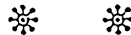


Our next number will be of special interest to all D. P. A. members. Watch for it. We have made a few errors in the Ticket we give on page 26. A complete and revised Ticket will appear next month. Your vote and support is wanted.

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## *The Pleasures and Profits of Stamp Collecting.*

Many are under the impression that the collecting of stamps is merely "child's play" but such is not the case. When such as the Czar of Russia, Duke of York, Duke of Edinburgh, and other distinguished people are collectors it means there is something in it. In a collection of stamps a person can find out the money denominations, the coat of arms, the names of the different rulers, and many other things too numerous to mention in this brief article. A professor in one of the leading schools in the United States is the informant that the best scholars are or have been stamp collectors. He was asked the reason and his reply was, that whenever a collector got any new stamps he would turn to his geography and find out where the country was situated, who the ruler was, the money denominations, the chief exports and imports of that country, the principal towns and rivers, and in fact all about the place, so you can easily see that there is profit in it as well as pleasure, besides the value of his collection which increases from year to year.

The writer has a collection which was purchased about six years ago for \$15.00. To-day it would, if placed on the market, bring \$250.00 readily. You can

talk of your Klondyke gold mines but if the people who are investing in these mines were to stay at home and purchase some good stamps, they would find in these little bits of paper money satisfactorily invested.

May I ask the readers of this article if they ever seen a stamp collector hanging around the street corners as is the custom with so many young men? If you did they are few and far between. They are at home arranging their treasures which in a few years hence will bring them in considerable revenue should they be forced to sell, and would mean a help to them in their old age. In proof of these statements let me illustrate a few instances of the increase in value of certain stamps. Those that can be bought now for 50 cents and upwards, will, in six or eight years bring \$10 or \$12, according to the class of stamps the person buys.

In a future number I may be able to tell you more about them if the editor will allow me space in his valuable paper.

Any reader who has any stamps to sell, wishes to find out their value, who are anxious to know what stamps to purchase or how to arrange their collection can readily find out by addressing the writer of this article. Let me hear from any who need help.

W. A. BEATTY.

**A Visit to Hamilton.**

The editor and Mr. W. A. Beatty paid a visit to Hamilton on Good Friday and were very favorably impressed with everything that took place. The day was perfect, and upon our arrival at 10.15 a. m. we were met at the station by some four or five of the Hamilton collectors who escorted us the rooms of the philatelic club, where we passed a pleasant hour talking over stamp matters. This society has about fifteen enthusiastic members, though eight or nine was all we managed to see. In a body the Fire Hall and City Hall was visited. From thence we went down to a restaurant for dinner. The only fault I had to find with this part of the programme was—, well I guess I'll let it pass this time. It's a known fact that you can't please everybody.

At 2.15 we started for the mountain that lies back of the city and after a walk of about two miles reached the summit. The grounds and buildings of the insane asylum is at this point and of course must be visited. (Mr. Matches says there is a woman here who can climb a tree as quick as a young boy, though we didn't see her.) We couldn't stop here so on we went. After another two miles had been gone over we came to a beautiful little falls (I cannot remember its name) and here we sat down to rest. In a short time all were ready to make the return trip, but our friend Marris. He is particularly fond of the fair sex and had found just what he wanted. We were sorry to leave him, but train time was drawing near and we hastened back to the club rooms. We hadn't been

there long, however, when in dropped the "lost sheep." We gave him a gentle roast, but he didn't seem to mind it—he's used to this sort of thing. It was now about 6 p.m., and as our train was due at 6.25 we had to hustle, but we got there in good time. At the last moment I decided to remain over night, so bidding Mr. Beatty good-bye I made my way back to the city. There was a "hot time" at the rooms of the Hamilton Stamp Club that night, and I wasn't at all sorry because I had stayed over. During my stay I was very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. R. W. Mason, the most of our time being spent in looking over his stamps, of which he has quite a stock. At 12.25 on Saturday I left for home, well satisfied with my trip.

The Hamilton collectors are a jolly set, and are making preparations for a big time at the D. P. A. convention to be held there on July 1st and 2nd, and I am sure those who attend will never regret it.

In conclusion I hope the time is not far off when I shall get up there and see the boys again.

R. G. WIDDICOMBE.

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**Special to D. P. A. Members.**

The date for the next annual convention of the Dominion Philatelic Association is drawing near and of course the election of officers, etc., is something that interests every member. One of the most important of these is the official organ. It should be live and wide awake. The February number of the Virginia Philatelist says,—“One of the best benefits derived from a philatelic society is a good official

journal published promptly each month."

THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST is acknowledged by all (except the publishers of the other journals) to be the leading philatelic magazine in Canada. Though it does not always contain as many pages as some of the others, it is well printed on fine paper, and is PUBLISHED ON TIME.

This paper will be a candidate for the official organ of the society for the coming year, and we ask for the vote and support of all members. Ballots will be sent out by the Secretary some time before the convention, and everyone will have a fair chance to vote. The old form of voting by proxy is a thing of the past with our society. We believe, however, there are still a few who are holding out for it, but as their object for so doing is well known, it is quite unlikely that their wishes will be complied with.

See that you mark your ballot for THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST, and if elected, the D. P. A. will have an official organ to be proud of.

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#### *Accounts for Sale.*

We have the following accounts for sale. Who wants to buy them?

T. S. Kinn, Chicago	\$1.50
W. A. Lydiatt, Toronto	.51

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#### *New Issue Plate Numbers.*

We add the following to our previous lists:—

2 cent—No. 3.

3 cent—No. 5, 6.

Other numbers will be given as they appear.

## Over the Border.

### *Nutmeg Gratings.*

The writer has disposed of the Perforator, but will still be identified with it as a contributor. Mr. J. W. Stowell, of Federalburg, Md., is the publisher, and Miss Blanche Noble the editor. Under their care the same features will be kept up, and I am confident the journal will be handsomer than ever.

Apropos of the above the Perforator and ONTARIO PHILATELIST together can be procured for 25 cents a year. The publisher of the O. P. will take subscriptions, or the writer either. Address Rocky Hill, Conn.

Many people wonder why the smaller post offices have new issues first. The explanation is that large offices are furnished much more bountifully in proportion, and old issues are still on hand. Hartford did not have either the 1c. green or 5c. blue on sale at this writing. In West Hartford, four miles distant, the 1c. green was on sale soon after Feb. 1st. In East Hartford, two miles away, both of the new issues could be obtained Feb. 15th.

Arthur A. Thompson, of Laconia, N. H., seems to have been pretty well advertised by this time. He talked largely, and the unsophisticated person would think he was a heavy dealer, as his place of business was given as 15, 17 and 19 Arch Street. In reality 15 and 19 are vacant lots. After some of his nefarious practices had been settled up, he became a Y. M. C. A. employee, but that didn't reform him, and

he is now a very much wanted young man.

I have received copies of new—or nearly new—publications, which are eager for exchange. When the bulk of our monthly philatelic journals can be obtained for from 10 to 25 cents, and all the weeklies for either 25 or 50 cents, it seems as though a publisher must be pretty sanguine to ask 50 cents a year for a new monthly journal, and typographically very poor.

Apropos of the above, a journal out west recently (December) published an issue with quite gaudy cover, and was so elated that it asked the opinion of certain prominent reviewers as to its merits. One reviewer whose opinion was asked replied in very moderate terms that it was amateurish, and in consequence was called insulting. The writer looked through the number very hastily, and, after finding one hundred typographical errors, threw it aside in disgust. Divisions on a single letter were common, and the omission of necessary periods was frequent. The publishers took pains to say "the editor did not write this," which was unnecessary.

The recent issue of U. S. 1c. blue in its later stages seems to have many shades of color, which is true of the 2c. red stamps which daily come to hand.

The writer thinks many philatelic scribes throw mud in order to get replies and notice of some kind. It is pretty hard to keep still sometimes and swallow ill-natured flings, but silent contempt will oftentimes punish harder than a vigorous open calling down. Some scribes can-

not be decent, and when their stock-in-trade is known, it is better to let them severely alone. If you reply they will most likely have something more to say.

HENRY A. CHAPMAN.

### *From Virginia.*

The eighth monthly meeting of the Virginia Philatelic Association was held Monday night, April 11th, at the Association rooms. The weather, far different from what it was last meeting night, was clear and cold,—just such a night that should have enticed every member from their cosy corners to come out, get a fresh breath and talk stamps. In the absence of the President and Secretary, our Exchange Manager and Counterfeit Detector filled the two positions with credit. There being no other offices to fill, your humble servant amused himself by looking over all approval sheets on hand, but was disturbed several times to cast his vote,—once in my life I held the deciding vote. The slim attendance was caused by our Amateur Opera Co. rendering "Little Tycoon" for the benefit of the S. S. S. S., "Sunday School Stamp Society."

Since speaking of the counterfeit surcharged issue of Newfoundland, the American Journal of Philately, in their April number, illustrates the original and counterfeit, with the following explanation as to the differences in them:—"In the original printing, the word 'ONE CENT' is  $2\frac{1}{4}$  m.m. from the lower bar, whereas in the counterfeit the space between the two is  $4\frac{1}{2}$  m.m. Also in the originals the ink is of a heavy glossy black, whereas in

the counterfeits it is of a light gray-black. Also the originals are surcharged on the slate and lilac-gray shades which were printed in Ottawa, whereas the counterfeits appear on the brownish-slate, or Montreal print." Those that I have seen were surcharged very nicely, but my suspicions were aroused by their price, and also by the cancellation bars not extending the entire width of the stamp, thus showing that they were not surcharged in the sheet. Of course there are a great many varieties of the counterfeits.

There seems to be some difference of opinion as to the cause of the difference in size of some of the present issue of Canada. Some time ago I noticed the difference in the ½c. and later on in the 2c. My present collection contains three different widths of the 2c., and two in the length of the stamp. All are o. g., but upon close examination I find that the grain in the paper runs from top to bottom in the narrow stamp, and across in the wide, so one can readily see that the paper shrinks with the grain.

Someone wants to subscribe to a good philatelic paper without a "kick" in it. Can any of our readers give me the address of the editor of such a paper? I sympathize with our friend and will do anything to get him one moment's happiness.

Richmond, Va., the home of the Virginia Philatelic Society, a city claiming one hundred thousand population, does not contain one stamp dealer. Our collectors are well supplied with approval sheets from dealers of other cities.

Mr. R. Hamilton, a dealer of our little town across the river, (Manchester) reports business quite good at present, mail orders especially so.

The April number of the Virginia Philatelist presents to its readers a fine likeness of Mr. Penick Shilton. Mr. Shilton has a very fine collection, also a great many duplicates, and is always ready for a "swap."

THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST (No. 2) arrived on time. Didn't you see an improvement? Look out for No. 3. See if my predictions do not come true? Give the wheel another turn and we will be nearer the top round.

OLD DOMINION.

#### *From Wisconsin.*

The Columbian stamps are evidently not extinct yet. In a small town in Wisconsin I came across a Postmaster who had complete sheets of the 8c. and 10c. values that had been laid away in a safe and forgotten. This P. M. is now anxious to dispose of them to anybody who has a desire for complete sheets, unused.

I note also that the 1c., 2c., 5c., and 10c. Columbian envelopes, and the \$5.00 stamp is still on sale at the Washington post office.

Messrs. R. F. Albrecht & Co., one of the largest stamp firms in America, have disposed of their stock to the American Collector's Company, and will hereafter conduct a commission business only.

Under date of April 9th, the Chicago Record prints the follow-

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## OUR SAY.

Volume 3, number 3. Twelve pages and cover and on time as usual. See that YOUR subscription is sent in.

The first number of the Metropolitan Philatelist as a weekly came to hand a few weeks ago. It consists of 24 pages and every line is worth reading. We consider it the most interesting number of any weekly stamp paper that we have yet received, and hope that its visits will be regular.

Have you joined the D. P. A? We will be pleased to send an application blank to any who may want it. The annual convention will be held in Hamilton on July 1st and 2nd. Join now and go with the crowd.

The editor paid a visit to Buffalo a few weeks ago and dropped in on several of the dealers and

collectors. We called on Mr. Wendelin Weber and spent a few hours looking over some of his good things. One thing in particular we noticed with regard to his stamps is that they are all in very fine condition. Mr. Weber has an ad. in this issue, and it will pay everyone to look it up. His stamps are cheap, and if anything is not satisfactory you can get your money back.

Another firm whose ad. it will pay you to read is that of the Johnstown Stamp and Publishing Co. Several good things are offered on the page they use.

The new 3 cent envelopes have been placed on sale in many of the principal Canadian post-offices. It is useless to describe them fully—that was done by our Ottawa correspondent last month. We consider them very pretty.

It is stated that there will be a change in the new issue of Canada stamps. Many of the French-Canadians are kicking because no figures appear on the stamps, and not being able to read English they cannot make out the different values. Should this take place the current issue will most certainly be a good thing to keep.

Our friend Chapman has sold out the Perforator to Mr. J. W. Stowell, of Federalsburg, Md. Mr. Stowell is a printer by trade and will no doubt give us a magazine to be proud of. Mr. Chapman's paper was fine, but he says we can even expect something better now. We wish the new publisher success.



A new contest begins next month that will interest subscribers and advertisers alike. See that you get a copy of the paper.

There is a great demand for the current issue Canada used. An ad. in one of the Toronto papers recently says,—“Wanted to purchase, 100,000 of the current issue.”

We will give a year's subscription free to anyone who will send us a club of two yearly subscribers and 40 cents for same.

Do you want Volume I. of THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST? We have a few on hand which we will sell for 40 cents. Prices for single numbers on application.

Mr. F. J. Garraty, of Richmond, Quebec, has been appointed advertising and subscription agent for this paper. Any business done through him will receive prompt attention.

The ad. of Mr. W. A. Beatty occupies the same place as usual—the last page of cover.

The following communication was received from Ottawa a short time ago:—

**MEMORANDUM :**

Post Office Dept., Canada,  
Postage Stamp Branch,  
Ottawa, 4th April, 1898.

The rate of discount to be hereafter charged for the redemption of unused Canada postage stamps &c., by this Department will be five per cent.

E. P. STANTON,  
Superintendent.

**A Few Opinions.**

ONTARIO PHILATELIST received. It's all right.—W. A. STARNAMAN.

I have received paper. It's all right and much better gotten up than the others.—S. P. HUGHES.

You can fairly claim to be the best in Canada.—H. A. CHAPMAN.

Got number two of O. P. yesterday,—best in Canada without exception. I enclose my subscription.—A. M. MUIRHEAD.

The revived ONTARIO PHILATELIST is very neat typographically and its contents are up to date, and we hope editor Widdicombe will keep it so.—American Collector.

**Papers Received.**

We have received the following publications up to time of going to press:—

The Perforator, Melita Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser, New York Philatelist, Home Worker, Stamp Reporter, Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, Allegheny Philatelist, Junior Collector, Omaha Philatelist, Philatelic Literature, Tennessee Philatelist, Lone Star State Philatelist, Post Office, Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, Rocky Mountain Stamp, Philatelic Advocate, Evergreen State Philatelist, Metropolitan Philatelist, Herald Exchange, Stampman and American Collector.

We have also received Auction Catalogues from Bogert & Durbin Co., Philadelphia, Pa., and W. F. Gregory, New York and Price List of B. N. A. stamps from C. N. Robertson, Ottawa, Canada.

**Hamilton Notes.**

The Hamilton Stamp Club has its hands full at present, making arrangements for a successful convention, the dates of which have been fixed for July 1st and 2nd.

On Good Friday, Hamilton collectors had the pleasure of a visit from the O. P. editor and Mr. Beatty, the former remaining over night, but business made it necessary for the latter to return home on the evening train. We hope they had a pleasant time.

As mentioned in last month's notes a series of papers were to be written by a number of the members of the H. S. C., and to be read at various meetings. Three of these, viz:—A paper on Perforations, by R. S. Mason; Government Reminders, Reprints and Seebecks, by W. B. Grant; and the various kinds of paper, by N. Matches; have already been given. All were ably written and very instructive.

A local collector recently purchased a lot of one penny red, English, numbering about five thousand. When asked what he intended to do with them, he replied that he was going to paper his room. I don't think five thousand would go far, as it takes nearly two thousand to the square yard.

The writer recently came across an unused 12½ cent green Canada, which was watermarked. This stamp is not listed in the catalogue. Can anyone give me any information regarding it?

At a recent meeting of the Club, Dr. Kittson was elected Vice-President, and N. Matches Assistant Auction Manager.

The new 3 cent envelope appeared here on the 9th inst.

There is a good demand at present for used Jubilees and current issues. STOKES.

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**Capital Clippings.**

OTTAWA, APRIL 18.

Stamp matters in Ottawa are rather quiet at present, but no quieter than they have been for some time past.

The Secretary-Treasurer of our Philatelic Society showed me over thirty unused 5c. black Newfoundland last week. This person is buying Newfoundland stamps freely.

Surcharged Newfoundland's have found their way here in small quantities through one or two persons having friends on the Island. None of the forgeries have been seen—only a photograph of a pair.

The new 3c. envelope has made its appearance in the city.

There is no sign or prospect of any more of the current issue. The announcement made of a new issue by the Metropolitan Philatelist is probably correct. Nothing authentic can be had here, but it seems to be taken for granted that there will be a new issue.

The Metropolitan was the first to give definite information about the Cabots. They were made by the American Bank Note Co., in New York. The dies of the new Canada issue would be made in New York, and sent here to convert into plates. The Metropolitan is published in New York. Draw your own conclusions.

I saw a fine vertical pair of first issue bill 7c. unused, with one the error, in the hands of a non-philatelist, last week.

OTTAWAN.

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**An Error.**

An error will be found on page 22, in the first line under the heading "Our Say." What now reads Volume 3, Number 3, should be Volume 2, Number 3.

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**FROM WISCONSIN.**

Continued from page 21.

ing item. "In the event of war, Congress will among other things put a war tax on letter rate postage increasing the rate to 3 cents per ounce, which would augment the government treasury to the extent of \$300,000,000 a year.

Apropos to the above, rumor has it that Spain has already issued 10,000,000 5 cent stamps, 2,500 of which have already been received by a Spanish resident of San Antonio, Texas. These stamps are to be disposed of to the patriotic Spanish residents of the United States.

CHAS. BAILEY.

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**CURRENT PUBLICATIONS.**

*Our Monthly Review, Conducted by Fred. J. Garraty.*

**PAPERS RECEIVED.**

American Journal of Philately, April.  
 Pennsylvania Philatelist, April.  
 Columbian Philatelist, January.  
 Perforator, April.  
 Virginia Philatelist, April.  
 Rocky Mountain Stamp, February.  
 New York Philatelist, March.  
 Herald Exchange, April.  
 International Philatelist, March-April.  
 Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, April 7.

The Virginia Philatelist for April comes out prettier than ever. "Gilchrist" has a well

written article on "Some West Indian Fakes," and Mr. Stearns concludes his history of the "War Stamps of Germany."

The Perforator appeared promptly on time, although I see by the editorials that it has changed hands. Miss B. Noble is to be editor-in-chief, so it will be more of a ladies' paper than ever.

The Columbian Philatelist has a very sensible article on "Business References," by Mr. W. A. Carver; also a lengthy report of the C. P. S. convention, occupying several pages. A half tone and sketch of S. B. Hopkins appears on the first page.

The Rocky Mountain Stamp for February contains sixteen pages and cover. Chapter XI. of Mr. Baker's "Five Years of Philatelic History" deals entirely with the literature of the last five years. S. A. D. Cox has a good article on "The Croaker."

The first of the "Brown Cover Series" of Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News is dated April 7. Mr. John N. Luff has an article on "Collecting the Unfashionable Stamps" which is well worth reading. The usual notes together with the "Department of Advertising" and editorials make this number, in our humble opinion, almost equal to the Stanley Gibbon's one.

The Herald Exchange has no less than four contributions from Canadian stamp centres, Hamilton, St. Catharines, Halifax and Toronto being the places represented. This is the only philatelic magazine published in the United States that has a German department.

[Publishers wishing to have their magazines reviewed are kindly requested to send one copy to Mr. Fred. J. Garraty, Richmond, Quebec, Canada, and one to THE ONTARIO PHILATELIST. If you do not care to exchange two copies send one to the office of publication.]

### Our Ticket.

All members of the Dominion Philatelic Association should support the following candidates at the coming election:—

President—A. M. Muirhead.  
Vice-Pres.—C. S. Applegath.  
Vice-Pres. (U. S.)—C. Bailey.  
Sec.-Treasurer—R. G. Widdicombe.

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W. A. Beatty.

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Ballots will be sent out by the Secretary sometime before the convention. See that you mark yours according to the above list.

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