

The Benifits of tamp Collecting.

There is nothing with so much pleasure attached to it, that will tend to create fine tastes and a liking for geography and statistics in a boy or girlasphilately, more commonly known as stamp collecting. Not only does it do this, but it moulds the character in many ways that will afterwards be of great benefit to the man or woman taking up the pursuit. It tends to refine and broaden the mind: opens the eyes of the boy to the extent of this great busy world, it creates a saving instinct, it opens up the posibilities of doing business with other boys, and at the same time gives a possibility of increasing his or her collection. As the boy gets deeper into the subject he will learn more modern history than

he ever learned, or can learn at school He will know more about Kings, Queen's and Presidents of the different Countries and States, than ten boys, who are not collectors. There is nothing that will sharpen the faculty of remembering dates better than will philately; and the deeper the boy gets into it, the more he will learn of geography, history and of business. Because it is as natural for philatelists to trade. sell, and buy stamps, as it is for ducks to swim. There is abundance of pleasure in it, and it makes the long dark winter evenings a source of happiness to set up, mount, and add to the collection. Start your boy or girl at it. Buy a hundred or two all different stamps and a good album. I'm sure both you and the child will profit by it. Try it, and see if it is not the best thing you have ever bought for the child's amusement.

H. MCNAUGHTON.

Willie Knowitall.

Once upon a time there lived a boy. who imagined he knew all things. He was about 16 years of age. His name was Willie Knowitall. Willie was a stamp collector and owned the only international album in all Greenville! Willie started a stamp company and later announced a stamp paper which he said would be the best the world had ever seen. Willie was a fool. Willie had written many "articles" on the proper way to run stamp papers and used up many long and wonderful words in his writings, making fun of poor Johnny Earnest who published the "Collector's Comrade", and Freddie Rash who announced a paper to have 10,000 circulation and came out with the "World Wide Collector", 4 pages, 4 x 6 and only 500 circulation. Willie Knowitall wrote for 16 different (and indifferent) stamp papers and kept "sitting" on Johnny Earnest and Fred die Rash. Then Willie said he would publish a paper. It would be "a stamp paper for your life" said Willie. The paper was duly got together and Willie "stood off" the printer telling himself that in a few days subscriptions would come pouring in. Willie went to the post-office after every mail, but strange to relate, for a whole week, there was nothing for him except a bill from the printer, which read

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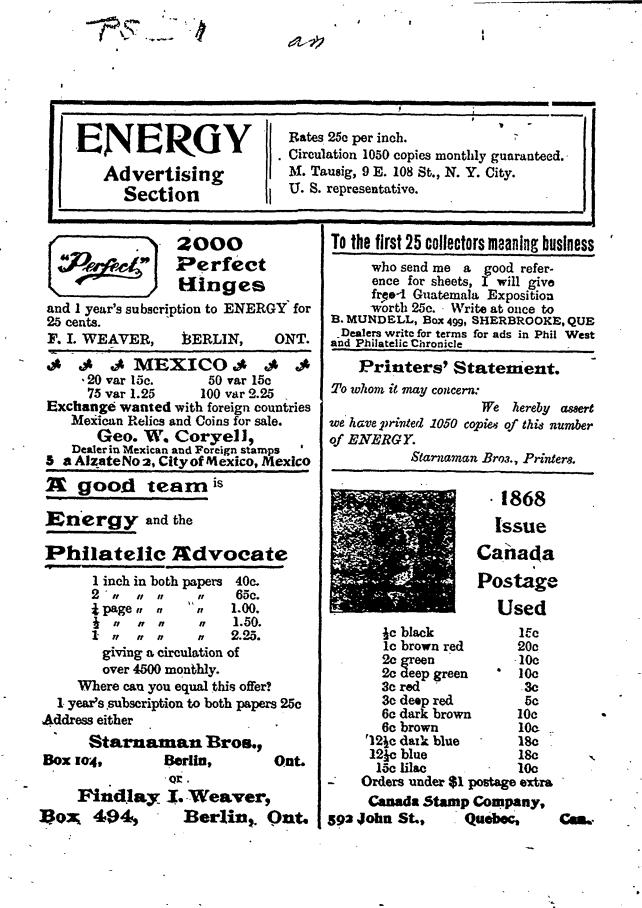
Willie went home and that night he lighted with our country and pays a dreamed a dream, in which a special compliment to Canadian young ladies.

train came to Greenville, having on board 100 people, who, straig' tway on arrival asked for Willie Knowitall. They were stamp dealers and wanted to contract for ad space in the "Champion". Willie also dreamed that he had received no less than 442 subscriptions in one sing e day. Willie woke up to cold reality. He then went to see if the dream had foretold anything. At the post-office was a post card asking for a sample copy of the Champion "at once"! That was all he got. The printer called around to see old man Knowitall about the "Five Dollar William", young Knowitall owed him for printing. The old man had to cough up the V and then proceeded to interview Willie with a bed-slat. Willie now knows more about philatelic publishing, and can write from experience. That night he again had a vision. This one was not so pleasant as the first. Johnnie Earnest and Freddie Rash occupied the wrightful positions of the bed posts of his bed, their faces wreathed in smiles, and ever and anon one of them would ask him "How do you like the game?" Willie had played his game and lost, but it was a lesson for him, aad now instead of ridiculing publishers of stamp papers he views them as he would a being supernatural.

SIN NICK.

Look up the printers' statement on another page of this issue.

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Several of our regular features are crowded out of this number, but will appear again next month.

We are prepared to allow a liberal discount to those securing advertisments and subscriptions for this paper. Write us at once.

Take notice of Wiedling's half-page announcement in this number of Energy.

Publisher Wurtele of the MONTREAL PHILATELIST says there is no truth in the rumor that his paper is to cease publication.



W. RUSSELL BROWN.

We present above a half-tone likeness of the D. P. A. Exchange Superintendant, Mr. W. Russell Brown, of Fort William. Ont. Until recently he has been attending Central Business College, Toronto. Mr Brown is a very active Philatelist. Besides holding office in Canada's pride, the Dominion Philatelic Association, he is Vice-President of the League of Canadian Philatelists, and Vice President and Sec'y of the Bay State Philatelic Association. He was elected Treasurer of the D P A at a recent convention at St Catharines but withdrew to accept his present office. He expects to have the Sales Department in running order by Sept. Mr Brown has a fine collection of 1st. over 4000 snecimens but takes special interest in his fine accumulation of Canadian Revenues.

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