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JULY, 1900.

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BERLIN, ONT.

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A MONTHLY FOR STAMP COLLECTORS.

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BERLIN, ONT., JULY, 1900.

WHOLE NO. 47.

Stamp Albums.

BY EDGAR S. BRIGHTMAN.

When our albums cease to be a living issue, when we don't care what sort of a store-house our collection has, it will be time for us to entertain serious fears that our interest in stamps is diminishing.

As things are now, the collector has his ages of albums, not exactly the "seven ages" of Shakespeare, but an approach to it. First we have a "blank album(!)"—generally a nickel memorandum book. Then we get a quarter printed album, then the same in better binding, then a large book and finally we venture to aspire to the blank album. But our aspirations in the latter line don't generally come till after our collection has wholly outgrown a printed book.

It is my opinion that there is much radically wrong with all the printed albums now on the market, unless the collector has a boundless store of money. For a collection up to 1500 varieties or so, the half-dollar book is good enough, but beyond that the ideal album is blank one of good quality. I will give my reasons, in brief, for this opinion.

In the common printed album, an ordinary collection of three to four thousand varieties is absolutely lost. If you desire to display your stamps to an outsider he is generally far more struck by the abundance of empty spaces than by the good stamps,

that come few and far between. He often gives vent to admiration of what in reality is nothing but a cut of a stamp, but which he supposes to be the real thing. That, you say, is not much of a reason for using a blank album; just to produce an impression on non-collectors.

But I have other, and still more weighty reasons for advising you to part with your old album and get a blank one, if your financial condition allows. If you desire to be a true philatelist you can not be tied down to what the album maker ordains about what to collect and the manner of arrangement. One can, of course, disregard the spacing in the printed book and put his stamps in where he pleases, but what sort of an appearance does an album, treated like that, present? It bears a decided resemblance to a piece of patch work carelessly fastened to the page of the book. The collector that does not give attention to the looks of his album is one who needs some prodding in his philatelic conscience.

Another reason why we should desire a blank album, is one somewhat different from the ordinary. It has long been a superstition, revered on account of its age, like some jokes, that we must have complete sets no matter what it costs, the complete set must and will be obtained. Certainly, it looks well to see long unbroken lines of stamps but too often there are some scarce ones in the set, whose purchase

would cause a long unbroken vacuum in your pocket book. Now if you have a blank album there is no need of having that dismal empty space. Just put the other stamps in the set along in a row, and there you have it, looking just as well and being as satisfactory as if you had the lacking specimens, and if by some wonderful fortune, you should get the absent rarity, I venture to say that there would be little trouble in providing a place for it.

The minor variety is sought after by every collector no matter how much he may deride the rest of us for getting them. With a printed book, for a time satisfactory, you shortly find some pages surrounded by a fringe-like string of minors having a rather bedraggled appearance. I saw the collection of a gentleman who specializes in French, but who still clung to the old printed album. The pages devoted to France were a sight for men and angels! Nearly every stamp had under it another, which was a variety of some sort. The space inside the margin was entirely filled and the margin itself was covered. Now, while such a sight is indicative of great study on the part of the owner of the collection, it would present a far more imposing appearance in a blank album and would be far more convenient for reference.

Now, finally to have a blank album in the place of a printed book, would arouse a more intimate acquaintance with one's stamps and a more personal, almost, feeling toward his collection, since he arranged it himself instead of following blindly the course laid down in the album, however excellent in its way that may be.

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Read Albert H. Hall's advertisement on page 2.

Greece and Switzerland.

An Appreciation by A. M. MUIRHEAD.

Of course we all have our favorites, our bright particular stars, among the stamps. I don't know any issues that appeal so strongly to the artistic portion of this particular mind as the stamps of Greece and Switzerland.

Look at the stamps of Greece, before those gaudy and ill-arranged commemoratives of the Olympian Games, has the majestic in art any fairer embodiment? That chaste, classic head of Hermes, like some perfect cameo, which always brings to mind the celebrated lines of Poe:—

Thy naaid airs have brought me home
To the glory that was Greece,
And the grandeur that was Rome.

Hermes, I presume the effigy is, corresponding to the Roman Mercury, serving, sometimes as messenger of the gods, sometimes as a sort of wind spirit, the confused strains of Grecian and Roman mythology tell sometimes inconsistent tales. Contrasting, for there can be no comparing, these Grecian issues with the later emissions, the large numeral and Olympian, one sees the decadence of this classic nation.

Turn we, now, to Switzerland, the ideal commonwealth of our Bourgeois economists. Here we again find stamps which are neat and artistic. The absence of gaudy effect makes room for art that is true. We see now, no pagan relics, but a more modern effigy. It is always symbols. A seated figure of a woman with a long staff or spear and white crossed shield. A symbol of the Republic we presume. One strange thing about symbolism is the eternal persistence of identification. "The Republic to me is a strong woman," as one of our French writers says. Switzerland might

be proud of her stamps, and might even congratulate herself with having no Postmaster Mulock, with his blatant vaster empire than has been and Xmas stamps that persist till that particular Christmas is gone, through a whole year, even until the coming of this season's flowers that bloom in the spring.

I think a little observation of the stamps of Greece, Switzerland and some few other countries would serve to educate our ideas and win us away from the idea that a postage stamp can acceptably emulate a lobster can label.

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United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

The present issue of envelopes is becoming remarkable for the number of varieties. Three recognized dies of the two cent, two of the five cent, and latest is Die C of the four cent. This die C is distinguished by the omission of the serrated line outside Lincoln's head, and is conspicuous in its variation.

Fiscal collectors would do well to look out for the provisional Philippine revenues some of these are surcharged on the U. S. regular issue, and others are of original design.

Mr. Neely, a United States postoffice clerk in Cuba, is adding to the joys of philately, he is alleged to have failed to destroy \$45,000 worth of the surcharged U. S. stamps when ordered to do so, as he considered that this would tend to deprive collectors of a chance to complete their sets of colonial provisionals. His name should be bracketed with that of the governor of Guam as a philatelic philanthropist.

The American exhibit at the Exposition will be the headquarters for a number of our prominent dealers and collectors. Unfortunately the clerks in charge have permitted the theft of three sheets of proofs, one of which is the \$48 newspaper, and the United States exhibit, which was helped out by about \$1000 worth of privately owned stamps may not be sent on after all. It will be unfortunate should this be the case, as the stamps of this country as a whole, and especially as regards the newspaper and revenues, are far more beautiful than the run of European issues.

The sets of newspaper and periodical stamps, so much maligned, are going to be good property within five years. The issue was 50,000, and of these quite a number were not sold, and enough were turned in at the close of last year to more than counter balance the number of sets in collections prior to the issue. A reprint was made of the higher values, and an apparent storm of protest followed. More apparent than real, a storm to cause timid speculators to unload their purchases, and with the would-be speculators who find they need the cash, these sets are now selling from \$4 up. But no one should presume on this unsettled condition to put off the acquisition of a set; the flurry caused by this unloading will pass off in a year at most, and then the rise will be rapid. The stamps are beautiful, and the Seebecks are an ever present example of the fact that beauty will atone for a multitude of sins in the direction of speculation. If you have sets, hold on to them, if you intend to get a set, get it now, some of the big dealers are advertising them below the government price, a condition that won't

last long. There are three different sets those with the stamps all originals, advertising generally at \$25; those with the \$5 reprinted, usually selling at \$6.50; and the sets with the five higher values reprinted, advertised at from \$4 to \$6.

Oil paper has replaced the paraffine paper in the stamp booklets.

A parcels post convention has been concluded between the United States and Nicaragua.

The Nebraska Philatelist, after hibernating a couple of months, has changed hands, Mr. Kennedy having sold out to R. L. Sheppard, of Omaha.

"The island of Porto Rico and the territory of Hawaii are included in the term 'United States,' and the island of Guam, the Philippine Archipelago and Tutulla are included in the term 'Island Possessions' of the United States." From circular of P. M. General of June 12, 1900.

Philatelic Associations.

BY J. SYDNEY DALTON.

A collector who has never been a member of a stamp association asks the question "what are its advantages?" first. This question is a hard one to answer, for, although the member can explain about the official organ, exchange department, etc., yet he can not explain to the fullest degree the advantages an association incurs.

The new member has these things to find out for himself. He finds that after he has been a member for some time his advantages are much greater than could have been explained.

A member that joins an association and does his best to forward the interests and

successes of the association is the member that all societies are fond and proud of.

Now, painfully, we must turn to the other kind of member—the member who joins for his own good and not the society's—who joins to get all he can out of it and tries to push himself to the front and become an officer, as near president as possible.

Ah yes! this is the one who is going to do the association more harm than all the other members put together. He will find himself "chucked" and will find that he can not reach the top in this way.

It is with much regret that we must admit this fact very often i. e. That collectors do sometimes join associations purely for the benefit that they themselves can derive from it.

We must now turn to another question. There are too many philatelic societies and yet every week (more or less) we hear of a new society and what is the result? Their days are short and sweet.

The leading societies of the day will come out on top. They must, for when you compare a society of about 500 members to one of about six, including officers; and one run by the leading philatelists of the day, to one that has been started by one or two collectors who are trying to work in opposition to a big society, the "old reliable" will down them in a very short time.

Sooner or later it will and must be known that no more than one society of a kind can be supported.

If only some of our influential philatelists will start a society to protect collectors, dealers and publishers, it will be much better than exchange clubs. Let us unite and remain that way throughout our philatelic career.

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47 If this number appears on your wrapper it signifies that your subscription has expired. Please renew.

Copy for Advertisements for August issue must reach us before the 20th of July or it will be too late.

EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

IT has been our usual custom to hold our July number back for the report of the D. P. A. Convention, but this year we have decided to take a more extended vacation and, not wishing to delay the *ADVOCATE*, we have omitted the Convention report. Full particulars will appear in next issue. We wish to thank those who assisted us in getting out the Convention number.

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We extend our thanks to Mr. John Mc Lauchlan, Owen Sound, Ont., for a complimentary season ticket for the steamer "Mazeppa" plying between Owen Sound and Balmy Beach summer Resort and Mc Lauchlin Park. This famous summer resort is situated on Georgian Bay, three miles from Owen Sound and although only opened last year has met with phenomenal success. The beautiful site and natural advantages of this sea-shore summering place are sufficient guarantee of the prosperity and future of this delightful spot.

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We have received a sample of the American Edition of the *Young Stamp Collector*. It is published in England. H. A. Chapman, Rocky Hill, Conn., is American representative.

We acknowledge receipt of price list of Int. Stamp & Investment Co., Box 787, Mexico, City, Mexico.

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For some time past certain dealers have been advertising "Perfect" stamp hinges in 1000 lots at less than 10c per thousand. Collectors should beware of purchasing hinges from these dealers as they cannot be the genuine "Perfect" Hinge. All dealers when buying these hinges from the manu-

facturers must agree to sell at not less than 10 cents per single thousand. Collectors who send to dealers advertising at these cheap prices usually get nothing for their money. A dealer in Iowa offered so called "Perfect" hinges at extremely low prices, and we have letters in our possession to show that he never filled the order. When you want "Perfect" hinges buy from a responsible, well known firm, and remember that they cannot be sold at less than 10c per single thousand.

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F. B. Eldredge reports that he has had trouble with the following: Harold Barrett, Scranton, Pa. N. Maurier, Preston, Ont. Charley Martin, Kokoma, Ind. F. H. Russell, Amphere, N. J. Bad one, P. M. Weiss, 811 Vine St., Cincinnati, Ohio. and C. B. Anderson, Victoria Harbor, Ont.

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Stamp Cuts.

Important Ruling by Postmaster-General.

In our January issue we published a decision of the Postmaster-General that, according to Sec. 86 of the post office act, it was illegal to print cuts of postage stamps for illustration. All the Canadian papers were notified to discontinue the use of cuts. All did so except the *Montreal Philatelist*. The P. O. Act makes an exception in favor of persons who may use cuts by permission of the Postmaster-General. Both the publishers of the *Montreal Philatelist* and the *ADVOCATE* made formal request for permission but it was not granted, the requests being merely acknowledged by the P. M. G.

During the past few months we have had considerable correspondence in regard to this matter, and as a result we are pleased to announce that we have the promise of

the Postmaster-General that he will make regulations without delay that will allow philatelic papers to use cuts. A later letter, dated June 12th, says "The matter is under consideration and it will only be a few days before they will be announced. As an interim measure the Department has decided not to interfere with the publication in stamp papers of cuts of stamps." Thus another victory for Philately is recorded.

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 The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 18c.

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Chas. W. Myers, Elm and St. Francis Sts., Wichita, Kans., 19, shoe salesman, Chas. Bailey, F. A. Hayworth.

The above will be admitted to membership July 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

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 Wm. Mulligan, Chapleau, Ont.
 Jas. Whiteside, 800 Jackson St. Phila., Pa
 E. B. MacGillivray, 6 Peel Ave., Toronto.
 A. E. H. Coe, Fort William, Algoma.

DIED.

307. Herbert Pope, South West Point, Que.

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report..... 331
 Paid up since..... 16
 Total paid up..... 347

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report..... \$48.15
 Received for dues, etc..... 4.83
 52.98
 Paid Official Organ 4.24,
 " postage..... .89.
 Convention expenses R G Widdicombe 5.00
 Printing ballots..... .77
 Balance on hand..... 42.10.
 52.98.

By the time this paper reaches the members the Convention will be in full swing. A full report will appear next month.

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer
 GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

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No reports received this month.

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Just a Little Personal.

"Publishers desiring an *impartial* and *unbiased* review of their publication based entirely on the *merits of the contents thereof*," etc., is the heading of the review department of a philatelic journal. The *italics* are ours. Knowing we would not get a fair review we do not send a copy of our paper to the reviewer but by some means ha

secured a copy and we see one of the most
 sinine reviews ever given, and all based
 on the fact that our Editorial Column is
 headed "Editorial Opinions." The reason
 of the writer thus giving vent to his spleen
 is that one time we did not insist on "cash
 with copy" and this individual inserted an
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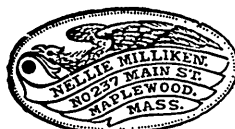
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