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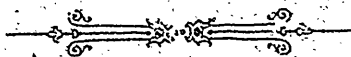
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AUCTION SALES.

MASON SALE.—The stability of the business in postage stamps, and the best answer to the army of croakers who are constantly predicting a loss of interest in the little labels which form the hobby of the philatelist, is furnished by the splendid success of the Mason accumulation, which formed our 103rd sale.

The attendance was the largest that has ever been seen at an auction, and the prices realized established, beyond peradventure, the fact that good material will always realize good prices. The United States stamps all sold splendidly, but the surprise of the sale was furnished by the stamps of the old German States, which, in large quantities, realized more than the American catalogue value. The heirs of Mr. Mason may indeed be congratulated upon the result of the sale of their stamps for they realized \$6,600.

HOOPER SALE.—It has already been stated that the finest part of Mr. Hooper's collection consisted of his British North American stamps, and these alone, consisting of only 185 lots, realized \$775.00. The greater part of the rare foreign stamps belonged to other parties and most of them realized high prices. We give a list of the stamps which sold for over \$10.00.

Canada, 1858, 6p lilac, perforated, damaged, . . .	\$11 00
New Brunswick, 1 shilling violet, not perfect, . . .	22 50
" provisional 5c, (half of 10c) . . .	11 50
Newfoundland, 1857, 4p bright vermilion, on cover . . .	11 00
" 1857, 4p light vermilion on cover . . .	13 00
" 1857, 4p carmine, on cover . . .	11 25
" provisional 7p (3p and half of 8p vermilion . . .	20 00
" " 7p same combination . . .	33 00
" " 6½p (4p lake, half of 4p lake and half of 1p brown . . .	26 00
" " 13c (10c black, 1 penny brown half of 1 penny brown), . . .	18 00
Nova Scotia, 1 shilling mauve, . . .	36 00
" provisional 7½p, (two 3p and half of 3p), . . .	12 00
" " 7½p (6p and half of 3p), . . .	12 00
" " 7½p (6p and half of 3p), . . .	17 50
Prince Edward Island, provisional 3p (2p and half of 2p), . . .	17 50
Nova Scotia, bill stamp, 1869, \$3.00, unused . . .	10 50
Argentine Republic, 1864, 15c blue, unperforated, unwater- marked, . . .	14 50
Bolivia, 1871, 500c black, 11 stars, damaged, . . .	13 00

Antofagasta, 10c blue, entire	10 00
Buenos Ayres, 1858, 3 pesos green, unused,	10 00
Columbian Republic, 1860, 1p rose, bluish paper unused,	10 00
Antioquia, 1878, 10c violet, very slightly damaged	30 00
France, 1849, 1 fr venetian red, unused	20 00
Mexico, Chiapas, 2 reales rose,	26 00
New South Wales, Sydney envelope, used, cut,	12 50
The entire sale realized \$2,698.37.— <i>American Journal of Philately.</i>	

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BRITISH COLUMBIA LAW STAMPS.

The Victoria Stamp Co., of Victoria, B.C., have been kind enough to send us a complete set of the law stamps of that province.

Although they have been in use nearly 12 years, very little has been known of them, in fact their existence has been questioned by many but through the information furnished us and the specimens before us we are able to give an accurate description of them.

They were authorized by act of parliament in 1879 and were issued to the public during the latter part of the same year. They are oblong in shape and designed as follows: Full length figure of Justice, holding aloft in her right hand a pair of balances and in her left a sword pointing downwards. They have the words "British Columbia Law Stamps" in two curved lines at top and the numeral value in figures in each lower corner with the value in letters between:

The following is a complete list giving dates of issue: 1879, 10 cent blue. 1879, 30 cent blue; 1879, 50 cent blue; 1879, \$1.00 blue; 1889, 10 cent black; 1890, 30 cent red; 1890, 50 cent brown.

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THE UNITED STATES PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

This organization, although still in its infancy, is rapidly becoming very popular amongst all philatelists. The result of the election just closed was: President, William J. Harman; Vice-President, R. M. Spencer; General Secretary, Harry T. Kantner; International Secretary, P. J. Painter.

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WHOLESALE MANUFACTORY OF COUNTERFEIT STAMPS.

BERLIN, *January 29.*

Great curiosity has of late been aroused on account of letters bearing ten pfenning stamps invariably arriving behind time. It now appears that the delay was occasioned by the fact that the postal authorities were examining all stamps of that denomination with a view to discovering the manufacturers of a large quantity of counterfeit stamps, estimated at ten millions, known to be in circulation. The counterfeits are almost perfect fac-similes of the genuine stamps, and only show a slight faultiness in the perforation. The counterfeiters have now been discovered to be Messrs. Baller Brothers, lithographers, of Hoechst, the imperfect perforating machine being found upon their premises.—*Evening News*, England.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The heading of this is somewhat misleading as there is nothing to report except that there is one resignation.

No. 224. C. VanDeusen, Westfield, Mass., U. S. A.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

D. A. KING, Secretary.

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LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The following have been received by the C. P. A. Library since my last report : Ernest F. Wurtele, Quebec, Que., 10 pcs. ; E. O. Evans, Charlestown, Mass., 3 pcs. ; T. O. Pardoe, Jr., Ingersoll, Ont, 2 pcs. Total pcs. 15.

I have given up all hopes of ever getting those works on "Oceania" and "B. N. A. stamps" (London society's) and I suppose those members who have been waiting for them are either tired out or purchased them themselves.

J. R. HOOPER,

Librarian.

OTTAWA, *April 1, 1891.*

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CORRESPONDENCE.

A Boston correspondent writes as follows : " I have much pleasure in informing you that on Feb'y 13, a meeting of gentlemen interested in philately was held in Boston, upon which occasion a philatelic society was formed under the name and title of the " Boston Philatelic Society," and on the 3rd day of March, statutes were adopted and officers chosen, The affairs of the society will be managed by a Governing Committee, consisting of nine members. Those elected are : W. C. VanDerly's, President ; S. R. Sircom, Vice-President ; C. M. Bradburg, Secretary ; S. L. Green, Treasurer ; H. C. Woodward, F. M. Goss, T. R. Richardson, C. J. Barton, F. M. Josselyn, Jr., all of the city of Boston."

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CAUGHNAWAGA, *7th April, 1891.*

To the Editor of the Dominion Philatelist :

DEAR SIR,—From what I can gather from the various journals, and in conversation with individual members of the association, it would seem that the Canadian Philatelic Association is at present passing through a period of acute depression. There must be a cause for such depression, and the question naturally arises, who or what is the cause? Does the fault lie with the constitution of

the association, with the present set of officers, or with the rank and file of those composing the general membership? Some blame must undoubtedly be imputed to the present group of officers, though individually they are very excellent men.

There has been an evident disposition to shirk responsibility. Certain of the members have not been slow to take advantage of this, and the result is, that the Exchange Department has become almost demoralized. Too much sympathy cannot be extended to Mr. Grenny in the present condition of affairs. He has had a hard road to hoe, and he has had to hoe it unaided and alone.

Some change must be made in the central organization of the association, and it behooves all members to give the matter some thought, so that at the coming convention the subject may be well ventilated. I would suggest as a step in the right direction, a radical change in the formation and duties of the Executive Committee. As it now stands that Committee is elected from any and all quarters of the Dominion, and practically speaking, the duties of said Committee begin and end with their election to office. Such a committee should be the backbone of the association, and should be composed only of responsible and experienced men. To facilitate work, the members thereof should be elected from and live in the same city, with a man of business capacity as chairman. Meetings could then be convened once every two months, or as often as necessary, the reports of such meetings to be published in the official organ. Such a working committee could relieve the Exchange Superintendent of a great load of responsibility by taking charge of the collection of all over due accounts, and in that manner confidence in the Exchange Department might be again restored among those members who have ceased sending in sheets because of the slowness of returns.

There are other points that might be touched upon, but as I have already trespassed too much upon your kindness, Mr. Editor, I will reserve the consideration of those points for a future occasion. Before closing this letter, I would like to say that I have often wondered why your columns were not utilized more frequently by the members of the C. P. A. Some of them appear able to write, and write well. Why does "Canadensis" give all his wealth of wit to our cousins across the line? Surely, Canadians would appreciate his remarks anent 'wigmans', 'snowshoes,' 'hustlers,' &c., if aired through the medium of your own excellent journal.

Believe me, dear Mr. Editor,

A well-wisher to the C. P. A.,

C. P. A. 40.

EGERTON T. DAVIS.

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FORGED STELLALAND STAMPS.

BY A. DE R.

Lithographed in sheets of 100 stamps, in colours a shade lighter than the original, the whole design rather clearer than in most specimens of the genuine stamps, well perforated 13 (perf. of genuine 12). The lettering of the forgeries is a trifle larger and more clear cut than in the originals. The principal difference is that in the forgeries both branches under the shield touch the ends of the scroll, whilst in the originals the right hand one only touches the end of the scroll, the left hand one being some distance from it. In the genuine stamps, the lines in the quarter of the shield bearing the star are moderately regular; in the forgeries the top six lines are very distinctly arranged in two groups of three lines.

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MR. H. GREMMEL, of New York, will issue this month the first number of a new stamp journal to be called *Post Office*. Mr. Gremmel is full of push and energy and we may expect something good.

WE want to increase our circulation and until further notice will give a 30 word exchange notice one insertion, free to every one sending us 25 cts. for one years subscription. Send copy with subscriptions.

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STAMP photos are gaining in popularity; one reason is they are so convenient to send in a letter; and another reason is they are so cheap. They can be supplied at \$1.25 per 100, only 1¼ cents each. Send to Mr. T. S. Clark, Belleville, Ont., and get a sample free.

STILL another forgery to chronicle, which is also of home manufacture, viz.: The Victoria 1 shilling blue, of 1854, imperforate. The design is well executed, so I trust your readers will exercise caution in buying specimens of this stamp. *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain*.

I HAVE a few copies of "Ketcheson's Catalogue of Canada Postage and Revenue Stamps," (last edition), still for sale; fine cloth, 50 cts.; paper, 25 cts., post paid. This is the only Catalogue of Canada Revenue Stamps published. Address, H. F. KETCHESON, Belleville, Ont.

MR. W. F. GREGORY, late of Katoonah, N. Y., may now be found at 85 Nassau street, New York City. For some years past he has dealt in stamps as a side issue, but has decided to devote his whole time to the business, and so has removed to the stamp centre of this continent. We wish him success.

WE have received Pt. I of Watson's Post Card and Letter Card Catalogue, by Geo. H. Watson. It is a credit to its author and should have a large sale. It will be in six or seven parts of 32 pages each; price \$2 post paid. All who wish to secure a copy should order at once, as only 200 copies are to be printed.

THE March number of "The Rhode Island Philatelist" contains the following—"Mr. E. W. Burnham wishes us to warn collectors and dealers against A. B. Quigley of the Frankford Stamp Co. Mr. B. sent Quigley \$1.60 sometime ago for an advertisement in the *U. P. Advertiser*. The issue in which it was to have appeared never materialized, and though Mr. Burnham wrote several times for the return of his money, he never received a reply. Mr. Quigley figured as a prominent philatelist about two years ago, and it is with surprise that we learn of his strange conduct." The Editor of the R. I. P. evidently does not read his exchanges; several months ago we exposed Quigley in these Columns.

E. F. GAMBS, the pushing, thriving, enthusiastic philatelist of this city, lately has adopted a new method of advertising his coin and stamp business, which is quite novel and original. Fence advertising is his latest, and quite a number of fences in San Francisco are being adorned with his famous blue Egyptian stamp and showy white letters, on a bright vermillion ground work. Near the corner of 14th and Howard streets, he has erected, at no little cost, a mammoth fence 12 feet high by 50 feet long, and the Egyptian stamp thereon is without doubt the largest of its kind ever painted on any fence in the world. So big is it that while riding on a Howard Street cable, one can almost detect the sphynx winking, while passing.—*The San Francisco Newsdealer*.

STANLEY GIBBONS, limited, have just purchased Mr. Colman's famous collection of Colonial stamps for a sum approaching \$10,000, and are now offering some of the greatest rarities; following are a few samples: British Columbia, 2½ pence, pink, unperf., good margins, unused, \$110; 5 cents, rose, unperf., fine margin on part of original envelope, with a U. S. stamp at side, postmarked on stamp and envelope, used, \$75. British Guiana, 4 cents, 1850, yellow, large margins, cut square, but very slightly mended in one corner, used, \$200; 4 cents, 1856, deep blue, large oblong, two lower corners slightly clipped, used, \$250. Canada, 6 pence, 1856, purple, black on laid paper, unperf., unused, \$40; 12 pence, 1856, black, postmarked superb, used, \$160; 3 pence, 1858, on ribbed paper, perf., 12, used, \$75; 6 pence, 1858, purple, black, perf., 12, unused, \$35; 5 cents, 1864, unperf., used, \$75. Cape of Good Hope, 4 pence, red error, superb and wide margin, lightly cancelled, \$175.—*Mekel's Weekly*.

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PICTOU, N. Y., *April, 1891.*

Mr. Editor:

A letter in your March number over the signature of "Paul Sicotte, C. P. A. 172," calls for a reply.

The unbounded impudence and ignorance of the writer does not fairly entitle him to any attention, but as he does not hesitate to charge our Exchange Superintendent, Mr. Grenny with incompetence and neglect of duty, I feel bound to set this gentleman right.

He complains that stamps sent into the Exchange Department are unheard of for months together and that sheets which he had sent in were nine months in circuit before being returned.

No better evidence than his letter is wanted to prove Mr. Sicotte's limited experience with philatelic societies.

If he had ever been a member of the A. P. A., or even read its journal he would have discerned long ago that all other societies find just the same difficulties that we do in making quick circuit and prompt returns.

As an instance, I can mention that I know of over \$120 dollars worth of stamps that were sent into the A. P. A. Exchange Department in August and October 1889, which did not return from circuit until February of this year and not a dollar of amount sold from sheets sent to owner yet, although 18 months has now elapsed. Had this case been Mr. Sicotte's he would long ago have been predicting the total collapse of the A. P. A.

Another difficulty which all such societies as ours has to meet and contend with is that parties like Mr. Sicotte gain admittance, who imagine that the society is run for their express benefit and lives only by their favor.

Let this gentleman offer some practical suggestions which if put in force will enable the society to compel members to be more prompt in forwarding sheets passing through their hands, and in paying for their takings, then he will have done something vastly more sensible than finding fault with a state of affairs which every philatelic society in America has done its best to remedy without success.

So far as Mr. Sicotte's sheets are concerned I am informed by those who have seen them that it would have been a fortunate thing for collectors so unsophisticated as himself if they had been lost before going on circuit.

They are described as a brilliant array of forgeries reprints and trash which only a fraud or a fool would keep in his possession or offer for sale. Mr Sicotte need not fear for the future of the C. P. A., it will go on and prosper long after he has sunk back into the obscurity from which he has temporarily withdrawn himself.

Yours truly,

A. J. CRAIG, President C. P. A.

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STAMP COLLECTING IN ITALY.

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

After a frugal dinner at the *Albergo d'Italia*, I started off in search of Signor Giobbini. It was not of virtue that I dined frugally, but of necessity. I would gladly have dined better; but when there is nothing to be got except macaroni soured in rancid butter, and a slab of baked veal of which soup has been made several times previous to the baking, the best of appetites may rest contented with something which falls considerably short of satisfaction. The meagreness of the fare was perhaps the less regrettable, because, having probably some hard bargaining before me, it was just as well that my friends should not find me in too radiant a humour. Speaking generally, after an experience of some fifteen years, I am inclined to say that for purposes of commercial intercourse with an Italian it is better to be cross than genial.

Not having the faintest notion where Signor Giobbini lived, 't became necessary to enquire. I never, by any chance, ask the way of an Italian in the street. Equally affable and disengaged, he is almost certain to declare that he is going

in that direction himself, and will be most happy to see me to the door. If otherwise, he beckons to the nearest hungry loafer, who may be prowling about in search of light occupation, and consigns me to his disinterested care. In either case, having the strongest possible objection to being personally conducted, either for love or money, I respectfully decline. One's best chance is the Apothecary, who is usually a person of intelligence, and too busy to leave his counter. To such a one I made my application, and was fortunate enough to find him alone—for the chemist's shop is often as closely thronged as the *Caffè*, especially towards evening, by a mysterious class of citizens who rest there wearily for hours upon opposite benches, but whom it would hardly be fair to call gossips, since their remarks upon all known subjects are so exceeding few.

I found the Apothecary alone, and I got my information; but I left him tolerably well beset. The mad Englishman had been sighted from afar. What could he possibly want with the Apothecary? In the absolute dearth of local interest, not to say excitement, which enveloped the episcopal city of Aquila, here was a secret worth discovering. Three separate individuals, from three separate quarters of the Piazza, followed me hastily into the shop and stared—as only an Italian knows how. I did not mind the staring—that was a matter of course; but I confess that I was mean enough to resent their curiosity by stopping at the half open door to listen, as they rushed eagerly up to the counter and implored to be enlightened as to the extent and nature of my malady. Was it a very bad case? Had I ordered any medicine? Was I French? What was I doing here in Aquila? Had I got the fever? Could I speak Italian? By this time I was fairly in the street, and the answers were lost upon me. I can only hope that the good chemist had the wit to improve the occasion and swear that I was a leper.

On my way to Signor Giobbini's I passed a shop-front crowded with miscellaneous wares, among which were conspicuous three or four brightly-coloured envelopes each containing 100 Postage Stamps for a franc. Thoughn early eight o'clock, there was still plenty of day-light, so I stopped to examine them. One in particular interested me extremely. Its contents I shall never know; but outside the packet appeared, among other specimens, an 1845 Stadt-Post Basel, a wood-block red Cape, an imperforate Mauritius blue, and a large Persian 10 fr. black and yellow. All of them, especially the Swiss, were exceedingly well done, and but for the price, might almost have passed for genuine. I could not resist the temptation of entering the shop, and trying to find out whence they came. It was nothing new to see a forged stamp; but forgeries as barefaced as these, exhibited for sale in a public throughfare, and carrying there own condemnation upon their very faces, were curiosities in themselves. The woman behind the counter declared most solemnly that the stamps were genuine, and said I might take them or leave them, as pleased me best. Talk as I would, I could get no other answer out of her, and should probably have had to content myself therewith, had not the master of the house, who was nursing a bad leg in an inner room, called out to his wife and told her to bid her customer walk in "What did you say they must be worth, sir, if genuine?" he asked, when I had accepted his offer of a chair; "60 francs would be cheap for them," I replied; "but I am not going to discuss the question of their genuineness. What astonishes me is that

you should offer them for sale at such a price as to condemn them before the eyes of the most innocent schoolboy." "Don't you go telling the schoolboys here that they are forged," said the invalid, with a gesture of pain which looked like an appeal to my compassion. "I do a very good business with the lads, and I am sure you are too much of a gentleman to come and take an honest man's bread out of his mouth. All those packets are sent to me by a dealer in Paris, and if he chooses to forge the stamps, that is his business, not mine." "And Signor Giobbini," I enquired; do you do a good business with him, too? "Ah, you know the Signor Professor, do you? Yes, Sir, I have sold him many and many a stamp, and he knows what is genuine and what is false, as well as any man."

It seemed hardly worth while to pay my intended visit, after such a revelation as this; but as I was by this time within a few doors of the Professor's house I thought I might as well go up the stairs.

There were four bits of string with a label on them at the doorway of Signor Giobbini's residence indicating the different floors of the dwelling. Having pulled the uppermost handle against which was a tiny brass plate bearing the Professor's name, I waited for a minute or two with that exemplary patience which an Englishman gradually acquires after a prolonged sojourn in a country where nobody seems to have anything particular to do. At last, a woman, who once was young, put her head out of a window on the top floor, and screamed, in a voice which possibly once was musical, "Chie?"

"Well," I replied, "I suppose it is your business to come down and find out. I have my card case all ready in my hand, if you will do me the favor to open the door."

"Shan't open the door till you say who you are," yelled the woman in shriller tones than before.

"And I shan't say who I am until you open the door," answered I.

Negotiations were on the point of being broken off by the abrupt retirement of the woman when an amiable priest passed by.

"It is the custom of the country, sir," said he, by way of explanation.

"Quite aware of that fact, sir," I replied; "but there are customs which had better be changed. It is the custom in certain countries to roast and eat your neighbour. I presume you would hardly say that such a custom is commendable. Why should I be made to shout my name from the street to the housetop when it is the special business of the servant to let me in quietly? And when she has got my name what will she do with it? There will be neither vowel nor consonant left in it by the time she has carried it to her master. You know as well as I do that an English name in an Italian throat is like an alum and port wine gargle."

"There is something in that," said the priest, delighted. "You may as well let him in, Marietta," he continued, looking up at the woman, "it is an Englishman. He is all right—I will answer for him."

But Mariette was still suspicious, and would consent only to a compromise. Cursing the public generally, and the English in particular, she withdrew her head for a few seconds, and presently re-appeared with a small round basket, which she let down by a piece of pack-thread desiring me to deposit my card therein. This done, she hauled the basket up again, and soon afterwards pulled a wire which lifted the latch and caused the door to start on its hinges with a mysterious

jerk. Thanking my good friend, the priest, I pushed it open, mounted the stairs, and was admitted without further challenge into the Professor's room.

He still wore his hat, and still smoked the same eternal limp, scraggy, black cigar. In anticipation of my visit he had got out all his stamps, and no time was to be lost in looking at them for the light was fading.

As I expected, the forgeries were abundant, notably in Swiss and Colonials. The collection was arrayed in one of Maury's oblong albums, which seems to be a favorite in Italy. The British Colonies were but poorly represented, and I noticed that almost every stamp in this department, if not a palpable forgery, had been shorn of its perforation, and thereupon promoted to previous issue. The date upon the post mark appeared to go for nothing. For my own part I think that hanging is altogether too good for the man who cuts off perforations. Before hanging him I would clip him neatly all round—ears, nose, and fingers—till he was as smooth and rectangular as an unperforated postage stamp.

However, my present object was not to test the value of Signor Giobbini's Colonials, but to find out whether there was any chance of doing business with him in the way of old Italians. These were arranged in a supplementary album and a splendid lot they were. There were pages upon pages of used pink Neapolitans, undeniably genuine so far as I could judge, and sub-divided into groups according to shades of colour. Sheets also without end of Papal States, disposed in the same way. The Modena and Tuscany issues were less complete, though almost equally prolific in varieties. Parma was not quite so rich in this respect, offering but little diversity of shades, while poor little Romagna occupied only a single line—a line, however, which most collectors would be glad enough to fill. Among the rarer Stamps I observed a magnificent Tuscany 3 lire yellow, and a fine copy of both Half-Tornese blues. But what struck me most particularly was the extraordinary variety of colours. Scarcely any two Stamps in the Tuscan and Papal Sets were alike. Each one seemed to have invented for itself an unknown and purely original hue. This peculiarity is probably familiar to advanced philatelists, but I had never seen a really good Italian collection before, and had no idea that purples and greens and pinks and blues and grays could be made to "sport" in such an eccentric fashion. The general effect was marvellously picturesque; and while congratulating Signor Giobbini on his good fortune, I was able also honestly to compliment him upon his good taste. The question was—How could I so frame my compliments as to coax him into disturbing the symmetry of these well-filled pages by transferring a few of his treasures to my own collection.

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THE FAMILY MEDICINE.

TROUT LAKE, ONT, *Jan. 2, 1890,*

W. H. Comstock, Brockville:

DEAR SIR,—For a number of years I have used and sold your "Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills." I consider them the very best for "Family Use," and all my customers speak highly of them.

Yours truly,

R. LAWSON.

THE SCOTT STAMP AND COIN CO., will close the auction-season by selling on April 21 and 22, 28 and 29 in the magnificent collection of August Lehmann jr. We had the pleasure last August of seeing some of Mr. Lehmann's treasures and considers his one of the finest collections on the continent. It is catalogued in 2 parts (No. 107 and 108). It contains a fine lot of Canadas, such as sixpence perforated, N. S. and N. B. shillings, Newfoundland shillings and others.

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FORGED MULREADY ENVELOPES.

To the Editor of the Stamp News :

DEAR SIR,—A kind correspondent has lent me the best forgery of a Black Mulready Envelope I have ever seen, and, as it is a forgery which without examination would deceive anyone, I think a description of it will be of use to your readers. I shall be glad to know if any of your readers have another one like it. At first sight it looks like a rather black roughly-printed copy. Having a *black* obliteration mark, on comparing the design with a genuine one, every line and dot is the same, and all the figures of the design are identical with an original. But on looking for the silk threads one finds that what *at first* looks all right, are simply fine lines of black on the paper. On further examination one finds the paper, though of the same tone, of a distinctly different and inferior quality to the original. On closer examination the obliteration postmarks and address all are apparently lithographed, and not in printers or ordinary ink. The particular copy, I am endeavoring to describe, is numbered, "A 136," and, curiously enough, I happen to have a genuine one of same number. I don't know if all numbered A 136 are from the same stone, but in the genuine one I have of this number, the label "Postage" at back appears to have a sort of flaw running diagonally across the letter "E"; and to show the careful way the forgery has been got up, the flaw is copied. This looks as if, by some mechanical process, this particular *number* has been copied—but on measuring, I find that the black rectangular frame containing the Mulready design is at least 3 mm. less in length, and nearly 2 m m. less in height, and the rectangular label containing the word "Postage" is 1 mm. shorter than the original. The copy I have is addressed to "The Lord Holland, Kensington House, London," and franked apparently by "Cairns," but lithographed and not in ordinary ink. I think I have now described the forgery pretty fully, it only remains to say that in the copy I have described there is a bit of sealing-wax without a seal, but this has evidently been put on since the postmarks, as the flap is sealed down, and makes the postmarks all crooked. If any of your readers have another copy of this particular forgery, I should much like to see it.

Yours faithfully,

W. B. THORNHILL.

LONDON, March 21.

[The above appears to be what is being sold as a "photograph" of the Mulready Envelope¹ and it is about time that the authorities punished the guilty parties, as it is a forgery of an English stamp.—ED. S. N.]

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THE young King Alexander of Servia received the other day a letter from a little Swiss peasant boy, who is a passionate collector of stamps, and who sent the sovereign a quantity of Swiss ferns and grasses, and asked in exchange to send him a complete collection of Servian stamps. King Alexander gave orders to have every kind of Servian stamp brought him, so that he might be able to satisfy the demand of the little citizen of free Switzerland and the young monarch has busied himself in classifying the stamps which he is sending

EXCHANGE DEPARTMENT.

TERMS.—One half cent per word each insertion. No Exchange Notice received for less than 10c. All charges must be paid in advance. No display allowed.

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FIVE FINE VARIETIES of Stamps to all sending for my fine approval sheets at 33 1/2 per cent. commission. Foreign Revenue. Specialty. FRANK M. TESSIER, box 84, Sutton, Nebraska. [28]

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AGENTS WANTED.—Send for approval sheets or state stamps required. Send reference. A. A. ALLISON, Belleville, Ont. [30]

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I WANT for cash, or good exchange, any quantity of present issue United States Stamps, Except 1 and 2 cent. Send list of what you have. H. F. KETCHESON, Box 499, Belleville, Ont.

I WANT to buy for cash, or first-class exchange, 25 U. S. 1888, 90c. purple, used. Write me, stating price. H. F. KETCHESON, Belleville Ont.

I WILL give a Canada 3 pence 1851 stamp for every United States 1888, 90c. purple sent me; or will give a Canada 3 pence stamp for every two United States 1890, 90c. orange sent me. H. F. KETCHESON, Box 499, Belleville, Ont.

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	4 r green.	..	0 20	0 12	†1877	20 cash violet	..	0 10	0 06
+	8 r red.	..	0 50	0 30	+	40 cash rose	..	0 25	0 15
1866	25c buff litho	..	0 35	0 21	+	60 cash green	..	0 00	0 20
+	7c mauve eng.	..	0 40	0 24	+	80 cash blue	..	0 20	0 12
+	13c blue	..	0 25	0 15	+	100 cash brown	..	0 30	0 18
+	25c yellow brown	..	0 25	0 15	†1879	20 cash on 40c rose.	..	0 75	0 45
+	50c green.	..	0 60	0 36	†1886	40 cash on 80c flesh.	..	0 40	0 24
1869	3 r gray gothic type bluish p.	..	7 50	4 50	+	60 cash on 100c yellow.	..	0 50	0 30
1866	50c green litho.	..	0 75	0 45	†1884	60 cash mauve.	..	0 25	0 15
1868	6c brown p unpa.	..	0 15	0 09	STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.				
	50c. yellow p. unpa	..	0 20	0 12	1867	32 cents yellow	..	0 35	0 21
	100c brown p	..	0 50	0 30	†1880	7c on 32 cent vermilion.	..	0 75	0 45
1872	6c green	..	0 20	0 12		10c on 30c claret.	..	0 30	0 18
	50c yellow	..	0 35	0 21	1879	5c on 8c orange	..	0 00	0 50
	100c lilac	..	0 50	0 30	1881	10c on 6c violet	..	0 15	0 09
1879	25c carmine perf. thick wove.	..	0 25	0 15		10c on 12c blue	..	0 15	0 09
	50c green	..	0 60	0 36	1880	10c. on 30c. claret.	..	0 30	0 18
	100c black	..	0 00	1 25	1883	5c brown violet	..	0 35	0 21
1875	Porta de Mar—all varieties, 40	below	Cat.			2c on 8c orange	..	1 25	0 71
1882	24c violet perf thin wove.	..	0 25	0 15	+	on 32c vermilion.	..	1 50	0 90
	50c yellow	..	1 00	0 60	+	on 5c blue.	..	0 50	0 30
MONTENEGRO.					+	2c. on 4c. rose	..	0 00	0 50
1874	5s red	..	0 00	0 05	+	8c on 12c purple blk sur	..	1 50	0 90
	7s violet	..	0 10	0 06	+	sane with S in red	..	1 50	0 95
	10s blue	..	0 12	0 08	+	4c on 5c red surcharge.	..	0 75	0 40
	15s br wn	..	0 15	0 08	SPAIN.				
	25s slate.	..	0 25	0 15	1850	6 real blue	..	3 50	2 10
MONTSEERRAT.					1852	12c pale violet.	..	0 65	0 40
†1876	6d green	..	0 30	0 18		5 r green	..	0 50	0 30
†1885	4d mauve.	..	0 20	0 12	1853	5 r green	..	0 40	0 28
MOZAMBIQUE.						6 r blue.	..	2 50	1 50
†1877	20 r straw.	..	0 10	0 06	1854	1 r blue—cancelled by lines.	..	1 50	0 90
	25 r rose	..	0 10	0 06		2 r scarlet	..	0 25	0 15
	50 r green	..	0 00	0 20		5 r green	..	0 35	0 21
	100 r violet	..	0 00	0 20	UNITED STATES OF COLUMBIA.				
	200 r orange.	..	0 40	0 24	1859	5c violet wove p	..	1 25	0 75
	300 r chocolate	..	0 50	0 30		5c gray	..	1 25	0 75
1881	40 r yellow.	..	0 00	0 20		10c yellow	..	0 75	0 45
	50 r blue.	..	0 10	0 06		20c blue	..	5 00	3 00
NEVIS.					†1860	24 gray	..	0 75	0 45
†1867	1 sh green white p.	..	1 25	0 75	+	20c blue	..	0 50	0 30
	4d orange.	..	0 40	0 24	+	1 peso rose.	..	0 75	0 45
1882	4d blue.	..	0 40	0 24	1863	20c rose.	..	2 00	1 20
	24d claret	..	0 40	0 24	1864	10c blue.	..	0 20	0 12
1883	4d on half of 1d. violet sur.	..	0 00	1 00	1866	5 p green p pen cancellation.	..	2 50	1 50
ORANGE FREE STATES.					1870	5 p	..	1 00	0 60
1881	3d on 4d blue—1st typ	..	0 35	0 21		10 p vermilion p.	..	0 50	0 30
1877	4 on 6d rose—2nd type sur. invert d	..	0 00	1 00	BOLIVAR.				
	" " " " prop. r.	..	0 25	0 15	†1866	1 peso red	..	1 50	0 90
1881	34 on 4d blue, 3d type.	..	0 35	0 21	†1873	5c blue.	..	0 40	0 24
+	1d on 5 sh gr en 1st type.	..	0 40	0 25	+	10c. mauve	..	0 50	0 30
1882	1sh brown vi let. fi-cal postal.	..	0 15	0 09	†1882	5 p blue and red. pen cancelled.	..	1 50	0 90
HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.					+	10 p brown and blue, pen cancel.	..	2 50	1 50
†1853	5c blue unused.	..	0 50	0 35	†1883	40c brown.	..	0 80	0 48
	5c used.	..	0 75	0 45	+	80c green.	..	1 50	0 90
	13c vermilion.	..	2 00	1 20	+	1 p orange	..	1 75	1 05
†1865	5c blue, bluish p.	..	2 00	1 20			..		

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31	1855	Prince Edward's Island	10	285	"	No labor on bread	30
34	"	Ship, fisheries and agriculture	20	286	"	For general accommodation	20
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40	1843	Ship one penny token	15	288	"	Drooping flag	40
41	1854	" " currency	15	288	"	American flag	20
47	1824	Nova Scotia penny	50	288	"	American flag, w b n y	50
48	1832	" " "	15	291	1805	Hibernia	45
49	1840	" " "	20	299	1816	Waterloo	20
50	1856	" " myfl. wets.	15	300	"	Wellington	10
51	1823	" " half-penny	10	303	"	Nobis Est	15
53	1832	" " "	10	304	"	Wellington's battles	50
55	1840	" " "	10	307	"	Bust pierced	35
56	1856	" " "	15	UN SOU SERIES.			
57	1862	" " cent	25	153	"	Un Sou very good	40
58	1861	" " half cent.	10	157	"	"	10
"	1864	" " "	10	161	"	"	10
59	1814	Broke	25	162	"	"	10
61	1815	Commercial change	50	163	"	"	20
62	1815	Genuine British copper	30	165	"	"	50
64	1815	Success to navigation	15	166	"	"	10
67	1820	Trade and navigation	20	167	"	"	20
69	1815	John Alex. Berry	30	170	"	"	15
70	1816	W. A. and S. Black	\$1 00	174	"	"	5
71	"	J. Brown	20	175	"	"	10
75	1815	Hostermann & Ettet	20	176	"	"	30
76	"	Encourage Country Importe s.	20	177	"	"	35
77	1815	Starr & Shannon	60	178	"	"	40
80	"	Ferrv Token	50	179	"	"	\$1 40
81	1882	Blackley & Co	50	180	"	"	30
87	1815	1d Magdalen Island, poor	25	181	"	"	1 00
91	1842	1d Montreal Bank	15	182	"	"	75
92	1852	1d Quebec Bank	20	183	"	"	40
96	1816	1d Montreal	10	184	"	"	60
97	1830	Canada halfpenny	35	185	"	"	25
97	1841	" " "	30	187	"	"	10
98	"	Canada half-penny token	90	188	"	"	25
108	"	J. Shaw & Co	1 00	190	"	"	20
123	"	Nine playing cards	40	191	"	"	25
125	1852	Gnaedenger	10	192	"	"	25
132	1867	Davins & Bolton	1 00	193	"	"	30
133	"	H. Gagnon & Cie.	25	194	"	"	40
139	"	Lymburner Maple Leaf Proof	1 00	195	"	"	20
202	1812	Sir Isaac Brock	25	197	"	"	10
204	1816	" " "	5	198	"	"	20
206	1820	Commercial Change	15	46	"	F. McDermott fine	17 00
209	1833	To facilitate trade	20	90	1838	Side view penny (uoc)	40 00
212	1832	Province of Upper Canada	25	15	" 1839	"	35 00
216	"	Lesslie & Sons	15	200	1822	2d Lesslie & Sons	9 50
222	"	Evening Globe	50	266	"	Cossack penny (fine)	2 25
263	1838	Pure copper etc.	15	94	"	Vexator good as found	2 00
270	1812	Half-penny token	10				
271	1812	Bust	10				

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" " 90c	25	17	Portugal, 75, 300	10	7
Haiti, 83, 20c.	10	6	*Brazil, 90, 10 r. news		4
Br. Honduras, 10c. on 4	15	8	Sweden, 58, 50	4	2
Ecuador, 20c.	8	5	Colombia, 90, 1c green		2
Guatemala, 1890, env. 10c	8	3	" " 2c rose	4	3
Leeward Is, 1890, 1d	3	3	" " 5c blue		2
" " 4d	3	3	" " 10 yellow	3	1
West Aust, 1865, 6d. vio.	8	5	Belgium, postl packet, 7 v r	28	10
" " 1s green	15	12	Perit, 86, 50c. and 1 s 1	50	30
Jamaica, 90, 2 1/2 on 4		20	Norway, unpaid 1, 10, 50	40	30
Chili, " 50c. vio.	10	7	Swe d-n, Losen, 10 var.		15
*Italy, 1890, 2c. on P stal Pk, 6 var	15	15	Portugal, 87, 500 violet	75	45
*Haiti, " 2c on 3c.		10	*Mexico, 64, 1 var.	29	10
Curaçao, 50c	15	11	*Anstria 90, 1, 2, 3		8
Belgium, 2 fr	25	15	Norway, " 1 k. green	6	4
*S Ivador, 87-89, 7 var. comp.		50	Bolivia, 76, 10, 20, 50	33	22
Colombia, 83, 50c	35	25	Br. Ho dtras, 20 on 6.	40	16
" " 1p	50	35	" " 50 on 15	50	35
Norway, 83, 60 blue	6	4	" " 1891, 6 on 10 on 4.		25
Japan, 15 green	3	2	Columbia Error, Republica 20	75	40
" 15 violet	3	2	" " 88, 1p	50	35
" 25 green	4	2	*C. sta Rica, off. 1c	3	2
" 50 rose	5	2	" " 2c	5	3
" 20 blue	4	2	Mexico, off. seal.	10	7
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16 - " 6p lilac	15	3 - 1857, 1p red, anchor	35
17 - " 1sh green	30	5 - 1858, 6p lilac, anchor	50
20 - " 5sh	\$ 1 10	6 - " 1sh green, anchor	1 00
44 - 1888, 1sh	25	8 - 1861, 1p red, wood block	6 50
*34a - " 4p gray, anchor	50	10 - " 4p blue, wood block	4 00
* 2 Br. Columbia, 1861, 2 1/2p, pink	90	59 - 1874, 1p on 6p lilac	20
* 7 - 1865, 3 pence blue	25	* 60 - 1877 1p on 1sh gr	25
* 8 - 1868, 2c bistre	25	* 62 - 1880, 3p on 4p pink	20
* 9 - " 5c red	90	* 6 Cape Verde, 1877, 50r green	20
* 11 - " 25c yellow	90	* 7 - 1877, 100r mauve	20
* 12 - " 50c lilac	1 60	* 8 - " 200r orange	38
8 Br. Guiana, 1853, 4c blue	2 80	* 9 - " 300r brown	50
* 8a - 1853, 4c blue, white line above value	3 00	3 Ceylon, 1857, 1p blue, star	20
18 - 1860, 24c green	60	4 - 1857, 2p green, star	40
24 - 1863, 48c rose	40	6 - " 5p red brown, star	\$1 50
* 79 - " 8c rose, off	5 00	7 - " 6p brown, star	1 00
118a - 1860, 5p on 12c lilac	1 80	12 - " 1sh 9p gr. star	10 00
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* 140 - " 1c on 12c	1 50	18 - " 6p red brown, star	75
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* 145 - " 2c on 12c	1 00	22 - " 10p verm., star	40
* 148 - " 2c on 24c	1 60	23 - " 1sh violet, star	20
151 - 1882, 1c rose	65	* 25 - " 2sh blue, star	7 50
155 - 1889, 2c u auve and black	80	27 - 1863, 1p blue, no wmk	1 10
172 - 1890, 1c on \$3	40	29 - " 6p brown, no wmk	1 75
* 1 Br. Honduras, 1865, 1p blue	35	* 32 - 1864, 4p lilac, C C	20
2 - 1865, 6p rose	90	* 33 - " 1p blue, C C	20
3 - " 1sh green	1 05	* 34 - " 2p green, C C	46
* 5 - 1872, 3p brown, C C	40	* 37 - " 9p brown, C C	60
6 - " 6p rose, C C	50	37a - " 10p verm, C C	65
7 - " 1sh green, C C	40	* 38 - " 1sh lilac, C C	70
10 - 1884, 4p lilac, C A	20	39 - " 2sh blue, C C	30
31 - 1888, 2c on 6p rose	3 75	40 - 1865, 4p rose, C C	40
33 - " 10c on 4p lilac	35	* 43 - 1867, 2p yellow, C C	30
34 - " 20c on 6p yellow C A	50	44 - " 5p green, C C	40
" half of 37	60	* 46 - 1868, 3p rose, C C	20
* 39 - 1888, 10c on 4p lilac	20	* 50 - 1872, 16c lilac, C C	20
* 40 - " 20c on 6p orange	30	52 - " 36c blue, C C	20
* 41 - " 50c on 1sh gray	75	* 53 - " 48c rose, C C	45
6 Br. N. Borneo, 1883, \$1 carm	60	* 55 - 1877, 32c blue, C C	35
17 - 1886, 25c slate	60	* 56 - " 64c brown, C C	75
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19 - " \$1 carmine	50	* 64 - 1886, 4c rose, C A	20
20 - " \$2 sage green	2 00	69 - 1887, 1r 12c red brown, C A	85
41 - 1889, 8c on 2c	1 20	107 - 1882, 16c on 24c gr	20
1 Canada, 1851, 3p red, laid p	50	* 108 - " 20c on 64 red brown	50
4 - 1852, 3p red, wove p	60	112 - 1885, 5c on 24c gr	1 60
5 - " 6p purple, thick wove p	3 40	120 - " 10c on 16c lilac	3 20
6 - 1855, 10p blue, wove p	3 00	121 - " 10c on 24c claret	30
7 - 1857, 4p pink, wove p	30	* 123 - 10c on 24c claret	60
9 - 1858, 4p pink	1 00	126 - " 15c on 16c lilac	40
10 - " 3p red	1 25	127 - " 15c on 16c orange	25
14 - 1859, 10c violet	20	* 129 - " 20c on 32c blue	80
16 - " 17c blue	40	130 - " 25c on 32c blue	20
17 - 1864, 2c pink	20	* 131 - " 28c on 32c blue	20
19 - 1868, 1c brown red	20	132 - " 28c on 48c rose	35
* 23 - " 12 1/2c blue	30	* 133 - " 30c on 36c blue	1 00
* 27 - 1869, 1c yellow	25	134 - " 30c on 36c brown	40
* 32 - 1873, 10c pink	20	135 - " 56c on 96c slate	25
* 33 - 1875, 8c olive green	30	136 - " 56c on 96c slate	25
* 35 - 1877, 15c slate	30	137 - " One rupee 12 c on 24 r. br. red	50
* 42 - 1860, 10c brown, env	1 00	* 160 - 1869, 1p blue, blk sur' off	1 00
* 82 - 1875, 8c blue, registration	30	* 164 - " 6p brown, red sur' off	1 50
* 88 - 1879, brown, off sealed	2 30	* 184 - 1858, 2p green, env	1 35
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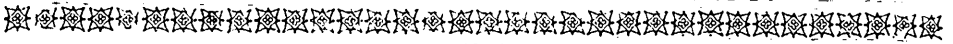
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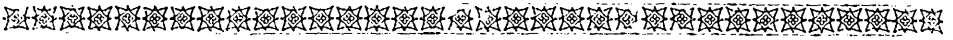
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