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*Wm. T. ...*  
— N. Charles Sparks

MR. N. CHARLES SPARKS.—The subject of this sketch, Mr. N. Chas Sparks was born at Ottawa, Ont., in 1869. Commenced a general collection in 1880, but lately has confined his collection to British North America. Has Canada complete, including 12d, N.B. and N.S. shillings, and Connell. Mr. Sparks lately removed to Ottawa from this city.

### A Lesson from the Fair.

So many readers of this magazine have visited the late Columbian Exposition and of course the stamp exhibit in the Government building, that it is unnecessary to give any minute description of the philatelic display.

The one point we wish to mention is in regard to the arrangement of the vast collection. By this we do not mean the manner in which the frames containing stamps of the several countries are arranged, for this is very poor, some cases being ten or twelve feet above the floor, while others, so low, would be passed unnoticed by the ordinary visitor. But let us not find fault on this account, as that was probably done to economize space.

We refer to the arrangement of the single stamps themselves; mounted on paper prettily covered with artistic hand-painted designs. Of course, few of us can decorate our albums with hand painting, but we can arrange the stamps neatly and thus add much to the beauty of our collections.

How many of us in examining the collections of young philatelists have praised the variety or perhaps the rarity of the stamps, but felt constrained to condemn or be silent when asked our opinion of the arrangement.

Many of the countries represented at the Fair by their stamps have small native scenes painted on their exhibits making them look much more attractive than a plain row of stamps. Other nations have neat and simple designs.

Small stamp exhibits were to be found in nearly every building on the grounds. These are also arranged quite neatly and show considerable thought on the part of those who originated the designs. Among the best exhibits of stamps in the

Government building were those of the United States, Great Britain and Colonies, Peru, Japan, Argentine Republic, Ecuador, etc.

So many articles have been written on the general description of the stamp exhibit that it is useless to undertake such, but if there is any one lesson to be learned from the philatelic display it is that of careful classification and arrangement.

A. B. RICE.

### Postal Card Collecting.

What is to my mind one of philately's most interesting branches, and one which has assumed surprisingly large dimensions of late years, is postal card collecting.

This incidental fad or hobby will soon reach its zenith among American collectors; gradually, as if by magic, philatelists are grasping all the new ideas and arrangement of postal card collections that will perpetuate the advancing theories of the postage stamp collector, and certainly no line in philately offers a more inducive and tempting advantage than the postal card.

Since collecting has found such a stronghold among American collectors, it has gradually increased with each succeeding year, in such a manner which shows a lasting and permanent resort for the many collectors who find pleasure in this promising amusement.

We can find but few collectors, and also dealers of postal cards of twenty years standing, yet to-day the host of postal card collectors only serves to demonstrate the rapid advancement of part of our science.

From one point of beauty, postal cards are even superior to stamps, more so, when in an unused state. The price of postal cards is but little higher than that

of stamps. But a collector with a collection of two hundred varieties is as content as a stamp collector with his collection of one thousand or one thousand five hundred.

W. M. CAMPBELL.

### The U.S. 3c. of 1851.

In the April number of *Pennsy* an item by Walter A. Withrow exposed some new varieties in U. S. stamps, and mentioned varieties in the 3c. of 1851, but not all of them.

If the editor will kindly allow me a short space I will show a few of the varieties in this one kind which I have noticed.

First—the shades are different. I have them from a light brownish red to a chocolate. Thinking the light had something to do with it I exposed a red one, but could obtain no color like this, and therefore think it is a variety. I also have a distinct brown and shades from light red to a very dark shade. I consider a distinct shade a distinct variety.

Second—the stamp comes in two sizes, viz., width  $19\frac{1}{2}$  to 20 min. by 25 min. long. Please measure them.

Third—there is a difference in the lines at right and left of stamp. There are specimens with one line on each side, two on each side, two on one and one on other, etc. Are these varieties? I say *yes*.

Fourth—there are several minor varieties worth looking at, viz., the letter 's' in POSTAGE is poorly engraved and in some forms a perfect 8; the 'R' damaged in 'THREE' makes a good letter 'B', and a double outside line at left of stamps makes a frame of THREE lines at left and one at right.

I think there is a good field on this one stamp and hope others will help

develop it. I like the design and it being the first Government 3c. regular issue, think more attention should be paid to it.

B. G. McFALL.

### A Legend of Mauritius.

I laid upon the sofa, aimlessly turning the leaves of my stamp album. A bright fire sparkling in the grate reminded me that it was winter. The family cat sat on the cushion at my feet; her glassy green eyes occasionally strayed contentedly in my direction, contemplating the brilliant colors and fanciful figures upon the cover of my book.

I had turned the pages of about half the volume, and idly paused at the place allotted to the stamps of the Colony of Mauritius, the Isle of France. I could imagine the tropical sublimity of this Indian Ocean island; I could picture myself going through an avenue, lined on either side with tropical splendor and beauty; I could see myself stand before the tomb of Paul and Virginia, who lie there, forever united in death. Above, a protecting palm suspends its shielding branches over their last resting-place, combining in its grace and beauty, the charm of nature and magnificence of the tropics. I moved slyly to break a piece from a low-hanging bough near by. As I had my hand upon the twig, behind it, and hidden from my view, was a wicked-looking native. Instinctively I pulled him forth, and we grappled. His eyes shone and gleamed with a green glass light, as I threw him from me with a mighty effort. But a great noise recalled me to my senses, and I found my album, at the page of Mauritius where I had opened it, all creased and torn, and the cat crying on the floor where I had kicked it.

GEO. S. SEYMOUR.

### Johore.

We learn on good authority that unless a fresh supply of Johore surcharges is issued (and the Johore Government talk of doing this, owing to all these surcharges being bought up), the Johore 3 on 5 and 3 on \$1 will be very valuable. The total number of the dollar surcharge printed was 5,000. Report says that a new issue for the Protective Native States in the straits is on the way out from home with an alteration in design, a native doyer being substituted for the tiger.—*Indian Philatelist*.

### A View of Philately.

Most people have some particular hobby. It may be the formation of a gallery of pictures, or a collection of old china or old coins, to which they devote their spare time and means; but the latter of these take up a good deal of time and room and are more or less expensive, so that a large collection can only be made by the wealthy.

Within the last few years postage stamp collecting has been made the most interesting specialty, and as a natural consequence, thousands are making collections.

This hobby has many advantages which ought to recommend it to popular favor. In the first place, stamps occupy very little room compared even with coins, so that a large and valuable collection might be contained in a moderate sized album.

Perhaps questions of portability and cheapness are those which cause the majority of students to become more or less ardent philatelists, during some period of their school days, and we have seen very interesting and fairly representative collections, which have been made by them at a trifling outlay.

Philately must not, however, be looked upon as a mere schoolboy's amusement, nor must it be thought that the value of all old stamps are large. On the contrary, many philatelists value their collections at amounts, which to the uninitiated would appear almost incredible.

Most of the old stamps which are no longer used, having been superseded by newer kinds, are every year becoming rarer, so that some which can now be obtained for a few cents, may in a few years, be worth as many dollars.

W. M. CAMPBELL.

### Notes on Canadian Stamps.

Most of the early issues of Canadian stamps are found with the imprint of the makers. They are worth about 10 per cent more when in this condition.

I have a 1c. pink 1859, with an advertisement printed on the back, also a 5 cent. register which measures 13x45 mms.

The 20c. present issue are worth about 10c. used, and the 50c. blue bring 35c. each.

Although Scott mentions the  $\frac{1}{2}$  cent. black and 1 cent yellow of the 1868-9 issue on watermarked paper I have never heard of them being found watermarked.

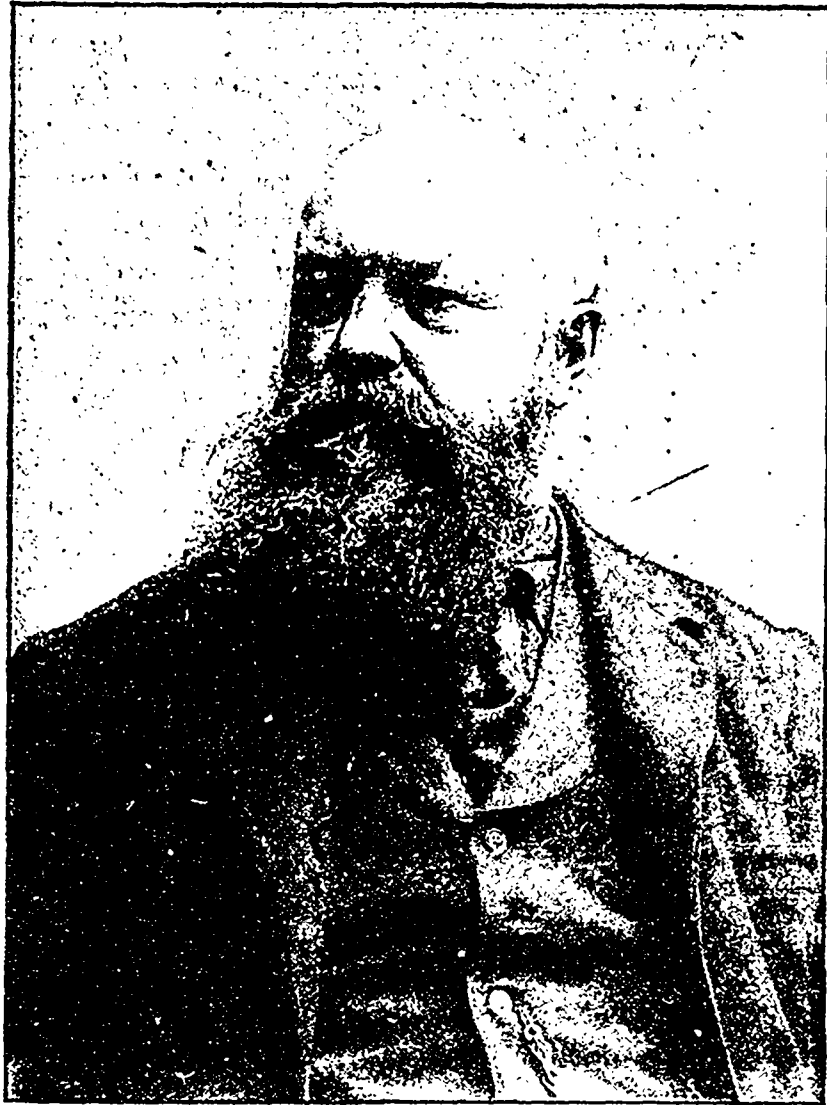
The 1c. green Newfoundland stamp bears the likeness of the Prince of Wales when a boy.

The current issue of Canadian stamps, except the  $\frac{1}{2}$ c., 8c., 20c. and 50c. are found on laid paper.

PAUL JONES.

The New York post office uses 4,000,000 post cards per month.

France, it is reported, is going to try the plan of printing postal cards in blocks, with stubs like a check book, so that the writer can keep notes of his correspondence.



*Yours truly*  
*A. G. Allison*

**MR. A. G. ALLISON.**—A member of the Canadian Philatelic Association and Toronto Philatelic Club, Mr. Allison is an ardent collector, having acquired a collection of over 5,500 varieties since 1889. Mr. Allison has written numerous articles relating to philately and takes a great interest in the Toronto Philatelic Club.

**Philadelphia Notes.**

On account of the great scarcity of the one dollar Columbian stamps, a number of New York collectors, forwarded to Washington, a petition signed by a number of persons asking that more of that particular value be printed and put on sale, for the benefit of those who were unable to get the complete set, but the Government has refused to do so.

It is said that the number of stamps given in the latest catalogue issued amounts to over 27,000 varieties.

Collectors who have not as yet procured the orange Special Delivery stamp, should do so without delay, as they will soon be unobtainable, if they are not so at some of the post offices already.

A triangular stamp has just been issued from "Obock," one of the French possessions in Africa; it is an entirely different design from the one issued last year. They are called the "Camel Post" series.

G. B. Calman, a New York wholesale dealer, has bought up about ten thousand one dollar Columbians, and I hear that he is selling them at \$3.75 each. He may rejoice on his good luck, as there is a great demand for the above stamps now, as so many collectors failed to get them while they were in use.

It is said that Jamaica will issue a set of stamps to commemorate the discovery of that Island four hundred years ago by Columbus.

The latest discovery in the two cent carmine of 1890 is the presence of a "white cap" over the figure (2). I believe the variety costs about 50 cents in an unused condition.

I hope to hear of the early formation of a branch of the P. S. of A. in Philadelphia, Pa.

HARRIS REED, Jr.

**Left \$40,000.**

On April 15th, 1893, John Anderson, a well-known local character residing at 18 Temperance street, was arrested on a charge of issuing cancelled stamps. Anderson was a familiar figure around nearly all the down-town offices, as he was always to be found rooting through old heaps of rubbish, hunting for envelopes with stamps upon them.

When his rooms were searched the officers found a large chest literally filled to the rim with boxes of Canadian stamps of different denominations and postal cards, the cancellation marks on which had been so deftly removed as to, in many cases, defy the eyes of an expert. A large bottle containing the chemical solution with which the old man accomplished the cancellations was also found in the room.

He was tried at the Fall Assizes last year and convicted and sentenced to five years imprisonment in Kingston penitentiary.

Anderson died in Kingston penitentiary on August 23rd, after two weeks illness, and it is understood left an estate valued at \$40,000. Of this sum \$14,000 is understood to be deposited in the Bank of Toronto here.

**Clippings.**

The first trolley cars to be fitted and used to carry the United States mail are those which run from Brooklyn to Coney Island.

The Swiss post office conveys anything from a postal card to barrels of wine, scythes and bundles of old iron.

It is reported that the United States Government is negotiating for the purchase of the Madison Square Garden, New York, intending to make of it a branch post-office.





*Yours Truly  
Walter W McMahon*

**MR. WALTER McMAHON.**—Walter McMahon was born in 1872 and began collecting 1889, making a general collection. In 1891 he branched into specialism, and collected British North American only. He has almost everything in Canada, lacks Nova Scotia and New Brunswick shillings.

Mr. McMahon is on the committee of the Toronto Philatelic Club, and is a member of the Philatelic Sons of America.

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## Editorial Notes.

WAR has been declared against "Seebeck" stamps and E. L. Shove, Unionville, N. Y., is the leader of the opposing army. Write him for particulars.

CANADIAN collectors should do their utmost to help the Dominion Philatelic Association, as an association like the above needs the support of every collector to make it a success.

NEXT month we will begin an article on Canadian stamps, giving their history, etc. This will prove valuable to collectors as very few reliable articles have appeared regarding Canadian stamps.

HAVING purchased the CANADIAN PHILATELIC MAGAZINE from Mr. A. M. Muirhead, of Halifax, N. S., I will endeavor to place philately on a more substantial basis in Canada. I hope all Canadian philatelists will help me in making this paper a success and enable me to put it in the front rank of philatelic journalism in America.

Now that the conventions are over, the dealers and collectors will once more start to take a greater interest in their collections. When the weather becomes

colder stamp matters boom, in fact now that the duty has been taken off stamps entering into Canada, philatelists will spring up from all parts of the Dominion, and we predict a bright future for philately in this noble country, Canada.

## To My Patrons.

In retiring from the proprietorship of the CANADIAN PHILATELIC MAGAZINE I have very few words to say.

I would thank my subscribers for their liberal patronage and would solicit a continuance of the same for my successor. I am sure that he will spare no pains to put the paper in the front rank, and I would ask all collectors to give him the reception his enterprise deserves. Yours very truly,

ALEX. M. MUIRHEAD.

The Duc de Galliera is probably the most notable philatelist in the world. Every year he spends £8,000 in adding stamps to his collection, which ten years ago was valued at more than £50,000 and to-day is said to be worth nearly £150,000.

## A Philatelic History.

BY JEP.

### CHAPTER I.

Everything in this world has a history, and I think a short sketch of the origin and growth of our pet hobby may prove of interest to the readers of this journal.

The question as to who the first collector was is rather a matter of doubt. The first collection of any kind that I can get any reliable information on was made by Mr. Jno. Bourke, Receiver-General of Dublin, in 1774. These were not postage stamps, however, but fiscals.

Sir Rowland Hill may be said to have made the first collection of postage stamps, as he preserved specimens of all the English stamps as they were issued, and also of the various foreign stamps. But the first genuine philatelists seem to have been Mr. Mount Brown, of London, Eng., and Monsieur Moens, of Brussels, who both started to collect about the same time.

I take the following from a letter from Maj. E. B. Evans. He says:—"As far as I am personally concerned I can only say that when I commenced in 1861, the trade in stamps had fully started, and I know that in the first number of the *Stamp Collectors' Magazine*, Feb. 1st, 1863, the editor states that he remembered being asked for stamps some eight or nine years previously, by a young lady, who had been ever then collecting for some time. This would take us back to about 1853, as a date at which there must have been collectors in England."

This information, coming from such a source, is sure to be reliable, and goes to show that it did not take long after their introduction for stamps to be collected as objects of curiosity and instruction.

The first collector in America was Mr. Geo. Dill, of Prince Edward Island, who

began a collection in 1859. Mr. Preble, of Portland, seems to have had a lot of stamps about this time, but merely saved the most curious-looking of them, and did not attempt to sort them into countries or issues. In 1862-3 a great impetus was given to philately by the publication of a number of catalogues and of the *Stamp Collectors' Magazine*, of London, Eng. One of the first catalogues was that by M. Potiquet, which contained about 43 pages and catalogue between 700 and 800 stamps. The first regular album for stamps was issued in the same year by Justin Lallier, who was a member of the French Society for the Preservation of Historical Monuments of the Archæological Societies of Orleans and Sens. This album was published in English, French, German and Spanish editions, and must have been a bonanza to the collectors at that time.

Shortly after this it became quite a fashionable fad for collectors to gather in the parks and squares of Paris on Sunday afternoon, for the purpose of exchanging and purchasing stamps from one another, and in this was originated the celebrated Paris Stamp Exchange, which is held every Sunday afternoon in the Avenue Gabriel, Champs-Élysées.

This idea quickly spread to New York, and a number of dealers soon sprang up. John Bailey, who kept a candy and coin stand on the park railings, and Wm. P. Brown were among the first. The fashion was then to place the stamps on a board and keep them from blowing away by placing a tack through them.

I think the postage (or express) charges would soon ruin all our dealers if they sent out stamps on approval in that way now.

To J. W. Scott, the proprietor of the J. W. Scott Co., of New York, belongs

the honor of being the first regular dealer in America. Perhaps the first price list ever issued on this side of the Atlantic was that of Thomas R. Jenkins, of Halifax, N.S., in July, 1863. There were six or seven other dealers at this time, but I do not know of any of them issuing lists.

The prices asked for stamps at this time would make an 1892 collector fairly groan. A dealer who would have asked more than \$1.00 for a stamp at that time would have been promptly locked up in a lunatic asylum as a positively dangerous case.

In 1868 Mr. W. P. Brown catalogued a 'Battleboro' at the exorbitant (?) price of \$1.00. Oh, that I could put time back for twenty-five years and buy up a few hundred of them! But I digress.

Stamp collecting could now be said to be past its period of baby-hood and although its progress was through many a conflict, many a doubt, yet it was sure and steady.

There is an old saying that "there are tricks in all trades," and it did not take long for tricksters to get into philately's ranks. Someone conceived the brilliant idea of counterfeiting rare stamps and selling them to collectors. Some were honest enough to advertise them as *fac-similes*, but the majority left that matter for their customers to find. Until within about five or six years ago this was the collector's greatest stumbling block, and I think more people became disgusted with philately through this cause than any other. But by a united effort on the part of our prominent Philatelists and the philatelic press, we have been rid of this nuisance, and it has to be a very clever man that can cheat you with counterfeit stamps these days.

Such is the history of the origin of philately, and is as much information as

I have on hand at present, up to the year 1870.

If any of my readers find any errors in the above, or have any additional information they can give me, I will consider it a favor if they will communicate with me before next month, and I will put it in as an addition to this chapter before going on with Chapter II. Address in care of the Editor.

### Philatelic Journalism in Canada.

BY VICTOR.

Under the above heading I intend to give a review of all philatelic papers published in Canada. The first number of the *Halifax Philatelist* appeared in January, 1887, from Halifax, Nova Scotia. Mr. Henry Hechler, the prominent collector of that city, contributed many valuable articles. His article on "Watermarks" which was commenced in No. 2, is very instructive and valuable. The "Stamps of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and P. E. Island," by C. F., commenced in No 1, describes all stamps issued by these provinces, and in No 6. the editors mention about the formation of the Canadian Philatelic Association. The December issue consisted of 32 pages and closed Volume I. During 1888 the editors published interesting articles on the "Stamps of New South Wales," "Mexico," etc. In October the *Halifax Philatelist* was appointed official organ of the Canadian Philatelic Association, which it held until July, 1889. Volume III. was commenced in January, 1889, but the publishers only succeeded in issuing seven numbers and it then died a natural death. Altogether the *Halifax Philatelist* was one of the most interesting philatelic papers published at that time, and its name will always occupy a place in the front ranks.

(To be continued.)

## THE TORONTO PHILATELIC CLUB.

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### Toronto Philatelic Club.

Meeting held Sept. 5th. Vice-President Walker in the chair.

Members present—Messrs. H. Walker, A. G. Allison, W. McMahon, W. J. Wells, G. A. Lowe, C. McKenzie, W. Barry, W. S. Weatherston, H. Beasley, W. G. Crashley and T. Pepper. Also the following visitors: W. Caldwell, R. Adams.

It was moved and seconded that a committee of three be appointed to look after a permanent room for the ensuing year. Messrs. McKenzie, Lowe and Weatherston were selected.

Proposed by Mr. Allison, seconded by Mr. Wells that the secretary be instructed to send reports of meetings to the various daily papers. Carried.

Messrs. B. Dewey and W. Caldwell were proposed for membership.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on September 19th.

### Around Town.

Mr. L. M. Staebler, of London, Ont., was in the city last month. He states that the *Canadian Philatelist* will appear in September.

The next regular meeting of the Toronto Philatelic Club will be held on Wednesday Sept. 5th, at 8 p. m. The annual general meeting will be called to order on Wednesday, October 17th, at 8.30 p.m.

A considerable interest—not to say a craze—is felt by many people in the collection of stamps of their own and foreign countries. The pursuit has its votaries in Toronto, and among many of our young people the stamp album is popular. Under these circumstances, the letter carriers should be instructed that they act illegally when they take stamps off letters and packages before delivering them. It is annoying to a stamp collector when he gets a foreign letter or book package to find that the stamps have been carefully removed, particularly if they are from a distant and rarely heard from locality.—*Mail*.

Post-office Inspector Burnham has known for some time that a great many petty frauds were being perpetrated on the Post-office department. The one most frequently practised is sending of letters by parcel post and in newspapers, and the sending of goods rolled up in newspapers.

The inspector has got the names of several offenders, and intends to push matters, and thus put a stop to the petty business. Summons have been issued for several, and instructions have been promulgated to the effect that every offender caught is to be punished. It is not generally known that the receiver of any matter sent through the post in this way is quite as liable as the sender, and more easily got at, as it is not always that the sender's name can be secured.

### Dominion Philatelic Association.

The following is a list of members of the newly organized Canadian society, the Dominion Philatelic Association.

- 1 A. M. Muirhead, Halifax, N. S.
- 2 W. G. Crashley, 54 Stephanie Place,
- 3 W. S. Weatherston, Toronto.
- 4 Geo. Barnes, Toronto.
- 5 F. A. Goldsmith, Beverly, Mass.
- 6 H. A. Peters, 35 Cecil St., Toronto.
- 7 J. H. Morrison, Pictou, N. S.
- 8 Rowland Hill, Halifax, N. S.
- 9 C. Della Torre, Jr., Halifax, N.S.  
Toronto.
- 10 Jos. Edwards, 52c Latour St., Montreal.
- 11 Ad. V. Schou, Statesboro, Ga.
- 12 R. W. Crashley, 54 Stephanie Place,
- 13 R. W. Ashcroft, 1405 Bedford Ave.,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 14 L. M. Bartlam, 48 Brunswick Ave.,  
Toronto.

Dues are 25 cents per year. Initiation fee 10 cents. I will be pleased to send any person wishing to join, an application blank. Messrs. Peters, Barnes, and Weatherston have been appointed trustees and will draw up by-laws and constitutions at once. This paper is the official organ and will be sent free to all members. For further particulars apply to

W. G. CRASHLEY, Sec'y *pro tem.*  
Toronto, Can.

### American Philatelic Association.

The Ninth Annual Convention of the American Philatelic Association was held in the parlor of the Cataract House, Niagara Falls, N. Y., on Tuesday, Aug. 21st at 9:30 a. m. Over thirty members were present, including Messrs. J. K. Tiffany, W. C. Stone, C. H. McKeel, G. D. McKeel, H. E. Deats, Alvah Davison, P. M. Wolsieffer, N. W. Chandler, H. F. Ketcheson, C. P. Krauth, C. W. Kissinger, V. Gurdji, E. Doebelin, A. Krassa, P. J. Kranz, W. S. Weatherston, C. E. Severn, E. Kelland, E. Y. Parker, L. W. Mott, Fritz, J. T. Beard, F. H. Burt, G. W. Rode, L. M. Lang.

The following officers were elected: President, John K. Tiffany; Vice President, Alvah Davison; Secretary, W. C. Stone; Treasurer, N. W. Chandler; Inter-Secretary, E. Doebelin.

The next convention will be held at Clayton, N. Y., on Tuesday, August 13th, 1895. Mr. R. F. Albrecht presented each of the members present with a bound copy of "Our Catalogue." A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Albrecht for his kind donation.

A banquet was given to the members and their friends on Wednesday evening at the Hotel Kaltenback, which was enjoyed by all present.

### Philatelic Sons of America.

The first Annual Convention of the Philatelic Sons of America was held on August 24th and 25th at Niagara Falls, N. Y. Over thirty members were present including the following officers: President, C. W. Kissinger; Secretary, F. S. Fox; Treasurer, L. W. Mott; Librarian, L. G. Quackenbush; Trustee, C. E. Severn; members present, Messrs. Ashcroft, Pardee, Tiffany, Ketcheson, Myers,

Crashley, Deats, Weatherston, Barnum, Beard, Wolsieffer, and others.

The election resulted as follows :  
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## Sun-dried Observations.

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The stamps of Newfoundland are perhaps the most difficult to get hold of in any quantities. There appears not to be any collectors there—they have a dealer in St. John's, I believe, but he does not exchange.

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