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## TO THE NOVICE.

Have you ever had an opportunity to make a collection of postage stamps? No! Then you have missed the most fascinating pursuit in which a loy ever engaged. You say you have friends who are collectors, but you never tried it yourself? Ah, yes, you probably never had a chance to look into the suhject, but now that you have a little spare time, we will talk it over, and then you will know all about it.

The postage stamp at a first glance seems to be a very insignificint thing, but in these days that little one inch piece of paper is as powerful in its sphre us the greatest king on earth.

The postage stamp when properly attached to a letter, will carry it to the utitermost end of the globe The swiftest steam-bata, the fatest railroads, the moit enduring animals are engaged to carry it. The most perfect saforuards that human ingenuity can devise are thrown abont it, and life itseli will be sacriticex to protect: the misives bearing that litise stimp.

To send a letere to China throuri a:yy other medium than by a stamp, would cosit many. many dollas, hat by attaching this litt.e piece of paper it will go anywhere for a few centis, while the power of govemments will be lent it for protection. lin't it a wonderful little thing when we look at it right?

Where is the boy who woid not like to trarel over the whole earth. gathering :and kecping from each country; smething
which belonged to each place? Few of us can travel thus, but at a small expense we can collect the stamps from every clime, each bearing its own distinctive picture or wording, and forming when together, an exbibition pleasing to the eye, instructive to the mind, and descriptive of the far away lands of which we delight to read.

A co.'ectiou of postage stamps differs in an essential point from any other col ection. Were you to collect minerals, coins, butterflies, or anything $e \cdot s e$, it wouid require large space in which to keep them, but your stamps are all mounted in one book, and a few moments is all that is necessary to find any country.

A colection of stamps will impart more know edge to a boy i't one week than he will get from his school books in many months, and do you ask why?

Becauie his col ection is his tor; and all the knowledge he can gain from it is taken as a pleasurc, whereas his books are considereal a tisisk.

Ife will luarn all he can regarding his stamp): becenllie he is interested in them, and it is a peasure to learn, and earning olbained in this mamer is jermanent.
D. yuu ask what can le learned from postare stamps? Nore than I could tell you ia hours

Neinly every new issuc of postage stamps, pat out is issucd for some reason. A new kin: on the chrore; a evelution in prosess; a contemial of some great event; a jubi.ec. Of such events the collector kearns through
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CANADIAN PHILATELIC WEEKLY. TORONTO, ONT.

This paper is under a new management, and dering May, June, July and August, it will appear fortnightly only.

Beginning in the next issue, a Ca' adian dealer will commerce a Catalogue of CanadIan Revenue Stamps, with prices, basing it on the usual discount rates.

A firm that recently published a new catalogue, compute, without minor varicties, that the total number of the world's different stamps to date would amount to just under 14,000.

All the dies, plates, etc., of the Newfoundland stamps from 1866 to 1896 have been destroyed.

A great stamp robbery at Buda-Pesth has just come to light. It appears that sheets of stamps from the State printing office ordered for destruction, have for some time past fallen into unauthorized hands, and that several persons in high positions are said to be implicated.

Very great confusion, and no end of trouble has been caused by the refusal of the Maltese Government to accept the Imperial Penny Post Stamp. At the present time, every letter received iearing only the 1 d stamp, is charged $3 d$ on delivery.
The fourth centanary of the discovery of Brazil will be celebrated in 1900 by a new issue of stamps.

The new Malra stamps are manufactured by De la Rue \& Co.

All Finnish postage stamps are to be withdrawn at the end of the year.

The designs for the Cuban enve'opes have been accepted and an oider given to have the dies made. The head of Coiumbus as used on the 50 -cent piece of $1892-93$ (Co'umian half-dollar) was finally decided upon. There are to be two denominations, both of same desion, 2c red and 5c. blue. The word 'Cuba' appears at top and 'Dos' or 'Cinco Centavos,' respectively, at bottom. The figure of value appears twice at side, suriounded by foliage. A circle of pear's surrounds the head. No word has been received from Cuba as to sizes and paper varieties wanted. It appears that for the present the regulal U.S paper will be used for their manufacture, but later on a distinctivelv Cuban watermark will probably be adopted. The prospects for a sufficient number of varicties are therefore quite bright.

At last the Philippines are to be favored with a colonial set The Post Office Department is novi preparing to send to Manilla stamps for use on the islands. They will be the same as those now in use, but will be surcharged with the word "Philipines," which will prohably be printed diagonally across ths face of the stamp, similar to the Porto Rico surcharge.

They do some things better on the Continent. A new postal departure has just been instituted in the Grand Duchy of Baden, which has much to recommend it. If it happens that in the course of a journny the traveller wants to despatch a telegram all he has to do is to urite his message on a post card with the intimation that he wishes it wired, affix the requisite amount of stamps and drop it into the letter boxattached to the train. When the train stops the box is cleared and the wires sent off without further trouble.

It is reported that only 600020 Purple envelopus were issued.

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## Hawaii, Phillipine, Porto Rico

 and Cuba All Different, Ohsolete and Mostly Unssod.These places are now United States' possessions, and the stamps are good to buy. We have only 40 lots to sell, and while they last the price is 82.00 for the 55 stamps, a snap.

Another packet contains 20 different Porto Rieo, Phillipine and Cuba. Price 85c.

> CARTIER STAMP CO. TORONTO, ON'r.

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## Canadian Philatelic Weekly TORONTO, OMT.



Wm. R. Adams, Toronto, Ont.

## CANADA HAPPENINGS.

The vigorous policy of the Hon. Wm. Mu'ock, Postmaster-General of Canada, has resu'ted in enormpusly reducing the annual deficit in this department. In fact, it never showed such small deficit at any previous time.

In Parliament, the following questions were recent'y asked, and answered :

1. Who was the purchaser of several thousand two-cent green stamped envelopes in ' Toronto just psevious to the issue of the twocent purple envelope? 2. How many twicent purple stamped envelopes were issued in Toronto? 3. When were they issucd? 4. Who purchased them? 5. When were they sent to Toronto? 6. Is the Goventment aware that secret information anent the issue of two-cent purple stamped envelopes and the quantity of two cent green stamped envelopes in stock in Torontn was obtained? 7. Is the Government anare that the person who cornered the twu-cent purple stamp stock sold them as high as 50 cents each, and they are now going as high as $\$ 1$ in places? 8. Was the issue of the two cent purple stampcid envelopes done by by mistake? 9. Are there any two-cent purp'e stamped envelopes now in stock? 10. Is it the intention of the Government to issue any more two-cent purp!e st imped envelopes? 11. Will that issue, if any such be made, take place before the person who cornered the Toronto lot disposes of his lot?

Hon. Wm. Mu:ork, replying, said it was an oljectionable question, suggestive of at supposed state of affairs that might or mighit not exist. As to the first question, the department had no information. 2-2,000. 3 5th of January, '39. 4-The department has n) knowledge of the purchaser. 5-4th of January, '99. 6-The department is not aware that any such information was given. but will make rigid enquiry if information is laid. 7 The Government is not in possession of sucin information. 8-There was no mistake in the issue. $9-$ No. $10-$ No.

## THE CANADIAN PHILATELIC WEEKLY.

## Bargains, New Issues and Novelties.

1000 Mixed Foreign Stamps

## 20.) different Foreign Stamps

Canada Revenuo Ciatalogue
Ketcheson's Rev.
Coin Catalogue
Stamp Albums, $25 \mathrm{c}, 35 \mathrm{c}, 50 \mathrm{c}, \$ 1$, $\$ 2$ up to $\$ 15$ each. Send sum you can spend, and we will do the rest.
Stamp Hinges. 10c a 1000,3000 .
Portraits of Rulers (72)
Coats of Arms of the World
Asia and Africa, 100 different. . $\left.5^{\prime}\right)$
British Colonies, 100
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West Indies, $\quad 50 \quad$ " $\quad$.
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Segchelles, $13 \cdot$, cat $3 \bar{j} \times \cdot . .$.
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Canada, 交p pink, unnsed, fine.
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State Dept, 150
Justice, 改 wok CC

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Great Britain, ' $62.3 p$ rose unusd 10 )
Mutual Union Telegraph, red,'83 110
Nova Scotiat lue red.............. . . 40
Malta, 5 sh unusrd.................. 150
Trinidad Jubil.e, 2p unused .... 10
Borueo, 10c un $\$ 1$........ .. .... 09
United States.
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25c Protest, perf . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 20

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Turks Island, 4p ultramarine
'59, 10k: violet
'09, 5c unused
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5ke blue, 189.).
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