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## Pauley's Stamp Career.

The Subject of 'his Sketch—Mr. EDWIN J. H. PAULEY, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, is a postage stamp man well known to most of our readers, and although a young man is one of the most extensive stamp dealers in Canada. In 1885, Mr. Pauley then a boy 12 years of age invested \$2 in old postage stamps, and sold them to collectors among his boy friends at a profit of about 50 cents. Since then his business has grown steadily, and today his field of transaction embraces the whole civilized world.

Mr. Pauley is an enthusiastic collector, his collection extra B. N. A.

He has the honor of Vice President of the Philatelic Society of Canada, since its formation.

Besides being a stamp dealer, he is the youngest in business in owning a Tobacco Store in the city.

He is also a dealer in

He has corresponded with Japan, Mexico, Africa, Cape of Good Hope, New Zealand, etc., in fact during a year he receives letters from almost every Country in the world.

He is always pleased to see any stamp collectors, and if any of our readers ever visit Halifax he will be found at his desk, ever ready to give any information required of him.



is a very extensive collection being good in Stamps.

He also held the position of Vice President of the Philatelic Society of Canada, since its formation.

Being a dealer, he is the man in business in Halifax, he has a larger retail store in that

so a large store in old Coins.

regular correspondence in

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**EDITORIAL.**


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Owing to Mr. Schurman being called away from home on account of the death of his father, and being detained longer than he expected the February Number was not issued.

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The Mayflower stamp is a name by which the N. S. 3-d is familiarly known by some of our young collectors.

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There is some talk of organizing a Philatelic Society in Halifax, for the purpose of exchange, we are glad to hear this and hope it will be successful.

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Every stamp collector in the Maritime Provinces should send us their subscription and give us as much assistance as possible in our efforts to make this paper a success and thus show us that they appreciate our attempt to further the advance of our science—Philately, in these provinces. All collectors to whom this number is sent, who are not already subscribers, should send us the small amount asked, for their subscriptions at once. We will accept \$1. (dollar) for five subscriptions, or give to each new subscriber a two line card in the collectors' directory free for 3 months.

Mr. E. Nelson who made the big find of rare stamps in St. John, N. B. a few months ago was in Halifax last month, he reports the stamp business good, but big finds very scarce.

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Mr. H. L. Hart of Halifax has in his collection some of the finest specimens of strips, blocks, pairs, combinations, etc.; of the N.S., N.B. and Canada pence issues that we have seen: we will just mention a few of the rarities that he kindly showed us a few days ago; strips of threes and fours of the N. B. and N. S. 6d.; 3d.; and 1 penny: N. S. 6d torn in two, instead of cut; split 6d.; split shillings; half 6d.; and a 3d. used for 6d. on cover; several shades of N. B. and N. S. shillings; sets of Newfoundland vermilions; blocks of the early issues of Canada; etc. Mr Hart is an enthusiastic collector of blocks and strips, and has many other fine things in that line in his collection.

Next No. will contain a portrait of Mr. Hart, with a short sketch of his philatelic career etc.

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It is not generally known that the Maritime Provinces have a Philatelic Society, but such is the case, it is called the Bluenose Philatelic Association, further information regarding this association can be had by applying to Wm Fraser, Pictou, N. S.

**Something about H. N. A.  
Stamps**

Canadians are interested more particularly in the stamps of their own country. No matter if their collections consist of stamps from all parts of the world, they look with the greater pleasure on the addition of a single stamp of British North America than the addition of a dozen of other countries. A number of years ago, however, collectors traded their Canadians for a stamp from Japan or a Persian, stamp for stamp. Now, things have changed, and we are beginning to see the great value of our British North America stamps: By the term "British North America" we mean our present Dominion before confederation for the term ceased when all the provinces were confederated under the single name of "Canada".

The first stamp issued in British North America was that issued in Canada as a Railway stamp for prepaying letters in 1849 and 1850. This stamp was used on the first railway built between Quebec and Richmond in the same province, being simply an engraved circular die with a blank space in the centre to contain the amount prepaid. Canada's first regular issue appeared in 1851, New Brunswick following shortly after, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland did not appear until 1857,

Prince Edward's Island in 1860. British Columbia in 1861 and, Vancouver Island in 1865. Before the introduction of stamps letters were very seldom prepaid indeed, up to 1845 and later it was considered more polite to send a letter unpaid as it was considered a hint at penury on the part of the receiver if the Rate was prepaid. This gradually wore off and it was considered proper to prepay a letter, this was done in cash, but even on advent of stamps it was left to the people whether they would prepay or not. This accounts for the numerous hand stamped envelopes we frequently see.

There is a great field of research in the old pence issues of Canada. It has recently, been found that in the matter of paper, shades and perforation we have quite an array of varieties. Instead of one distinct variety of 6-pence, there are at least a half dozen, and to go deeply in to shades probably a dozen or more. The 3-pence is even more prolific, we already divide the paper upon which they are printed into thin, thick, and medium, wove, laid, ribbed, hard and soft varieties etc. The common variety of 6-pence is worth \$3.50 to \$4.50 each, but many shades are quoted as high as \$10. The 3-pence ribbed is worth \$2, and the laid has sold for \$1.50 recently, although it was only quoted at 50c. last year. The perforated pence are worth con-

siderably more than the unperforated specimens. I am speaking now simply of the stamps of the old provinces of Canada before confederation. In the later cent series we have a variety in water-marks, laid and wove paper to satisfy all

[BY CANADENSIS]

Written for the Nova Scotian Philatelist.

### MY FRIEND

It was in the Summer of 1890 when I was at the village of B— spending my two weeks vacation with my cousins Tom. and Charlie that I made my big find.

I put in a splendid time in fishing and working in the hayfield for the first week of my stay.

Early Monday, the following week, I went to the village post office and received two letters, one from a stamp dealer containing two approval sheets: I did not pay much attention to the stamps but put them in my pocket and forgot about them until two or three days after, when I was preparing to retire, I suddenly thought of it and pulling it out gave the sheets to Tom to look at, he was very much disgusted to think that any one could be so foolish as to spend time and money on pieces of colored paper. He told me that one day when he was up in the garret rooting around for something, he came across a

box filled with old letters with stamps on some of them, but he could not remember what they were like. I was now very eager to see this box my mind was full of fancies that I would find a great fortune there, and I made Tom agree to show me the box the next morning. We were both up the next day before breakfast, and hastily pulling on our cloths, we rushed up to the garret to commence the search. Tom easily found the box, and pulling it out from under a pile of broken and worn out furniture, spilled the letters on the floor. The very first one that I picked up had a strip of 3 N. B. pence on it; this gave me great hopes of a fortune, but my dreams were not realized. I got a good many 1-d and 6-d of both N. S. and N. B.; and a pile of 3-d in strips and single stamps. I was nearly despairing of finding the much desired shillings when Tom handed me a small bundle of letters saying that the stamps on them were different from the others that we had found. I hastily seized them from him, for right on top was a letter with a strip of two N. B. shilling, there were five shillings in this bunch, three of N. B. and two of N. S. besides a few U. S. and West Indies stamps of considerable value. These were the only shillings that I got in that search, but I was well satisfied with my find, and offer-

ed to pay Tom for the stamps but he refused, saying that the stamps were of no value to him.

I returned home two days after, and soon disposed of all the stamps I did not wish to keep, for a good big price, and sent Tom a present of \$5 for his trouble in helping me to get them.

(by Harry W. Hoan)

### Canadian Notes

The Ottawa Philatelist announced that it will not appear again for two months.

Mr. H. Dickson is now sole editor and publisher of the Philatelic Journal of Canada. J. Bernstein and H. H. Crittenden having retired.

The new 50c. and 20c. stamps are something that have been needed for some time. The designs are like the old bill stamps;— Queen with widows weeds.

Canadian stamps always bring good prices, Canada sixpence perforated was recently sold in Toronto for \$20.50.

It is reported that we are to have a new set of Stamps in the near future, with both designs and color changed. are they to commemorate Cabot's discovery of the Mainland.

The Letter Card is something new in Canada, it is of blue-green paper; the stamp

is dark red, with head in polygon, facing to left; the quality of paper is very poor.

### U. S. Notes.

At Philadelphia a few days ago Postmaster General Wananaker sent the first parcel through the pneumatic tube connecting the general post office with a branch half a mile distant, and the experiment was a success. The parcel was a bible wrapped in an American flag.

There has been a great rush to get into the ranks of the Sons of Philatelia this winter. The S of P will surely be the society of the future.

Guy W. Green, Editor of the Philatelic Fraud Reporter is at present attending law school at Iowa City, Iowa.

Already two shades have been noticed in the 1 and 10c Columbian issue.

We saw a Canadian Philatelic paper a few days ago that was advertising patent medicine! We hope that none of our Philatelic brethren in Canada are suffering from any dangerous malady.

The Weekly Philatelist does not seem to have met with as great success as the publishers anticipated. It needs to grow somewhat before collectors will have much to do with it.



**St. John Notes**

Mr. Edgar Nelton passed through here recently on a flying visit to Halifax. He displayed some fine specimens of the shilling New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

The New Brunswick Reminders are ceasing, collectors here report that they are nearly exhausted, the 10-c red and 12½-c blue are very scarce.

Mr. R. W. Hannington a prominent barrister of Dorchester has removed his office to St. John. He has a fine collection of U. S. and British North American stamps and a nice lot of New Brunswick provisionals. We wish him success in his new venture.

**Auction Sales.**

The Toronto Philatelic Club held a very successful Auction last month at which good prices were realized.

Part II of the J. R. Hooper collection will be sold in New York about the 1st. of April, by the Bogert and Durbin Co. See advertisement!

At a recent English sale a New Brunswick 6 pence, un-used, sold for \$8.75; 4d. Canada, unperforated \$6.25; a 8-

penny New South Wales, unperforated of 1854 brought \$35. At Messrs R. F. Albrecht & Co's tenth auction sale the following brought good prices: 1851 5-c brown new, \$17.75; 1860 90-c new, \$5. 90-c Justice used \$15.00; 1887 2- green envelope, rejected die, on manilla, entire, used \$51.00.

**PICK-UPS.**

The new stamp journal to be published in Toronto, by H. Beasley, will be known as the Queen City Philatelist

Halifax citizens are agitating for a branch post office for the North end district known as Richmond.

The Postmaster General's report for year 1892 shows that 147 registered and 53 unregistered letters failed from different causes to reach their addresses.

Stamp collecting is booming in Halifax this winter if we may judge from the number of bookstores and cigar-shops that display sheets of stamps in their windows.

"Amherst has some very enthusiastic stamp collectors, they do not stop at crawling in old buildings even if the difficulty of high windows almost prevent."

### Description of New Columbian Stamps.

The denominations, designs and colors of the new U. S. Columbian stamps are as follows:

1-cent stamp. Columbus on ship-board in sight of land, color medium shade of blue.

2-cent stamp. The landing of Columbus, color maroon.

3-cent stamp. The "Santa Maria," the flag-ship of Columbus in mid-ocean, color medium shade of green.

4-cent stamp. The fleet of Columbus, consisting of the "Santa Maria," the "Nina" and the "Pinta," in mid-ocean, color light blue.

5-cent stamp. Columbus appealing to Queen Isabella for Aid, color chocolate brown.

6-cent stamp. Columbus entering Barcelona in triumph, color royal purple.

10-cent stamp. Columbus presenting natives at the Spanish court, color Vandyke brown.

15-cent stamp. Columbus reciting the story of his discovery, color dark green.

30-cent stamp. Columbus at La Rabida, demonstrating the theory of his enterprise, color Sienna brown.

50-cent stamp. The recall of Columbus by Isabella, after the rejection of his proposition, color carbon blue.

\$1 stamp. Isabella pledging her jewels in support of the project, color rose salmon.

\$2 stamp. Columbus in chains, color toned mineral red.

\$3 stamp. Columbus describing his third voyage, color light yellow green.

\$4 stamp. Portraits in three-quarters face, of Isabella and Columbus, color carmine.

\$5 stamp. Portrait in profile of Columbus, color black.

### Philately's Greatest Need.

In considering philatelic literature, one of the first things to strike the observer is the lack of of anything in the way of a book to initiate the beginner into the science of philately.

The only way he ever learns anything is the chance of stumbling on some article which has found its way into the pages of a philatelic magazine. Too much knowledge is taken for granted. And most of the instructive articles are read and understood by a very few older collectors only. From this and other reasons there springs up a natural desire for some book which will explain away the many difficulties encountered by the beginner.

Such a book would be useful in more ways than one. It would greatly add to the number of philatelists, by making philately's mysteries clear and easily understood, so inviting beginners and retaining many who otherwise would drop out discouraged at the array of unsolved problems presented.

Again the philatelic papers and magazines would receive large additions to their subscriptions; for if beginners could obtain some slight knowledge of terms used and references made, they would enjoy the articles which before they would skip, and would find it impossible to be without them.

Being not much more than a beginner myself, I will give a few of the subjects which have bothered me, and which I would suggest to be treated in such a book; varieties of paper, water-marks, how to tell retouched from original engravings, reprints, what they are, how desirable, the differences between United States dies (President Tiffany's articles might be given).

There might also be included a chapter or two of advice on many subjects about which collectors puzzle—bidding at auction by mail, duplicates, joining societies and a hundred other things which older collectors have learned by experience.

My ideas, of course may never be carried out, but I shall rest content if this article shall bring out in any way more clearly, the pressing need and the great advantage of such a book. — Meeker's Weekly.

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I will give 10 stamps of New Brunswick, catalogue price 60c., for 100 U. S. Common n stamps, 1c and 2c not wanted; 1862 of N. S. for an 8c register.

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I want correspondence in South Africa, South America and Australia.  
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