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PRESS RELEASE

Traditional display of Colombia shown to Royal

Santiago Cruz presented the display to members of The Royal Philatelic Society London on June 6 by showing the stamps of the Department of Antioquia of Colombia from 1886 to 1904.

This was a Traditional display to show the development of the issues of the Department of Antioquia from the transitional period of 1886 to the end of the Departmental Postal Services in December 1906, when the final issue of 1904 was withdrawn. The twelve different issues produced during that period were studied in-depth, shown from proofs to issued stamps, including varieties, errors, usages and letters. On display were 33 covers or documents from fewer than 45 so far recorded.

In 1886 the Colombian Congress approved a new Constitution, changing the name from the United States of Colombia to the Republic of Columbia. The Sovereign States became Departments. Departmental postal services functioned in addition to the national postal service until 1906 when they were absorbed into the national service. The stamp issues were only valid within the respective Department.



Santiago Cruz in front of part of his display given to members of The Royal Philatelic Society London.

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