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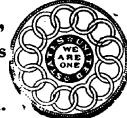
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The Chicago Philatelic Society's 500th Regular Meeting

Sent by E. C. Severn

It is seldom given to a local society of any character whose existence depends on interest in some so-called hobby, to be able to celebrate a 500th regular meeting. Especially is this the case when the occurrence of such meetings have not been of abnoraml frequency, due to some unusual circumstance of interest, but have been held without break at regular stated intervals alike through periods of ordinary routine and seasons of extraordinary incentive.

Remarkable in any case, it becomes a matter of felicitation and general interest to the philatelic world when a stamp society, especially with feelings of admissable pride, and with the full belief that other stamp societies and philatelists in general will share in that pride, that announcement is hereby made that on Thursday, October 17th of the present year the Chicago Philatelic Society will hold its five hundredth regular meeting at its club room in the Roanoke Building 145 LaSalle Street, Room 523. The occasion will be made one of special celebration, extending over into the following evening, Friday'the 18th. While this celebration, as seems most befitting in the case of a local society, will be in its nature confined to the membership of the "C. P. S.", all philatelists who reside in, or who may be in, Chicago on October 17th, will be cordially welcomed at this regular five hundredth meeting.

Thus will formal recognition be given of the fact that in regular uninterrupted twice-a-month meetings the Chicago Philatelic Society will have reached the half century mark on October 17th. The Society will at the same time have just entered the twenty-first year of its existence. Of it, during the score of years of its life, it may truthfully be said that it has occupied no mean position in the field of Philatelic usefulness. That on entering on its second half century it may constantly increase in that usefulness is undboubted the sincere thought of all philatelists, regardless of sectional boundaries, who read these lines.

OUR ILLUSTRATIONS

MARY E HUTSON, was born in 1888 in Medifield, Mass., and always has resided there. Began stamp collecting as a pastime when about four-teen years old, at a time when she was ill, and has continued ever since. Has a collection of about 3000 varieties mounted in an album, and hopes to soon obtain more. Is assisted in collecting by her mother, who has for years saved all unused stamps on mails received, and which started the present collection. Also a souvenir post card collection, having at present about 8000 cards. Collects view and photograph cards only.

R. G. FIELD, Alhambra, Cal., is the possessor of the largest individual collection of Broken bank, Continental, Colonial and Shin-plaster bills in the country, having over 2400 different pieces and has refused \$7,500.00 for it.

LLOYD S. FOULK is 18 years of age. Has collected for eight years, Stamps, (many varieties), stone relics, postcards (about 2000 in 2 years).

shells, coins, paper money, curios, and almost everything. Born in Watsontown, Pa., has traveled a great deal. Belongs to 13 post card clubs and several stamp clubs. Also a photographer, graduate of "T. H. S." Wishes to exchange foreign and domestic post cards with all collectors.

L. C. SPARKS sends photo of four relics of pioneer Indiana, and of the day when our forefathers built their homes and cultivated their land with home made implements.

Exhibit No. 1 is a bed cord tightener for tightening the cords of a corded bedstead. This instrument was placed with the notched end straddling the cord and was then turned around until the cords were as tight as the strings of a harp, after which the cords were secured. It is made of hickory.

Exhibit No. 2. A wood working chisel, made from a blacksmith's rasp. It evidences much service.

Exhibit No. 3. Bullet mould.

Exhibit No. 4. Toy square made of a piece of band iron or steel riveted to the wooden arm with hand made iron nails.

These implements (excepting the bullet mould) were hand made by William Killion, a North Carolina immigrant who settled upon congress land near the present village of Cornettsville, Bogard township, Daviess Co., Indiana, in 1825. They are known to have been in use before the year 1830.

A group of collectors at Denver, used through the courtesy of Redtield's Weekly.

Columbus Notes By J. E. Douglass

Columbus will be the mecca for Philatelists in 1908.

Four National conventions will be held here viz: The American Philatelic Association, Metropolitan Philatelic Association United States Revenue Society and American Envelope Society.

The first number of the monthly bulletin will appear October 15th. All collectors wishing to keep in touch with the preparations being made for the 1908 conventions, will receive the bulletin by sending their name and addresses to Paul Mason, c o Ohio state Journal, Columbus Ohio.

The annual convention of the American Numismatic Society was held here September 3rd. & 4th. Many prominent stamp collectors were in attendance.

"The Columbus Philatelist" is "no more". Subscriptions are being filled by Redfields Stamp Weekly.

An Ohio state association will be formed soon. All Ohio collectors interested in the movement will kindly communicated with F. B. Goodhue, 514 Main St., Cincinnati. Ohio, or C. P. Duffy, 917 Spahr Bldg., Columbus, Ohio.

At the last meeting of The Columbus Collectors Club held September 25th., Mr. Fields displayed his complete collection of Norway.

Among the countries that have issued stamps whose value exceeds one hundred dollars are the United States, Great Britain, British Guiana, Buenos Aires, Hawaii, Mauritius, Ceylon, Canada, Roumania and Switzerland.



Stampic Chats--1. Philotelic Evenings.

By Verna Weston Hanway

Now that autumn is here once more we may draw the curtains, light a fire on the hearth, and prepare for philatelic evenings. They are very welcome these cozy evenings when we are just a bit tired of summer, and any change will savor of novelty. And the evenings are thrice welcome after a days cares which have chafed and goaded flesh and spirit. Most of we philatelic folk are simply everyday sort of people, to whom the simple pleasures mean much, and the evenings 'round the fireside where it's a bit chilly outo doors are a luxury which we cannot afford to miss.

There is much to do besides, now that "the season" is drawing nigh. There are, without doubt, many loose ends which need to be tied and made part and parcel of the warp and the woof. Then there may be some neglected correspondence with "exchanges" or philatelic friends which it would be well to attend to now after a summer's production. Some stamps to place in the collection, or perhaps a re-arrangement of some of the pages—a set differently placed here, a block of four added there to brighten up a dull page. An hour's thought will produce wonders in the way of results. A page, or number of pages can usulally be "fixed over" in such manner as to result in a material improvement, whether we mount a page bearing scanty numbers, or a country nearly completed. It is a truly delightful occupation too, and if you have reached the stage when new specimens are harder to get, few and far between, it will serve to wile away the time pleasantly and restfully, as well as very profitably, and will awaken just such delightful sensations as the large numbers of new varieties used to.

This redressing of the collection will occupy you throung quite a number of phialtelic evenings, and the new aspect of the collection will interest you for quite a few more. After one has exhausted the possibilities in this line then there still remains virgin fields enough to be mined for a winter, or several, or a score of winters, and yet produce an abundant yield. Philately is a pretty rich mine, and it would take a very unusual and versatile person to thoroughly work all the paying veins, or to exhaust all the possibilities for pleasure and profit. It is this very richness, wealth of material, constant change and novelty which forbids any tiring,—the never-ending charm of the old acquisitions, the novelty of the new, and the elasticity of the subject which permits of its being made the vade mecum to an embarrassing number of interesting subjects.

For instance, one might draw a comfortable arm chair over to the case

of reference books, and with such topics as our albums suggest, make our stamps a channel through which we may chase that will-o-wisp termed Culture. We could spend many fruitful evenings in thus getting acquainted with the world and our collections, and I doubt if many of us know our collections one-half as much as we might. The knowledge that can be acquired in this way is not to be despised either—there is a great deal, a very great deal, of moment, which we never were taught in school and never would acquire in our general reading without this suggestion and stimulus. It is a pretty good way to make good our vaunted boast of "What Philately Teaches."

We might choose "Provisionhal stamps" as a theme, find out the history, the reason for the being of each. This would be very fascinating and interesting, and by the time we had read all the literature available we would have a comprehensive understanding of the changes, misfortunes and struggles of some sixty years. Much of the history of the world, or rather that portion of it represented by stamp issuing countries, is portrayed with fidelity by its provisional issues, with which is included, of course, those surcharges which were called into existence for good and sufficient reasons and not for speculative or mercenary purposes. The provisionals of the Transvaal during the successive British occupations and the war. Those of Cuba, Porto Rico, the Phillipines, of Italy, Spain and France, and many others suggest events of importance enough for an understanding of the causes and prices which lie back of their being.

Someone, I believe it was the late Mr. Gladstone, when asked if he had read the histories of certain countries replied that he had read the biographies of their great men. History is so dominated by the influence of individual figures that we cannot have the one without the other. Individuals create history,—''Lives of great men all remind us, we can make our lives sublime,'' such reading is ennobling and improving, we are influenced and actuated for good. Philately's portrait gallery is very large. The leaders of contemporary times, 'and many which stand forth from the haze of the past are portrayed. Our own country's list is an imposing one: Franklin, Washintgon, Andrew Jackson, Lincoln, Stanton, Jefferson, Clay, Webster, Scott, Hamilton, Perry, General Taylor, Garfield, Grant, Sherman, the beautiful Columbian series, Harrison. Farragut, Madison, Marshall, and the portraits on the Confederate series,—in the biographies of these we have the history of a nation

The recent remarkable progress of Latin America has focused the attention of the world. It is a remarkble and noteworthy fact that of all countries, we, neighbors of Latin America least understand and appreciate it. Few of us, even the best informed are cognizant of its real importance: Result: Europe gets much of the commerce we should have, American mail is more often than not forwarded via Paris and London, instead of direct to New York. The various histories of the different countries forming what we term Latin America, is full of great deeds and results. Latin America has had, and has now, great men, men who will be better known and better appreciated by future generations, and she has not been slow to honor them on her stamps.

A stamp collection presents a galaxy of portraits, and to touch upon any of the many topics of interest, even in this most sketchy manner would li our space to overflowing.

Then again, many stamps are amature works of art, more than we realized until we have made an excursion through the album in their quest. This study, the weighing of the merits, the critical judging is a most valuable aid to that artistical appreciation which should be part and parcel of every well rounded education.

Stamps from different countries too, as a rule, distinctively national qualities, and the comparing of these distinctive emenations with the characteristics of the issuing countries is a pleasant and not too strenuous occupation for the evenings when brain and body are fagged.

There is much we can do with stamps themselves Even duplicates have their uses. We can form amature collections of portraits, landscapes, views, the fauna, flora, zoology of different countries. Or we might get together all the coats of arms and national designs. It is a good plan to go through the duplicates once in every little while with a magnifying glass, perforation guage and benzine cup. It is a pretty safe wager that there will be some varieties of interest, not at all infrequently of importance, among the duplicates of even studious and attentive philatelists.

And so one might continue indefinitely suggesting profitable and pleasureable themes for evening pastimes, neath the student lamp, and nigh the fireplace. But there is work and play enough for countless evenings.

A Causerie for Philatelists

There is said to be avery marked revolt against ultra-specialism on the part of the rising generation of philatelists, but we must confess that we have seen no active evidence of this in our experience. True, we know of many instances of young stamp collectors having left the hobby because of its supposed difficulty and expense, but if these cases could be traced to their true source, we think it would be found that the boy or girl who so quickly abandons the pursuit has never got into touch with the true spirit of stamp collecting, and has never discovered what wonderful opportunities are now placed in the way of the beignner in philately. There is no hobbyist so thoroughly catered for at the present moment as the junior phialtelist. Specal societies have been formed for his benefit in most cities, the annual subscriptions of which are so low that any schoolboy can afford to pay them. Special attention is paid to the young collector's wants by the editors of the various philatelic magazines and stamp dealers vie with one another to make his path an easy one by the provision of easy handbooks to the hobby and most admirably arranged albums and catalogues How different is all this from the early days of stamp collecting, when the pioneer of the hobby had to struggle along without helps or advice, a constant prey to the attack of the forger and the "faker," and the butt of every newspaper paragraphist who chose to fling his cheap sneers at a pastime he could not understand. That young collectors at the present time are fully alive to their opportunities is proved by the ever-increasing membership of the societies, and, so far from revolting against specialism, their general attitude is one of pleasurable expectancy—an eager looking forward to the time when they, in their turn, will be able to distinguish themselves as specialists of this or that country or colony. Those who tell us that the younger philatelists are rebelling against "advanced" or "scientific" philately, suggest various remedies and alternatives.

THE "SKELETON" STAMP COLLECTION.

The ruling idea of the "skeleton" collection is cheapness combined with comprehensiveness. Instead of collecting every value of every issue one takes only "one of each distinct type," allowing this to typify the complete series in one's album. As a means of getting together a collection of postage stamp types—a sort of panorama of the world's postage stamps—the idea has much to commend it. We fully developed the idea for the benefit of readers a long, long time ago, and have nothing to add or to retract from what we then wrote on the subject. Such a collection would be most interesting-indeed, to non-collectors, friends of the family, and so on, it would be a far more interesting thing than an album containing a highly specialised collection of some particular country, with, perhaps, page after page of finely graded shades of a single issue. But there are two other considerations; philatelic interest and money value. The "skeleton" collection would be of scant interest to an earnest collector, and it would be worth little or nothing from the cold commercial point of view. It is obvious that in any collection embracing only one stamp of each type would be placed the commonest and cheapest specimens of each country; moreover the collection would include a vast deal of rubbish, since it is more often than not the philatelically unfashionable country that produces the large and ornate sets of stamps embracing many different types. In short "Skeleton Philately" is all very well for the collector who wishes to have an album to show to his friends, but for all those who enter into the true ardor and delight of the hobby something a little more serious and strenuous is abso-We have always held, and still hold. that the wise colleclutely necessary. tor is he who begins with a general collection-on quite a modest scale-and graduates as a specialist when he has had time to feel his feet and to undertsand all the niceties of the pursuit.

At Large By Count B. de O.

Probably the most hated stamp in existence is the German ten pfennig "Reichpost" of 1889. It is a homely stamp to begin with. It is the foundation and the principal part of all cheap collections and exists seemingly by the millions.

Some countries have issued no stamps that are as yet, very valuable although every country presents a few that are now hard to obtain.

A complete set of some one issue has several advantages over a promiscuous collection of odd stamps. It adds, from the first, much to the neat appearance of one album; and it is certain that in the course of time some particular stamp will outstrip the rest of the row in point of value. This at least, has been the history of almost every issue; yet at the time of collecting it is impossible to foresee which stamp stands the best chance of increasing in value.

One reason why the collecting of stamps is gaining popularity with the women is the restful quality of the pastime. It is so absorbing in itself that it affords a change from all other occupations. As a tonic it is better than celery and it is almost equal to a change of climate; for it takes the mind from Abyssinia around the world to Zanzibar in a single evening.

Some Curious and Interesting Postmarks By W. H. C. of Liverpool, England

In connection with postmarking, or as the Postal Officials style it, date stamping, many curious errors occur. Some are due to carelessness but as many are excusable, for we must bear in mind, that all date stamps are altered or changed at midnight or one a. m. in the large post offices, and this is the time in the twenty-four hours when workers are the most drowsy But as I am now on the offiand postal officials are only human after all. cial point of the subject I would mention en passant that the word Official is a stumbling block over which so many fall to error, and it is quite common to find it stuck OFFICIAL, but I have in my possession a postmarked entire received from Sheffield, bearing the startling inscription, that it is On His Majetsy's SEAVICE, for Service, also RENT for Trent, and another entire I possess bears no postage stamps, was posted in Manchester on March 4, 1902, and received in Liverpool on March 3, 1902, or one day earlier before it was posted, owing to the vagaries of the postmarks, or date stamps, and singular to say, no charge was levied upon it on delivery. In connection with old penny red postage stamps of this country, some curious errors come to light at times, considering that adhesive stamps only came into circulation in the year 1840. I have seen stamps postmarked in error 1481 for 1841 and 1580 for 1850. These postmarks are well worth looking out for in view of the fact that the postmarking to order business has not been established quite so many years. These errors are truly—a little bit too previous.

Prior to 1841 many privately owned, but publicly used posts were in operation, and looking over a number of old entires, and documents, in my possession I find Shepton Mailet Penny Post, Somerton, Salisbury, Bath and Tewkesbury in operation, and the country district around Bath seems quite prolific in the olden days for matters postal, but it is easily accounted for. The properties of Bath have been known for hundreds of years, and before the introduction of Railways, many stage coaches travelled to and from the surrounding towns and cities, conveying wealthy people to take the waters for real or imaginary complaints, hence the killing of the two birds with the one stone. The conveyance of mails, along with the males.

The postmarks—I say marks—issued not date stamps then were very simple in the extreme, as instance the following specimens:

BATH. Penny Post.

Somerton Py Post.

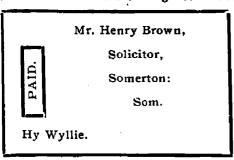
but one specimen or entire I have in my collection seems a little bit beyond me, for it bears the inscription

5th Clauses Post.

and for why?

I have a number of these doubly interesting, for independent to the post marks they show watermarks or paper marks, in the paper, and date and name of paper mill manufacturing the paper such as RILEY MILL in a half circle beneath which is "1801", also wax seals attached with crest or coat of arms impressed therein; for in those days my readers, the simple envelope was undream't of. In some instances, owing to the length of lettering in the towns name, the word PENNY has been reduced to PY, and in a number of cases a date stamp, has also been struck as this specimen in the form of an ellipse formed of the word SALISBURY and a semi-circular line, sur-

rounding a smaller ellipse formed by the word JUNE and a semi-circular line with which are the figures 4 above 1833



· But I have others in my collection which show the signature of sender only in bottom left hand corner, probably M. P's. (Members of Parliament), and PAID within a rectangle struck on the front of letter. A large figure 8 or 9 also written across the front, shows the amount due for carriage, mailage or postage as you like it.

(To be Continued).

MINOR VARIETIES OF THE AZORES.

In the Portugese stamps overprinted for use in the Azores Islands during the period 1868-1885 some interesting minor varieties occur. The stamps concerned are the 1866 tpye of Portugese stamps, with the white embossed head of King to left.

Our first variety, occurring in the 5 reis of 1868, we are unable to illustrate, the difference between the two types being very minute. The variety is to be found in the placing of the right-hand numeral "5." In Type I this is exactly one millimetre distant from the end of the waved label which carries the inscrption of value. In Type II the distance between the "5" and the end of the label is 1½ millimeters. Any millimeter measures will determine in a moment to which of the two types any particular specimen belongs, but when copies of both printings are available for comparison the unaided eve will decide "which is which."

Another vaviety exists in the 1875-1880 series, where, by the way, the surcharge, "Acores", is altered in style, the letters "O" and "S" being noticeably wide than in the original type of over print. The stamp we have to study here is the 15-reis brown, and here again it is the numerals of value at the right-hand side that furnish a clue to two types.

A third variety is to be found in the 20-reis stamp of 1882. Here again appears only the label which carries the inscription of value. A glance thereat suffices to show that in Tpye I the figure "2" and "0" both at left and right, are set at some distance apart and are close to the ends of the label. In Type II the numerals are brought closer together, and are correspondingly farther away from the ends of the label. This stamp, by the way, belongs to the first of the Portugese series to be printed on the enamelsurfaced paper, which so readily absorbs and dust or impurities with which it may be brought in contact. These stamps need to be kept with scrupulous care, and many collectors take the precaution of providing them with a covering of tissue paper of the best and purest quality.

A clever fraud seems to have been going on in Trinidad, in this case it was not by any stamp dealer. The Fiscal 5s. 10s. and £1 seem to have allowen the same sea green in color the only difference being in the small plate giving the value. The swindler got used 10s. and £1 stamp cut out the value plate and placed the 5s. plate on the unused stamps. They have changed the color of the 10s. and done away with the £1. Fortunately for collectors these are only used fiscally.

THE KANSAS CITY STAMP CLUB

ORGANIZED FEB. 1905

The only stamp collectors society in Kansas City. Regular meetings are held on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at 7:45 P. M. in Room 442, fourth floor of the Jenkins Building. This teenth and Grand Avenue, Kansas City. Mo. Visitors are always welcome.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT, September 30, 1907.

The eighteenth meeting of the Kansas City Stamp Cluo of the present year was called to order by President Rouse at 8:30 p. m., Friday evening September 13, 1907. The following fourteen members answered to roll call: Messrs. Fishman, Nelson, Brocesky, H. K. Poindexter, Luther, Churn, Rouse, Franke, Woodward, Heffer, F. Poindexter, D. Malcolmson, Sutorius, and J. Malcolmson. There were also two visitors present Minutes of meeting held August 23, 1907 were read and approved. The treasurer reported that the renting of the club room between meetings had been placed in the hands of various real estate dealers. The following applications for active membership were read by the Secretary and both were admitted:

Membership No. 52 Mr. Edwin Ellis, City, proposed by Mr. H. K. Poindexter. Membership No. 53 Mr. Fred Foulk, City, proposed by Mr. J. Malcolmson.

The membership prize was divided between Mr. Poindexter and Mr. Malcolmson. In the stamp drawing, first, second, third and fourth prizes were awarded to Messrs. D. Malcolmson, Nelson, H. K. Poindexter and Churns respectively, who drew the four lucky numbers. The treasurer reported in detail for the month of July and August and same was accepted.

(A part of the minutes is witheld from publication).

The club's first contest was then held in which the entire issue of thirty tickets had been sold. Mr. J. H. Heffer was the fortunate holder of number six, which was the first number drawn. A mint set of the Columbian Exposition series of 1893 one cent to fifty cents inclusive was the prize. A second consest, it was decided should be held at the next meeting in which the prize will be a mint two dollar Columbian and forty tickets will be issued at ten cents each.

The entertainment for the evening consisted of the display of a general collection of slightly over 3500 varieties, the property of Mr. Nelson. The meeting adjourned to meet again Friday September 27, 1907.

The nineteenth meeting of the Kansas City Stamp Club of the year was held in its club room No. 442 Jenkins' Bldg., on Friday evening September 27, 1907 being called to order at 8:22 p.m. by Vice President Davis who occupied the chair in the absence of President Rouse. Roll call showed the following members in attendance: Messrs. Nelson, Brocesky, H. K. Poindexter, Luther, Franke, Davis, Woodward, Heffer, D. Malcolmson, Sutorius and J. Malcolmson. Mr. E. Nelson was present as a visitor. The minutes of the meeting of September 13, 1907 were accepted after a slight alteration. Mr. H. K. Poindexter thought that an additional benefit might be given

the members by the adoption by the club of his plan which was to purchase of the publishers the new 1908 Scott's Catalogue in one lot thus securing same at wholesale price plus expressage which would be divided pro-rata among the members wishing to avail themselves of the opportunity. The acting president authorized Mr. Poindexter to correspond with the Scott firm on this subject and report at the next meeting when those wishing catalogues may pay Mr. Poindexter for them and receive the new catalogue at the reduced rate when same is issued.

A number of the members complained of not receiving the official organs regularly and the secretary was asked to notify the publishers of same. The secretary read a communication from the President in which he regretted his absence from the meeting. The stamp drawing resulted luckily for Mr. D. Malcolmson and Mr. Luther who drew numbers 200 and $\frac{1}{6}$ respectively (the highest and lowest possible). The prizes were: Germany five marks 1902. Netherlands first issue five and ten cents and one guilden 1898. New Foundland, five and six cents of the Jubilee Issue of 1877.

The drawing in the club's sceond contest was postponed until the next meeting all the forty tickets not having been sold. Upon motion by Nelson a second prize, viz., the three dollar Columbian Exposition stamp will be added making the prize as follows: First prize to the holder of the first number drawn, a two dollar Columbian, mint condition. Second prize to the holder of the second number drawn a three dollar Columbian, used. Fifty-five tickets numbered 1 to 55 will be issued and it is hoped there will be no remainders left on the hands of collectors. The membership prize for the most new applications presented at the next meeting will be the thirty cent black U. S. envelop number 1375 and ten cent brown number 1537 both unused and cut square catalogued at three dollars and thirty cents respectively. Mr. Davis read an article from the daily paper on the newly adopted postal coupon which will be put into circulation October 1, 1907.

The meeting then adjourned. Next meeting Friday, October 9, 1907.

Respectfully submitted, Arthur L. Nelson, Secretary.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, September 30, 1907.

Since my previous report in last month's issue of the WEST, only one donation to our library has been received Mr. J. Donovan, Malcolmson donating 11 copies of Mekeel's Stamp Collector, issues of Feb.20 to April24, 05

I have prepared a complete and detailed list of all duplicate magazines now in the library and copies of this I shall be very glad to send to any one applying for it with a view to exchanging or selling. We have accumulated close to one thousand duplicates among which are many very desirable papers for any philatelist's library. Some are in complete volumes; such as the "Philatelic Journal of America" and the "American Journal of Philately" and others.

I would remind members that any auction sale catalogues or magazines which they have or may accumulate will be gratefully accepted for our library if they will notify me that they have any such which they do not wish to preserve. Auction firms and publishers are invited to place our society on their mailing lists and all catalogues and magazines received will be placed on the reading table in the club room and afterward filed in the library. Address to the librarian.

Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelson, Librarian, 1823 West Prospect Place, Kansas City, Mo., U. S. A.



uestions relative to stamps will be answered in this column free of charge to subscribers. All questions must be sent to the above address and a 2c stamp must accompany each letter con-taining questions. When stamps are sent for examination, return postage must be included beside the fee above provided for.

I. G. DORPAT, Box 37, Wayside, Wis.

Received the following:

The Central Nat. Bank, Topeka, Kas, used by Topeka Bk., check,

1899-4th Design 1899-1900

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Bank of Topeka Kas. (2 var) check First Nat. Bank of Topeka, Topeka Kas., used by Topeka Bk,

check 1894

First Nat. Bank, Altoona, Pa., check 1900 Wm. M. Lloyd & Co., Bankers, Altoona, Pa., (unused) check 187-4th . .

Commercial National Bk. of Shreveport, La., check, 1901 4th ,, 1875 Exchange Bank of Menominee, Mich., check 1st

First Nat. Bk. of DePere, DePere, Wis., draft on Green Bay 1875 1st ,,

Amoskeag National Bank, Manchester, N. H. 1878 3d ,, North National Bank, Boston, Mass. 1879 3d

,, Salem National Bank, Salem, Mass (draft) 1899 4th

From Miss Planche Browne, the invalid lady of Easley, S. C. (Rural R. No. 5.), who depends on her dealing in stamps, sends the following: Evans, Gardner & Co., New York, Receipt, 1867—5th design Wilmerdings & Mount, New York, receipt 1867—5th design

In listing the receipts we enter a new line of stamped papers, but it must be remembered that stamped papers were used for quite a variety of documents besides Bank checks and drafts. Stamps may be found on almost any kind of paper that involved the payment of money or the interest in any property, such as bills, agreements, contracts, policies, etc. sends also a 50c stamp on blue paper, cut square.

I have not the time to look after the organization of a U.S. Stamped Paper Society." and would like to see some one else take the matter into his or her hands. We have now a number of addresses of persons interested and more are coming in each month. It might be a good move to collect these addresses and to agitate for more. Any body taking interest in stamped papers will confer a favor on himself and all other interested persons by sending his or her address for publication. In this way exchange may be enlivened and collections may be made to increase. There is yet quite a number of stamp designs that have not yet seen, and I am not yet sure whether Sterling's Catalogues lists all design (1862-84) or not. sent for inspection will be faithfully returned, but I would rather exchange, if the varieties I have in stock are acceptable. There is yet much to learn and everybody may help.

Before asking questions it would be well to look up what has been printed in the WEST under No. 352 in the Department of Inquiry during the last 6 months or under the separate heading of U. S. Stamped Papers.

The American Philiatelist Vol. II. contains a series of notes that may be very helpful to revenue collectors, though the stamped papers hardly receive their share of attention which they deserve.

September, Opening of the Stamp Season By C. O. Engle

With cool September we open the so-called "stamp season". This is the month that you should turn your attention back again to dear old Philately. This is the opening of another Philatelic new year which may mean a great deal to our collecting friends. It may mean the variety of your collection doubled or it may mean many a valuable and precious stamp to be yours.

First of all, after taking your album down from the shelf where it has rested during your summer vacation, the first thing that ought to be done is to look up and see how many of the vacant places therein you may be able to fill during this new stamp year. Aim at it, then hit it! Work and try to fill your album up. Others have done it, so can you. Of course I don't mean that you should spend a lot of money on rare stamps and after the season is over you have nothing to show in variety. Work for quantity, not quality, at first.

Now after you have examined your collection and know more fully about your needs, then start purchasing your stamps. You will find most of the best and leading stamp dealers' ads. in the columns of the WEST. The Toledo Stamp Co., Toledo, O. Ararat & Negreen Stamp Co, N. Y., Mark's and Century Stamp Co, Canada, need no introduction to stamp collectorsmost every one knows them. They are the stamp dealers that can always supply your "wants" in philately. Now after you have gone back to collecting again, the first thing which is the most important of all, is to organize that Local Stamp Club, which I have written of before in the columns of the WEST. Tell all the stamp collectors in your town to give you their support for in union therre is strentgh. Don't let them back out, or you will never get enough collectors to make the start. Now organize your club, then talk it up, and the first thing you will know it will be bringing successa. Starting in with October and continuing your meetings until next summer, I assure you that you will think more of stamps than you ever did Why? Because you will be studying them for perforations, colors, watermarks, errors, etc. This is not all, for second, you will be enjoying the social side of your club.. The entertainments will be the prominent feature, and will start many a new Philatelist. Look up the reports of the St. Louis, Kansas City and Denver stamp societies in the West. eties must have had loyal working members back of them or else there would be none today. So you must do the same. You should realize that Winter is coming, and that you will have plenty of time to hold stamp meetings every week.

We want to see new local stamp clubs spring up this new stamp year, and in order to make it all the more interesting, we shall devote a page in the WEST to "New Local Stamp Clubs". Send in the report to me at 84 Lincoln Ave., Dixon, Illinois. I wish you all the success in your undertakings this new stamp season.

Mr. Braulis Bittencourt of Valparaiso, Chile, sends a price list of Chilian and other South American stamps. It is neatly gotten up, and prices are fair.

The Junior Stamp Club of Denver, Colorado

Organized Oct. 19, 1906.

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MINUTES Sept. 21,1 907.

The twenty-first regular meeting of the Junior Stamp Club of Denver, was held Sept. 20, regular time and place. The meeting was called to order with Pres. Snyder presiding and twelve members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were omitted. V. N. Garretson was elected to the office of Secretary to act until after the election. Secretary Munger handed in his resignation as secretary of the J. S. C. on account of his leaving the city. Both the resignation of S. Scwherzman and H. E. Munger were laid on the table until a committee of three composed of H. A. Davis, chairman, V. N. Garretson, L. C. Nelson make a report as to the correctness of their books.

L. C. Nelson. Exchange Mgr. made a report on the condition of the circuits which was accepted. One circuit is still out and L. C. Nelson would be pleased to hear anything concerning it as it is now three months overdue. All members who care to receive the circuit please notify V. N. Garretson, 220 E. 20 Ave., or L. C. Nelson, 309 16th St.

It was decided that all applications MUST have their name printed in the WEST at least once before they can become members.

At the election of officers for the ensuing half year is to be held next meeting the following members were nominated:

President, A. L. Nell and R. Harris.

Vice Presidents, A. S. MacManus, J. C. Skinner, R. Lowell, and C. M. Snyder. Two to be elected.

Secretary, V. N. Garretson and Wm. Anderson.

Treasurer, S. A. MacManus and M. R. Ward.

Board of Trustees: L. G. De La Vergne, C. M. Snyder, H. Starrett, R. Harris and W. J. Cook. Three to be elected.

Sales Mgr., J. C. Skinner, L. C. Nelson.

Sargeant at Arms, R. Harris and W. A. Greenbaum.

Librarian L C. Nelson and library to be located at 309 16th St. All members are urged to take advantage of this library and to donate antyhing in the way of philatelic literature.

The stamps donated to the club by Mr. Bellows will be distributed next meeting. All members will receive a ballot which they are to fill out and return to V. N. Garretson marking on envelope 'Ballot'. Be sure and vote for a first and second V. Pres., and three trustees. The next meeting will be held regular time and place Oct. 4, 1907.

Yours, V. N Garretson, Act. Sec.

What I Hear Outside By Phil Ately

Does any reader know the present address of Mr. M. H. Decker, formerly of LaPorte, Ind. A letter addressed there was returned "Removed."

Ecuador has recently issued a pictorial set of stamps, portraying some of her famous men: 1c President Roca; 2c President Nobea; 3c General Robles; 5c General Orvina; 10c Dr. Garcia Moreno; 20c Dr. Carrion; 50c Dr. Espinoa; \$1.00 Dr. Borrero.

Jamestown stamps are in great demand. $2\frac{1}{2}$ c each can be obtained for the 5c in good condition.

The new 10c Cuba has just been issued in re engraved type. The main points of difference are the lighter shade, and the little balls at the end of the scroll containing the word CUBA.

The mail rates to Shanghai, China, are the same as those in the United States. Postals 1c, letters 2c.

Mr. B. W. H. Poole asks us in Gibbons Stamp Weekly, "What is a Postage Stamp?" Will some of our intelligent readers kindly come to Mr. Poole's rescue?

In speaking of the A. P. A. Convention, "Puritan" in the C. C. M. says, "The Chicago delegation arrived home in sections." No wonder. They must have been terribly broken up over the elections.

I notice in one of our leading philatelic papers the question is asked, "Did Eve collect curios of any kind." The editor stated that he did not think so. I disagree. She possessed a very extensive collection of leaves.

Mr. J. Gable in last issue of WEST says, "I am always an interested reader of the WEST and devour the contents of each magazine."

Poor John, Poor John.

There was a stamp man from Gondee, Who bought a stamp—"Crown and C. C." But to his dismay, The "C" changed to an "A."

A three month's subscription to the WEST will be given to readers, appropriately adding a final line to this "peem", if they will enclose 10c for postage, packing, etc.

Netherlands is a very good country for collectors with limited means to specialize. Omitting minor varieties there are only three stamps cataloging \$1.00 or over. Netherlands complete would not cost a philatelist over \$15.00, counting over 125 varieties.

It is dicffult to understand why a further issue of the "Nelson" stamp of Barbadoes should be called for, yet according to new telegrams from the colony, a large further supply of the lower values of the series is now available. Perhaps we should look for the true explanation in the fact that the values comprised in this new batch of "Nelsons" are printed on "C. A." paper. More varieties for the stamp collector.

Some Original Covers By George B. Green

The recent cut appearing on the cover of the WEST brings to memory a feature of Civil War envelopes which are now very rare and the mottoes to be found on them are interesting reading after forty years of peace. remember once examining a collection of curiosities of an aged collector. He had a large and varied collection from the four corners of the earth and among the rest was a fine lot of Civil War envelopes of the Union side of the story. But I failed to find any confederate Civil War envelopes. I told the old gentleman the South had their Civil War Envelopes as well as the North. He looked at me as much as to say, young man, you must be mistaken. I told him I had the goods and would show him later. But the death of the collector soon after prevented me from proving my story. there are many young collectors who will never see the mementoes of the time when these United States were divided into two parts, I will try and describe a couple I have seen as follows: There is a black horse with officer mounted pointing with his sword to the right, and at the top of the envelope is the following stanza:

To arms! To arms! Quick be ready. Think of what the south has been: Onward, onward! Strong and steady Drive the vandals to their den. On and let the watchword be; Country, home and liberty.

Still another is as follows: There is a confederate flag at the left, the flag has ten stars in a circle and one in center. Below the flag are the words, "Sold by J. W. Randolph, Richmond." At the top of the center of the envelope is the following:

Confederate States of America.

On, on to the rescue, the Vandais are coming Go meet them with bayonet, sabre and spear; Drive them back to the desolate land they are leaving Go, trusting in God you have nothing to fear.

These old enveolpes are much prized by their owners for many of these are from the soldier in gray and these letters are the last mementoes from the soldier who never returned.

Philipp Kosack's "Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung," Burgstrasse 12, Berlin C. 2., for August is as rich as ever. It treats the reprints of the first issue of Marshall Islands, the Handstamp surcharges of Panama (with illustrations), Counterfeits of the English-Levant Beyrouth-Provisionals, New Brunswick Reprints, Rarities and their Prices, Shall Children Collect Stamps? and a wealth of smaller notes. One of the latter speaks of the 10 on 12 ore Swedish Official perf. 14 which was sold for \$150.00. The same stamp perf. 13 is common and cheap. Hence a good perforation gauge may mean a good deal in connection with this stamp, as with several others. Collectors in Sweden are very busy measuring perforations. What ever may be said against minor varieties, sometimes there is money in them, and at takes very little work and practice to find it.

Notes for V. S. Collectors By E. R. Aldrich

For some time the government printing office has been using a penalty envelope with the usual inscription in scrolls, surrounding an upright oval within which is depicted an old fashioned press of the Franklin type.

The Post Card Union Magazine came this month franked by Phladelphia permit No. 131, one cent value.

The last annual report of the postmaster general makes a recommendaton that legislation be taken by congress requiring the preparation of all stamps and stamped paper by the Bureau of Printing and Engraving they to receive it at actual cost of production.

The following table shows the popularity of the stamp book is constantly waxing greater. The issue for the various years since their adoption being 1900, 2263040; 1901, 4698423; 1902, 7i093274; 1903, 9829240; 1904, 11161790; 1905, 12554830; 1906, 14874510 or a total in seven years of 62475107 books of a afce value of \$22051324.43.

In 1858 there was quite a decided feeling in certain quarters that the government should discontinue its mail service. In fact the feeling became sufficiently intense that the matter came up n congress for consideration and on January 21, 1859 Representative A. H. England of Indiana, then chairman of the postoffice committee reported back a resolution to abolish the postoffice department, which resolution however, failed to pass. The gross receipts in 1890 of the four leading postoffices of the country were New York, \$9481289 56; Chicago, \$6609149.27; Philadelphia \$3396685.07 and Boston, \$3185872.89. From a per capita basis the office would range however Boston first, with a receipt of \$5 68 per inhabitant, then Chicago with 3.88, Philadelphia with 2.78 and New York with 2.75.

During the year ending June 30, 1906 the post office department sent to postoffices 293379 registered packages of stamps, 460437 packages of envelopes and 122362 packages of postal cards.

St. Louis permit No. 1 is used by the Republic in sending out an advertisement of their weekly issue.

In an old number of the New York Weekly which I chanced to pick up a few days since I found this little testimonial to the character of the 1893 commemorative issue:

He was an ugly school master, And licked the boys with vim: But he couldn't lick a Columbian stamp It was too much for him.

For the year ending June 30, 1906 \$3318 was deducted from the contract price of the stamped envelope makers to cover misprints mde by them.

Mr. Otto Mangold of Nelspruit, East Transvaal, informs us that a new issue of stamps is contemplated for the Portugese Colonies in Africa, to appear January 1st, 1908. Transvaal is to have a set of Due stamps on July 1.

They Collect Rare Stamps

Stamp collecting is generally regarded as a pastime of school boys. Undoubtedly, the majority of collectors are still attending school, but stamp collecting as a science could not exist merely in the hands of young boys. That the collecting of stamps is a science cannot be doubted by anyone that has taken the trouble to make even a casual investigation. There are firms in New York and Chicago which have in stock a million dollars' worth of stamps. Such institutions could not be supported by school boys. The Prince of Wales is a stamp collector.

Many men of age and wealth find pleasure in the collection and arrangement of postage stamps. Philately is the name given to the science of stamps, and those who collect stamps are philatelists.

Kansas City has never been prominent as a stamp collecting center. New York, Chicago, St. Louis and San Francisco are the homes of most of the big dealers and collectors. But there are enthusiastic and loyal philatelists here.

The American Philatelic association is recognized as the national stamp society. One of its charter members, Frank Bescher, lives in this city.

It is estimated that there are 800 stamp collectors in Kansas City, but most of these are probably boys. The man of advanced age that collects stamps may live his life through and never learn that his next door neighbor is also an enthusiast.

The Kansas City Stamp club is the only organized band of collectors here. It is a junior organization, although several business men are nominally members. The president, Charles F. Rouse, is a young man. The club has thirty five members. It meets twice a month in room 443 Jenkins building. A branch of the American Philatelic association flourished here between the years 1895 and 1903. At that time among the prominent stamp collectors were W. E. Winner, the promoter; Dr. Theodore Stanley, Dr. Viner, W. H. Winants, Dr. Likens and August Thieman. Mr. Thieman is a mail carrier and the oldest collector in the city.

Among present collectors Frank Bescher of the city market is the most prominent. Mr. Bescher has probably the largest and best collection in the city. He has been accumulating stamps for twenty-five years and now has about 15,000 varieties, most of which have never been used. While he is a general collector, he has always fancied the stamps of the old German states Switzerland and the United States. Confederate stamps are his hobby.

H. Fenton, who runs a merchantile agency in the Guardian Trust building, is another old collector. Mr. Fenton has devoted thirty-five years to stamp collecting. Like most old collectors, in his later years he turned to generalizing. His collection now embraces only the United States, Great Britain and the colonies of the two countries. He has 4,000 different specimens of English stamps and nearly 700 American. Moved to Knoxville, Tenn

W. B. Lippincott, Jr., a real estate man in the Bryant building, has been saving stamps ever since he can remember. Mr. Lippincott is a very busy man, but he has found time to get hold of about 6000, varieties of stamps.

A man who takes an interest in all old documents, including papers bearing stamps, is Isaac A. Wright, whose office is in the New York Life building. Mr. Wright has some exceedingly rare old stamps but he refuses

to consider himself a stamp collector. However, he is a member of the American Philatelic association.

Of the younger generation William Fishman, 810 Penn street, the treasurer of the Kansas City Stamp club, has the biggest collection. Young Fishman, who is not out of high school, has 7000 different varieties.

Specializing in United States stamps is a favorite recourse of old collectors. William C. Michaels a lawyer, is one of the many that left generally collecting for specialization. Mr. Michaels has devoted his spare time since 1890 to the collecting of United States stamps. He now has the finest collection in this part of the country, some 2,000 varieties.

The government's action in issuing a special set of stamps in commemoration of the World's fair of 1893 started many collections. Among the men interested was M. O. Canfield an employe at the postoffice. Since that time he has been one of the most active collectors here. His collection numbers around 8,000. Federal employees are very often collectors.

August Thieman had probably the nicest collection ever here. It was not unusually large, but was neatly and beautifully arranged. It was sold ten years ago. Another postoffice collector was H. A. Boyce, who has the reputation of having spent more money on stamps than any other local philatelist.

A fine general collection of stamps was recently bought by Robert Brockett of the Brockett Cement company. The collection included 6,000 varieties. Charles C. Scott of the Peck Dry Goods company jewelry department, sold the collection. Mr. Scott is now specializing in Great Britain and United States stamps, of which he has three or four thousand. Edward C. Wright, an attorney in the New York Life Building, is a collector but has not as yet accumulated a very large collection

Kansas City's older collectors are endeavoring to re-establish a branch of the American Philatelic association here. There are fitfeen members of that society in this city and another branch will undoubtedly soon be in existence. This society has over a thousand members — K. C. Paper.

The latest tribute to Philately comes from the Government of the Australian Commonwealth, which has decided that a representative of the Sydney Philatelic Society shall be chosen as one of the Committee now being formed to discuss the question of uniform Australian postage stamps. This is a long delayed but a none the less welcome public recognition of the frequent services rendered to the world's highest postal interests by the leading exponents of Philately Perhaps it is not improbable that even the British Government may one day deign to consult stamp collectors as to a subject on which they are certainly better qualified to speak than the average postal official.

And if it be true, as reported, that Mr. Bassett Hull has been nominated as the Sydney Society's representative on the Committee, then the news is doubly welcome. Like Sam Weller's acquaintance with the ins and outs of London, Mr. Basset Hull's knowledge of postage stamps and postage stamp production is extensive and peculiar. Apart altogether from the compliment to Philately, his selection to serve on the Committee is a guarantee that the question of the best and most fitting type of stamp for the Commonwealth's uniform series will receive ample attention, with a view to the creation of a series of stamps worthy of a great country and a great occasion.



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Just think of a whole collection built up in that manner! As to M. Kastler, ran chiefly to entire sheets. Of the 1876 issue (group) he showed all the millesimes known—and that means more than American collectors realize; from 1900 on he showed every variety in full sheets with all existing millesimes. The entire exhibition must have been simply magnificent.

From No. 38 of De Nederlandsche Philatelist I learn that the new Swiss stamps, the design for which was accepted in January 1906, are to be issued this month, (September). There have been so many conflicting rumors regarding this issue that seeing will be believing in this case. The paper is still running the history of the stamps of the Orange Free State as a supplement but is still in the historical prelimineries.

A considerable number of surcharges have lately been chroncled as made on the stamps of Cartagena, Colombia. Sr. Augusto Duffo of Bogota has taken the trouble to look into their history and arrives at the conclusion that they are entirely speculative and unauthorized. He writes to that effect to No. 114 of Madrid Filatelico and proves it by official documents. The executive order of President Reyes of Colombia, dated July 28, 1906, prohibits the further issue of stamps by the Colombian departments. Those departments which still maintain a postal service of their own must use the national postage stamps which they obtain from the National Post Office Department at half face value. Those departments which on the date of the order had a stock of their own issues on hand were permitted to use them up, but not to issue any more; for that purpose an inventory of the stocks on hand was to be taken on that date and all further issues were in advance declared fraudulent. The late surcharges, etc., are again expressly branded as fraudulent in a letter from the Colombian Postmaster-General to Sr. Duffo and immediately judicial prosecution is promised. settle the character of all these late productions.

All discerning philatelists have read of the romantic history of the Crown of St. Stephen as depicted with its bent cross on the stamps of Hungary. It contains an iron band said to have been made from one of the nails of the Cross of Christ; for this reason it is also called the Iron Crown. It is said to have been first used by King Agilulf of the Longobards in 591, later by Charlemagne, and to have been sent by Pope Sylvester II. in 1001 to Stephen, the Hungarian prince, with a papal bull confirming him as King of Hungary whence the Kings of Hungary called themselves "Apostolical Kings." Now, according to an article in No. 115 of Yadrid Filatelico, a ruthless French antiquarian and archaeologist, with the scientist's disregard for legendary lore (his name is Jean de Bonnefou) has gone to work and with unholy joy smashed the venerable legend beyond repair According to this ironoclast the workmanship of the crown shows conclusively that it was made between the XIIIth and XIVth centuries, so that it could not very well have been used in the VIth century. And as to the papal bull its characters show that it was written in the Vth century I doubt, nevertheless, that the Hunagrians will forthwith remove the false crown from their stamps: it has become a sort of national palladium for them.

I have received from the philatelically very much alive Swedish Philatelic Society two little books just published by the society. One is in German and bears the title 'Bibliographic der wichtigsten Spezialwerke uber die Postwertzeichen einzelner Lander" (which is interpreted: "A bibliography of the most important monographs on the postage stamps of various countries") and is written by Rudolf Krasemann. For all those interested in the litearture of our pursuit-and I wish there were more so interested this little book of 50 pages forms an invaluable guide; it gives, with very few exceptions, virtually every monograph worthy of the name on the stamps of any given country. Fortunate the collector who possesses all the works here enumerated! At the price named-about 30 cents-I would strongly recommend the purchase of this little guide to all earnest philatelists. The other little pamphlet is written in Swedish by L. Harald Kjellstedt, the well known philatelic author, and bears the title "Philately as Pleasure and Study." It is written in chatty, popular tone and is well adapted to serve as a brief introduction to our hobby, so that one might wish the author would translate it into English and somewhat amplify it for American needs.

Twas Only a Dream By 6.6. Dolson

Series No 2 of The Experiences of Stamp Dealers.

The stamp dealer was prosperous, he had sold several ten cent packets and was again sitting in the same old chair jingling his money. Again his reverie was interrupted by the opening and shutting of his office door.

On looking up he saw an old man shuffling up to his desk. He were a very rusty suit of clothes, and carried under his arm an old book. He handed it to the dealer asking him what he would give him for it, and then sat down.

The dealer on opening the book, was amazed to see staring him in the face rare Mauritius stamps and unused at that. Page after page the dealer turned over only to find complete sets of unused Post Office stamps confronting him from the old man's stamp book. The dealer finally aroused himself from the trance he had been in for the last five minutes and asked the old man what he wanted for them. The old man said he thought they were worth \$5.00 and the dealer, as he should, promptly began to "Jew" him down. He finally succeeded in getting them for three dollars and a half and was engaged in mounting them on sheets when—bang, the dealer awoke finding that he had been dreaming and fallen out of his chair. Nevertheless it was hard for the dealer to believe that he had not bought the stamps so he immediately looked around for them but they were not to be found. Then he felt in his pocket for the money he had so lately been jingling and pulled out a toothpick, a match and—his laundry bill.

The dealer was "broke" and again he sat down and meditated.

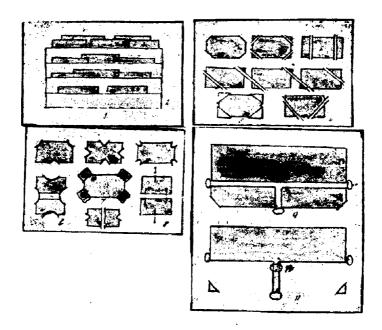
We see "Deutsche Philatelist" gives the Palm for perfection in the way of stamps to the new Bosnian set. They are certainly artistic and well done but some how one still has an old affection for those rich coloured, beautifully engraved stamps of nearly all the "Perkins and Bacon" sets. It is hard to say what it is that marks them out, but among other things stamps were less "shoddy" in those days.

How to Improvise Albums for Post Cards Entire Envelopes and Original Covers

By J. Heiblinger of Cuba

Postcard ablums and albums for entires and original covers are sold in different forms of different prices, ranging from \$2.00 to \$50.00. About 100 spaces for cards are provided—which is an additional expense of at least 2 cents per card, sometimes of the same value as the card itself. The outlay spent on an album can just as well be spent on philatelic matter, and as an album can easily be prepared at home at a small expense, or without additional expense with original material on hand.

The accompanying illustration shows different methods of preparing albums and the different ways a postcard can be attached securely to the sheet. The methods suggested here have been proved and will be found convenient, secure, and will display a good appearance. Cards can be attached to cardboard, bristol board, heavy drawing paper or pasted into blank books on thin or thick leaves. Loose leaves should be placed into a flat box made out of boards or leather—simple or fancy—with fancy work, burnt wood or leather work, painted over or ornamented with hand craft.



No. I used by the writer, is made by pasting heavy envelopes cut into two equal horizontal parts to cardboard or paper leaves as seen on the illustration. From ten to fifty cards can be placed into the packets. By using transparent (glassine paper) instead of the heavy envelope paper the white card can be seen. The same arrangements can be secured in a scrap book to hold clippings, envelopes, letters etc.

No 4, shows a different method, made by incasing strips and slits into paper leaves. The size of the card has to be taken into consideration and

measured prevously to the insertion. Cardboard is not suitable for this method. The arrangement of the top center card is similar to the one seen in postcard albums and can be used on both sides.

No. 5 is made from Envelope corners pasted on blank pages. Cards are attached securely by slipping the corners into the pockets of the envelope corners.

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No. 6. Cards are secured by slipping them under neat flans cut into the paper.

- No. 7 shows cards secured by means of Postage stamps pasted on each corner of cards. Postage stamps would serve to adorn the album but are apt to detract some of the attention belonging in this case to the cards.
 - No. 8. Cards attached by means of pins.
- No. 9. Used by the writer, is considered as the most practical method of all. It is made by incising strips into the paper, securing them with additional stamp hinges (10) to prevent tearing of the paper. Two slits underneath the card will hold the card in place. The back of the sheet can be used in the same manner.
- No. 11. To make it secure, the flaps are combined by a hinge or a strip of paper.
- No. 1, 5, 9 and 11 are best recommended, will give satisfaction and are easily arranged without great expense for less than required in securing post card albums of good quality.

Notes

By L. G. Dorpat

There are still a few copies left of the prospectus of the Globe Trotter and may be had from L. G. Dorpat, Wayside, Wis., for a 2c stamp. They cost more to print.

Redfield's Stamp Weekly edited by Mr. L. G. Quackenbush and published by the Redfield Publishing Co. of Smethport, Pa., has now appeared for several months and appears to be getting better every week. Get a copy! It is 2 cents. 52 copies 50 cents. Until now it had few illustrations, but more may be expected in the future.

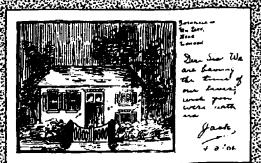
Mr. Frank H. Koon, R. D. No. 2., Auburn, N. Y., is a collector of U. S. stamped papers and considers the formation of a "U. S. Stamped Paper Society" a good thing. Who else?

The Toledo Stamp Co. of St. Clair Bldg, Toledo, Ohio, frequently sends out pirce lists of stamps, albums and accessories. Get one and read it! A stamp brings it.

Ewen's Colonial Stamp Market Weekly News 32, Palace Square, Norwood, London, S. E. England, has always something of interest.

Mr. Karl Longee, Box 26, East Tilton, N. H., is another collector of U. S. stamped papers.

The "Espania Cartofila" is a Spanish paper devoted to collectors of View Cards. It is published, Calle de ea Universidad, 7, pral. Barcelona, Spain, 5 cents a copy.



ACROSS THE POND



BY J. C. AUF DER HEIDE

Although our European summer of this year is very contrasting with the American one, and it is here rather cold than hot, stamps are selling as good as in other summers.

The topic of the day is that the de Ruyter issue of this year will be surcharged for postage due stamps. We are gloomy about this, because our country is on the way to become unpopular by all stamp collectors. Till 1907 Holland was a specially looked for country, for its regular issues, never had there been a speculative one. The first attempts in the speculative direction were the tuberculosis labels, soon followed by the ugly de Ruyter stamps, which are not worth to have been edited in commemoration of so great a "sea-dog". We are now going for the record with Roumania 7 sets a year!

Another thing of interest, more for coin collectors, is that on September 2nd we will get new 5 cent pieces (stuivers). Hitherto our 5 cent pieces (equal to two cents American) were small silver coins, and never met with only on rare occasions. They were very unpopular, because they were too little. Now we will have a nickel coin of the same denomination. If all is true that is told in the papers about this new coin, then it must be a very fine one

The new French stamps of 5, 10, 25, 30, 35 and 45 centimes sell very good to collectors, especially the 10 cent with the earth beneath the feet of "la Semeuse."

It is also told that there will be a complete new set of postage stamps for Holland. The design will be that of the current colonial type. There is some work for dealers and collectors, to look if the stamp is of Holland, Dutch Indies, Curacao or Surinane, as the names are printed with microscopical characters. This will be very difficult when the post marks are heavy.

The new U. S. envelopes and postal cards are beginning to show up in the mails. The envelope stamps remind one very much of the old designs of 1864. The 1 cent card is plain but compares well with the older issues.

New Designs of Embossed Stamps By L. G. Dorpat

(From U. S. Official Postal Guide of June 1907)

Order No. 358. Postmasters and all others concerned are notified that shortly after June 30, 1907, the Department will begin the issue of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers bearing embossed postage stamps of new designs in four denominations—1, 2, 4 and 5 cent. The form of these stamps will be an ellipse on end. The subjects, in bas-relief, and the colors of backgrounds will be: 1c, Benjamin Franklin, green. 2c, George Washington, red. 4c, Benjamin Franklin, black. 5c, George Washington, blue.

Within a border surrounding the subject in bas-relief will appear in white embossed capital letters the words "United States" and denomination ("One Cent", "Two Cent" etc.) The denomination will appear also in large numerals (1, 2, &c.) one on each side of the subject. In connection with the foregoing notification, all postmasters will carefully observe the following instructions:

- 1. As soon as the new envelopes are ready they will be issued upon postmasters special request and office request requisitions; but no plain stamped envelopes or newspapers wrappers of the new designs will be issued until the Department's stock of the old designs is exhausted. Postmasters must not make requisitions for the purpose of securing office request or plain envelopes or wrappers of the new designs until it becomes necessary in regular course of busines to replenish their stocks. The Department will not expedite the filling of requisitions merely to give postmasters envelopes or wrappers of the new design.
- 2. Postmasters must not send in their undamaged envelopes and wrappers of the present designs for redemption. They will continue to be valid for postage, and postmasters will sell them until exhausted.
- 3. Soon after June 30th the U.S. Stamped Envelope Agency will be removed from Hartford, Conn., to Dayton, Ohio, where the envelopes and wrappers are to be manufactured under a new contract, taking effect July 1, 1907. The removal will cause the filling of requisitions from that Agency to be somewhat delayed at first. Postmasters will understand the reason if deliveries on their requisitions are not made in the usual time, and avoid unnecessary correspondence on the subject. Fo prevent their supplies from becoming exhausted because of such delay, postmaster should make requisition to reach the Department not later than June 22 for an ample stock of office-request and plain stamped envelopes and wrappers to be furnished before the removal of the Envelope Agency; and regular users of special-request envelopes should be notified that their orders for envelopes needed promptly should be placed to reach the Department by June 22:

On July 1st the price of U. S. stamped envelopes was raised 4 cents a thousand. This does not effect the price of small quantities of 25 or less. There are in all 61 varieties of small, three of which are newspaper wrappers on manila paper, the others 13 sizes of envelopes, some of one variety others of several varieties of paper, white, amber, buff, blue and manila. The 4c newspaper wrapper will not be sold after the present stock of the Department is exhautsed, as no more of these are to be manufactured.

Beginners' Department

By Rev. L. G. Dorpat

It was about 1100, when upon the remnants of a former empire Manco Copac "the Son of the Sun" founded the old Inca empire, an absolute hierarchical monarchy, with its chief seat at Cuzco, comprising, beside the present Peru, Bolivia, Chile and Ecuador. Huascar and Atchualpa, sons of the twelfth Inca, Huayua Capac, who had partitioned the empire to them, given Atchualpa the northern (Ecuador) and Huascar the southern part (Peru, Bolivia, Chile), were at war with each other about the supremacy, when Pizarro, the Spanish explorer and adventurer, entered the country, captured by treachery Atchualpa and executed him (Nov. 1532). It is remarkable that Atchualpa had acted similarly towards his brother Huascar and was in the act of destroying all his family in order to secure the empire to himself, when retribution came to him in the form of Pizarro. Francisco Pizarro, born at Truxillo in Spain was made captain-general, governor and vicercy of "New Castile," the whole western coast of South America: he founded several cities in the newly conquered country, but soon got into a quarrel with his colleague Almagro, whom he executed and by whose friends he was murdered in turn. For highly interesting particulars see Prescott "Conquest of Peru".

The crown of Spain took charge of Peru and "governed" it by viceroys, the chief of which was Don Francisco de Toledo (1569-1581); but in 1780 an Inca descendant, Tupac Amaru, arose in rebellion against the Spanish yoke: he was defeated and executed, but ever afterwards there was rebellion brewing, until in 1824 with the help of the Venezuelan Bolivar and the Bolivian Sucre the Spanish forces were completely defeated and Peru became independent of Spain but confederated with Venezuela, Columbia, Ecuador and Bolivia. This confederation was speedily dissolved, it is claimed, though the ambition of General Bolivar and the envy of other leaders. attempt at framing a constitution must have been made as early as 1823 when Don Jose de la Riva Aguero was elected first president. The constitution which after many attempts and alterations was finally adopted was framed in 1858 but revised in 1860. Peru can boast of as many as eight dif-General Lamar acted as president from 1827 to 1829. ferent constitutions. Then came the following succession: Augustin Gamarra 1829-33; Louis Jose Orbegoso 1834-35; Felipe Santiago Salaverry 1835-36; Andres Santa Cruz 4836-39; Augustin Gamarra 1839-41; Manuel Menendez 1841-44; Ramon Castilla 1845-51; Jose Rufino Echenique 1851-55; Ramon Castilla 1855-62; Miguel San Ramon 1862 63; Jose Autonio Peget 1863-65; Mariano Ignatio Prado 865-68; Jose Balta 1868-72; Manuel Pardo 1872-76; Mariano Ignatio Prado 1876-79; Nicholas de Pierola 1879-81; Francisco Garcia Calderon 1881-83; Gener! Iglesias 1883-86; General Caceres 1886 - the latter succession I am unable Castilla was the first president who yielded the presidential power peacefully to his successor Echenique; this alone is enough to show how the country must have suffered under tyranny and civil war. Besides the internal wars other wars have been fought with Columbia, Bolivia, Ecuador and That under such conditions the people of Peru could not thrive is Yet Peru is farther advanced than Ecuador The first university that was ever founded in the new world is that of San Marco at Lima, and both education and letters are remarkable, though the common people have not the education and they should have, as is generally the case, where one church (in his case the Roman) is acknowledged only and has the education of the masses in its power. Morality consequently can not be of a very high standard either, as also the many acts of violence in political history testify. Where there is such a state of affairs we must always expect that the stamps of such a country are also in a poor degenerated condition. Those of our readers who have access to the "Perforator" may read with good profit the Article on "War-Time Stamps" by Mr. F. C. Young, Vol. XXIII p. 31. I may quote from this article later on, but before entering on the history of Peruvian stamps I would like to make yet a few remarks on the geography of Peru, which I think is very interesting.

The boundaries may easily be learned from any recent map. There it will also be seen that the country is traversed to nearly its whole length by Between these and the ocean there is a great sand the mountain ranges. desert, broken however by 50 water courses and the exceedingly fertile valleys. Some of these rivers which arise high up in the snow topped mountains should provide an abundance of water power for industrial enterprises; but it seems little has been done to utilize this natural commodity. the sea off the coast there are numerous islands which yield enormous quantities of guano and have thereby kept Peru from total financial ruin. the three mountain ranges, called the Maritime Cordillera, the Central Cordillera and the Andes, the middle one is the highest forming the water-shed between the rivers flowing in the Pacific and the Atlantic oceans. these mountains there are wonderful valleys, canons, ravines and gorges with rushing rivers and placid lakes (Titicaca). The mountain slopes and valleys are the most important part of Peru; besides agriculture and cattle raising there is here considerable mining (silver, copper, nitre and gold, though the latter is also found in river beds.) The eastern part of Peru. sloping from the Andes, is covered with vast forest of the choicest woud and large plantains, traverst by several navigable rivers (Maranoon, Huallaga and Ucavali) which empty into the greatest of all South American rivers, the Amazon, and afford steamboat connection with a large part of Brazil and the Atlantic. Peru has also a fair supply of railroads, the building of which, however, caused much financial embarrassment, and there are yet vast tracts especially in the mountains where railroads will probably never be built, the only means for communication being mountain paths for mules The total area of Peru is between 4 and 5 hundred thousand square miles, and the population (including whites Incas, Indians, Negroes and Chinese) is near 3 million. Lima is the capital with over a 100,000 Other important cities are: Arequiba, Truxillo and Cuzco. inhabitants. The climate varies according to elevation and position from that of the Sahara to that of Greenland, and, of course, the products vary as much.

Mr. Young says Peru 'has a postal service whose history dates back more than a hundred and thirty years, being established in 1772.' As was pointed out in connection with Venezuela there was a postal system of high efficiency in South America prior to the advent of the Spaniards. This was nowhere better developed than in Peru, the center of the old Inca empire. In 1707 Peru made an attempt to get rid of the Carvajal postal monopoly, but failed. It is true the Carvajal system was a poor one, nevertheless it was a postal system. (To be continued).

Countries to Specialize--Austria

In our article on "The Collector's first thousand stamps" we endeavored to describe the first experiences of the average philatelic novice. Ineldentally we referred to the causes that lead up to the selection of a single country, or small group of countries, as the individual collector's specially. Now, assuming that the beginner follows out the general plan of collecting we referred to, nothing is more likely than that he will pitch upon some such country as Austria for special study. Austria, in the first place, is "early on" in the alphabetical list of stamp-issuing countries; indeed, if one reads through the catalogue from Abysinnia onwards it will be seen that this is the first likely country for a beginner's specialty. Moreover it is inevitable that the collector in addition to accumulating a large number of the standard varieties of Austria will find himself in possession of many duplicates, and these will tempt him into the fascinating by paths of the hobby, where varieties of color, paper and perforation are to be gathered.

It is not long since we were discussing the minor varieties of the stamps of Austria. Let us now take a more general view—a beginner's view—of the subject. In its designs for postage stamps Austria has made use of the arms of the country and the head of the Emperor Franz Josef. Indeed one may divide the issues into four periods, as follows:—1850 58: Arms. 1858-1822: Emperor's Head. 1883 1890: Arms 1890 to date: Emperor's Head. In the second period, 1858 1882, there is one short break (the year 1863) during which the armorial design was again resorted to. Therefore, the above division into periods is not to be taken as a hard and fast one; it is given only as an illustration of the fact we have just mentioned.

The small "Arms" stamps with which the philatelic history of Austria began were issued imperforate, but in 1858, when the stamps bearing small white embossed heads of the Emperor made their appearance, machine perforation was resorted to, and has remained the invariable means of stamp separation down to the present day. These first specimens are common enough—if used specimens will content you. Indeed, although we meet with a few scarce varieties in the stamps of 1858, the issues of Austria as a whole are to be bought so cheaply that there is no philatelist so poor that he need deny himself a full showing of all ordinary varieties. Patient effort rather than a long purse is called for here. The stamps are cheap, but it is no easy matter to secure specimens at short notice in these days when dealers' stock books are crammed with British Colonials to the exclusion of mere European varieties.

In a country where all issues have their own points of interest, it is difficult to single out any particular series for special eulogy, but we shall always hold that the Austrian stamps of 1867-1883, showing the laureated head of Emperor to right, are an ideal set from the point of view of the stamp collector. What an array one can get of these, and at what a trifling outlay of cash! Although there are only seven values—the 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 25 and 50 kreuzer—the varieties of color, paper and perforation swell the number of obtainable varieties to forty, and only three or four of these are so scarce as to be beyond the reach of the philatelist of moderate means. At least two—sometimes three or more—distinct shades of colour are to be found in each value. There are two distinct papers—thick and thin, the latter being unmistakeable in its semi-transparency. First perforated in a

gauge of 9½, the stamps were afterwards issued "perf, 10 to 11½" and "perf. 12 to 13", while the 3 and 10 kreuzer values (on the thin paper) have been found in a compound of 11 by 9½, and are scarce in this condition. The 3 kreuzer green also exists with a compound perforation of 12 to 13 by 10 to 10½. This series of Austriaus may well furnish one of the most striking pages in the young philatelist's album if he will observe a correct chronological and philatelic classification.

New Portraits on Old Stamps

Why certain countries invariably use portrait stamps, and why others just as constantly cling to armorial or other conventional designs, provided an interesting subject of discussion at a meeting of one of the philatelic Societies, when it was generally remarked that those countries which were governed autocratically were least given to the use of effigies and portraits, upon their postage stamps. Russia, for instance, has never issued stamps bearing the heads of the Czars; Germany never places the head of the Emperor upon the national postage labels; the Turkish stamps have never borne, and probably never will bear, the head of the Sultan Abdul Hamid. The rule does not always hold good however. In another European empire, that of Austria, the head of the ruler has appeared upon many stamps and is so appearing at the present time. In Persia, again, a portrait of the Shah has been a frequent postage stamp device.

We wonder whether any reader has ever troubled himself to speculate as to the changes that would be brought about in the aspect of his album were postage-stamp portraiture to become universal, and if it were made the invariable custom that the head of the ruler should appear upon his country's stamps. Such notable persons as the German Emperor, President Boosevelt, the Czar of all the Russias, the Emperor (or Dowager Empress?) of China, the Mikado of Japan, the Sultan of Turkey, the Khedive of Egypt, and of course, the President of the French Republic, willy nilly, into the philatelist's portrait gallery.

And if the principle were further extended to our own self-governing colonies what curious changes we should see! How would "Dr. Jim" look on the stamps of the Cape of Good Hope, or perhaps, Lord Selborne on a new issue for the Federated States of South Africa? Sir Wilfred Laurier's picturesque head might adorn the issues of Canada, while Australia would have a host of administrators to choose from. In India-but no change of the kind politic, or even possible, in our Eastern Empire. and British South Africa, being territories administered by Chartered Companies, are presumably prohibited from issuing portrait stamps, but if no such prohibition existed they would be in a position to add very extensively to the portraiture of Philately by adorning their stamps with the heads of the administrators of the companies, the leading magnates of their territories and possibly even their principal share holders! Such stamps would stand almost alone among the British Empire as portraying the heads of living persons outside the British royal family. Almost alone, but not quite, for the stamps of Sarawak already present this peculiarity. bear the head of the Rajah Sir Charles Brooke, and are the only unique examples among the current stamps of the British Empire. - English Paper.

Philatelic Literature Collecting By Andrew S. Kennedy

Most every philatelist collects the literature of his hobby to a greater or lesser extent. Some collect the important issues of today; others, those of yesterday, and still others collect everything that they can lay their hands on. I must confess that I belong to this latter class. The literature of our hobby has a greater fascination for me than the hobby itself.

There are several ways to start a collection. The best way is to subscribe to all the papers that are being published at the present time. Then keep your eyes open for announcements of papers about to be issued, so that you can subscribe and get the rare early numbers. At the end of a year you will find that you have a good beginning for a collection.

Then watch the exchange columns of the WEST. You will find the announcements of people who have perhaps several hundred papers for sale or exchange. Write and offer them about fifty cents per hundred for their papers and you will probably secure them. Be careful in selecting your correspondents or the freight on the parcel will be greater than the cost of the papers. Try to figure so that the papers will not cost more than one cent each.

After you have secured several such lots, you will find that you have perhaps a couple of complete volumes, a great many incomplete volumes, and a number of duplicates. You should now put an AD in the the WEST stating that you would like exchange relations with some other literature collector. You should now make up a list of those papers that you want first. Use Roman numerals to denote the volume and Arabic numerals to denote the number.

When you receive an answer to your ad, your correspondent will probably send you a list of papers that he wants. Supply as many as you can and send them to him with your want list. Exchange on a copy for copy basis.

Each collector can house his collection, to suit himself. I have mine arranged on shelves with each issue in a separate place.

One thing that the collector must do is to keep a note book in which to jot down things which he may read concerning literature collecting. This is necessary because there is no complete check-list, and so the collector will have to make one for himself. The only way that he can tell when he has a complete file of a paper is by what he reads concerning it in other papers.

The only printed check-list so far as I know was published by E. B. Jones in 1895. A supplement was printed in 1897.

There are a few dealers in Philatelic literature but their prices are so high that the beginners had best let them alone. Of course there are things which the dealer can supply for less than what they can be gotten elsewhere.

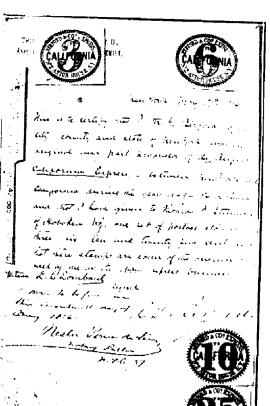
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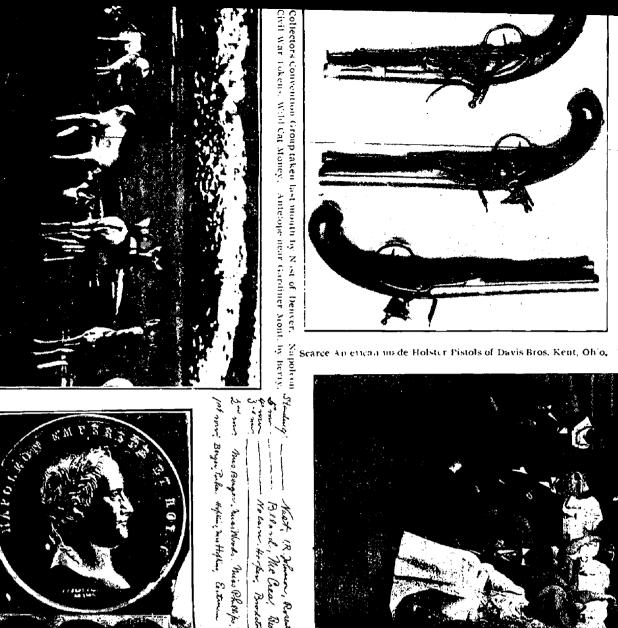
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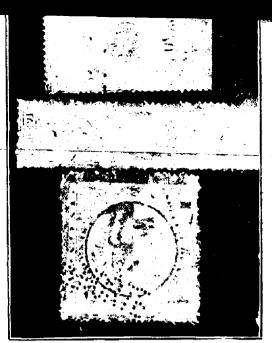


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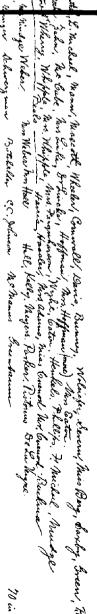




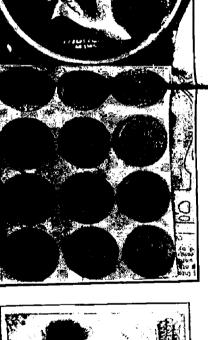








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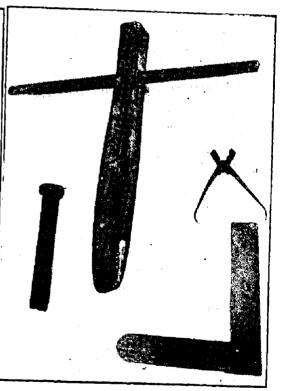


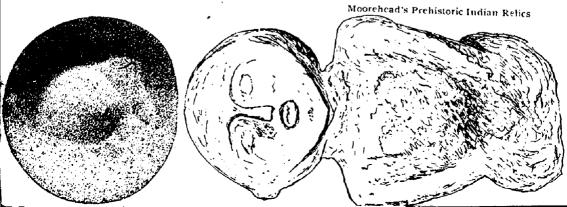
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Starting a CoinsCollections Now

By Chester Durshamily the orangeng nor

When the hot weather has vanished, there should be a great many recruits in the numismatic field, also the regular numisinatists from the small boy up to the millionaire will resume their studies as a pastime and pleasure during the cold and dreary winter evenings. Amateurs receiving hints and instructions pertaining to Numismatics, before starting to collect, are lucky. The first and most important step in the science, is to take a monthly journal, costing about fifty cents a year, with some space devoted to coin collecting. The Philatelic West meets all fedulrements for such a journal. The numismatic information that appears in its columns, is not only interesting to the Numismatist, but to the non collector as well. The next ster is to memorize the coin news, and look for bargains in the advertising col-A new little coin book, pricing all the rare colonial, Territorial ar United States coins, can be purchased from most deafurs for a dime. large coin catalogue, issued by a promillent New "York firm at fifty cents a copy, has recently been placed on sale, pricing copper, nickle, brass, lead and newter coins of the world, and contains many illustrations and informa-This book is sufficient until the starting of a tion regarding the coins. Gold and Silver collection is contemplated in the contemplated of the collection is contemplated below the collection at the collection at

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A strong black tin enameled, box, can be produced in the collection; at an expenditure of fifty cents, making, the best and least expensive cabinet.

A nickel's worth of pure (Alcoholossouthtient) for cleaning the first specimens acquired. After dipping the coins somethe alcoholy they should be gently with absorbent cotton. (A certain adealer offers an interesting collection of foreign coppers for thirty-sive cents, acertainly a great/bargain/ and probably the best investment for the beginner of Thus the entire outiff a cluding the coppers will cost in the speighborhood of two dollars and

Coins should never be polished, as the soft and delicate lines and suitace of the pieces would be very soon fulned; (Coths lie pouches or old bags get scratched, and their value seriously decreased; and throwing a coth upon a hard surface usually results in a tew more dentitied. Each piece must

be wrapped in tissue paper, and rubber bands carefully excluded from the cabinet, as the sulphur in the bands causes a black tarnish, impossible to remove.

Ancient, Oriental, Medieval and Modern are the four great classes into which coins are divided, so it is up to the beginner to choose the class that interests him most.

A postal card sent to each of the leading dealers, requesting catalogues of the coming auction sales, would be the means of securing many specimens cheaply.

Starting a coin collection, and becoming a full-fledged numismatist, is not as costly as many desiring to collect would suppose.

Indian Mystery By E. R. Steinbrueck

Wolf Chief, a Hidatsa Indian says: "There come so many white people, want to know this and that, many things. We don't tell them. But you people are all right. I let you go into my fathers medicine lodge and tell you the story of the medicine. You are the first white men, who see the inside of the lodge and hear the story. I like the little old man. I like him so well, I make him my father."

And thus I was made the adopted father of Wolf Chief a Hidatsa Indian, whose father was the medicine man of the Awaticha (band) Itaka (noun proper) of the Hidatsa Indians, who are called Minitars by the Mandans, or Gros Ventres of the Missouri by the French. The medicine lodge was one of the old fashion round clay ledges, as they were in use with the Mandans, the Arikaria (called Rees, from the French appellation) and the Hidatsa. The lodge, constructed of timber, and clad with sod and clay, measured 40 45 feet in diameter. Opposite the entrance, a little to the left I saw, what I took at first for an armchair with a high back, all draped in different kinds of gay colored calico. It was the medicine shrine, with two shelves and the calicos were offerings to the Great Spirit. Alongside of the shrine a little more to the left stood the medicine pole, on which hung, covered again with many patterns of calico, the medicine bag of Wolf Chief's father and grandfather.

On the lower shelf of the medicine shrine was placed on dried peppermint plants spread over the shelf, a buffalo skull, a turtle shell, an eagle's wing, and an old black felt hat. On the upper shelf were hidden in a sack of black cioth two human skulls and a red pipestone pipe, on top of a layer of dry pepper mint plants. On the medicine pole hung the fathers medicine bag, over a foot square, ornamented in a colored design, painted and with long leather fringes. Underneath on the floor of ground were signs of burnt incense. As the mice were playing havor with the contents of the medicine in the bag, Wolf Chief decided to open the bag and clean up, and for this lucky incident we were permitted to see these contents. They were:

A piece of black bear skin supposed to be 130 years old. his grand-father's medicine;

Eight small Indian turnips (ahi) tied to a piece of black bear skin, for the bear to eat and also a black feather tied to it;

A piece of rawhide with a scalp attached to it, taken 38 years ago;

A small bunch of owl feathers;

A necklace of brass beads with five wolf claws;

A white wolf's skin, the strip of the back with the tail to it his father's medicine;

A bunch of eagle feathers to wear in the scalp lock;

A bear claw, stripped of the skin, wrapped in twine (looked like a human hand dried up, which it may have been) and owl feathers;

A bear's tooth and two eagle claws tied to the former with a small lock of his father's hair;

Two small flint arrowheads:

Two large flint arrow heads:

A piece of a koyote skin for medicine and a peculiar shaped stone.

We did not wish to be too inquisitive, being satisfied with what we were granted to see and to hear by Wolf Chief's own free will. For this reason we did not obtain full knowledge of the use and purpose of all these articles. Maybe at next visit more. Wolf Chief killed and scalped two Sioux, when 28 years old and at 29 he became a Christian and wanted to follow white man's ways (if preferable I doubt).

The story of the two skulls and the mystery pipe, the origin of the medicine and of the medicine men, is what Wolf Chief told us, to me and the Rev. G. L. Wilson, and what I am going to tell to the readers of the WEST in the next number of this smart little magazine. So long!

Souvenir Post Cards

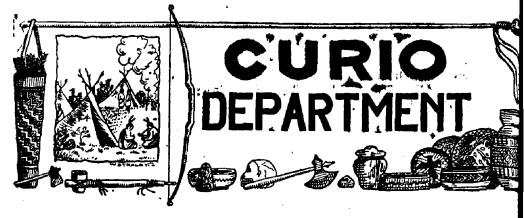
By Mrs. John Hoffman

As a Member of the Union souvenir Card Exchange and a collector of wide experience, would like to say a few words on this, the best of all hobbles.

The collecting of Foreign Souvenir Post Cards, sooner or later becomes the "Brain Storm" of all collectors. I wonder how many collectors ever ask themselves this question. What will please Foreign Ecxhangers? Am sure a little more thought along this line will bring better results and fewer names for the expelled list.

Collectors living in Stubbs Center, Hick's Wharf, or Water Tank No. 3, think the Carnegie Library or some other building in their home town will be acceptable. Such cards while they might be "Big Guns in their own location, are not what an intelligent collector wants. Something typical or interesting of the U. S. A. or its principal cities will always please.

Our National Capital, Washington D. C., or our greatest City, New York are the best known and therefore the best for exchanges. Always bear in mind that the collector would like to see, how we live, our customs, our people, our industries, pastimes, resorts, natural wonders, street scenes or any thing portraying the U. S. A. Public buildings that so many collectors use for exchange are not good, for example, suppose a collector here sends a card to Ceylon, Asia, for exchange, after about 4 months of expectant waiting, he receives, the Asiatic Bank Bldg. or the Ceylon Post Office. The result is he feels discouraged, but trys again, as the Postcarditis fever is hard to cure. But some card showing what manner of place or people Ceylon is or has would have pleased immensely.



BY ARCHIBALD CROZIER, Wilmington, Delaware.

To the lover of things historical, there is no more interesting place in this country than the famous "Independence Hall" of Philadeplhia. The building itself, erected in 1729, is one of the finest examples of colonial public buildings in existence.

The most interesting exhibit is, of course, the famed "Liberty Bell," dear to the heart of every patriotic American, as having heralded the dawn of American liberty.

In the National Museum of Independence Hall is gathered one of the finest collections of Colonial and Revolutinary relics to be seen anywhere. The array of portraits of patriots and statesmen of the Revolution is unsurpassed, and contains paintings of nearly all the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

To attempt to enumerate all the objects of interest to be seen here would occupy a whole issue of the WEST, so I will merely mention a few of the most interesting.

Objects belonging to, or associated with Washington, are always looked upon with an interest amounting almost to veneration, and the collection here contains a number of articles owned by the Father of his Country. Among them may be mentioned his Masonic Apron. Communication to Lodge, tock of his hair cut off by his sister, Mrs. Lewis, pair of spectacles, visiting cards, pocket compass, and sofa.

The collection also comprises a number of swords of famous men, among them being those of Mad Anthony Wayne, William Peno, Judge Turner. Capt. John Rush, Gen. Benj. Pierce, and Lieutenant Hogue. The latter with his whole detachment was massacred by the Indians at Blanket Hill, in August of 1756.

Other interesting exhibits are as follows: Watch carried in the principal battles of the Revolution by John Babtiste Schmidt, given to him by Gen'l Washington himself; pencil sketches by Benj. West, also the original painting of his "Penn's Treaty"; compass made by David Rittenhouse, and used in the survey of the Mason & Dixon's line; ale mug of Capt. John Paul Jones; copper teakettle used by Win. Penn on his second voyage to America in 1789; pistol captured from a British officer under Tarleton, at the battle of Cowpens, S. C.; prelamation of Patrick Henry, to the people of Virginia dated at Williamsburg, 1778; original letter of Benj. West, written from London, in which he speaks of his picture of the "Treaty Tree;" brewing

not that belonged to Jonathan Morris; china mug, in efflgy of Col. Washington after Braddocks defeat; silhoulette of General George and Martha Washington; autograph letter of Francis Scott Key, to his mother, when he composed the "Star Spangled Banner," and an account of the expedition he was on, aboard the "Minden," when he composed the song; inkstand used by Michael Gregg of the Continental Army, and a button from the coat of Gen'l Washington, worn at Mt. Vernon,

Taken altogether the Museum is worth going many miles to see, and our Western readers visiting the Jamestown Exposition would be well repaid by taking in a trip to Independence Hall.

It is noted by Dr. Kroeber of the University of California, that there are more totally distinct Indian languages per square mile in California than in any other state in the Union. The reason for this great variety of languages has never been properly accounted for.

According to the London Graphic, silk is obtained from a shellfish known as pinna (mytilidae), which is found in the Mediterranean. This shellfish has the power of spinning a viscid silk which in Sicily is made into a very handsome fabric. The silk is spun by the shell for the purpose of attaching itself to the rocks. It is able to guide the delicate tilaments to the proper place and there glue them fast, and if they are cut away can replace thems. The material when gathered, is washed in soap and water and dried, and then straightened and carded, one pound of the coarse filament yielding about three ounces of fine thread, which when spun, is of a lovely burnished brown color.

The cradle of John Quincy Adams has a historic interest for all Americans. It is preserved in the museum in Boston, and is of the tpye common at the time he was born. It has a wooden box with rockers and hood of the same material, without decoration of any kind.

MOUNDS IN ANDERSON, INDIANA.

There are seven mounds a few miles from Anderson, one is a perfect circle as round as the O of Giotto. It covers a space of a couple of acres and there are large ack and elm trees growing upon it—so large that a man can not encircle them with his arms.

The other six are much smaller, circular in shape except one that is a perfect oval. The land on which the mounds stand is owned by a farmer who has leased it to a street railway company for a summer park, wisely stipulating that no trees were to be cut, and nothing done to injure the mounds in any way. The largest in size has been opened though by some amateurs, and they only went down four or five feet and found some charred wood, then became tired or discouraged and gave up the task.

At a recent sale of historical medals, a gold medal commemorative of the battle of Colloden was sold for \$510. At the same sale a silver medal of Cromwell, dated 1653, realised \$180.

HDITOR'S NOTE.—Publishers of archaeological journals and books, are requested to send copies for review, to address below. Also desire notes and clippings of archaeological interest. Proper credit given to all correspondents. David B. Emert, Dawson, Shelby Co., Ohio.



I suppose the majority of collectors have received a copy of the 24th annual report of the Bureau of American Ethnology. For the benefit of those who have not a copy I will say it is a large volume of 846 pages devoted principally to the games of the Indians. Contains decriptions of the manner of playing the games with 1112 figures illustrating the implements used. While this work is not archaeological, a very large part is valuable for reference. If you have not received a copy, you should apply at once to your congressional representative for a copy.

The Numismatist for August, 1907 contains a short article on Stonehenge, a very ancient structure in Great Britain, situated on Salisbury Plain two miles from the town of Amesbury, in Wiltshire. There has been much speculation regarding the origin and purpose of Stonehenge. One idea is that it was used as a place for Druidical worship. Another idea is that from its circular form it was used in connection with the worship of the sun. The original purpose of this building will probably never be known, but at all events it is certainly interesting to the archaeologist.

One of the best works on the archaeology of Ohio, is Prof. Wm C. Mills' Exploration of the Baum village site. Prof. Mills is Curator of the Museum at Page Hall, O. S. U., Columbius, Ohio, and is well posted on the archaeology of Ohio. This work is a description of an Ancient Indian village in southern Ohio. The site at the time of exploration was part of a cultivated farm, this part being in corn. The explorers found a number of tepee sites, also a large number of storage pits from which numbers of implements were taken. Many skeletons were found some of which were diseased, and were sent for examination by medical experts. Altogether this is a very valuable work, and every collector in Ohio should possess a copy.

From a newspaper clipping I quote the following:

Prof. T. L. Eerely, an archaeologist of Canadian College, Hereford, Texas, discovered a buried city in Ochiltree county, Texas. The appearance of a number of mounds upon what was otherwise a level plain attracted

Mr. Everley's attention, and he began investigation. His excavations have revealed buried buildings in which are human bones and stone utensils. The mounds are rectangular in shape, and their number shows that it was once a city of several thousand people. The character of the ruins indicate that they antedate the Aztecs.

The above is only a report. Can any of the readers give any further information on this subject? If anyone does know anything further, please send it in

On the opposite banks of Silver Creek, near where it empties in the Ohio River between New Albany and Jeffersonville, Ind., are two burial mounds. From time to time the high waters have washed from the mounds many valuable relics. Some of the finest specimens in the famous Borden Museum at Boruen, came from these burial grounds, while in many of the private collections of persons in New Albany, Jeffersonville and Louisville, are rare relics found about these mounds only a few weeks ago Albert Ruoff, found a perfectly preserved pipe of peace, which had been washed from the mound by the recent flood of the Ohio, and following this freshet a number of other specimens of less importance, were found by relic collectors. From the mounds on Silver Creek have come specimens made of stone from the North, the South, the East and the West, which are taken as evidence of traffic among the Indian tribes from all parts of the country.

Would be glad to receive further reports of Silver Creek mounds.

An Old Handkerchief Over 207 Years Old By Harry S. Blanchard

Perhaps one of the oldest handkerchiefs in the world is one in the presession of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Alford, of South Glens Falls N. Y. handkerchief is made of old fashioned linen, the tables and figures on it being stamped in red. It was used by an old English school master who received from an ancestor in the year 1700 - The year 1700 is worked in with slik in the upper left hand corner. In the center of the handkerchief is a picture of a school room with the scholars at their desks. Surrounding the In the upper left hand corner is a picture picture is all the English tables. of two boys holding a numeration table In the upper right hand corner is a picture of two school boys discussing the multiplication table. left hand corner is a picture which represents a youngster studying the pence table. The lower light hand corner is composed of the tables of practice. The handkerchief is covered all over with English figures and is well preferved on account of its age. (See illustration in last issue.)

At an important sale of Old English silver held in London, a set of six silver table-candlesticks realized \$4765. And a collection of 359 Old English silver caddy spoons went for \$1025.

We will be pleased to receive photos of coins and medals or descriptions of curios which readers are unable to catalogue. In giving particulars of coins or medals, do no forget to say whether made of gold, silver, bronze or pewter.

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EDITOR'S NOTE—Our readers are is vited to contribute interesting items, articles, etc to this Dept. Also reports of new discoveries of mines and minerals. All letters addressed to the editor at Glendive, Mont., will be answered as far as possible in this dept.—Forest Gaines]

Brazil leads all of the countries of South America in the production of precious stones. Amethysts and topaxes are found in great quantities in the interior and are marketed chiefly in Germany. Diamonds, chrysolites, tourmalines, topaxes, beryls, chrisoberyls, amethysts and garnets are mined in the section of the country tributary to Rio de Janeiro. Amethysts stand agates are found on the surface at various points of Rio Grande de Sul in southern Brazil.

Columbia in South America furnishes large amounts of garnets, rubies, moonstones, rose quartz and emeralds. The Muzo emerald mines of Columbian are the most famous in the world, and the Columbian government derives an income from them in rentals of about \$300,000 a year. These mines were discovered by Spaniards in 1555 and have been worked at various times ever since, but only lately on a large scale. The emeralds from the Muzo mines rate all shipped to London and Paris in the rough.

Mr. F. E. Jackson of Socarro, N. M., sends the following information concerning a strange natural phenomenon in his vicinity: "The rock in question is situated midway in the Socorro mountains at Socorro, N. M. It is about two feet thick, fitfeen feet high, and fifteen feet wide at the base On this rock rock are plainly seen the profiles of a man, a woman and a cow. From the top, down the entire depth as far at the right as the seam, includes the man. The hair, eye, prominent nose, the mouth and chin, the collar of his coat, even the shoulders are shown. From the seam in the center, and to the right, is the profile of the woman. She seems to be leaning back against the man. The forehead, nose, chin, necktie, full bust, in fact her whole form appears well developed. She seems to be asleep, as her eve is closed. Below, to the extreme right, appears the head of a cow-The horns, face and eyes are almost perfect in the profile. As the oldest person here knows nothing of this profile rock, and no one here had ever seen or heard of it beofre, it is generally believed that I am the discoverer of it."

To the ardent mineral collector an unusually interesting field of study is being continually opened. One naturally gains a good knowledge of geometry, physics, chemistry and the general physical properties of his

mineral specimens, as his or her study of the science advances. The advanced collector is always looking for something unique or out of the ordinary, such as epecially large crystals of certain minerals, or rare colors in certain specimens. The writer remembers well that the first specimen he ever collected was a large chunk of mica schist or particles of mica in compact limestone. The glistening scales of mica of course attracted my attention with the result that I carried the specimen home, and gradually built up a very large collection with the chunk of mica schist as a nucleus. Though many changes have occurred in my collection since then, the specimen of mica schist still remains as a souvenir of what such a small thing as this may gradually lead to. "Once a collector, always a collector."

COINS AND FACES ON THEM.

Coins of most of the nations bear upon them the faces of their rulers. In the United States each coin has an emblem of Liberty. The first coins struck after the formation of the federal union bore the face of George Washington. Gen. Washington disapproved of the custom and it was dropped. It has never been revived. Portraits of prominent Americans appear upon postage stamps, internal revenue stamps and paper money, but never on coins. And it has been the custom to use no portraits of living men even on the currency and on the stamps. In England as soon as King Edward succeeded Queen Victoria the queen's face gave way to that of Edward on all the coins and stamps in the British empire. The accession of a new ruler in most monarchies means an instant change in the design of the coins.

But there is an exception to the rule of no portraits on American coins. The emblem of Liberty on the Leent coin is the goddess in an American Indian headress, but the face shows no characteristics of the North American aborigine.

It is the face of a little girl, Sarah Longacre Keen, upon whose head was placed the feathered ornament of a Sioux Indian. Her father was an engraver and he placed his daughter's head on the coin.

Sarah Longacre Keen died in Philadelphia not long ago. She had served thirty-five years as the secretary of her city's branch of the Methodist Women's Missionary society.

A recent department ruling requires that Post Cards and postal cards, mailed in sealed envelopes, be paid two cents each (letter rate), and that the stamps must be placed on the envelope and not on the card, even though an opening is left in the envelope over the stamp. When enclosed in unsealed envelopes, the stamp must in all cases be placed on the envelope itself, and not on the card. "Postage stamps affixed to enclosures contained in envelopes can not be recognized in payment of postage thereon." The above applies to cards addressed for either foreign or domestic mails. Cards enclosed in unsealed envelopes are subject to one cent postage if entirely in print, and to two cents postage if wholly or partly in writing.—Homer Warren, P. M., Detroit, Mich. Sent by H. Boers.

In the British Museum are three copies of the Bible written on the leaves of the fan palm



Py MADELINE KELLAR

Ferd Ingold Card Co., Monroe, Wisc., have a grand assortment of rich choice cards which sell at low price. Considering the quality and beauty of these cards you will be surprised how low they sell. Among the cards sent to me for review are several beautiful novelties, made of silk, wax and celluloid decorated with flowers, and birds of real feathers. The flower cards are embossed or raised in rich natural colors with reflecting dew pearls. All sorts of birds and butterflies made of real bird feathers.

A brilliant set of cards is a fine set seen of the Wisconsin Dells, embracing all the fine scenes, tinseled beautiful with effects like reflecting dew. These can be sent thro the mail in a tissue paper envelope made purposely for the tinseled cards. The message, address and stamp and all can be written on the card same as tho' it were sent otherwise. Then place in transparent envelope which has opening for the stamp, so it can be stamped conveniently. The Ferd Ingold Co. are manufacturers, designers, importers and publishers, and are therefor able to furnish you with cards nowhere else obtainable. They have advertised in this paper extensively so write today for an order. Don't forget to mention the WEST when ordering.

From the International Post Card we have the story of how the art Post card originated. It was in June 1878 on the Alps when Kaulbach siezed the opportunity of making a sketch of some picturesque. Tyrolean. One of the men who made up the mountain climbing party upset a cup of coffee in the act of knocking the ashes from his cigar. The coffee ran over one corner of a card which still lay unwritten before Kaulbach. Tho he cleaned it, yet when it dried the brown spot still remained. This annoyed Kaulbach who involuntarily drew from his pocket a toothpick dipped in coffee and commenced carelessly to make corrections. He began to widen out the moisture on various sides, corners were rounded off, a stroke here and there. Then the whole thing was touched up a little bit. Before long the formless blot was changed into a splendid Tyroler, who with the help of his Alpen stock climbed a steep ascent. When the charming sepia drawing

was finished the tooth pick wandered back to the vest pocket. What the explanation of its evolution from a blot of coffee it was dispatched. This was the first card of its kind which found its way thro' the mail.

One of the most original sketch books published by Edwin Schlomp of Leipsic, owes its existence to this same coffee blot. The post card business in the U. S. last year approximated almost one billion cards. Heretofore the bulk of the post cards offered to the trade in this country has been of foreign make. The Sunset Railroad lines have adopted the postal card as an advertising feature. Cards depicting the choicest scenes on the route over which any train travels will be found aboard it for the free use of passengers. The pictures are in colors and very hundsome. Indirectly the Co, expects much benefit from the scheme in an advertising way because the name of the train is on. "Breathes there a man with soul so dead who ne'er unto himself hath said "I will send my friend a Souv card?" There is something wrong with him.

Postal cards are used extensively for making fire screens. Nice frames with thin glass purposely for framing cards can be bought reasonably nowaday. The souvenir fad is a pretty one if confined to reasonable bounds, but as a rule, this fad, like all other fads, sometimes goes to the extremes. James Rankin Young the chief of the dead letter office said: It would surprise anyone to see the amount of skittish, vulgar Souv, stuff coming daily to the dead letter office. Three men are employed who do nothing else but handle these postcards.





The 44th monthly meeting of the Chicago Numismatic Society was held in their rooms, 1622 Masonic Temple, Friday evening, Sept 6th, Vice President E. C. Verkler presiding. The following members were present: Messrs. Verkler, Brand, Excell, Leon, Blumenschein, Merrill, Chester Dunham, Sorensen, Williams and Green.

Messrs H. T. Folger and Geo. E. Roberts were elected to membership.

Messrs. Leon and Green having attended the convention of the American Numismatic Association at Columbus, Ohio, earlier in the week, told of the proceedings of that body.

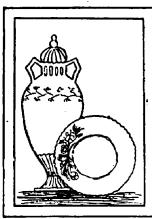
Exhibits for the evening were not numerous but very interesting, bring-

ing out the usual spirited numismatic discussion.

Books received were Coins and Medals in the British Museum by Head; a list of Confederate Currency by Massamore: and the United States Mint Report for 1906; also a priced catalog of the Stickney Sale, and The WEST.

Adjourned to meet Oct. 4th, 1907. Ben G. Green, Secretary.

Many curious collections have been made at different times, but among those which have been brought under the hammer, possibly the collection of garters which is to be offered in a London auction room, is likely to create the most interest and amusement of any of such old collections. It contains the garters of many nobles, among others a pair of garters worn by the famous Nell Gwynne. They are of sheepskin ornamented with red and gold roses, the clasps being of gold. Another pair of garters in the famous collection were made of pale red silk, the buckles of silver, were once the property of Mary Stuart.







By VERNA WESTON HANWAY.

From the London newspapers the following items are gathered, recording the most important sales of the last thirty days, likely to prove of interest to collectors of curics.

Collectors of manuscripts will doubtless envy the fortunate possessor, Mr. Tregaskis, the possession of a document of unusual human interest. The manuscript, a very small piece of paper, is the fateful order for the massacre of Glencoe. In spite of the doubts expressed as to its genuineness there were, many bids and bidders. It was eventually sold for \$6,500. The auctioneer announced, before the sale that the owner was prepared to give the purchaser an undertaking if at any time it was proved to be other than genuine all purchase moneys would be paid on its return, together with 5 per cent interest. The document, if genuine, is well worth the purchase price. It reads:

"You are hereby ordered to fall upon the Rebeils, the McDonalds of Glencoe, and putt all to the sword under seventy You are to have a speciall care that the old flox and his sones doe upon no account escape your hands, you are to secure all the avenues that no man escapes. to putt in execution att fyve of the clock precisely; and by that time or verie shortly after it I'll strive to be att you with a stronger party: if I doe not come to you at fyve you are nott to tarry for me butt to fall on. is by the Kings Special command, for the good and safety of the country, that these miscreants be cutt off root and branch. See that this be putt in executione without fend or favour, else you may expect to be dealt with as one not true to King or Government, nor a man ffit to carry Commissione in the King's Service. Expecting you will not faill in the fulfillment hereof, as you love your selfe. I subscribe these with my hand att Balichoils, ffeb. 12, 1692. (So.) Ro. Duncanson

ffor the Maties Service

To Capt.

Robert Campbell of Glenlyon.

Large crowds, it is said, thronged Christies' rooms, when the collection of time old silver, formed by Mr. Marshall Hall, K. C. was dispersed. High prices were anticipated, but many pieces sold at prices far beyond the most sanguine anticipations.

The feature, the "clou" of the sale was a dainty service for toilet purposes, of the time of Charles II and James II. somewhat similar to one sold sometime ago for \$4,000. It was composed of five boxes, two pieces with covers, a pair of small porringers and covers, a pair of octagonal tazzer, a pair cushion, a pair of octagonal canisters, a table mirror and two brushes, the total weight without the mirror and brushes, being just over 133 oz. The record price for such a service was reached, \$5,000.

Those present were astonished when a small Commonwealth porringer realized \$150 an oz. for 6½ oz. Three small eighteenth century muffingers reached \$100 an ounce, and a silver tea pot dating back to 1714 about \$75 amounce.

English people are usually alive to the intrinsic worth of their antiquities, and endeavor to preserve them. An ancient Greek statue, so old that its age is lost, was purchased for the British museum, at a cost of over \$10,000. Many other statues from gardens, worn and weatherbeaten by the storms of many centuries were sold at enormous and startling figures.

Quite recently a carved stone indicating the site of an ancient well; which had been in a village garden for many years, covered with moss, was found to be of great historic interest, and a good price was paid for it by a local museum. Certain impecunious persons, are, it is said, turning appreciative and enquiring eyes, upon the old statues and carved stonework in their gardens brought from foreign countries.

Old Chinese china is valued by collectors. The price realized by an old Chinese porcelain vase, enameled in familie-verte on a black ground, attests to this. The bidding rose from 100 guineas to 1,650 guineas, or \$8,250. A hexagonal Ming teapot of porcelain, enameled with flowers in familie-verte on a yellow ground, and panels around the sides and on the cover, pierced with branches of foliage, the handle and spout formed as a fish and elephant's head sold for \$1,155.

A Sevres biscuit bust of Louis XV., by Dodin, 1758, finely painted with emblematic trophies, realized \$5,000.

A pair of seated bronze figures of a baby boy and girl by Jean Pigalle, the great seventeenth century French sculptur brought \$7,250. At a sale in 1902 a pair of figures of baby boys by this same sculptur was sold for over \$11,000. Therefore the price for the bronze figures while high is not a record one.

A fine collection of Shakesperean first editions was the main feature of a recent sale. While I have not received details of the prices realized as yet, it may be taken for granted that they were very high. Among the lot a copy of the first folio, which equals, some say surpasses the Van Antwerp copy which last March sold for nearly \$18,000.

The other three folios were in excellent condition, the third folio particularly, of which the majority of copies were destroyed in the Great Fire.

Twenty original plays by Shakespeare, including a unique copy of the 1600 edition of "The Merchant of Venice," were also listed in the catalog, as well as some rare pieces of Americana, a copy of Caxton's "Golden Legend," 1483, some royal bindings, and a large collection of early alluminated manuscripts.

A bookseller in London discovered a copy of Thomas'es "History of Pennsylvania," 1698. Having some idea of its value he had it offered for sale at Hodgrons and Company's auction rooms. A collector paid \$600 for it.



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The sixty-third regular meeting of the St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society was held Tuesday, August 6, 1907, at the usual time and place, President Cornwall presiding, with twelve members present.

The major part of the evening was devoted to an examination of the stamps exhibited by Mr. A. W. Batchelder of the New England Stamp Company, who kindly answered many questions and gave valuable information relative to the rarities displayed.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday August 20th, at Rooms 803-805 Wrihgt Building, Co. 8th & Pine Streets. Chester Myers, Secy.

The sixty-fifth regular meeting of this Society was held Tuesday Sept. 3d, 1947, at usual time and place, President Cornwil presiding and the following members present: Baer, Berger, Cornawll, Hopkins, Humes, Long, Milhause, Myers, Ruedi, Schellhorn, Schoeman, and Wood.

A highly interesting collection of A. P. A. convention photos, mounted in a neat album, were presented to the Society for its Library by the President.

Souvenir card greetings were read from Messrs. Patzschke and Sisson, the former from Jamestown Exposition and the latter from Rockaway Beach N. Y.

The drawing contest which was such an attraction at last meeting again proved of much interest to all competitors Dr. Baer's "drawing" being the winner.

The first 'installment' of the new Entertainment Committee reported through its Chairman Mr. Long that a series of ten simple (?) questions bearing upon familiar (?) scenes depicted upon stamps of the Trans-Mississip if Pan American Columbian and 1869 issues would be propounded. One contestant whose name is better left unwritten blithely answered the question "What is the picture on the Omaha 5c stamp" by writing "The discovery of Pikes Peak." This gentleman undoubtedly still retained pleasant momeries of his own discovery of that mountain a few weeks since in company with the other "Stampfiends". Messrs. Hopkins and Milhouse carried off first and second honors. The second "installment" of this Committee Messrs. Hopkins, (Chairman) Ruedi and Schellhorn, promise something startling for next meeting.

After the auction, all proceeds of which reverting to the Treasury, the meeting adjourned to the retail store of the St. Louis Talking Machine Co, where Mr. Long assisted by his "Victors" entertained an appreciative audience until very near the "Wee sma" hours", with selections ranging from "Goo Goo Eyes" in German to Grand Opera, for which pleasing diversion he was extended a hearty vote of thanks.

Don't forget that at meetings "There's always Something Doing" and that at the next meeting in particular a spectacular program is promised. All collectors are welcome and cordially invited, Tuesday Sept. 17th, rooms 803-805 Wright Building. Chester Myers, Sec'y.

Your Secretary desires to announce that he has had a neat Membership Card prepared for each member and that same will be distributed with his compliments, to local members at the next meeting. Bear in mind that each member attending this meeting will receive his Membership Card and is assured of a WELL SPENT evening by the Entertainment Commit ex. Better come. There's a reason. Out of town members will receive their cards soon, possibly by the time this notice appears.

The sixty-sixth regular meeting of this Society was held Tuesday September 17th, 1907, at the usual time and place, Vice-President Humes presiding and the following members present: Baer, Diamant, Humes, Long, Millhouse, Myers, Schoeman, Wood, and two visitors, Mr. I. Eckhari of Anderson, Texas and his brother of St. Louis.

Committee on Emblem, through its Chairman Mr. Long, reported progress.

Mr. Hopkins, Chairman of the evening's Entertainment Committee, being absent, this committee's contest requiring the naming of twenty countries on whose stamps certain inscriptions are found, was conducted by the Secretary. Many wonderful replies were submitted, showing a depth of imagination amongst our members not dreamed of before. The difficulty of the contest may be understood when it is told that the highest percentage was 25, in other words five correct answers out of a possible twenty—the lowest marking is better unmentioned. Messrs. Eckhart and Wood having equal percentages divided the prizes.

At Mr. Diamants' suggestion those present were asked to write in ten short minutes the names of as many stamp issuing countries, initial letter "C", as possible. Mr. Myers winning first honors. Also at this same gentleman's invitation members endeavored to list the dates of the various issues of U. S. postage adhesives, the result of this contest is still in doubt, the judge being unequal to the task of grading the varied replies offhand and promising the decision at next meeting.

Next "Installment Plan Entertainment Committee" Messrs. Diamant (Chairman) Baer and Myers.

The auction of an enormous hat box full to the brim with stamps (kindly donated by Dr. Raer) was furiously spirited and netted a comfortable sum for the Treasury.

Owing to conflicting date with the annual Veiled Prophet celebration THE NEXT MEETING HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL FRIDAY OCTOBER 4TH. All members and visitors will be welcome. Rooms 803 805 Wright Bld'y. Be there a well spent evening is assured.

Chester Myers, Secretary.



Memorial

Sent by a Canadian reader. It was found written on the back of a Confederate State Bill.

Representing nothing on God's earth now, in And naught in the waters below.

month MAs a pledge of the nation that's dead and gone, the nation. Keep it dear friend and show it.

Show it to those who will lend an ear,

To the tale this paper can tell,

Of Liberty, born of the patriot's dream,
Of the storm-cradled nation that fell.

Tco poor to possess the precious ores,

And too much of a stranger to borrow.

We issued today our promise to pay,

And hoped to redeem on the morrow.

And noped to redeem on the morrow.

The days rolled on and weeks became years, But our coffers were empty still.

Coin was so scarce that the Treasury quaked,

If a dollar should fall in the till.

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mand think And our poverty well discerned.

antip mark and And these little checks represented to pay,

manage of the We knew it had hardly a value in gold.

families with: Yet as gold our soldiers received it.

It gazed in our eyes with a promise to pay,

And our patriot soldiers believed it.

But our boys thought little of price or pay,

' Or bills that were over due,
We knew if it brought us bread today.

'Twas the best our poor country could do.

Keep it, it tells our history o'er,

From the birth of its dream to the last,

Modest and born of the Angel Hope,

Like the hope of success it passed.

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The Pan-American Souvenir Card Club, of Belleville, Ill., U.S.A.

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We wish to call your attention to this part of our club plans, as it is the main cornerstone upon which our club is built, and a benefit which no other club now has—This is orriginal with us and we ask your earnest co-operation in making it a success.

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We wish this club to be the leading club of the world, and with your assistance we can bring it up to that standard. If you have any good suggestions we will be pleased to hear from you. We will now close our first announcement, with ourb est wishes to all.

Yours very truly,

Arthur Soderstrum, Pres., James A. Carr, Jr., Sec-Treas.

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 For the most original card.
- 3. For the best photo card.
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 Remember 100 cards given away in the above contests each month.

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We are sorry to report the death of two of our leading members, H. V. Ketchum of Chester, Nebraska, who died in Boulder Colorado, last month; and Prof. Root, Hamilton College, New York, brother of Secretary of State Root. Both have been readers of the WEST for many years and both have been contributors to its pages of manuscripts and notes.

Can any of our readers give the address of Decker of La Porte, Indiana. Several complaints have been received, and letters are returned, party has left. Fox, dealer of New York City, has also been complained of and we understand that Southern Philatelic Society has charge of same.

American Stamp Co., Chicago has complaint against W. J. Miller, Dowagiac, Mich. Any others?

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Now is the time to try sales Dept., and get good results for same. SALES SUPTS'. REPORT. Sept 12, 1907.

Dear Fellow Members: Since my last report I have received 13 books net value \$57.62 and retired 24 books, net value \$125.74. Many bargains are being offered and it will pay you to receive circuits if you are buying stamps. We have good buyers on circuits and it will pay you to put in books. I supply Sales books at 3c each. Fraternally, Leon V. Cass.

The sales are over, but collectors are already looking forward to the auction sales, which will embrace the dispersal of seveal well known collections of curios. Already picture dealers are beginning to whisper fabulous stories of recent discoveries of masterpieces, which are to be offered by their lucky finders before the closing of the year. It is curious how many valuable pictures have been brought to light lately. The writer has just inspected a beautiful portrait of a little girl, the daughter of an Earl, who in the days of good Queen Bess, owned one of the castles which had escaped demolition during the civil war. In a scattered condition the picture was picked up in a London sale room. It has been properly restored and will realise some hundreds of pounds, if sold in a few months time. —Eng. Paper.



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COLORADO WINS.

We point with pride to the fact that Colorado, one of the smallest states in population, produced more new members this month than any other state.

Who is responsible for this boom in our home state, we will not say, but this much we will say: We hope to have the pleasure of putting you Easterners to flight many more times.

Help us please, "Colorado Boosters"

AMONG OUR MEMBERS.

Arnaldo Ghisla, Avenida de Mayo 1124, Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic, like all good members, receives cards which he cannot answer on account of incomplete addresses, and although Mr. Ghisla is one of the world's foremost collectors, and ready and willing at all times to answer all of your cards, you make it impossible for him to do so.

1087. Arthur Soderstrum. 217 West 18th Street, Kansas City, Mo.,

prefers to exchange for photographic and foreign cards only.

1124. Alried H. McKellup, Box 147, Vanceburg, Ky., will now exchange cards with all members, especially those in the South and Middle West.

1184 Emession A Stoner, Greenwood Park Station, Des Moines, Iowa, would like to exchange with foreign members only, excepting those in the United States with whom he is now in communication.

ERRATA

In the July WEST, the address of Member No. 1227, Miss Katherine Waterman, was published as 1741 California Street, Dayton, Ohio; it should have been 1741 California Street, Denver, Colorado.

A similar error has occurred in the address of Member No. 1213, George H. Snyder. His correct address is 1022 West 57th St., Chicago, Ill., instead of 1022 West 57th St., New York, N. Y., as published.

The publisher of the WEST is responsible in the former case; the Secretary of THE UNION in the latter. We both ask to be forgiven, and promise to exercise more care in the future.

WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR.

As promised some months ago, we submit herewith a Code, which was compiled by our Chinese Representative, Mr. F. P. Britto, of Shanghai, and we know it will fill a long felt want.

Please read it caefully, likewise study it, and put it into practice.

Code Worrds Invitation to Exchange:

ACTINA-I desire to exchange post cards with you; please confirm on your part whether exchange is accepted or not.

ADAR-Please place postage stamp on picture side.

Replies to above:

AKIN - Exchange accepted. I wish to receive

BOLUS—I cannot put stamp on picture side. It is against the postal regulations of our country.

CANAL—Please do not put stamp on view side, as cards coming to our country stamped so, are liable to postage due.

CARAT-Surry I have to decline your kind offer.

- a. for the present I am too busy. .
- b. have stopped collecting.
- d. your cards are not suitable for my collection.
- e. I have too many cards from your country.

EXTRA—If you can send better grade of cards, I shall accept your proposition with pleasurre.

Different kinds of cards required:

FACET—Colored cards. F1ORN—Hand colored cards.

HERMES-Black and White. JASON-Any kind of views.

LIBEL-Local views.

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i. post offices	j. government buildings
k. public buildings	l. light houses
m. types	n. leather cards
o. fancy cards	p. comics
q novelty cards	r. bathing scenes
s. pen and ink sketchings	t. photo cards
u. commemorative cards	v. portraits
1 actresses	2. celebrities
3 royalty	4. beauties
5. presidents of the United States	
NOTICE—Your last cards were insufficien	tly stamped.
MINIM-Sorry you had to pay postage du	
me. Shall be more careful now.	
PARADE-I have received your cards of	
POSTAL—I sent you cards on	I am surprised that I
have no reply from you.	
RUFUS-I have replied to yours of	They must have
been lost in transit.	
SHANGHAI—Please don't send cards in o	
TESTON-Please send a duplicate card of	
ULTRA-Kindly note my change of additional	ess. My rew address is
VANDAL-Kindly give my name and add	ress to your friends who collect
cards (a) in your town.	
WALLUP-1. Very respectfully yours	
2. Sincerely yours	
3. Affectionately yours.	
XEBEC-Referring to yours of	I beg to say that
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Translation: Exchange accepted. I wis	h to receive local colored cards
Your last cards were insufficient	ly stamped. Please send a dupli-
cate card of yours of 17-2-1907.	Sincerely yours,
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b. sea-scapes

h. capitols

d. street scenes

f. country places

NATURA-I would like to receive: a. landscapes

c. mountains

e. parks and gardens

g. places of interest

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET.

To answer all cards promptly...

To place full name and address and UNION number on all cards sent for or in exchange.

To enclose return postage when writing for information of any kind.

To notify the publisher if you do not receive THE WEST regularly, and not the Secretary of THE UNION. The publisher has been paid for your subscription and is under obligations to send you the paper.

That we close our report on the 15th of each month and all notices and new memberships received after that date, must be held over for the next report.

That members are forbidden to mail view cards, for or in exchange, from states other than the one in which they reside, and members receiving such cards, which are necessarily mailed in violation of this rule, are under no obligation to reply.

To promptly advise the Secretary in writing of all members who fail to answer your cards, giving dates cards were sent as well as full names and addresses of the delinquents. Members in the United States and Canada are allowed one month in which to answer; Mexico, West Indies and Europe, two months; all other places except Australia, three months; Australia, four months

That we do not publish membership lists at regular intervals, nor do we promise to furnish any one with a new list every month, but we will gladly mail list when published, to all remitting postage. The next list will be published about October 1st, so if you wish a copy, please send postage to the Secretary.

That we give as a premium, five beautiful cards for each new member you secure, and also publish your name on our Roll of Honor.

To promptly renew when your membership expires.

That we do not have any rules or regulations, other than the foregoing, and by carefully complying therewith, we are sure you will be satisfied with your membership in THE UNION.

RENEWALS.

- 629. Miss Edena May Carroll, Box 399, San Marcos, Texas.
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- 1263. Harvey T. W. Lindamen, Charles City, Mo. (Foreign only.)
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- 1135. T. G. Griffin, from 1409 Arlington Ave., to 1523 Arlington Ave., Bessemer, Ala.

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RESIGNED.

- 916. L. B. Dison, San Fernando, Pampanga, Phillipine Islands.
- 1101. B. DeGrush, R. F. D. 126, Glens Falls, N. Y.

When a member resigns it is because he no longer wishes to exchange cards. Therefore, when a resignation is announced, please discontinue sending the resigner cards for exchange and erase the name from your membership list.

EXPELLED.

863. Mrs. E. B. Ayers, Kingman, Ariz., on complaints of 863, 937 and 964.

At London last month a suite of Louis XV. furniture, painted white and partly gilt, covered with old Beauvais tapestry, consisting of a pair of settees and six fauteuils, realised \$3,300. At the conclusion of the Holland sale a copy of the 1803 edition of Shakespeare's works, printed on vellum, made \$530, and a first edition of Thackeray's "Vanity Fair," complete in the twenty original numbers, went for \$320.

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Dear Fellow Members: It is with unusual pleasure that I look over the reports of our Secretary during the last few months, and note the headway our society has made this year, thanks to the great interest taken by Bros. Doak, Brodstone and Roemer, all veterans among stamp collectors. It reminds me of the heights of standing among the philatelic societies, the S. P. A. had reached, some eight years ago, and I feel proud to be at the head of a society which ranks among the best, and most reliable of its kind, and herewith express my sincerest thanks to all, who helped so faithfully, to regain this healthful condition. The membership of our S. P. A. has nearly reached 100 and it is the desire of every officer and member to bring the same to the century mark, before the year comes to an end.

Now is the proper time, to join a stamp society, as the busy season is fast approaching. I regret very much that the year, during which I had the honor to preside over this society, has passed without I being able to issue a call for a convention, but sincerely hope, that my successor will not omit this most important part, in the existence of a Philatelic Society.

As the year nears its end, I wish to remind you of the importance of calling for nominations for the year 1908, to till the following offices:

President, Vice President, Inter Secy., Librarian, Counterfeit Detect., Atty., Auction Mgr., Purch'g Ag't, Secy-Treas., Sales Supt., Board of two Trustees, Official organ, and Convention seat.

These nominations must reach our Bro Doak by November 15 without fail, and I earnestly desire that all members comply with this request.

Before closing this letter, I once more extend thanks to Bro. Brodstone for the kind feeling he has for our society and the sacrifice he has made to further our interests, also our Secy. Prof. Doak who so diligently worked for the good of the S. P. A. and whom we owe the warmest thanks, in him, Bro. Roemer and "Brody" we have the personification of Success. The S. P. A. is in good hands. Fraternally, Fred G. Fuessel, Pres'd.

SECRETARY.TREASURER'S REPORT.

NEW MEMBERS: 1 W. F. Osborne, Fitzgerald, Ga. 2. L. C. Glover, Fitzgerald, Ga. 3. Julian Park, 510 Delaware Ave.. Buffalo, N. Y. 4. Paul E Miller, 1215 5th Ave., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. 5. Wilcox, Smith and Co., 23 Crawford St., Dunedin, New Zealand.

APPLICATIONS: 1. D. C. O. Wilson, 303 E. Quincy St., San Antonio, Texas. 18, student, Chas. Roemer and R. L. Dak 2. Jos. A. Norris, Alvarado, Calif., 21, R. R. Agent, Harry Rahn and Albert Norris. 3. Jack Ralston, 1316 Austin St., Houston, Tex. 19. window trimmer, Chas. G. Ralston and R. L. Doak. 4. Wm. E. Ault, 816 E. 7th St., Jeffersonville, Ind., 24, Asst. Manager, Wm. C. Pfan and R. L. Doak. 5. George Falk, 1616 Humboldt St., Bellingham, Wash., 17, salesman, Chas. Falk and

G. Gustafson. 6 Wm. P. Browne, Box 12, Wollaston, Mass., 22, poultryman, C. H. Johnson and R. L. Doak. 7. Henry H. Trulock, 119 Chestnut St., Montclair, N. J., 15, student, A. M. Prosser and R. L. Doak. 8. William E. Dyer, 903 Mulberry St., Scranton, Pa., 14, Walter B Dyer and Anna L. Dyer. 9. Nellie G. Learnard, 523 W. 2nd St., Duluth, Minn, 28, Stenographer, J. H. Trox and J. S. Strak. 10. Ben M. Carpenter c. o Rio Grande Lumber Co., Albuquerque, N. M., 28, expert accountant, L. T. Brodstone and Montiguma Trust Co. 11. John F. Sensow, 102 Farrand Ave., I a Porte, Ind., 32, shipping clerk, Walter and R. L. Doak. 12. G. E. Ganssle, 2652 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis Minn., 21, student, L. L. Dickerson and A. L. Peterson. 13. Gerald D. Bliss, Pedro Mignel, Canal Zone, U. S. A., 25, postmaster, Robert S. Nelson and R. L. Doak.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

New Bedford, Ohio, Sept. 23rd, '07.

I am requested to make a financial statement and am pleased to present the following statement:

RECEIPTS.

Dues and Fèes to date	. \$24.08
Proceeds of Auction Sale to date	7.61
Total reciepts to date	31.69
DISBURSEMENTS	
Ballots, Letters and Envelopes	
Postage on '07 ballots	
Printing	
Appl. blank 1.50	
Printing Membership cards	
Secy. Postage Dec. 10 to Apr. 11	
2000 Appl. blanks	
Secy, Postage Apr. 11 to Aug. 1st	
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Credited to Mr. L. T. Brodstone 165	
Printing Letter heads and Envelopes	\$18.36
On Hand	913 53

PRIZES.

The following prizes will be awarded Jan. 5th, '08: to the MEMBERS securing the most new members by Jan. 1st, '08.

FIRST PRIZE—\$5 00 Cata., value in stamps; winner's selection from approval lots for the most new members. Awarded by R. L. Doak.

SECOND PRIZE—2c U. S. I. R. Scoti's No. 2814 Cata. \$5.00 to the one securing the next greatest list of new members. Awarded by H. S. Powell, Mgr., H. S. Powell and Cc.

DEAR MEMBERS:—I am pleased to see so many applications this month and only hope that ALL members will go to work with ambition and try to secure at least one new member by the new year.

This Association is progressing nicely and all we need is the co-operation of ALL the members and not only a few. Will you not assist in pushing the S. C. A. forward? May we not expect to see you secure, at least, one new member ere the old year ends? I am pleased to report that copies

of the Constitution are off the press and may be had for the asking. Application blanks for the asking. How many can you use? Hoping all members will go to work with renewed energy ere the old year ends, I am,

Fraternally yours, R. L. Doak, Secy.

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32 Books, value	91.04
1 Book retired during the month, of which the amount of \$13.39	
was sold, value	60.28
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31 Books in circulation, value \$75	30.76
INSURANCE FUND.	
Amount on hand as per last month's report	54.60
1 per cent from retired book	
Total amount on hand	ออ 20

Now a word as to pricing stamps for sales on circuit. If a member expects to make good sales, he must remember that he is in competition with the dealer and must price his stamps accordingly, for a collector is not liable to purchase stamps from an exchange circuit, if the prices are not attractive. Further in pricing his stamps a member should always take into consideration the condition of them. Damaged and torn stamps of the cheaper grade should be left out entirely, as nobody wants them even at one third or one quarter of catalogue and besides if there are other good stamps mounted in the book, the damaged ones will always detract from their appearance.

In conclusion I wish to state, that at present there is a good demand for better grade stamps, not the very high priced ones, but those of medium grade, U. S. postage, British Colonials, King's heads and 20th Century are being asked for.

Respectfully submitted, Charles Roemer, Sup't.

MY POST CARD TRIP

Around the world I'm taking a trip, Right here in my rocking chair. It does not fatigue me a bit, Be the weather wet or fair. I travel the different countries thru', And see all the grandest sights. I learn of them just what is true, For my postcards tell me right.

-Mrs. Cora I Dunham.

Lord Amherst's splendid library at Didlington Hall, which will be sold in London in December, contains some early Caxton's, said to be the gem of the collection. One lot, the "Historyes of Troye," printed in 1474, is worth at least \$25,000. Some of the books will be sought after on account of their bindings, which represent almost every style of every period including those in vogue in foreign countries, emanating from noted presses—from Gutenburg downward.



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We are pleased to report this issue the appointing of several state vice presidents, all of them prominent collectors. I wonder how many of the collectors are having trouble with dishonest collectors. I am glad to say that in the nine menths this society has been running not one word of complaint has reached this office regarding any unfair dealing among members. That was our intention from the first to do away with dishonest collectors and believe we have about solved the problem. Will say that should any of our members have the least trouble we want to know about it and will at once make it hot for them. We require two references and should any dishonest collector try his game here, we have a better way than simply put his name in the paper as other soc'eties do. After you have tried the other societies give us a trial, we stand for union and in union is strength.

As an inducement to get your friends and acquaintances as members we offer as a special prize for the one securing the largest list of new members next month, list to reach us by 20th, \$1 cash, the only requirement being that your list shall number at least five names of new or renewed members. At our regular price of tifty cents dues for one year. If you like the prize system show us that you are interested and we will offer you something nice next time. To one and all we wish to say that this is not a money making society scheme as some are, the officers are not working for their own interest outside of making this the best society for every collector everywhere. Let us have your name for the next issue.

Walter Donaghho, Parkersburg, W. Va., stamps, coins, post cards. Albert Mattos, 49½ Algylle St., Halifax, N. S., Canada., desired exchange with American card collectors. C. C. Cobo, York, Nebr, relics of all kinds.

Irs. C. I. Dunham, Redwine, Calif., minerals and post cards. A. F. Dahlgen, Superior, Nebr., Indian relics, pistols, photos, old guns. Geo. Green, Princeton, Ill., R. F. D. 4 collects stamps, money, coins. E. S. Byington, locksburg, Ark., Bz 24 Indian relics. E. Slinger, Grenada Brt, West ndies, Stamps. E. Deitrick, Oregon City, Org., R. F. D 3, Bx 148, Indian elics, stamps, coins, etc. J. M. Minchen, Fleming, N. Y., relics of all B. H. Wilson, Rock Island, Ill., 1102 17 St., photos, stamps. koemer, Bx F, Yuma, Ariz., Indian goods all kinds. D. R. Mitchel, Indinola, Ia., Bx 621, stamps. A. W. Wheeler, Sterling, Ill., stamps ims, San Rafael, Calif., Bx 326, post cards. E. Gee, Wilmington, Del., 15 Lombard St., collector all kinds. L. S Charlick, 20 Cricklade Ave., tretham Hill, London, S. W. England, stamps. Emma Anderson, Bx 173. lartford, Kans., photos and post cards. Emil Freund, New York City, 159 Henry Scobgs, New Rochelle, N. Y., 22 Popular Place, 61 St, minerals. tamps, coins. Clarence M. Kay, Florida, N. Y., collects fancy post cards. H. C. Jennings, Valentine, Nebr., photos, stamps, and post cards.

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Sorry to report death of Atty., officer and member H. V. Ketchum, of hester, who died at Boulder, Colo., last month. Secretary had met him at is home city and he has called on publisher. Found him a fine fellow and e tried to help the cause of philately in his newspaper.

New Members: C. P. Johnson, Minden. Chas. Hawthorne, Hay prings. C C. Cobb, York.

Change of Addess: C. Nryrop, Doniphan, formerly Fremont

Now is the time that you can get the benefit of the different departents of this society.

THINGS WORTH KNOWING, By Phil Ately.

Kid gloves are not kid, but are made out of lambskin or sheepskin.

Arabic figures were not invented by the Arabs, but by the Indians.

Black lead does not contain a single particle of lead, but is composed hiefly of carbon.

Turkish baths are not of Turkish origin; nor are they baths at all. her are hot air rooms.

Prussian blue does not come from Prussia, but it is the precipitate of ne satt of protoxide of iron with prussiate of potassia.

Brazilian grass does not come from Brazil, nor even grow in Brazil, in ct it is not even grass. It consists chiefly of palm leaf, and is largely impried from Cuba.

Whalebone is not bone at all; nor does it possess any properties of bone, is a substance attached to the lower jaw of the whale, and seems to strain the water, which the creature takes up in large mouthfuls.



..Camera News..

Editor-F. J. Clute, San Francisco





(Continued).

If this part is fogged, let us compare A and D and see if A is less fogged than D If it is, the dark room light is at fault; if it is not, then the light is safe enough. If A is less fogged than B, then the light is not safe for developing. If B is no more fogged than A, but D is worse than either of them, the light is safe for developing, and the plates have been fogged when putting them into the slides. If C is as clear as A, and D is fogged, then the light used in filling the slides is safe, but the light for developing is at fault.

NO WAY BUT FINDING OUT FOR ONE'S SELF.

It may be said that all this is a lot of trouble, and that we are not telling our readers where they are wrong. Quite true, we are not, because we cannot. If they get astray in this matter, they must find out for themselves where they are wrong, and remedy it; or, if they do not care to take the trouble, they must go on as before. The most anyone else can do is to do as we are doing, and point out a way by which they can find out where they are wrong. It is important to worry out the cause of this defect as soon as possible, because,

BE IT NOTED,

so long as the unexposed edges of a negative are fogged, there is something radically wrong in development, good negatives are impossible, and the most is not being made of the palte. All other good qualities are neutralized by the presence of this, which is one of the very worst complaints from which a negative can suffer

THE ILLUMINATION OF THE DARK-ROOM.

We must, therefore, find out where we are wrong, and then remedy it. It is foolish to go on piling glass on glass or fabric on fabric on the dark-room lamp in the hope that this may make matters better. This only means worry and trouble from the unnecessary darkness of the dark-room. First find out whether the light is at fault or not, and, if it is, then remedy it. Generally speaking it is better to do this by getting rid of the old glass or fabric and substituting fresh rather than by piling fresh thicknesses on the old ones. For all the plates our correspondent uses, one thickness of ruby and one of yellow glass in the lantern, if both are good, are ample protection. But the dish must be kept covered with a card during the whole time of development, except when the plate is examined.

CHEMICAL OR DEVELOPER FOG.

But, supposing the lantern comes triumphantly through the ordeal, and the fog is found to be as dense on the edges of the plates filled into the

slides and developed in perfect darkness as on the others, what is to be the next step? This is clearly then, a case of chemical fog; the developer is not suited to the plate. It is really economy in a case of this sort to throw away all the developing solutions, wash the bottles out thoroughly, get in fresh chemicals, and mix up the whole again. If it is the maker's formula that is being used, there is not likely to be very much the matter with it, and the new solutions may be made up to it, strictly, weighing and measuring carefully throughout. If some other formula is being used, it may be that is at fault, and it is best to abandon it. In such a case, we may either go back to the maker's formula, or take some simple form of developer that has been tried by others and is known to be suitiable for the plate in question.

A RELIABLE ALL ROUND DEVELOPER.

Such a formula is the following, which we have often given before in these pages, but will repeat. Made up as directed, it will give first rate negatives, as far as we know, with every plate on the market, and we have tried it with most:

This is a twenty per cent solution of each. For every ounce of developer equired we take a hundred minims of the sulphite-carbonate solution wenty minims of the pryo solution, mix them, and add water to make the bunce. There is no fetish about this formula: it is just a good all-round me, which, if carefully made up, may be warranted not to give fogged edges to the plate.

(To be continued.)

Nebraska Camera Club

Founded January 1898

We wish to get photographs of each member, if only on a post card, and same will be returned by publisher and secretary. They can be used in the WEST with a short write up if sent.

We are sorry to report the death of member II. V. Ketchum, Chester, Nebraska.

Change of Address: C. Nyrop from Fremont to Doniphan.

New Members: 750. xxMiss B. Schaer, Superior. 751. xxB. L. Mortan. Fremont, 411 E. 11th St. 752. xM. L. Rishel, McCook. 753. Ralph mith, So. Omaha, 1001 No. 22 St. 754. xRob McMillan, Omaha, 432 Grant to 755. xH. Betz, N. Bloomfield, Bx 353

We want ideas and suggestions on what way to help, and hope to have circuit of this state started, by each member sending a card to start one, and see work of the members this way.



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 - 3 xM. Morrell, Clayton, Ind.
 - 4 xxChas. Hawthorne, Hay Spgs., Nebr
 - 5 xC. C. Cobb, York, Nebr.
 - 6 xH. Lindaman, Charles City, Ia
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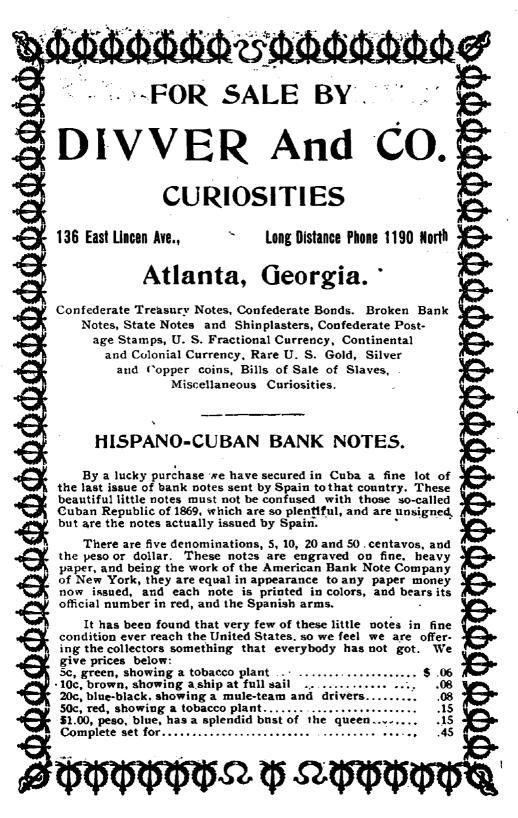
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Exchange notice of Ernst Chatonga, Tenn., price line off should be 2x for set all different, 4 for dime.

flalf page ad of Rev. Stollenwerk, Liebenthal, Kans., Mixtures 1000 Canada, price should be 50c not 30c.

Proof of these ads came too late to change.

The McCormick Publishing Co., of Pueblo, Colorado, one of the larges importing and Manufacturing Post Cards and Advertising Specialty tirms in the west are with us again in our advertising columns. This tirm supplied our readers with many fine styles and subjects of post cards last season and promise some very fine and novel things this winter. They are catering especially to the dealers trade as they desire to have their excellent lines well represented all over the country, their subscription department is one of the most novel and we believe the only practical way of keeping a dealer stock up to date. We refer our readers, both dealers and collectors, to their page ad in this issue and advise when buying cards to LOOK FOR TILE "SWASTIKA".

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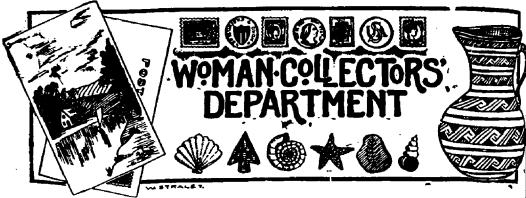
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SALES SUPT'S REPORT, Oct. 9, 1907.

Dear Fellow Members:—Since my report I have received 8 books, net value \$29 87, and retired 19 books, net value \$60 78.

Many bargains are being offered and it will pay you to receive circuits if you are buying medium grade stamps. If you have stamps to sell send 3c each for some sales books. We have good buyers on our circuits.

Fraternally yours, Leon V. Cass.



Philatelic Stratus By Verna Weston Hantway

It is reported on good authority that in 'rder to swell the Jamaican Earthquake Fund in Barbadoes the Governor recently authorized the issue of a special two stamp surcharged "Kingston Relief Fund ld." with the idea that the stamp should be used as an ordinary penny stamp, and that the fund should benefit by the other penny. Quite inadvertently the inscription on one sheet was printed upside down. A well known philatelist hastened to buy up the lot at the rate of one dollar each. The Governor on hearing of it immediately ordered that 6000 more should be struck off

I am afraid that I cannot sympathize with this philatelist. On the contrary the vast number of these stamps which will now be on the market will serve to prove their status. We have had enough of surcharges and all honor unto those collectors who have the courage to ignore them entirely. As to errors in surcharges!—Well, these are what we may term adding insult to injury with a vengeance

To learn how small, how inconsequential and insignificant the rest of the country is one must read the New York nwespapers. This, anent the new post cards—

"Uncle Sam has prepared for New Yorkers and others a new cream colored postal card, three and a half inches wide by five and a half inches long. The printing on the card is in black ink. The stamp design is a vignette profile of the late President McKinley. Underneath are the dates of the martyred Chief Executive's birth, and assassination, 1843—1901. Postmasters are instructed to sell all their old postal cards of the 1902 design before passing out the new ones."

During a comparatively short time your editor has received many inquiries from WEST readers. Some want to learn about albums to meet their wants. Others have wished to learn the addresses of persons who will act as their agents in stamp centers, and will purchase certain stamps for them when offered for sale. Still others want to know if there are any dealers, or private collectors, who will remount their collections for them; what dealers make an honest effort to supply needs in various or special lines: where, and from whom one can purchase standard philatelic books;—etc., etc.

One cannot but be impressed by the fact that there are collectors who have genuine difficulty in finding persons to aid them. They are, for the most part, of a class that is able and willing to pay ample compensation or services rendered.

That the WEST is a good advertising medium is attested to by the amount of advertising it carries. "If it didn't pay, they wouldn't stay." These who can fill any of the above difficulties would do well to advertise to that effect; the dealer could profitably aim to fill other provinces besides the mere selling of stamps. In the meantime I would like to suggest that collectors wishing special services advertise to that effect. While personal correspondence with collecting folk is always a pleasure, it can when carried to excess becomes a task, to one who has countless interests, and but a twenty four hour day.

As time goes by one is more than ever impressed by the fact that judicious investment in stamps will return interest and principle in a sound financial sense. As an instance the block of four 2 cent rose of the first series, June 24, 1906, is as good as any to cite. These stamps were from the middle of the sheet, two of the stamps having Panama reading up, and two down. The words, "Canal Zone" are inverted on all four of the stamps, one of the four having a double surcharge, both inverted. This block was purchased but one year ago from John A. Klesman of New York by William Thorne for only \$8 (eight dollars). At the sale of the latter's collection a few months ago it realized \$245. This, we should think, would be a quite agreeable and familiar pastime for some of our financers and speculators.

I have an original cover of which I should be quite proud. It came from a person in Malta and contained souvenir postal cards. It was prepaid by a pair of the one farthing stamps, bearing a view of the harbor at Valetta. As an example of thoughtlessness, to draw it mildly, it is supreme Not only did I have to pay the forty cents due on it, but I had to bail it out, as on the front the formidable slip was pasted: "Suspected Liable to Custom Duty." The postage due stamps cover the back and the front, and stamps were even pasted over others.

Many who have taken advantage of the law permitting 10 cents worth of ordinary postage stamps on a letter to serve instead of a special delivery stamp may wonder why such letters were delayed, or why registered, letter cards receipts were sent them upon the delivery of such letters. The actual reason for this is that the sender neglected to write "Special Delivery" underneath the stamps. The post office authorities, when these two words do not appear, often take it for granted that the letter wass intended to be registered. At other times all the stamps are simply cancelled, and the letter forwarded in the ordinary manner regardless of the excess of postage. The words "Special Delivery" are absolutely necessary, when ordinary stamps are used, to insure the letters delivery in that manner.

Of all the fulk who are portrayed on our stamps, the features of Queen Victoria are the most familiar. We find her first as a gracious and queenly young woman, and as the years passed and made her wife, matron, widow, and aged lady, we have kept pace with her in our collections.

A few weeks are one of a critical temperament, evidently, wrote in the course of an article this sentence "The repulsive appearance of the stamps of the Victorian era." Among all the stamps of Christendom there are none so artistic and pleasing as many of the stamps bearing the likenesses of Queen Victoria. In comparison those of today seem cheap and shoddy. Let us do full reverence to the Victorian stamps, and to the always womanly ruler, under whose reign Great Britain prospered as it never had before, and never may again.

Spanish Counterfeits

A Mr. J. E. Sequi, making it appear by his letter head that he belong to a Paraguay Consulate in Spain offers "Fac Similes" of Spanish stamps, issues of 1850 54, 34 stamps for 10 franks or \$2.00 U.S., with a discount on larger lots of 340 up. He offers them used or unused.

The two copies he sends with his offer are indeed well done and might easily deceive any but a very experienced collector of Spanish stamps. They are of course nothing but counterfeits, and collectors should be very careful from whom they buy, lest they get some of these "Fac Similes" instead of originals

Sequi offering them as, "Fac Similes" can hardly be called dishonest, but it is much to be feared that there will be more than enough dishonest persons, who will try to pass his counterfeits for genuine stamps.

For an account of similar wares furnished by a Mr. Fournier see the Editorial in Redfields' Stamp Weekly for Oct. 3, 1907, page 4.

As the stamp Collectors Fotnightly of Aug. 24, states there was then a trial going on at Brighton, in which a Mr "West", whose real name is now given as Harold Treferne, is being prosecuted for an offense of like nature.

Stanp collecting is now receiving much more attention from the general public now than it did 20 years ago, there being hardly anybody left in the civilized countries who does not know something of it Most all newspapers deem it worth while to insert a paragraph here and there relating to stamps, and many persons, who do not collect themselves, are in the habit of saving uncommon stamps for their collecting friends. The consequences are that great rarities are few and as rare as ever, being limited such emissions which are originally ande in small numbers and which nobody ever can obtain in Stamps printed in sufficient quantities are also quantities to go around saved in sufficient quantities to satisfy all reasonable demands number of collectors increases, the demand increases, and consequently the relative scarcity of stamps that exist in any but unlimited quantities. commonest stamps, such as the current 2c of the U.S will never be scarce or rare.

The October Postal Reforms. The international reply coupons are not the only postal innovation of the month. Another reform which cannot but have a marked effect on the use of certain values of postage stamps, is the revision of the rates for foreign postage. An ounce now goes for instead of 10c, two ounces for 8c instead of 10c, and so on. In the higher weights, the new rate is less than a third of the old.

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St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society

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The sixty-seventh regular meeting of this Society, postponed from Tuesday, Oct. 1st, was held Friday Oct. 4th, 1907, at usual time and place, Vice President Humes presiding and the following members present: Baer, Boltz, Diamant, Humes, Kring, Long, Malin, Millhouse, Myers, Reudi, Schellhorn; and one visitor, Mr. Goerke. Mr. B. G. Johnson was elected as member No. 59. Mr. Jno. A. Francisco was reinstated as member No. 10.

The entertainment of the evening was provided by Mr. Diamant, Chairman of the Temporary Entertainment Committee, in this form: Each member was asked to draw from memory the one cent stamp of the Current issue, U. S., and the 2½ stamp current issue, Great Britain, Indicating all important features of the design, no credit whatsoever being allowed for artistic drawings, thus placing all on an even basis. Several highly amusing conceptions of these very common stamps resulted and the two winning entries submitted by Messrs. Long and Millhouse were awarded equal shares of the prizes. For the second contest a list of twenty U. S. postage stamps was read and contestants required to write the colors in which these stamps were printed. The list submitted by Mr. Myers was declared winner.

A vote of thanks was extended Mr. Wood for his very kind invitation to all members to attend as his guests, a lecture by Gen'l Booth

The Entertainment Committee for next meeting, Messis Millhouse (Chairman) Humes and Kring, promise a highly entertaining evening.

Next meeting, Tuesday Oct. 15th, 8 p. m., Rooms 803-805 Wright Bld'g. All members and other collectors are cordially invited.

Chester Myers, Sec'y.

The sixty-eighth regular meeting of this Society was held Tuesday, October 15th, 1907, at the usual time and place, President Cornwall presiding.

Eleven members were present, as follows: Messis, Baer, Delafield, Millhouse, Kennedy, Kring, Schoeman, Ruedi, Wood, Humes, Long and Cornwall.

Mr. Millhouse, Chairman of the evening's entertainment committee submitted ten questions covering a wide range of topics, and they were so easy that sixty per cent was the highest mark scored.

Messrs. Delafield, Baer and Ruedi were appointed on the committee for the next meeting's entertainment.

The evening's entertainment was concluded by an auction sale of stamps donated to the society by the President, which added \$7.40 to the treasury of the Society, the prices paid averaging more than 50 per cent of the catalogue value of the stamps sold.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 29, 1907, at Ruoms 803 5 Wright Building.

Chester Myers, Secy.

Japan has issued two new postal, cards. They are the 11/4 sen ultramarine on cream and the 11/4 sen brown on white.

The Purloined Stamp Collection By Henry Herbert Huff

One pleasant June morning I sat in my office reading the Morning Record Herald which my newsboy had letf me an hour before. My eyes chancel to wander aimlessly about the room and in the direction of the clock-it was eight o'clock, a fact I took notice of and after a few minutes thought about the great silk robbery mystery I had so successfully solved recently, the printed page again absorbed my attention. I was engaged in reading a somewhat detailed account of a recent bank robbery, when a somwehat sudden and unexpected "Good Morning", brought me to my senses and I looked towards the door to see whom my caller might be. The form of Dr. Belfield greeted my eyes, which occasioned no surprise as he is quite an intimate friend of mine and has called frequently to discuss current events with me and for the purpose of friendly chat, but his visit this morning struck me as being somewhat unusual for he had never before called at such an early how and the mysterious expression on his face told me that something out of the usual order had happened. Of course I was anxious to know what might be the purpose of his visit, so I gave him an opportunity to explain matter hastily—uninterrupted by my remarks. His face was pale and bore some what the expression of one who is stricken with horror; his hand trembled as he raised it to remove his hat-I saw that he was very much excited.

"My collection—my valuable collection has been stolen!" he exclaimed. "Stolen!", he repeated in a somewhat lower tone but more firmly. "All my treasures are gone! gone!" he added. "Money cannot replace themthey are gone!"

The doctor had spent a good portion of his life accumulating these rarities (many of which could not be duplicated at any price) and learned to love them as he would a friend. Some one had stolen them—not so much the loss in money as the fact that they could not be replaced caused Doctor Belfield to suffer so much grief. I tried to console him by saying that I was sure I could locate the robbers and secure the return of the collection and cited my success in the recent silk robbery as proof of my ability, but it was of no avail. All Dr. Belfield could do was to mutter: "My collection is gone!—I have no clue—it is gone forever!"

I suppose Dr. Beltield would have stood there for several hours lamenting over his loss had it not been that I gave him a gentle push towards the door, saying as I did so: "Let us go now to the scene of the robbery—possibly we may find some clue as to whom the the rascals who did the stealing were."

We moved rapidly down the street and soon arrived at Dr. Belfield's home. It was a handsome two story structure located on one of the principal streets of the city. Dr. Belfield's "den", as he called it, was located on the second floor, directly above his office. I studied the situation carefully. Circumstances led me to suspect that the robbers had entered by climbing to the roof of the porch which meant easy access to the "den" at there was a window just above the porch. What few evidences of the vist of these intruders I could find in the "den" showed me that the robber had made this entrance through the window, as I had previously thought I hunted in vain for some bit of evidence that might give me a small clue of the story of the s

to the robbers but a few common stamps scattered on the window sill and on the way leading to the book case in which the collection had been kept was the only trace of disturbance made by the intruder. At first I thought it queer that the robber should have found the collection so readily but upon looking about me I saw that it was about the only suitable place for an album and the doctor told me he had left it in plain sight on the desk in front the night before. All hopes of finding the thief by carefully questioning those who had seen the doctor's collection and who had visited his "den" were now shattered. The robbers might have learned considerable about the doctor's collection and his "den" from an article on the subject appearing in a late issue of a well known stamp journal but even if they did it would not have helped us any to solve the mystery.

Thoughts of the recent stamp robbery and other matters occupied my mind during the remainder of the day and in the evening when I returned to my office I was glad to read the Evening Journal and let the latest news take these cares from my memory. By chance I began reading on the "Classified Adv." page, "Lost and Found" notices attracting my attention. I had neither lost nor found anything but some motive prompted me to read here—I know not what. Imagine my surprise when I found one of the notices to be an exact description of the lost collection! I will give it to you verbatim as it appeared in the newspapers:—

"Found: On sidewalk near Michigan Avenue, a red leather stamp album containing a large number of postage stamps. Name, John D. Belfield, on first page. Owner may have same by proving property and paying for this notice. John Smith, 16280 Clark St."

I was overjoyed. How pleased the Doctor would be when I brought him this news. It took but a moment for me to decide whether to hurry to Dr. Belfield with this glad bit of news or to go and obtain the property and return it to the owner as though I had found it. I knew I should have greater pleasure in doing the latter, so I hurried off to Clark street which was but a few blocks away. Evidently the robber had dropped the collection while fleeing from a policeman and it had been found by this Mr. Smith. I was beginning to congratulate myself upon such an easy solution to the collection mystery when I found myself upon the steps of the house numbered 16,280 Ciark. I rang the doorbell and a young lady appeared at the door. "Good evening", I said. "Is this where Mr. Smith lives?"

I was quite surprised when she told me that no person of that name resided there. Thinking there might possibly have been an error in the printing of the name I introduced the subject of the recently found collection, but she declared she knew nothing about it.

"Possibly Mr. Smythe is the person you wish to see?" she said after a moment's thought. "He used to live here but moved to Wheaton, Thursday."

I thanked her for the information and expressed my intention of going to Wheaton to see him though in reality I had not quite decided upon this course. As I left the house I began to give the matter more thought and take it in a less serious way. Once or twice before I had known of robbers using similar methods to keep detectives off of their track and now from all appearances this seemed to be a clever scheme of this sort. The robbers had supposed I would go to Wheaton and continue to trace up the clue, giving them opportunity to escape in an opposite direction.

"I can match your eleverness, Mr. Robber," I said to myself as I returned to my home that evening.

The following (Saturday) morning was quite as pleasant as the previous day. However, it was not so bright for me. The collection mystery which I had for a time supposed fully solved was still quite as dark as ever. I decided to let the matter rest until the next week when I hoped we might be able to obtain more evidence and a clue of some sort.

Having some business--however, foreign to my detective work,-in Broctown, a city of some five thousand inhabitants in northwestern Indiana, I took the 10:30 train for that city and arrived in Broctown about an hour later. I was able to accomplish what I had desired before the noon hour and after getting my dinner at a hotel walked down to Oakland park where I thought I might spend the afternoon as my return train did not go till evening. Seeking a shady spot—(the shadow of a large bush)—I placed myself in such a position as to be quite out of sight of those who might pass on Here I took avdantage of the surroundings and the cool the nearby street. soft pillow which the leaves afforded and indulged in a good refreshing sleep. My tired nerves needed rest and it was a matter of but a few moments before I was in "Dreamland." However, my slumbers were net uninterrupted. I had not long been asleep when I was suddenly awakened by some quite heavy object falling upon me. I opened my eyes and to my greatest surprise there lay the lost stamp album at my feet. It would not have excited wonder on my part had it fallen from the skies-so fairyland like had been its appearance. However, I began to look about me for a more The first sight that met my eyes was a big police-"earthly" explanation. man nearby who was holding a young man, somewhat poorly dressed, by the collar and talking to him severely. I listened to the conversation.

"Me a thief! Oh! no, Mr. Policeman! Search me if you wish." the fellow was telling the "cop."

The policeman had about finished the fruitless search and nearly ready to let the man go free when I realized the situation. It was plain to me now. The thief had dropped the collection and some articles of jewelry in the bush while being chased by the policeman. I suppose it took them by surprise, the thief especially, when I sprung wizard-like from the bush but what did I care. It took but a few minutes for me to explain matters to the policeman and as many more to lodge the thief behind the bars. The cleverness of this thief cost him the fruits of his labors and several years in the state prison. I will leave it to the reader to imagine for himself the closing of this story—how delighted Dr. Belfield was when I carried the stolen album into his "den" that evening—how he expressed his joy by throwing his arms about me and laughing and crying alternately—and best of all, the neat little sum which I received for my labors.

Perhaps the handsomest of all the world's pictorial stamps are those issued from time to time in the United States, to which country, if we mistake not, we owe the invention of this form of postage label. The American stamps of the square issue of 1869 may be fairly regarded as the pioneer 'pictorials'. In view of the great public success of the Chicago Exhibition stamps of 1893, it is curious to read in a history of the American postal system that the 1869 issue met with marked hostility from Press and public, and that it was 'retired' from use as quickly as possible in deference to popular opinion.—Hobbies, of England

Notes

By L. G. Dorpat

The Cosmopolitan Correspondence Club is organizing a sales department for its stamp collecting members to enable them to sell their collections or duplicates to the best possible advantage and without danger of loss. There being now nearly 5000 club members in all parts of the world, it may be expected that the sales superintendent will very scon have his hands full of work, and that there will be more business done than was ever done before by any other club.

The Dominion Stamp Co., of Worcester. Mass., Horace H. Bigelow manager, announces the publishing of a new stamp paper to be called "Philatelic Quilings", issued monthly at 25 cents a year. It is to be devoted to the interests of "All True Philatelists." Size of page 6x9 inches

The United Stamp Co., of Chicago, 111s, has its 108th Auction Sale marked for October 29th, and the 109th sale containing the last installment of the Hussman stock is announced for the beginning of November. These sales usually contain near a thousand lots each, or, 1.000 to 100,000 stamps worth about \$3,000 to \$5,000.

There are other sales by other firms going on about the same time, and if a man has cash enough in hand, he can easily increase his collection by thousand within a few weeks. Prices range all the way from one tenth to full catalogue and more

According to the London Letter in Redfield's Stamp Weekly the Philatelic Inter-Ocean is no more. Is that true? It was not a very large paper, but it filled its place and will be missed by a good many, as it is missed by Mr. Melville the writer of that London Letter.

From England we get the news of a new stamp weekly to be called "The Postage Stamp," Mr. E. J. Nankivell editor, and Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons Ltd publishers. Something good may be expected. Price only 50 cents a year, postage extra.

Esperanto is receiving a new impetus from the effects of the International Esperantist Congress at Cambridge, Aug 10 to 17, 1907 where a large number of Esperantists from all over the world was assembled. The new tanguage now about 20 years old is being recognized in growing circles and is being introduced in many schools especially business schools. Stamp collectors also have taken hold of it and are using it for correspondence with collectors in far away countries. A society has been forced "The Esperanto Speaking Collectors of the World" of which Mr Julian Park, 510 Delaware Ave. Buffalo, N. Y., is the secretary who will gladly give any further information. It costs but 10 to 25 cents and a few weeks time to learn the language to a very useful degree, practice afterwards does the rest.

The Milwaukee Sentinel for Oct. 16, brings an illustration of the Cosmopolitan Correspondents Club's exhibit at the Exposition des Livres at Paris, France, where it received a gold medal. It coutains books, stamps coins, curios and souvenir postal cards contributed by members of the club, The exposition is being held under the auspices of the French government.

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Questions relative to stamps will be answere in this column free of charge to subscribers. All questions must be sent to the above address and a zc stamp must accompany each letter containing questions. When stamps are sent for examination, return postage must be included beside the fee above provided for.

L. G. DORPAT, Box 37, Wayside, Wis.

- 391. Is it permissible to take a stamp from an approval sheet or book and to mark its price down, if the price marked by the owner is higher than catalogue? No, by no means no! If you do not want the stamp at the price marked by its owner, then leave it alone. If you want it so very badly that you simply cannot leave it alone, then it is worth to you more than catalogue.
- 392. Which is the oldest stamp paper that is still being issued? As far as I know, it is the "Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal" published by Gebruder Senf of Leipzig, Germany, having been started 31 years ago and appearing now in its 690th number. Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News was started in 1891 and is now up to No. 877. The Metropolitan Philatelist started the year before, but I have not seen it lately. I think it is still alive.
- 393 How ean the different printings of the early issues of Greece best be distinguished? There was a time, when I thought I could do that, but I must confess that it is too much for me now. The 5 cuts in Scotts' Catalogue, though enlarged, are so very near alike, that they alone are not sufficient to teach one how to do it. Stanley Gibbons and Kohls Catalogues contain a number of notes that throw a little more light on the subject. But because the shades of the stamps must be considered, there is hardly any other practical way than to compare any doubtful stamps with a well arranged special collection. Without this the task is about impossible.
- 352. Imprints of engraving and printing companies on stamped papers I have found the following:
 - J. B. Lippincot & Co., Phila.

American Bank Note Co., New York.

Corlies, Macy & Co., Stationers, 39 Nassau St., N. Y. (also 33 Nassau St.) Milwaukee Lith. & Eng. Co.

Wm. F. Murphy's Sons., Prs., 509 Chest Str., Phila.

J. C. Lutz & Co., Springfield.

Croker & Telfer, Stationers, 96 Warren Str., N. Y.

Seifert & Lawton, Lith., Milwaukee

National Bank Note Company, New York.

Charles F. Ketcham, 27 & 29 Nassau St., N. Y.

H. Niedecken & Co., Stationers, Mifwaukee.

Pelletrean & Cole, 61 & 63 Liberty Str., N. Y.

Wm. F. Murphy & Sons, 339 Chestnut Str., Phila.

J. W. Middleton & Co., Stationers, 196 Lake Str., Chicago.

Wm. Mann Co., Philadeplhia.

The J. C. Hall Co., Prov., R. I.

Western Litho. Co., Denver.

Milton C. Johnson & Co., 64 Reade Str., N. Y.

Hall Litho. Co., Topeka 28. (also 80, 98 and other numbers.)

Ketcheson & Burbank, Leavenworth.

Northern Litho. Co., Chicago, 9.

Corlies, Macy & Co., Inc'p'd.95 & 97 William Str. N.Y.

Clarke & Courts, Lith. Galveston. A. Gast & Co., St. Louis.

Wm. Mann, 529 Market Str., Philadelphia.

J. W. Middleton, Stationer, 55, State Str., Chicago.

J. C. Saxton, No. 131 William Str., N. Y.

J. R. Nagle & Co., Phila

J. Knauber & Co., Lith., Milwaukee.

Arthur & Ponnell, 57 Liberty Str., N. Y.

Western B. N. Engraving Co. Chicago.

H. Gugler & Son, Genl. Lith's., Milwaukee.

Wm. Mann, Printer, Phila

A. Gast & Co., Lith. St. Louis.

St. Louis Ban's Note Company.

Lith. Britton, Rey & Co., S F.

Dennison & Smith, Stationers, 59 & 61 Maiden Lane, N. Y.

Mills & Co., Printers, Des Moines, Iowa.

Γ. Groom & Co, Stationers, Boston.

Union Lith. Co., Chicago.

Continental Bank Note Co., New York.

Moss & Co , Prs , Phila.

Lith. By Ezra A. Cook & Co., Chicago

Charles M. Cornwell, Printer, 247 Pearl St., N. Y.

D. Appleton & Co, New York.

Milton Badley & Co., Lith, Springfield.

Some of these tirms have several imprints differing slightly one from the other. There are undoubtedly other firms in the U.S. which have printed forms on stamped papers. On some papers no printer's imprint is used. These firms might give a good deal of information regarding these papers, especially, if they kept any records of their work.

Here is a question: Did any of them print the stamps as well as the form of check, draft etc., or did the government furnish the stamped paper so that these firms would print the form only? If the latter is the case, as for several reasons seems probable, it is remarkable that so many different papers were used and that in one instance (Coriles, Macy & Co.) the paper even contains the name of the printers in watermark in the paper. If the government permitted some of them to print the stamps, how were the stamp types furnished and how was the printing regulated?

I would like to see more papers from Southern States, especially from cities along the Mississippi river, as New Orleans, for instance. Or did they use the adhesives revenues only?

There are yet many points to clear up, and I would thank the readers very much, if they would help me along by giving me all the facts they possess, or by submitting to my inspection any stamped papers they may have. I have yet a few to exchange and shall gladly exchange with anybody who desires it. Address: L. G. Dorpat, Wayside, Wis.

382. Mr. Fuller states that his 20th Century Stamp Collectors' Directory will be out shortly.

383. The address of Mr. Busch is, F. A. Busch & Co., 523 Mooney-Brisbane Bldg., Buffalo, N. Y.

THE KANSAS CITY STAMP CLUB

ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 1905

Regular meetings are held on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at 7:45 P. M. in Room 442, fourth floor of the Jenkins Building. Thirteenth and Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Mo. Visiton are always welcome.

Officers for 1907 President-Charles F. Rouse 4154 Oak Street 4427 Jefferson Street 1823 W. Prospect Place Vice President-Carl S. Davis Secretary-Arthur L. Nelson -Treasurer-H. K. Poindexter 3119 Forest Avenue Librariau – Artbur L. Nelson Counterfeit Detector – Frank Bescher 1823 W. Prospect Place 39 City Hall Market Exchange Superintendent and Auction Manager-O Paul Luther 15 East Thirty fourth Street Critic-Wm. Fishman 820 Pennsylvania Avenue Sargent-Robert Woodward 1310 East Fourteenth Street Official Organ-The WEST and Redfield's Stamp Weekly

SECRETARY'S REPORT, October 24, 1907

The twentieth meeting of the Kansas City Stamp Club of the present year was called to order in its club room No. 442 Jenkins Building on Friday evening, October 11, 1907 at 8:20 p.m., with President Rouse in the chair and the following fourteen members present:—Messrs. Fishman, Nelson, Brocesky. H. J. Poindexter, Luther, Churns. Rouse, Franks, Woodward, Heffer, F. Poindexter, D. Malcolmson, Sutorius and J. Malcolmson. Messrs. Walter Davis and Elivard Hoffman were present as visitors. The minutes of the meeing held September 27, 1907 were approved as read

Mr. H. K Poindexter reported that the forthcoming 1908 Scott's Catalogue could be secured at a reduced rate providing a sufficient number of the members wished them. Members desiring copies will be allowed until October 25, 1907 to hand in their names when Mr. Poindexter who has the matter in charge will order the number desired. The catalogues will be distributed to members on the date of publication. The librarian requested further donations of philatelic periodicals and auction sale catalogues for the library. The resignation of Mr. O. Paul Luther from the recruiting committee was accepted and Mr. Sutorius appointed by the president to serve in his place.

A committee of four, viz., Messrs. Woodward, chairman, Brocesky, H. K. Poindexter and Nelson was appointed by the president to find suitable new quarters in which to hold future meetings. The treasurer rendered his monthly report for September, giving all translations in detail. The report was referred to the executive committee for auditing. A moton to set aside two dollars for printing folders giving the benefits of a membership in this society was passed conditionally. A motion by Mr. H. K. Poindexter to allow non-members as well as members to sell stamps in the club's auditionals sales did not carry.

The following applicant applied for active membership and was admitted: Membership No. 54, Mr. Edward Hoffman, 720 Main Street, City, proposed by Mr. J. Malcolmson.

Mr. Franke and Mr. Churns drew first and second prizes respectively in the stamp drawing. In the club's second contest, tickets numbered 6 and 2 were the first drawn from the hat and Mr. Franke and Mr. Fishman were the pleased winners of the prizes,—a mint two dollar Columbian for the former; a used three dollar Columbian for the latter. For the third contest

to take place at the next meeting, a mint two dollar Omaha Exposition Stamp 1898 was selected as the mint two dollar Omaha Exposition Stamp 1898 was selected as the grand prize Tickets numbered consecutively from one to thirty will be issued and the holder of the duplicate of the first ticket brawn from the hat will receive this very desirable stamp

The meeting then adjourned. Next meeting Friday, October 25, 1907. Respectfully Submitted Arthur L. Nelson, Secretary. LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, October 24, 1907.

I regret not to be able to chronicle any new additions to our library during the past month except the several current periodicals which the club I wist to repeat my invitation made last month to our mem-

bers to donate any philatelic literature of any description for the benefit of the club's library except that which they may wish to preserve for private Anything else will be welcomed for the library. I hope to be able to pronicle some substantial additions next month. Any questions related to phialtelic literature or our library will be gladly answered when possible. Publishers of periodicals and auction forms are invited to place the

dame of our society on their mailing lists. Magazines and catalogues rebeived will be placed in a conspicuous location in the club room for the enefit of our members. I shall be pleased to acknowledge in the monthly menorts any favors extended. Address in care of the librarian. Respectfully, Arthur L. Nelson, Librarian,

1823 West Prospect Place, Kansas City, Mo., U. S. A. TREASURER'S REPORT.

NOTICE.

Fellow members of the Kansas City Stamp Club: -I would like ALL to

may their dues promptly. By doing so your treasurer will be spared much trouble and the treasury needless expense Members whose dues are in arrears three months will be dropped from the roll on November 15, 1907 whiles settled before. Those not sure as to how they stand can find out by diling up phone 1901 South and asking for H K. Poindexter. in arrears will attend to this matter at once and thus save me the necessity d dropping anyone from the roll. Following is the treasurer's report for the last quarter, July 1, 1907—October 1, 1907. A more detailed report can had by asking.

Balance on hand Sep. 1, 1907.... 2.09

Disbursements for September 4.42

Balance on hand October 1, 1907 7.67 Total Cast Receipts July 1—Oct. 1, 1907 56.94

Aug. and Sep. Balances added in 5.82

Balance on hand October 1, 1907

Yours very truly, H. K. Pondexter, Treasurer.

Notes for V. S. Collectors By E. R. Aldrich

Louisville permit No. 52 appears this month without the post offer name, being on the front of an advertising card used by Wright & Taylor; Distiller, whereon the address appears in connection with the firm name.

On July 25, 1861 in a message to the Confederate Congress President Davis announced among others the appointments as postmasters, Thos. Crawford at Athens, Ga, Joseph McCormick, Baton Rouge, La, Reuben T. Thom, Fredericksburg, Va., M. C. Galleway, Memphis, Tenn., and Wm. E. Bass, Petersburg, Va., all of whom issued locals as their respective offices. Their nominations were confirmed on the 29th.

The first appointment of women in the postal service occurred in 1860 when eight were appointed as clerks in the Dead Letter office. At the end of the fiscal year 1906 three hundred and nine were employed in the department building at Washington and two thousand seven hundred and ninety four held assistant postmasterships or clerkships in the various local post-offices, and two hundred fifty three were carriers in the rural deliver service.

The United States at one time conducted a mail agency at Havana, Cuba, which was discontinued when the island joined the U. P. U. June 30, 1877.

At the annual meeting of the associated German Societies held at Hamburg the latter part of August, William Sellschopp, for years a well known dealer and collector of San Francisco, but now a resident of Hamburg, read an interesting paper of the Western American Express Company and their franks. It has been printed in a supplement accompanying the last number of The Philatelist.

An eastern firm is offering albinos of the current issue envelopes of either white or amber at fifteen cents each, which would seem to indicate that these "errors" were being turned out quite plentifully the last few weeks.

At a recent Eastern Sale proofs on heavy hand made paper of the 6t Britian %d and 1d reveune stamps of 1765 were offered and the catalogue inserted the following descriptive note in reference thereto: "The above two lots are proofs of two of the values of the Revenue Stamps issued by Great Britian for use in America in 1765, and as well known, contributed largely to the War that brought about Independence. Mr. Bagg, when in London in 1876 investigating these stamps, received permission to make factimiles of the original proof sheets on file in the Revenue Office; and received from an official of that office the above original proofs, cut from the sheet made in 1765. These proofs are of the greatest rarity, as from investigations it appears that only five or six copies are known, and the owner has placed the very small reserve of \$25.00 on each."

A Cure for Idleness By Elbert S. Woosley

Great minds have told us that idleness is the father of sin. often wondered how many parents ever thought of this. Idleness has sent many a boy to a drunkards's grave, or to an ignominious death in some jail. Yet our boys continue to loaf around the haunts of sin, perhaps unnoticed by either father or mother. Among the many remedies against idleness I have never found any better than stamp collecting. This is a hobby that is pleasant to both young and old. We know of no other hobby as inexpensive as this, that will give one-fourth, nay, one tenth as much pleasure, as much interest and as much good as stamp collecting. If the boys were given a quarter now and then with which to buy stamps, many dollars would be saved which would otherwise go to pay for something that could never do them any good, or worse, for something that would do them very much harm-such as tobacco, whiskey, etc.

By this hobby the boy becomes better informed on history and geoggraphy. By the pictures on stamps he learns history. By the inscriptions he learns geography. By his dealings with stamp men he becomes a business man.

So, in every way he becomes more independent, and is taught to rely upon his own resources more and more each day.

He finds more pleasure at home among his books and stamps than in the company of boisterous companions.

I have been collecting for three years, and many an idle hour have I whiled away in poring over my stamp album, each time learning something new about some country and its people.

And although I have been attending school ten months out of each year for three years, I can truly say that I know far more about the world and its people than I would otherwise know if it were not for my collection.

So my friend if you wish to keep your boy from idleness, and at the same time to give him pleasure and to fill his mind with knowledge, just start him into the art of stamp collecting, and I am sure it will never be regrected. And indeed it seems to me that we should have a boys department in WEST, which contains so many things that please the "faddy person." In this, the boys could write interesting descriptions of their collections, their various ways of increasing them, and get closer together as boys. But maybe, the boys are included in the department for Women.

PHILATELY AND RAILWAY BUILDING.

It is stated that the Turkish Government during next month will dispose of a collection of government stamps numbering 17,000,000. The collection contains specimens of current stamps of the realm, and also specimens which are valuable from a collectors point of view. There are also a number of Eastern Roumelian stamps. The sale will be effected by tender. Each Turkish Embassy and Legation is supplied with albums containing specimens of the stamps and also copies of the conditions of sale, the latter being in the course of translation from Turkish. The proceeds of the sale are to form a nucleus for the building fund of the new railway to be constructed between Damascus and Beiru. It is understood that a number of stamp connoisseurs have already inspected the collection.

The Junior Stamp Club of Denver, Colorado

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MINUTES. - Denver, Colo, Oct. 5, 1907

The 22nd regular meeting of the J. S. C of Denver was held Oct. 4, 1907, regular time and place. With Pres. Suyder in the chair, the meeting was called to order with 12 members and one visitor present

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. The committee that was appointed to look over the books of the secretary and treasurer reported that S Schwerzman's accounts were correct and his resignation was accepted by the club. On account of their being some difficulty in making out Secretary Munger's books, they were laid aside until he returns and helps straighen them out which he promises to do when he returns to Denver next Christmas.

The following applicant was elected to membership in the J. S. C: 50. Robert Jackson, 1619 Lafayette St.

The following application was received: Elmer J. Evison, 1536 So. Acoma St., Denver, Colo. Proposed by R. Harris.

To the regret of all members of the Club, M. R. Ward tendered his resignation as a member on account of his other duties. His resignation was accepted.

It was decided that all present members who were elected to membership after Oct. 1, 1906 pay at the rate of 5 cents per month until Oct. 1, 1908. The same as a new member now pays. In this way by next October all members dues will come due at that time. This was done to avoid confusion and getting the books mixed up.

The following members are requested to send in their dues for the ensuing year: 1. C. M. Snyder. 2. A. L. Nell. 3 H E Mungea. 4. S. Schwerzman; 5. L. C. Nelson. 8. W. J. Cook. 9. B. I. Lantz. 10. E. B. Snyder. 12. H. A. Davis. 46. R. K. Collins. 47. H. Hedge. H. F. Mitchem.

All these members should remit 50 cents for dues until Oct 1, 1908.

The election which was held resulted in the following members being elected: Pres., A. L. Nell. V. Presidents, C. M. Snyder, J. C. Skinner. Sec., V. N. Garretson. S. A. MacManus. Supt. of Sales J. C. Skinner. Sargeant at Arms, R. Harris. Board of Trustees, C. M. Snyder, W. J. Cook, L. G. De La Vergne.

The race for Supt. of Sales was very close, J. C. Skinner getting the office by one vote. As was also that of Board of Trustees C. M. Snyder and W. J. Cook, each getting 17 and L. G. De La Vergne 16 votes.

The stamps donated of the club by Mr. Bellows were distributed among

the members present. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Bellows for his liberality.

The meeting adjourned at 10 p. m., after an enjoyable evening. The new application blanks which are being printed will soon be ready and members may have some by asking the Secretary.

Yours truly, V. N. Garretson.

Philatelic Notes

Full reports have now been received of the highly-successful Philatelic Exhibition recently held in British Guiana, under the auspices of the British Guiana Philatelic Society. Sir Frederic Hodgson, Governor of the Colony, opened the exhibition, speaking most sympathetically of stamp collecting as a hobby. Chief honours were carried off by Mr. A. D. Fergusson, the Hon. Robert Duff and Mr. E. A. V. Abraham. The exhibits all round were of a high order of merit, and the assemblage of such a brave show of fine collections says much for the rivalry of phialtely in British Guiana.

Records, in philately as in everything else, are only made to be broken. The enormous price of \$150,000 paid some years ago for the "Castle" collection of European stamps, and long ranked as a record for any single transaction in connection with the hobby, and many people thought that this figure would never be exceeded. It is now easily eclipsed, however, by the sale of the Breitfuss collection to a well known London firm, the price paid The splendid collection formed being reported to be no less than \$250,000 by Mr. Breitfuss, of St. Petersburg. has long been famous as probably the second best in the world. It represents the patient and continuous effort of a lifetime, for Mr. Breitfuss was an ardent collector when many of the leading rhilatelists of today were still at school. The treasures he has now parted with are housed in seventy large albums. His is really an amalgamation of collections, for he purchased the line albums of Prince Galitzin-Ostermann, t he later the solendid collection of the late Mr. Theodor Nott-His albums embraced specialised collections of many British Colonies and foreign countries. Even now Mr. Breitfuss has not felt able to part with all his philatelic possessions. He retains his collection of Russia, the Levant, Finland, and certain of the South American Republics, as well as the whole of his "entires," and a fine collection of the "Rural" stamps of Russia, of which he has made a lifelong study. Who shall say whether \$250 000 for a stamp collection is a record that will long remain unbeaten?

Somebody has tackled the problem of a "safety" sheet for stamp exchange clubs, designed to prevent the fradulent substitution of specimens. The invention is being introduced to the philatelic world by the English Philatelic Society. It is ideally simple, the "safety" sheet being merely ordinary paper supplied with a number of holes so spaced that one hole will fall under each stamp mounted on the sheet. The plan to be adopted by exchangers is to place their initials on the back of each stamp after it is mounted on the sheet, this being done by means of a small rubber stamp. A portion of the stamp initials goes through the hole in the paper and appears on the back of the stamp, thus rendering "substitution" a practical impossibility. It will be interesting to hear how the new idea works after it has been given a fair trial in the stamp exchange clubs.

Beginners' Department--Peru By L. G. Dorpat

(Continued from last issue.)

In 1772 it came to an end, but then Peru did not get an independent system of its own, being included in the general system carried on by commissioners of the Spanish crown for the whole La Pellata district Chile and Peru. The postal independence of Peru must be dated from the time of political independence 1810 24. Particulars relative to postal matters in these years are not available at this writing. We will now turn our attention to the stamps of Peru.

In Mekeel's Stamp Colletcor, Vol. 19, 189.

The list of Peruvian stamps begins with stamps that did not properly belong to Peru, to wit., stamps of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company lent the postmaster general of Peru for the purpose of a trial of using stamps in his office. They were used in December 1857 between Lima and Chorillos, and must bear the post mark of Lima or Callao (the port for Lima, has about 30,000 inhabitants) and must be on a rough bluish paper. There are two values, 1 and 2 reals. The stamps are steel-engraved. Beginners are not very apt to be much bothered with them, since the 1r is listed at \$40 @ and the 2r. is not priced at all. Unused they can not be distinguished from from the stamps the Pacific Steam Navigation Company did not lend to the Peruvian postmaster. Stamps on any other than bluish paper are essays or reprints. Lithographs are counterfeits. For particulars see "The Perforator", or London Philatelist" 1898 and 1903, or "La Revue Philatelique Franc. '' 1902. "Philatelic Journal of Aemrica" Vol. 1

Whilst these stamps were used for a trial, an artist by the name of D. C. Prugue or Prague was at work preparing a set of stamps for Peru. Kohl's catalogue speaks of a "Stich" i. e. engraving, but that is erroneous, or at least misleading as the stamps were evidently lithographed. were issued in March 1858, 3 values, 1 dinero, 1/2 and 1 peso, equal to 10, 50 and 100 centavos. Nobody seems to know how large the sheets of these stamps were or how the stamps were arranged on the sheet; the nearest thing to a sheet known is a strip of "ten or twelve stamps long and two stamps wide, in which the top two stamps were both of the half peso". the others of the 1 peso: this gave rise to the theory that these two values were printed from the same stone, a theory which would work all right, if these two values were always in the same colors; as, however the 1/2p. is much commoner in yellow or buff than in rose and as the lp is not known in yellow it must be held that there was a separate stone for the 1/2 p. and that a few transfers of this value got on the 1p. stone either by mistake or on purpose, because few of the 1/2p. were used and it was thought sufficient to print a few copies along with the lp. After four months the 1/2p, was discontinued altogether, and this accounts for its rarity and high price as compared with the other two values, these selling at .25 to \$1.00 while the \(\frac{1}{2} \). yellow is \$13.50, 1/p. rose \$75.00.

Towards the end of 1858 the l dinero and l peso were redrawn with slightly larger lettering and two heavy border lines, the whole stamps being aso a trifle larger than before. There are many varieties said to be caused by poor printing, wearing of the stone or partial retouches. There are some

varieties of color indicating that several printings were made. They are all cheap.

In 1860 we find the stamp again redrawn, this time differing from the first two drawings by the lines in the spandrels forming a back-ground for the circle with arms These lines were in the first two drawings "wavy" but in 1860 they are pointed "zig-zag" lines, otherwise this third drawing resembles the first (1858 March). The colors, of course are a little off too, and there must have been several printings, as there are several shades. There are some minor varieties of design; some think these are merely due to poor work, others claim they are due to retouching. For used specimens there is a proportion as 1:5 between the common and the rarer varieties, the common selling at 50c and \$1 00, respectively for the two values I peso there is a variety that is quite common (Scott describes it as with "10 lines in left label instead of 9") and one of the 1 dinero with the zigzag lines broken at the angles. The 1 peso is known on two kinds of paper, the latter kind being very thin and almost transparent. Somewhere, I am sorry I can not recall the place, I have seen something about counterfeits of these stamps: however, if nothing is said about counterfeits, the collector should nevertheless always be on a lockout for them. Mr. Young merely says in passing to the next issue: "The lithographed stamps were found to be so easily counterfeited and so many defective starcps were produced because of the rapid wearing away of the lithographic stones that the autorities brought out from France the stamp printing machine called the Lecocq, after the name of its inventor." From this remark it seems that the issue 1858-60 was counterfeited during the time it was in use and that very likely some counterfeits were used alongside with the genuine stamps to the detriment of the Peruvian government. In such a case an expert only can decide which is which, a previous study of the stones or whole sheets of the several drawings and retouches being necessary. But there must be some counterfeits of later production too, and the beginner must protect himself by being careful from whom he gets his stamps.

Counterfeits. Let me insert here a few remarks on this most unpleasant topic, because it has to be tended again and again. It has been touched in volume 18 of Mekeel's Stamp Col'ector on page 228 There was a time when I thought I might learn everything about counterfeits, so as to be able to recognize one at once, as easily as I can tell a stamp from Peru from a Canadian stamp but that time is past now; I found it too hard a task that I had taken before me. Still I hold that every collector should learn something about them: Rev. R. B. Earle's book "Album Weeds" and the numerous items scattered all over philatelic literature can be of great help to him in doing it; but it required more work and experience than any but a very few can devote to this side issue to become proficient; hence the repeated urging to buy of responsible, well-established parties only, and to begin collecting with common stamps, to buy the largest possible packet of distinctly different stamps at a time, and to study the genuine stamps as much as can be. By and by a collector will get so that he can detect some forgeries that are coarse and poorly made with ease, and, as time rolls on, he will gain in experience and ability to detect some fine work too. are cases though, as that of the celebrated Friedl Austrian Mercury stamps, that go far beyond the common collector and will even deceive experts, at least for a time. (To be continued.)

A Story of a Find. By F. E. Halbert

If any stamp collector think it does not pay to talk about stamps to a non-collector please take note of this: That some of our best stamps are often obtained from such persons, and often too, at a trifling cost.

Recently the writer was discussing stamp matters with several fellows who did not know a revenue stamp from a Confederate shinplaster. In course of our talk one of them happened to remark that he had seen some U. S. locomotive stamps on some old letters in the attic of an old deserted office building that the writer was familiar with, but trade had never been inside of. Without seeming too curious some further questions were asked and we decided to do a little prospecting. So one day we were out for a walk and happened to take a look at the building in queston. We saw enough to satisfy us that there was something there worth looking after. It was not convenient at that time to investigate further.

A day or two later we had a day off so proceeded to raid the mine. The building had begun to show sings of decay; but the roof held pretty well. Dust and dirt was everywhere. On entering the attic, what a sight was there. A big box full of old letters tied up in bundles of a hundred or more each. Each bundle labeled with date and nature of contents. Dates run all the way from 1832 to 1861

We lost no time in taking off our coat and pitching in. After five solid hours of rapid work the following stamps were found: Il ten cent 1847, 4 five cent 1847, a number of one cent 1851 type 11, a larger number of one cent 1857 type 11 and 111, and a still larger pile of 3 cent of both 1851 and '56 is sues.

Next day we went again and waded through a lot of letters that held no stamps being marked by pen or more often by stamp. "Paid" the net result was similar to the previous day except that no more ten centers were found. When darkness stopped our work, a big pile of bundles remained to be gone through.

We got to work at 9 a. m. next time and it was after 3 p. m. when we got through rather tired out. Apparently nothing of value resulted. In one corner of the attic was a box about 3 by 6 feet and over two feet deep piled full of newspapers of about same dates as were the letters. These we did not bother with. In all, about 17 hours were required to look over the mass of letter sheet covers, not more than three or four envelopes were found.

It took us several hours to look over our "find" and properly arrange them. In all nearly 900 stamps were found. The highest in catalog value being a one cent 1851 type 1. The ten cent 1847 and also the five cents ones of same issue were in fine condition.

There were a number of unsevered pairs and one vertical strip and one horizontal strip of ones 1851. Several covers showed both one and three cent stamps.

Seven varieties of one centers, four of the three, and two of the five cents, besides one of the ten cents were among the lot. Catalog value about \$115 00.

A short time after this, we were talking to an executor of a will and he showed me a tool chest about half full of old correspondence of the de-

- 1. Central American Republics.—Costa Rica, Gautemala, "Spanish" Honduras, and Nicaraugua.
- 2. Columbia and Colombian States —This group would include the Republic of Columbia and its component States (such as Antoquia, Boyaca, Cauca, Santander, Tolima, &c), and also the Province of Panama up to the date of its becoming an independent Republic.
- 3. Other South American Republics. Here we should include a quartette which are not at present collected with any amount of enthusiasm—namely, Bolivia, Ecuador, Paraguay, and Venezuela.

What a blaze of colour and what an infinite variety of portraiture and scenic design these stamps will bring into one's album. Although not all "Seebeckised" countries, they bear a strong family likeness one to another in the methods employed to attract the young philatelists by means of pretty postal pictures. It is in their portraiture, perhaps, that they present the strongest claim to our consideration, for in South America the philatelic portrait gallery finds many of its most interesting items. The heads of military leaders and prominent politicians pictured on these stamps tell us the story of the overthrow of the Spanish yoke in Central and Southern America, and the birth of a chain of free and independent nations.

Now the question arises: Are the stamps worth collecting in unused condition? Will they, to put it in a blunt, commercial way, ever become "good stock"? Frankly, we do not think that the day will ever dawn when collectors will tumble over one another in their eagerness to bid for South American stamps, but at the same time values must and will advance as time goes on. It is possible that many recent issues—in fact, most of the stamps of, say, the last ten years—will be purchaseable as cheaply ten years hence as they are today; but if we go back a little farther than that there are many items in the list, even in such countries as Salvador and Honduras, that are far less common than is generally supposed, and it would take very little buying to bring about a swift and substantial rise.

In used condition—that is "postally used" as distinct from specimens postmarked-to-order—these stamps are a very different story. There is no section of philately where the usual estimation of used and unused specimens is so commonly reversed as in the South and Central American Republics. Many varieties are really quite scarce in postally used condition, and there is a vast number of the commoner and more recent stamps which, on all grounds, are far more desirable than "mint" unused copies. We said ten years ago—and we say it still—that we would ten times rather have these stamps in fine used condition than absolutely "mint." Unused, they are merely so much gummed paper intended more particularly for sale to stamp collectors than for any bona-fide public necessity, whereas in used condition, they seem an altogether different thing, and they bring into our albums a series of cameos reflecting the struggles and the upgrowing of the New America.

E. W. Bredemeier & Co., 14 Michigan Street, Chicago, Ills, issue an Esperanto Propaganda Stamp in green and red inscribed "Je Degiro la Korespondado en Esperanto" which means "I desire correspondence in Esperanto". These stamps show a pretty design and may be used to advantage by all who desire to enlarge their circle of Esperanto correspondents.

The Stamp Market of Today

A correspondent writes that Canada Postage Dues have been withdrawn and burnt, and that local holders are asking ten dollars the set. The 2e has got into circulation in a used condition and can be supplied in some places by the hundred, but the 1c and 5c will evidently be scarce used. Enquiry of three or four likely English firms fails to find any in stock in a used condition, and the current quotation of fifty cents per mint set is sure to go up tremendously in a short tme. Of the used copies it is noticeable that out of a hundred copies to hand, only nine bears any trace of a postmark; the rest are struck through with a violet pencil.

Current Russians are evidently coming down, and floods of them seem to be about. The 50 kop, cat. 18c, is selling at 2c, the 1 rouble is very plentiful, the 3½ roubles is priced 40c, the 5 roubles 80c, the 10c roubles 50c, in German list. Only a few weeks ago the 5 and 10 roubles were selling at \$3.00 the pair in London. It looks as if some big Continental firm had suddenly unlocked the gates and let locse the accumulated stock of some years.

The present value of Straits on Labuan seems to be \$2.50, for the mint set, minus the three lower values. Such is the figure advertised by a dealer in a contemporary journal; but it ought to be added that the three lower values are in themselves worth \$5.00. The 2c is valued by the advertiser at \$7.50.

Roumania pictorials of 1906, in both the oblong and upright shape, seem now to be available, but are dear. The 25 bani may be 10c, the 40 bani 15c, the 50 bani 25c, at least. Here again there are floods about; evidently the stamps have been held back in their own country or the neighborhood for some time.

The 1d on 2d Barbadoes Relief Fund has at length reached its level of 8c. If only 12,000 were issued, how is it that they are quoted in Paris at \$5.90 the hundred? Collectors in Barbadoes are vainly offering their stocks at 8c the dozen; it is another case of the speculator being bitten, and an illustration of the truth that he who waits is often the wiser

Messrs. Stanley Gibbons' new prices for the 2s. Grenada (2.50), the 5s. (5.00) and the 10s. (\$3.75) may perhaps be taken as an indication that correspondingly high prices will prevail among the scarcer kinds of C. A.'s when the new catalogue appears. The following may perhaps be expected to rise higher: Montserrat, E. Africa, B. C. A., Cyprus, Sierra Leone, St. Lucia, St. Kitts, St. Vincent, and the two higher values of Ceylon; on the other hand, there is a certain class of King's Heads, which though highly priced and scarce in their way, are by no means likely to be hard to get--such as the higher values of Hong Kong, Straits, Natal, Transvaal, Bahamas, Gibralter (excepting the 2s. C. A.), Seychelles, and Northern and Southern Nigeria. In the boom of 1906 these, and such as these, were the first to arrive on the market, the higher values of some of the smaller Colonies not being available till much later. These consequently do not seem to show so bright a prospect of rising.

Phillipines, 1906, seem to be slow in arriving, and promise to be dear; 4c, 6c, and 12c is the Continental price for the 10c, 20c and 30c respectively. Denmark 50 and 100 ore of the late King's Head are also scarce, and are priced 15c and 25c. The 25 bani Roumania error of colour has steadily de-

clined from its old price of 60c, until now, in Germany, it is 25c. Papua ou New Guinea is 75c; 1 plastre on 2d. Levant is \$37 50, used \$50.00.

Some interesting stamps to look out for just now are:—Denmark 1, 2, 3, 4, 15 ore, art figures, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50, the 100 ore, King's; Luxemburg, 1907; Montenegro, 1907; Wurtemburg Service, 1907; Honduras, 1907; Brazil Officials, 1907; Iceland, 1907; Hayti, 1906; Chili, 1906; and the new set for Crete, the 1 drachme of which ought to be interesting since a British Admiral figures in the group thereon portrayed.

The new universal postage stamp is now procurable. It will be a bit of a problem as to which page of the album a used specimen shall adorn.—The Fortnightly of England.

A Stamp That Was Accepted By C. O. Engle

The Queen City Stamp Club had just been called to order by its President, Charlie Lewis, when the door was opened by one of its members. was George David, the treasurer. "Hello George!" cried out the club members, "Why are you late?", George replied, "Well, as I came down State Street I met Miss Violet White, and after speaking a while, she said that she had a rare United States beauty for me, and I questioned her as to what it really was, color, value, size, etc." "Yes!" said Charlie, the president, "I think that I know what kind of a stamp it is—you silly boy, "Why it is a peach-it is Violet herself". can't you catch on?" the members laughed and said, "A great 'find' George"! But George wouldn't believe it to be true. "I know it is a stamp" said George. George was so happy to hear so good news that he couldn't sleep that night, until he really found out what the stamp might be. "It may be a five dollar Columbian" said George, "or an inverted Pan American". day he found out for certain. It was as Charlie had said, although he was only fooling. It was Violet herself, and George accepted her. He mounted her in his love album with a KISS as a hinge. His collection is now complete.

NEW IDEA TO START COLLECTORS.

In some stamp paper I saw the suggesion that we older collectors endeavor to lead tacfully up to the subject of stamps when we had callers and then by showing our collection endeavor to make converts. I think I have that scheme beat forty ways When the Pan American issue of U. S. came out it occurred to me that a sheet of 100 of them neatly framed would not look bad on the wall. I accordingly had a sheet framed and hung over my I was so well satisfied with its appearance that I repeated the experiment when the St. Louis and Jamestown issues came along and the three frames are very generally admired and I do not have to use tact or drag in by the heels the fact that I am a "stamp flend". Such a scheme might appeal to WEST readers, and Jamestown stamps are still available. suggestion is capable of many variations as for instance an unused set of Columbian Exposition (Chicago) framed as they are agranged for International Album would make a very attractive wall decoration. A hint to the wise is sufficient. - Beeby, Yonkers, N. Y.

The Collecting of British Revenue Stamps By the Editor of "Stamp Collectors Fortnightly"

It is usual to ascribe the beginning of the hobby of stamp collecting to the latter half of the nineteenth century, for the very substantial reason that the stamps themselvse-meaning of course, adhesive postage stampscould not well be collected at a date prior to their own existence. term "stamp collecting," however, must be understood to embrace all classes of adhesive labels issued for the payment of a Government tax or impost. Taking this broader view of the subject, it is obvious that the hobby is of far greater antiquity than is generally supposed. absolutely the first stamp collector? Mr. A. Preston Pearce', a well known authority on the subject of revenue stamps, tells us in his "History of Fiscal Stamp Collecting," that as long ago as 1772 an Irishman, one John Burke, of Dublin, filled an album with the revenue stamps of his own "'disthressful" country arranged in values from one half penny up to six pounds, so until his achievement is ante-dated by that of someone else it seems only fair that the said John Burke should be regarded as the pioneer of Fiscal stamp collecting

In the early days of Philately proper—that is to say, the hobby directly inspired by the penny postage reform of 1840-it was quite the usual thing for postage and revenue stamps to be collected side by side as if they were all members of the same big family. But as more and more countries adopted the adhesive postage stamp, the task of collecting everything proved Revenue issues were discarded by the bulk of the collectors too formidable. of the period, and Philately came to be recognized solely as "the study and collection of postage stamps." From that time until the present day collectors have been steadily limiting the field of their operations until it may be said that there are practically no general collectors of stamps-all are specialists. Post cards, embossed envelopes, stamped newspaper wrappers, etc., have long been abandoned by the majority of collectors, while all adhesive issues not of a purely postal or letter-franking character, such as "postage due" issues, official stamps etc., are tabooed by a large section of the stamp-collecting community. To all these sections, however, little bands of staunch adherents have remained faithful, so that present day philatelists are divided into a number of groups, as follows: (1) general collectors of adhesive postage stamps; (2) specialists, who devote themselves to some particular country or group; (3) collectors of "entires"—i. e, postal stationery, envelopes, post cards, wrappers, etc; (4) collectors of revenue stamps; (5) collectors of special issues for telegraphic purposes.

At present I am writing of Revenue stamps, which, in the opinion of very many people, form a far more fascinatting subject of study than even the postal issues. Reasons for this were recently given in the following words by an ardent Fiscal collector:

- (1) Revenue stamps are cheaper than postals. There being (at present) a smaller demand by collectors, it follows that a collection can be more cheaply formed.
- (2) Fiscal collecting offers a greater incentive to research, since so much of the ground is practically virgin soil. The possibilities are almost unlimited.

(3) On historial grounds, and in diversity of interest, there is surely no comparison between postage and Revenue Staups? Postage issues reflect the history and politics of the past fifty years; but Revenue stocks are of much earlier origin. Moreover, in variety of design, size and shape, they are vastly superior to the stamps issued purely for postal use.

The first, and perhaps the strongest plea—that a collection of Fiscals can be "more cheaply formed" than a collection of postage stamps still holds good, but at the same time the values of Revenue labels are steadily appreciating. The formation of the Fiscal Philatelic Society, and the holding last year, at Exeter Hall, of a remarkable exhibition of British, Colonial Fiscal and Telegraph stamps have wrought a great change in the condition of the hobby. Many collectors have abandoned postage stamps for Revenues, because of the larger field for research and the greater chances of making important dicoveries of "errors" and varieties.

The illustrations of typical British Revenue stamps accompanying this article will give some idea of the variety to be found even in the Fiscal issues of a single country. A few remarks, necessarily brief, on some of the labels here shown may be given.

Law Courts Stamps.—A majority of the stamps represented in our illustrations are connected with the service of the various law courts, such as "Probate Court," "Common Law Courts," "Mayor's Court," "Chancery Court," etc. These legal stamps constitute a large and most interesting section of the Revenue issues of Great Britain. They are be obtained in infinite variety or shape, size and facial value.

Life Policy.—The stamps for life policy, marine policy, and similar duties include a number of varieties.

Consular Service. - These are stamps which in some sort resemble the British Army, for they go everywhere and do (almost) everything. befits such an issue there are varieties galore. Some interesting errors of type, colour, etc., in the Consular Service stamps have been recently chroni-For instance, the 2s. vermillion stamp of this series, with the value in words twice repeated (the stamp now illustrated), is known with the lower indication of value printed without the final "s," thus: "Two Shilling." A colour variety recently discovered by Mr. A B. Kay, secretary of the Fiscal Philatetic Society, is the £1 stamp of the first issue, printed in vermillon, instead of violet. More recently still, Mr. S. A. Klagsbrun, a South African "fiscalist," has reported the use of the £1 lilac and black Queen's head Consular iService stamp, with the orbs watermark, cut in halves diagonally, for use as two stamps of 10s. each. These are only examples culled at random, but they tend to show what vast possibilities Fiscal stamp collecting offers to the enterprising and persevering collector.

Customs Duty.—Another large and varied class are the Customs' labels.

One might go on almost indefinitely pointing out the salient features of the subject; but space forbids.

That one can form a fine collection of Fiscal stamps for a comparatively small outlay may be easily proved by the reference to the stocks of those dealers who make a special feature of this branch of the hobby. I have recently had the pleasure of inspecting the enormous stock of British, Colonial, and foreign Revenues held by Messrs. Gilbert and Koeler, 51 Rue Le Peletier, Paris, France, which includes the bulk of the large accumulation of these stamps left by the late Mons, A. Roussin, of Paris. Roussin

was a convinced and enthusiastic Fiscalist, and the publisher of many valuable works on the subject.

To those who are making a beginning in the collecting of Fiscal stamps, a final word of advice may be tendered: Take the Fiscals of one country only—United States for choice—and stick to that one branch of the subject until you are complete, or somewhere in the neighborhood of completion.

The Chronicles of the "Filatelic Four" By Narcissus

The meetings had been suspended for some time, but at last an opportunity occurred for them all to meet once more, and they thus reported their adventures and prospects.

Fred had been appointed to a foreign commission by his paper and would be away for several years. He offered to act as foreign correspondent to the F. F. if they so desired; and of course his offer was gladly accepted. He reported finding a fine lot of old envelopes at the home of a relative where he had spent a brief holiday, and promised to bring them for inspection at the next meeting.

Jack reported that he was to be married in a month, which would prevent him taking as much active interest as formerly in their pet hobby; in fact he was thinking of selling his stamps, but could not make up his mind as to the best way of disposing of them. Many questions were asked as to who the fair charmer was, and most nearty were the congratulations of all. One suggested that she was down on Philately and had demanded the sacrifice of the stamps as being likely to act as a rival to Jack's love and attention to her. Another idea was that the stamps would demand all Jack's spare cash and leave little for new dresses and such like. The happy man stood all the chaff and declared his girl was better than all the stamps in the world.

Archie had grown tired of his stamps, and had sold them by auction realizing a good price and strongly recommending that mode of disposing of one's stamps when the time may come to do so.

Bert alone was left to carry on the society, and as he felt it would be too lonesome to hold meetings himself and conduct the correspondence with their foreign agent, he begged to suggest that under the circumstances the society as such should be disbanded, but that as often as they could they would remind each other of he happy times they had spent together as the F. F.

Bert let out the secret that he was deeply in love with a charming girl who was an enthusiastic Philatelist, and said that in future his meetings would be in a society composed of TWO, who would meet as often as possible to compare notes, and avdance the interests of their new and most interesting society.

A Portuguese Flood.—Specialists in Portuguese Colonies will have a good time next year. The number of postage stamps which the Portuguese Government will issue on January 1, 1908, for use in its colonies, will be 248; at least, the Diario Oficial maks this terrible announcement in good time.—Gibbons' Stamp Weekly.

The "Franklin" Carrier Stamp of the United States

Hefore 1851, the year in which the Franklin "Carriers" stamp was issued, letters in the United States were not delivered free to the houses of the addresses. A charge of two cents was levied for delivery by the letter carriers, and this charge formed the entire compensation of the carriers. As in the case of drop letters (i. e. letters intended for delivery in the town of posting, as distinguised from letters intended for transportation to other towns) the postage proper cost 2c; the total cost of a drop letter was 4c. The local or private post companies competed at lower rates and with more frequent deliveries, and it was in consequence of this competition that in 1851 the Postmaster General was authorized by Congress to reduce the total charge on drop letters (including delivery) to 2c; of this 1c was for postage and the other went for delivery.

By virtue of a provision of the act of 1851, the Postmaster General established the streets and roads of the cities of New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and New Orleans as post routes. The effect of this was to make the delivery of letters in those cities an integral part of the general postal system, so that the letter carriers might be paid a fixed salary; the older arrangement, under which they were paid for each letter, was required by law to be self supporting.

It was in pursuance of this new arrangement that the "Franklin" Carriers' stamps were issued on Sept. 29th, 1851, in the above mentioned cities.

A supply of 300,000 were printed, but very few were used, and probably, on the issue of the "Eagle" stamp, which succeeded it in about seven weeks time, the remainders were returned to Washington and destroyed. Their short life and their comparatively small area of issue would be sufficient to account for the rarity of these stamps, but it is also probable that immediately after they were issued it was recognized that the lc stamp of the regular issue could be used just as well, and hence that the special "Carriers" stamps were quite superfluous, as far as the convenience of the public were concerned

Some years ago the catalogue price of used specimens was as high as \$75, but present quotations are about half that figure. In genuine unused condtion the stamp is very rare, but in 1875 it was reprinted to the number of 20,000 copies. Of these 10,000 were on the original rose colored paper, and these it is very difficult to distinguish from originals. The remaining 10,000 were on a slightly thicker and softer paper of a paler tint.

Acording to Mr. J. N. Luff, the best test is to be found in the printing: "The impression of the originals is clear and fine, while the reprints are too heavily inked, and often blurred." Specimens in brown-orange on white, instead of blue on rose, are known, but although a used copy has been seen, this variety is regarded by the best authorities as merely a proof impression.—Bertram T. K. Smith in "The Bazaar."

It is reported that the Cingalese stamps overprinted "Maldives" were of the following quantities:—2 cents, 2,400; 3 cents, 6,600; 4 cents, 1,200; 5 cents, 4,800; 15 cents., 1,100; and 25 cents, 13,200.

Ideas About Frauds By John M. Stone

Of frauds we have five classes.

- 1 The Substitutor.
- 2. The party who "never received" the selection.
- 3. The person who "returned" your stamps.
- 4. Same as the last but your letter come back marked "removed," "fraudulent", etc.

The substitutor is the one causing the most annoyance as one is not always certain as to whether a substitutor is at work or not unless one uses such precautions as here given. Sometimes stamps of the same catalogue value are substituted, then again the same variety is substituted but a badly damaged stamp in place of a first class copy. This is the hardest to detect.

A method adopted by one of the western firms some years ago was this: A small rubber stamp was used upon which were the initials of the firm. This was impressed partly upon the back of the stamp and partly upon the hinge. This method has one objection; it causes the stamp to appear untidy.

A much better way is this: After the stamps are mounted on the sheet and priced, take a sheet of photographic print paner, place the sheet of stamps upon same. Then place the sheet of stamps and print in printing frame and set in sunlight until well printed. This method may also be used to discover watermarks because the watermark being thinner than the balance of the stamp shows up darker on the print.

Of course everyone who knows anything about photography will know that the colored part of the stamp will appear light and the white portion of the stamp will appear dark while the watermark will be very dark. For any one who uses gas in a dark office the gas light printing paper would be more convenient.

If one not does not wish to go to the trouble of toning and fixing the print it should be placed in some dark place until the sheet is returned who if upon comparison no stamps have been substituted the print can be destroyed and if substitution has occurred the print should be properly toned and fixed for future use.

It is impossible to guard against being "stuck" by Nos. 2 and 3.

No. 4 may be guarded against by not answering any requests from parties unknown to you or who do not send reference until say 30 days has elapsed as such frauds usually write to a number of dealers at the same time. If you wait so long and then send a selection "Mr. Fraud" may have left and then the stamps will be sent back to you by the postmaster. Of course you may lose some customers in this way.

Some Novelty Companies sending goods on approval have this notion printed upon the packages: "Notice to P. M. or Carrier: Do not delive this package to any person unknown to you or who is not a patron of you office."

If it works with them why wouldn't it help in stamp dealings also?

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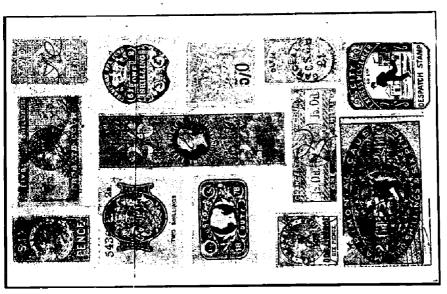




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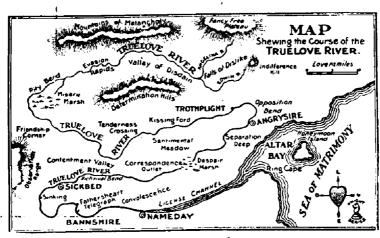
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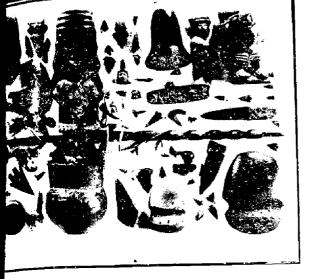


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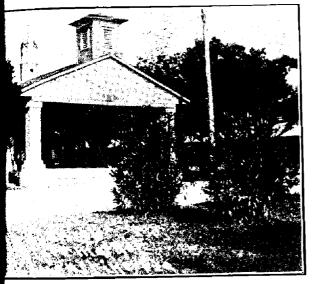


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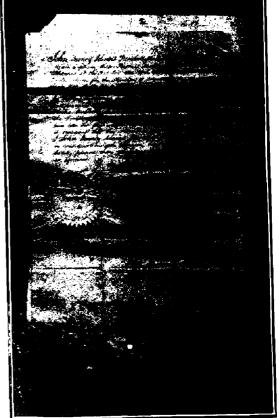


s Topeka, Kan., who is said to have largest collection in Kan



Banford Jacksonville. Florida, see his ad last issue.





Old Autograph of L. C. Gulley, Little Rock, Ark.



Museum Cairo - Mummy of Ramses II.



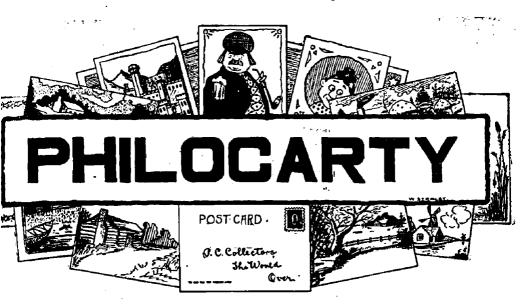
Champion Basket Ball Team of Nebraska





A group of Chevenne Indians. English Comic Post Cards.





The Outlook of the Post Card Industry By C. L. Winegar

No one can anticipate how long such a fad as the post card industry is going to be popular with the public. The books that publishers are sure will rank the best sellers are often failures: the plays that managers spend fortunes in producing are often discarded within a week. No one can explain why certain songs "catch'on" and others that appear just as clever pass almost unnoticed, so it is with the fickle public; but when it does place its stamp of approval on anything it means fortunes for the manufacturers and dealers who are in a position to supply the demand; and post cards have proven to be one of the biggest hits that has struck the civilized people.

The widespread interest in the souvenir post card industry is illustrated every day by observation of the crowd to be seen in front of every window or at the counter where such things are exhibited, also the big increase in publications pertaining to post cards over that of last year. Where there were two or three magazines of this kind, there are eight or ten now. Every day adds new firms to the long list of post card dealers who are putting their time and coin and vim into one of the greatest money makers of the times. How long it may last is uncertain, but the chances are that it will be popular for a long time, notably in connecion with the better class of cards which show pictures of famous places, persons and scenes. It's a handy form of writing letters to all whom they might wish to remember.

Some advertising experts have already passed their opinion that there is not another good year of business for the card dealer. If they are on the inside and know whereof they speak, it would be wise to give the most careful study to their facts or fancies. They must be fancies for a few "wise ones" predicted just after post cards got started in this country, that it was a fad that would last for a few months, but it has gone on gaining in popularity until now it is a factor of great importance to the merchant who handles this line of goods. The manufacture and sale of post cards has been

one of the most significant developments of recent years and it is still on the ascending wave.

Just to show what is doing across the ocean a little sketch of a Chicago jobber and publisher who went to Germany to see post cards, says; on every corner of the side walk is a post card stand and a few in the middle of the block. Every little town has several exclusive post cards stores and some have more more than groceries. The post card factories in Germany are of enormous size. The buildings look like large cotton mills and one can hardly believe that such large plants are used for making post cards only.

One big factory has 112 cylinder printing presses and employs 1500 hands for making post cards and nothing else. Statistics show that one million people are employed in Germany in the manufacture of post cards and the factories are unable to fill over 50 per cent of their orders. The great secret of this constantly increasing demand lies in the productions of high class goods. The people have gradually been educated to appreciate an artistic post card and they buy them liberally. The very best artists of Europe are now employed in painting post card pictures. One painter tells that his orders from post card houses will keep him busy for two years. The view card factories are all doing a very large business—the output of this class is fabulous.

While Germany is the main field of the manufacture of picture post cards there are several other countries that now realize the money making possibilities of the manufacture of their own supply. First of all among these Japan deserves mention. The low cost of manuel labor and the keen artistic sense of the people are a great advantage toward the enterprise. it is that these, especially by the skillful use of the hand coloring, veritable little works of art have been created which are in great demand. has the biggest sale of cards which reproduce woman in all her dazzling beauty and infinite grace, and Germany borrows largely from her. is not far behind, one large and well known publisher, are turning out daily for progressive and high class dealers in all parts of the world, six million This country (U.S.) is now swinging into line. cards a week. spublishers of New York City are moving into more costly spots, another has just getten out a condensed catalogue at the expense of \$1500. A couple of tirms have recently incorporated to exploit their special make. conly a few of many American firms who are putting thousands into machinvery to print post cards and the day of some sorts of imported cards is over for better work will be done right here. In reality the fad has only begun and finer issues will come out right along. Eighteen million post cards sold in Chicago alone during the month of June. The sales throughout the country were of course in proportion. Does this look like the bottom dropping out of it.

Are you aware, Mr. Mail order dealer that post cards make a first class mail order proposition? If you are looking for a good article ot selv by mail it would be well to consider the advantage of the present widespread interest in post cards. As a straight mail order proposition, selling direct to the customer has proved to be the best way to boom them on small capital, although they can be used effectively for trust scheme working and they are probably the easiest class of goods for the young agent to sell, also they make a first class agency proposition. By buying them in quantity from the

publishers the dealers can dispose of them at wholesale to canvassing agents, as well as storekeepers and news stands etc.

There are thousands upon thousands of people young and old who are making collections of post cards mainly with the object of getting as many different kinds as possible. All of these people will buy at least a few cents worth if they can be convinced that the dealer is offering something which they have not already obtained elsewhere. In the outlying rural districts the people are dependent almost entirely upon mail order concerns for their supply of cards. To reach these people a small ad calling for a dime or a quarter for a sample package of cards will get the business and follow up with circulars describing other cards and showing designs in miniature, will secure a permanent mailing list of customers. A little house organ would be a great help in holding trade—put in some good reading matter and mail every month. Now get in time for the fall trade for there will be something doing by the shrewd fellows who are making a specialty of this business.



THE CHICAGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY.

The 45th mouthly meeting of the above named Society was held in their rooms, 1622 Masonic Temple, Mr. W. F. Dunham presiding. The following members were present: Messrs Jerrems, Verkler, Carey, W. F. Dunham, Band, Jaeger, Simpson, Excell, Leon, Blumenschein, Dr. Merrill, Chester Dunham, Holmes, Baker, Williams, Adams and

Green. Mr. E. H. Adams, Mr. E. W. Hoague and Mr. F. J. Loer were elected to membership.

Two commemorative cards were received from Mr. T. L. Elder.

A motion was carried authorizing the Society to recommend an Indian head for the contemplated new United State cent. Models were shown, which are to be submitted to the Treasury Department.

Mr. Brand distributed the Pike Centennial medals in bronze and silver to those present at cost. Many interesting exhibits were made including a set of U. S. cents by Mr. Holmes, and a set of Swedish plate money by Mr. Leon.

Auction catalogues were received from Elder. Green, The St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co., and Adolph Hess Nachfolger.

Mr Leon presented the Society with a pair of mounted owls. The rooms have been greatly improved in appearance and convenience by the new book cases and exhibit cases.

Ajdourned to meet Nov. 1st, 1907. Ben G. Green, Secretary.

The collection of old ivories is a costly hobby, and one generally assocated with carved figures from India and China, as well as the even more valuable antiques reposing upon the shelves and in the cases at the "British" or South "Kensington." Yet ivories of lesser importance and including some pleasing specimens may be picked up in old curio shops, and through the Exchange Column for a few cents each. Small models of vessels and men of war are much sought after, also carved boxes, especially old match boxes and comfit boxes, once so generally in use. There are some real bargains to be picked up for 50 to 75 cents in many jewelers' shops.

PARTALOGY



EDITOR'S NOTE—Our readers are invited to contribute interesting items, articles, etc to this Dept. Also reports of new discoveries of mines and minerals. All letters addressed to the editor at Glendive, Mont, will be answered as far as possible in this dept.—Forest Gaines!

From Springfield, III., comes the news of the death of Joseph Stafford at the age of 82 years. He was the man who first discovered the use of shale, as material for the manufacture of brick, and began their manufacture at Galesburg, III., about 20 years ago. Mr. Stafford's family came to Sangamon county. III., in 1825.

South Africa now practically monopolizes the diamond industry of the world, over 75 per cent of all the diamonds on the market coming from that region. Over 26,000,000 worth of the stones are annually exported to London, from which city they are distributed to oher parts of the world.

The pearl fisheries of India have been famous from the remotest times, the ancients obtaining their pearls almost entirely from India and the Persian Gulf. It is said that oyster beds extend along the entire Arabian coast of the gulf, but the most important are on the sand banks off the island of Bahrein. The chief beds in the Persian Gulf are composed mainly of coral, with beds of white sand lying in clear water. In 1879 the value of the pearls taken in the gulf was estimated at about \$1,459,950. During the same year 7.000,000 pearls were obtained, and it wa thought that, but for frequent interruption by weather, 2,000,000 more might have been found.

Speaking of pearls, the principal spearl fisheries of the world are in Lower California, Venezuela, the Red Sea, the Persian Gulf, British Honduras and the Indian Ocean. From British Honduras come the rare and very beautiful pink or conch pearls, most of these stones being about the size of a grain of wheat. They are very delicate and are easily fractured and destroyed by heat. The conch in whose shell these tiny stones are found is highly esteemed as an article of food by the native Honduras, and it is principally in preparing them for cooking that the pearls are discovered. The output of pearls from Panama waters has amounted to only about \$150,000 yearly, but the fisheries might easily be made to produce four or five times that amount if properly worked. The principal fisheries are at the Pearl Islands, about forty miles from the city of Panama. The pearls

bund are white and lead in color, the white pearl being highly appreciated in France, and the lead-colored yearl in England.

Toppazes of very large size occur in Queensland and New South Wales in Australia. Their weight runs often as high as two and three pounds, and in color they vary from yellow through pale, bluish green to a very beautiful pale blue. Those most frequently seen are pale, bluish green.

An Interesting Medal By Harold Banning

The photograph used in last number, of the medal of Murat will interest all medal collectors, it being one of the most interesting of all Napole-Joachim sometimes called "Machless" Murat was the son of onic medals. an innkeeper and was born near Cahors, France in 1771. French army at an early age and was rapidly promoted on account of his dashing courage. He led the cavalry in most of Napoleon's battles and contributed greatly to most of his victories. At the battle of Aboukir he spurred his horse to the center of the Turkish army where after a desperate truggle he captured the Turkish general. The Turks discouraged and conused by the loss of their commander were soon defeated, although outnumbering the French three to one. ''Murat'' said Napoleon''was superb at Aboukir.'' It is said that Napoleon smiled whenever he sent Murat's cavalry against the enemy, knowing that it usually ended the battle. aised Murat to the throne of Naples in 1808 where he reigned seven years. Murat however deserted Napoleon and joined the Allies, when most needed but on the return of Napoleon from Elba joined him again. mall army and attacked the Austrians in Italy but was overwhelmed, defeated and dethroned and while attempting to regain his throne was captured tried by court-martial and shot. Murat had many faults, among them being excessive vanity. He always wore a gorgeous uniform which made him a mark for the enemy's bullets, but in spite of this he suvived two hun-When led out to be shot he surveyed his executiners with a dred battles. mile and pressing a portrait of his wife to his lips said "save my face. aim at my heart.'' He was answered by a volley and fell dead, pierced by many bullets. Napoleon while speaking of Murat at St. Helena said "He was one of the most brilliant men I ever saw upon a field of battle, it was eally a magnificent spectacle to see him leading the cavalry in a charge.''

I have other Napoleonic medals which might be of interest to the eaders of the WEST.

The sixteenth annual exhibition of the Ex-Libris Society has lately been held in London, and several artists exhibited some beautifully designed modern plates. There have been but few sales of old book-plates this year, although a few small lots have been included in book sales. The prices of arly armorial, jacobean and chippendale, keep up, but there are no buyers for the commoner types. Unfortunately there are few new collectors, why his is, it is difficult to understand, for the hobby is a most interesting one, and very few of the old collectors, when once they have become infused with the craze, give up collecting. As the price of book plates advance, collectors appear to be inclined to specialize, some choosing one kind, some another.

What to Do With Postals from Tourists

"The Egyptians may have thoght they had their troubles when one plague after another descended upon them, but they didn't have the plague of postcards," said the woman who was the only one not doing fancy work on the veranda. "If only they could have been pursued as we are by the stream of postcards poured out by every mail bag they'd let the Israelites go a whole lot sooner than they did. Really, I almost dread to see the postman coming nowadays; there have been three deliveries of mail today and they have brought me and my children twelve postal cards. The senders expect, of course, cards in return, and it gets to be an awful nuisance. I'm sure I have a bushel in my room now."

"What will you do with them?" asked the woman who was crocheting an afghan, "take them home or throw them away?"

"I'd throw them away, but the children object. And really, some of them are so pretty, that it seems a shame to destroy them."

"I always looked upon the sending of postcards as an amusement fit only for babies and fools," remarked the woman who was doing shadow embroidery, "until I saw what joy they could bring to a grown-up. An old lady staying at the inn where I spent last summer used to get them by bunches in every European mail. Her daughter was traveling on the continent, going to the same places where her mother had gone twenty years before, and every day the daughter wrote a message on a picture postcard and mailed it to the mother. It kept a perfect record of the trip, much more up to date than could have been made by a camera and renewed the old lady's memories of her trip abroad as nothing else could have done. And think how easy it was for the daughter to write the message every day."

"Well, of course there would be some point of keeping such a collection, for it could serve as a diary of one's trip, but what shall I do with my bushel of cards?" said the other idle woman ,turning to the girl who was knitting a sweater.

"I'm going to choose my prettiest cards," she answered, "and frame them passe-partout; those that are in soft gray tints will be as charming as photogravures; those that are colored artistically I shall give a coat of picture varnish; that brings out the color wonderfully and well repays one for the trouble. These little framed pictures are very nice for Christmas or birthday gifts. I often give them back to the people who sent them, and they are always delighted, for usually they have not bought any to keep for themselves."

"My boy uses the ones we get to make a frieze in his room. It was his own idea, so I had two strips of very narrow black picture molding put around the room about three feet from the ficor, with the inner edges arranged so they could hold the cards. He gets lots of fun out of arranging and rearranging the frieze; sometimes he puts the cards in according to the geographical locality from which they came; sometimes he arranges them in groups according to subjects. It makes an attractive decoration for the room and I'm thankful he has a frieze of postcards instead of prize fighters and base ball heroes."

"I've quite a good collection of cards from Holland," said the girl with a piece of Mount Melick embroidery in her hand, "and I'm going to cut the quaint little colored Dutch figures out and put them on candle shades to use

when the 'Dutch-Treat Club' I belong to meets at our house. I shall use some exquisitely colored French cards for a lamp shade, outlining the figures with a border of Watteau design done in water color."

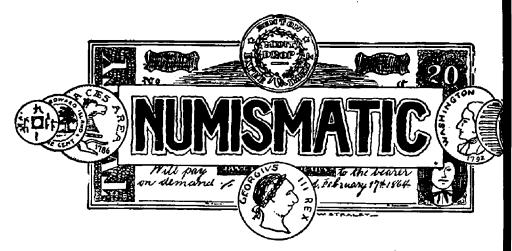
"I'm going to mount my collection on large sheets of gray cardboard and send them to the missionaries out west, cutting off, of course, all writing. A missionary I know asked me for them, saying that she could use them as reward of merit' cards instead of those little things with repousse flowers and a text that I used to get when I had been a good child and learned my texts. I shan't paste the cards on the cardboard, but just slip the corners under strips of paper put on diagonally. The missionary can leave a whole card full of pictures with a family or single ones, as she chooses." The woman who was making tatting looked reprovingly at the girl who giggled.

"Mine are going to the hospitals"-it was the college girl who said this, as she embroidered a Harvard flag- "and I've arleady divided them into two groups, one for the children and one for the grown-ups. In the collection for children I've put all the cards with cats and dogs on them. I happen to be awfuly fond of pets, and so my friends are constantly sending me postcards with dear dog and cat pictures on them. I know the children will like them. I'm going to send along sheets of stiff paper, gray, blue and red, with lits cut cornerwise in them so that the corners of the postcard can be slip-It will amuse the little tots, when they are getting well, to arange the cards on the sheets of paper. I'm giving them other cards, too, the brightest colored ones, for instance The collection for grown-ups is made up of the more attractive pictures of places or copies of famous paint-There's almost nothing, you know, in the line of art that one doesn't et reproduced on postcards."

"I'm using the ones that are sent to the children," said a mother who was knitting scarlet reins for her four year old, "to covern a ursery screen, and each child has a wing. The screen is made of green burlap tightly rawn over a frame; strips of elastic, pink for one child, red for another and yellow for the third, are fatsened at the top and stretched taut to the ottom; the strips are the length of a postcard apart. The elastic is sewed to the burlap at intervals just the width of the card and in this way holds he cards perfectly. You can't imagine how many stories such a screen can uggest, and it's really fun to begin a story seemingly remote from the pictures on the screen and then suddenly surprise the child by illustrating from he postcards. It's one of the best solutions of what to do with the cards hat I know"

"Now I know that I won't throw way my bushel of cards," said the ply idle womau. "I'd no idea that I could use them in so many ways.

Another find of coins is reported from Newport, Isle of Wight, the rincipal item being a bronze co'n of Constantius I Unfortunately, for the nder, such coins are very common, and possess scarcely any curio value, although doubtless the additional evidence that the River Medvia, in which it as found, once bore on its waters Roman galleys, will be of great interest cally. Many coins of the Constantius and of the Constantine family were lited at Colchester, York (Eboricum), and other towns in this country.



Confederate Money Becoming Valuable

"Confederate money is not to be bought by the barrel nowadays," saw a collector of paper money whose collection embraces every kind of paper currency ever issued in this country. "On the contrary, this sort of money is becoming very scarce, particularly in the Southern States.

"During the last years of the war, when the housewife who went to market was forced to carry with her a basket full of this money in order to purchase enough provisions to fill the basket, few dreamed that this despised money would ever bring a premium. Yet today there are several recorded instances in which bills have brought 100 per cent above their face value.

"One story is told of a disgusted possessor of a quantity of Confederate money who, in order to find out whether the stuff still had any value whatever, pinned a bill of \$500 denomination on a hitching post in front of a store. The next morning he went down to see if it was still there, and we another bill of equal denomination had been pinned on top of it. These same two bills would now be worth \$70 or more.

"Of recent years many collectors have at last appreciated the beauty and variety of this extensive issue, with the result that the Lost Cause money is not only getting less plentiful, but prices are growing, making a necessary now to pay substantial sums for varieties which a few years as could have been obtained for little.

"The revival of interest in the collection of this money has had to effect of bringing to light many varieties of which all record had been loss until today there have been definitely listed more than 2,500 varieties. If the years ago only a little more than 2,000 were known.

"The rarest of all the issues are those of Montgomery, where Confederate money was first printed. This issue was not very large, and every of these bills now commnads a premium Only notes of large denomination were produced at the Confederacy's first capital, these being \$1,000, \$30,000 and \$50.

"The rarest of all these bills is that of \$500, which bore interest at the rate of 5 cents a day. In fine condition it readily brings \$25 to \$35.

"The next in point of rarity it the \$100 Montgomery bill. When we preserved the bill is worth \$20.

"Then comes the \$100 bill. This is worth \$5. The fourth of the Montgomery series, the \$50 bill, is quoted at \$4.

"The rarest of the bills printed at Richmond is the one of the denomination of \$5. This shows negroes loading cotton on the left hand side. To the right is an Indian princess. It is a great curiosity in its way, for here we have a Confederate note that has come to be worth double its face value, as the premium offered for it is \$10.

"Bills of the first issue at Richmond have written dates. The highest denomination was \$100, and the chief design showed at train of cars in the center. On the left is a figure of Justice, with Minerva on the right. A copy of this bill is worth \$4.

"While the bills of the second issue of July 25, 1861, are by no mean common, yet they are not nearly so rare as the bills of the first issue. The \$100, with Ceres and Proserpine in the center and Washington's bust to the left, is worth \$1, which is about the highest premium, while the twenty-dollar bill, with a ship sailing to the right, sell for 15 cents. The tendollar bill, with a weman leaning on a shield, on which is a Confederate flag, with eleven stars, is worth 50 cents. Of the two five dollar bills, the one engraved at New Orleans is not worth par, being quoted at \$5, while the other variety, showing a woman leaning on a shield on which is a figure 5, is worth \$2.

"The remainder of the bills of the 1861 issue were dated September 2, and some of these are now exceedingly interesting from a historical standpoint. While enormous numbers of these bills were printed, yet some of them are now extremely rare.

"A very interesting ten-dollar bill, but not rare, shows Gen. Francis Marion, the Swamp Fox of revolutionary days, eating his famous sweet potato breakfast with a British officer.

Of the same issue there was a two dollar bill, which is now above par. This is particularly curious, as the bills of small denominations were the most plentiful and heretofore were hardly worth the paper upon which they were printed. It seems like the irony of fate that the last two dollar bills should be now worth more than their face value. In 1864 it would have required twenty of the five dollar bills or fifty of the two dollar bills to buy an ordinary pair of shoes

"The design of this odd variety shows the personification of the Confederacy slaying the Union. In the upper right hand corner is the bust of J. P. Benjamin. The bill is worth \$2.50.

"The issues of 1862, 1863 and 1864 are not as varied as those of 1861, and none of them commands much of a premium.

"At the present rate of advance of the prices for the earlier Confederate issues it won't be long before they rank as high as the scarce issues of colonial and continental money, and all such notes are well worth preservation."—New York Sun.

An Alchaian peasant has been the fortunate discoverer of an ancient gold ring of the Mycaeien period, with a gold chain on which fourteen figures of remarkably fine workmanship were carved. It has been taken possession of by the authorities, and will doubtless find its way into the Museum at Athens.

EDITOR'S NOTE.—Publishers of archaeological journals and books, are requested to send copies for review, to address below. Also desire notes and clippings of archaeological interest. Proper credit given to all correspondents.

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No. 1709 – Reprinted from Smithsonian Miscellaneous Collections is a report on The "Webster" Ruin in Southern Rhodesia, Africa. This is a description of an African ruin, with numerous photographs. In working this ruin the author has made very careful measurements, and describes it very concisely. Also describes a number of iron implements and fragments of pottery found in the debris.

One of the most interesting works on American Archaeology that I have read is the 25th annual report of the Buraeu of American Ethnology. The main part of this book is a monograph by Dr J. W. Fewkes He describes his trip through Porto Rico and Mexico, taken in the interest of the Smithsonian Institution. He gives a large amount of information on the early life of the Porto Ricans, such as their government, social and religious customs, etc. He then describes a large number of prehistoric relics such as the stone collars, zemis, or three pointed stones, pestles, cetls, pottery, etc., also several archeological sites. Every collector having a copy of the catalog of the Latimer & Gues De collections in the U.S. National Museum should also possess a copy of the 25th Annual Report of the Bureau of American Ethnology.

After spending three months traveling through Manitoba and Saskatchewan in search of traces of the prehistoric mound builders, Prof. Henry Montgomery, of the University of Toronto, has concluded that this mysterious race inhabited the continent as far north as 140 miles above the international boundary line. Prof. Montogmery says, "I have devoted twenty-fine years to the study of mound builders and cliff dwellers, and I believe the mound builders were related to the cliff dwellers of New Mexico and Arizona and to the Aztecs of Mexico".

The Secretary of Agriculture, through the forest service, has just granted a permit to the Archeological Institute of America to explore and examine the canyon of the Rito de los Tripoles, in New Mexico, and the adjacent mesa, or table land, south of the canyon, for the purpose of collect-

ing objects of antiquity and of prehistoric interest.

The specimens to be collected under this permit, will be preserved in the Southwest Museum of the Archeological Institute of America, located at Los Angeles, Calif. This is the first permit of the kind granted by the Secretary of Agriculture.

The portion of the canyon of the Rito de los Frijoles where the investigations will be made is in the Jemez National Forest, New Mexico. The particular objects sought, are pottery, clay, stone, wood or bone implements, domestic furniture or utensils, and anything else that may serve to throw light on the history of the people who formerly lived there.

Painting on Stones and Shells

It may so happen that our summer holiday takes us to a district abounding in large smooth stones, or in large flat, handsome shells. Both these are, in some places, to be had for the trouble of stopping to pick them up. The amateur artist turns her attention to most things, and amongst others to these stones and shells. One of the former can be sunk into a block of polished or stained wood, about half the stone beng left above the level of the surface, and thus it becomes converted into a useful paper weight. If the stone is very large it may be mounted in a similar fashion and made to do duty as a door weight. In any case, the pebble selected should be as smooth as possible, and free from cracks or irregularities of surface. The shape also must be even and symmetrical.

The first thing to be done is to wash the stone well to remove every particle of sand or mud. If tiny cracks or chips are unavoidable upon the side that is to be painted they may be filled up with plaster of paris and glue. This cement, when dry, should be well rubbed down, so that the surface becomes perfectly smooth.

The style of ornament upon the face of a pebble of this sort generally takes the form of an oval panel which should be coated with Chinese white and any good medium, such as Miss Turck's Mirrorine or Florentine, according to whether water colors, or oil paints, are to be used. The painting must be as fine and delicate as the artist can manage to make it, and cars must be taken to let one wash of color dry before the next is applied.

When the painting is finished, and quite set, a coat of copal varnish should be applied, and when this, in its turn, is hard the stone is ready for mounting.

Large, flat shells need very little preparation inside to make them agreeable for painting upon, for they are generally smooth enough, and have a beautiful pearl like appearance that needs no address background.

The outside requires to be thoroughly cleaned by rubbling with hydrochloric acid (to be used with care) and then polishing with Tripoli powder, and finally with olive oil. Sometimes, the appearance may be improved by a coat or two of varnish, but if the shell is sunk into a hollow piece of wood, as described for a stone, the outside will be scarcely visible and need not be selaborately treated.

The painting may be expected with oil or water colors as preferred, the medium being chosen accordingly.

These shells can be mounted on plush mounts for pin trays very successully, and one set in the centre of an ordinary toilet pincushion makes an excellent recaptable for small trinkets such as rings and lace pins.

A Day's Tramp By C. S. Mason

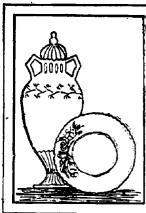
It was Wednesday afternoon and a half hoilday so summoning a friend who was as deeply interested in hunting rocks, fossils, etc., as myself, w started off on a tramp. In order to have more time to do our hunting a the desired place, we took the train riding as far as Lucy Furnace. out in a southeasterly direction we walked about a mile. The first specimens we found were those of the Mandrake or May apple. In this plant the root is large and carrot like, and from it the 5 to 7 parted leaves spring with no apparent stem, and among them the stalked whitish flowers. is a one celled berry, about the size of a sparrow's egg. The fresh berried when cut or bruised, have a pleasant oder like that of wine or apples, and two or three may be eaten without inconvenience. All parts of the plant however, have poisonous properties like those of belladonna, but more nacotic, for which reason a dose of the root was formerly sometimes given h patients about to endure surgical operations. The ancients were well acquainted with the narcotic and stupefying properties of mandake, and h was a common saying of a sleepy or indolent man, that he had eaten man The root often divides into two, and presents a rude resemblance to the human figure: and human figures were formerly often cut out of it to which many magical virtues were ascribed. The botanical name of this plant is Podophyllum peltatum, L. After gathering a few of these w started direct for the iron ore mines, when we expected to find our best We found several mines, some working and others abandoned specimens. and all in a kind of valley surrounded on three sides by high hills. The valley was rich in ore principally of the "Bog" variety of Limchite or Brow Hematite ore. We supposed it was formed in such quantities here by the waters, both surface and subterrangan coming in contact with beds of or placed higher up in the hills, and impregnating and mixing with the lower level of clay left its iron deposits behind, the clay acting as a sieve or filter Through the beds of ore are found pockets of vellow and white clay. We made selections of all these, but what interessed us most was what appeared to be solid lumps of iron but which were only hollow concretions, lined with beautiful glazed limonite. This is called bomb shell.ore, or, Geodes, more properly. We broke many of these open, finding in some long needle shape crystals, in others knobs and rosettes, and oxidizations of all colors of the Many of these geodes were of the size of marbles, and varying it size from this to one of several pounds. They seemed to be formed by start ing in the first place with a ball or lump of iron clay, then the iron sough the outside of the lump and was deposited there in a thin shell, and in creased by additions. The reason we thought this a satisfactory explanated was the amost invariable finding of the core of clay inside, on breaking the The shafts down to the ore varied from 75 to 200 feet in depth Their apparatus for hoisting, when not using a steam engine, consists of large wooden drum, revolving on a central wooden post, from this drum rope leads over a pulley to the bucket suspended over the mouth of the shaft The power is furnished by a horse, harnessed to a pole working the revole ing drum, as the horse starts in the circle to the right the rope unrolls and the bucket descends. When this has reached the bottom, the empty buck

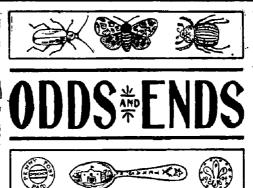
is taken off and the full one put on, the direction of the horse reversed and the loads raised. After ridding the ore of dirt and mud a washing machine is used, this consists of a wooden or iron trough higher at one end than the other, and revolving in this trough is a cast iron or worden roller, having iron brackets placed slantingly in a forward direction. The ore is put in the lower end of the trough, water turned in, the roller revolves, and keeps shoving the iron toward the upper and higher end, leaving the sand behind. The fine sand and bits of one left behind is much used by plasterers and brick layers for making cement and plaster.

After we had inspected the mine to our hearts content we strolled in The while clay or kaolin found in the the direction of the kaolin refinery. region of the iron beds is taken to his mill and washed thoroughly. process of washing being as follows: The clay being put in a small grinding mill and reduced to a powder, is now placed in a shallow vat, about a foot in depth, and reaching nearly the whole length of the building and flooded The vat has partitions running from one side nearly to the other, a small space almost 4 inches being left between the partition and These partitions with their open spaces are placed alternately in The water laden with clay to the consistency of thick cream, starts from the upper and sligthly higher end, and traverses the length of the first partition, escapes through the opening at the side to the next partition traveling its length and going to the next, so on back and forth till the A very gradual fall from beginning to end of the lower level is reached vat causes the current. Towards the last, however, the flow is very sluggish, the water rises to the top and the clay deposited here. Almost all of the water is drained off, enough being left in to cause the mud to flow under the floor to a large vat where it is allowed to settle. All the water is now drawn out and the wet clay forced into canvass bags placed between iron All the water is now expelled. The canvass bags are now slots in a press. opened and the cake of clay rolled up like a lump of dough and carried on a wheel barrow to a floor covered with hot pipes, on these the clay is placed to This it does in a day or two, and is then packed into barrels; 350, 450 and 500 pounds are sometimes put in the barrels. It is now ready for shipping to the potteries, some going to Trenton, N. J., New York, Philadelphia and elsewhere. Two presses are used, one filling while the other is The pay is 40 cents per press, from 8 to 11 presses are taken being emptied out daily.

We left the mill at 3 o'clock and went over Mammy Morgan's Hill, from whose reights we had a glorious view of the surrounding country, especially a fine one looking up the Delaware towards the Water Gap. On the crest of the hill we found good flowering specimens of the Azaleas or Wild Honeystickle. On descending the hill we found more mines, but being heavily laden with satchels of iron ore and kaolin specimens and having to hurry home, left them for an inspection at a future time. We arrived home about 5 o'clock, tired, very hungry and dirty, but well pleased with our long tramp of five miles or more.

Spode china is fetching high prices just now. A set of three vases changed hands recently at \$150, and a tea-set \$55. At the same sale a pair of Worcester baskets, although hopelessly broken, sold for \$100.







Few such rich finds have fallen to the lot of Egyptian discoverers as the opening up of the tomb of Tu, the Queen of Amenophis III., by Mr. R. Earpton. The entire chamber was full of gold, the precious metal being very freely used for overlaying. The Royal jewels were found untouched, and a beautiful jewel of pure gold in the form of a neck collar was discovered. There is a peculiar interest about Egyptian curios, so many of which are met with in the London sale rooms an curio shops. A collection of Egyptian heads has just been brought under our notice. It included many curious specimens, all of which had been bought in odd lots here and then without much expense. Yet, when nicely mounted, these specimens of the craftmanship of the period of Egyptian greatness, contemporary with the Pyramids, looked peculiarly beautiful, and possessed a rare charm.

It would be difficult to had a more profitable investment than old silver, the price of which has been going up steadily for many years. The prices advance all round, but especially so all silver hall marked before the reign of George 111.

A Roman steelyard from Pompeii has just been added to the Liverpol Museum. It is specially interesting inasmuch as it is almost identical in pattern with those weighing instruments now in use in this country; showing how little he have advanced in such things at any rate.

The Kann treasures secured in Paris for \$5,000,000 by Duveen Bros. will be dispersed. The collection includes eleven superb Rembrandts and sit examples of Van Dyck. Doubtless some of our readers will avail themselves of the opportunities of inspecting these pictures which will be given. There will be many admirers, but few among the crowd able to secure the treasures which will, it is expected, realize enormous sums.

The number of spurious antiques, in every branch of art, is very discouraging to collectors. The manufacture of spurious antiques in many continental towns finds employment for a large number of workers, adopts in forgery. This applies not only to the imitation and reproduction of practically all of the important creations of old masters, but to copying works of minor importance. Even the collector who is ready to spend a fet

dollars must be very careful. Quite recently a collection of idols, silver, brass, iron, wood and stone—gathered together in all lands was carefully examined by experts, who declared that fully 85 per cent were forgeries.

A loborer named Wilson of Sunderland, while digging in his garden a few days ago found an old tin containing coins, the face value of which was \$35, but some of them—two hundred years old—possess a curio value of a much larger amount.

A gem of great interest and beauty has been found near Mandalay in Burma. It consists of a mass of pure pigeon blood rubies embedded in calcite.

Hunters after musical relics of great composers were interested in the original score of the "Messiah," used by Handel himsef, and enriched with grace notes added in his own hand, which was sold in London recently. The price realized—five hundred dollars—was not great, considering the reputation of Handel and his work.

There have been some valuable discoveries at Newstead Roman camp, including a pompeian bronze vase with finely engraved ornamentation and a chased handle, decorated with a female head with eyes inset of silver; two Roman swords and a beautiful Greek mask. The discovery of bone dice prove the tradition and records of the gaming propensities of that day, and the toilet requisites show how many luxuries the Roman ladies possessed in their British villas.

An article on "Old Silver Vinaigrettes," by Mrs. Head, in "The Crown," gives some pleasing accounts of these beautiful little articles. The collection of vinaigrettes may not appeal to many, but it is essentially a ladies' hobby and one which may be made interesting and profitable, for vinaigrettes are bound to become scarcer. Already those bearing eighteenth century hall-marks are valuable, the majority of the specimens having been made about the end of the first quarter of the nineteenth century.

An immense quantity of bronze figures and statues have been found offthe coast of Tunis, where a city has been found on the bed of the ocean. It would appear as if some might; wave suddenly swept over the land, from which it never receded.

Old silver spoons continue to sell for high prices. A William and May rat tail spoon with notched top handle was sold for \$100; and another, a seal top for \$60. Indeed, old silver has been selling for very much higher prices during the present season than in any other recorded. A small sauce pan, in the collection of Viscount Falkland sold at \$6 per oz., but in the same sale a porringer of the time of William III., realized \$35 per oz.

The high prices realized for genuine prints after Morland, such as the beautiful mezzotints, by William Ward, have induced the forger to produce modern copies which, although obvious forgeries to the practiced eye, are very misleading to the amateur. Collectors must be very wary, for quite a number of these reproductions are about. Still there is hope for those who are in the look out for bargains, for every now and then a genuine old color print is found worth \$500 or more, the possessors of which will often gladly part with it for a few cents.

To Preserve Sea Weeds

Most people become imbued with the desire to preserve some of the beautiful seaweeds that are found on some of our coasts. Some few require them for the purpose of study, others merely because they are things of beauty and they wish to keep them as souvenirs of a happy holiday. Other like to use them as ornamental borders for photographic views whether these are mounted in a book or on a series of loose cards. On the whole, seaweeds are perhaps more satisfactory to preserve than are wild flowers and fenrs, for, however carefully these are dried, they invariably lose their color at last and many of them have the bad habit of falling to pieces.

The seaweed to be mounted should be laid in a shallow pan of cold water and lightly stirred about to free them from sand and any other matter that may not be wanted.

The paper or card, upon which the plant are to be mounted should be gently slipped under the weed as it floats which must be encouraged to spread itself out in its natural position, if required for utility, or in a mon studied fashion if it is to serve merely as an ornament. A camel's hair brush is invaluable for gently stroking out the fine filaments and some of these may be snipped off where they grow so thickly as to spoil the delicate appearance of the spray.

As soon as the seaweed is arranged in the position needed, the paper of card should be placed between sheets of botanical drying paper if possible Failing this, blotting paper may be used, but it is considered too absorbent to be successful. Over the seaweed, to prevent it from coming into direct contact with the paper, should be laid a piece of soft muslin, or cambrid Even the most sticky of the specimens will not give trouble by adhering to this. The sheets should be placed under even but not too heavy pressum. At first the drying-papers will need to be changed at least twice a day, but as the moisture becomes gradually absorbed, once a day will be enough until the seaweeds are quite dry. The muslin or cambric may be left in its place till it is ready to be removed altogether. It should then be deftly peeled off, being taken from the stem end of the specimen upwards.

If the collector means serious business as regards seaweeds he may obtain them in one of three ways. The rocks may be carefully searched at the sea recedes, and quoting a well known writer on the subject, "Even pool, creek, cave and overhanging or perpendicular rock, should be carefully examined; all large coarse weeds should be pushed aside, or removed, so a to reveal any of the smaller species that may be sheltered beneath them, of may grow parasitically on their roots, stems, and fronds."

Another plan is by picking up such as are cast on shore by the sea and the third is by dredging. The best season for starting a collection of seaweeds is from the beginning of May to the end of September, but there are certain species that are only found in perfection in the winter. The collector should be provided with some small tin boxes, water tight if possible, a good strong walking stick, a useful knife and a magnifying glass. Needles to say the costume must be weather-proof and coarse enough not to be too by jagged rocks.

Some interesting excavations have recently been carried out at Poundbury, a Roman camp near Dorchester, England.

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Change in Address: Allen F. Wade from 37½ E. 11th St. to 1507 Washington St., Kansas City, Mo.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT. RECEIPTS.

On hand last month
Dues and fees to date (Oct. 23rd '07)
Total
EXPENDITURES.
To printing Constitution
To Secretary's postage Sept. 23 to Oct. 23
Total
On hand Oct. 23rd
Dear Members:-There are two important things I wish to call to our
members' attention.
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There has been considerable complaint about members not getting their copy of the "WEST". Hereafter when your paper fails to reach you by the 15th of each month, kindly notify Bro. Brodstone and he will forward another copy. Also when members change their address it is important to notify me, so as to keep my records correct. If members will heed the above instructions they will save considerable delay and inconvenience.

Collectors do you know that the S. P. A. would be pleased to receive you as a member?

Do you know that the Sales Dept. has many good things in store for you? Why not join at once for the busy season with stamps is now at hand. Blanks and information free; just write me at New Bedford, Ohio.

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Worthless Paper Money. It appears that the small tradesmen throughout Switzerland have been the victims of fraud on the part of tourists, says the Zeitung. Well dressed strangers whom the experienced Swiss took for Englishmen or Americans, paid their bills and made purchases among tradesmen, using worthless Confederate bills. The victims are mostly small tradesmen, who found out their loss when they attempted to change their useless dollar bills.

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October 15th, 1907. ROLL OF HONOR.

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PERSONALS.

Mrs. Louise H. Hamm, 15 Salombe Street, Dorchester, Mass wishes to exchange only views of Baptist churches, Soldiers Homes and Foreign cards.

- 1027. S. E. Phillips, Canterbury, N. H., desires to hereafter exhange with foreign members only.
- 1115. Miss Villa Booth, 324 14th Sreet, Portland, Oregon, announces hat she will not be in position to exchange with members in the United tates until after February 1st, 1908.
- 1258. Miss Jeanette A. Hueriln, Hotel Del Mar, Long Beach, Calif., vishes to exchange for the following cards only: From the United States, omes of Famous People only; from foreign countries, Historical Cards only.
- 1263 Harvey W. Lindamen's address is Charles City, Iowa., and not harles City, Mo., as was stated in the last number of the WEST.

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET.

To answer all cards promptly.

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To notify the publisher if you do not receive the WEST regularly, and of the Secretary of the UNION. The publisher has been paid for your abscription and is under obligation to send you the paper.

That we close our report on the 15th of each month and all notices and ew memberships received after that date, must be held over for the next eport.

That members are forbidden (unless requested by their correspondents) o mail view cards, for or in exchange, from states other than the one in which they reside, and members receiving such cards, which are necessarily halled in violation of this rule, are under no obligations to reply.

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That we do not publish membership lists at regular intervals, nor do we promise to furnish anyone with a new list every month but we will ladly mails lists when published, to all sending postage. The last list was ublished October 25th, so if you wish a copy, please send postage to the secretary.

That we give as a premium, five beautiful cards for each new member ou secure, and also publish your name on our Roll of Honor.

To promptly renew when your membership expires.

That we do not have any rules or regulations, other than the foregoing, and by carefully complying therewith we are sure you will be satisfied with our membership in the UNION.

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- 29 H. A. Granfelt, Kuopio, Finland
- 736. F. W Johnson, South Tenth St., Fargo, N. D.
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- 1004. Albert Prote, 316 Milton St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

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- No. 7. Walter Schmus, 618 West School St., Chicago. (colored views only)
- No. 8. L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Nebraska.
- No. 9. B. Glademtz, Box 47, Detroit, Michigan.

CORRECTION.

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We are sorry this happened. In the first instance it was the fault the Secretary, in the second and third, the fault of the publisher. We both beg forgiveness, and will try to be more careful in the future.

To our card collecting friends: This is the first offical report of the Club, it being organized very little more than a month. It cannot be a pected of us to have a very large report for this month. We don't was this to discourage you, so let us have your application before the 15th Why not? We offer you a benefit which no other club m We reimburse you for losses sustained in exchanging with dishord Do you wish a position as State Representative? If so please make application to the Secretary. We want a representataive in each state and Foreign country.

SPECIAL.

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- 2nd. One yearly membership to the member securing the second large amount of new members.
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Contest closes Jan. 1st., 1908. Prize winners names will be published in the February, '08 issue of the WEST, in case there is a tie between two or more contestants, the same prize will be awarded each contestant. We delay the date of publication for the benefit of members in foreign countries.

With best wishes we are sincerely yours,

Arthur Soderstrum, Pres., James A. Carr, Jr., Sec-Treas.

The Collecting of U. S. Medals By F. Ray Risdon

Appreciating the need of a department for the benefit of those who, like myself, collect the medals of this country; and hoping that we might be able to establish a society for the furtherance of the cause and the assistance of collectors along this line, I wrote Mr. Brodstone a few months ago, asking him if we might have space in his paper. "The Phialtelic West and Camera News," and mailing to him a suggestion for a head line to this Department. Since he has offered us the required space it is necessary that we get together and formulate plans for the development of this Department and maybe—this Society.

Although primarily, a branch of Numismatics, it has come to pass that it is now quite removed from its original source; and, although a Medallist may be a Numismatist,—and vice-versa, there are now so many of us who are either one or the other, that we feel that we are altogether separate from each other—in other words, we now recognize the rights and difference of these two forms of collecting, and we demand to be recognized under our true name—Medalists (collectors of medals).

Since we have limited this branch (in this Department), to the collectors of U. S. medals, we desire only articles on this subject. Now, let all who are interested come to the front, and with your hearty co-operation we shall soon have a competent corps of able contributos, and if my hopes and aspirations come true, we shall have a full-fledged society, in the very near future, known as "The American Medallic Society."

Note—Anyone interested in the several lines of this hobby, namely, the collecting of medals;—for merit, of award, historical, or political, will please give your opinoin to either Mr. Brodstone or myself.

For some time past old samplers have been quite a drug on the market. A few months ago a large collection, including some very early dated specimens, was dispersed under the hammer, the amount realised being disappointing, some excellent examples selling for two or three shillings each. Among the Bronte relics sold at Sotheby's in London a few days ago were several samplers, that fetched very high prices, quite a contrast to these already mentioned. The question is sometimes asked, What is there in a name? Evidently Mr. Tregaskis, who gave \$45 for three faded relics bearing the name of Charlotte Bronte, who, eighty five years ago, worked her samplers, thought much of a name!



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I wish to say to the members and all who join in the future that this society is for your good and any suggestions you may make will have my serious consideration. Now, we are getting so many members that it seems impossible to do each justice in placing the different collectors together, therefore commencing next issue we shall place the names so that you may receive more notice. As to the card collectors, if each member who wishes to do active exchanging will send me your name (a card will do) I will put your name down so that you may get better exchange. I wonder how many of the members would be willing to send a post card once each week to the other members who are willing to do likewise. Let me have your name for next issue.

Just a word now to the firms. We want as members all firms who are selling collectable things and would like to see the members of the Union give those firms part of their patronage the larger part when possible. I want to give notice now to all firms who are interested in helping Unionia collectors that we expect to publish in the January issue a complete list of firms who are members of this Society. We want those who are working fort these firms as well as those in charge, so when your firm name appear how many shall we put down from your company. I am very much interested in a letter received from the Sunflower Stamp Co., 1503 Atchison, He says in part, "We would like to Kans., Mr. H. Blomberg in charge. have you put our name in the Collectors' Union in the list of loyal and reliable firms We do everything and sell everything. We advertise and an reliable." Whoever you are, if you are selling to collecters and can say the same as the above company join us and let your name appear in January as a Union dealer.

We have another large list this month and would like about 400 more before the first of the year. Our list this issue:

Geo. M. Klein, St., No. 714 Klein St., Vicksburg, Miss., post cards. Thad Wilson, Muncie, Ind., coins, stamps, Indian relics, antiques and curios. James Shields. Dubuque, Iowa, Bink & Inc. Bldg, autographs Hurza, Crystal Falls, Mich . Br T, stamps and coins. R H Crobsy, Makham, Ont., Can., By 173, stamps, postals and unotos. J. C. Williams, Worcoster, Mass, 533 Main St, old books Miss Finance Smith, Bx 24, Newport, Ark., curio, post cards and stamps G. Koan, Plateau City, old photos, Indian relics. H. C. Meredith, Br. 291, Lakeport, Calif., Indian goods, L. C. Gully, Argenta Sa, Little Bock, Ark., relics, etc. Erwin Kurtz, R. F. D. 4, Buevrus, Onio, post eards, stamps. Sonora, Kt., Bz 204. S. Nelson, Bz 908, Boisz, Hahb. Juseph Monroe, R. F. D. 5. Carlisle. Pa., war relics, curios. C Squires, N Y City, 140 W. 69 St., oast cards all kinds. Harry Scoble, New Rachelle, N. Y, callects most Mrs. F Tryon. Chicago, Ill., 5042 Forestville Ave., post cards C. B. Russell, Oklahomi City, Okla., 109 E. Main St., post all kinds. A. Heitmuller, Washington, D. C., 608 14 St., N. W. Autographs, Fritz, Mountain Iron. Minn. relies, curins-collects most everything. V. N. Garretson, Danver, Col., 133 17th St., stamps, etc. E. Holmes, Montrose. Neb., Indian relics all kinds. Write for list. O. Willus, St. Paul, Minn., 527 Laurel Ave., stamps, coins, etc., L. H. Morrison, care Hollcraft. Nacozarl Son. Maxim. all hobbies. John Soahn, Milwaukee, Wis., 290 Western Ave., exchanges post cards. no comics, stamps, etc. R. S. Mathis, R. F. D. Phoenix, Ariz T J McCarrhy, St. Louis, Mo., 1445 Chambers St., pist cirds, etc. Arthur Othler, Milvsukee, Wis., 606 Lee St., stamps, post cards T. H. Ingram, Norfolk, Va., 5990 Church St., collects, exchanges all kinds curios, relics.

The Popular Fad. The postal card craze has apparently come to stay. I know quite a number of young folk whose knowledge of still life and city life in both hemispheres has been greatly enlarged by exchanging picture cards and then classifying them for permanent reference. If the cards are home made, this fad becomes doubly interesting and profitable. Those who have not yet tried this kind of printing work will start right if they purchase a packet of Lumiere postal cards, on which beautiful effects can be secured. It will be found that many an ordinary photograph can be vastly improved by cutting down to fit nicely on a postal card space (leaving room, of course, for writing matter) and negatives spoiled for regular sized prints, but otherwise good, can often be utilized to fine effect in an oval or circular mask. Try them with some of those camping or vaciation views you have taken this summer. Write Rob Rhone, Sr. Paul, Minu., 704 Plum St.

\$2600 for a "Pilgrim's Progress!" This seems a long figure, but the price was willingly paid by Mr. Quaritch for a rare first edition, only three being known. At the same sale Mr. Quaritch gave \$1900 for a first printed edition of Homer, published in 1488.

American Historical Discoveries Dept.

I make my bow this month as Editor of a new Department of the WEST, and, as my opening speech, I want to tell you how glad I am to have the privilege of entertaining and, I trust, instructing you through these pages. It will always be my endeavor to have only these kind of articles in my Department. Any suggestions, clippings, magazines, etc. will be gratefully received. I trust you will pardon my article this month and next issue will do better—P. M. Conner, 447 N. 42nd St., Philadelphia, Penn.

AN INTERESTING DOCUMENT.

In the American Historical Magazine for July there is an interesting account by Reginald Pelham Bolton, of a manuscript Headquarters Book of 1781, which has recently come into his possession.

He describes it as being $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches by $4\frac{3}{4}$ inches, evidently part of a pocket book, somewhat similar to a book dated 1776 in the library of the New York Historical Society. Though devoid of covers, it is in a very good condition.

It covers the period from April 25 to August 2, 1781, while Sir Henry Clinton was Commander in Chief, and contains, among other items, the daily orders of the commander, promotions, passwords and punishments meted out to various offending officers.

During the time covered by the entries the headquarters of the British forces was moved back and forth between New York, Brooklyn and Staten Island, Sir Henry was kept on the qui vive by the activities of various irregular American troops and evidenly believed he could escape a contemplated attack by moving before it could be executed.

On the 26th of April, 1781, we find Headquarters in Robelets Tavem where certain officers are to meet the following day. By May 6th, Sir Henry had established himself on Staten Island An entry under this date calls attention to some disregard of orders issued on 30th of previous December.

The 7th of May finds Headquarters in New York and orders issued on this date call a meeting of a Court Martial, presided over by one Major Breese to meet in the City Hall on the ollowing morning. Corlier's Hook is designated as the place for artillery practice on May 15th. Orders dated the following day quarter the King's American Dragoons on Long Island and reference is made to a letter saying that on the 19th of April Lord Pawdon had routed Genl. Greene and 1400 Continentals from their position in front of Camden (S. C.) with 800 men, losing 200 men, among which was I officer and 11 wuonded. American loss estimated at 500 men.

Under 24th of May, Maj. Delancey of the 17th Light Dragoons is appointed to act as Adjutant General Entry of June 7th directs Hospital Boards to meet in King's College, June 11th notes an alteration in ration of oats.

Orders are given on June 12th for the following disposition of troops: "The four Batteries of Hessian Grenadiers in the Bowery, near New York," "The Regt Du Corps upon the left, and the Regiment of Prince Charles on the right of McGowans Pass." (Note the reference to the far-famed Bowery.)

One of the most interesting entries is that under date of 24th of June, wherein is recorded the trial of one Lt. Col. Barton, of the 1st Battalion of

N. J. Volunteers. The charges, preferred by Brig. Gen. Skinner were "neglect of duty, disobedience of Orders, and engentlemanlike behaviour." The more specific charges were those of having left his duty as officer of the lay, on Staten 1s., for a trip to Bergen Point; of which he was found guilty, and of an impropriety of conduct in entering into an agreement to build the trame of a house for a New York merchant. This, to quote Bolton's words "was considered reprehensible though not "ungentlemanlike." The sentence of the court was that he should be reprimanded "by such Persons in such manner as His Excellency the Commander in Chief shall be pleased to direct."

He was acquitted of charges of non-payment of entire bounty money to some of his men, failing to make full returns of prisoners taken by his corps, employing soldiers at work at Bergen Point and "transactions relative to some Geese stolen by a Soldier of the 1st Battn from a Houseman an inhabitant of Staten Is land." What were Barton's particular doings in regard to the latter is not made apparent.

Acquittal was also the verdict for the charges of neglect in not punishing certain men who had deserted; and permitting his officers to go to the city when their "Four for duty" came.

The most serious charge was an "Erazure made in the usual place of signature in the Return of Prisoners taken from the Enemy by the 1st Battalion." The court afer most careful enquiry could not given opinion as to when and by whom it had been made. "Apparently," as Bolton says, "in the face of such a list of delinquencies, Colonel Batton got off pretty easily."

There follows a few minor entries, among which may be noted that of July 2d., where a letter is acknowledged in which the King approves the "behaviour of Brig. Gen. (Benedict) Arnold and his officers and men for the conduct of an expedition to the Chesapeake. Under date of 1st of August "The Commander in Chief desires that all Sentries may be placed as much as possible out of the Sun during the heat of the day." Surely a thoughtful provision!

The last entry is a calculation in which £400-8-6 dwindles to £234-4-10 when reduced to its value in Sterling.

Dr. Bolton must be congratulated in giving to us a most interesting "original document."

Egg Collecting. "My favorite hobby is egg collecting. About four years ago we lived near a small country village in the north. In the surrounding district were numerous woods, forming a favorite nesting place for the many different species of birds. The eggs. therefore were not very diffi-As my parents are now living in the town, and I have started work. I must needs travel considerable distances, therefore taking up a good deal of my time, before I could come in connection with their The collecting of birds' eggs is a very healthy and profit-As the birds generally build their nests in the early spring, it was necessary for me to go hird nesting during th latter part of that It is cruelty to completely rob a nest, but if only one egg is taken out of it, the bird will not forsake or leave the rest It is advisable to blow the eggs when fresh, or ease the contents will rot the shells."



Camera News..

Editor-F. J. Clute, San Francisco

Weak, Flat Fogged Negativse By R. Child Bayley



THE LEAST LIKELY CAUSE OF THE TROUBLE.

If, in spite of a satisfactory test of the dark room lamp and change of developer the plates are still badly fogged where their edges have never been exposed, then it is clear that they themselves are at fault, and that either they were defective when issued, or have since become so. It is only fair to dealers and manufacturers alike, to point out that of all the causes for bad negatives this particular one is the rarest. It should not be suspected until every other possible cause has been shown to be non-existent.

THE SIGNS OF UNDER EXPOSURE.

We have now dealt with such negatives as suffered from general fog, in which category Nos. 2, 3, 5 and 6 are conspicuous. No. 4 we have pointed out was slightly under exposed and thin. Our correspondent has an enquin on this point. He states that he has always read that under exposure and over-development give "contrasty" negatives. This is only strictly true when the under-exposure has not been very great; when it has been, then the plate, however, much over developed, may have less vigor than one pro-His last two plates are both so much under-exposed that all perly exposed. other shortcomings they might have are quite immaterial. Nothing could make even a presentable negative of them.

FOG THE FIRST THING TO BE GOT RID OF.

Judging from many of the prints sent to us for criticism and advice, results such as we have been discussing are common enough The question is how to avoid them. They are due in almost ever yease to fog of one kind So long as this fog is present, it is no use attempting to determine whether exposures are correct or not, and whether development has been carried far enough As our correspondent points out, the plates when the image does start coming up rapidly, go black all over, and density becomes impossible. Let the first steps, therefore, be to remove all four sources of fog:

- (1)Internal reflections in the camera.
- (2.) Dirty or dusty lenses.
- Faulty dark room light. (3.)
- Unsuitable, impure, or deteriorated developer.

Having done this, and knowing that we have done so from the fact that our under exposed plate, however far developed, have shadows as clear, or nearly as clear, as the unexposed edges of the plate themsevies, thus showing that sources 1 and 2 are closed up, and from the fact that the clean edges



show sources 3 and 4 are also closed, a vigorous negative is a question simply of correct exposure and development for a sufficiently long time.

CORRECT EXPOSURES AND SUFFICIENT DEVELOPMENT.

Exposure meters and systemtic development by them will give this, and is also not very difficult to get reasonably good results by determining the progress of development by looking at the plate at the dark-room lamp. Needless to say, development must go on for some time after the surface of the plate has darkened all over. A good rough guide—but it is no more—is to develop until the broad outlines of the subject can be distinguished on the back of the plate. Anyhow, if there is any difficulty in getting sufficient contrast, develop for some time after the surface—always excepting the unexposed edges—has darkened over.—Photography.

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NEW INTENSIFICATION METHODS.

A number of workers have recently been publishing revised methods of intensifying, which methods in the first place emanated from Dr. Eder, of Vienna, and were subsequently examined to a slight extent by Messrs. Hurter and Driffield. The process consists in bleaching the negative with potassium bichromate, and then applying a developer. Under certain circumstances a considerable increase of intensification takes place, and as the operation can be repealed a number of times there is practically no limit to the degree of intensity obtainable. Mr. Sellors gives a few practical details which will put my readers intending to experiment with the process in the way to proceed. The solution is made as fellows:

Potassium bichromate	10 grs.
Hydrochloric acid	5 mins.
Water	1 oz.

In this the negative is bleached and then thoroughly washed to remove all traces of the bichromate. It is then exposed to any bright light for a short time, and redeveloped with any suitable developer. According at Mr. Sellors pyro gave a markedly greater intensification than the more modern developer such as metal and amidal.



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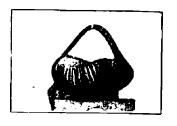
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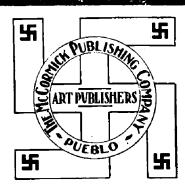
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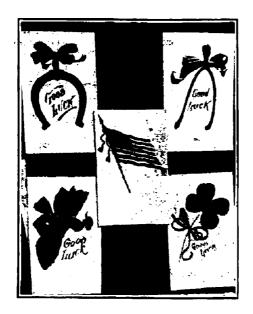
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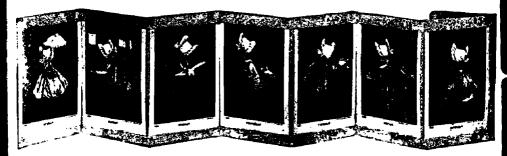
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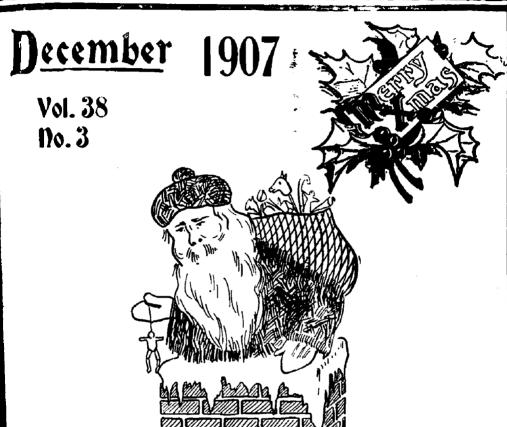


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OVR ILLUSTRATIONS

AN HISTORICAL SPOT. The "Common" or Village Green" in Lexington, Mass., where the first battle of the Revolution was fought, is probably the most interesting and historic spot in America. With its grand old trees, its well kept lawn, and appropriate tablets and monuments, it is, indeed a beauty spot in summer time.

On this Green stood the old belfry tower from which Paul Revere rang out the alarm on the night of his memorable ride, April 18 19, 1775, as described in Longfellow's poem. But a blocks' distance is the old Hancock house where slept John Hancock and Samuel Adams, who with others, were aroused by Revere. In fact, all of the old buildings are closely connected with the Green in historical prominence, and the whole may properly be termed the spot where dawned Independence

The illustration shows the beautiful tablet marking the line of the minute men and the "Old Harrington House" in the distance. The line was formed well towards the upper end of the Green and it was not intended that the British should advance beyond it. How well these faithful volum teers obeyed the command of their captain is shown by the fact that the Brittish fired the first volley and twenty five of the minute men fell. illustration is from a photographic post card made by Dr. J. Enus Wait, of Superior, Nebraska, who, with his wife appear in the picture. Mis. was formerly Miss Carrie Harrington, and in her family it has been understood that the first "cannon ball" of the Revoluton fell in her great grand father's vard: However, the tablet on the house bears the following. Home of Johnathan Harrington, who wounded on the common April 19,1775, dragged himself to his door and died at his wife's feet." In the official list of the killed his name is marked with a starr, showing that he fell at the first volley and was among the first twenty five Americans who gave up their live for Independence.

Many pages of interesting reading, together with beautiful pictures from Dr. Wait's camera, could be published did space permit. He is a very busy practitioner of dentisty, his camera being almost his only source of recreation. Among the exchanges of prints and photographic post cards he is well known for his excellent work.

He is first Vice President of The National Association of Amateur Phetographers and was successful in winning two prizes with his prints at the recent convention of that association at the Jamestown Exposition. During his travels over the United States he has added to his collection over two thousand fine negatives from such points of interest as the Yellowstone Park, British Columbia, Pacific coast points, Yosemite valley; and on his recent eastern trip from as far north as Quebec, to Richmond on the south.

C. L. HOEVET was born in Clay Co. Nebr, in 1880, near Fairfield, where he now resides. It is been an ardent Stamp collector since 1894. A dealer since 1898 and is now actively engaged in the stamp and coin business to which he has lately added the ever fascinating Post Card. See his many exchange Ads in this issue.

MISS VIRGINIA BAKER is a native of Warren, R. I., where the greater part of her life has been passed. She is the author of "Warren in the War of the Revolution of "Massasoit's town Sonams in Pan ikono"

Hoke: She is also a contributor to various magazines, her work being principally along historic and educational lines, though occasionally, she writes fiction. Miss Baker collects, minerals, cards, and Indian relics, being especially interested in everything pertaining to the aborigines.

JAMES A. CARR, Jr., Belleville, Illinois, R. F. D. No. 4, Secretary-Treasurer of the Pan American Souvenir Card Club, is twenty-four years old, and a member of three Souvenir Card Societies, and is at present the member of two fraternal societies. He wishes to exchange with honest card collectors in this and all foreign countries.

The Geographical Stamp Collection

I have been much struck with some passages in a letter recently to hand from a reader of the International in California, and I shall take leave to quote his remarks as pointing to a very interesting, and I think little-practised, form of stamp collecting. "My own collection," says the writer of the letter, "is being built up on special lines. It now numbers between 40,000 and 50,000 specimens, and I may say that the ordinary run of stamps have but little interest for me, except in so far as the places where they were used are concerned. In other words, in the various colonies and other smaller countries I am gathering specimens that show the various cancellations and postmarks.

For this purpose, of course the cheapest stamps are quite as serviceable as the more expensive, the one essential point being that the cancellation or postmark in each case shall be clear and distinctly readable without actually making a 'nigger' of the stamp ''

"I can quite believe the writer of the letter when he adds that this line of work has proved a most interesting and fascinating study. The wonder to me is that the geographical type of collection, if one may so term it, is not in greater favor with phlatelists Possibly many readers of the WEST will be quick to perceive its possibilities and its obvious advantages, and in that event we shall hear more of "postmark specialism" in the near future. One of the most conspicuous advantages of this form of collecting is mentioned by the correspondent already quoted. "It certainly provides," he writes, "a ready distinction between stamps cancelled to order and those genuinely used for postal purposes." I have been surprised, he adds, to find what ignorance prevails as to the postal conditions in other lands For example Hawaii had 88 post offices at the time of the annexation to the United States. If of which are represented in my collection, whereas most people here would give the number as 30 to 40 with a possible 50 Bermuda has no less than litieen postoffices, Jamaica has about 185 (of which I have 142) and so it goes The form of collecting advocated by this gentleman is certainly calculated to provide a speedy cure for the species of ignorance of which he complains.

Our readers, especially those residing abroad, can help us very much if they will send full particulars of all changes in the stamps of their country. Where possible we wish to see copies of the stamps—priced if they are for sale—but which will be sent back immedately after they have been noted, if required to be returned again. Also photos, coins, stamps, curios, relies etc.

The Junior Stamp Club of Denver, Colorado

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MINUTES.—Denver, Colo. Nov 1. 1907

The 23rd regular meeting of the J. S. C. of Denver was hold Nov 1, 1907, regular time at 1033 17th St. With Vice Pres. Snyder in the chair the meeting was called to order with nine members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Mr Skinner has received all the books from Mr Nelson, and requests that members send in some new books as the ones that were in the possession of Mr. Nelson have been around once or twice already and do not take as well as some new ones would.

Mr. Elmer J. Evison was admitted to membership in the J. S. C.

Mr. E. B. Snyder furnished the entertainment for the evening with his drum giving several popular strains that were enjoyed very nuch by the members present. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p. m. to meet Nov. 15th at 1033 17th St.

Yours truly, V. N. Garretson, Secy.

MINUTES - Denver. Colo., Nov 16, 1907.

The 24th regular meeting of the J S. C of Denver was held Nov. 15th regular time at 1033 17th St. With all members present, the meeting was called to order with Pres. Nell presiding.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The meeting place of the club was changed from 1033 17th St. to Mt. Nelson's place of business at 309 16th St. and all future meetings will be held there unless otherwise stated.

The resignation of R. Harris as Sargent at arms was received and accepted, after much discussion it was decided to abolish this office. The club extended their hearty thanks to Mr. H. Starret and his father, for their kindness in allowing the members to hold their meetings in his office.

Mr. Davis gave an account of S. Schwerzman's underhanded work in the Denver Stamp Club and his other actions of dishonesty and it was unanimously decided to expell him from the J. S. C. as it is the desire of the members of this club not to have any members who are not perfectly honest and reliable. Mr. Schwetzman is now a fugitive from justice on the charge of embezzlement and forgery and if caught it is liable to go hard with him.

After the meeting adjourned at 10 p. m. Mr. Davis displayed his woll-derful collection of tax paids and explained to the members of the club the use that was made of them and showed that the U. S. Government was not doing as good engraving now as twenty or thirty years ago.

This shown by the poor engraving that is put on the envelope stamps at

the present time and the frequent changes in the design. After a very enjoyable evening the members dispersed at 10:45 pm. At the next meeting plans for a banquet are to be arranged and the members are requested to turn out in force and express their opinion.

Yours Fratenally, V. N. Garretson, Secy.

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UNIQUE POSTAGE STAMPS.

Japan is the only country which has given recognition to the fioral kingdom in the issues of its postage stamps. Trees have been portrayed upon stamps by many countries, especially those situated in the tropics, but it is only the stamps of Japan have flowers.

The chrysanthemum, the national flower of Japan, is given a conspicuous place upon all the postage stamps issued by the government, and upon many of the denominations it occupies the central portion of the stamp

For nearly ten years (it may be remarked by way of parenthesis)—from 1857 to 1866—a conspicuous feature of all the postage stamps of Newfoundland was a bouquet of thistleblossoms within the center of a delicately engraved background. This issue of stamps was eckeedingly popular with greedy collectors, and is known as the "thistle issue."

However, Japan is the only country which has ever issued a "wedding postage stamp." Some seven or eight years ago, when the heir apparent was married, a special stamp in honor of the event was issued by order of This stamp is nearly twice as large as that of the United the emporer. States, and bright red in color Within a large oval is shown a table, around which sit the bride and bridegroom with cups of saki. On each corner of the table are branches of pine, the evergreen signifying the unchangeableness of wedded affection. It is supposed to insure a long life to the young couple. Upon the table cover are depicted several cranes, which are said to be typical of a thousand years of existence. This is the only stamp issued by the Japanese government which does not have the denominations in both Japanese and English. These unique stamps are becoming very scarce of late years, as they are eagerly sought after by all the hungry stamp collectors of the world.

St. Louis Stamp Collectors Society



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The sixty-ninth regular meeting of this Society was held Tuesday, October 29th, 1907, at usual time and place, President Cornwall presiding and the following members present: Baer, Cornwall, Diamant, Humes, Milhouse, Myers Schellhorn Sisson, Wood.

The poverty of members was more than made up for by the wealth of enthusiasm. Mr. Lynn Crandall of Ithica, N. Y., was elected to membership. A souvenir card from Mr. Patzschke, dated Washington, D. C., sending greetings, was received. Messrs. Baer and Delafield, members of the evening's entertainment Committees, submitted for solution a series of fifteen questions which very nearly caused the society's dissolution. Former committees have propounded deep, difficult, abstruse, troublesome, profound, perplexing, even distressing questions, but these were voted positively brutal. In fact it was hinted that one of the gentlemen proposed his queries with the hope that no one would be equal to the task of correctly answering even a single one. He almost succeeded in his plan, as evidenced by the percentages: 49, 21, 12, 6 etc., etc. Never mind whose they are. Messrs Woods and Myers were arwarded prizes.

Mr. Diamant then exhibited a series of six drawings representing six stamp issuing countries, requesting members to state counries' names, which occasioned so much good natured mirth and laughter that the same gentlemen announced a prize of the complete set of Montserrat C. A. watermark, 1d to 2sh 6d. unused O. G. for the best rebus relating to stamps submitted at next meeting. Many entries are expected from those who have learned how fascinating the drawing and solving of these puzzles may be made.

Next entertainment Committee. Messrs Wood (Chairman), Ruedi, Sisson. Next meeting Tuesday November 12th, 8 o'clock p. m., Rooms 803 805 Wright Bld'g. A cordial invitation is extended to all collectors to attend. Chester Myers, Sec'y.

The seventieth regular meeting of his Society was held Tuesday, November 12th, 1907, at usual time and place, President Cornwall in the chair and the following members present: Baer, Cornwall, Delafield, Diamnat, Humes, Long, Millhouse, Myers, Schoeman, Slack, Wood,— and one visitor. Mr. Specht.

Mr. Wood, Chairman of the Temporary Entertainment Committee, offered a series of ten stamp questions with a view, it is hinted, of bringing out not what the the contestants KNEW, but what they did not KNOW.

Mesrsrs Delafield and Millhouse were awarded prizes for most accurate replies.

The Rebus Contest, besides the interesting entertainment offered, brought out some very clever ideas and resulted in a prize for Mr. Humes for the most difficult and for the best solutions to President Cornwall, who having offered this prize, withdrew his list in favor of Mr. Myers.

For next meeting, Messrs Slack and Schoeman promise something startling. Further entertainment for this meeting will be provided by members who are requested to submit stamp charades for solution. A prize is offered.

Next meeting Tuesday November 26th, 1907, Rooms 803--805 Wright Building, 8 oc'lock p. m. All collectors, members or non-members will be welcome.

Chester Masers, Sec'y.

Canadian Philatelic Society

An emergent meeting of the Canadian Philatelic Society, called by the President, Mr. O. H. Barwick, was held on Wednesday, Nov. 13th 1907, at Montreal.

The affairs of the Society were discussed in full, it being the opinion of the meeting that with the co-operation and individual support of the old members, Canada might again claim a prosperous philatelic society.

Mr. R. J. Mundell, Box 773 Montreal, was elected Secretary pro tem., and all books, correspondence etc., pertaining to the Society were handed over to him for report.

REPORT.

To all Old and Prospective Members:-

It s a regrettable fact that when on the rapid road to prosperity, the Canadan Philatelic Society received a blow from which it found it practically impossible to recover, not at least before many complications in which it found itself involved as a consequence, were straighened out.

The Secretary pro tem, will be very glad to hear from all old members as well as to receive any suggestions they may make, as the future of the Society practically rests in their hands. Don't be backward, but all join hands and co-operate—everyone do their best and the result cannot be other than good. Write the Secretary for application blanks, and send them where they will do good work.

R. J. Mundell, Secretary protem, Canadian Phil. Soc'y., Box 773, Montreal, Canada. Publisher has not sent the WEST for the past 8 months reason he could get no report or word from any of the officers in Canada.

We are often asked to advise people who are about to start collecting as to the most advantageous method of starting, and how to obtain the best value at the commencement. If a person starts a collection by ordering even the cheapest stamps from a catalogue, the cost soon runs to an appreciable amount, as our lowest unit for a single stamp is one cent, whereas it is only a fraction of that amount if he starts with the cheaper nackets. We therefore recommend beginners to start with a good packet; the larger and greater number of stamps that it contains, the better the value he will get for his money

When the contents of the packet have been arranged in his album, the collector will then be able to see in which countries he is weakest, and can then with great advantage turn to the set list, in which is quoted hundreds of sets of stamps, at prices from 20 per cent to 50 per cent less than the retail catalogue prices. He can there select just those sets that will help to make a good display in his album; and eventually, when he has filled up his pet country or group in this manner, can then turn to the retail catalogue and order any particular variety he may be short of in his collection.—From Gibbons

Labuan Stamps

The following article from The Straits Times in May last may serve to show the mad specualation that took place locally when the Brunei stamps were surcharged "Labuan":—

Labuan may be monotonous and certainly Pedlingtonian, yet its denizens cannot complain of any lack of excitement during the last three months, as a tide of "philatelomania" set in and still continues with unabating force day by day.

Old and young, rich and poor, official and civilian, poet and peasant, marniner and mechanic, wholesaler and retailer, houseboy and schoolboy, are all carried with the current rushing hither and thither to secure the gilt edged prizes in the shape of Labuan surcharged stamps of one and two cents; Labuan surcharged Brunei stamps, and the now famous one cent black surcharged Brunei, of which, it is said, only one hundred originally existed. Of these only as many as can be counted on one's finger tips found their way into civilians' hands. "Bull" and "Bear" operators have turned our main street, wharves, shops, places of public resort and steamers' decks into a veritable Copthall Court.

From matins to vespers, the cry is stamps and again stamps; should a steamer arrive from North or South, orders pour in by the picul, none of which can be executed in their entirety, very few even partially. The Postoffice has long since sold out all the lower denominations; only 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1 remain in small quantities. The stamps now in private hands are held firmly; their owners having already made a small fortune, can afford to hold and wait. The persons envied are the fortunate possessors of the one cent and two cent stamps, of which only 6000 and 4000 were respectively Few of these however, exist in Labuan; they were snapped up by outsiders before Labuanites became aware of their value as an investment. These stamps are now selling locally at \$2 each; before many years have elapsed they will be at \$10,or more. A full set of Labuan stamps surcharged "Brunei" have now reached \$25 (face value \$24.). The above mentioned one cent black surcharged stamp is not obtainable at any price, except a few sent out to dealers, as feelers, and possibly three or four in private hands. rest were all acquired by officials before the public were aware of their existence.

It is reported that three of these stamps go home by the present mail for sale by auction, the upset price being £10 sterling each.

The greatest number of these stamps in any one individual's hands is held by a high personage at Singapore, who stands to clear at present, considerably over £1000.

Probably in the annals of phialtely there has never been such a unique opportunity of making small fortunes as the present, yet nobody in Labuan, at least among the European element, has the foresight to profit by it. For instance, had one bought up the whole of one cent and two cent stamps, values 140, they might eventually have been sold for \$80,000 to \$100,000.

Every month a number of orders reach us a little too late to secure insertion. Don't take any chances of missing the Xmas number. The last forms will be made up and closed on December 25th. Better have your order reach us by the 15th, in time for the first form.

Revenue Notes, by Oscar T. Hartman

Sometime last year appeared an article about English Revenue Stamps (See last issue WEST) in the Collector's Magazine from which I wish to quote the following solely to the interest of revenue stamp collectors.

The words of an ardent Fiscal collector are: 1 Revenue stamps are cheaper than postals. This being a matter demanded by collectors, it follows that a collection can be more cheaply formed.

2. Fiscal collecting offers a greater incentive to research since so much of the ground is practically unknown.

3 On historical ground and in diversity of interest there is merely no comparison between postage and Revenue stamps? Postage reflects the history of the past fifty years, but Revenue stamps are of much earlier origin.

Here we may mention John Burke of Dublin, as long ago as 1772 filled an album with the revenue stamps of his own country arranged in values from half penny to six pounds. This man should be regarded as the pioneer of fiscal collecting.

In 1782 already, some medium stamps were issued. The design up to date has been similar thru' all issues since that time.

The Card tax is also an old timer—Cocoa, Glove tax, Hair powder, Flat tax, Perfume, duty are revenues which were used in England many years before the issue of postage stamps in that country. They fulfilled their special mission.

Another interesting stamp antedating postage stamps, I might call "Lead stamp." I have one dated and cancelled London, 3, 2.34. The proceeding must have been as follows: A small thin piece of lead was laid on the particular document, deed etc. Above this was pasted or glued a piece of good strong paper and on the back of the deed, etc., was pasted below the lead a paper containing a crown and letter interalced as design. Then the whole affair was embossed with the respective value just as it is done with the present embossed note or bill stamps of England. Just like you would use a notary seals.

Coming to later issues, you find in this issue the cuts of Common Law, Probate Court. Judicature Fee, Consular Service, Life Policy, etc. Mayor's Court belongs to London. Dog license is an Irish Institution, and there is no other state which has a tax of that kind.

Then the islands of Ely, Man, Jersey and others have their own revenue stamps. As a general rule all the different purposes the English revenue stamps are used for present no difficulties. The particular name is plain enough in most cases.

Here I wish to mention do not soak off carelessly all stamps printed in sea green or lilac. If you do, you will have no stamp, or a very poor specimen indeed.

Mr. W. B. Calvert, of Santiago, informs us, under date 21 September, that the stock of official stamps was destroyed by fire on Saturday, 14 September, by order of the Minister of Marine, and the dies were also destroyed at the same time. Those who were lucky enough to get any of these stamps before this destruction took place will have reason to congratulate themselves, as, owing to the small number printed, the stamps will undoubtedly be reckoned among the ratities.—Gibbons.

· Stamps that Commemorate Victories



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At first thought it may appear odd that postage stamps should be considered at all suggestive of Memorial day, and the memories that are associated with it, or that this occasion with all it represents should be suggestive of postagistamps. But there is a very close bond of union between these little gummed papers and the great historical event out of which grew our beau-Decoration day found its original in war, and all tiful national custom that pertained to that war bears directly upon the celebration of this annual occasion.

In the stamp collections of this country there are some of the most powerful reminders of the civil strife that exist. Among the philatelic treasures of other lands there are stamps that tell vividly the tales of war and of revolution, of conquest, of the rebuke of tyrants, of the overthrow of kingdoms and of the establishment of nations.

It may safely be said there is no topic that opens up a more interesting study of history than the war stamps that have been issued in the last sixty

In the United States, for instance, the second issue of stamps of 1861 was the direct result of the outbreak of the war of the Confederacy. vious issue was so seriously depleted by confiscation by Southern postmasters that the Government found it immediately necessary to get out another ser-All the stamps of that confiscated issue are now valuable. denomination is put down in philatelic catalogues as worth \$60 unused. The 10 cent unused is worth \$5, while the 24 cent unused is rated as worth \$40.

As a direct outcome of the civil war there was placed in the stamp issue of 1862 a stamp of a new denomination, 15-cent, and it bore the picture of Lincoln.

Many stamps of later issues have borne portraits of men who would probably not have been thus pictured but for their prominence as statesmen and soldier during the civil war period.

The stamps of the Confederacy itself are the most acute reminders of the war. Besides specimens gotten out by the general government the post-masters of many towns printed local or provisional issues which were recognized for service throughout the limited and restricted mail service of the Confederacy. Most of these stamps that can be authenticated possess large value, some selling now into the hundreds of dollars.

These stamps, issued by the Confederate authorities, are not, as a rule, rarities. Genuine specimens of most of them can be obtained at moderate prices, and some of them are among the cheap stamps. These general issues in most instances showed the portrait of Jefferson Davis. One bore the picture of George Washington.

The postmasters of more than sixty towns issued provisional stamps during the war, and these are of a great variety of design. Nearly all of them were of crude type and printed from the types of local printers, upon whose Southern ingenuity depended the neatness and appropriateness of the designs.

The next war stamps in which this country was in any way concerned were the Puerto Principe issues of Cuba, 1898 9. These were issued as the result of the occupation of the province by United States troops during the Spanish American war. When this government took possession of the entire island, Uncle Sam sent a large consignment of his own stamps to Cuba, surcharging them across the face with the name of the island and the denomination of the stamp in pesos. This system was continued only until the Cubans established their government and were in a position to issue distinctive stamps of their own.

Surcharged United States stamps were put in use in the Philippines and Porto Rico at the same time. It may be in order to explain for the benefit of the uninitiated that a surcharged stamp is one of some regular issue of a country, upon the face of which there is printed the word or words, figures or a design that it may be employed as a denomination or made applicable to a mail service for which it was not originally intended, or that may be a clear designation of a change in the authority guaranteeing and responsible for the stamp.

The Boer war in South Africa was productive of the Mafeking siege issue of the Cape of Good Hope in 1900. This same war was responsible for the "V. R. I." surcharged stamps of the Orange River Colony. To it was likewise due the surcharging of Transvaal stamps in 1900.

The trials and tribulations of Transvaal stamps make an interesting study in themselves. This land was the South African Republic, or Zuid Afrikaansche Republick, when it adopted stamps in 1870. When the British occupied the country in 1877 they surcharged the republic's stamps. The following year the British issued a Transvaal stamp bearing the portrait of Victoria. When the Boers a few years later came again into their own they put back into service not only their old stamps but used the Victoria stamps, surcharging it, "Een Penny."

Next came the conquering Britain again in 1900 with his "V. R. I." surcharge, which he applied to all Boer stamps he could get his hands on. The death of Victoria caused a change in the surcharge 1901 to "E. R. I." and the following year King Edward's head appeared upon a brand new series of Transvaal stamps. Continued 4 pages hence top of S.[C.*P. A. report

A Collectors Story, by Harold Banning

An Indian magician had given an exhibition in our local opera house. His mysterious tricks were the talk of the town and they were the subject of our conversation at the next meeting of our stamp club.

One of us thought he possessed some mysterious power, others thought it was mere slight of hand. At the mention of the words "mysterious power" Ralph Creighton who had taken no part in the discussion glanced up and said "I can believe anything I hear of the Indians. Let me tell you a true This all occurred at Brighton, ten years ago and leaning back in his "My friend Edward Carton was a peculiar man, everyone chair he began: agreed on that. I first met him at a collector's club of which I was a mem-He cared nothing for society and his love for antiques was the only thing that brought him. He had means enough to to live on-Some said he was rich, but this was only idle gossip. Nobody knew anything about him, He had lived in our town six years, was middle aged and or his business. He had purchased a comfortable home and kept an aged houseunmarried. keeper. That was all anybody knew about him.

One day at a meeting of our club I made some remark about admiring old weapons. Carton was silent and moody as usual but after the meeting he surprised me by inviting me to his home to see his collection. I eagerly accepted his invitation and was soon having the time of my life. I had been through many museums but had never seen a finer or more complete collec-I will not try to describe all the swords, pistols, dagtion of old weapons. gers, etc., as it would take all night. Every piece had a story, and Carton seemed to brighten up as he told me their histories. He had evidently traveled much. I was replacing a beautiful Turkish sabre in the sword rack when my hand struck some cold object which was behind the swords Bringing it to light I found it was a beautiful silver inlaid doublebarreled pistol of most peculiar design. It excited my curiosity and turning to Carton I asked him why he kept it out of sight. A change came over his face-he turned pale, stammered and went to the window as if for air. I feared he was going to faint, but he soon recovered himself and began pacing the room Finally turning to me he said "Take a chair Ralph, and listen to the strangest story the world has ever heard." I was surprised by his actions and He handed me a cigar then lit one himself. After smoking a few minutes in silence, he began. "My father was an officer in the British army. He was ordered with his regiment to India in 1870. I was then only Our family consisted of my father and mother, my sister, eight years old. who was 12 years old and myself. You know there are terrible famines in You may have heard of them, but I was there during one of them and no writen article can describe the misery and suffering caused by them. It was during one of these famines that my father brought the curse upon our family. One dark night he heard a noise in the kitchen and taking that pistol he went down to investigate. We heard a shot followed by a scream Rushing down stairs we found my father lighting a lamp. On the floor lays native, and we recognized him as a traveling priest whom we had seen loting around for weeks. Beside him was a loaf of bread. He had entered the home to relieve his hunger, and was apparently dead with a bullet through

We called a surgeon but he could do nothing for him, and som Before the priest died he regained consciousness and his eyes fell upon the pistol on the floor where my father had dropped it. His eyes gleamed "Colonel" said he, "that weapon with hatred as he addressed my father. shall destoy your whicle family. The gods have promised me." Those were He died a few minutes later. We soon forgot the incident and my father paid no attention to the threat and always carried the pistor. One evening the weapon fell from his pocket and was exploded. instantly killed my mother. The only eye witness of the accident were two native servants who were friends of the dead priest. They accused my father of murder and he was tried and found guilty on their testimony To escape the hangman's nouse he shot himself with the same pistol. This all happened one year after the priest's death. I locked the weapon up in a bureau drawer and I thought it could do no more harm. Five years later my sister became engaged to a young Scotch officer and was to have been married on the 14th of March The day arrived, that morning I was reading in the library when I heard a brutal, ghostly laugh followed by a muffled explosion in the next room. Rushing in I found my sister on the fluor. A little white smoke curled up from the drawer in which I had lock-I unlocked the drawer and found the pistol as I had left it. One barrel had been discharged, the bullet passing through the front of the drawer had entered my sister's brain. Deeply burned in the bottom of the drawer was the figure of an outstretched hand-some ghostly finger must have touched the trigger.

I left India soon after my sister's death and after wandering around the world two years settled down here. My friends in India urged me to dispose of the pistol, but I cannot part with it. It attracts me to it as the rattle-snake attracts a bird or a flame the moth. It has never been loaded since my sister's death but I believe it will yet cause my death. I am the last one of the family, it will claim me yet. That is all, "and my friend leaned back and stared at the ceiling. "My God," said he, "I can hear that laugh now." His brow was contracted, his lips twitching, his hands were working. I istened but could hear nothing. I examined the pistol again and bidding my friend good night went home much impressed by what I had heard.

Many months rolled by. I had not seen Carton since hearing the story. He no longer attended the meetings of our society. One morning as I opened "Mysterious Murder. my paper my eye fell on the following heading. ward Carton, a well known and respected citizen was brutally murdered at his home on East 4th St. at 12 o'clock last evening by a midnight intruder. According to the story told by his aged housekeeper, Mrs. Green, Mr. Carton heard a noise in his library and entering it discovered a burglar. A struggle Mr. Carton had cornered and almost captured the man when the burglar, made desperate by the fear of capture enatched up an old pistol from a collection of old weapons in the room and struck Mr. Carton fracturing his He then made his escape through a window. Mr. Carton died at two o'clock this morning." I read no more. Throwing down the paper I hurried to my unfortunate friend's home. The coroner showed me the weapon which the burglar had used with such deadly effect. I almost staggered. It was the same pistol which had killed Carton's father, mother, and sister. It had destroyed the whole family. The priest's words had come true.

When Carton's will was opened I was surprise to hear that he had left me all his property, both real and personal including of course the pistol. evening, several months later, I was standing on the deck of a steamer in mid ocean on my first trip to Europe. I drew an object from my pecket and tossed it overboard. I gave a sigh of relief when I saw it disappear with a It was the deadly pistol. It can do no more harm.



When one comes to take a second look at the latest stamps of the Spanish BOILE D Colonies of Fernando, Poo, Rio de O DOWN Spanish Guinea, &c., it is easy enou to understand the feeling of indignal ORIGINAL AND OTHERWIST Spanish people. Either the artist or

the engraver or possibly both) has been most unhappy in his treatment of the head of King Alfonso, for his profile is strongly suggestive of that of a half caste negro, with swarthy skin and thick, full lips. The wooly hair of the negro has not been forgotten, and the effigy altogether is as unlike the young Spanish monarch as it could possibly be There was, at one time, a possibility that the further issue of these stamps would be peremptorily stop. ped, so deep and strong was the public diaspproval.

. A stamp collector of our acquaintance is diligently hoarding all the specimens he can procure of certain special issues and varieties of stams which he regards as certain to rise in value. Indeed, he claims to have discovered "the great varieties of the future," and he is buying them while the are cheap. A delightful prospect We hope the future will not disappoint It is, however, quite as difficult a matter to forecast the course of prices in Philately as on the Stock Exchange-otherwise quite a number of us would be prospective millionaires. Ϋ́ there is a certain amount of method in our friend's madness for he ... orking on a sure basis of official statistics, in arriving at his conclusion as to relative scarcity. Some day soon we shall hope to publish a list of the stamps he specially " alas! he is selfish—all speculators are—and he declares that wild horses will not drag his secrets from him until he has purchased enough to secure him: comfortable old age. Possibly, however, there are readers who have ideas of their own as to the stamps that are likely to rise in value? If so we should be delighted to have have their opinions and their reasons for the same. Om word of warning we will give them before they commit their ideas to paper. Mere scarcity alone does not necessarily command a high price in the stamp market, for there are many varieties in the South American and other sections which would be saleable at twenty or fifty times their present values they only belonged to the British Empire or some equally "fashionable" branch of the hobby. Thus to be worth a high figure a stamp must not only be rare, it must be in great demand. And who can predict the fashion of tomorrow?

The United States has never issued a stamp of less value than one con-The postage stamp of highest face value is the Great Britain five pound, equivalent to \$24.25. The United States has no postage stamp of a higher denomination than \$5, although a \$1,000 revenue stamp was issued in 18% Newspaper stamps, however, run in value as high as \$160. 6

STAMPS THAT COMMEMORATE VICTORIES.

(Concluded.)

India contributes an interesting stamp to the gallery of war issues in the form of a little envelope sticker surcharged "C. E. F." This issue was due to the dispatch of Indian troops to China during the Boxer rebellion, and the initials stood for "Chinese Expeditionary Force."

The Russo-Japanese war was responsible for several additions to philately. Japan has issued a set in recongition of her assumption of authority in Korea as a result of that war, and got out another stamp to celebrate the triumphant review of her military forces engaged in the decisively won struggle. Russia, for her part, has issued a set of large charity stamps, all the proceeds from the sale of which have been applied to a fund for the widows and orphans of the men slaip in the war with Japan.

Venezuelan revolutionists seized great quantities of their country's stamps in 1893 and 1900, and to insure the use only of properly sold stamps the Government had to surcharge those that remained in its possession.

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Some Curious and Interesting Postmarks By W. H. C. of Liverpool, England

In many countries date stamping of printed matter and circulars is gradually being done away with and a simple device used for cancelling the postage stamps. In Canada, pre-cancelling is resorted to, but that is a stage in business that has not yet been reached in the mother country. In the London offices a circular obliterator is in use, with the letters N. P. B. running across the center, and standing for News Paper Branch, but in the country or provincial offices, triangular (or pyramid) obliterators, with a central letter or letters are very simple and efficient. Thus we get a large S. in a triangle for Sheffield, and large M. R. in a diamond for Manchester.

During last December a very unique and highly interesting postmark of the commemorative order, was brought into use at Liverpool for Xmas conrespondence, it consisted of a large ring, about the size of a British half a crown coin, with Liverpool below, 1906 above the circle, and XMAS in large The shape of a Maltese cross in centre. These postmarks are highly prized by collectors, and no doubt this unique postmark will again be in exidence for XMAS 1907 so near at hand. Should this article get into print early enough I would say here that I shall be pleased to send illustrated postcards, bearing this postmark, as a gift to all your readers, if they will kindly remit me the equivalent cost of postage only, in their country stamps. I will give them any number of cards free. On many of the traveling post offices or night mails in this country, much postmarking take The varieties are many, but of a self same pattern, as example in ring I find Grimsby and Lincoln Sorting Tender, & Glasgow and Carlise Sorting Tender, independent to this much stamping is done at the large railway centers or Depots as you Americans are so pleased to call them with Chester Station Office, as example, & Hastings Station Office, but other carry the letters R. S. O. standing for Railway Sub, (or sorting office.)

It may not be known to the generality of your readers that distinct types of postmarks, and date stamps are in use for England. Scotland, in land and Wales, although to the inexperienced very little difference is noticed, but in a later article I will give full particulars of each. Quite an arm of postmarks many quaint and unique appeared during the late War in South Africa, but I will reserve a full decription of these for another article also (To be continued.

A NOVEL STAMP DISPLAY.—F. W. Pickard of Cincinnati, agest for a Powder company for Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and Michigan, was a the Hartman Thursday night. In addition to handling powder and dynamite, Mr. Pickard is one of the best known stamp men of the country. Many of the local collectors called on him Thursday night. He showed the the artist's design (signed) of the \$200 revenue stamp and one of the te proofs taken of the \$5000 revenue stamp, of which only two were printed and only one used. That was on the incorporation papers of the Union Pacific railroad. He also had with him one of the ten sets, in colors, of the reprints from the original plates of the Providence (R. I.) local 5 cent stamp and a set of the original proofs of the trans Mississippi postage stamp series in two colors. The stamps were intended to be used in two colors, but the expense deterred the government, and only the proofs were struck. The shown could not be excelled as types of engravers' art.—Columbus Journal.

Columbus Notes

By J. E. Douglass

The Ohio Philatelic association was organized last night (Oct. 23rd) in he assembly room of the Columbus Board of Trade by about 50 stamp collectors of Ohio, who met on call of the Columbus Collectors' Club. About half those present were members of the club. The following officers were elected:

Frank D. Goodhue, Cincinnati, president: George K. Smith, Jr.. Columbus, secretary; Oscar A. Schenck, Columbus, treasurer; C. B. Duff, purchasing agent for the flocking Valley railroad, is chairman of the committee on institution and by-laws. The Columbus members will elect three resident ice presidents.

Members of the executive committee for their respective counties will be: Arthur J. Morphy, Loagn; H. H. Johnston, London; H. D. Purcell, Vashington, C. H.

A meeting of the new association will be held on January, on call of he president.

An invitation to meet in Columbus, with the American and Metropolian Phialtelic associations, American Envelope society and United States Revenue society, was extended to the Southern Philatelic Association, of hich Professor R. L. Doak of New Bedford is secretary.

A recent postal regulation in Mexico required that all express packages untaining correspondence of any kind must carry 5c postage in addition to egular express charges.

ENTIRES AND CUT SQUARE ENVELOPES.

Some recent statements in the Philatelic Press in regard to status of Cut Squares", may have lead some collectors to believe that the collection fenvelopes in this form was on the wane, while in fact just the opposite is ne true condition. At the present time there is a greater interest shown in his than in many other lines of stamp collecting. The prices have advanct materially within the last few years and all dealers handling "Cut quares" report a greater demand than ever before

The A perican Envelope Society with its fast increase of membership inlides many enthusiastic collectors of both "Entire, and "Cut Square" enclopes

At their last meeting on October 9th, t was felt that the true situation hould be explained and that the facts of the matter were that any one who adestatements tending to prove that "Cut Sqaures" were bound to be tren up by the majority of collectors were not in a position to know the real cts in regard to this matter and could not have been in close touch with electors of "Cut Squares."—By a member of the Envelope Society.

Stamps on the original letter or cover are gaining favor everywhere, as seems, and righly so, because a stamp can never be more interesting than the letter which it carried. The postmarks, the datest everything helps give the stamp a reality which it can never possess when it comes alone.



Reviews, Comments and Personal Opinions

(American and English publications desiring an impartial review in this periodical will plan forward specimen copy marked "For Review" to Miss Verna Weston Hanway, Lock Box 8, Dalla Pennsylvania.)

"The Universal Standard Catalogue of the Postage Stamps of the World," published by Whittield, King & Co., Ipswich, England, price on shilling, six pence, or 37c U.S. money, is an attractively bound volume of the convenient pocket edition type.

The paper used is of a superior quality, and the illustrations remarkable clear for the size—there are all told, some three thousand illustrations, as what is of the most interest to American collectors, the United States stamp are illustrated, with the exception of the local stamps. These are eschewed very probably, for the reason that they possess little interest for English collectors, and as the price is so prohibitive that few collectors care to dulge in them. The illustration of United States stamps is a feature which always commands itself to collectors in this country. While our on "Scotts" and the American edition of the Stanley Gibbons catalogue are, it the main, quite satisfactory, they are of a necessity, lacking in this respect

The Whitfield, King catalog has a number of praise worthy individual features, and it is very evident that the aim throughout was to make but text and illustrations clear and explanatory. Much special information is given, and the pronouncing vocabulary of geographical names is a feature of value. Various countries have been entirely rewritten and rearranged notably, the Indian Native States, to which much credit is due Mr. Welher ell for its excellence. This catalog is in every sense of the word a simplificatalog for much matter is prottiably eschewed yet despite this curtailment the catalog lists over 20,000; varieties.

Catalog prices are however, the grage by which we determine the raid of a catalog. This is always a delicate point as stock and special opported lities for purchasing cheap must always govern these. "The Universal" denot suffer by comparison in this respect. The prices are for the most plair, and in some instances noticeably below those of its rivals. Taken in all this catalog is a meritable one easily worth twice the price, and the are many reasons why it should prove of value to collectors in Americal Publisher offers catalog and WEST for 60c. Send order to L. Brodstof Superior, Nebr. The catalog sent alone for 35c.

The auction season has opened in earnest and nearly every mail brings an offering of catalogs and bulletins. The auction sale has become a factor of not a little importance to philatelists within the last few years. It affords an opportunity for a profitable disposal of, our possessions The bidding for stamps too has become an exhifterating pastime to many collectors. No doubt not a little of the enjoyment is due to the gambling spirit, which is innate in the restless American nature. It is the same impulse as that which leads us on to 'play the ponies," or, as is more usual among women, deplete the excheequer at bridge whist. Well, in either case it is most assuredly the lesser error, and if we secure the stamp which we desire we can congratulate ourselves, and if we don't we have our pocket books intact. while we must admit that the element of chance enters largely into our thoughts while making our bids, we can do it without shame. as much after having spent a feverish evening at bridge, either winning from, or losing to, our friends?

Some little time ago an ex-governor of Pennsylvania coined a sentence so erudite and original that it should—it really should—be handed down to posterity. This, ment the investigation of expenditures on our graft-ridden capitol building at Harrisburg: "Celerity contempered with cunctation!" Though the worthy Judge never intended that it should be used in this connection, "Celerity contempered with cunctation," is a pretty good motto to bear in mind when bidding at auctions, or when tempted to invest in some chilatelic oddity.

It is, frankly, rather difficult to determine which stamps are sold at a air price and which are inflated with "water". When stamps are cataloging hirty or forty cents each can pe purchased by a dealer for a cent. and sold by him at the familiar "fifty per cent" of the catalog valuation there is something radically wrong. "Fifty per cent off catalog" is very far from being a afe guide. The stamp which brings tifty per cent and more over the catalog ricing is usually a better stamp to invest in than the one offered at ninety per cent of the valuation.

On the other hand "net prices" are the reef on which many are strand-A personal incident will serve as an illustration d, figuratively speaking. fithis as well as any other. In an approval selection sent to me by a dealer A week or two ecently a corrain stamp was marked at three dollars net. fter in another selection from the same person I noted a block of four of his stamp offered at four dollars and thirty three cents net. Now one or he other of these prices was an exorbitant one. It is scarcely conceivable hat a dealer could, within such a short period, offer a block of four, in fine ondition, for about the same price as a single specimen. ould seem, are apt to prove a very elastic subject. It is well to exercise one's adgement as to prices when purchasing stamps of any value lay be, taken as a class, the persons of superior moral worth, and without pubt possess all the qualities of honor and integrity which some writers are of lace attributed to them. But it is safe to infer there are individuals mong the clan who are very, very human. Collectors too, are very human, pd like too, to use a colloquilism; "get their money's worth," whether bying stamps, curios, or books typewriters, horses or automobiles, or-well, t's cut it short and say, everything! It isn't wise nor fair to represent an lticle as worth say four times the selling price, and it is not logical to blame be purchaser, who finding an elephant on his hands, is sore.

The Beginner's Page.

By "Phil Atley"

The time has now arrived when the stamp collector dusts off his album, rummages around for his supply of duplicates and commences to be arrange his collection. He is an advanced collector, acquainted with every angle of the game and is aware just how to proceed. But how about the young man who decides to accept the advice of his friends and break the monotony of his lonely winter evenings by starting a collection?

In all probability it appears very simple to him—this album contains a space for every stamp, and his catalog is supposed to explain any minor variations. After securing your ablum a very satisfactory and inexpensive be ginning can be made by purchasing a variety packet, as, many varieties a you can afford. Then send to some reliable firm,—notice I say reliable, because a reliable firm can be of valuable assistance to a beginner, and ask for selections on approval. I would then advise the collector to join a philately society, as he can thus increase his collection by exchange with his fellow members. A beginner should also subscribe to two or three reputable stamp journals, thus obtaining some idea of the happenings in the "stamp world."

You're off!! Now exercise proper discretion and care. In the fix place be sure and secure good hinges—Under no circumstances use give a paste your stamp in your ablum; besides causing you countless inconvenience it will in some cases discolor the stamps. Glue will also depreciate their market value to a considerable extent. The best hinge in the long run is the cheapest; obtain one with but little gum so they will peal easily. Thus you stamp can be transferred without injuring them in the slightest degree. The best hinge which can be obtained for twenty cents a thousand, will not era affect a stamp's gum and this quality will invariably prove a good investment.

Your sole ambition, is to possess a catalog—a book from which the majority of your woes will orignate. Do not be alarmed at the size; its completeness necessitates over eight hundred pages. Neither feel disappointed because United States is not "illustrated": this country is very simple in a classicitation and arrangement of philatelists—after they have made it a specialty for about twenty years. Of course many of the terms and expressions used in the catalog will be heyond the meagre stamp vocabulary of the beginner, chief among which will be the various kinds of paper.

Notwithstanding the fact that the advanced collector is acquainted with an odd dozen kinds of paper, the two most important kinds, were a laid, will suffice for the beginner. In some cases they can easily be disinguished by simply holding the stamp to the light. Laid paper has then pearance of being ruled across the back with parallel lines, while were per shows a clear surface, free from any difference in texture. Sounds is ple. Anyone should be able to discern dark lines running across a stamble to the lines are so indistinct that they can not be detected with the naked eye and sometimes not even with a magnifying gist.

The beginner should select a number of stamps as examples and ender or to tell whether their paper is wove or laid. Some stamps can be distinguished very easily—the dark lines in the wove paper stand out in bold self-

but the beginner will soon learn that in many instances it will be necessary to consult his philatelic friend simply to determine whether or not a stamp is marked off with dark, parallel lines.

(To be continued.)

Notes.

By L. G. Dorpat

WHITFIELD KING & CO'S. list of PHILATELIC NOVELTIES No. 145 is at hand. It contains a remarkable note about the new issue of Solomon Islands stamps, to wit: "In reply to numerous inquiries we beg to state that we have no present intention of importing these stamps, as from inquiries made we are satisfied that they are nothing but a local and speculatve issue. When they are proved to be valid for postage to places outside the Solomon Islands we shall stock them, and not before." If we consider the news that comes from another source the matter becomes still more interesting. It is stated that there are six types of these stamps (broken letters, lines and circles, any real and fancied effects).

Here Philipp Kosack's "BERLINER BRIEFMARKEN ZEITUNG" is to appear bi-monthly in the future. This will enable the editor to increase the richness of the journal and to present his readers with news items much quicker than was possible under monthly publication. We congratulate our worthy contemporary on this move.

Mr. Geo. T. Jones of Stratford, New Z-aland, writes that he has it from Mr. G. S. Munro, ex commissioner of the Christ church exhibition, that the exhibition stamps were issued in the following quantities: 200,000 of the 1/2 penny, 175,000 1 penny, 80,000 of the 3 pence and money 45,000 of the pence. The supply hardly satisfies the demand.

Afghanistan is said to have resumed the issue and use of stamps, and it is even hinted that post boxes are to be erected here and there throughout the kingdom, and that the serice is to be improved, and that the country may take steps to join the Universal Postal Union.

At the headquarters of the U. P. U. at Berne, Switzerand, a postal museum is in progress of formation with a stamp collection as part of it. By and by there will be hardly one government left on the earth that has not its stamp collection.

Postal Entires such as envelopes, wrappers, cards, orders etc., are receiving much attention n Germany, and there some very fine and costly collections may be found. In England, America and France as well as in Italy, Spain and Netherlands there are indications that this branch of philately is in its ascendency. So don't throw away what you have, you might regret it in a few years.

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By Leon V. Cass

Many write disparaging articles about surcharged stamps and they are not much in favor among the collecting public of today, but nevertheless I am sure many surcharged stamps are among the most interesting stamps to be had.

The collector who delights in minor varieties can find them to his heart's content in surcharged stamps and I for one, take delight in searching for minor differences in type etc.

The 1c and 2c U. S. postage surcharged I. R. or revenue purposes in 1898 were among the first surcharges caused by the Spanish American war.

The 1903 issue Philppines surcharged O. B. for official use are among the last surcharges caused more or less directly by the same war.

The tempestuous life of the petty Rubublic of Central and South America is easily traced by the surcharges which have been more numerous those popular for several years past. The troublous times had by the Boers in South Africa is easily traced by the surcharged stamps of the South African Republic and Orange Free State. The uprising of the turbulent Chinese is recalled to our mind by the Russian, Indian, Japanese and German stamps surcharged for use in China.

The political troubles in Servia were sufficient to call forth surcharges. The Kingston Relief Fund surcharges on the stamps of Barbadoes remind collectors of the terrible earthquake which caused such a great amount of suffering and death. The troubles of Hayti are exploited by surcharges. Cape of Good Hope stamps surcharged "Mafeking Besieged" are reminders of the heroes of the "Boer War."

The settlement and semi-civilization of many South Sea Islands, such as Nien, Penshyn, etc., is recalled to our mind by surcharges. In fact, surcharged stamps are just as interesting and collectable as regular issues and should be collected by all those who regard stamp collecting as an educational pursuit as surcharged stamps in many cases are good reminders of historical and important events in far off lands.

Dont' exchew surcharges, is my advice, unless you take no pleasure in collecting them. Collect whatever gives you pleasure no matter what other collectors may have to say about it.

A Word for Entires. Is the collecting of "entires" as dead as we are commonly given to understand? I trow not. Look at the results in this department of the famous LeRoy d'Etiolles auction—that wonderful auction. The postcards and other entires made far better prices than one would suppose, especially in view of the fact that the majority of the lots were wholesale lots—dozens, fifties, and sometimes hundreds of one identical piece. This sort of thing does not conduce to high prices, does it? But for rare single lots the prices were good. For instance, the first two post-cards of Reunion (catalogued at \$2 apiece) realized \$9 each. I've a sort of an idea that that doesn't exactly read like a section of the hobby commonly supposed to be as dead as the proverbial door nail.

Portraits on the Philippine Stamps

The ten portraits on the stamps forming the last issue of the Philippine Islands are very fitly those of men who have been connected very closely with the history of the Philippines down to these days, and also of three of the most famous presidents of the United States.

The 2 centavos bears the portrait of Riazl, a talented writer and a leading Philippine patriot. On his return to Manila, under promise of an amnesty being granted, he was seized by the Spaniards and shot on December 30, 1896.

The 4c has the portrait of President McKinley, under whose administration the United States acquired the Philippines.

On the 6c. is the portait of Magellan, the famous Portugese explorer, who discovered the archipelago on March 16,1521, and who is remembered by the straits which bear his name. On April 27, 1521. Magellan was killed in a battle with a neighboring race.

The 8c bears the portrait of Miguel Lopez de Legazpi, who conquered the Phillipines for Spain, and founded Manila on June 24, 1571. He died in August, 1572.

On the 10c. is the portrait of Major General Lawton, of the United States Army; he fell in combat at Lincoln on December 19, 1899.

The 2c bears the portrait of one of the most remarkable of all men who have helped to make history in the United States. A man of a beautiful nature and splendidly in earnest, he was President of the Republic during the grievous times of the American Civil War of Secession. Abraham Lincoln re established the Union and set free the negroes, and he was assassinated in a theatre by an old actor named Wilkes Booth in the early days of April, 1865. Lincoln was born in 1809 He was the son of a quaker farmer in Kentucky, and he died in Washington.

The 16c, ought to have been the portrait of Admiral Dewey; but it is forbidden to reproduce on stamps of the United States of America the portrait of a person living. Thus the stamp bears the portrait of Admiral Sampson, who did great deeds in the war with Cuba, thereby disabling Spain on the seas, and helping the United States to arruex the Philippine Islands.

No issue of American stamps would be complete without the features of George Washington, one of the founders of the Republic, its first President, and known as "the Father of his country." Born in 1732, he died in 1799 He is depicted once more on the 20c.

The 25c. stamp bears the portrait of Carriedo, a Spanish philanthropist, who left by will in 1743 the sum of 10.000 pesos, to be used in providing the town of Manila with drinking water. One of the chief characteristics of the Spaniard is that of delay, and successive Spanish Governments said "Manaa," and—did nothing, until a Government did at last awake to its responsibility, and the work was begun in 1880, when the accumulated interest and the original sum had amounted to 180 000 pesos. The work was finished in July, 1882, or 139 years after the death of Carriedo.

On the 30c is the portrait of Benjamin Franklin, who lived from 1706 to 1790, and who rendered powerful aid in bringing about American independence.—Gibbons Weekly.

How I Started Collecting By L. C. Gully

Several years ago while working as book keeper in the State Treasure office the many old documents interested me. In the various departments were many objects and papers worth study, but the very best museum I found in an old outhouse at the rear of the main building.

In the course of years the different departments of the state became so much crowded for room that many old papers and documents had to be disposed of to make room for current matter. So the ones considered of least value were placed in cypress chests and boxes and placed in this outhouse and in the basement of the State House. There they stayed for years. Later the house decaying, as it was partly of wood and partly of brick, and the roof giving way left these papers exposed to the elements and any party who cared to examine them. When I first noticed the place the floor was over knee deep in papers and old documents and pamphlets were scattered in confusion over the place. Some one told me some old stamps had been found out there and I "began to sit up and take notice." So the odd times I got away from the office I went thro' the place systematically. Looking thro' for stamps principally I soon noticed some peculiar seals etc., and old dates on papers and letters.

Just how many stamps I found I do not remember but among the lot were a few Confederates, only one U. S. 10c 1847, and 5c of same date on others of all dates and many issues up to within fifteen years ago. From these I got the nucleus of my collection of stamps which now numbers about 7000 varieties.

Among the letters and papers are:-

Pardon for two Indians 1824 signed by Jno. Q. Adams, President, and H. Clay Sect'y of State with seal of U. S.

Papers containing signatures of every Governor of the state.

A letter from Gov. Miller, the hero of Lundy's Lane and first Territorial Governor of Arkansas Territory.

A Civil War petition addressed to officer in charge of this department and bearing indorsement of U. S. Grant.

An Army order (Confederate) printed on wall paper.

Several letters from John Q. Adams.

A letter from Jefferson Davis.

The written report of the Mountain Meadow Massacre made by the special agent sent out by Gov. Conway to investigate this deplorable affair.

Many letters in Spanish of early dates 1818 to 1825.

Invoices of Indian Agents for Arkansas Territory.

Several maps and routes of early dates.

This is only a partial list as I have a cypress chest nearly full of these interesting papers

A word as to how I came to get them.

A. C. Hull was Secretary of State and had charge of all these matters as to storage of articles and care of buildings.

The building in which these papers were had been condemned by the

city and ordered torn down, and as the musty and moulding papers in this bailding and in the large basement under the main building had become a menace to health, the Secretary of State was trying to get the papers removed and the house torn down.

I heard he had offered a drayman \$12.50 to haul the papers to the city dump without tearing down the building and the drayman thought the price too small. The papers had mostly been emptied by some one who wanted the boxes and there were only about a dozen boxes left, while the papers were scattered over the floor and in great heaps

So when I met Mr. Hull one day and offered to move not only the paper but tear down the house free if he would give me the whole business, he said he had been wanting to find me for a long time if that was my proposition.

But I had not gone into this without making estimates. I had written to St. Louis and had prices on paper stock from paper mills, had seen railroad agents about a large car, had figured with draymen, had engaged the brick and hired a man to clean up the refuse etc.

The paper was soon loaded on a car, besides several wagon loads I sold to a local dealer, the brick disposed of the lumber hauled home for wood and when I balanced up I was about \$125 to the good after paying all expenses besides having a fine lot of stamps and a good collection of old documents and curios.

In the basement were loads of papers and letters ruined completely by dampness, and there is no doubt but that the civil war records were all absolutely ruined and decayed in this lot. Numbers of bundles of letters were found welded together so that they looked like bricks and they were as hard of break apart and they bore no resemblance to their original form. What treasures in stamps etc, were thus lost only a stamp collector could guess.

One chest contained millions of dollars of state scrip, but thinking that the circulation of this might lead to trouble in the future if it was put into many hands. I burned it all except samples of each kind.

Three has been some blame through the press of the state officials for allowing these papers to be destroyed but the ones who had them thus unwisely stored were at fault and not the officers who made the disposition as any one but a "stamp fiend" would have carted them to the dump and thus all would have been lost while I saved all of value which had not been mined by dampness and decay. The fault lay in storing them in basement and leaking out house.

If occasion arises and a suitable place is made I may give most of them back to the custody of the state.

A curious and interesting case came recently before the courts of law in Dresden. A Munich stamp dealer had sent to a stamp dealer in Dresden a quantity of forged stamps for the latter's retail trade. The forgeries were very well made: in fact, they were made so well that only an expert could detect them. The Dresden dealer took a very serious view of the case, for he regarded the sending to him of forgeries to be sold again as an outrage upon his professional honesty and entered action against the dealer of Munich. The law court in Dresen considered that the matter was of general interest to the public, and the result was the dealer was condemned to six weeks' imprisonment, and to pay all the costs of the action against him.



ACROSS THE POND



Stamp Matters in England

By J. W. H. Heslop

Here are some stamp matters which are agitating collectors at this end. The majority of Canada postage dues that are coming over have been struck through with a violet pencil mark, apparently by the postman on delivery, but the English collector will have none of them! In vain do the journals explain that the due stamp has not fulfilled its mission till the fee has been paid in the recipient, hence any postmark thereon would appear, in the eyes of some in the light of a premature obliteration. When the householder paid & a overcharge, out came the postman's pencil and the stamp was struck through; surely it is thus a genuinely used specimen! Postmarked copies do not & 'at over here, but have evidently been cancelled to order, as the gum Better, surely, a pencil marked copy than one of this is full on the back. We want some American friend to write over and tell us why some North American dues are pencil marked and others post marked, and the proper status of each kind.

Straits surcharged on Labuan, that took the field at sixty shillings per complete mint set, have at length dropped to about half that figure. The three lower values bring one pound, and the rest of the set is everywhere advertised at ten shillings.

High value Russian, 1902, are also falling. A few months ago the 10 6d; it can now be had for three shillings, and the other rouble values have fallen in a corresponding fashion. This fall has been wafted over from the Continent, where it first began. Some big house over there has evidently suddenly let loose the accumulated stock of some years' gathering

Here is a bit of news absolutely fresh: the Colonial Office Journal, a periodical of a semi-official character, states that such British Colonial stamps as do not bear their value in FIGURES, somewhere or other on the stamp are eventually to be altered in design by the insertion of such figures. Here is a matter which affects 80 to 100 Colonial stamps. Any collector may easily make a list of such stamps as have their value expressed in WORDS only, figures being entirely absent, and he will find whole sets that are doomed Malta, Gibralter, Hong Kong, Ceylon, Antigua, Dominica, Montsexrat, St.

Kitts, Trinidad and others—most of these bear their value in words only. There have been changes enough in some of these Colonies already, but apparently there is to be "still one more." However, the change is expected to be slow and gradual, and may cover a year or two, but collectors will be wise to bear it in mind; it may bring opportunities of good investment here and there.

Egypt O. H. H. S. are getting cheaper. Hitherto they have been selling at 6d per used set of five, but are expected to drop presently to 4d, since quantities are coming over; the 5 mil and 1 piastre are already available at 2c the pair. Mint sets of 5 are worth 15 pence, mint sets of 6 are about a dollar. Reports come from the Sudan that the Camel stamps are in their last year of existence

Roumania pictorials of 1906, are plentiful at this end but are dear, and the opinion is general that they will not be cheaper. I to 15 bani used costs 8d, 1 to 50 bani is two shillings.

Persia 1903 is another set that is coming down. I chahi to 30 krans used is on sale here at three shillings the set; it used to be ten shillings a few menths ago, and the wholesale price for the 30 krans alone was more than the whole set now costs. Some of your readers may like to know this.

Grenada is at present exciting great interest. The multiples are reported to be coming to an end, and the next issue is to be a continuation of the Ship design. 3d values and above. All the multiples of this Colony are much sought after, the set of four lower values easily sells at three shillings, and the 2s is a good stamp. The 2s chalky is said to be especially good, also the 3d and any other chalkies that may appear in the interim—for there is but a possibility of 6d and 1s chalkies here this winter, which, if they appear, will have a short life.

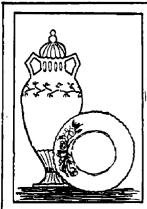
We are wondering why used-Salvadors, 1906, are so easy to get. Previous issues have not been common in a used condition, but the 1906 issue is plentiful enough to be easily gathered by the hundred.

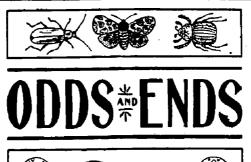
The withdrawal of the British garrison from the island of St. Lucia has had the effect of making used copies of the higher value stamps scarce.

These values were largely used by soldiers on their parcels home, but the supply has now fallen off weefully, and this should have some influence on the future prices of used high value St. Lucias.

Things which interest the English collector do not always interest the American, and vice versa; e. g., we do not care much for War Revenues, U. S. locals, Newspaper stamps, Matches nor Medicines, but we are all interested in the regular issues of American and Colonies. We are waiting to see some used Philippines of 1906, also some used 5c Jamestowns which we hear are scarce. But many a trans-Atlantic cousin will be glad to hear that his British Colonial king's heads are as good an investment as ever, and presently he may be surprised to hear of a substantial increase in the value of the same. For just now everybody is on the qui vive for the appearance of Gibbons' 1907 8 catalogue, in which high quotations are anticipated for kings heads.

If you have any suggestions to offer regarding the betterment of the WEST write L. Brodstone, Superior, Nebr. We want to please our readers.







Speaking before the Herts Philateic Society. Sir Lauder Brunton is reported to have said that the advice he gave to many of his patients who had nothing to do was to collect stamps. He believed it would add ten years to their lives. There are many collectors of stamps in this country. Enthusiasm increases as a collection becomes more complete, and this is the case perhaps more so with stamps and coins than with any other collectable objects. Such collections do not grow by leaps and bounds, but little by little, gradually becoming more complete in their several sections.

There is a peculiar interest in collecting coins, as one never knows where the next finds will be, or what coins once deemed scarce will become fairly common, owing to a large number of one particular reign or mint town being dumped upon the market. Not very long ago quite a number of Saxon coins were found under an old stone, which had been regarded as a land-mark for centuries. Curiously enough most of the coins were of one scarce reign, and the result was that instead of costing about \$5,a few years ago, similar specimens may now be obtained for about \$1.

Palaeolithic implements are frequently changing hands for a few cents or so apiece. They are some times sold in very large quanities for mere trifles, but it now and then happens that a collector places fictitious values upon his specimens, and by a stretch of imagination records on them curious localities and descriptons. In course of time these collections come under the hammer and auctoneers perhaps wishful to do the best they can for their clients, follow closely the late owner's description. Perhaps to such a cause is attributable the cataloguing of the hammer stones and the palaeosolithic implements which were sold a few weeks ago in a London saleroom.

The description of these prehistoric implements was vague, but the locality from which they came was given as the "Garden of Eden," the possessor evidently believing full in the "old story."

There is much uncertainty about the price of old musical instruments, and correspondents are often at a loss to know the value of some ancient violin, said to be a genuine Strad. It may interest such to know that one of these instruments, apparently signed, with bow and case, was sold a few days

ago at London salesroom for \$6, yet there have been occasions in which some \$1500 has been paid for a genuine Stradivarius violin! This well known maker is said to have charged \$20 for one of his violins, which was made between 1700 and 1725. The violins of the great Italian master are much treasured, but the advice given by Mr. Hawe in a useful little handbook, just published, is well worth repeating. It is, "Never buy a fiddle at the owner's value, judge it by your own knowledge if you have any, or that of an epxert if you have none."

A very interesting bronze key has been found at Pipewell. It is thought to be of fourteenth century workmanship, and probably belonged to the Abbey, the ruins of which may still be seen in the neighborhood.

At a sale of war medals held at London a few days ago, no fewer than sixty had been awarded in the South African War. Present-day soldiers are not as reluctant to part with their medals as those old veterans who are proud of the medals and bars they have won in their country's service. An authority on war medals has recently been much struck with the number of medals, granted in the South African War to the Dublin Fusiliers, sold recently, and he has ascertained the number originally granted, making a computation that comparatively few are left in the hands of the original.

Among the finds on the sea shore reported recently is that of a number of gold and silver coins of the periods of George III. and William and Mary. Some of these are supposed to have been cast up from wrecks which are known to have taken place on that coast.

Some of the old commemoative medals, especially those issued in limited numbers in the seventeenth century are exceedingly rare. One of these, known as the Dutch Funeral Medal, with the bust of the Protector upon it, dated September 3rd, 1685, has just been sold for \$63.75 in a Lendon auction room.

An immense prehistoric monster has just been discovered in one of the Queen Charlote Islands. The quadruped has ribs sixteen feet long, and Dr. Bayfield, a well-known authority, calculates that the animal when sitting down would have covered an area of 1,375 square feet.

Now and then bargains are obtained in London salerooms. As our readers are aware, "Horn Books" sell for anything from \$5 to \$25, but a few days ago one of these interesting relics of early educational efforts was knocked down, along with a brass knocker (rather a curious combination) for \$3.00 At the same sale a whole sackful of postage stamps, said to have been unpicked, went for \$150.

Seventeenth century tokens are frequently being brought under the notice of our readers, and those who have taken up the collection of these interesting little mementoes of times when trading was carried on under different conditions to that which prevails today will be interested to know that the prices of such tokens appear to be steadily rising. An exceptionally complete collection, numbering 3,500 specimens, has just been sold in London the sum of \$1200 being realized. One of the rarities of the collection was a sixpense by Tanner dated 1658, which sold for \$32.50.

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I., G. DORPAT, Box 37. Wayside, Wis.

Where are the King Soloman Islands? Nowhere that I know, But there is a group of Solomon Islands in the South Pacific or Australian The group is 600 miles in length and ocean with about 500,000 inhabitants. contains seven islands of about 100 miles in length each, besides a large One of the islands has a volcanic peak 8000 feet number of smaller ones. They are quite fertile and contain some thrifty planuations. If I am rightly informed, the natives are Polynesians or Melanesians stamps of New Zealand are used there, except in the northern portion, where Germany has a possession, and where the German New Guinear colonial stamps presumably are in use. Recently there is much talk of an issue of stamps for the Solomon Islands and I have, by the courtesy of Mr. H. M. Wichman of Springfield. Mass , seen several values of this set. acter, however, is doubted by some.

395. What are reprints? This question pops up again and again. We might say in short: They are stamps printed from the original plate or stone, but not for postal use. Were they printed for postal use or were their use for postage permitted, then they should be called, not reprints, but ressues, as the U.S. resisted of 1875. In Germany there was lately quite a controversy over this matter carried on between Herr P. Ohm, author of a new work on reprints, and Herr Philipp Kosack, publisher of the Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung. Very time points are brought out, and it is shown that under certain circumstances it is quite difficult to distinguish between reprints and a resisted, if the intentions of all parties concerned are left out of consideration.

396 How many stamps of British New Guinea were surcharged "Paupua"? "There were 29,190 of the ½d; 70 170 of the 2d; 25,230 of the 2½d; 81,00 of the 4d; 11,550 of the 6d; 13,590 of the shilling and 13,410 of the 2s. The 4d stamp is the rarest. Then comes the 6d. The commonest is the 2d. It is said that no more can be surcharged, because the above total include all that remained of the old issue and no further printing is likely to take place in Eugland. A new design is to be expected. Happy is the man who has the set complete!

397. Why was the 6 penny New Zealand stamp reduced in size? The have a new rotary perforating machine there and the old design of the 8 stamp was to large to fit it, so they reduced the size of the stamp to fit the machine. The perforation gauges 14 14½ and is sometimes not very clean the paper remaining in the holes and the edges looking ragged.

when were they issued? There are 7 values, ½d to 1 sh., and the date of issue was July 1st, 1907. I have not seen them yet, but Whitfield King & Co. gave the values as ½, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6d and 1 sh., price 3sh 4d, or 83 cents. U. S.

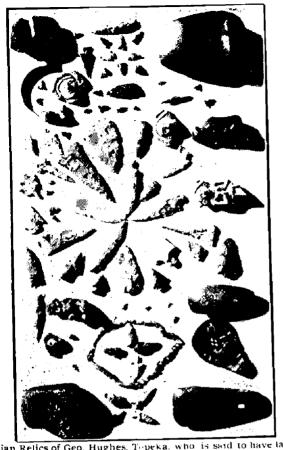




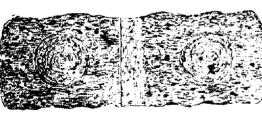
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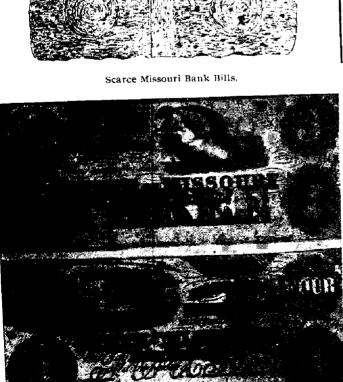


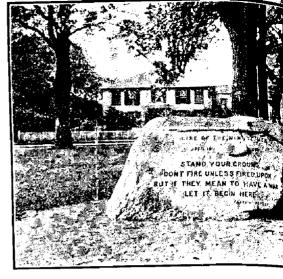




Indian Relics of Geo. Hughes, Topeka, who is said to have largest collection of Indian Relics in the state of Kansas.







Dr. Wait and Wife of Superior. Nebr. Taken near her Great achusetts. He is Voie president Amateur of the Photograph



English Souvenir Card taken from Picture Morro Castle, Cuba taken by J. Le







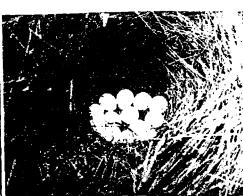
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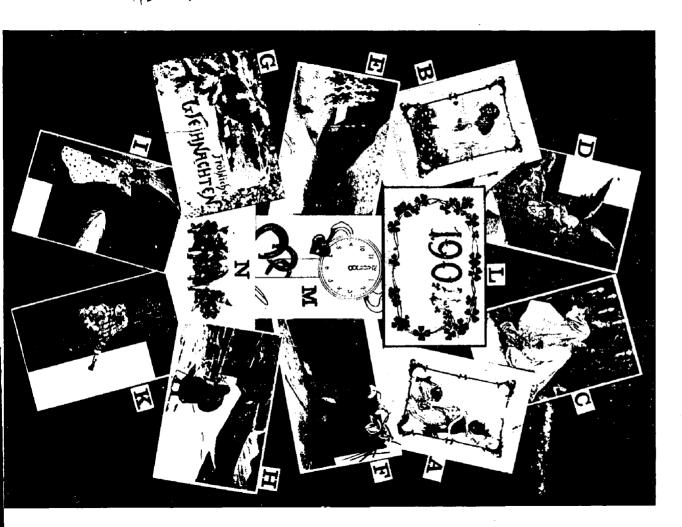


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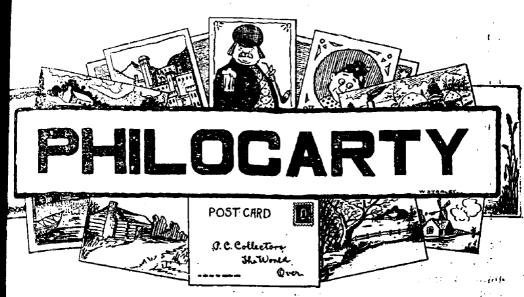
Devils Path at Thompson Lodge, most people take rocks on the side for snow. Taken by W. J. Strong. Geneva, Ohio.







Arizona Cactus



Foreign Cards by Madeline Keller

A rare and curious card seen is a view from Benares, India. showing the famous tower from which the Tashi Lama of Shigatse the holiest dignitary in the Thibetan hierarchy preached to his disciples. The holy man of Thibet performed strange rites at this famous spot. He burnt 200 !bs. of clarified butter around the tower. lighted some 300 lamps and scattered flow-, ers and cakes. His prayers in adoration of Buddha lasted more than an hour. He then walked solemnly several times around the holy tower. cards are seen from the Swiss Alps. The process in natural colors by which these cards are made was invented in Zueaich, Switzeralnd, and is considered the latest and best. These scenes embrace the following subjects: famous Aarhorn; the Jungfrau; Mont Blanc; Montreux and the Dent du-Midi, together with views of Luzern showing the Famous Lion of Luzerne, the famous old Tower and bridge. This Lion is carved in the the rock in memory of the heroic deeds of the Swiss people, by Thorwaldsen. several pretty ones from Geneva, others from the famous Boucier peak in the Italian Alps A thrilling experience has befallen the noted German Alpinist and others while attempting to climb the Boucier peak. party started out from Torre Cellice, and got to within about 200 yards of Here the mountain rises in an almost perpendicular cone which affords scarcely foot or hand hold. The three or more men roped themsevies together thus starting to make their way up the cone by a circu-They came at last to a narrow ledge overhanging a deep preci-Suddenly one of the men slipped and fell head foremost over the edge of the precipice. Like a flash Lieut Menotli grabbed the falling man catching him by the ankle But in falling he struck his head against the side of the rock and was unconscious. It was impossible to pull him up again, for there was no place to rest his inanimate body. For 50 yards Lieut. Menotli crawled along to come to comparative safety, clinging heroically to the ankle of his comrade, whose body dangled over the awful void, The famous old Alpine guide Leopold Grand of Linte St. Bernard, a familiar

tigure to all American tourists in the Alps, has been swept away by an avalanche and badly hurt while trying to rescue lost travelers. saved, but was seriously injured, so that he was never able to resume his duties. For 22 years Grand has kept watch on the summit of the pass to aid persons in distress, and he has the record of having saved over 50 lives. One of his thirdling feats occurred three years ago. Grand and his son were occupied in rescuing a detachment of French Alpine troops who had been buried under an avalanche near the pass, when a second avalanche carried both over a precipice, killing the son. Grand himself was badly injured, but he insistd, after carrying his son's body back to his little hut on the summit, on continuing his work of rescuing the soldiers. He carried them one by one on his back to his hut a mile away. He has long since been entitled to a pension, but no efforts could induce him to give up his dangerous occupation. Many thriling stories could be told in connection with the grand summits of Switzerland, but we will not use more space, it might only serve to dampen the admiration of the granduer of these lofty heights.

A fine set of cards seen are those from Mexico showing various grand summits among them the famous Ixtaccihuatl—The woman in white; Popocateptil—the snow crested Volcano: also scenes of the Maguey farms near Pueblo, Birds eye view of Pueblo; The Pyramid of Cholula; The town of Cholula from the Pyramid, etc.

(Mexico continued.)

Oh, picture postcard, that to me Affords a long desired relief, You virtue is that you must be

Brief.

It is a pleasant habit quite
With distant friends to keep in touch,
But still it is a bore to write

Much,

A letter, ocne it is begun, If made too short may look absurd; Give me a card with room for one

Word.

Of silly folk there are a few Who fool a lot of time away In writing when there's nothing to Say.

They fill a page with or two "rot".

And sweat and travail o'er a creed,
Which, doubtless, friends would
rather not

Read.

To such the picture card will bring A respite from a horrid doom.

I'm not surprised to find the thing

Bcom.

They say that it in time may rob
The world of letter-writers. True,
And I should add,—a right good job
Too!

New Use for Picture Post Cards. At a recent meeting of the Camera Club at Evesham, some interesting photographic slides were displayed which were reproductions of pictorial post cards. The views, which were scenes in Pospeti were excellent. An acetylene gas lantern under the superintendence of one of the members, showed them off to advantage.

The Collection of Butterflies and Moths And The Preservation of The Same

Written for the WEST by R. H. Crosby, Canada.

It does not require very much experience to start collecting insects. Some of these interesting creatures can be found at all seasons of the year. Of the Lepidoptera, the moths, which as a rule fly at night, are by far the most numerous, and the months of June, July and August are the best to hunt for them. The first butterflies emerge during the early warm days of spring and continue to appear throughout the summer, some species flying late into the fall. The following directions, owing to limited space, are brief but are includded in this Nature Study series in the hope that they may be of use to students who may care to collect these insects. Insect life is full of intense interest., and in the study of these beautiful creatures many practical Nature Study lessons can be drawn.

THE NET:—Butterfly nets can be bought from any of the dealers in entomological supplies. These range in price from \$1,00 to \$2.50. It is not difficult to make a net, however, and this can be done easily:at home, a One of the nets the writer uses, consists of a piece of cane 38 minches mionus; and rather more than 1/4 inch thick. This wis bent in the shape of a circle, the sides of both ends being shaved off to fit the upper square projections of a ferrule. An easy way of carrying the cane when not in use is to put it under light stick from 2½ to 3 feet long answers as a handle. Any tinsmith for a small sum will make one of these ferrules. The one I generally use is made of tin, and has been in use over eight years. For the bag of the net, ordinary green leno is serviceable. This should be first soaked in water to remove the stiffness. When dry again, it can be cut in shape care being taken to see that it is well rounded at the bottom, so as to have no corners. piece of strong wide ribbon should be doubled and both edges sewed to the top so as to make a passage for the cane to slide through to keep the net in shape.

To be continued.

The killing bottle and hints on how to collect next issue.

COLLECTOR OF BABY PICTURES. The Prince of Waless' pet di; versions, next to shooting, are smoking and stamp collecting. Another queer hobby is collecting babies' photographs. The more comical the face of the babe the better its portrait pleases his royal highness. He even collects pictures of babies published as advertisements by proprietors of infants' foods. His collection of postage stamps is worth at least 20,000 pounds. So keen a philatelist is he that on several occasions collectors have had to thank him for throwing light on uncertain scientific points concerning the study of stamps.—Tit Bits

"Faint heart ne'er won fair lady," runs the old adage. Nor did a faint hearted advertiser e'er win fair profits from his business on a one time ad.

Notes from my Memorandum Book By George J. Remsburg

A large oak tree was recenly felled on the farm of Wm. Henderson near the writer's home, and embedded in one of its larger branches was found an Indian flint arrowpoint, which had evidently been shot at a squirrel or some other animal by Mr. Henderson's redskinned predecessors.

The writer recently picked up several specimens of iron ore along the Missouri river bluffs north of the city of Atchison. More than a century ago a French explorer, Perrin u Lac. discovered iron ore in the same vicinity. In 1802-3, or about two years before the great explorers, Lewis and Clark passed up the, river DuLac recorded that "three miles below the old Kances Indian village he perceived some iron ore". As the old Kanses village referred to was where the town of Doniphan now stands the iron discovered by DuLac must have been a short distance north of the present city of Atchison. Luther Dickerson the oldest settler of that locality, says the rocks in the vicinity of his home are strongly impregnated with iron. DuLac, the Frenchman gathered some specimens of this ore and took along with him, but he must have lost them, for he says in his journal: "I intended to have them assayed on my return home, but an accident unfortunately happening prevented me."

On the farm of Mrs. Mary Coffey, one mile south of Atchison, an ancient Indian mound has been discovered and the writer has been given permission to explore it this fall. It is on a high bluff overlooking the Missouri river and is built largely of stone

The writer has recently discovered an ancient Indian village site of some extent, on the farm of Frank Bluma, in the northwest quarter of section 14, town 7, range 21, on Little Walnut creek, one and a half miles west of Oak Mills. in Atchison county, Kansas Here a large corntield is literally strewn with flint spalls, broken stone implements, numerous hammerstones, and other fragmentary specimens. A number of perfect arrowpoints and several good pitted hammers were found. A small lake or marsh, now almost desicnated, exists nearby.

Walter Farmer, of Atchison county, Kansas recently presented the writer with an old-fashioned stiletto, or dagger, which he found imbedded in the earth at the side of the famous old "Military Road", near Lowemont, Leavenworth county, Kans. This old road was laid out from Fort Leavenworth by General Ogden, in 1850, but was traveled as a trail long before that time. Parkman, Stansbury and other noted travelers and explorers passed over this route during the '40s.

Now and then old musical instruments are discovered, many of them realizing several hundred dollars. A genuine "Strad" has just been found by a Smithfield clothier, who secured it for a few dollars. It is expected to realize quite a large amount.

The finely carved oak paneling in the house at Tooting Manor, originally the home of Defoe, has just been bought by an American. It was in this house, which is now being pulled down, that Defoe wrote "Robinson Crusoe."



BY W. STRALEY

NOTE—The editor of this department would like to receive papers, magazines, books, etc., dealing with the subjects of Archeology and Conchology for review; also would appreciate clippings or accounts of discoveries along the lines of Indian relics and shells. Proper credit will be given. Address, W. Straley, Comanche, Texas.

G. A. Chilton of Comanche, Texas, has in his possession two spearheads made of flin; they are about 7 inches long, and were found near the above mentioned town—the one-time home of the historic Comanches.

"The Story of Primitive Man", by Edward Clodd. D. Appleton & Co., New York; cloth 16mo, 190 pp., 40 cents post paid. This is a very interesting and instructive volume for the collector of prehistoric stone relics, and deals generally with the "ancient" and "newer" stone age.

Don M. Harris of Bandera county, Texas, recently sent us a few arrow heads found in a couple of mounds on his father's farm. One of the mounds measured 50x30 ft. and 3ft. high, and the other 30x20 ft. and 4ft above the general surface of the field, and stood some 175 ft. apart. They may have been much higher, but the constant cultivation of ten years has no doubt cut them down. Besides arrowheads and other worked flint human bones, teeth, etc., have also been found. The specimens sent were of the leafshaped, long barbed, square and concave stemmed variety, together with a few odd shapes that I have not seen elsewhere. The last named were very thin and each specimen broken.

Bulletin Nos 77, 124, 151 and 266 of the Geological Survey have just been received. They pertain to matters of interest to the student of conchology and geology, and would be valuable additions to the library of the collector.

t. No. 1072—"Description of Four New Triassic Unios from the Staked Plains of Texas", is on my desk. It deals with Unios Suplantus, Dumblei, Graciliratus and Dockumensis found in beds composed of horizontal strata of sand stone, conglomeration and clay. The paper is a Smithsonian publication of 5 pages with 5 figures illustrating the text.

A Few Notes from My Memorandum Book

George K. R. emsburg

While visiting the Kickapoo Indian reservation in Brown county, Ransas, during the present month, (October) I found unmistakable evidence that this locality was occupied by the Indians long before the Kickapog settled here in 1854. 'Along the headwaters of the Delaware River, I found at frequent intervals the remains of ancient Indian camps and workshop, About a mile west of Horton, in a pasture, I observed a large millstone of mortar, 100 heavy to remove. In the west suburbs of Horton I picked up a arrowpoint of flint, and observed numerous spalls of the same material, impl cating that a workshop had been located here. About half way between Horton and Pierce I casually noticed what I believe is the remains of a ancient Indian village, situated in a meadow, near a creek, and surrounded by gently sloping hills and heavy timber. These remains consist of numerous small mounds of earth where the Indian lodges had evidently stood My time was too limited for a close examination, but I intend to visit the place again in the near future.

The latest addition to my collection is a very handsome grooved stome axe donated by Mr. Watler Oldham, of Atchison, Kans It was found at the "Thorn Hill" farm near Rosedale, Mc.

Mr. Sim Horn, of Walnut township, Atchison county, Kans., inform me that on the farm which his father preempted, on Walnut creek, in 1856, there is an Indian turial ground of some extent, situated on top of a ventocky hill overlooking the creek valley. Some of the graves were opened by a doctor several years ago and some remarkably large human bones exhumed.

Capt. Edward A. K. Kilian, secretary of the Quivira Historical society, has kindly donated to my historical and archaeological library, photographic copies of the old mars of Louisiana, made by D'Anville, in 1732, by Do Pratz, in 1757, and by Du Pratz, in 1858. They are very interesting and valuable.

P. L. Gray, late editor of the Bendena (Kansas) Telephone, and author of Gray's "History of Doniphan county," writes that many interesting Indian remains have been found in that section of Kansas. Mr. Gray sends on an engraved sandstone, found with arrowheads and charred human remains, near Severance, Doniphan county. Mr. Gray is much interested in archaeology and early history, and has collected many interesting objects.

I recently called on Mr. William A. Simpson, of Atchison, Kans., and was very hospitably and agreeably entertained. Mr. Simpson has excellent collections of U.S. stamps, coins, script, Indian relics, and curios, and is a enthusiastic and progressive collector. Mr. 'Simpson, and Messrs' Will Blomberg and Frank Davis, of the same city, compose the Sunflower Stamp Co., which carries an advertisement in the WEST.

There are many millions of dollars absolutely wasted by injudicious advertising—by the inability of the advertiser to properly state facts in an intelligent, convincing way.

The St. Paul's Chapel Plate

By E. Van Voorbis.

To the collectors of the old historical china I will give some history estaining to the view which occurs on this plate.

"Sr. Pauls Chapel is one of the most interesting bits of old New York hat is standing today. The church was built in 1776 on the far upper part I Broadway, overlooking pastures with cows feeding. It faced the river, and the chancel was placed in the chapel on the east side, which caused rave debate among those of the congregation; but the builders had their ay, and the church has ever turned its back on busy Broadway. The figness: Paul still stands in its niche over the portico, and very rarely does passerby among the many thousands ever think to glauce up at him.

I am sure there are very, very few who even know that George Washgion attended service in this church, but he did and his pew is still pointlout, still preserved as he left it. On the day of his inauguration he atended service in this quaint church and sat in the pew which you can see
day. In his diary for all the time he spent in New York under "Sunday"
cours the note: "Weut to St. Paul's Chapel in the forenoon."

Over the pulpit is an odd sounding-board with the arms of the Prince (Wales at top. It is beyond understanding how this old relic escaped the rdor of the patriots, who, in Revolution days rushed through the streets estroying everything which in the least suggested our allegiance to Engnd. So this old pre-Revolutionary relic still stands in its original place.

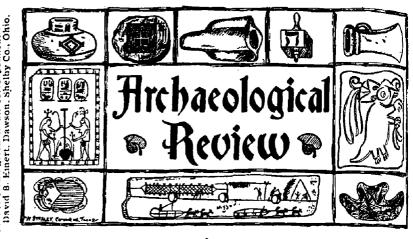
What I have written is just a small beginning of the history which is pund in this 6 inch plate of the owner has an interest apart from its value.

When I mention "value" I mean the rarety is such that the plate has old for \$22,500 which makes it adesirable acquisition in value and also istory.

The purchaser of an old hook store in London, met with an exceptional argain the other day. Between the leaves of the volume, which he had severed for two-pence, he was delighted to find two autograph letters, one by he late William Ewert Gladstone and the other by Lord Salisbury. The two etters addressed to the same person, contained quite different opinions upon he "Home Rule" question, which, at the time they were written was agiating politicians in this country. No doubt the autograph letters were valable and show that it is still possible to secure bargains upon the old London bookstalls.

The Philippine government has in circulation a series of silver certificates which are authorized by an act of congress. The face of these certificates hears the portraits of Rizal, McKinley, Washington, Lawton, Magelan, and Legaspi and one of them a scene of Mount Mayon in active eruption. They are of two, five, ten, twenty, fifty, one hundred and five hundred pesos denominations, and they show that their face value is covered by deposit of Philippine silver coin or United States gold coin in the insular treasury. They bear the signature of the governor general and treasurer of the islands, and also the seal of the Philippine government.

EDITOR'S NOTE—Publishers of archaeological journals and books, are requested to send copies for review to address below. Also desire notes and clippings of archaeological interest Protes er et dispose to all correspondents. David 8. Einert, Dawson, Shelby Co., Obio.



I have received for this department from Mr. Levi C. Starks of Jeffersonville, Indiana, the following examination of The Salver Creek Mounds as referred to in the September, WESP

On the Indiana side of the lower rapids of the frils of the O io less burial ground and shell heap (referred to in lost month's WES) as "the Silver Creek Mounds") extending for ¾ of a noile up the river from the mound of Silver Creek, and is beyond doubt one of the greatest monuments of the aboriginal found in Indiana

Dr. McMurtrie in his "Sketches of Louisville" relates an Indian tradition to the effect that a race of light skinned Indians were here annihilated by heir darker skinned contemporaries

Dr. W. H. English believed that the vast quantities of human remains found with only a covering of some six feet an alluvial earth, evidenced the location of that ancient faitle ground.

The late Prof. W. W. Borden and Prof. E. T. Cox who had studied this ground extensively were of a different opinion and the visible evidence supports their belief, namely—that the falls of the Ohio was a neutral ground to which many tribes from north, east, south and west came in peace to ish and hunt and that it was not the scene of bloody battle.

It is related that bodies have been found buried in a sitting position, surrounded by slabs of slate and covered with shells, pottery, e.e., which would indicate a peaceful burial. I have been unable to verify this but have never seen the least evidence of a battle ground. I have examined many hundred human bones (fragments of skulls, vertebra, femura, hip bones, small bones of hands, feet, etc.) none of which have shown a fracture or injury.

Unfortunately for the collector fully four fifths of the burial ground have been washed away and good specimens are rarely collected now. It is interesting to note that the implements found are nearly all of the peaceful are and of the hunt and are not the instruments of warfare.

The following list will give a fair idea of what has been collected.

Vast quantities of Ohjo river bivalve and univalve shells, evidently the refuse from the ancient clam bakes.

Many spines from the vertebra of cat tish-the refuse from the clam-bake

nd carnival.

Thousands of "locky stones" from the head of the perch. It may be hat the perch was extensively eaten by the savages, but it has always appealed to me that these "locky's ones" were held in some degree of reverpce, as charms

Fragments of pottery—Most of this pottery was made of river mud and mound up mussel shells, which had hardened into an artificial stone. They were evidently moulded in wicker baskets

I piece of potrery resembling an owl and used for drinking purposes.

Pottery having ears for attachment of a ball for dipping up water.

Quantities of bones from the horse, deer and other animals, some bones being split evidently of their marrow.

Human remains including fragments of the heavier bones of the body, bull, jaw, teeth etc.

Grooved axes of green stone (from the North), posites of green stone from the (North), Hammer Stones. Elesters and Drills of flint from Tennessee, Blunts—of a type peculiar to the southern states, Sinkers. Bone Awls, Bone Needles, Bone Fishooks, Bear claws, Piece of hematice and other (used a paint), Copper Spear head, In oval shaped stone 16 inches long, 3 inches in diameter at the center, 1½ inches in diameter at each end, with one end worn smooth. It is made of limestone (can you suggest its use)?

Fossil Corais and crinoid stems from the Devontan timestone nearby probably revered by the savages

A toy Grooved Axe 21/4 Inches long, a toy Celt 2 inches long

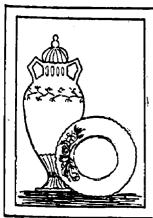
A mound about one half mile from the Silver creek shell heap yielded a cross about 18 inches long. I tried to obtain possession of this but failed and it has since been lost. Forme it is the most interesting of the relics from the Falls. Careful search has failed to reveal any other object from this mound and it remains an unanimous question wheher this object of devotion was buried on a savage breast that had received the light of Christianity or whether it lay on the bosom of a Jesuit father, many of whom had visited this region on their errands of love and charity.

At a regular meeting of the Minnesota State Historical Society, held the evening of Oct. 26, 1907, there was read a paper, written by Thomas flughes, of Mankato, dealing with the discovery of the skeletons of seventeen Sioux Indians, near Le Sueur's Fort L'Huillier.

The owner for the land has given the historical society permission to dig where the skeleons were found, with a view to ascertaining if the mound is anicipally or naturally formed. Several memoers of the society will investigate the mound within a week or ten days

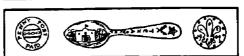
If any of the readers learn anything further of this mound, will they please report same to this department.

Considerable activity has been apparent in the sale rooms lately. Curios have been sold in large quantities mostly realizing high prices; but here and there some very nice little pieces of old china have changed hands at moderate prices. Old Nankin has been selling freely, but the prices have been simply prohibitive to the ordinary collector. At Christie's, London, several vases of this famous pottery fetched on an average about one \$5 per inch in height, but some of the more important pieces realised fully five times that.





ODDS ENDS





The London season's sales are over and dealers and collectors will han several weeks rest before the next are held. Some record prices have been paid for pictures, old silver and rare old china. Among the record sales we that of the famous Massey Mainwaring collection of antiques. The sale of the libraries of the Duke of Sutherland and Mr. Lawrence Hodson realised nearly ten thousand pounds each, and the late Sir Wilfred Lawson's collection of engravings realised over \$95,000. In the past twelve months about twenty eight pictures have changed hands for sums exceeding \$50.00 Jer. els, too. especially pearls have fetched very high prices—prices which have tempted to sell family treasures

Readers in agricultural districts may be familiar with the quaint old wool weight once kept in the parish church or under the care of the beadle of the parish by which wool was publicly weighed. Two of these curios of the time of Queen Anne were sold a few days ago, the price being \$30

India has anticipated England in the use of the nickel coin in the new one-anna nickel piece issued this week. The crowned bust of the King-Emperor on the obverse looks well. The denomination of the coin is given in Urdu, Bengali, and Teluga

Autograph collectors will welcome the discovery of a number of letter by the late Duke of Wellington, written between 1832-7, when he was chairman of the Dover Harbour Commissioners.

Mr. North of Cemetery Road, Lough, has found quite a number of local tokens while digging in his garden Cuciously enough, several Nuremburg tokens, which circulated in England so freely during the 16th century, were among the number.

Among the interesting discoveries made in Devonshire lately is a find fint arrowhead, found by Mr. F. Coaker, in Dunnabridge Bog, Dartmoor. A rough cake of pure tin was found recently in a field; it differed somewhat from the ingots which are usually met with and which were cast in stome moulds. A small stone celt has also been found at Hexworthy.

The beautifully painted Verius Martin fans fetch high prices. One is now on sale at a shop in London. The price asked is over \$2000!

Some good prices have been realised for antique silver lately, one of

the favourite collectable objects of these antiques being the little porringers of the Queen Anne period. One of these was sold at London recently for a sum representing \$22 per ounce.

Many lady readers are interested in old needlework. Sometimes ancient pieces are given dictitious dates, but any genuine piece can be located by its workmanship and the peculiar sticth in which it is executed, as there are so many authenticated specimens in existence. Bend and stump embroidery was practised in Charles the Second's time, but tent stitched work was the needlework of the early portion of the Jucobsan pariod,. times really beautiful pieces are purchased for an old song. relates that quite recently he bought for \$5 a piece of petit point, four feet long by one and half feet wide, which had been nailed to the top of an old About the last decade of the eighteenth century, black and white needlework began to be worked upon sussenct, lutestring, This was seldom worked in colors, but in addition to fine black silk, human hair was occasionally employed. This socalled print work remained popular for a long time, and many beautiful examples are in existence, but specimens offered in curio shops are frequently imperfect.

Collectors of manuscripts will be interested in the recent addition made to the British Museum collection of autograph letters. It consists of quite a number addressed by the poet Shelley in early life, to his friend Miss Hitchener.

There have been several sales of old furniture during the past few days, one of the most startling features being the righ prices realised for old needlework cushions and upholstery. Yet now and then a bargain has been secured. At London a miscellaneous parcel sold for \$10, contained an old English embroidered silk curtain, which a Bond Street dealer afterwards valued at \$300.

It is said by frequenters of auction sales that the value of genuine ivories, marbles, and embroideries of Indian manufacture, has depreciated recently, while on the contrary, Japanese rubbish sells at fancy prices.

The collection of Sheffield plate has frequently been mentioned in these columns, it will therefore be intereseting to collectors to know that a set of four Sheffield plate entree dishes with gadromed edges were sold in a London saleroom recently for \$50, an unusually good price, showing that the value of Sheffield plate is steadily rising.

A very interesting and valuable lot of household furniture and effects came under the hammer recently, when the collection of sundries made by Mr. John West, of Braunston, was dispersed. Seven antique pewter plates realised \$60, two eightday grandfather clocks fetched \$45, and a small carved took chest \$16. Amongst the old china were a number of jugs, some handsome china figures, all fo which fetched good prices. As an instance in the advance in the value of Spode china, which has been very noticeable recently, it may be mentioned that two dishes of no special interest realised \$8

It is curious what long prices quite small pieces of china jade sell for. Yet now and then odd pieces are picked up at reasonable figures. A comparatively large slab sold in one of the London show rooms recently for only a few shillings.

A Memorial to Massasoit

A very interesting and unique event took place at Warren, R. I., on the afternoon of October 19th., when a memorial to Massasoit, the famous Indian sachem and friend of the Pilgrims, was dedicated wih appropriate exercises in the presence of a large concourse of people.

Warren is a picturesque town located on an arm of Narragansett Bay, and occupies the site of Sowams village, the capital of Pokanoket the country of Massoit and his people, the Wampanoags At the foot of Haker Street, in the compact part of the town is a spring of pure. clear water which has been known as "Massasoit's Spring" ever since the first English settles planted their log cabits within the limits of lokanoket. Just a century ago this spring was excavated and walled up like a well. About five feet from the bottom a sluiceway was left and, through this, a small stream trickles during the greater part of the year, finding its way to Warren river—the Sonams river of the old chronicles—which flows near by. The water of the spring never fails and is cool and refreshing even in the heat of summer. Massasoi's wigwam undoubtedly once stood close beside his historic landmark.

The spring has recently become the property of the Massasoit Monument Association of Warren and its site, under the direction of a landscape gardener, has been greaty beautified. At the brink of the well a large boulder has been placed and to this, the 'State Committee for Marking Historic Sites' have affixed a handsome bronze tablet which bears an inscription as follows:—

"This tablet placed beside the gushing water known for many generations as Massasoit's Spring commemorates the great Indian Sachem Massasoit, "friend of the white man", ruler of this region when the Pilgrims of the Mayflower landed at Plymouth in the year of Our Lord 1620"."

The boulder is a gift to the association from Miss Abby A Cole, a lineal descendent of Hugh Cole, one the early settlers of Swansea, Mass, of which town Warren originally formed a part. Hugh Cole was the friend of King Phillip, Massassoit's illustrious son, and his lite and the lives of his whole family were saved by that Sachem at the breaking out of Phillips' War in 1765. The boulder was taken from the Hugh Cole farm in the easterly part of Warren.

The scene at the unveiling of the table was one that will not be lightly forgotten by the beholders. The exercises began at two o'clock when Wilfred Harold Munro, President of he Rhode Island Historical Society formally presented the tablet to the Massasoit Monument Association. Immediately afterward, the silken flag which covered the bronze was lifted by Alonzo Harris Mitchell and Charotte Lavina of Lakeville, Mass., lineal descendents of Amie the daubgter of Massasoit, who was the wife of Tuspaquin, the "Black Sachem," Chief of the Assawamsett tribe of Indians.

Alonzo Mitchell wore the garb of the white man, but his sister was clad in the costume of her people. With her robe and blanket of black and crimson hues, her head beaded moccasins, wampum belt and necklaces and crown of feathers, she looked every inch the princess. She bears the Indian name of Wootonepamuske, given her in memory of the beautiful and unfortunate wife of King Philip, whose history none can read without a tear of sympathy-following the unveiling of the tablet was an historical address, delivered by

Miss Virginia Baker of Warren. Miss Baker briefly pictured the scenes that transpired beside the spring in the olden days when the Indians dwelt at Sonams. It was here that Massasoit welcomed Edward Winslow and Stephen Hopkins in 1621—here that Winslow and John Hamden saved Massasoit from death in 1623—here that Massasoit sheltered the exiled Roger Williams in 1636. Among those who listened to Miss Baker's address were, not only the descendents of Massasoit, but the descendents of Roger Williams and his contemporaries, of Gov William Bradford of Plymouth, and of many other Pilgrims. It was a remarkable gathering.

At three o'clock additional exercises were held in the spacious Town Hall of Warren which was nearly filled with people, many of whom came from Boston, Plymouth, Taunton, New Bedford, and other parts of New England. The principal address was made by Col. Thomas Wentworh Higginson, who spoke at length of the relations of Massasoit to the Plymouh settlers. Other addresses were given by President Munro and Col. Charles W. Abbot, Jr, President of the Massasoit Monument Association. President Munro referred to Indian manners and customs, and Col. Abbot related the history of the Association, and paid a tribute to the merits of the great sachem, but for whom he whole history of New England might have been changed.

A very beautiful peem from the pen of the late George H. Conner, whose name was once familiar to readers of the "Youth's Companion" and kindred publications was read by Miss Mary C. Blanchard, a student of the Warren High School, and a musical program was rendered of the Sonams Glee Club and the Coast Artillery Corps Orchestra from Fort Adams. The Glee Club sang with fine effect, a hymn entitled "Men of Swanseca," which was written, shortly before his death, by Warren's beloved poet Hezekiah Butterworth—At the close of the exercises an informal reception was tendered to Col. Higginson and Mr. and Miss Mitchell.

Many most interesting aboriginal relics have been found on the site of Sonams in times past, and even now arrowheads and implements of various kinds are occasionally exhumed. Few localities in New England have associated with them such memories as cluster about Massasoit's Spring, and few names are more honored today, than that of the great and good, the generous, true, and kingly Massasoit.

Unique among importations brought by returning travelers was a part of the baggage of Archer M. Huntington, who arrived recently after several months in Europe.

In four heavy valises and a trunk were \$60,000 worth of coins which are destined for the new Spanish museum in Audoubon Park, which Mr. Huntington will present to the Haspanic Society of America. Two men were in charge of the valuable bags and accompanied them from the dock to their destination. The coins are mainly antique Arabic and Byzantine, and are part of a collection which Mr. Huntington has secured during the last fourteen years.

Some of them are of gold, but the greater part consists of silver and copper coinage. As the coins are destined for a museum, there was no duty levied.

Barrie A Collector's Trip in Florida

By C. J. Hanford

While on my vacation this summer I visited a couple of places of interest to collectors. The first was Fernandina, Fla., a small city situated on Amelia Island. A great quantity of phosphate rock is shipped from this place, although the mines are situated in South Florida. Unfortunately, my time was limited, but I called on the manager and obtained permission to search for a few fossil pecimens. He not only permitted, but also assisted me in looking for specimens. However the supply of rock on hand was not very large, therefore I did not meet with overwhelming success.

I found a few very good shark teeth (none over an inch long) some bits of bone, petrified wood, and a few shells. The manager said that some lots seemed to abound in fossils, while others contained very few. He told me that a couple of weeks previous to my visit they had found a petrified human foot, perfect, even to the joints and toenails. He had this at his house, but could not be induced to part with it. He also told me that they very often found immense pieces of bone; and shark teeth over three inches long.

I am looking forward to the time when I shall be able to visit this place again, or, better still, go down to the mines, for I am told of some great finds in bones, teeth and arrow points down there, especially at Plant City

Next I went to the historic old city of St. Augustine, Fla. I did not expect to find much of geological interest there, but was chiefly attracted by the antiquity of the place. I went aross the Matanzas river to Anastasia Island, where the old Spanish Coquina quarries are situated—in fact, the whole island is almost solid coquina rock. Scott says: "The coquina rock of Florida is an example of a recently made shell limestone, though it is forming no longer." These quarries, which are now abandoned, furnished material for all of the early Spanish structures of St. Augustine, including Fort Marion. City gates, Cathedral, slave market and sea wall.

They are still standing and in excellent condition. One old residence bears the date 1516. This cuquina rock also entered largely into the construction of Flagler's modern, palace like hotels in the ancient city. I brought back a few small pieces of the ciquina; but, best of all, I had my camera along, and secured some very good pictures of the places of interest. I have already made many photos and cards from them.

f am very much interested in minerals and rocks, and have been collecting along these lines for about a year. I have a few good specimens, but find difficulty in obtaining them the sizes I wish. My first hobby was postage stamps; my second coins; my third, souvenir postals, but I have ceased to collect the colored scenes, and devote my efforts toward obtaining a collection of photo cards.

Some time I will write concerning my stamps, coins and cards.

No one would expect to drive a nail through a two inch plank with one blow of the hammer. Likewise, you should not expect to build up a good trade with one piece of advertising. Don't wait until you have a larger capital, or are doing a larger business before you advertise. You cannot get the larger capital or the larger business unless you advertise.

Mails Iwamped by Post Cards

Few persons have any idea of the immense numbers of souvenir post cards that are sent through the mails in this country. An official of the Brooklyn postoffice said:

"The number of souvenir cards passing through this office during the summer vacation season has been enormous, severely overtaxing the employés and causing much delay in the handling of mail matter

Last year, for the first time, they began seriously to burden the mail. In this last summer the flood of them has been something appalling, beginning to flow about July 15 and to ebb Sept. 7. The foreign mail contains a great many of these cards, coming all the year round, but it is the American cards, sent from all parts of the country in the vacation season which have caused the bulk of the trouble.

At one time I have seen 75,000 of the cards on the distributing table in the city delivery division of the Brooklyn postoffice.

At the Coney Island office, in the outgoing mail from Sept 1 to Sept 3 (labor day) inclusive, there were 175,000 souvenir cards, figuring by the stamps, and the bulk of the matter had to be sent to the Brooklyn main office, to be handled there by the mailing division. On Friday, Sept 7, there were 200,000 of the cards in the Coney Island office, partly owing to a baby show the day before. In the week ending Sept. 8, there came to the Brooklyn office, addressed to one private house in the city, not less than fifty souvenir cards, most of them being sent from one particular neighborhood.

All post cards regarded as indecent or improperly suggestive are stopped, and sent to the dead letter office to be destroyed. Those received now, about 150 a month, are chiefly posted in this country, but most of the worst were printed in Europe.

At the New York postoffice an assistant postmaster said that immense numbers of souvenir cards had passed through the office during the last summer, the quantity having quadrupled since last year

In the official language of the department, he said, the term postal card was applied to the regular United States card, while "post card" was the designation of the private mailing cards, requiring stamps. The New York office had been getting from 800 to 1,000 post cards a day, either without stamps or with insufficient postage. An officer of a news company in this city which does a great business in these cards said that the pioneers in it were the Japanese, who began making them twenty or twenty-five years ago Japan still produces very large quantities, but Germany is now the leader. For landscapes and buildings the German cards are the best, but the Japanese excell in fancy designs of figures and flowers.

The news company official said that his company alone has sent to Germany for color printing from 4,000 to 5,000 photographs of views in this country, and that his own company had sold from 25 000,000 to 30,000,000 souvenir postcards since Jan 1.1906, and was now from 10,000,000 to 12,000,000 cards behind on its orders.

[&]quot;What became of the Cromwell relics you had on exhibition here?" asked a gentleman of the museum attendant.

[&]quot;Let me see," repiled that resourceful worthy. "Oh ves, they were returned to Mr Cromwell last week.

The 46th monthly meeting of the above named Society was held in their rooms, 1622 Masonic Temple, Friday evening, Nov. 1st, Pres. W. F. Dunham presiding. The following members were present: Messrs. Verkler, W. F. Dunham, MDonald, Brand, Jaeger, Simpson, Blumenschein, Dr. Merrill, Chetser Dunham, Holmes, Baker, Sorensen, Williams and Green. Messrs J. W. Sears and J. H. Ripstra were elected to membership.

Mr. W. F. Dunham made some increstting experiments with acid on various metals and explained its effects. A test of memory in regard to the U S cent of 1907 was made, the silver medal being won by Mr. Baker.

Mr. Williams showed his U.S. type collection, which is pracically complete. Mr. Brand exhibited Belgian trial pieces in gold, silver, copper and lead; a very fine Cromwell 9 pence and some rare ancient gold and siege pieces. Dr. Merrill showed Peruvian gold; and Mr. Green, the Chicago Philatelic Society Medal issued to commemorate their 500th meeting.

Donations to the cabinet were received from Mr. Leon and Dr. Fisher. Books received were: British Coinage by Ruding.3 vols.; Coins of the Jews by Madden; Canadian Coin Cabinet by Le Roux; Vademecum by Le Roux: Scott's Copper and Nickei, and Silver and Gold catalogs; Cotter Coins by Neumann. 3 vols.; Essays on Medals by Pinkerton, 2 vols.; Gibbons History of Rome, 6 viols. Magazines received were: Numismatist. Sept.,Oct., and Nov; Numismatische Correspondenz for Sept; Spink's Nun.ismatic Circular for Sept, Oct., and Nov.: Philatelic West and Collectors World, July, Amg., and Oct; and Numismatischer Verkehr for Oct. Auction catalogs were received from Dr. Hirsch (2), Green Mehl and St. Louis Stamp & Coin Co; also a catalog with fixed prices from Majer; and Arnold' Numismatic Guide as well as a miscellaneous lot, of catalogs, pamphets, etc.

Mr. Ripstra was present as a visitor.

Adjourned to meet Dec. 6th, 1907.

The person who collects post cards soon gets several albums filled. These cards are of a great variety, some are comic, others scenery, some pictures of famous men, etc.,—in fact in looking over one's collection you find a great assortment of cards all jumbled up together.

How to classify a collection to bring order out of chaos is a question that confronts every collector. By following my plan, your collection is perfectly classified, and you can find any certain card.

First, decide how many kinds of cards you are going to collect and also how many cards you expect to culain. Decide how many separate subjects you want and buy ablums of suitable size and place each special variety of card in its album, or purchase several large albums and have several kinds of cards in one album. Some suggested subjects for specializing in are, county court houses, city halls, city churches tall buildings, marine views, land-scapes, famous men and women, actresses, etc.

In fact, there are many departments into which your collection can be divided. Try this plan and be convinced of its worth to any extensive collector of postcards.



EDITORS NOTE.—Any suggestions, clippings, magazines, etc., will be gratefully received, P. M. CONNER, 447 N. 42nd St., Philadelphia, Penn.

Notes and Reviews

Well! · Here we are again. How did you like us last month? Have you any suggestions? Send 'em along.

If you are interested in history you will certainly want to join your local society. Maybe you don't know there is one. If you will pay postage, lil tell 'you if how to join it.

The American Historical Magazine for September contains a very interesting article on "Battle of Point Pleasant" by Delia A. McCulloch. Genealogists will be interested in the series of articles on the King family now running in this magazine.

The Century Mazagine announces for 1908 the first account of the life of Robert Fulton based on hitherto unpublished family papers.

Maybe you are looking for a certain journal and don't know where it is published. The editor can tell you.

The Magazine of Hisory is always interesting. Under the caption Original Documents," in its July issue, were published some Arnold letters contributed by Mary M. Bowman, of Los Angeles. They throw new light on that illfated soldier. In the same issue is an article upon Gen'l Wm. Eaton (1764-1811) styled "A Forgetten Hero"

One of the recent issues of "The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography" contained an excellent article entitled "The Twenty-eight Charges Against the King in the Declaration of Independence" by Sydney George Fisher. Washington's Household Account Book 1793-1797 is also being published in this journal.

Putnam's have recently issued a book by Wm. Henry Hoyt, A. M., in which he endeavors to prove the "Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence" a spurious document.

The Am. Historical Review for October contains its usual quota of learned writers for contributors. A. S. Salley, Jr., contributes an article on "The Mecklenburg Declaration: The present Status of the Question."

Mr. Waldo G. Leland of the Carnegie Institution has recently begun work, in Paris, upon the preparation of a guide to the materials for American history in Parisian archives. The archives should be rich in materials relating to early United States on account of the friendship of France for the young nation and her espousal of the cause of the rebellious colonies.

Deposits of meerschaum have been found in New Mexico.



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In order that all who are now subscribers to the WEST who are not already members of the Collectors Union, so that we may have your name to put in our big list for January, we are going to make you a Special offer and are going over half way to meet you and welcome you into our Union for only 25 cents. a quarter of a dollar, and two references don't forget that you will become a member of the Collectors Union for one year. As I have told you all of the time we are not running a get rich quick scheme, all we ask is enough to pay expenses and push the work of organization. We have had many letters from persons who for various reasons are already subscribers and they have wanted to join if they could do so without paying for the paper extra. This is an especial inducement and will only last until the 15th of January, after which date all persons will be expected to pay the old rates of 50 cents per year. So if you have a years' subscription to the West ahead just send your little two bits and we will do the rest.

Before another issue of this paper reaches you, this society will have celebrated its first anniversary. Our success is clearly shown by every report Many changes will take place regarding our course that has been sent out. One of the most important changes will be the doing for the next year. way with giving a little 30 word exchange notice and in place of that your name will appear under whatever head or heads you are interested in or in other words your name will be in the paper as it were a directiony. It will mean that you will be given more notice than any other society gives and that each one can see just what you are interested in. Notice how each branch is divided this issue and there will be added each month other branches as required. Another important feature of our work will be commancing with those names which appeared in last issue—we will give each

new monber a number in the order they are received. Old members who desire number can have same by asking. This is to be carried out per Mr. Claude U. Beals' suggestion and believe you will all consider it a good plan. Has any one else a suggestion?—get busy, I can not do all.

I am surprised at the great amount of interest taken by firms regarding the published list to be given in January number. Let me give you a few lines as written to me. Mr. Claude C. Beals, Stamp Dealer, Boulder Col., says: "I am very much in favor of Unionism among collectors as well as anything else. I would feel honored to see my name and address appear in your list as a dealer in stamps and collector of most everything." Also, The Arthur L. Nelson Co., Kansas City, Mo, sent their name in early to be sure of a place. If you have not sent in your name, better send as soon as possible. Remember, this list will be in the January issue together with our large list of new members. Send your name and membership fee direct to me and let me know how many hobbies you are interested in. Do not forget that if you have a year's subscription ahead, 25 cents will place your name on our list. Otherwise send 50 cents and receive the WEST free. Tell your friends to get in line and wear the Union label.

C. H. Saint, 2421 Walroud Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

Following up my report of last month 1 have several names from those wishing regular exchange. The following will exchange once a week: Mr. A. Mathos, 49½ Argyle St., N. S. Halifax, Can. M. Arthur L. Nelson, 1823 West Prospect Place, Kansas City, Mo. Miss Elsie Haines, 2318 Walrond Ave., Kansas City Mo. L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Nebr.

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STAMPS, COINS, CURIOS, RELICS.

- 302. Thad Wilson, Muncie, Ind. 305. R. II. Crosly, Box 173, Markham, Ont. Canada 304. E. J. Hurza, Crystal Falls, Mich. 307. Miss Fannie Smith, Box 24, Newport, Ark., Stamps. 311. Erwin Kurtz, R. F. D. 4, Bucyrus, Ohio. 321. V. N. Garretson, 133 17th St., Denver, Col., Stamps. 323. F. O. Willas, 327 Laurel St., St. Paul, Minn. Stamps and Coins. 325. John Spohn, 290 Western Ave., Milwaukee, Wis, Stamps. 328. Artthur Achley, 605 Lee St., Milwaukee, Wis., Stamps. 330. O. W. Mowry, Derby, Pa., U. S. Coins. 331. Arthur L. Nelson, 1823 West Propsect Place, Kansas City, Mo. collects stamps. original covers. philatelic literature and desires foreign correspondents.

 RELICS, ANTIQUES & CURIOS.
- 302. Thad Wilson, Muncie, Ind. 307. Miss Fannie Smith, Box24, Newport, Ark., curios. 307. II. C. Meredith, Box 294, Lakeport, Cal., Indian goods, shells, etc. 310. L. C. Gully, Argenta St, Little Rock, Ark., relics, (This Report concluded under S. P. A. Report.)



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Nov. 15, 1907.

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857.	Stephen L. Clinton (4)	1193.	Alex Weatherwax.
	W. Kay Fotter (2)	1220.	Colie P. Guy
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1291. Walter Kreuger.

Numbers in parenthesis indicate number of times names have appeared on the Roll of Honor.

PERSONAL.

445. Arthur H. Vail. 3012 University Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, would like to receive leather cards of Capitol Buildings and will send his in return.

50.. Joseph Z. Lafleur, Lebret, Sask., Canada, will be absent for two months on a trip to Eastern Canada, but upon returning home early in February he will resume exchange.

863. Mrs. John Hoffman, 1604 10th St, Walbrook, Baltimore, Md., is

particularly anxious to exchange with all foreign members.

996. P. J. Buchanan, Rossland, B. C., Canada, is making a specialty of Bank Buildings and all such cards received will be appreciated.

1067. Miss Elsie Fredericks, 354 E. Division St., Chicago, Ill., hereafter desires foreign exchange only. Statues preferred.

1229 W. F. Rodriguez, P. O. Box 993, Shanhgai, China, has just organized a Philatelic Club by the name of The Far Eastern Philatelic Exchange and respectfully requests all members of The Union to give him a helping hand by joining the club and contributing to his club paper. Subscription, \$1 00 a year including club paper, but members of The Union can join for 752 postal order. Club Motto:—"From Acords Tail Oaks Grow."

1272. John Bauer, Jr., 2965 North Western Avenue, Chicago, Ill., Mr. Bauer's number was published in the November WEST as 1273. It should

have been 1272.

1285. William Clough's correct address is 37 3rd Avenue, Lowell, Mass., and not 9 Ellis Court, as published in the last WEST.

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET.

To answer all cards promptly.

To place full name and address and UNION number on all cards sent for or in exchange.

To enclose return postage when writing for information of any kind.

To notify the publisher if you do not receive the WEST regularly, and not the Secretary of the Union. The publisher has been paid for your subscription and is under obligations to send you the paper.

That we close our report on the 15th of each month and all notices and new memberships received after that date, must be held over for the next

report.

That members are forbidden (unless requested by their correspondents) to mail view cards, for or in exchange, from states other than the one in which they reside, and members receiving such cards, which are necessarily mailed in violaton of this rule, are under no obligations to reply.

To promptly advise the Secretary in writing of all members who fail to answer your cards, giving dates cards were sent as well as full names and addresses of the delinquents. Members in the United States and Canada are allowed one month in which to answer; Mexico, West Indies and Europe, two months; all other places except Australia, three months; Australia, four months.

That we do not publish membership lists at regular intervals, nor do we promise to furnish anyone with a new list every month, but we will gladly mail lists when published, to all sending postage. The last list was published October 15th, so if you wish a copy, please send postage to the Secretary.

That we give as a premium five beautiful cards for each new member you secure, and also publish your name on our Roll of Honor.

To promptly renew when your membership expires.

That we do not have any rules or regulations, other than the foregoing, and by carefully complying therewith, we are sure you will be satisfied with your membership in The Union.

RENEWALS.

- 314. Miss Mary Hays, 25 East 94th St., New York, N. Y.
- 689. Stephen L. Lawrence, Box 208, Reading, Pa.
- 868. Mrs. John Hoffman, 1604 10th St., Walbrook, Baltimore, Md.
- 990. H. C. Wilde, 34 School St., Carthage, N. Y.

NEW MEMBERS.

- 1291. Walter Kreuger, 923 Summer St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
- 1293. Miss Margaret J. Finener, 30 Amity St., Providence, R. I.
- 1293. J. E. Dennett, Box 1399, Boston, Mass. (Views from anywhen in U. S.
 - 1294. Percy Waller, 187 Main St., East Rochester, N. Y.
 - 1295. Miss Mary E. Darb, 617 West Harden St., Findlay, Ohio. -
 - 1296 Fred J. Knodell, 403 Union St., St. John, N. B. Canada.
- 1297. Oscar R. Bertram, 2300 East Ave., Austin, Tex. (Colored views, no comics, write message on picture side)
 - 1293. Malden J. Fast, Box 22, Fairchance, Pa. (Foreign cards only).
 - 1299. F. C. Clifford Downers Grove, Ill.
 - 1300. W. Hall Crowell, 655 S. 55th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
 - 1310. F. D. McDonald, 807 W. 6th St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
 - 1302. Charles Chadbourne, 5 S. Prospect St, Hartford, Conn.
 - 1303. Miss Elsie Fox, 1127 Miller St., Sunbury, Pa.
 - 1304. Leonard Burk, Longview, Texas.
 - 1305 Leon Northcutt, Bx 171 Longview, Texas.
 - 1306. Miss Grace Edmonds, Box 125, Valley Falls, N. Y.
 - 1307. F. C. Bomberg, Redwood City, Calif. (No comics).
 - 1308. Fred Holzhauser, 422 East F. St., Louisville. ky.
 - 1309. Miss Blanche Ronsheim, 1283 Jefferson Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

- 609. Erhard Rapprich, from Nerudagasse 237, Prague III, to Lorettogasse 108, (Hofpart) Prague IV, Bohemia, Austria.
- 868. Mrs. John Hoffman, from 1414 Harlem Ave., to 1604 10th St., Walbook, Baltimore, Md.
- 980. Lloyd G. Cline, from 402 S. Kentucky St., Iola, Kansas, to Greeley, Colo.

EXPIRED MEMBERSHIPS.

The following memberships will expire during the month of December 87, 879, 880, 881, 882, 884, 887, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 895, 896, 898, 899, 900, 902, 903, 904, 905, and 907. We trust you will find it convenient to promptly renew. At any rate, please let us hear from you.

RESIGNED.

1207. Miss Hannah Pettt, R. F. D. 1, Millville, N. J.

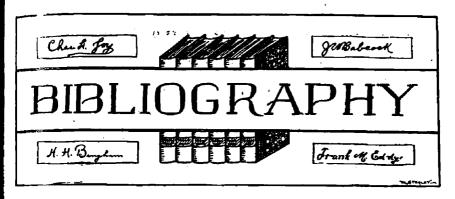
When a member resigns it is because he no longer wishes to exchange cards. Therefore, when a resignation is announced, discontinue sending the resigner cards for exchange and cross the name from your membership list.

EXPELED

815 John Rhoades, 334 8th St, San Francisco, Calif. on complaints of 673, 1106, and 1230.

832. Thos. Palmer, The Ledger, Bellevue. Wash., on complaints of 937, 948, and 1230.

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Some Autograph Notes , by E. R. Aldrich

A complete set of autograph letters except in the cases of Madison, Monoe, Lincoln, Johnson, McKinley and Roosevelt, who are represented by a igned letter or document, of the presidents of the United States was recently feed in New York for \$325.

A fine autograph letter of one of America's earliest poets, John Trumell, the author of the epic McFingal was recently offered by a prominent utograph dealer for \$10.00.

An interesting three page letter from George Washington to Wm. Thornton, written in the last year of the great American's life is held at 12.50 by a New York dealer. It is an exceedingly interesting letter and said by those who have seen it to be ''dirt cheap'' at the price.

As just about the price at which a paper bound copy of one of her novels an be bought would seem to indicate that there was little demand of the uthor's signature, but this is the market price of Emma D. E. N. Southwith, the queen of love story writers, autograph.

In this connection I might also state I have seen the signatures of J. T. Trowbridge, Booth Tarkintgon and Ernest Seton Thompson listed for sale at len cents each.

The collection of Bibles is one of the fads which have been entered into with graet zest by many collectors. The Duke of Sussex accumulated thousands of Bibles which were kept for many years at Kensington Palace, but with the exception of a few rarities Bibles have been printed in large quantities, even the earlier editions, so it is only the well-preserved specimens of scarce books that fetch high prices. Even the well-known "Breeches Bible" ran through many editions, and perfect copies can now be purchased from two to four pounds; other popular collectable examples are the "Vinegar" and "Treacle" Bibles. Scarcer still is the "Wicked" Bible, the word "not" being omitted in the admonitoy clause of the Seventh Commandment.

For a first edition of Dicken's "Sketches by Boz" \$350 was given at a sale at London, while a first edition of "Grimm's Fairy Tales" fetched \$400.

"The Humorist", with forty colored plates by Cruikshank, realised \$500.

Over \$3625 was obtained at London last month for a large collection of autograph letters and signatures in which Queen Elizabeth, Henrietta Maria Queen of Charles I., and George III., were represented. A letter of Racin the French poet, was sold for \$210.

"Please summon the Cabinet to meet me here at 7 o'clock this evening." That sentence, written by Abraham Lincoln on March 5, 1962, sold for \$110 recently at the sale of autograph lettres belonging to Dr. Joshual Cohen, of Baltimore. A letter by John Jacob Astor, the founder of the Astor millions, sold for \$2.25. The following letter by Daniel Boone to "Jacob Cohus" started with a bid of \$2 and rapidly jumped to \$65. "I will a accountable for any money put into his hands inless kild by Indians the hale amount I think it 22 pounds, on your Land lyes on Licking rivers the South Side about 50 miles from the chigho by water and about 20 h land. Large bouts may come up to your doors x x x x x Sir pleas send 3 of 4 quire of paper by the bearer samuel grant if he will bring it."

\$650,000 FOR OLD BOOKS.

Over \$650,000 has been spent on old books and manuscripts in the Lordon salesrooms during the past season. Never before in the history of box collecting have so many valuable books appeared under the hammer, may of which have realized prices far in excess of previous records. The importance of the season can be gauged from the fact that nine lots alone product \$85,625\$, while scores of books and manuscripts realized three figures.

The most valuable book sold during the season was the Van Antwer copy of the first Folio edition of Shakespeare's works which appeared a Sotheby's rooms in March, and realized \$18,000, more than double the previous record price. In June, another copy of the same work made \$12,000, while at the dispersal of the late Dr. Garnett's library three little notebook used by the poet Shelley, made no less than \$15,000.

Another remarkable incident was the sale of a copy of Walton's Curpleat Angler for \$6450, nearly three times the previous record.

Other four figure items were: Vincent de Beauvais, Le Miroir Historiale, \$6,450; the Contention of the Houst of Lancaster and York, \$9 550; the Third Folio Shakespeare, \$7750; Arden of Feversham, \$6,250 and Maria Frobisher's First Voyage, \$5,000.

If you are willing to do a little work quietly for us, we will be gladed pay liberally for it. Write us today. We offer large commission for at the subscribers names at a time.

While excavating for gravel near Branston Hall, Eng. a number of bronze implements of somewhat peculiar form have been found. They consist chiefly of positaves, they are all sachetted and have either a look or by which they were once secured to a wooden shaft.

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TO THE MEMBESR OF THE S. P. A.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 22, 1907.

My dear Brother Members: Contemplating a "Farewell Address" to the members of the S. P. A., at the expiration of my term as president of a Philatelic Society, which in regard to activity, after being resurrected, only a year ago, stands abreast with the best organizations of that description, in this great Union, I am not a little surprised to receive a number of letters from members, expressing their desire, of seeing the present officers retained in their several stations for the ensuing year; partly for the purpose of reducing expenses, which will occur during election of officers, and on the other hand declaring their implicit faith and trust in the present management of business affairs of the S. P. A.

It is evident, that, after the reorganization of our society, and the "Pruning of the old tree," so to speak, the interest of the members, has been unusually revived, thanks to the effort of our Secy. Prof. Doak, who, with untiring energy, straightened out the tangled up business affairs of his office and the affairs of the society in general, creating a healthy condition in all branches. This as well as the efforts of our Sales Supt. Bro. Roemer, to make his department a model in every respect, creating a large Insurance Fund for the safety of those, who place their stamps in Circuits., and reviving the dormant interest in stamps of many collectors, who, mouring the condition which prevailed a couple of years ago, were at the brink of utter inactivity.

In regard to our Official Organ, which, I am proud to say, we had thosen some years ago, a betterment in this direction is out of the question. The interest Bro. Brodstone has taken in our society, is proof, that as long as "our Brody" is with us, success is assured, and all I can say, is "Good Luck, Brother, my best wishes, for your welfare, is also ours."

I herewith announce the list of officers, who will serve us for the ensuing year: President, F. G. Fuessel; V. President, Chas. Q. Waring; Sec.-Treas., R. L. Doak; Sales Supt. Wm. E. Ault; Auct. Mgr., F. G. Fuessel; Attorney, F. D. Goodhue; Information Bureau, J. Qulian Park; Counterfeit Detector, S. V. Saxby; International Secy., H. Fenton; Librarian, Dr. R. L. Ailen; Trustes: H. G. Askew and H. A. Herzog; O. O., Philatelic WEST. Convention Seat: Columbus, Ohio; an invitation having been exended to us by the local Philatelic Society of that city.

Two new offices have been created, that of Exchange Supt. and Auction Mgr. I have appointed myself to the latter office, for the simple reason, that the 10 per cent. which the work of that office assures, will be turned over to our Treasurer for the benefit of the S. P. A.

For those who wish to exchange their stamps for others, the exchange department has been created, and I am certain that Bro. Ault is the right man in the right place.

I wish to remind the members, that while we are prospering in all respects every one should pay his dues on or before Jan. 1, 1908 as this given the Sec. ample time to meet all obligations, and I have interacted the Sec. to drop all who are in arrears by Feb. 1, 1908, the amount is so small, that only neglect can be the cause of not paying promptly.

Before closing, I wish to thank our trustees, Bros H. G. Askew and H. A. Herzog, for the valuable services, they have rendered the S. P. A. during the past year, hoping that this most important office, will also be taken care of in the future, by these two veterans of Philately Expecting to receive the full support of all the members of the S. P. A., I remain, with fraternal greetings, Fred G. Fuessel, Pres.

SALES SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, Nov. 18th, 1907.
51 books in circulation as per last month's report, value\$1370.90
14 '' received since, value
65 books, value
7 " retired during the month, of which the amount of 14,.46 was
sold, value 142.08
58 books inc inculation, value
Insurance Fund.
Amount on hand as per last month's report 56.13
1 per cent from retired books
Total amount on hand 57.55

All menters desiring to patronize the Sales Department should send in their names at once so as to be placed on circuits. At the same time, I wish to call the attention of members who have been patrons of the Department, that they must notify me if they desire to be dropped from the Circuits Lately 2 instances have occurred, where a member has refused to receive a circuit, which caused a delay of 4 to 6 weeks, besides the trouble and expenses I had to straighten the matter.

Respectfully submitted, Charles Roemer, Superintendent.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

New Members:—1. Stanley B. Ashbrook, 407 Walnut St., Cincinnati, Ohio. 2 L. J Flerlage. Norwood Sta., Cincinnati, Ohio. 3. Edw. M. Kolesa, 4229 Franklin Ave., Norwood. Ohio. 4. Harry L. Perkins, Drawer 1325, Hartford, Conn. 5. Ralph Smith, 1001 N. 22nd St., So. Omaha, Nebr.

Applications:—1. Ulmon Stewart, L. B. 118, Westport, Ind., 15, studen, R. L. Doak, J. G. Morris. 2. W. A. Bergfield, Sequin, Texas, 18, drug clerk, Charles Roemer, W. E. Wilson, Jr. 3. W. F. Van Dusen, Fergusoville, N. Y. 22, Student, R. L. Doak, S. D. Allen. 5. Chester Myers, 30 South 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo., 20, with E. Myers Lye Co., F. G. Fuessel, John H. Humes, Prenihe Martin, Forest Side, Mauritius.

Change of Address:-W. B. Grubb from Scranton to Narberth Pa.

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Expenditures:	WEST as official organ \$2.30	
	Secretary's postage Oct. 23 to Nov. 23 \$1,00	
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and Nov. 23rd		\$11.68
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Dear Members:

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Now, as we enter upon the dawn of the new year is the time to exert your influence for the progess of the S. P. A...

Why not get to work and make this a banner year? The small sum of 35c pays dues and fees to Jan. 1st, 1909.

DUES ARE PAYABLE. To all members whose card reads "Jan. 1st, 1908" I wish to say that your dues for 1908 are payable.

I hope we will have none that will hesitate in sending the 25c. (Foreign 60c including Canada).

The cards are now ready for 1908 and it is my hopes that each and every member will remit at ouce. Please do so AT ONCE lest you forget.

DEALERS and COLLECTORS are you aware of the fact that you are missing many good things? Our Sales Dept. is full of bargains.

Why hesitate when the small sum of 35c pays you up in full to 1909. Just write me for blanks, etc.

Fraternally, Prof. R. L. Doak, Secretary, New Bedford, Ohio,

THE COLLECTORS UNION. (Concluded).

etc. 314. Joseph Monroe, R. F. D. 5, Carlisle, Pa., war relics, curios. 320. W. G. Fritz, Mountain Iron, Minn., relics and curios. 322 R. E. Holmes, Montrose, Nebr., Indian relics, all kinds. 329. T. H. Ingram, 5990 Church St., Norfolk, Va., curios and relics. T. D. Grimes, Chambers, Nebr. I. Kirk Fremont, Chester, Pa.

AUTOGRAPHS AND OLD BOOKS.

319. A. Heitmullerr, 608 14th St., Washington, D. C., autographs. 303 James Shields, Bank and Ins. Bldg., Dubuque, Ia., autographs. 306. J. C. Williams, 533 Main St., Worcester, Mass., old books. E. Land, 59 E. 61st St., New York City, minerals and elk teeth.

Address of L. G. Cline is changed to Greeley, Colo. He will furnish Colorado views at cost and postage extra.

Nebraska Philatelic Society. Nebraska's Pride

President—E. H. Wilkiuson, Omaha, 210 So. 30th St.
Vice-President—F. B. Woolston, Omaha Registry Dept.
Secretary-Treasure—L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Neb.
Altorney—

Renewal, F. A. Mueller, Pleasanton. New members, A. Lyle Rickell, Juniata, Ralph Smith, So Omaha, 1001 N. 22nd St.

Several offices vacant by death and removal. Two applications already made for Sales Supt. We hope to see them filled by next issue.

The Pan-American Souvenir Card Club. of Belleville, Ill., U. S. A.

The only club with a guaranteed Protection to Members. Organized Sept. 9, 1907.

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For those who are all ready subscribers to the Philatelic West, the due are as follows.

U. S. Canada 35c, Mexico, 75c centavos. Foreign 50c. 2 shillings, 2½ francs, 2½ lire, 2 marks, 1½ rupees, 1 ruble, 2½ pesetal, 1 yen, 125. florins, 1 milrels, 10 plasters. 2 kronas.

Kindly make all remittances by Postal Money Order, if possible Stamps not accepted. Money sent in any other way is at senders risk.

Address all communications to the Secretary, when wishing a reply, please enclose 2 cents for return postage.

NEW MEMBERS.

10. Wesley Fales, Hamilton, Montana.

President-Arthur Soderstrum

- 11. Miss Tanna A. Artmaier, 333 South West Biv'd Kansas City, Mo., (Colored cards only)
 - 12. Miss Ella Borgen, Littleton, Colorado.
- 13. Oscar Soderstrum 217 West 18th St., Kansas City, Mo., (Will always send first)
- 14. Walter Nielsen, 65 Augusta St., Chicago, Illinois (Colored views, no comics)
- 15. Bertha Schlats, Glencoehh, St. Louis, Co., Mo. (Buildings, Parks, Historical views)
- 16. Peter B. Carr, R. F. D. 4, Belleville, Illinois (No exchange appresent).
 - 17. Byard Falconer, R. F. D. 4, Belleville, Illinois
- 18. Charles Mitchell, 427 41st St., Brooklyn, N. Y. (Public Building or views).
 - 19 Dorothy E. Heil, 5605 Drexel Ave, Chicago, Ililnois, (Views only)
- 20. Miss Pearl Miller, 622 East 15th St., Kansas City, Mo. (Colored views ony.)

CORRECTION—In last issue of the WEST, the name of member No.9, B. Glademitz, Box 47 Detroit, Michigan, was misspelled, the name should be B. Glademitz.

WITH OUR MEMBERS—The following members wish to exchange for the following kind of cards. No. 1 Arthur Soderstrum, 217 West 18th St. Kansas City, Mo. (Photographic and Foreign only.) 2. Ivan S. Falconer,

R. F. D. 4, Belleville, Illinois, (Photographs and colored views). 3. James A. Carr., Jr., R. F. D. 4, Belleville Illinois (Colored views and foreign only). 4. Susan Falconer, R. F. D. 4, Belleville, Illinois (Colored views). 6. Benry A. Schuedis, 1353 Springfield Ave, Irvington Sta., Newark, N. J. (City halls, postoffices and capitols 7. Walter Schmus, 618 West School St., Chicago, Ill. (Good colored views. 8. L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Nebraska, (Views, Curios, Coins, Stamps and Relics.

DEFENCE FUND-A Defence Fund shall be maintained by this Club And any member of this club who sends for the protection of its members. another member a card and failing to receive a reply to same acording to the time limit allowed by our rules, can make application to the secretary of this club for reimbursement for the cost of the card, plus the postage on same under the following conditions. No one member shall be reimbursed until two other members have reported as failing to receive answers from the dishonest collector. The dishonest collector expell d, then the three reporting members will be reimbursed at the same time and as many other members who have reported the dishonest collector will be reimbursed at the same time. No member can make claim for more than 25c during the one year of his or her membership in the Club. This is a benefit which no other club now has, and to protect this club against infringements we have made application to the Library of Congress, Washington, D. C., for copyright protection for this part of our club plans.

RULES FOR YOU TO REMEMBER—1st. Kindly answer all cards promptly. 2nd. Enclose two cents, when wishing reply to any inquiry. 3rd. We close our report on the 15th of the month and all new membership received after that date must be held over to the next month. 4th. Put your full name, address and club number on a cards sent for, or in exchange. 5th. We do not give commissions, the benefits and privileges of this club will greatly outdo any commission.

REPRESENTATIVES. We want a representative in each state and foreign country. Do you want a position as representative? If so, please make application to the Secretary. At any rate we want your memebrship.

SPECIAL - As an inducement for you to secure new members for this club, we offer the following prizes. 1st, One honorary life membership to the members securing the largest amount of new members. 2nd, One yearly membership to the member securing the second largest amount of new members. 3rd. One dozen colored views of the Adirondack mountains to the member securing the third largest amount of new members Jan. 1, 1903. Prize winners names will be rublished in the February '08 issue of the WEST: In case there is a tie between two or more members the same prize will be awarded each contestant. We delay the date of publica-With best wishes we tion for the benefit of members in foreign countries. are sincerely yours, Arthur Soderstrum, Pres., James A. Carr, Jr., Sec-Treas.

In the old Priory Church of Leominster, Eng., an old "ducking stool" is still preserved. It was once often used for ducking scolds. It was last used in 1809, when Jenny Piper was ducked in an adjacent stream.

[&]quot;No brawing wives, no furious wenches, No are so lot but water quenches."



..Camera News..

Editor F. J. Clute, San Francisco

Photographic Post Cards



Although the introduction of picture post cards took place some years ago there does not seem to be any diminution in their popularity—they still help largely to fill the stationer's window, and fresh apparatus is continually being brought out to enable them to be easily produced by means of photography.

It is unnecessary for us to do more than mention the post-card camera introduced by many companies which take plates full post card size, so that they can be printed direct on to any style of post card. It is hardly necessary to tell the astute reader of this paper that R. Rhone St. Paul can supply all sorts of post cards -P. O. P., Bromide, Gas-light, &c., on which the prints can be made.

But there is a large class of workers who do not take post card sized photographs, and these, when making post cards, require one of two things—either to reduce the picture from a larger size,—say from half plate size, or to spread out the picture, so to speak, by using a smaller negative—for instance a quarter plate—and adding round it a border of some kind to fill up the rest of the post card, which would otherwise be left blank.

The first plan is easy enough to carry out. The half-plate camera with which the original negative was taken is erected inside an ordinary room in the window of which is a board to covre it all over. This board has in it, cut at a convenient height, a hole exactly half plate size, in which hole is placed the negative, with some spring or turn-button arrangement at the sides to keep it in its place. The camera is placed perfectly level in front of the window, and a picture exactly post card size can easily be obtained on the focusing screen by bringing it nearer to the negative or moving it farther away. To assist this operation some narrow strips of paper can be stuck on the screen to make exactly the space included by an ordinary post card-anything falling within this space will then come on the card. The system has one special advantage, viz., that any part of the original picture can be got on to the card, and any part can be enlarged or reduced, so that it will assume more artistic proportions than the original picture.

Now in carrying out this method we have to face one difficulty; in the case of lantern slides the film is on the glass, so that when the lantern slide is inserted instead of the focussing screen the picture is fully in focus. But the post eard can hardly be supported on the outside of a glass placed in the dark slide, and if placed inside the picture may be out of focus owing to the post card being the thickness of the glass out of register. To avoid this there are three methods, a very small stop can be inserted which will probably

overcome the difference in register, the front of the camera can be racked very slightly inwards after the focussing has been accurately adjusted on the focussing screen, or the glass of the focussing screen can be taken out and placed temporarily with the ground side outwards, this will make the difference of the glass in each case, so that the two images will be practically identical, especially if the stop uesd is not the largest. Of course, the smaller the stop the longer the exposure, but rapid bromide post cards should always be used for this work, and these require but a short exposure in any case. The post card is inserted by placing a perfectly clean piece of glass in an ordinary printing frame, behind which glass the post card is placed (of course film outwards) and the slide closed. On the glass can be marked by strips of paper a space exactly corresponding to that on the ground glass, so that their positions are identical when the slide is placed in the camera. The lens is closed, the slide inserted, and the exposure made in the usual way.

If those readers who have an enlarging apparatus use it to make lantern slides, its adaptation to make post cards is very simple. A frame can be made to hold either post card sized pieces of glass or (better still, as it admits of both sizes being made) to contain half-plate pieces. The negative being placed at one end the picture is focussed on a piece of ground glass with a piece of plain glass in front of it in the frame at the other. The lens is capped, the post card inserted, in the dark room, between the two glasses with its sensitized surface facing the plain glass, replaced in the apparatus and exposed in the usual way. Of course the carrier for either lantern slide or post card has to be perfectly light tight, but a little ingenuity will soon arrange this.

The size of the "standard "size of past card is such that it covers just about three-quarters of the entire half-plate, so that most pictures taken with a half plate camera, if a little small for that size, will come quite naturally into the scope of the post card. The card can usually be simply printed by adjusting it in the correct position on the back of the half plate negative, but if special borders &c., are to be printed around the picture, or small parts printed from large negatives, there are special printing frames sold which hold the post card securely in the proper position while printing. (Continued in next issue).

Nebraska Camera Club
Founded January 1898

769. xx A. Lyle Rickel. Juniata. 779 F. A. Mueller, Pleasanton. 70. x Bob Johnston, Superior. 772 x Fred Archibald, McCook. 773 xx Fred C. Smith, Grayson. 774. Ralph Smith, So. Omaha, 1001 N. 22nd St.

Some of the dingy-out of focus photographs published may be well called "optical illusions,."—St. L & Can Phot.

Like the checker player the photographer must sindy his moves, if he expects to reach the king row -8t L & Can. Phot.



- 6711 xxJ. W. Burden, Harrisburg, Penn., 1313 Penn.
 - 2 xV. W. Gilland, Perry, N. Y.
 - 3 xMrs. L. W. Huton, Delaware, Ohio, 140 Union
 - 4 xH. A Syahl, W. Lynn, Mass, 26 Mell St.
 - 5 xW. C. Smith, Petersburg, W. Va, L. Bx 154.
 - 6 xxI. Michael Rozari of Deutsch Aisastche Bauk, Shanghai, China.
 - 7 xxStephen L. Lawrence, Bx 208, Reading, Penn.
 - 8 xxF. Chadlee, Fairmont, W. Va.
 - 9 xJ. Lisle Warren, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 6720 xJ. J. Arthur, Topeka, Kans., 1405 E. 17th St.
 - 1 xWesley Fales, Hamilton, Mont.
 - 2 xArth Vargas, Havana 89, Havana, Cuba.
 - 3 A. Bienkowski, Ancon, Canal Zone, Panama.
 - 4 xDr. F. Micheal, Ferndale, Cal.
 - 5 B. J. Bishop, Cheyenn, Wyom, Care Inter Ocean hotel
 - 6 xW. F. Rodriges, U. S. P. O. Bx 993, Shanghai, China.
 - 7 xEustagio Pellicer, Hijo Banfield, F. C. S., Buenos Aires, Argentine, S. A.
 - 8 xMiss Julla Turner, Fremont, Nebr.

American Camera Club Exchange

President—H. V. Thornton, 304 No. State St., Chicago, Ill. Secretary—L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Neb.

Why not become a member? It costs you nothing if a subscriber. Membership card sent for 5c. Foreign 10c. Those marked x are Souvenir Card collectors. xx are Photograph Post Card Collectors.

- 9 xxL. II. Morrison, Moctezuma, Sonora, Mexico.
- 0 xJ. Gonzales, Tamp, Fla., 2610 17th St.
- 1 xMrs. J. C. Woodson, New Madrid, Mg.
- 2 xJ. Hopland, Bx17, Ellinwoodg, Kans.
- 3 xJ M. Allen, Pasadena, Calif., 156 N. Euclid Ave. xCarlo Vanbianchi Milano, N. 2 Via Ricasoli, Italy.
- 5 xR. L. Doak, New Bedford, 0.
- 6 xxR. W. Dunlap, Lockport, N. Y.
- 7 xGrace Edmonds, Bx 12, Valley Falls, N. Y.
- 8 J. Leiblinger, Camp Columbia, Cuba, Base Hospital.
- 9 xLuis Mestral, Berne, Switzer-
- 2740 R. A. Ragoubar, Parimaribo, Surinam, N. W. I.
 - 1 xM. L. Rishel, McCook, Nebr.
 - 2 x Hans Anderson, Bx 8, R. F. D., Dannebrog, Nebr.
 - 3 xC. A. Hare.London,7 Gt. Eastern Rd., Stratford, England.
 - 4 xE. Hofman, Milwaukee, Wis, 749 Pearl St.
 - 5 xJ. A. Spahn, Milwaukee, Wis., 929 Western Ave.
- 6 xHarry Haines, Canton, O. ERROR--Clarke, Albequerque, New Mexico. Exchanges cards for stamps, not for cards.

Exchange Notices

Do you ever read the X and Want pages of the WEST. They tell many stories of the ups and downs of life as well as offer many opportunities "Everybody's Exchange" is one of the kind appessing monthly on these pages. It is the medium through which you can get what you want for what you don't want. If you have the paper it costs nothing to read these ads. And if you can't find what you want it only costs Ic a word to make your own offer. 3 times for 2c a word.

Wrap dime securely, send to E. E. Hurja. Crystal Falls, Mich, and get 25c worth Finland slamps.

Broken bank bills, fine condition in X for other bills, stamps or coins. John W. Haarer, Lansing, Mich.

Wanted to buy onlederate money, U. S. Fractional currency and half cents. Send list of what you have to Divver & o. Atlanta, Ga. 10-3

Canadian post cards 3 for 5c post paid. Arthur Odell. 9 Poktok Rd, St John N B, Canada

Will X good colored postals for same, prefer park, mountain, landscapes & types. State preference, prompt replies. Miss Pearl Miller 622 E 15, Kansas City, Mo

Wanted: X with collectors having 2500 var of stamps or less. Fred Roterburg, Jr. 176 Ontario St. Chicago, III 11 3

Dealers in curlos send me Indian Curio catalogues or price lists. C. Edwin Kurtz, Bucyrus, O. R. D. 4

X cards with Martin Thieme, Studebakers Co. South Bend 1nd 11-3

1000 mixed 9c. Premium to applicants on approval Charles E Greenman, Park St, Haverhill, Mass

IX view cards with all. Reply guaranteed. Foreign especially desired. David W. Kenney, 615 E Pratt St. Ext. Baltimore. Md

Post cards want all photo prints and same preferred. Have views of Kans. Nebr, and Okla. Emma Anderson, Hartford. Kans

Harly & house plants, bulbs, cacti to X for anything I can use, write first. Lucia L Falconer, Shelburne, Out, Canada

Have complete volumes of stamp papers such as Phil Journal of America. Southern Philatelist etc, also lot of odd copies. Will X for Indian relics or other good offers David B Emert, Dawson. Shelby Co. O

C. B. Squier, 140 W 69 St. New York City. X by 10, 25 or 30 post cards, each sending with Asia, Africa, South & Central America & Oceanica, desires stamps on view side [timbre cole vue] when possible; accepts no comics, but only views corresponds in French Italian English German, satisfaction and prompt replies guaranteed.

Will X colored view postals no comics. John A. Spahn, 929 Western ave. Milwaukee, Wis.

Wanted to X Stamps, also entire. Original covers. Sidney Nelson, Box 906, Boise, Idaho

Will X minerals. Will send 4 specimens of Jophn ores for 25c, Cabinet specimens 50c each. Room 16 Frisco Building. Jophn, Mo

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Cuba under Spain to centavos note.

\$5 Va Treasury note.

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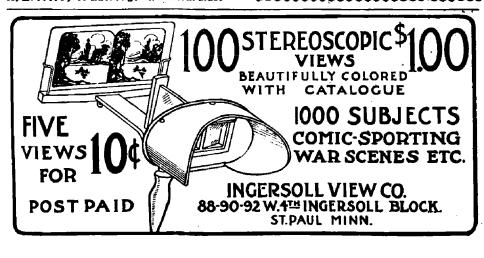
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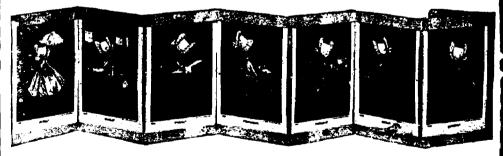
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