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NEWS OF THE MONTH.

Colonial expansion is well represented by this month's chapter of Philatelic history. Besides new issues for all German and French colonies and Foreign offices, two new British colonies are for the first time introduced to the stamp collector. Japan is also following up the lead of the European powers on similar lines. The long talked of Universal Penny post becomes an accomplished fact with the dawn of the new century, the progressive colony of New Zealand leading the way.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC. — (*Reported 15c stamp*). It is reported by *L'Essor Philatèlique*, that on account of a change of postal rate a 15 centavos stamp will shortly replace the current 12c.

AUSTRIA. — (*6 heller letter card*). A letter card of the value of 6 h. orange without any inscriptions, white inside and buff outside is announced.

BRITISH GUIANA. — (*48c color changed*). The 48c is reported as changed in color to dark grey and lilac brown instead of lilac and red.

CAYMAN ISLANDS. — (*Reported ½ d and 1d stamps*). Two stamps of the De la Rue type are reported for this group of islands. They are the ½d green and 1d rose and so far have only been seen in the official collections of the U.P.U. The islands consist of a group of three about 165 miles N. W. of Jamaica of which they have been a dependency. The population is only about 300, so it is possible that these two stamps will be sufficient for all postal requirements which cannot be great. Jamaica stamps have hitherto been used on correspondence from these islands. We are not aware whether any changes have been made in the admini-

stration of these colonies, such as a separate issue of stamps would seem to indicate, and shall be glad to hear from our Jamaica correspondents on the subject.

CEYLON. — (*Official 3c and 15c stamps*). The new 3c green and 15c ultramarine have been surcharged ON SERVICE in black ink.

CAMEROONS. — (*Set of new colonial type*). The stamps for the German colonies, announced a year ago, representing by means of an ocean steamer, the idea of "Germany at sea," have according to our European contemporaries, at least been issued. The designs and colors are the same for all the colonies, the lower values being of the ordinary size, while the values of 1 mark and over are of a size corresponding to the high values of the Fatherland. As we shall illustrate the types a further description is not necessary.

2pf grey	40pf black and rose
3pf brown	50pf black and violet on buff
5pf green	80pf black and rose
10pf carmine	1 mark carmine
20pf blue	2 " blue
25pf black and red on yellow	3 mark violet
30pf black and orange on buff	5 mark carmine and black

Post cards are also reported, but particulars are not yet to hand.

CAROLINE ISLANDS. — (*New set*). Same types and values as for Cameroons.

COREA. — (*15 cheun stamp*). The new series is being gradually completed, the latest arrival is the 15 cheun violet grey. It is reported that about the middle of next year this set will be replaced by one with the value expressed in "cents," to be engraved and printed in Europe on

account of local inability to properly produce the stamps.

(*1 cn post card*) similar to the Japanese cards inscribed IMPERIAL KOREAN POST 1 cn blue on white.

CRETE.—(*Unpaid letter stamps*). By the "highest postal authority of the island" the *Am. J. of P.* is informed that the rumored set of unpaid letter stamps, described in our August number, is not to appear. The regular stamps 1 to 20 lepta are issued, perforated with two crossed diagonal lines, it is now said for that purpose although it was originally reported that the stamps with this perforation were revenues. (*The "Provisional" surcharge*). Several of our contemporaries announce that because Crete has been admitted into the Postal Union therefore the surcharge on the values of 25 lepta and over has been suppressed. This is certainly an error, as this surcharge was, as explained in our June number, impressed on account of the difference between the Turkish currency and that of the Latin Union to which the values expressed on the stamps of Crete conformed, although the 25 lepta was sold for a Turkish piastre, really worth 22 lepta. Perhaps our contemporaries mean that the currency is now legally in conformity with that of the Latin Union, the standard of which is the franc or its equivalent.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.—(*New high values*.) \$1, \$2, \$5 and \$25 stamps are reported inscribed with the name of the Federation, to take the place of the surcharges listed in our May number, as soon as the latter are exhausted.

FRANCE.—(*Foreign offices. Contemplated new issues*). We learn from a French contemporary that the French stamps, now surcharged for the use of offices in Morocco, Dedeagh, Cavalle, Port Said, Alexandria, Levant, Zanzibar and China, are to be replaced by stamps of a special design, bearing the words "POSTE FRANÇAISE" in a label above the allegorical figures, with the name of the locality below the value, similar to that on the colonial stamps. The local value, if required, will continue to be given as at present, by means of a surcharge.

FRENCH COLONIES.—(*Rumored changes of colors*). Several journals announce the forth coming change of color of the

10 centimes stamp to the U. P. U. regulation shade of red, and the consequent change of the 50c carmine to brown on bluish. What about the 25c which according to the Postal Union requirements ought to be in blue. Since the above was in type we learn that the 15c is to be in future rose on grey and the 25c blue, and that these new colors are to apply to all the colonies, comprising Anjouan, Dahomey, French Congo, French Guinea, French India, Great Comoro, Guadalupe, Indo-China, Ivory Coast, Madagascar, Martinique, Mayotte, New Caledonia, Oceania, Reunion, St. Pierre, Senegal and Soudan.

FRENCH CONGO.—(*Provisional 5c and 15c*.) It is reported that 20 and 30 centimes of the old colonial type, which preceded the wonderful current pictorial series, have been surcharged in two lines, in black ink VALEUR 5 and VALEUR 15. *Le Collectionneur T. P.* states that this recent pictorial set, not having given satisfaction, is to be abandoned and the old type is to be again adopted.

GERMANY.—(*Offices in the Levant. New type*.) The 1900 type of Germany has appeared surcharged as follows:

10 paras	on	5 pf	2½ piastres	on	50 pf
20	"	10	4	"	80
1 piastre	on	20	5	"	1 m.
1¼	"	25	10	"	2
1½	"	30	15	"	3
2	"	40	25	"	5

Post Cards—20 paras on 10 pf. single and reply.

(*Offices in Morocco*.) The 1900 set has also been surcharged MOROCCO and the value in Spanish money.

3 centimos	on	3 pf	60 centimos	on	50 pf
5	"	5	1 peseta	"	80
10	"	10	1	"	25cs " 1 m
25	"	20	2	"	50 " 2
30	"	25	3	"	75 " 3
35	"	30	6	"	75 " 5
50	"	40			

Post Cards—5c on 5 pf single and reply
10 " 10 " "

(*Offices in China*.) The entire set except the 2 pfennig has also been surcharged CHINA for use in the offices in the Celestial Empire.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA.—(*New set*.) While the types are the same for this as for the other German colonies, the values are not expressed in German currency and the European papers only repor

eleven stamps in the set instead of fourteen, as follows:—

2 pesa brown	25 pesa bl'k & violet
3 " green	40 " bl'k & carmine
5 " carmine	1 rupee blue
10 " blue	2 " violet
15 " bl'k & orange	3 " carmine & bl'k
20 " bl'k & carmine	

GERMAN NEW GUINEA.—(*New Set.*) The same types and values as Cameroons.

GERMAN SOUTH WEST AFRICA.—(*New Set.*) The same types and values, as reported for the other German colonies.

GREECE.—(*New surcharges.*) The Greek Government evidently wants to make up for lost time in the matter of surcharges to judge from the following list of provisional stamps which have appeared in addition to the 20l on 25l announced last month, and which comes both perforated and imperforate.

30 l on 40 l violet of 1880	perf. and imp.
40 l " 21 oistre	" "
50 l " 40 l rose of 1876	" "
1 dr " 40 l violet of 1889	" "
2 dr " 40 l " "	" "
3 dr " 10 l orange of 1880	" "
5 dr " 40 l violet of 1872	" "

Besides the above several values have also been surcharged with the letters A. M. the initials of the words AXIA METALIKI, meaning "value in coin." These are used exclusively for international parcel post, and money orders and sold at the gold rate of exchange. The following have been issued with and without perforation:

25 l on 40 l violet of 1889
50 l on 25 l blue of 1889
1 dr on 40 l violet of 1872
2 dr on 5 l green of 1880

HONG KONG.—(*5c color changed.*) The current 5c adhesive has been changed in color from blue to lilac.

HUNGARY.—(*1 filler change of color.*) The current 1 filler stamp is reported as changed in color from grey black to lilac.

INDIA.—(*Official stamps in new colors.*) From our Calcutta correspondent Kumar Mahendralala Mitra we have received specimens of the ½ to 2d annas in the new colors as announced in our October number. We also learn that they have been issued with the official surcharge ON H. M. S. Sets for all the

different States under British protection, will soon appear in these new shades.

JAPAN.—(*1½ sen stamp, 3s. letter card.*) A 1½ sen stamp ultramarine of the current type has been issued for use on private post cards, which is said not to be available for any other purpose. A 3s. letter card violet on buff has also appeared.

(*Offices in Formosa.*)—Japanese Post Offices have been opened in the island of Formosa, and the entire current set of Japan has been surcharged with small characters for the use of these offices.

KIAO-CHOW.—(*New set.*) This German colony in China is also honored by the new colonial issue.

MALTA.—(*The promised ¼d stamp.*) Last month on the authority of several English journals we listed a stamp of the value of 1 sh. 4d. This turns out to be the farthing (¼d) stamp reported as in preparation by us in our April number.

MARIANNA ISLANDS.—(*New set.*) The same types and values as are reported for Cameroons have appeared.

MARSHALL ISLANDS.—(*New set.*) The same types and values as Cameroons.

MAURITIUS.—(*Color changes.*) The following changes are reported, the types remaining as before.

1c black green value in black
2c dull lilac " violet
4c " " " carmine, yellow paper.

L'Essor Philatelique announces that there still remains on hand a considerable stock of the old type 8 cents blue, with portrait of the Queen, and that value being little used, it is proposed to surcharge the remainders with a new value.

NEW ZEALAND.—(*Commemorative 1d stamp.*) To this colony belongs the honor or first inaugurating Universal Penny postage, for the reduced rate, which is to date from January 1st, is to be extended to all countries that wish to reciprocate, thus being a step further than the Imperial penny post which originated from Canada last year. To commemorate this important event a new stamp has been designed by Sir Edward Poynter, president of the Royal Academy, emblematical of New Zealand diffusing the benefits of reduced postage throughout the world. The new stamps, of which a million have been ordered, are to be made in England.



PARAGUAY.—(*New issue.*) The new issue announced as in preparation last June, is now in use. They are finely executed stamps, the work of the South American Bank Note

Co. of Buenos Ayres. So far the following values have appeared, perf. 11½:—

2	centavos	olive grey
5	"	green
10	"	carmine

QUEENSLAND.—(*2s. stamps provisional and regular.*) The set with figures in the four corners has been increased by the issue of a 2 shilling greenish blue. The *Australian Philatelist* states while this stamp was being prepared that the 2s brown was re-issued on inferior paper, perf. 12¾; only 100 sheets of the provisional issue were printed.

SALVADOR.—(*New series dated 1900.*) We presume the surplus stock of old issues has been exhausted by the numerous surcharges that have lately appeared, as a new set of the old design with date changed to 1900 is now making its appearance. The colors have also been changed from those of the 1899 issue. The following have so far appeared:—

1c	light green	5c	slate green
2c	rose	10c	ultramarine
3c	grey	13c	orange

SAMOA.—(*New set.*) Stamps for this German colony are also reported of the same types and values as described for Camerouns.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—(*Official 2½d and 5d.*) The current 2½d blue and 5d brown black have received the O. S. Surcharge, in tall thin letters, far apart. The same type of surcharge has also been applied to the 4d and 6d stamps.



SWITZERLAND.—(*Jubilee issue re-engraved.*)

The three stamps of the Jubilee issue 5, 10 and 25 centimes have been re-engraved or retouched, giving them a better and more finished appearance.

ST. LUCIA.—(*1d envelope.*) The 1st stamped envelope for this colony—1d car-

mine on white laid paper—is reported by *Mekeels Weekly*. The design is the same as that used for the ½d and 1d wrappers.

TOGOLAND.—(*New set.*) The same types and values are reported as for the other German colonies.

TUNIS.—(*Rumored unpaid letter stamps.*) A year ago we reported the probability of a set of "Postage due" stamps and now the rumor again reaches us that the stamps are actually in preparation similar to those of France, the series to consist of 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 30 and 50 centimes.



TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS.—(*The new pictorial set.*) The set listed last month introduces a new title to philately superseding the old familiar one—Turks Islands.

URUGUAY.—(*New high value stamps.*) In addition to the stamps of new designs described last month we are informed that higher values are to be issued in the old types, but in new colors. The 20c of 1889 reappears in pale blue.

(*Commemorative Post Cards.*) A 2c card was issued for use on one day only—August 25th—the 75th anniversary of the independence of the Republic. It is printed in black on white and besides the usual inscriptions bears the date 25 DE AGOSTO 1825-1900. On the right appears the effigy of the republic in a circle with the value below.

SPECULATIVE STAMPS AND COUNTERFEITS.

The stamps described under this heading, we would advise collectors to avoid, as they are manufactured either by official authority or by private individuals for their own gain at the expense of Philatelists.

ORANGE RIVER COLONY. (*More forged surcharges.*) The *S. C. Fortnightly*, reports the 2½d V. R. I. genuinely post-marked with surcharge forged; also the 6d carmine, unused, with surcharge forged. These forgeries are to be found among genuine stamps forming sets.

ROUMANIA.—(*Commemorative set.*) In order to commemorate the opening of the new general post office at Bucarest a set of stamps has been prepared, consist-

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QUEENSLAND. — [*War fund stamps*]. This colony has issued two stamps of a similar class to those of Victoria illustrated last month. They are inscribed QUEENSLAND POSTAGE PATRIOTIC FUND and value in words, but this merely represents their postal value, as they are sold for twelve times the expressed amount. The values and colors are 1d light magenta and 2d violet.

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Editorial.

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THE BAY STATE PHILATELIST.
ITS CANADIAN DEPARTMENT.

Amongst the exchanges which reach our sanctum, one of the papers which we have always been glad to greet is the *Bay State Philatelist*. It appears promptly, its articles are usually well-

selected, and carefully reasoned. It is not afraid to form an opinion, and to express the same vigorously and tersely without descending to personal attacks. We experienced however a disappointment in reading its current number in the choice it has made of a Canadian correspondent. It has selected for the manager of the "Canadian Department" a gentleman well-known in this country as a chronic kicker, whose literary stock in trade consists of personalities, Shakesperian phrases, burlesqued Scriptural quotations, and—vulgar slang—which is well, neither Shakesperian nor Scriptural. According to his wont this Canadian correspondent inaugurates the management of his "department" by a personal attack on well-known Canadian collectors. The League of Canadian Philatelists of which we are the official organ, is specially selected for a scurrilous attack. The prominent philatelists of which that league is composed, require no endorsement and certainly fear no detraction, from the disgruntled sore head referred to, their reputation as reliable, honorable gentlemen is co-extensive with philately itself. An attack upon their disinterested devotion to philately, for philately's sake, such as this correspondent indulges in, requires no reply on our part, but the *Bay State Philatelist* will certainly not gain in popularity nor circulation in Canada, by permitting such attacks upon our most honored sons.

There exists a little paper in a country town in Ontario, (the emulor of a certain Maine city in the publication of prize contest and cheap-John journals) which seems to want some free advertising in our columns. For the benefit of our country cousin we would say our publisher gets 50c per inch for space, and has no room for dead heads. This same little amateur journal is given to publishing false reports, which it has to retract from time to time. When it gets past the amateur stage of journalism it will have learnt to first make sure it is right and then go ahead.

CREAM OF THE MAGAZINES.

Under this title we intend in future, as far as space will permit, to give monthly extracts from all important articles published by our contemporaries, giving the preference to the European papers, as they are less likely to be seen by the majority of our readers, than the American journals. We have often been asked why we do not have a regular "review" department as so many other papers have; our reason is that "reviews" as ordinarily given are of no practical value, and to conduct a complete review of all publications would take up more space than our publisher allows us for reading matter, at the same time we are desirous of keeping our readers informed of what subjects are being discussed by the philatelic press, and we think this can best be accomplished by extracting the "cream" from those magazines which our readers are less likely to receive and read for themselves. Only short readable articles will be reproduced or such as admit of condensation, in this way our subscribers will get the benefit of everything of value published elsewhere. Criticism will when necessary be found, as heretofore, in our editorial columns.

AN "ENTIRE" MISTAKE.

It is one of the little ironies of human vanity that just when students and collectors of entire cards and covers have congratulated themselves upon the dawn of a brighter era for their study, the holder of the largest stock of those treasures in this country should come to a decision to abandon its position in regard to them, for economic reasons. Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., have just announced, that owing to expansion in other branches of business, no more envelopes, post cards, letter cards or wrappers will be imported or bought in any way by them, and that, moreover, new issues will no longer be chronicled in their Monthly Journal or catalogued. The firm, having a large amount of money sunk in these goods, has apparently thought wise to fix a limit, particularly

seeing they are so bulky, and space in the Strand so valuable. The announcement has caused much surprise and comment, and is accepted by many outsiders, as proof positive that entires are bad stock, and that their day is at an end. Nothing could be more fallacious than such an idea.

During the past year or two there has been a steady increase in the number of collectors, who from one cause or another have been led to add entire pieces to their collections, or to form separate collections of them. The fact that there are so few reprints or forgeries and practically no commemorative issues, that the number of unattainable specimens is comparatively small and that the natural interests of the study are undoubtedly fascinating have all tended to increase its popularity among philatelists. On the Continent the subject is immensely popular and 'entire' collectors are quite as enthusiastic, if not so numerous, as the collectors of adhesives. And here in England the study has silently and steadily caught hold, and there is an ever-widening circle of enthusiasts represented by both an exchange club and a magazine. It would appear, therefore a very inopportune moment for any misgivings as to the value of entires either as a study or an investment, and though, of course we cannot complain of a firm of dealers deciding to discontinue adding to stock, we cannot but be sorry that our well-informed contemporary will no longer place new issues of entires in its excellent lists.—"Stamps."

BUY OF THE MAKERS.

Our good Colony of Victoria appears to be playing it very low down in postal matters. Unless 'visions is about,' the following official circular has been issued from the postal headquarters in Melbourne.

SPECIMEN STAMPS: A set of Victorian Postage and Postage due stamps of all denominations from ½d. to 20s, including Post Cards, Stamped Envelopes, and Newspaper Wrappers may be purchased for £1. The full set, from ½d. to £100 may be obtained for £5.

Application to be made to the Comptroller of Stamps.

The stamps will be cancelled either by light postmark or by being marked "Specimen," as purchaser may desire.

The new departure is getting spirited philatelic criticism all over the world;

and little wonder! *The American Journal of Philately* suggests to the Victorian Government to start a grocery section and various other sidelines in connection with its business.

It could be said of most post offices throughout the world that they have a department of philately—the world's dealers leave them no option as to that—but no post office, we think, has ever gone into the business of stamp dealing with quite such brutal frankness as this!

The special evil of the thing lies in that clause of the circular which leaves it to the purchaser's option whether the stamps shall be "lightly postmarked" or overprinted "specimen." Stamps overprinted "specimen" are sanctified by tradition. We do not like them, so, in the homely old phrase, we "jump" them. But stamps post-marked to order are an abomination, and it is almost inconceivable that the Government of a great and prosperous colony like Victoria should so far forget all the pride and circumstance of State as to hawk "Job lots" of its own stamps surlously postmarked "to suit customers' requirements," so to say!—*S. C. Fortnightly*.

SPECULATION IN UNUSED COLONIALS.

How Philately affects Gambia's Finances.

The Report of the Administrator of the Colony of Gambia (Sir R. B. Llewelyn) for 1899, just issued as a Colonial Office Paper, contains the following passage:

There was an increase under every head of Revenue, except the Post Office, in which there was a falling off from £2,140 to £589, in part owing to the adoption of the penny postal rate, but mainly to be attributed to the falling off in the demand for postage stamps by collectors, who, in the previous year, purchased a large quantity of the old issue and new issue on the change that was made in May 1898, of the dies.

The difference between the two years, then, was £1551, and this difference Sir R. B. Llewelyn attributes *mainly* to the falling-off of philatelic orders. This falling-off, it is perhaps unnecessary to explain, is no falling-off in the normal demand for unused current stamps, but really represents the disappearance of a sudden and special demand created by the change of issue. Allowing an ample proportion for the purchase of sets of the new issue by dealers, etc., it is fair to assume that at the time of the withdrawal of the old Gambia stamps philatelists

bought up at least £1000 worth of the "retiring" series—a series, be it remembered, which had been in issue for a matter of sixteen years!

Now you can get a heap of stamps for £1000 reckoning at face value; and it must be remembered that the highest Gambian face-value is one shilling!

What has become of all these stamps? Have they been stowed away by those deluded philatelists who, according to the Editors of the *P. J. G. B.* are hoarding up unused Colonials in pairs, blocks and even complete sheets against the day when their prices shall have risen an hundredfold in the catalogues of the dealers?—*S. C. Fortnightly*.

While common stamps are dirt cheap, an accumulation of expensive stamps comes high. The individual gem is valuable, but it gains additional value when set along with many other expensive stamps in a collection. Some gatherings run into princely fortunes, and when disposed of have been known to net their owners a handsome profit on the original cost. As an instance of the amount of money sometimes involved in a collection, it may be mentioned that a firm of stamp dealers, Messrs. Hamilton, Smith & Co., have just sold Mr. Castle's collection of unused Europeans for the enormous sum of £30,000. His used collection was recently sold for £2,400, and his collection of Australians realized £10,000 some years ago. While this is a good showing, it is not the best; one well known collection in its day, was broken up, during 1898, and netted its owner \$250,000. Collectors having stamps of which they want to dispose, are able to do so by selling direct or through dealers, or else put them up for auction. In regard to auction sales the New York Press says of its city that now is the busy season among the postage stamp collectors and dealers, when many auction sales of collections are held in the fine home of the Collectors' club, No. 351 Fourth avenue. All kinds of people gather at these auctions, and it is not uncommon to see a well known business man bidding against some school boy to secure a coveted lot of stamps, usually to the disappointment of the latter. It is estimated that over \$1,000,000 worth of old postage stamps are sold in that city alone every year, and the trade is increasing in jumps and bounds.—*Manitoba Free Press*.

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Peterborough, Ont., 17th Dec., 1900.

EDITOR "MONTREAL PHILATELIST" :

Sir,—I do not believe in airing grievances in the public prints, but I cannot allow to pass, unchallenged, the article in the current number of the *Bay State Philatelist*, under the caption "Canadian Department," written by an irresponsible youth, Muirhead by name, who lives in or near Halifax, I believe. He is pleased to make charges and innuendoes against myself and the Society over which I have the honor to preside, which are insolent libels, without any foundation in fact. I know full well, however, that they will carry no weight whatever for the collecting public will consider the source, and judge accordingly. Neither am I at all surprised he should write such a monumental piece of drivel and bad grammar, but I confess to considerable surprise that he should find a market for such goods, and that any decent stamp journal should display such bad taste as to publish such a wretched excuse for a space filler.

For myself, I am content to let the stamp collecting world judge between us, and do not care a fig for his attacks. I have been too long before the collecting public, both as collector and dealer, to fear the flings of such as he. He is a splendid example of the effects of Philatelic Politics, and that he should choose such a text for his tirade shews conclusively how thick-skinned he is, for if my memory does not play me a scurvy trick he it was who "ran" for the post of President of the D.P.A., and was very properly sat upon, and turned down by his fellow-members, who played a proper

estimate upon his worth, and who were sick of Philatelic Politics and such philatelic politicians as he. I remember, too, he used not a little space in the Official Organ, the burden of his prayers, in advertising form, being "Vote for A. M. Muirhead," the young Napoleon of Canadian Philately, who would put down corruption in high places and remedy every existing abuse. I neither "ran" for nor asked for the office of President of the L. of C. P., but I was tendered the post, and have tried to fill same to the best of my poor ability, and I know full well that I am the President of one of the best Societies in existence to-day in the world of stamps, composed entirely of honest, honourable men, many of them prominent in many walks of life.

Muirhead's attack upon Major Wurtele stamps him, if aught else were needed. I have had the honor of meeting Major Wurtele in Quebec, on several occasions, and he can well afford to laugh at slurs from such a source. Failing to find favor in the eyes of his fellow members in the D.P.A., he threatened dire vengeance, and set about wrecking the Society through the efforts of his puny will, but the D. P. A. is, I believe, very much in evidence yet. I rather fancy the galled jade did wince, for the light was a trifle strong. I confess, however, that it was a terrible blow to me to learn that he "Do not think an awful lot of the League," after all our efforts to please him. Seriously, though, I really think the whole puerile screech beneath contempt, were it not for his statement that we, *i. e.*, the League, "Are a correct coterie of sharks, for the various purposes of *shark-ery*" (a nice, new word coined and

patented by himself, which statement, I think, might well be looked into by our Attorney, first ascertaining if Muirhead be worth anything, in case judgment for libel and slander be obtained against him. With refreshing candour, he admits he has frequently been wrong in the past, quite unnecessary on his part, I submit, as the majority of his readers doubtless knew it. He writes of "skinning" the lambs, but did he not mean "fleecing" them. Evidently, he is not a practical farmer.

He starts out with a perfect little gem of thought, which, I regret to say, will not stand the fierce light of which he speaks later on. Here it is, in all its pristine beauty, for the benefit of those who may not have seen it in the original: "The little controversies which PERTAIN BETWEEN those valliant [I have been in the habit of spelling this word with one 'I' only, but this great mind, this pure, infallible Philatelic Politician has spoken. Not content with coining new words, he needs must alter our spelling, with ruthless hand destroying some of the cherished faiths of our school boy days]—journals." I appeal to you, oh, gentle reader. Is not "PERTAIN BETWEEN" rich! But woe is me, there are other fearfully and wonderfully constructed sentences evolved out of this gigantic intellect. His splendid disregard of the Queen's English is a most awe-inspiring one, and it leads me to remark, that it is a thousand pities that so polished a writer should restrain his hand. I have space to quote but a few more sparkling gems, such as "The use of *those* new Special Delivery stamps is most limited," "Many philatelists *gl' wed*," "*Coinage* of postage stamps in the *ration* of," and last, but by no means least, "Some of us INCLINE DENUNCIATION!" All of which is pretty "rank" and surely "smells to Heaven." In the little matter of spelling and punctuation, too, his Essay is a trifle weak. In fact Punctuation and he are strangers. One more little illustration of the literary style of this bright young man, and I am done. He writes..... [We do not care to offend the good taste of our readers by reproducing Mr. Muirhead's parody of what is deemed sacred by ourselves and by them.—ED. M. P.] If this be not blasphemy, it is bordering dangerously close to it. I crave your kind indulgence, gentle reader, for inflicting you as I have done, and you, Mr.

Editor, for having used so much of your valuable space, in aiming at so small a target, and beg to subscribe myself, as ever, very faithfully yours,

W. K. HALL.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

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