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## Side Lights on Stamps.

When we consider what a power religion häs exercised from the earliest ages upon the mind of manyit may not - be amiss to enquire what witness is borne to this fact by philately. In pursuing this investigation one naturally turns first of all to the mythology of ancient Greece, inasmuch as its influence was too widespread and deeprooted for its memory to have altogether faded a way. Consequently we have the graceful head of mercurythe messenger of the gods-as the normal design of the postags stamps of Greece; and the same herald of news is presented to us in more or less pleaseing fashion upon stamps of Austria, Brazil, Crete, ãnd Uraguay. But when we come to-the particular issue commemoratiog the revival of the olympic games, the range of our subject is considerably extended. There we may notice Atlas bending beneath his ponderous load, Minervì raising her shield decorated with the Gorgon's head, Hercules, and apparently Apolln, and Nike or Victory with extended wings.

The "emale figure on the 10 cents Uruguay of 1895 ; is probably meant for Ceres, the godess of corn; which
"Great Here," otherwise known as Juno, is also supposed by some to be the intention of a well modelled head another of the Cietan stamps.

The mythology of India is likewise of great antiquity; and we are reminded of its existence by representations idols upon the stamps of Duttia and Jhalawar; while yet a third system, almost lost in the dim recesses of the hoary past, is indicated by the unimpassioned features of the sphinx which keeps its silent watch and ward over the pyramids of Egypt.

Advancing with the march of time we note that the cross, the symbol of christianity, is emblazoned on the shields Switzerland, Modena, Tuscany, and some of the lower values of Italy.

The crescent of islam is conspicuous on most of the emissions of Tarkey, and in a lesser degree as the. water mark of nearly all the Egyptian issues.

The sunburst on the stamps of Persia awakes recollection of the fire-worshippers of Iran, those-Ghelers who hovid inadoration hefore,the rising orb of day; while a similar device upon the stamps of Peru preserve, the memory of the Incas-the heaven-born children of the sun-a gentle race, hhom, along with their religion, the Spanards so ruth-

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lessly exterminated. The open book of the law, which adorns one of the emissions of Bolivia, is presumably by the Bible; and the three figures by the healing spring on the stamps of Nevis may be regarded as emblematical of Faith, Hope and Charity. The Virgin islands, appropriately to their name, recall to us first of all the parable of the virgins and their lamps as recorded St. Matthew; then the mater dolorosa, or the sorrowing mother of our Lord; while in their latest issue the virgin with their lily branch seems more suggestive of the teaching of the Rom. an Catholic Church.

In the sphere of saints and angels we have St. Michael beating down the old serpent on the labels intended to popularize the Brussels exhibition; the archangel is represented on one of the Cretan stamps, and probably also on several sets got up in honor of Vasco da Gama, another angel, possibly the one referred to in Rev xiv; 6, appears flying across one of last year's com memorative stamps of Brazil. St.Paul's escape from shipwreck, as related in the Acts of the apostles, is decided on the highest value of Malta; and we find St. George and the dragon on the fiscal postal of Tasmania and also on another stamp of Crete. A series of events in the history of St. Anthony is presented to us on a special commemorative issue of Portugal; and a similar issue of Ven ezuela refers to some wonderous story under the title of the apotheosis Miranda.

Amongst other developments of religion the temporalpower of the papacy is indicated by the cross-keys and the tiara upon the stamps of the Roman States. On various emissions of Mexico we have a patriot of 'Hidalago the priest, a patriot and reformer; while another ecclesiastic, said to be a Jesuit missionary, is shown upon the 1 cent stamp of Omaha as preaching to the red indians.

## " Continental Currency

This money was issued by the 13 origginal colonies after their confederation.

This union as you all well know was brought about by England attempting to coerce the colonies unlawfully.

Before this time each colony had issued its own money which we call colonial money, according to Scott-regarded as authority-there were 111 different bills issued in in different series. The first issued was at Philadelphia dated May 19th 1775 and consisted of the following denominations $1,2,3,4,5,20,30,35,40$, $45,50,55,60,70$ and 80 dollars.

We recently saw an article going the rounds of our local papers that a certain person had a' $\$ 60$ bill of this date, the only one in existence and if desired the government would redeem it giving the possessor $\$ 60$. in money issued at the present coinage, such is not. the case, these bills are worth no more' than cancelled stamps so far as redemption is concerned.
The curio collector can probably purchase a similar bill for 50 c . The rarest
of the series issued was at Yorktown April IIth 1788. The reason for their being printed here was because the seat of government was changed from Philadelphia here owing to the British taking possession of the former.

The bills issued were $4,5,6,7,8,20$ and 30 dollars and are worth from $\$ 2$. to \$5. each.
Feb. 26, 1777 there was a series issued at Baltimore, the remaining nine series were issued at Philadelphia. During the revolution there was lots of this money issued. It took from $\$ 200$ to $\$ 300$ to buy a pair of boots, finally it depricated so much that it was worth no more than old paper. Its abundance then is the cause of but few of the bills being at all rare now.
Most of the bills aan be obtained at from 25 c to ${ }^{5} \mathrm{e}$ each except the Yorktown.

Two stamps, the existance of which are not generally known among collectors, are the Canadian surcharges, two cent on the three cent maple leaf and numeral issues. The earliest mention of the inverted surcharge we have been able to find is in "Notes" ofthe March 1900 issue of the American Journal of Philately in which the editor says "We have been shown a specimen of the 2 c on 3 c numeral with inverted surcharge. We believe that this variety has not as yet been reported:" The next mention we find in the advertising papers of the Monthly Journal for March, 1901. The stamps not mentioned in the "Addenda to the Priced Catalogue" published in the Monthly Journal, and we are unable to find any mention of the varieties in the chron-
icle of news issues and varieties. It would seem strange if these stamps have escaped notice and chronicle by the general run of United States and Canadian papers, and their date of issue will be of interest.

The I farthing surcharge on the I snilling Bermuda, of which 192,000 were printed, are being advertised at very reasonable prices as the market has broken. The bulk of the issue was purchased by a few speculators who evidently believed that collectors and dealers would pay exhorbitant prices for them-

A little judicious waiting often accomplishes wonders, and the syndicate who purchased the high values of the Columbian issue can give interesting testimony on this point. Speculators in stamps are are apt to lose sight of the difference between necessities and luxuries, and while a corner in wieat may be profitable a corner in stamps often leaves the spec ulator out of pocket.
The festivities ior the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York's visit to Malta have been really a success. On the 27 th ult; the Duke opened an Art Exhibition, a section of which was allotted to postage stamps. The collections were many.

Among the most prominent were Mr. Micallef's Maltese Collection, which is unique in the whole island. In it there were the yellow $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. stamp with pin perforation, and another with watermark crown CC. inverted, the latter the only specimen known Blucks of the 5sh watermark inverted and of the 4 sh . imperfor ated, used and unused, were in abundance

## About Pearls

You have all seen beautiful pearls. They are not dug out of the mines, as are diamonds, rubies and amethysts.
They are of animal formation. They are found in the shell of the pearl oyster.
This oyster is really not at all like our ordinary oyster. It is supposed that a tiny grain of sand, or an unhatched egg becomes lodged between the mantle and the shell of the oyster. It has not the power to remove the foreign particle, and so it covers it with the glistening fluid secretion from the mantle called nacre. This nacre hardens and each year adds a fresh layer to the substance, and thus a beautiful pearl is formed by an accident, just as in life, what we often think a dreadful calamity may turn out beautifully and wonderfully for our own good and benefit.
The Cninese have a very clever way of $\dot{m}$ making use of this habit of the pearl oyster.
They put bits of sand and little images into the oyster shells and leave them for years; when taken out they are beautifully coated with the pearly substance.

It is the nacre spreading over the e.tire shell which makes the pretty mother-ofpearl used in making ornaments.

All oysters have not as plainly colored shells as those we use for food. The color of the shells depends upon the action of the light and the depth of the water, and in warm countries we find oysters and mussels with highly colored shells.

Diving for pearl is hard work. Most of the pearl oysters are found in the waters near Ceylon.

The divers can only stay under water a couple of minutes. In this time they gather up quantities of the oysters and bring them to the surface.

They are left on the banks, carefully secured by being placed in walled compartments, until the soft body of the oyster decays, and then the pearls are easily found. Some are loose; these are more costly than those which have to be partly spoiled by being cut off from the shell.

Pearls are of 'great value, hence the pearl fisheries are carefully guarded to prevent any stealing.
The Shah of Persia is said to have the most valuable collection of pearls in the world.

## A Fire that brought Fortune.

British gum was discovered through the burning of a starch factory near Chapelizod in 1841. Some calico printers who, in assisting to extinguish the flames, had been plentifully bedewed with the starch which the torrents of water had washed into the highway, found on attemptling to remove their clothes that they aphered to their limbs as though they had been saturated with glue, and on returning to the scene of the fire found the ground covered with puddles of a glutinous mixture.

Some of this they took away, and using it in their trade in the place of the gum-arabic usually employed, found that it answered as well. They ultimately sold their secret for a small sum to a gentleman who turned it to a much more profitable account, it beirg applied, among other purposes, to the service of the penny postage when first introduced for rendering the stamps adhesive.

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The Duke was presented with a collection of Maltese stamps, dating since 1866, by the Exhibition Committee. He also accepted a general collection from Baron Testaferrata, CMG, which he had been uniting since 40 years ago. Mr. R. Leonandini very kindly filled some valuable gasps in the Duke's collection.

Postage stamps of the 1861 issue in metallic cases were circulated because of the scarcity of small change during the civil war. The circular metal cases had .mica fronts through which the stamps were seen and the reverse side often bore advertising announcements. The cases were patented by J. Gault, August i2th, 1862, and Sterliug gives the following list of stamps that were encased: Ic., blue; 3c., red; 5c., redbrown; 5c., yellow; roc., green; 12c., black and 14c., violet.

The latest rumor at hand is that a change has been made in the "V. R. I." surcharges on the stamps of the Vaal River Colony. It is reasonable to believe that with an exhausting of the supply of any values surcharged in this manner that the new combination "E. R. I." would be the order of the day. If we may believe the correspondent of an English paper, this has already taken place, the id. being the value undergoing treatment.

Among the most picturesque postmen of the world are the "Camel Express Messenger" of Bokhara. The men wear serviceable red uniform, and a large green turban, embroidered with gold thread.

From their girdle hangs a curved sabre in a red sheath. The camels are adorned with trappings of gay cloth and tassels,
ornamented with blue heads and cowrieshells, and with small brass bells round their neck to give uotice of their approach.

The rough and rapid trotting of these animals, sometimes at the rate of eighty miles a day, is so trying to the riders as to shorten their lives.

If you were in Japan, you would see lithe, wiry runners, dartinghere and there among the crowd. Everybody gives way before them, for they are the postmen of the empire. Their letters are carried in small baskets stapped to their sides.

More than a gallon of pearls were found in the famous Effigy mound, near Chillicothe, Ohio. In the same region more than forty bears' teeth, with pearls set in them, lying near skeletons, were discovered.

Quartz is the most abundant of all the minerals. It is No. 7 in the scale of hard ness.

Copper is so called from the Island of Cypress, whence the Romans obtained their principal supply. Copper appears to have been known to the nations of antiquity, and often when brass is mentioned in old books copper is understood.

What is the most precius metal in the world? Gold! No, indeed there exists several varieties of metals far more precious than gold. Gallium is quoted in the market at $\$ 3,000$ an ounce avordupois. Tons of zink 7 ores, in which it occurs, must be worked over to obtain even a trifiing amount. Here are a few more; Germanium $\$ 1,125$ per ounce: rhodium $\$$ In2.50; Ruthenium $\$ 90$ and osmium $\$ 62$ an ounce.

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A watch believed to have been lost some time about 1627 , which has been found on Poverty Island, at the mouth of the Connecticut River, is attracting great attention from Antiqarians. The watch is a large silver one, and on the inside of the outer case is engraved a name which cannot be made out, and the date 1630 . -

The largest library in the world is the Bibliotheque Nationale, in Paris, founded by Louis xiv. It contains $1,400,000$ volumes, 300,000 pamphlets, 175,000 manuscripts, 300,000 maps and charts and 150,000 coins and medals.

The Northampton Corporation has decided to purchase a collection of 3 Io speimens of boots for the museum, says the London Daily Mail. The collection will make the series of specimens practically complete, as showing the history of the shoe craft in Great Britian.

A silk hat box belonging to Paul Kruger was recently sold at auction in London and brought $\$ 125$.

A few weeks ago an old viking ship, like those of the Scandinavian sea-rover, was found while workmen were digging trenches for a water company on the outskirts of London.

China had in circulation as a medium of exchange the "Iao" coins, as early 2453 B. C. These were made of cast iron and were knife-shaped.
The greatest collection of coins and medals is in the British Museum.

Various articles made of pipestone or catlinite have been found in prehistoric ruins in Arizona. As there are no known quarrics of this stone in Arizona it was
probably obtained from the quarries in Pipestone County, Minn.

974,700 cents(of the U. S.) were coined in 1796; 897,510 in 1797; 979,700; in 1798; $2, \S 22,175$ in 1 Soo; $1,362,837$ in 1801, 3 , 432 , 100 in 1802; 941, 116 in 1805, 348,000 in 1806; 727,221 in 1807. Note the difference.

The Chinese have a bank note that was issued during the reign of Emperor Huny-Wu, 1368 -99. This earliest of bank notes measures eighteen inches by nine.

Curio collecting is spreading like wildfire. The rich and poor, the old and young are finding "sweet peace" in the pleasure of collecting everything curious and odd, lovely and sublime. Those well along in years look back over the past and wonder why they had not entered the ranks long ago. The ycung rejoice because the way has been made clear to them. Life to them is bright and happy. All around them is nature's vast storehouse, with an ever constant change of contents.

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