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## PHILATETIC SUB-STUDIES.

### I. PAPER.

BY THE EDITOR.

**N**ONE of the greatest difficulties which presents itself to the young and inexperienced collector is that of distinguishing the points of differences between the many varieties of paper. These slight differences of paper make great differences in the prices of certain stamps, and are of considerable importance, if known. For instance, the Canada 1 cent brown, of 1868, is worth 10 cents on *wove* paper, \$1.00 on *pelure* paper, on *water-marked* paper, \$2.25, and on *laid* paper, \$15.00 to \$20.00. Thus the necessity of being able to distinguish the difference is readily apparent. The principal varieties of paper that come under the notice of a collector are all that I will attempt to deal with. *Wove paper*, the commonest of all varieties of paper, and that generally met with, is easily distinguished. It shows an even texture throughout, and when held before the light shows in the texture small dots close together, and evenly distributed throughout the surface; in thickness it varies greatly, from the thinnest of *tissue paper* to cardboard. It is nearly always used for ordinary printing, such as newspapers, books, etc.; and in the printing of postage stamps it is used eight times out of ten. This magazine is printed on *wove* paper. *Wove paper* exists in two varieties, *water-marked wove* and *plain wove*. The latter is distinguished by the absence of the water-mark. *Laid paper* is not as often met with as the *wove*, yet it is found more frequently than the other varieties. *Laid paper* has, close together in its substance, parallel water-mark lines; for example, see the cover of this magazine, or the U.S. stamped envelopes. *Pelure paper* is one of the varieties which present a great difficulty to the average collector. It is a variety of *wove*. It is distinguished by the absence of the dots which form a characteristic of the *wove*, by its tough texture, by its somewhat rough surface, which appears to be composed of small fibres or hairs—*Batonne paper* has parallel lines in its surface further apart than in *laid paper*. In England it is commonly called "foreign note." It may also be either *laid* or *wove*, though generally the latter. *Carton paper*, though occasionally mentioned, is a variety seldom met with. It is of a heavy, indistinct texture, resembling cardboard; for example, see the stamps of Rampour. *Old paper* is a term applied to paper having an old and shabby appearance, such as the first issue of U.S. match stamps. *Papier Moire* is a paper having wavy, undulating lines on its surface, giving it watered-like *moire antique* silk. For example, see the stamps of the 1875 issue of Spain. *Ribbed paper* is a variety often met with in the study of the stamps of Canada. It varies greatly, and in many cases it is barely discernible, though existing. The *heavy-ribbed* paper is like the surface

of ordinary silk, its surface being covered with little ribs or raised lines, with slight hollow between. *Soft-ribbed* differs but slightly from the heavy-ribbed, excepting that the ribs are not so prominently raised and present an almost even surface. *Rice paper*, or, as it is sometimes called, *silk glass paper*, is made from rice straw, and presents a fine silky appearance, being soft and smooth to the touch; for example, see Japan 1871 issue. Many of the *proofs* of Canadian stamps are printed on *rice paper*. *Colored paper* is strictly what its name implies—refers to its color, not its texture. It may be found in *wove*, *laid*, *batonne* or any other variety of paper. The stamps of Panama, Antioquia (late issues), Nowanugger, and some of the early Mexican stamps, are found on colored paper. Stamps are generally printed in black when printed on colored paper; and catalogues in such cases give only the color of the paper, followed by a *p.* *Gold-beater's skin* is a peculiar paper, with a peculiar name. It resembles *bond-paper*, parchment or *onion-skin* paper. It is thin, transparent and very tough. *Manilla paper* is a coarse buff paper, made from Manilla grass, generally used by store-keepers, and publishers for wrappers. Its thickness varies greatly. *Straw paper* is made from the straw of any grain; for instance, see the Canadian wrappers of the current issue. *Verge paper* is laid paper, in which the water-marked lines run in an oblique direction; see, for example, the Canadian envelopes, or Holland envelopes of 1885. *Water-marked paper* has designs, lines or letters in the texture of the paper, produced by means of the impression of raised wire while the paper is in a pulpy state. The water-marks in paper appears lighter than the rest of the paper. *Mince paper* is very similar to *onion skin* or *gold-beaten* skin paper; see the 1862 issue of Turkey. *Native paper* is made by hand in half-civilized countries, the thickness of the paper varying in different parts of a sheet, and as a result the printing on it is usually indistinct; for example, see the stamp of Cashmere and Nowanugger. The foregoing varieties constitute the only important ones, and outside of these other varieties are seldom met with. The description given for the various varieties of paper have been necessarily brief, but with a little study will enable the collector to readily distinguish the *paper-varieties* of his stamps. In this the day of specialism, when the difference of the paper affects the price of stamps, every collector should study his stamps. You say, "I do not collect varieties of paper; what will the study benefit me?" It may not benefit your individual collection, but it will benefit your purse, for the collectors who are willing to pay high prices for their *paper* varieties are by no means few; and who knows but you may, in the course of the examination of the paper of your stamps, secure some great rarity. It is to the interest of every collector to give this branch of our science more than a casual glance, but rather a careful study. In my next paper I shall endeavor to give a few brief explanatory notes on the "Varieties of Perforation," another subject which many collectors know but little about.

## MY REASON.

BY GUY W. GREEN.

I love you, old album. The reason?  
Well, really, I hardly can say.  
I love you as brooks love the meadows  
Or blue-birds the beautiful May.  
I love you as earth loves the sunshine,  
Or mountain-tops love the white snow.  
I love you because I am helpless,  
And nature has planned my life so.

I like, when the lamps are all lighted,  
To have you close here by my side,  
To open your faded old covers,  
Where comfort and pleasure abide;  
To spread out your pages before me,  
And see their warm colors again;  
Their brightness will banish my sorrow  
As sunlight dispels the cold rain.

And sometimes I think, as I watch you,  
That you have a soul of your own;  
Mayhap that you've changed into being  
As life from the marble has grown;  
Perhaps that you watch for my coming,  
And pulsate with pleasure or pain,  
As life opens brightly before me,  
Or all of its struggles are vain.

You know all my troubles and heartaches,  
And all of my errors and sin;  
The world sees the outward appearance,  
But you see the being within;  
And yet you pass judgment in silence:  
Old album! your system is best—  
If a man would but heed your example  
This world would be a haven of rest.

Oft times, when weary with labor,  
Your presence has brightened the gloom;  
My burdens have silent departed  
And left a strange peace in the room.  
I love you for this, old companion,  
As over your pages I bend:  
Our friendship is fragrant and changeless,  
And shall be right on to the end!

—Post Office.

## Correspondents' Column.

[This column is open to all, and we hope you will take the opportunity to express yourself on any Philatelic question. Those who want any information should send in their queries, which will be published in the following number.]

E. A. HARBURN, N. Y.—The unused Canadian Revenues you mention, are not redeemable by the Canadian Government. They have a marked value of about  $\frac{1}{2}$  on their face.

A. V., CINCINNATI.—Your Saxony 3Pf. is a forgery; a genuine specimen brings from \$20 to \$25.

F. G.—The great variety of the Canadian 12d. black is accounted for, by the fact that it was in use a very short time when it was withdrawn, and the 10d. stamp substituted in its place.

E. G. T. and several others.—Subscriptions *must* begin with current issue, as we cannot supply back numbers at subscription rates.

## PHILATELIC ADVERTISING.

BY AN ADVERTISER.

**I**N the field of the Philately, the proverb which says, "Advertising pays" has just as much force as in the business world in general, but in Philatelic Advertising the same, if not more, care and attention is required to make it a success. There is one advantage in advertising that a general newspaper advertiser has over him who advertises stamps in a philatelic publication. In the first case, there is less competition; the advertiser has but few competitors in his own line, but with us poor stamp dealers things are somewhat different: we are obliged to advertise amongst dozens of others who advertise the same goods—perhaps at the same prices—but nevertheless some method must be adopted whereby to make our advertisements have a drawing power over purchasers, so that they may be singled out from the multitude, and last, but most important, prove advantageous to our pockets. How shall we do it? By judiciously advertising; but how few dealers there are who understand what it means to judiciously advertise. A young boy friend of mine who had a page adv. in several papers told me that he advertised judiciously; he should have said extensively. Now, a large adv. seldom or never pays. Do not decline to insert a small adv. in a paper, fearing it will not be seen. It will be seen, never fear! All you need to do is to make your adv. attractive to get it answered, and you can then circulate all the printed matter and lists you desire at a small cost. A small adv. carefully placed in a dozen papers is to be preferred to a page adv. in two or three. Advertise wisely rather than largely. Carefully select the papers you intend to advertise in; do not be guided by rates to any great extent. Select those magazines whose contents are such as will interest collectors, for papers whose reading matter is scarce or poor is generally thrown aside unread.—Take great pains in the preparation of the advertisement; make the display lines prominent, and, if possible, entirely unique; do not say too much, so as to crowd your space—it don't pay! Cuts of stamps, small illustrations, always make an adv. attractive, and invariably pay for themselves. A standing adv. always pays 50% better in proportion than one inserted occasionally. Some collectors will read an adv. and lay it by intending to answer it later, but forget it; while, if your adv. appears in the next issue, it will be again brought before him, and probably result in securing his trade. Care in the preparation of an adv. always pays; and when a collector sees a carelessly-written adv. he seldom pays any attention to it. Friend dealer! be a little more painstaking with your advertisements in future, and the result will not only pay you but it will serve to lighten up the advertising pages of our philatelic journals.

## CREATING A STIR.

A great coming event is the publication of a wonderful almanac to be called the STAR Almanac, published by the Montreal STAR. It is said to be a marvellous work, four hundred pages, with colored maps.

The motto around the stamps of British Guiana, "Damas Petinusque Vicissim," translated, means, "We give and ask by turns."—*Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser.*

## Clippings.

All Clippings from newspapers thought by the Editor to be of interest to Collectors will be published in this column. Subscribers are invited to send clippings, which always prove acceptable.

The smallest, simplest and best-protected post-office in the world is in the Straits of Magellan, and has been there for many years. It consists of a small painted keg or cask, and is chained to the rocks of the extreme cape in a manner so that it floats free, opposite Terra del Fuego. Each passing ship sends a boat to take letters out and put others in. This curious post-office is unprovided with a postmaster, and is therefore under the protection of all the navies of the world. Never in the history of this unique "office" has its privilege been abused.

An old almanac for 1814 gives the following as the rates of postage prevailing at that time: "For every single letter by land, for 40 miles, 8 cents; 90 miles, 10 cents; 150 miles, 12½ cents; 300 miles, 17 cents; 500 miles, 20 cents; and for more than 500 miles, 25 cents. No allowance to be made for intermediate miles. Every double letter is to pay double the said rates; every triple letter, triple; every packet weighing one ounce, at the rate of four single letters each ounce. Every ship letter originally received at an office for delivery, 6 cents. Magazines and pamphlets, not over 50 miles, one cent per sheet; over 50 miles and not exceeding 100 miles, 1½ cents per sheet; over 100 miles, 2 cents per sheet."

For the year ending June 30, 1891, the ordinary postal revenue of the United States, exclusive of money-order business, was more than \$65,000,000. Something like \$41,500,000 of this came from letter postage, the majority of which came from the sale of the two-cent stamps. It is estimated that the whole number of this stamp used exceeds two billions yearly.—*Boston Daily Globe*.

Washington, Sept. 29.—About the 15th of next month the new return postal card will be placed on sale at all post-offices. The two designs, one for the domestic and the other for the international postal union service, have been approved by Postmaster-General Wannamaker, and the work of printing and distributing the cards will be pushed with vigor. The half of the double card containing the message to which a reply is desired is 3½ inches wide by 5½ inches long. At the top of the card, and a little to the left of the centre, are engraved, in three lines, one above the other, the words "Postal card with paid reply;" "U. S. of America," and in smaller type, "This side is for address only." In the right-hand upper corner is a vignette of General Grant, encircled by a frame bearing at the top the words, "message card," and at the bottom, "one cent." At the lower left-hand corner are the words, "detach annexed card for answer." The international card is somewhat smaller than that for domestic use. In the border at the top of the card appear the words "postal card with paid reply," and their French translation, "carte postale avec reponse payee." A Liberty head occupies the right-hand upper corner with the legend, "two cents." In all other essential particulars the domestic and the international cards are very similar.—*Boston Daily Globe*.

## Society Items.

[We desire the Secretaries of all Societies to send us *brief* reports of their meetings each month, and such will be published free, and we trust that Societies will not be slow in taking advantage of this privilege.]

The report of the secretary of the Canadian Philatelic Association for September shows a membership of 83, with no applications. It is to the credit of the C.P.A. that it promptly drops members for the non-payment of dues, which we regret to say the Philatelic Society of Canada has as yet failed to do.

*The Stamp*, of New York, has been appointed official organ of the Philatelic Society of Canada. The only report that appears in the October issue of that journal is the president's address. The motto of this bright little journal, *The Stamp*, is, "Fearless and Independent." Can the official organ of a large society be as independent as it would be otherwise? We think not.

The day is not far distant when the *Sons of Philately* will become the largest Philatelic Association on the North American continent, should they continue to increase as rapidly as they have done in the past. We are informed that they have now close on five hundred members.

The annual meeting of the Boston Philatelic Society will be held the second Wednesday in December, when the officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

A scheme is talked of to establish a paper for the P. S. of C., controlled by the society or executive, to act as official organ, next year. The society will not give any concern a bulk sum for the privilege of acting as official organ. If a subscription is paid for each paid-up member, that is quite sufficient: so says "Canadensis" in a recent issue of *Mekel's Weekly Stamp News*.

The dinner given in commemoration of the 18th anniversary of the organization of the National Philatelic Society, New York, took place at the Post Keller restaurant, corner Broadway and Barkley st., on the 17th inst.

San Francisco has four Philatelic Societies: Western Philatelic Union (branch); Philatelic Society of San Francisco; American Philatelic Association (branch); and San Francisco Philatelic Club.

## STRAY HUMOR.

*Sharp*.—Do you see that broken-down cottage on yonder corner? It is a negative proof of the proverb that "Advertising pays."

*Flat*.—An unsuccessful merchant?

*Sharp*.—No, the publisher of a philatelic paper!

"If Columbus did not stamp his impress on his own age, he will on the present, with the assistance of Postmaster-General Wannamaker.—*Lowell Courier*.

## KNOCKED OUT.

*Enterprising Druggist*.—Here's a card, madam. Each time you buy something I'll punch it. When \$2 are punched, you get five soda-water tickets free.

*Madam*.—That's a fine idea. I'll take \$2 worth of postage stamps now.—*Judge*.

## PERSONALS.

Mr. H. F. Ketcheson, of Belleville, Ont. is a mail clerk on the Grand Trunk Railway, between Peterborough and Belleville.

Mr. Ed. Y. Parker, of Toronto, devotes his entire time to stamp dealing at 57 Herron Street.

Mr. Geo. A. Lowe, a prominent collector of Toronto, is the principal of *Love's Commercial Academy*, one of the leading commercial institutions of Western Ontario.

Mr. J. Houseman, one of Aylmer's prominent collectors, is connected with the Molsons Bank of that place.

Mr. R. R. Bogert, of the Bogert & Durbin Co., sailed for Europe on September 3rd. A number of New York collectors went to the dock to see him off.

Atwell Fleming, one of London's advanced collectors, is business manager of the Advertiser Printing and Publishing Co.

Alvah Davidson, *Editor of the Post Office*, is a commercial traveller, in connection with a large New York firm.

J. Ades Fowler, one of the early P. S. of C. members, is a prominent architect of Woodstock, Ont.

We are informed of the death of James Sterling Hujerman, a young collector of Detroit, Mich.

We see by the *Detroit Philatelist* that Mr. Jos. Ineson, a collector of Carleton West, Ontario, has married a London girl, and will, henceforth, reside in the Forest City.

Mr. O. W. Briggs, a well-known collector of Paw Paw, is the editor and publisher of the *Lee County Times*, a progressive county paper.

Mr. E. L. Devereaux, a collector, of Marquette, Mich., has removed to Detroit.

Mr. H. S. Dickson, secretary-treasurer of the *Philatelic Journal of Canada*, of this city, is employed by the London Tool Co., of this city.

Mr. Frank Herring, a prominent London collector, is engaged as traveller with Hyslop, Caulfield & Co., a Toronto wholesale dry goods house.

Mr. J. D. Bartlett, President of the Sons of Philately, is on a tour of the U.S. for his health.

Mr. H. J. Wright, of Toronto, is a partner in a leading law firm of that city.

Mr. H. P. Bock, one of the advanced collectors of London, is manager of Korles' Book-Bindery. His collection is one of the best in the city.

## IT IS REPORTED

That *The Yankee Philatelist* will appear from 17 Hancock Street, Boston, Mass., on November 1st or thereabouts.

Also, that the *National Philatelist* will appear on the 15th of November, to be published by W. F. Dessotell, of 63 Bagg Street, Detroit, Mich.

That the U. S. Post Office Department has under consideration the advisability of issuing a special post card for the World's Columbian Exhibition. It has, as is generally known, decided to issue a special set of stamps.

That the membership of the Post Card Society of America is already over 50, and that a number of applications are on hand. Success is assuredly attending it.

That some Montreal collectors are endeavoring to establish a Philatelic publication, but are having some difficulty in finding a suitable dealer to take charge.

By *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* that there is a probability of the stamps of Newfoundland becoming obsolete, as the Colony is likely to be federated with the Dominion. Notwithstanding the above report, it is our opinion that the federation day is a long way off. It is quite evident that Bro. Mekeel does not understand Newfoundland politics. In Newfoundland not one person in ten favors federation.

That in every sheet of the current 5c. stamps of Antioquia, one of the stamps is the 2½c. error.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST.

It is said if the postage of the English Government was paid for it would net the post-office department an additional income of £100,000.

During the siege of Paris, 150,000 official despatches were carried into the city by means of the pigeon post.

A new philatelic magazine will appear from Rochester, Ind., shortly, to be called *The Spy*, and devoted to the exposure of philatelic frauds. Guy W. Green is at last to have a would-be rival.

Al. Daggett has received the contract for the printing of the new U. S. reply post-card. A trial lot of 12,000,000 has been ordered.

The 2c., 3c. and 4c. blacks and 5 franks red-brown unpaid letter stamps of France have been withdrawn from circulation.

After considerable difficulty, Mr. C. D. Reimers has secured *second-class rates* for the *Western Philatelist*. We extend our congratulations.

The natives of Uruguay are very angry that their new stamps have been manufactured out of the country. From the *Montevideo Times* we gather that a large supply of postal cards, etc., recently arrived in that city by the Clyde steamer, and that this has given rise to complaint by the native papers. —*Stamp News*.

## FROM OVER THE BORDER.

The Government here has doomed coin cuts as well as those of stamps. As it stands now, it is impossible for a stamp or coin dealer to illustrate his catalogues with cuts of *United States* stamps or coins.

The Post-office Department is evidently bent on forcing the death of every philatelic journal. The *Malden Philatelist* has been refused second-class rates, and has discontinued publication.

Illinois State philatelists are talking of organizing a State Association—a good idea, if carried out. The Illinois collectors should be able to organize a society equally as good as their Iowa brethren,—and see the success they have had.

Many of our philatelic journals are announcing their intention to issue large Christmas numbers ranging in size from 32 to 100 pages. If they carry out their promises, we shall have abundance of philatelic literature to engage our attention during the Christmas holidays.

U.S. medicine stamps, in which the color of the paper has been chemically changed, unperforated U.S. revenues, with clipped perforations, are being offered by parties in Greene, N.Y. Use caution in your purchase of these stamps.

We are not having as much trouble in the matter of duty as heretofore. Of course, many parcels are stopped, but they are nearly always released in the end.

Mr. J. D. Rice, of Trenton, N.J., had a large number of rare duplicates, and the best part of his U.S. collection, to the value of about \$800, stolen from his place of business, during his absence at the A.P.A. convention. The stolen stamps were nearly all rare U.S.

We now have a *Review*, conducted by *The Philatelic Era*, which is a prominent feature, being like the *Review of Reviews*, conducted by the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*.

I clip the following from the *Eastern Philatelist*, where it appeared under the heading, "WHY PREVARICATE": "Why should not stamp collectors in particular tell the truth? Rather strong language, I admit, but there is hardly a more contemptible person in all creation than a liar. I have some acquaintance with a party who has a good-sized collection. Upon my query as to whether he would sell it or not, he replied that there was a standing offer of \$125 upon it—about three times what I could offer—and yet within a week he allowed me to select anything I chose, taking \$20 worth for a \$10 note." Why should *deep disgrace* be laid at the doors of all stamp collectors for the sin of one or two? Yet such is done by the writer of the above clipping.

Referring to holiday numbers, the *Eastern Philatelist* will issue a 40-page number in December, with a circulation of 5000 copies. Roy F. Green says he will issue a 50-page Christmas edition of the *Eagle Philatelist*. Two welcome treats.

The *Philatelic Lasso* is a new magazine announced from Fremont, Neb., by Edward C. Biggar. With its unique name, and such a well-known collector as Mr. Biggar a publisher, it should be a decided success.

Mr. Weatherston, of 13 Peter street, Toronto, Canada, writes me that he will issue the *International Philatelist* promptly on October the 25th inst.

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(Special Dispatch.)

## THE NEW U.S. REPLY CARD.

Oct. 28.—We received the new United States Reply Card this morning just as were going to press. It was placed on sale at the Boston post-office on the afternoon of October 27, and immediately forwarded us by Mr. E. O. Evans. The wording of both parts of the cards differ; we describe each separately.—*Front card for message:* Card surrounded by a neat ornamental border; in lower left-hand quarter are the words, "Detach annexed card for answer;" in upper left-hand corner is the stamp, profile of Gen. Grant facing left, surrounded by two ovals, in which is encircled, "Message card" above, "One cent" below; at each side within the oval two small stars, enclosed in a circle. To the left of the cut, in three lines, the words, "Postal card, with paid reply," "United States of America," "This side for address only." The *Reply Card* is the same but for different wording. The stamp is the same, but it reads, "Reply Card" instead of "Message Card" above. In the inscription to the left of the card, the words "Reply Postal Card" are substituted for "Postal Card with paid reply." The card is a creditable one, printed in black, on cream card. In size, it is between the current U.S. cards. Space prevents further description.

## WRITER'S PRIZE COMPETITION.

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2. The competition closes December the 31st, 1892. Results of the competition will be made known in our January issue, and awards forwarded winners immediately on the close of the competition.
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4. Every competitor must be a *paid-up subscriber* to the CANADIAN PHILATELIST.
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## EDITORIAL.

**The Editor's Difficulties.** To strive to perfect one's own ideal and at the same time to satisfy the tastes of a few thousand different readers, is no easy matter; yet such is the position in which the editor finds himself. He endeavors to satisfy the varied class of readers,—and oftentimes fails. He desires to work the magazine to a state of perfection, but mistakes are liable to occur, good points omitted, bad ones retained. In what has he succeeded and in what failed?

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**Suggestions from Subscribers.** But while the editor is thus endeavoring to make the magazine one that will be appreciated by all, he must ask help from his readers. "To see ourselves as others see us" is the desire of the editor. Read this journal through from beginning to end, and tell us what you like about it and what you dislike, and what you would like to see in it; in fact, every good and every bad point to be pointed out to us that we may remedy them.

**What the Result will be.** With the aid of our readers, their suggestion, their opinion and their interest, the editor will strive to push the paper forward to the front rank of Philatelic periodicals. Are you talented with the use of your pen? if so, let us hear from you; send some little production to assist in raising the standard of the magazine.

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**Writers' Prize Competition.** On another page will be found the announcement of our "Writers' Prize Competition," which we feel will be appreciated by our readers one and all—by those who can write, because it will give them a chance to display their talents; by those who have not the gift of literary attainment, because it will make the reading matter more interesting for them. We wish all our readers who have the ability to enter into this competition. The varding of the prizes will be made by strictly disinterested parties, and the results made known in our January number. Articles will be acknowledged through these columns as received. One of the points by which the prizes will be awarded will be the originality of subject and thought. Articles must be plainly written on one side of the paper only. Let us hear from you.

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**Our Christmas Number.** Watch for it. It will excel anything in the line of a Philatelic magazine ever issued in Canada. In size it will comprise from 40 to 50 pages. As to the general excellence of the matter, we shall leave that to the judgment of our patrons. The paper will be mailed on the 20th, so as to reach subscribers by Christmas morning.

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**The Fall Crops.** We do not refer to crops of grain or produce, which is generally profitable to its harvester, but rather evidently to be well supplied with philatelic literature during the coming season. A contemporary announces the *Ottawa Philatelist* as having appeared, but thus far its publisher, Mr. L. Chevrier, a member of the Philatelic Society of Canada, has failed to favor us with a copy. We trust to hear more in regard to it next month.



**An Agreeable Surprise.** While speaking of new Canadian journals, we must needs mention one hailing from our own city, which is of unusual merit for the first issue of a new magazine. We refer to the *Philatelic Journal of Canada*, established by Messrs. Dickson & Bernstein, two enterprising young London dealers, who, to all appearances, will make this magazine a glowing success. The contents throughout are well written and show careful preparation. Canada now has three philatelic magazines which occupy places in the front rank of those on the American continent. The publishers of the *Philatelic Journal of Canada* claim it to be the best journal of the kind in Canada,—on which point we modestly disagree!

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**Canada's Stamp Centre.** London is booming up as *one* of the leading stamp centres on the American continent, and it already is the leading stamp centre of Canada, supporting at present two first-class magazines, with a third to appear on January 1st. It is a philatelic stronghold.

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**Some Further Remarks.** It is also probable that as the new year is ushered in, with it will come a new weekly stamp paper. Many new magazines are announced to appear from the United States, and we may expect a deluge of "aspirants" ere our next issue. We have already received several of these, but have not room to review them here. Although some of these little upstart papers prove a great or complete loss to their publishers, it only serves to show the keen interest manifested in the science of philately.

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**The Paris Exhibition.** In our last issue we mentioned that we expected to have the report of the Paris Philatelic Exhibition for this issue. Unfortunately it did not arrive until just as we are going to press, and had not the necessary space to insert it. It is very interesting, and we regret greatly that we could not insert it. Watch for it next month.

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**Bradt's Eighth Sale** Was held the day following that of the Bogert Company, October 19th, 1892, at 7.30 p.m., at their office, 132 Wabash ave., Chicago. The majority of the stamps were of the *scarce* class, no exceptional rarities being offered. The S. B. Bradt Co. are making a great success of their series of auction sales. They now announce their intention of holding three sales of more than usual importance during the World's Fair. These three sales will likely take place in June, August and September, 1893.

**Current Topics.** One of these which excites interest is the World's Fair Philatelic Exhibit. We are informed that the Commis-

sioners are experiencing some difficulty in securing the desired space. It is said that in addition to the regular philatelic exhibit, each Government will probably show a complete set of stamps of each of their respective countries.—Some parties, apparently not well-wishers of the Association, circulated a report that as an incorporated association the members became individually responsible for its debts. Replying to this report, Secretary Walton says it is entirely false. As an incorporated association, the members are not responsible. But were the A.P.A. not an incorporated body, as was the case some time ago, *then* the members would be liable for its debts. Another advantage in incorporation!—It is said Canada will have a new post-card *very* shortly, to be of a larger size than the current issue. Whether it is to be of a new design or not, we have not heard.

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**The I.P.A. Convention.** Although the report of this gathering should have reached us in time for our last issue, it failed to do so, and this month, not having space for the whole report of the Iowa Philatelic Association Convention, we give a few points which may interest our readers. Muscatine was the place selected for the next convention. A resolution was passed requiring all officers to be over 21 years of age. Term of office to be one year. The following resolution was passed: "Whereas, the Iowa Philatelic Association, in convention at Des Moines, August 30th and 31st, 1892, recognizing the value of amalgamation of all national societies, as promulgated by Alvah Davison and P. M. Wolsieffer, to the cause of philately, be it resolved, That we heartily endorse any action leading to its fulfilment. Furthermore, be it resolved, That every member of the Iowa Philatelic Association should become a member of the American Philatelic Association." A motion was introduced to exclude all collectors under 16 from membership.—Lost. The attendance was somewhat small, only 13 members being present. The convention was very orderly from beginning to end. Mr. Cornell, of Marshalltown, brought his kodak along and took a "snap shot" at the members, having a "Northwestern" car for the background. The above items constitute the more interesting part of the report.

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**Our Retail List** We would call the attention of our customers to the fact that our Third Annual Retail List has just been issued, and it is larger, cheaper and better than ever before. Every collector and dealer should possess a copy. To those who have not yet received it, we shall be pleased to forward it, *post free* on application.

**Where the Fault Lies.** When newspapers and letters go astray in the mail, the Post Office authorities generally have the blame laid at their door, and the aggrieved public scarcely ever think of looking beyond the service for cause of complaint. The inspection of complaints generally places the cause on the sender's shoulders. The *Empire's* correspondent at Ottawa complained to the Deputy Postmaster-General of this, and was at once shown a bundle of 200 addressed newspapers, the accumulation of two days' mail at the Ottawa city post-office, and not one of the whole lot bore an address whereby its destination could be determined. "This," remarked Col. White, "shows the immense number of papers that go astray in the course of a year, and with whom the fault lies. A little more care in the addressing and mailing, and such losses would never occur."

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**Postal Cards.** A new branch of our science which is rapidly increasing is postal card collecting. The demand is becoming greater each month. Postal cards form an interesting and beautiful collection, and we are glad to see them springing into general favor.

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**Auction Sales.** As a standard for effecting the value of rare stamps, auction sales are springing into favor as the only reliable epitome of prices. The price brought by a stamp at auction sale shows its real worth. Realizing the value of auction sales and announcements, we have decided to devote a portion of our space each issue to brief auction reports.

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**Canada Error Card.** A number of our correspondents have sent us inquiries regarding this card. Some collectors are under the impression that the 1x1 cent reply card, with stamp at left, is due to a mistake in the cutting of the sheets. It has been proved that the card is not the result of a wrong cutting. Inquiry at the Post-office Department has shown that it is a government error in the printing, and the authorities acknowledge that a small quantity of the cards were issued before the mistake was discovered. The letter under heading of the Post-office Department removes all doubt as to the character and origin of the "Canada Error Card." It is considered a rarity.

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**Albrecht's Fifth Sale.** Messrs. R. F. Albrecht & Co. held their fifth sale at 25 Ann street, New York, on October 5th, at 7.30 p.m. Mr. Henry Merry conducted the sale. It was especially rich in the U.S. and British North American, including several fine wholesale lots. The sale consisted of 450 lots.

**Re Oddities.** A craze seems to be taking hold of some of our collectors—the collection of the so-called Oddities. An envelope or a postal, with a double impression, a crooked impression, or a colorless impression, seems to be considered a *treasure*, and is greedily secured and kept. This is a danger which at present threatens our pursuit. Collectors! drop these unofficial varieties, which are in the strictest sense not stamps. Such collecting is a mere waste of time and money. Confine yourself strictly to the officially-issued varieties of stamps. You know only too well there are enough varieties—and to spare. This sort of thing has and will be the means of losing the support of many of our collecting fraternity.

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**Our Personal Column.** This department was inaugurated last month, and is evidently appreciated by our readers. We wish it to be a glowing success, and at all times will be pleased to have our subscribers and patrons send us *short* personal items about themselves for publication, and in this way aid us in making this department an interesting feature. Let us hear from you.

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**Bogert-Durbins' 35th Sale.** The Bogert and Durbin Co. held their thirty-fifth sale at the Knickerbocker Conservatory, New York, on Thursday evening, October 13th, at 2.30 o'clock. Four hundred and twenty-two lots were offered, being the collection of Dr. P. G. Skilern, of Philadelphia. It was especially rich in the obsolete issues of the Leeward Islands and other British Colonials. Among the stamps specially worthy of mention we note the following: Virgin Islands, 1s., *no border*; St. Lucia, 1s. surcharged; St. Vincent, 2½d. on 4d., 1s. brown; Nevis, 1s. on *laid* paper, *very rare*; 4d. rose; Montserrat, 4d. blue, C. A.; Labuan, \$1 on 16c.; United States, '69, 90c.; Justice, 90c.; Canada ½d. and 6d. perforated; New Brunswick, 6d.; Newfoundland, 2d., 4d. and 8d., vermilion, unused, etc. We do not as yet know what prices were realized, but expect to have this information in time for our next issue.

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**Various Matters.** The Exchange Department is ready for everybody, and the rates very low compared with our regular advertisements.—Collectors and dealers would confer a favor on the publishers by forwarding us the names of all their stamp collecting friends.—Our Approval Sheet Department is in active operation—see advertisement!—Cash must be sent with copy by advertisers unknown to us.—Subscriptions must begin with current issue; back numbers are very scarce and can only be supplied at 10 cts. each; no discount.

**The Forgers.** A noticeable decrease is seen in the forgeries that six months ago threatened to swamp the market and cause great loss to young collectors. Although not altogether extinguished, the credit for what has been done in that way must go to the Philatelic Protection Association, whose services in this matter have proved so beneficial to philately.

**The S. of P. Kickers.** A few Sons of Philately members seem to have a spite against each other. The kickers seem to be three or four boys who are giving vent to their spite after their failure to secure office. We even find editors (?) and publishers (?) who thus lower themselves. These members are now calling their fellow-members *traitors* because the way they voted did not suit the *kickers*. We need not give the names of these boys, as our readers doubtlessly know them.

**A Liberal Premium Offer.** We are very anxious to add another thousand subscribers to our subscription list before the close of the present year. In order to do this, we offer the following inducement to all who subscribe before December 31st next: To any person who forwards us 25 cents for one year's subscription to this magazine, with 3 cents extra for postage and mailing, we will send any one of the following Premiums ABSOLUTELY FREE: 1000 of the best gummed hinges; 100 varieties of foreign stamps; 25 blank approval sheets; or 100 U.S. revenue stamps. It is to your interest to take advantage of this liberal premium offer. This paper alone is worth the price. The premiums are forwarded only when the extra postage is sent. Favor us with your subscription. Present subscribers wishing to take advantage of this offer may do so, having their subscription extended one year.

**Toronto Philatelic Club.** We have been notified that the following officers for the coming season have been elected: President, W. H. Brouse; Vice-President, Harton Walker; Executive Committee, Messrs. Sparks, Parker, Sproule, Geddes, McMahon, Wright and Wilson; Secretary-Treasurer, Geo. A. Lowe; Exchange and Auction Department, E. Y. Parker.

**An Inducement to Purchasers.** The publishers of this magazine offer to every collector, who is not already a subscriber to this paper, purchasing goods to the amount of \$1.00 or over from their price lists herein, this paper for *six months FREE*. This inducement remains open from October 25th to December 31st, and only open to non-subscribers.

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10 Greece	.....	.10
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*2 Guatemala, env.	.....	.15
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4 Honduras	.....	.06
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*11 Honduras, 1890	.....	.15
*11 Honduras, 90, of	.....	.20
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8 Hungary, 1888	.....	.15
10 Iceland	.....	.40
10 India	.....	.08
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6 Italy, packet post, surcharged 2.	.....	.10
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3 Italy, packet post	.....	.06
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15 Japan	.....	.15
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*10 Nicaragua, 1890	.....	.40
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*3 Nicaragua, wrap	.....	.10
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*12 Porto Rico	.....	.10
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4 Queensland	.....	.01
4 Queensland	.....	.08
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3 Roumania, unpaid	.....	.06
10 Russia	.....	.10
15 Russia Levant	.....	.10
6 Salvador	.....	.10
*10 Salvador, 1890	.....	.35
10 Salvador, 1891	.....	.35
7 Salvador, env.	.....	.30
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