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* 9 - 1886, 6p lilac, anchor	23
10 - 1887, 1sh green, anchor	25
16 - " 6p lilac	15
17 - " 1sh green	30
20 - " 5sh "	\$ 1 10
44 - 1888, 1sh "	25
*34a - " 4p gray, anchor	50
* 2 Br. Columbia, 1861, 2 1/2p pink	90
* 7 - 1865, 3 pence blue	25
* 8 - 1868, 2c. bistre	25
* 9 - " 5c red	90
*11 - " 25c yellow	90
*12 - " 50c lilac	1 60
3 Br. Guiana, 1853, 4c blue	2 80
3a - 1853, 4c blue, white line above value	3 00
18 - 1860, 24c green	60
24 - 1863, 48c rose	40
*79 - " 8c rose, off	5 00
118a - 1860, 5p on 12c lilac	1 80
*139 - 1881, 1c on 96c bistre	30
*140 - " 1c on 12c	1 50
142 - " 1c on 48c	90
*144 - " 2c on 96c	35
*145 - " 2c on 12c	1 00
*148 - " 2c on 24c	1 60
151 - 1882, 1c rose	65
155 - 1889, 2c mauve and black	80
*172 - 1890, 1c ou \$3	1 00
1 Br. Honduras, 1865, 1p blue	35
2 - 1865, 6p rose	90
3 - " 1sh green	1 05
* 5 - 1872, 3p brown, C. C	40
6 - " 6p rose, C. C	60
7 - " 1sh green, C. C	40
10 - 1884, 4p lilac, C. A	20
31 - 1888, 2c on 9p rose	3 75
33 - " 10c on 4p lilac	35
34 - " 20c on 6p yellow C. A	50
" half of 37	60
* 30 - 1888, 10c on 4p lilac	20
* 40 - " 20c on 6p orange	50
* 41 - " 50c on 1sh gray	75
6 Br. N. Borneo, 1883, \$1 carm	60
17 - 1886, 25c slate	60
18 - " 50c lilac	80
19 - " \$1 carmine	50
20 - " \$2 sage green	2 00
41 - 1883, 8c on 2c	1 20
1 Canaan, 1851, 3p red, laid p	50
* 4 - 1852, 3p red, wove p	60
5 - " 6p purple, thick wove p	3 40
6 - 1855, 10p blue, wove p	3 00
7 - 1857, 4p pink, wove p	30
9 - 1858, 4p pink	1 00
10 - " 3p red	1 25
14 - 1859, 10c violet	20
16 - " 17c blue	40
17 - 1864, 2c pink	20
* 19 - 1868, 1c brown red	20
* 23 - " 12 1/2c blue	30
* 27 - 1869, 1c yellow	25
* 32 - 1873, 10c pink	20
* 33 - 1875, 8c olive green	30
* 35 - 1877, 15c slate	30
* 62 - 1860, 10c brown, env	1 00
* 82 - 1875, 8c blue, registration	30
88 - 1879, brown, off sealed	2 00

1 Cape of Good Hops, 1853, 1p	40
red, blue p	30
2 - 1853, 4p blue, blue p	35
3 - 1857, 1p red, anchor	50
5 - 1858, 6p lilac, anchor	50
6 - " 1sh green, anchor	1 00
8 - 1861, 1p red, wood block	6 50
10 - " 4p blue, wood block	4 00
59 - 1874, 1p on 6p lilac	20
* 60 - 1877, 1p on 1sh gr	25
* 62 - 1880, 3p on 4p pink	20
* 6 Cape Verde, 1877, 50r green	20
* 7 - 1877, 100r mauve	20
* 8 - " 200r orange	38
* 9 - " 300r brown	50
3 Ceylon, 1857, 1p blue, star	20
4 - 1857, 2p green, star	40
6 - " 5p red brown, star	\$1 50
7 - " 6p brown, star	1 00
12 - " 1sh 9p gr. star	10 00
15 - 1861, 1p blue, star	20
18 - " 6p red-brown, star	75
19 - " 6p brown, star	1 25
21 - " 9p brown, star	2 00
22 - " 10p verm., star	40
23 - " 1sh violet, star	20
* 25 - " 2sh blue, star	7 50
27 - 1863, 1p blue, no wmk	7 10
29 - " 6p brown, no wmk	1 75
* 32 - 1864, 4p lilac, C. C	20
* 33 - " 1p blue, C. C	20
* 34 - " 2p green, C. C	40
* 37 - " 9p brown, C. C	60
*37a - " 10p verm, C. C	65
* 38 - " 1sh lilac, C. C	70
39 - " 2sh blue, C. C	30
40 - 1865, 4p rose, C. C	40
* 43 - 1867, 2p yellow, C. C	30
44 - " 5p green, C. C	30
46 - 1868, 3p rose, C. C	20
* 50 - 1872, 16c lilac, C. C	20
52 - " 36c blue, C. C	20
* 53 - " 48c rose, C. C	45
* 55 - 1877, 32c blue, C. C	35
* 56 - " 64c brown, C. C	75
* 61 - 1883, 4c lilac, C. A	25
* 64 - 1886, 4c rose, C. A	20
69 - 1887, 1r 12c red-brown, C. A	85
107 - 1882, 16c on 24c gr	20
*108 - " 20c on 64 red-brown	50
112 - 1885, 5c on 24c gr	1 60
120 - " 10c on 16c lilac	3 20
121 - " 10c on 24c claret	60
*123 - " 10c on 24c claret	30
126 - " 15c on 16c lilac	40
127 - " 15c on 16c orange	25
*129 - " 20c on 32c blue	30
130 - " 25c on 32c blue	20
*131 - " 28c on 32c blue	20
132 - " 28c on 48c rose	35
*133 - " 30c on 36c blue	1 00
134 - " 30c on 36c brown	40
135 - " 56c on 96c slate	25
136 - " 56c on 96c slate	25
137 - " One rupee 12 c on 24 r. b. red.	50
*160 - 1869, 1p blue, blk. sur' off	1 60
*164 - " 6p brown, red sur' off	1 50
*184 - 1858, 2p green, env	1 35
*187 - " 6p purple brown, env	3 10

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CHRONICLE.

BY R. R. BOGERT.

BAVARIA.—Mr. Lohmeyer has sent us two stamped telephone tickets, 10 pf. and 25 pf., both black on white, paper watermarked with perpendicular wavy lines.

BRITISH HONDURAS.—The 5c. card has been surcharged "3" in black, and the 10c. on 4d. has the "10" crossed out and "6" surcharged above in black.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA CO.—*Mekeel's Weekly* illustrates the design of the new stamps that have been expected for some time. A shield in the center is surmounted by a lion and supported by two unicorns. Above in two lines, "British South Africa Company," and below the motto, "Justice—Freedom—Commerce," and the value 1d., black, 6d., blue, 1 sh., brown.

GRENADA.—The 2 sh. fiscal stamp, green and orange, is now surcharged, 1d. in black, and the 8d. in four lines "Postage—and—Revenue—1d."

GUADELOUPE.—The 1 fc. has been surcharged $\frac{5c}{10c}$ in black.

HONG KONG.—The 10c. green has been surcharged in two lines "7 cents." There will probably be a 7c. stamp issued as this is a new postal rate. They have also just celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Colony, by surcharging the 2c. stamp in four lines in black "1841—Hong Kong—JUBILEE 1891."

INDIA.—Another surcharge is before us. $2\frac{1}{2}$ annas on 4a. 6p. Black on green.

LAGOS.—The 3d. is printed now in lilac and brown.

LEEWARD ISLANDS.—There is a 1d. envelope and $\frac{1}{2}$ d. and 1d. wrappers.

MARTINIQUE.—*Le T. P.* notes the 10 cts., 20 cts. and 25 cts. surcharged MARTINIQUE
05c.
and MARTINIQUE
15c.

MAURITIUS.—It seems that both of the 8c. envelopes have been surcharged "50 CENTS."

NEWFOUNDLAND.—The 1c. and 2c. cards are now white instead of buff.

NEW SOUTH WALES.—From *Mekeel's Weekly* we learn that the 1d. is printed in gray and surcharged "half-penny," the 6d. is printed in brown and surcharged "seven-pence half-penny," the 1sh. is printed in red and surcharged "twelve-pence half-penny." The postage due stamps are a poor copy of those of the United States; they are printed in a sickly green, values 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 5s., 10s., 20s.

NICARAGUA.—The new stamps described last month are 1c., brown; 2c., red; 5c., blue; 10c., gray; 20c., maroon; 50c., violet; 1p., brown; 2p., green; 5p., lake; 10p., orange. The full set has also been printed in green, and surcharged in red FRANQUEO-OFCIAL in two lines. The post cards have the same stamp in

the upper right corner and a map of Nicaragua covering the center of the card. 2c. and 2x2c. dark green on rose card with blue ground work; 3c. and 3x3c. dark blue on buff card with orange ground work. The envelopes have the same stamp; 5c., blue on white, 153x90 mm.; 5c., blue on amber, 159x91 mm.; 10c., gray on white, 159x91 mm.; 20c., carmine on amber, 195x94 mm.; 30c., brown on amber, 240x103 mm.; 50c., lilac on amber, 240x103 mm. Wrappers 1c., 2c., and 4c., green on manila, 170x280 mm.

ORANGE FREE STATE.—The 4d. blue has lately been surcharged 1d. in black.

SALVADOR.—The 1891 stamps have a volcano and locomotive in a circle. "Correos del Salvador" above, value and date below, and figures of value at sides. 1c., vermilion; 2c., green; 3c., lilac; 5c., red; 10c., blue; 11c., lilac; 20c. green; 25c., brown; 50c., blue; 1p., brown. The cards have stamp resembling adhesive in upper right corner, arms in left corner and seated figure of Justice in the center with rayed ground work. Black impression and green ground on various colored cards as follows: 1c. on blue, 2c. and 2x2c. on buff, 3c. and 3x3c. on rose. The envelopes and wrappers have the usual large oval stamp with design in center resembling the adhesives. Envelope, 1c., violet on red, 150x85 mm.; 2c., vermilion on white, 150x85 mm.; 5c., brown on buff, 159x91 mm., 10c., green on blue, 159x91 mm.; 11c., orange on red, 159x91 mm.; 20c. carmine on buff, 159x91 mm.; 22c., dark brown on buff, 159x91 mm. Wrappers, 2c., 3c., 6c., 12½c., dark brown on red paper 208x267 mm.

SIAM.—The 3 att green and blue is surcharged 2 att in black.

TASMANIA.—We have received the 2½d. mentioned last month, but it is surcharged on the 9d. printed in pale blue.

TUNIS.—*Le Timbre Poste* says: "Some of the stamps are surcharged "a perceiver" instead of having the letter "T" perforated.

VICTORIA.—*Mekeel's Weekly* illustrates the new 2½ and 5d. stamps; the former sepia on yellow has the queen's head at the right and the southern cross at the left; the 5d. has head in oval with branches at sides, and is brown on white. Both have "Victoria" above and value below. There is a ½d. postage due stamp.

VIRGIN ISLANDS.—*The Ph. Record* surprises us by the information that at least one sheet of the 1sh. 1867. with single outer line of color, must have been printed without the Virgin.

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THE following are some of the best prices obtained at Bogart's 24th auction sale in New York: St. Louis, 5c. Die B, \$70; Bolivia, 1867, 10c. brown, \$9; Brazil, 1845, 180, 300, 600, \$25.55; Br. Guiana, 1862, 2c., \$18; Br. Guiana, 1862, 4c., \$35; Buenos Ayres, 3p. green, \$11; Ceylon, 2 sh. unperf. used, \$14; Colombia, 1862, 20c., \$32; Colombia, 1862, 1 peso on white, \$12.60; Colombia, 1862, 1 peso on blue, \$15.05; Bolivar, 1863, 10c. green, \$26.50; Costa Rica, ½rl. unperf., \$8; Great Britain, Muldrey 2d. entire sheet of 12, \$54.24; Great Britain, 2sh. brown, \$7; Maderia, 1868, 5 reis., black surch., \$17; Mauritius, 1848, 2d. very fine, \$18; New Brunswick, 1 sh., \$25.50; Nova Scotia, 1sh., \$25; Nova Scotia, 1sh., \$20; Oldenberg, 1858, ⅓ gro., 12.10; Peru, P. S. N. Co., 1rl., \$25.25; Peru, 1858, ½ peso, rose, \$56; Russia, Levant, 1865, 5k., \$8.60; Russia Levant, 1865, 20k, \$12.10; Shanghai, 1 cand. on 12 cand., \$9.05; Spain, 1851, 2rls, \$40.50; Spain, 1852, 2rls. \$18; Spain, 1853, 2rls., \$13.

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No applications this month.

LIST OF NEW MEMBERS.—No. 247, A. P. Chandler, Fargo, Dakota, U. S. A.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. A. KING, Secretary.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor:

The Canadian Philatelic Society is dying through its own fault. Every number of your newspaper contains numerous resignations and expulsions and with but few new members joining.

What is the cause of all this? The answer is very simple. All the members of the Society admit that there is only *one* advantage in belonging to it, as owing to their residence being in different parts of the Dominion and the United States they are unable to meet weekly or monthly for the purpose of exchanging ideas, and discussing their interests.

The only advantage then, is, the Exchange in connection with the Society which unfortunately is not conducted properly. The stamps which are sent for circulation among the members are unheard of for months together and are not even acknowledged by its Exchange Superintendent.

Even when there is a return and a sum to one's credit there is great difficulty in getting paid. Nevertheless the Superintendent of the Exchange is very careful to exact all sums due, even when there is something due us.

Thus, I sent to the Exchange Superintendent, during last March stamps to the amount of \$300, that have never been acknowledged and have only been returned to me in January. That is to say after a period of *nine months*. Mr. Grenny notified me last August that I had \$12 to my credit.

A little later on I took some stamps from the Circulation Lists and was compelled to pay for them although being a creditor for a much larger amount.

In January last I was again notified that I had the the sum of \$20 to my credit and at once demanded payment of these two sums in order to reimburse myself.

In reply I was told that the Secretary of the Montreal Association was ordered to collect from one of the members, the amount due, in order to pay me.

The very same day I received "THE DOMINION PHILATELIST" announcing the expulsion of the above member, for neglecting to pay his dues.

Since then I have heard nothing further and I am still unable to get what is lawfully due me, though having promptly paid everything due to the Society.

I therefore specially draw the attention of the Executive Committee to these facts in order that it may promptly and efficiently deal with this state of affairs, as failing which the Canadian Philatelic Society will be a thing of the past.

I remain Sir, your obedient servant,

PAUL SICOTTE, No. 172, C. P. A.

MONTREAL, 9th February, 1891.

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CHICAGO, March 7th, 1861.

H. F. Ketcheson, Esq.:

DEAR SIR,—The letters of Mr. V. H. Young and myself in relation to the group picture of all the C. P. A. members having been published in the February number of THE DOMINION PHILATELIST, I herewith send you a short sketch of what has been done about it.

The best plan seems to be that of reproduction by the Photo-Gravure process which will be the cheapest and most available. The work will be the best that can be procured and the grouping will be done in the most artistic manner. 50 to 100 *bust* cabinet pictures can be attractively arranged and printed by this process from an 18x22 plate on a 22x28 fine bristol board, that will admit of being rolled for the purpose of mailing.

Close estimates show that this work can be done for about \$76.00 for the first 100 pictures. I would undertake to have this done provided I received pledges for at least 75 pictures at \$1.00 each. It would be necessary to charge members \$1.00 each, as the pasteboard case to mail the pictures in and the postage would be extra.

I would further advocate that only those members pictures be included in the group that subscribe for at least one picture. There are now 50 cabinets, 5 card pictures and 4 stamp photos in the lot so far collected. The card pictures and stamp photos can not be used and only about 40 of the cabinets are available. No doubt a number of these are not now members and would have to be excluded.

If it is the wish of the members to have this scheme successfully carried out they must at once advise me by letter of their intentions, as I will not let the matter drag along for an indefinite period. I trust that by this time next month I can report progress or that the pictures have been returned.

Truly yours,

P. M. WOLSIEFFER, Drawer 707, Chicago, Ill.

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MEMPHIS, MO., March 2nd, 1891.

DEAR SIR,—I have received payment from Willie F. Hughes, Birmingham, Alabama, through his father, for lot of stamps sent him Sept. 30, 1890.

Respectfully yours,

M. STEFFAN, Memphis, Mo.

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WE have not received any reports this month from the Librarian and Ex-Supt.

CANADA Bill Stamps 3rd issue complete, 18 var., post paid only 75 cts. H. F. Ketcheson, Belleville, Ont.

FIVE varieties of Belgiums Packet Post Stamps, post paid for only ten cents. 5 sets for 40 cents. Ten sets for 75 cents. Send now, H. F. Ketcheson, Belleville, Ont.

DR. CAMERON, Treasurer of the C. P. A. writes us as follows: "I was much pleased with the last number of the DOMINION PHILATELIST; the type is good, the paper is good and the contents good."

THE Maritime Philatelist has appeared. It hails from Salem, N. S. There is plenty of room for a half dozen Philatelic papers in Canada, and we would like to see them. "Opposition is the life of Trade."

It's a satisfaction to know what your correspondents looks like and also to think that they know how handsome you are. This can only be brought about by an exchange of Photos and for a Stamp Collector of course Stamp Photos are the most suitable. They can be obtained from T. S. Clark, Belleville, Ont., at \$1.25 per 100, only 1¼ cents each.

It is stated that the Frankford Stamp Co., A. B. Quigley, proprietor, is in very bad repute. A Frankford collector informs us, that Quigley was studying law. As he is over age his knowledge of law might serve him well in case any of his creditors should proceed against him. A good moral can be deducted from the proceedings of this stamp company, When you enter into the stamp business don't spend two dollars when you only have one. If this rule is broken trouble is sure to follow.—*Mckee's Weekly*. All those who have been swindled by Quigley should band together and have him punished; a few examples should be made of such fellows as he and we for one will give \$5.00 to help pay the cost. Give him a bit of what Borgeson got.

DURING this month there will be issued by A. B. Merrill; Box 445, Everett, Mass, a list of addresses of some six hundred Philatelic Frauds all of which have been advertised in our stamp papers. The list will be in pamphlet form with cover, size 9x6 inches, arranged alphabetically, and every other page will be ruled and left blank for additions. This neat and handy reference book will thus contain the printed addresses of nearly 600 Advertised Frauds and writing spaces for the addition of from three to four hundred more. The price has been placed at 25 cents and a copy should be found on the desk of every dealer and

collector. Orders may be filled at any time and will be filled in the order of their receipt soon as the list comes from the printer.

A GREAT deal has been said about "reprints" of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick pence issues, for several months past. We have made a very careful investigation of the matter and find there is no truth in the statement and collectors can take our word that no reprints of these stamps have been made. We also think we have solved the mystery. About fifteen months ago we were offered a collection of B. N. A. stamps by an unknown collector and on examining same we found a number of clever forgeries of N. S. and N. B. stamps: on making further inquiries we learned that the collection had been made about ten years previous and so the owner could not tell where he purchased them: they were well engraved but the colors and paper were not correct.

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OUR COMPETITION.

We give below a complete list of the prize winners in our Word Competition. If some of you find that you are not credited with as many words as you sent you will understand that in correcting the lists some of your words were not allowable and had to be struck out.

The prizes will be sent to the winners at once and will likely reach them before this number of our paper does.

1, Arthur Sandburn, Detroit, Mich., 4272 words; 2, F. W. Ashley, Preston, Ont., 4258; 3, Samuel L. Forest, London, Ont., 4209; 4, W. C. Simms, Pittsburgh, Pa., 3821; 5, A. A. McKay, Denver, Col., 3642; 6, Geo. S. Child, Brooklyn, N. Y., 3520; 7, Fred C. Soper, Brockville, Ont., 3513; 8, Arnold Rice, St John, N. B., 3491; 9, S. H. Harper, Montreal, 3320; 10, R. F. Moonstone, Forest, 3313; 11, C. E. Melborne, Denver, 3294; 12, W. R. Dazelle, Brockville, 3283; 13, M. M. Roberts, Portland, 3229; 14, Wm. Fortyre, New York, 3211; 15, S. A. Garland, Montreal, 3117; 16, Willie French, Windsor, 3113; 17, John T. Armstrong, Guelph, 3098; 18, P. Freisse, St. Hyacinth, 3074; 19, Frank Slater, Chicago, 3071; 20, Helen M. Martin, Brooklyn, 3069; 21, R. Peters, Saginaw, 3069; 22, Seth Keelher, Cincinnati, 3066; 23, K. Fenwick, Pt. Huron, 3065; 24, Robert Dazelle, Brockville, 3061; 25, Harry Clark, Brooklyn, 3055; 26, Charlie Stoville, Orillia, 3052; 27, Dayton Pollard, Chicago, 3047; 28, Bedford H. Sorrell, Cornwall, 3038; 29, F. L. Lalonde, Washington, 3030; 30, Geo. Chatman, Niagara, 3015; 31, Tom Williams, Prescott, 2998; 32, Larry P. Gorrell, Petrolia, 2998; 33, David Simpson, Orillia, 2983; 34, Robt. Inmann, Smith Falls, 2959; 35, H. Rose, Auburn, Me., 2952; 36, C. A. H. Lees, Port Dover, Ont., 2860; 37, E. S. Phelps, Worcester, Mass., 2473; 38, C. E. Cameron, M. D., Montreal, 2440.

STAMP COLLECTING IN ITALY.

BY THE AUTHOR OF "THE FIGHT AT DAME EUROPA'S SCHOOL."

It is very difficult to pick up Stamps in Italy, or indeed anywhere on the Continent. The shop windows, of course, are crowded with South Americans—Argentine, Brazil, Chili, Cuba, Uruguay, and other eternal and irrepressible spectres; but almost all the rare stamps are forged, while the price demanded for genuine specimens is absolutely ridiculous. Italians have the most exaggerated ideas about the value of their own Postal issues; and the national habit of asking just three times as much as you mean to take, in the expectation of being beaten down, makes it extremely difficult for a foreigner to come to terms. This system, originally imported from the East, is by no means based upon any principle of dishonesty. The trader simply assumes that his wares are worth to the buyer what the buyer is willing to pay for them. When therefore he asks fifty francs, being perfectly willing to accept fifteen, he does not in the least intend to cheat his customer. He merely proposes to spend an hour or so in finding out what value his customer sets upon the article in question; and, in a country where time is of no consideration whatever, the system is not such a very bad one. At any rate the trick is terribly catching; and people who have lived some time abroad are apt, on their return home, to shock deeply the sensibilities of some respectable London tradesman by attempting to bargain with him. It is recorded of an Englishman that after five years of continental travel he entered a shop in Oxford Street, and asked the price of a book. "Fifteen shillings," said the bookseller. "I will give you eight and a sixpence for it," was the magnanimous rejoinder. It is *not* recorded whether the intending purchaser left the shop suddenly by the door, or by one of the plate-glass windows.

Last summer, during a tour in the central and southern provinces of Italy, I made persistent but not altogether successful attempts to secure some Italian Stamps in various country towns. I began by asking the postmaster at Aquila for some 30c. unused brown and 2 lire red both of the present reign. He assured me that no such stamps existed, whereupon I produced a specimen of the former, to the immense astonishment of the entire staff. Considering that Aquila is the capital of a province, and has a population of 20,000, I thought it a little strange that the authorities at the Post Office should know less about the Stamps of their own country than a passing traveller. I then asked whether there was anybody in the town who had a good collection. Oh yes—there was Professor Giobbini, one of the masters at the Grammar School. He had one of the largest in Italy, and would no doubt be delighted to show it to me. I found the Professor sitting with his hat on in a draughty passage, which I have every reason to believe was his class-room, as numerous papers were laying blown about upon the floor. He was smoking a horrible limp black cigar, some nine inches long, which he stuck like a pen behind his ear as he arose to greet me. Stamps—oh yes, he had plenty of Stamps. His pupils collected for him; and several Old Boys who had gone out into the world send him specimens from South America, Egypt, and Japan. This did not sound very promising, so I asked whether he had any duplicates of Modena, Parma, or Tuscany. Certainly; he had any amount: and if I would

come to his house in the evening, when school was over, I should see them all. Meanwhile the news had spread all over the town that there was a mad Englishman on the spot who wanted to buy stamps; and in the course of the afternoon a lean unwholesome youth called upon me at the inn, bringing his album with him. Before opening it, however, he proposed to dazzle my eyes with the sight of three splendid specimens, which he had gummed hard and fast upon the back of a Photograph and kept in an envelope by themselves. "There!" cried he "did you ever see such beauties? Look at their colour. You won't find three Stamps to match them in all Italy." So saying, he held up to my enraptured gaze a Leitmeritz unused triangular green, a forged West Australian Swan of an impossible coppery hue, and a gaudy Russian fiscal, "Yes I observed, "the colours are certainly remarkable; I am not sure that I ever saw such colours before. But what might the price of these rarities be?" "Well," said he, "they are worth *ever* so much—fifty francs at the very least; but as you are a friend (I had known the man just a minute and a half) I will let you have them at a reduction. What will you give me?" Looking as solemn as the occasion permitted, I drew an envelope out of my pocket, and offered my friend a 5 cent blue Garfield for the lot; whereupon he became mortally offended, recollected all at once that he had a pressing engagement, and said he would shew me the rest of his treasures another day.

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DINNER TO MR. A. H. WILSON.

On February 18th, forty gentlemen met at the Criterion, London, to discuss a dinner given in honour to the well-known and universally popular dealer, Mr. Wilson (of Pemberton, Wilson & Co.), on his retirement from business and previous to his going aboard. Many gentlemen who had signified their intention of being present, were prevented from attending at the last moment. Among those present were:—Mr. Tapling (in the chair), Messrs. Bacon, Grath, Castle, and many other collectors, while among the dealers were the Messrs. Buhl (successors to Mr. Wilson), Messrs. Phillips, Giwelb, Stafford Smith, Peckett, Hanson, Cheveley, Bright, and others. After enjoying the following.

MENU

Hors D'œuvre Varies.
 Consomme aux Quenelles. Parmentier.
 Turbot, Sauce Hollandaise.
 Winter Whitebait.
 Terrine de Poulet a la Demidoff.
 Vol-au-Vent of Sweetbreads a la Toulouse.
 Aloyau Braise.
 Saddle of Mutton.
 Endives a la Milanaise. Pommes au Gratin.
 Roast Gelinottes.
 Salade. Chips.
 Braized Ham.
 Jellies. French Pastry.
 Bombe Glacee.
 Dessert.

The Chairman rose to propose the toast of "The Queen," which was drunk with the usual honours. The next toast was that of the "Prince of Wales and

other members of the Royal Family." in proposing which the Chairman specially mentioned the Duke of Edinburgh, for the interest he takes in our pursuit. On rising to propose the toast of the evening, "The Health of Mr. A. H. Wilson," the Chairman was received with much applause. He first read several letters and telegrams from gentlemen unable to be present, from Herr von Ferrary, Mr. Philbrick, Mr. Westoby, Dr. Image, M. Maury and others, all regretting their absence in the flesh, but asserting their presence in the spirit. Referring to the relations that had taken place between himself and Mr. Wilson, the Chairman said, and was cordially applauded by all present, that there had never been anything disagreeable or unpleasant between them, and although he had sometimes grumbled at the 'Wilson prices' still he should like the opportunity of again grumbling at the same things and he might say everyone else would. He was glad to say that friend Wilson, owing to his integrity and straight forward dealing, had been able to retire at an early age. Hoping that this was not a case of 'good bye' but only a '*au revoir*,' he gave with the greatest pleasure the toast of the evening, "The very good health of Mr. Wilson and his Family." This it is scarcely necessary to say was drunk with musical honours. On rising to reply, Mr Wilson was received with much applause. He mentioned how he had come up to London 13 years ago, and how, thanks to the help of sundry members of the Philatelic Society he got on so well. He referred to the help so freely offered by Mr. Burnett and others in conducting *The Record*, and after a few other remarks, thanked them for being present in such numbers and receiving the toast of his health so cordially.

Mr. Garth proposed "The health of the Chairman," saying that as everyone knows that our hobby was made very much easier to follow by the labours and researches that the Chairman especially and others had done so much, not only to promote but also to perform. In former times there was no catalogue or list giving any real information as regards varieties, etc.. each collector worked as best as he could by himself. Now, however all was changed, and in drinking the health of our Chairman, he hoped it would be with a better result than had ensued on several other occasions.

Mr. Tapling replied, saying he had been collecting now some twenty years, and felt his time was not lost. He might say, he had passed many more unpleasant evenings in a certain great 'house' than he had done on this evening in presiding.

Messrs. Elwin and Schneider gave several songs during the course of the evening. A very enjoyable evening then came to an end.—*Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*.

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POSTAL DOCUMENTS.

BUENOS AYRES, *Sept. 22, 1890.*

ARGENTINE—In view of the preceding notice of the commission for postal values and of the information obtained from the postal administration on this subject, by which it is shown that the 2½ centavos stamps have not for a long time been used for local postage, by order of the general administration, and as the South American Bank Note Co. is printing 1,500,000 of these stamps by order of this administration; and as Article II. of the laws on postal and

telegraph rates demands that local postage shall be one-half of the regular rate for internal postage, and commands that the smaller value shall be used when this results in a fraction ; therefore, for local correspondence the postage on letters shall be 2 centavos for each 15 grams or fraction thereof, and in accordance with the views of the Procurator of the Treasury the Administration has decided.

1. To fix the rate on local correspondence at 2 centavos for each 15 grams or fraction thereof.

2. To order the South American Bank Note Co. to suspend operations on the 1,500,000 stamps of 2½ centavos, which they are printing by order of this administration.

3. To burn all the stamps of this value which exist in the post offices, and all which have been printed by the South American Bank Note Co., and it shall be done in the presence of the commission for postal values, with the assistance of the administrative departments.

4. The burning being completed, an account of it shall be rendered to the Minister of the Interior, and after confirmation the accounts of the department shall be credited accordingly.

F. DE VEYGA, Secretary.

Estanis S. Leballos.

DIEGO SUAREZ.—Report of the burning of the stamps of Diego Suarez, this day, October 10, 1890 :

The commission appointed by the governor, under date of September 5th, and composed of Messrs. LeBoigue, underchief of the first-class of the post office ; Poirier, agent of the postal service, and Terrentroy, assistant-secretary of the post office, met for the destruction of the provisional stamps which remained in the office. The stamps have been burnt.

The quantities and values of the stamps destroyed are as follows :

15 centimes, 3,546 stamps, value 531.90 frs.; 25 centimes, 6,903 stamps, value 1,725.75 frs.

As a result, the sum of 2,258.65 frs. shall be deducted from the accounts of the post office.

LEBOIGUE.
POIRIER.
TERRENTROY.

ADMINISTRATION OF EGYPTAIN POSTS.—By authority of the Khedive's decree of the 17th inst., the rates for cards originating in and destined for the interior of Egypt will be reduced after January 1st next to 3 milliemes for the single post card and to 6 milliemes for the post card with reply.

In consequence, while awaiting the issue of new cards of the above mentioned prices, there will be put on sale on January 1st next the cards now in use, single and with reply, with a surcharge of 3 milliemes. These cards will be sold singly or in packets of 10 single cards or 5 cards with reply, at the price of 30 milliemes (P. T. 3) each packet.

The surcharged cards may also be sent to foreign countries on the condition that the rate of 5 milliemes, which remains in force for cards going to countries of the Union, be completed by the addition of 2 milliemes in postage stamps upon the single card, or upon each of the two parts of the card with reply.

The administration will continue to put on sale single and reply cards of 5 millimetres for foreign countries.

It is well understood also that there will be accepted for the interior of Egypt single cards of private manufacture prepaid with 3 millimetres.

ALEXANDRIA, 29th December, 1890.

GERMANY—Notice on the subject of stamped envelopes and stamped wrappers.

After December, 10, 1890 the office of distribution will sell no more stamped envelopes or wrappers. After the same date it is ordained by the imperial administration of posts that no more will be manufactured or put on sale. It is left to the public to procure for themselves unstamped envelopes and wrappers, and to affix the necessary stamp.

The stamped envelopes and wrappers of the new type which on the 10th of December still remain in the hands of the public, may still be used.

In addition, the stamped envelopes and wrappers of the old type will preserve their value until January 31, 1891.

(Signed) VON STEPHAN,
Secretary of the Imperial Post Office.

BERLIN, 27th November, 1890.

ITALY.—The special stamps for postal packets altered into ordinary 2-cent postage stamps by the use of the surcharge *Valevole per le stampe Cmi 2*, according to Article 257 of the Regulation, approved by royal decree of July 2, 1890, No. 6,954 (3d series), will be put on sale after December 1st next, and may be used until through the month of June, 1891; after that date they will not be good for postage, but may be exchanged during another year.

(Signed), LACAVA.

ROME, 10th October, 1890.

There has been established by a recent regulation the issue of special post cards, reserved exclusively for the Deputies to the National Parliament, which will be put on sale only by the post office of the Chamber. These post cards are similar to the ordinary ones, but in the upper right corner of the address side is found the government arms and the following inscription: *Camera dei Deputati*.

(This decree was issued some time in November.)

INDO-CHINA.—The Governor-General of Indo-China, officer of the Legion of Honor and of the Public Instruction:

By virtue of the decree of November 12th, 1887, in view of the report of the inspector of posts and telegraphs in Annam and Tonkin, announcing the early exhaustion of the stamps of 15 centimes;

As these stamps are used to a great extent, and as it is necessary to provide for the demand; in view of the urgent necessity; on the proposition of the residents in Tonquin.

DECREES.—Article 1. The inspector, chief of the post office, is authorized to surcharge in order to transform them into stamps of 15 centimes the following kinds of postage stamps:

1st. 30,000 stamps of 20 centimes; 2nd. 40,000 stamps of 30 centimes; 3rd. 12,000 stamps of 35 centimes; 4th. 24,000 stamps of 40 centimes; 5th. 18,000 stamps of 75 centimes; 6th. 30,000 stamps of 1.00 centimes.

Article 2. The Superior Resident, Post Inspector at Tonkin is charged with the execution of the present decree.

PIQUET.

SAIGON, October 15th, 1890.

FOR ONE MONTH ONLY, STAMPS at 40 per cent. BELOW SCOTT'S PRICES

	Cat. Price.	My Price		Cat. Price.	My Price
CUBA STAMPS.					
1883, 10c. bistrie No 102.	15	9	1885, 8 anna rose no wmk.	20	12
CYPRUS STAMPS.					
1880, 3d red.	10	6	1860, 8 pies lilac	10	6
" 4d sea green.	15	9	1866 6a S p slate.	15	9
+1881, 1/2 piastre green.	10	6	" 6a lilac green sur, not fine.	\$1 50	70
+1883, 6 piastres slato	35	21	+1881, 3a orange.	10	7
+1884, 4 " olive green.	25	15	1866, 8p lilac service small		\$1 00
DANISH WEST INDIES.					
+1876, 12c. green and lilac	25	15	+1857, 1 anna env. white p.	15	10
1879, 50c. mauve	50	30	" 1 " blue p.	15	10
+1877, 3c. envelope verm.	15	9	+1879, 1879, 9 pies. env. white p.	15	10
ECUADOR.					
1865, 1 real yellow.	12	7	+1881, 4a 6 p env. white p.	30	20
" 1 " green.	20	12	INDIAN STATES.		
1866 4 " red arms in oval.	\$1 50	\$1 05	+Jhind, 1886, 1/2 a green	10	5
+1872, 1 peso rose	50	30	" 1 a brown } surcharged	15	8
1881, 50 cent. green	20	12	" 2 a blue } HIND STATE	35	18
1882, 10c. on 50c. green.	60	36	" 4 a green }	60	35
FALKLAND ISLANDS.					
+1879, 4d dark grey.	30	18	" 1 r gray } HIND STATE	2 00	1 25
+1878, 1sh brown.	60	36	+Puttialla, 1884, 1/2 a green	10	5
FIJI ISLANDS.					
+1870, 3 1/2 pink reprint	1 00		" 1 a brown } in rd	18	9
" 6d " "	1 00		" 2 a blue } PUTTIALLA	30	18
+1874, 3d green.	40	24	" 4 a green } STATE	50	30
+1872, 6c on 3d green, slightly damaged	75	35	" 1 r gray } STATE	1 50	1 00
+1876, 2c on 3d green	75	45	+1885, 8 a mauve sur in rd		75
" 6d rose	25	15	and blk.		30
GOLD COAST					
1875, 4d mauve	12	7	+Puttialla, 1885, 1/2 a mauve } surcharged	50	30
+1884, 2d gray	10	6	" 1 r gray } PUTTIALLA	1 00	60
" 1d (2) and 1/2 of 1d used as 2d.	1 50	50	" " } STATE		
1887, 1d on 6d orange.	1 50	90	" " } Services ..	10	5
GREAT BRITAIN.					
1847, 1sh. green	10	6	" " 1/2 a green	15	8
" 1 sh. " pair.		15	" 1 a brown } a gr. circular sur	15	9
1848, 10d brown cut to shape.	50	25	" " 1 a tr. " "	25	15
1855, 4d rose bluish p. small garter.	40	25	" 1885, " 1/2 a gr. straight sur	15	9
1856, 1 sh green, 4 flowers.	10	06	" " 1 a brown "	25	15
1865, 9d bistre, 4 flowers	50	30	+Gwalior, " 1/2 a green charac ers	50	39
1867, 10d red	15	09	above name	50	30
1872, 6d brown.	15	09	+Gwalior, 1885, 1 a brown characters		50
1876, 4d vermilion.	40	24	above name.		50
" 8d orange	20	12	+Gwalior, 1885, 2 a blue characters above		1 00
1882, 1/2 violet.	2 00	1 25	name		6 4
1883, 3d violet and red.	10	06	+Gwalior, 1885, 1/2 a green name above		6 4
" 6d " " "	10	06	characters		15 9
1890, 10d carmine and lilac.	10	06	+Gwalior, 1885, 1a 6p bistre name above		15 9
+1882, 1d lilac—surcharged " I. R."	25	15	characters		25 15
" 1/2 green " " "	10	6	+Gwalior, 1885, 4 a green name above		50 30
" 6d grey " " "	15	09	characters		45 28
1883, 1sh. brown " Govt Parcels	40	24	+Gwalior, 1885, 8 a mauve name above		50 30
+1890, 1d Jubilee envelope	1 25	75	characters		1 00 60
HANOVER.					
+1858, 2 gr. blue env. cut sq.	40	24	+Hyderabad, 1866, 1 a olive green	30	18
" 3 " yellow env. cut sq.	75	45	" 1871, 3 a yel. brown	20	12
" 3 " brown " cut to shape.	40	20	" " 4 a slate	25	15
+1861, 1 " rose " " sq.	25	15	" " 8 a bistre	50	30
HAYTI.					
1881, 5c. green, unperf.	10	6	" " 12 a blue	70	40
" 7c. blue "	10	6	" 1878, 1/2 a red env. wh p	8	5
" 20c. chocolate unperf.	30	18	" 5 a bistre env. wh p	50	50
ICELAND.					
+1873, 2 sk. blue damaged.	50	20	+Rajpeepia, 1880 2 a green	20	12
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INDIA.					
1854, 1/2 anna blue.	15	9	1872, 2 a s violet.	60	36
" 1 " red	12	8	1875, 12 sen rose.	30	18
" 2 " green	15	9	" 15 " lilac	25	15
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" 1 " brown no wmk.	15	9	" 1 " blue.	10	6
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