawaii) in 1851, of which the 13 cent denomination was an international label which is represented by the letters H. I. and U. S., postage, meaning Hawaiian Islands and United States, seems to an amateur collector rather vague since at that time the United States of America and the United States of Columbia were both in existence at that time although the latter country did not issue postage stamps. Maybe that confusion of names etc., etc., may account for the great scarcity of the stamp in question. The early issue of Sarawak contains in the corners of the stamp the initials of the ruler J. B. R. S., which is an abbreviation of the prince, James Brooke Rajah Sarawak. In the following issue are the letters G. B. R. S., being the initials for the Rajah's son—Charles Brooke Rajah of Sarawak.

Of the many peculiar manners for spelling the word postage is noted on the first and second issues of Greece, by the abbreviations in upper part of the stamp, Ell Gramm, whose meaning when properly spelled (Ellenikon Grammatosemon) is just the simple word postage. The early issue of Denmark 4 R. B. S., was

and is often a mis-nomer to the general collector, its meaning is 4 Rig's-bank skilling, the reason for using the compound word Rig's-bank was due to some slight change in the financial market, as all previous (revenue) and subsequent issues merely gave the word skilling or its abbreviation (S).

The stamps of Bergedorf contain these letters L. H. P. A., in an inner square they represent the Lubeck, Hamburg Postal Offices.

The letters often noticed in the watermark of the Australian stamps generally represent the initial letter of the country in question as for instance V. for Victoria; N. S. W., for New South Wales; N. Z., for New Zealand; etc. etc. The letters C. A. and C. C. represent the words Crown Agent and Crown Colony. It would be interesting to note how few mistakes have been made in issuing the stamps to the various colonies by the Imperial Government, that is to say the printing of the stamps and putting them out on their proper watermarked paper, as for instance some larger and more pretentious colony on the Continent, or Island of Australia would feel aggrieved to see on their stamps the words or abbreviation there of the fact that they were under the care of a Crown Agent.

The words Crown Colony were brought into use to signify an island or a smaller piece of land if on the mainland than its adjacent neighbor, as is the case with the Straits Settlements and one or two others, whose stamps are watermarked C. C., the Island of Newfoundland is what could be called a Crown Colony but of course they never used any of those watermarks.

FRANK H. BEST.

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UNITED STATES.

1847	5	8
	10	15
1851	1, 3	1
	5	8
	10, 12	5
1861	1, 5, 10, 12	2
	24, 30	4
1863	2, 15	2
1869	1, 6	3
	2, 3	.....	1
	10, 12, 15	.....	5
1870	1, 2, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15	.....	1
	7, 24, 30	.....	2
	90	.....	3
	Eagle, 1 blue	.....	4
	Franklin, 1 pink	.....	4
1865	5 Newspaper, Washington	.....	15
	10 " Franklin	.....	20
	25 " Lincoln	.....	40
	Agriculture, 3, 6	.....	3
	" 2, 24, 30	.....	10
	Interior, 1, 10, 24, 30, 90	.....	3
	" 2, 3, 6, 12, 15	.....	2
	Justice, 3, 6	.....	5
	" 1, 2, 10, 15, 24, 30	.....	8
	" 12	.....	3
	Navy, 1, 2, 10, 12, 15, 24, 30	.....	3
	" 3, 6	.....	1
	" 7	.....	8
	" 90	.....	25
	Post Office, 1, 2, 3, 6	.....	2
	" 10, 12, 15, 24, 30, 90	.....	5
	State, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 24, 30	.....	10
	Treasury, 1, 2, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 30, 90	.....	1
	" 7, 24	.....	2
	War, 1, 12, 15, 24, 30	.....	3
	" 2, 10	.....	6
	" 3, 6	.....	1

Canada, 8c reg 10

Many other varieties are priced, at what would close any dealer out to-day. The above prices are for each stamp. Mr. Gamb's guaranteed every stamp under a forfeiture of thirty dollars.

THE VICAR.

THE STAMPS OF ST. HELENA.

Historically, that little rocky isle off the west coast of Africa in the South Atlantic is famous in all the world's histories. From its very obscurity it was selected as the only spot fit to be the prison of a man who had almost conquered the world. There died and was buried Napoleon Bonaparte, and there, to-day, enthusiastic Bonapartists may gaze on his tomb if they care to make so distant a pilgrimage.

In the middle of this century, St. Helena was a place of considerable local importance—that is to say, while the outside world knew nothing at all about it, to a visitor on the island it seemed the centre of a good deal of interest. It was an important coaling station for ships between the Cape of Good Hope and England, and was also the principal port for supplies and home communication for the South Atlantic whalers. The population of the island was chiefly English, and there was both an American and German consul.

In 1856 the first stamps were sent out from England. While the type was not altogether dissimilar to those first furnished some of the other English colonies, St. Helena holds the unique position of having preserved the same type to the present day. The first was a 6d, and all the stamps from that day to this, with the exception of a single stamp issued in 1890, have been printed from this type. The stamp was in blue watermarked a star, and, at first, imperforate, but later perforated, from 18½ to 15½. Both imperforate and perforated are found on bluish paper, caused by action of the gum.

In 1863 the CC watermark was adopted by the colonies, and the 6d with the crown and CC appeared, perf 12½, and also compound 14 x 12½. The stamp was also now printed in red, carmine, green, and surcharged One Penny, Four Pence and One Shilling, with a black line across the original value.

The color of any St. Helena stamp at once shows its value, as they always are the same. An error is listed—a 6d rose, evidently a 1d stamp which escaped the surcharge—at \$500 unused. Probably few, if any, were ever used, as we have never seen it mentioned canceled. The fact that this is the only St. Helena error ever chronicled, and that all her stamps are surcharged except the 6d value and one of late issue, makes a record for her. Even with the tempting price of \$500 set on this stamp, no other has ever appeared.

The 1d and 4d are found both imperforate, perforated 12½, and compound. The surcharging line is 19mm long, and the 1d is also found with line 17mm long. There are two types of surcharging letters.—one 2½mm high and one 3mm. The 1d has the 2½ type, and the other two values the 3mm one.

In 1864 the surcharging line was shortened to 14mm and three values added, viz., 2d yellow 3d purple, and 5s orange. Perforations 12½, 14 x 12½, and 14. All these stamps show a little variety in the length of the line, caused usually by the breaking off or wearing down of the 19mm line. The 4d, perforate 12½, line 14mm, is found with the surcharged value 19mm long, and also 18mm and perforate 14 x 12½. It has the letters placed so close together as to be only 16mm long, by 3mm high.

The 4d CC, perforate 12½, surcharge 3 x 17mm, bar 17mm, Scott's No. 15, is listed by Senf and Stanley Gibbons with a double surcharge.

In 1884 the CA watermark came into use, and a ½d value in sea-green was introduced—perforation uniformly 14 and line 14mm long. The words "half penny" in one variety are 17mm long,

while in the one in use at present the letters are closer together and only 15½-mm long. There is also a difference in the shade, the former being a slightly yellowish tint of green, while the present one is a blue-green. The first of these ½d stamps is also listed by Senf as having a double surcharge.

All of these CA stamps, except the first type of the ½d, are in use at the present time, and in addition a 6d gray issued in 1889, a 1½d in a new design issued in 1890, and a 2½d surcharged on the old design, but in figures instead of letters, as had always been the case heretofore. The 3d purple CA is in a brighter shade than the old 3d CC, and the 4d is brown instead of carmine. Some time ago Stanley-Gibbons advertised the ½d, 1d, and 2d of the CA type without watermark, but Senf only catalogues the 2d yellow.

About a year ago information got abroad that only a limited number of the 1s stamp had been printed, and all these were bought up immediately by speculators, even the local postmaster participating. But the home government foiled this little scheme by at once printing and sending out a large lot of these stamps. This little side-play, which is the only blur on the history of the stamps of St. Helena, was brought into a good deal of prominence at the time; but the action of the home government in effectually putting a stop to this kind of speculation leaves her a clean record.

Now, as to the comparative rarity of St. Helena stamps: All are too low, except, perhaps, the current issue. Look through the auction catalogues, and how often do you see a St. Helena stamp offered. Look over the dealer's price lists, and the name is totally lacking, even among Dominica, Montserrat, and its neighbor, St. Vincent. The fact is, almost all the St. Helena stamps went into actual use, a greater proportion, I warrant, than of almost any other country. There are no remainders,—not of a single issue. And of those that went into use

the proportion saved to philatelist is very small.

Practically all the stamps went to England or the United States, and we may limit those that came to this country to the old whaling port of New Bedford and the small towns along the New England coast. Of the fate of those that stopped in England I am not able to give accurate statistics; but, as the majority were on business and official service, probably a good share were preserved on file and have found their way into the stock of English dealers. Of those that came to this country, the collector of New England can show you more or less complete sets; but, in the albums of collectors in all other sections of the country, St. Helena represents a blank, and no dealer in this country has anything that may be called a stock of them on hand.

Philatelic Californian.

A HISTORY AND CATALOGUE OF CANADIAN POSTAGE AND REVENUE STAMPS.

MANITOBA.

PROVISIONAL ISSUE.

(Issued October, 1877, and signed by A. Begg. Coat of Arms of Great Britain in black on yellow paper and value in red.)

SURCHARGED C.F. IN BLACK.

1877 10c	\$5 00
20c	5 00
30c	4 00

(Signed by E. Romans, but without number.)

20c	5 00
25c	4 00

(Initialed by D.C. (Dan Carey), without number)

25c	4 00
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(Initialed by E.R. (E. Romans), no number.)

25c	3 00
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(Without signature and not numbered.)

25c	4 00
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Ketcheson catalogues a 50c and 1s but these were never issued.

(Issued September, 1881.)

SURCHARGED C.F. IN PURPLE.

(Coat of Arms in black on white paper and the value in red.)

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1881	10c.....	4 00	\$2	"	3 00
	20c.....	3 50			
	25c.....				
	50c.....	5 00			
	\$1.....	4 50			
	10c, surcharged C. F. by hand, and initialed Ed. M. (Ed. Marston).....				
SURCHARGED L.S. IN PURPLE.					
1881	10c.....	4 50			
	20c.....	5 00			
	50c.....	4 50			
	\$1.....	7 50			
	\$1, surcharged L. S by hand and initialed Ed M (Ed. Marston).....				
(Surcharged CF (small) in red on an LS stamp.)					
1881	50c green.....	75			
(Surcharge CF (antique type) in red on LS)					
1884	10c green.....	75			
	50c green.....	75			
FIRST TYPE.					
(Nine Scrolls. Issued 1877, and abolished July 1st, 1886.)					
SURCHARGED C.F. IN BLACK.					
1877	10c green.....	10			
	20c ".....	8			
	25c ".....	8			
	50c ".....	8			
	\$1 ".....	10			
	\$2 ".....	50			
SURCHARGED L.S. IN BLUE.					
(Issued in 1877 and abolished 26th April, 1884.)					
1877	10c green.....	15			
	20c ".....	10			
	25c ".....	1 00			
	50c ".....	8			
	\$1 ".....	75			
	\$2 ".....	1 00			

There appears to have been two issues of the C.F. and L.S. stamps, the first issue being a rich, dark yellow-green, altogether a different shade from the second issue, which is more of a blue green.

C.F. IN BLACK AND B.F. IN RED.					
(Issued 1st July, 1886, and abolished 3rd March, 1889)					
1886	10c green.....	2 00			
	20c ".....	35			
	25c ".....	20			
	50c ".....	35			
	\$1 ".....				

C.F. IN BLACK AND J.F. IN RED.					
1886	10c green.....	75			
	20c ".....	20			
	25c ".....	20			
	50c ".....	35			
	\$1 ".....	1 00			
	\$2 ".....	2 00			
L.S. IN BLUE AND B.F. IN RED.					
1886	20c green.....				
	25c ".....	25			
	50c ".....				
	\$1 ".....	1 25			
	\$2 ".....				
L.S. IN BLUE AND J.F. IN RED.					
1886	10c green.....	1 00			
	20c ".....	35			
	25c ".....	25			
	50c ".....	1 50			
	\$1 ".....	75			
	\$2 ".....	3 00			

(Continued next Month.)



GOLD COAST—Is on the west coast of Africa, and contains an area of about 15,000 square miles, stretching about the Gulf of Guinea for 800 miles; population is about 1,500,000; postage 25; envelopes, 4; cards, 5.

HONG KONG—Is an island situated off the south-east coast of China, at the mouth of Canton River, and has an area of about 30 square miles; population, 221,441; chief town, Victoria; postage, 71; cards, 17.

JAMAICA.—Is the largest island in the

British West Indies, and lies to the south of Cuba; it contains about 4,210 square miles; population, 640,000; capital, Kingston; postage, 42; wrappers, 1; cards, 25.

LABUAN.—Is a small island off the north-west of Borneo; area, 30 square miles; population, 5,853, of whom 28 were Europeans; postage, 61 cards, 6.

LAGO.—This colony is on the west coast of Africa on the shore of the Gulf of Guinea, and comprises, including the Protectorate, about 1,240 square miles; population, of Lagos Island, 32,508.

LEEWARD ISLANDS.—Are a group of islands in the Atlantic Ocean, to the east of the West Indies, and contain a total area of about 704 square miles, and a population of 727,723; chief town St. John (Antigua); postage 38; envelopes, 1; cards, 7.

MALTA.—This island is situated in the Mediterranean Sea, about 58 miles from Sicily; population, including garrison and Royal Navy, 177,225; capital, Valletta; postage, 14; wrappers, 1; cards, 2.

MAURITIUS.—This island is in the Indian Ocean, about 500 miles east of Madagascar; its area is 708 square miles, and its dependencies, consisting of about 100 islands, including the Seychelles, the Amirantes, the Oil Islands, Solomon Islands, the St. Brandon group and other detached islands, have an area of 172 square miles; population, 114,663; capital, Port Louis; postage, 94, exclusive of varieties; envelopes, 17; cards, 10.

NATAL.—This colony is situated on the south-east coast of Africa, about 800 miles from the Cape of Good Hope; its area is about 20,461 square miles; population, 543,913, of which about 500,000 are Coolies and natives; capital Pietermaritzburg; postage, 86; wrappers, 2; cards, 8.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—The Island of Newfoundland contains an area of 40,200 square miles, and the portion of Labrador included in the colony contains about 20,000 square miles; popu-

lation, 202,040; capital, St. John's; postage, 56; envelopes, 8; wrappers, 3; cards, 8.

NEW SOUTH WALES.—Is situated on the eastern coast of Australia, between lat. 29° south and 30° south; its area is about 310,700 square miles; population 1,197,650; capital, Sydney.

NEW ZEALAND.—This group of islands is in the South Pacific Ocean, to the south-east of Australia, and contains a total area, including small groups of islands attached to the colony, of 104,471 square miles; population, 626,658, not counting the Maoris, who number 41,993; capital, Auckland.

QUEENSLAND.—Occupies the whole of the north-eastern portion of Australia, and contains an area of 668,497 square miles; population, excluding the Aborigines, 393,718; capital, Brisbane; imports, £4,332,657; exports £9,170,408; public debt, £29,457,134.

ST. HELENA.—Is an island in the South Atlantic Ocean, in lat. 15 deg. 55 min. south, and long. 5 deg. 42 min. west; it has an area of 47 square miles; population, 4,116; capital, Jamestown; imports, £30,386; exports, £4,863, not including produce of whale fishery shipped to the United States.

SIERRA LEONE.—This colony is situated on the west coast of Africa, and stretches for about 180 miles north of Liberia; its area is about 4,000 square miles; population, estimated 129,835, nearly all of whom are colored; capital Freetown; imports, £413,117; exports, £420,451; public debt, £50.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—Comprises that portion of the continent of Australia bounded on the north by the 26th deg. of south latitude, on the east by New South Wales and Victoria, and on the west by Western Australia, its total area being 903,690 square miles; a number of islands are also included in the colony; population, not including the Aborigines, 320,431; capital, Adelaide; imports, £7,395,178; exports, £7,819,539; public debt, £21,230,700.

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THIS month has been production of two new monthly journals in the stamp line in Canada—one in Halifax, the other in Toronto. The former—The Halifax Philatelic Magazine—is newsy in its contents that strikes the reader personally. Mr. Muirhead writes the history of the Dominion Philatelic Association. The Philatelic Canadian—part of our own name backwards—presents an extremely neat appearance. Its publisher has received second-class rates and we may look for something permanent in future issues. Both papers have our best wishes for years of success in the philatelic field.

To get Scott's 1897 edition catalogue and this paper for one year at sixty cents is a bargain among bargains. Don't overlook your own interests. This offer benefits our subscribers—not us, as can readily be seen by doing a little sum of addition.

If you don't collect Canada revenues, remember the sudden rise for those of the United States. Of the latter country they are quite common in comparison to Canada. Should as many collectors want them as there are for U.S. figures that would put U.S. revenues in the shade will rule. Be wise, NOW is the time to start.

To collect nowadays certainly costs something. By reading advertisements of dealers you can "strike" snags that will warm your business sense as much as a good sale in your office.

FOR various reasons the Canadian Weekly Stamp News has been discontinued after issuing 19 numbers. All who subscribed to it will receive the Canadian Philatelic Magazine instead, and in the case of those already subscribers to the monthly, the time of subscription will be extended.

STANLEY GIBBONS, of London, Eng., have sent us Part I of their catalogue. It deals only with the stamps of the British Empire. Part II will contain Foreign issues, while Part III will be devoted to cards, envelopes, etc. The book is printed on good paper, and is far superior to their former work. Each of the parts will be two shillings. Next month we will speak further concerning the pricing of some stamps.

THE committee appointed to arrange about amalgamation with the Canadian Philatelic Association—or rather, those whom the Trustees appointed—"think" amalgamation will take place. We very much doubt whether present members of the Dominion Philatelic Association will be willing to pay 50 cents a year as dues. The society wants a thorough shaking up and a few of its officers should do less "wind blowing" and give their secretary a little assistance in his labors. People are not judged by what they say, but by what they perform.

THE article on Manitoba Revenues is the most complete yet published. Some of the varieties have never been listed in other catalogues, while some which were listed are positively known to have never been used. We are much obliged to Mr. Jno. J. Codville, of Ottawa, whose private collection is unsurpassed, for some of our information on these stamps.

A contemporary, published in Canada, is uneasy as to how some of its competitors are getting on, judging by its notice that they have not been seen for some months—and we are one of the pitied!

NO TIME LIKE THE PRESENT.

Now is the time to buy, says C. E. Severn in the International Philatelist. Stamps are cheap in the face of the present stringency in financial lines. Money is more powerful, more valuable now, than it is in normal times. It has a larger expansion, a larger purchasing range at this day, than it will, if all goes well, within a year or less, from the present.

The stamp collector with little or much money to spend should buy stamps now, when money will do the most execution. In the stamp world, there exists a condition which is paralleled, perhaps, in any other business and semi-commercial circles. The speculative-minded feel that this is the time to sow cents to reap dollars in the future.

Nearly everybody collects U.S. stamps consequently they are standard and a safe investment. One can fill one's U. S. blank spaces at a more favorable rate compared with catalogue values now than one could for many years heretofore.

Let us consider some of the stamps that are usually lacking in the fairly good collections of U. S. The five cent 1851, is priced at \$13.50 in the advance sheets. This stamp is being advertised at from \$9 to \$11 in the current numbers of stamp journals. Condition is a most important factor in appraising the value of this stamp. One specimen may be cheap at ten dollars and another dear at the same figure; you look at the margins when you buy the stamp. The 5 cent, 1851, is staple and you can buy one at a more advantageous price now than at any time in the future.

The 90 cent, 1855-60, reverses the usual order of things as it is catalogued higher used than unused. The advance sheet price is \$27.50. It is possible to buy a fine specimen to-day for from \$20 to \$22.50. Money spent for this stamp is well spent. Its position among the scarcities is better defined, even than

some of the U.S. that catalogue more.

The ninety-cent, 1868, will be \$18 in the new catalogue. It is somewhat difficult to get a centered specimen showing the grill clearly. The stamp is being offered nowadays by dealers occasionally, at from \$12 to \$15 and all will concede that the stamp is one that lends dignity to any collection and that it should be got while it may.

The ninety of '69 has reached \$20 in the advance sheets. The price of this stamp varies greatly, according to the condition. It is doubtful whether any stamp holds its price so well as a good specimen of this ninety. Nearly every dealer has one or more customers who desire perfect specimens of the stamp. The well-centered copy of good color will bring very near, if not quite, full catalogue rates, and the stamp will never be cheaper, its price never will be lower, than it is at present.

The unwatermarked dollar values 1894, have about reached bottom prices. The slump in their case has been most pronounced, and they are now generally advertised by dealers at a slight advance over face. As times become easier, the prices will doubtlessly rise steadily.

No mistake can be made in filling in the departments at prevailing dealer's prices. Though the 24 cent and 90 cent State unused have attained \$10 and \$15 respectively, in the advance sheets, they are stamps well worthy of purchase, even at prices based on these quotations. The 24 cent Justice though doubled in price and now \$20, is still priced reasonably, and he who lacks this royal stamp should make haste to obtain it at any fair proportion of \$20.

The new price of the 10 cent Executive, \$12.50, is low enough. Were the collector to pay quite this sum for a perfect specimen, he would not be getting the worst of it.

The 2c Justice, of State, 24c Navy, 1c Navy and others are quoted much higher in the advance sheets than in the 56th catalogue, but they bear the honor becomingly.

All things considered, now is the appointed day to good stamps in general and good U. S. in particular. Stamps which for various reasons are considered standard, staple articles are a satisfaction to possess, quite aside from the feeling of financial security felt by the owners, even though it is very comforting to get certain stamps and then watch them rise. Good stamps are like good friends—the longer you have them the dearer they become.

AMALGAMATION.

SPECIAL MEETING.

THE question of the amalgamation of the two Canadian Philatelic Associations, in the general interests of Philately, having reached that stage which demands that it be taken into consideration by the members of the two Associations, we have the honor of drawing your attention to the following proposed basis for such an undertaking, and at the same time would request all those who are unable to attend the special meeting, to communicate their views in writing to the respective Presidents with as little delay as possible.

The meetings will be—Dominion Philatelic Association, at the office of Mr. McMahon, 6 Yonge Street Arcade (143 Yonge Street), Toronto, at 2 p.m. Canadian Philatelic Association—at the rooms of the Montreal Philatelic Association, Chateau de Ramezay building, Notre Dame Street, Montreal, at 3 p.m. Both meetings will be held on January 28th, 1897.

BASIS FOR PROPOSED AMALGAMATION.

1. That the Dominion and Canadian Philatelic Associations amalgamate under the name of the "Dominion of Canada Philatelic Association," with effect from the first of January, 1897.
2. That the annual subscription be fifty cents per annum, with an entrance fee for new members of fifty cents.
3. That both Associations nominate one or more names for the following offices—President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Exchange Superintendent, Librarian, Counterfeit Detector, and the names of three Trustees.
4. That both Associations nominate one paper for Official Organ.
5. That each meeting authorize its President to enter into negotiations with the other, to complete the proposed amalgamation upon the terms submitted herein, or otherwise as desired.
6. That upon a satisfactory arrangement of this question, the names nominated by both Associations be sent to the members for election purposes in connection with the amalgamated Associations as well as the Official Organs.

Anticipating that the proposed change will meet with favor, and that we will hear from those who are unable to attend the meetings.

We remain, Yours in Philately.

I. E. WELDON, President D.P.A.,
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