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No. 1.

The Club Meets October Eighteenth.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held in the Club Rooms, Tuesday, October Eighteenth, at 8 o'clock in the evening. Visitors will be cordially welcomed.

See inside pages for Announcement of Entertainment.

PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

MR. JOSEPH ALLISON STEINMETZ.



AS the subject of our first paper upon Philadelphia Collectors we believe we have made a happy selection in Mr. Steinmetz.

Mr. Steinmetz has devoted his best efforts to the postage and revenue issues and proofs of the United States, which he has nearly complete. He is also interested in errors, shades and minor varieties and has a large general collection of about thirty thousand stamps. In his collection many of the old-line aristocrats may be seen, such as the Sydney Views, Cape wood blocks, early Queensland and Mauritius, Brazil, Uruguay, Hawaiian numerals, etc. He also has a very interesting collection of original covers including many of the rare Locals and Carriers.

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Advertisements are solicited from members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club. For rates consult the Business Manager.

Exchanges—Send one copy to the Editor and another to the Exchange Manager. We will reciprocate.

Editorial.

The success of the **Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin** will depend entirely upon the co-operation of the members. We cannot go to each of you personally and ask your assistance, but we want you to consider that we are now appealing to each of you, individually, to help the venture in every possible way.

The **P. S. C. Bulletin** is intended solely for the upbuilding of the Club. We will not attempt to compete with any existing publication. We do not hope to become a "philatelic beacon," but our object is to cement together with bonds of good-fellowship the stamp collectors of Philadelphia and vicinity. One of the best ways of doing this is to tell what the "other fellows" are doing and thereby endeavoring to get the tranquil, unobtrusive collectors, both in and out of the Club, interested in the Club's work.

To this end we will publish what the Club has done and what it expects to do.

We hope to publish original articles from the pens of our fellow-members and we wish to receive notes about

any philatelic matter of general or local interest. We prefer articles having a local interest, such as relate to Philadelphia's postal history, the early post-roads, carriers, local posts and expresses, etc.

Suggestions for the conduct and upbuilding of the Club will be gladly received.

Biographical sketches of this city's collectors and dealers, of the past and present, will be given ample space. We start this series of sketches in the present number.

The consummation of our hopes can be reached only with your help. May we count on you?

Just now we are not soliciting subscriptions as we would then imply a promise that we intended to continue the publication of the **P. S. C. Bulletin** for at least one year. We are not making promises. The editors and managers of this paper are busy men. They can only devote a few off moments to the work. What they do will be done for the pleasure of helping the Philadelphia Stamp Club. When the pleasure becomes irksome or their efforts are unappreciated they intend to quit.

The Editor will be very glad to receive offers of the asked for assistance.

THE YEAR BOOK.

Our first annual publication has been distributed and it reflects much credit upon the Publication Committee.

Copies were mailed to several philatelic papers and some very complimentary remarks have been passed—especially by **The Stamp Journal** and **Redfield's Stamp Weekly**. The former paper, of which Clarence P. DeKay, a charter member of our Club, is editor and publisher, was particularly lavish in its praises. We thank our esteemed contemporaries for their kind words.

Anyone desiring a copy of the Year Book will receive it post-free upon application to the Librarian, Wm. R. Keller, Room 25, Drury Bldg.

STAMP COLLECTING WITH REFERENCE TO THE LIMITATIONS OF THE PRINTED ALBUM AND THE INCONSISTENCIES OF THE STANDARD CATALOG.

Joseph Allison Steinmetz.

The aristocrats of the stamp album are those rare and beautiful early issues exemplified by the line and steel plate engraved stamps perhaps best shown by the first English and Colonial and our own United States.

Few of us are fortunate in possessing the **Post Office Mauritius**, of which but a scant score are known to exist, yet each of a million collectors is daily reminded of the hopelessness of ever even setting eyes on a specimen, by the reminder of these two eternally vacant spaces. Yet historically and sentimentally these spaces in the album are justified.

Not so, however, should be shown spaces for the **Postage-Revenue issues of South Australia** of the impossible postal values of the 1880-90 issue No. 86 to No. 93, running up to £20 face; nor of **Rhodesia** No. 14 and No. 15 as well as No. 67 and No. 68 of value of £5 and £10.

The same may be said of **Natal** No. 99 and No. 100 of values of £10 and £20, and should include the rejection of the recently announced **Straits Settlements** of \$500 face, a single copy of which graces the album of England's king.

Such stamps are **Fiscals** only, as it is not reasonable to consider the spacing of these impossible postage rates, but rather a reasonable limit should be insisted upon by the world's collectors.

At the Atlantic City convention the writer introduced a motion to the effect that the American Philatelic Society address the kindred stamp societies throughout the world to make vigorous representations to their various governments to stop future issue of stamps of face value over \$5 gold or £1 sterling.

The stamp spaces should not be so closely set as has been the common practice, but liberal open blank spaces should be provided for the expansion of issues where shades and

minor varieties are common. This would prevent the crowded appearance of a full page and would take care of the necessity of unsightly marginal mounting.

The three spaces showing **U. S. Imperforate, 1851-6 issue, 24c, 30c and 90c**, should be omitted, as these stamps were never so issued by the Post Office Department though it is quite likely imperforate samples and pieces of printer's waste fell into the eager hands of early collectors.

This case is a fair example of how the desirable could be accomplished in the printed album, as by eliminating these fake spaces an interval would be created between the line of 1851-6 imperforates and the 1857-60 perforated series. These spaces could then be used at pleasure by the museum collector for the three so-called imperforates or by the home collector for shades and minor varieties of the cheaper stamps or to show quaint and interesting cancellations.

In such a space could be shown the little known but very rare **30 cents black, No. 38 or No. 53, Franklin head design**, which was printed first in black, July, 1860, and quickly superseded by the well-known stamp in orange buff about a month later.

The status of this **30 cents black** has lately been verified as a real stamp printing, and not in any sense a proof, as had long been supposed.

The writer recently had access to some copies of certain letters of Messrs. Toppan, Carpenter and Company relating to the printing of this stamp in black.

These letters explained the reason for the sudden recall of the issue when about ready for sale, due to the fact that the black canceling ink was indistinguishable on the somber shade of this beautiful stamp.

A large issue was ordered destroyed, no record was made of the stamps issued or kept as samples, the cost was assessed and settlement arranged. Thus were the **30 cents black** recalled before the general distribution was supposed to have reached the public. It is claimed by certain persons, and which has long been a matter of record, that a limited number of the **30 cents black** were purchased

the first day of sale at the Post Office windows.

Unquestionably, samples and specimens got out before the stamp was reissued in orange.

It is a privilege to allow this passing mention of this most important stamp which has a right for its space in the printed album superior to the 30c orange imperforate or the 24c or 90c.

The 90 cents imperforate accredited to the dates of 1851-6 is an absurd claim on its face for the reason that the postage value of 90 cents was not considered until early 1860 and my private records show that the Trumbull design was not even accepted until after June of the same year.

It needs no argument to prove that this stamp was not issued until somewhat later than the acceptance of its design.

And that is why these three spaces for U. S. No. 37, No. 38 and No. 39 are ever empty in several million printed albums.

Another unnecessary and exasperating defect of the printed album is the combination of different countries on the same page.

A notorious example of such stupidity being shown by an English Album made for sale in this country where the two stamps of the United States 1847 Issue, occupy the undignified lower part of the page headed by UGANDA.

It is needless to say that this blunder, which seemed almost like a studied insult to American collectors, was quickly resented. This stingingly saving of a quarter page, thereby relegating to the tail end of a miserable uncivilized African Protectorate the greatest stamp series of the world, our own United States, saved the publishers a few cents' worth of paper and lost them the sale of thousands of albums.

The space printed album is a necessity to the beginner as it affords a valuable guide and check-up. To the advanced collector who has reached the loose leaf blank album it provides a handy assembling book and suggests ideas for spacing the blank pages.

The Officials and Postage Dues should never be shown on the same page with the regular Postage Series but must form a supplemental page.

This would permit of the new issues following along in chronological uninterrupted sequence.

Such albums would be in great demand as loose blank pages could be inserted for favorite countries and a continuous interest maintained.

Thousands of collectors yearly, when confronted by the limitations of the printed album and the necessity of the periodical transfer of their stamps to albums of later date become discouraged and discontinue.

A flexible, expandible collection is what is desired and not a rigid, hid-bound annual, permitting of no personal choice.

What can be done to relieve just this situation? The publishers are heavily involved in cost of plates and forms and unsold albums. There is not yet a perfect co-ordination between the album printers and the publishers of the catalogs. The average dealer wishes to see spaces in the album for "any old thing" in the way of issues, whether real or "made for sale only," and from him but little sympathy can be expected.

It is up to the individual collector to help himself. He cannot hope to collect every stamp as spaced in the printed album yet he yearns to fill every space with a proper stamp. Otherwise he must eradicate the impossible spaces by careful erasure.

Extra blank pages can be inserted where needed and the unnecessary bulk be reduced by the removal bodily of such stuff as Afghanistan, Formosa, early Shanghai, Portugese India, whole sections of Columbian Republic and the bastard stamps of Salvador, Ecuador, Nicaragua, Hayti and thousands of the trash surcharged for sale and canceled to order.

To sum up,—make your own albums, using the loose leaf International printed one side as a working basis. Rearrange the printed blanks by elimination and extra pencil drawn spaces. Use liberally blank loose leaves for varieties and perforations not shown on the printed pages yet recognized by the catalog.

Mount new issues on new blank pages and do not crowd,—paper is cheap. Rearrange the split pages and start each country fresh and clean on its own page.

Introduce each country with an original cover, surrounded by brief news clippings or pencil notes of interest.

Conclude each country with a page for Officials and Dues, further supplemented by a page of specimens, reprints and counterfeits.

Always use new clean hinges to avoid soiling or scarring the pages when rearranging or expanding.

As to the seemingly unattainable rarities, make extensive pencil notes on the back of the page of historic facts, auction prices and in small figures insert the catalog number and list price in the empty spaces so that your album will be interesting and readable.

Thus can your collection be made reasonably complete, certainly attractive and your pages strong in color and without empty spots.

And you will soon find that you will know more about stamps than the printers of the albums or the publishers of the catalogs.

The heading of our title page was designed by the Editor. It is an adaptation of one of Philadelphia's most distinctive local stamps issued by D. O. Blood & Co. The stamp "with the man stepping over houses" was much sought after in the early days of philately in this city. Those who are familiar with the east end of Walnut Street will readily recognize the building in the background.

Ride a cock-horse
To buy from the Bourse,
From Billy Pierce, manager,
Bargains, of course.
He has stamps in his gripsack
Instead of his clothes,
And carries it with him
Wherever he goes.

SOME UNITED STATES REPRINTS.

Eugene Klein.

With the awakened interest in United States stamps, the demand for reprints and reissues has also risen. Now the collector finds that most of these long-neglected stamps are rare; some varieties, indeed, are very hard to obtain. The following are some of the most interesting ones:

1847 Issue. These stamps, as well known, are really imitations printed from plates which were prepared from new dies by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. According to official records (see Luff's United States), 4779 of the 5c and 3883 of the 10c were sold. The 5c is known in about a half dozen well-pronounced shades and also on laid paper. These shades have been much sought after in late years, and many were absorbed by collectors. One may frequently find from three to six copies of shades of the 5c represented in collections in which a single copy of the 10c is found sufficient. This, no doubt, accounts for the fact that the 5c is becoming much scarcer than the 10c.

1857 Issue, 5c, types II and III. Total issue, 878 copies. As four rows of each sheet were composed of type II, the number issued was about 292. This, therefore, ought to be the rarest of the set, which it no doubt is. The writer regrets never having seen a copy. The relative scarcity of the stamps of this issue in ascending order is as follows: 1c, 5c type III, 10c, 12c, 30c, 3c, 24c, 90c, and 5c type II.

1883 Special Printing 2c. Only 55 copies were sold, which included the imperforate between pairs (Scott's No. 211c.). Of the latter probably nine or ten pairs exist, reducing the number of the normal variety to about 37. The stamp, therefore, is decidedly underpriced in the catalogs, which places a value of \$20 on it. The same may be said of the rarest special printing, the 4c, of which only 26 copies were sold.

Philadelphia Stamp Club

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Formal—Third Tuesday evening in each month.

Informal—Every Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.

For particulars of Advantages of Membership, Dues, etc., address the Editor of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

THE OCTOBER MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held Tuesday evening, October 18th. As the meeting will start promptly at 8 o'clock, members and visitors are urged to be in their places at that time.

The entertainment will commence at 8 o'clock. Mr. Joseph A. Steinmetz will give a talk, his subject being "How to Collect Outside the Limitations of the Printed Album." Mr. Steinmetz is a master of this subject as is proven by his able article in this number of the P. S. C. Bulletin. The address will be illustrated with sample pages selected from his collection of United States stamps.

The impromptu auction will start at 9 o'clock. Mr. Henkels has 150 lots to offer. These lots comprise a goodly number of unused U. S. Postage and some U. S. Revenues. The foreign

stamps are even better as to assortment than those offered at the last auction. The lots will be on exhibition at the Club Room on the two Saturdays preceding the sale, from 1 to 3 P. M. and on the evening of the meeting from 7 to 8 P. M.

Visitors will be welcome.

Membership, October 1st, 1910.

Since the Annual Meeting in April the following members have been admitted: Messrs. Earley, Spaeter, Taylor, Nepley, Dunham, Gibson, Samuel, Reichert, Marsh, Geisenberger, Randorf, Moore, Beck and Justi.

The following names and addresses should be added to the list in the Year Book:

No. 107.—William Randorf, (Junior Active), 3808 Cambridge Street.

No. 108—Charles S. Moore, (Sen. Active) Lansdale, Penna.

No. 109—Robert Beck, (Sen. Active) 2336 N. 28th Street.

No. 110—Henry M. Justi, (Sen. Active) 32nd and Spring Garden Sts.

Two members were admitted October 1st.

No. 111—Joseph Wayne, Jr., (Sen. Active) Care Girard National Bank. Proposed by J. A. Steinmetz.

No. 112—Evan Randolph, (Sen. Active) corner Seminole and Chestnut Aves., Chestnut Hill. Proposed by J. A. Steinmetz.

At the September meeting of the Board of Governors three Juniors were dropped for failure to qualify, as follows: P. K. Lawrence, H. B. Dunham, Murray Gibson, Jr.

Membership Summary, Oct. 1st, 1910.

Members, April 20th, 1910	86
New Members	16
Total	102
Dropped	3
Net total—Oct. 1st, 1910	99

FORREST P. HAND,

Secretary.

**REPORT OF TREASURER OF
PHILA. STAMP CLUB.**

In submitting the Treasurer's report for the period of April 19th, 1910, to Sept. 30th, 1910, the attention of all club members is called to a few essential points.

With the increase in membership larger quarters will soon be necessary, and this means greater expense. The resources of the Club must be increased and each club member should appoint himself a committee of one to do his share. To put more money into the treasury, every member should be a regular attendant at the meetings, both formal and informal, and put more life into the Auction and Bourse transactions. The club circuits should be liberally patronized and promptly forwarded. All stamp loving friends and acquaintances should be brought into the club as guests or members if possible. These are all sources of revenue to the club and should be considered in that light.

A little more promptness in paying dues is also to be recommended, as it would save postage for the club and trouble for the treasurer, who, it must be remembered, is not a salaried officer.

As the appended report shows, the club is in sound financial condition, has no debts, and yet has its permanent quarters, a substantial library and has printed a Year Book that aroused favorable comment.

The Philadelphia Stamp Club may congratulate itself on its achievements in the first year and a half of its existence and it is now up to its members to see that the club will be as progressive and successful in the next year and a half as it was in the period just passed.

General Fund.

Receipts:

Dues	\$143.10
Stationery	2.25
Auctions	14.51
Sales Dept.	2.33
Year Book adv't. .	25.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund	25.00

Miscellaneous	3.19
Balance of 4-19-10 ..	52.07
Total	\$267.45

Disbursements:

Rent, 5 months ...	104.20
Postage	12.44
Printing (incl. year Book)	99.00
Total	\$215.64

Balance Gen. Fund, 9-30-10	51.81
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Reserve Fund.

Receipts:

Entrance Fees	4.00
Contribution Auction	64.91
Cash Donations	6.08
Balance of 4-19-10 ..	13.88
Total	\$ 88.87

Disbursements:

Binding	32.01
Exp. Contr. Auction	4.17
Trans. to Gen. Fund	25.00
Total	\$ 61.18

Balance Res. Fund, 9-30-10	\$ 27.69
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Insurance Fund.

Receipts:

Sales Dept.	\$ 2.06
Balance 4-19-10	2.94
Total	\$ 5.00

Disbursements:—None	0.00
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Balance Ins. Fund, 9-30-10\$ 5.00
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Summary of Balances.

General Fund	51.81
Reserve Fund	27.69
Insurance Fund	5.00
Total in Treasury	\$84.50

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. NEUFELD,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN, October 1, 1910.

The following report covers the operations of the library since the commencement of the fiscal year, May 1, 1910, and is mainly a resume of the monthly reports rendered during that period:

ERRATA: Volumes 15 to 19 of *Mekeel's Stamp Collector* should have been included under the heading "Bound Volumes" in the Year Book.

Volumes 3 and 5 of the *American Journal of Philately* should not have been included.

ADDITIONS: Bound Volumes.

By Purchase:

Handbuch der Philatelie (3 volumes).

By Contribution:

By Mr. Green. Revenue Catalog (Forbin). U. S. Stamps (Melville).

By Mr. Pierce. History of U. S. Postage Stamps (Tiffany).

By Mr. Osborn. Stamp Dealers and Collectors Address Book, 1892 (Mekeel); *Le Timbre Poste*, January to July, 1891; Lincoln's Postage Stamp Catalog, 9th Edition; Bright's A. B. C. Catalog, 1897; Gibbon's British Empire, 1899 and 1900; Gibbon's Foreign Stamps, 1899.

Pamphlets, periodicals, etc., not bound:

By Mr. Henkels. *American Philatelist*, Volume 23, four numbers.

By J. Delano Bartlett. U. S. State Revenue Stamps.

By Mr. Beamish. Four copies of Tiffany's U. S. Postage Stamps. Lot *Mekeel's Weekly*, *Virginia Philatelist*, etc.

By M. Osborn. Lot of A. J. of P. and miscellaneous papers.

By Mr. Leonhart. Fifty numbers of *Stamp Lover's Weekly*.

By Mr. Green. Lot of *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News*.

Mr. Mann has volunteered to contribute regularly: *The West End Philatelist*, the *Vest Pocket Philatelist*, *The Stamp Collector*, *Mekeel's Weekly* and the *Philatelic West*.

Mr. George W. Bye contributed a number of stamps for the Counterfeit Collection.

BINDINGS: Files of the following were completed and the volumes bound into permanent form:

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News. Vols. 10, 11, 15, 16, 18 to 23.

Weekly Philatelic Era. Vols. 14, 15, 17, 18.

Metropolitan Philatelist. Vols. 20, 21.

Philatelic Journal of America. Vols. 8, 20.

Virginia Philatelist. Vol. 1.

United States Postage Stamps (Melville) one volume.

It is our desire to give full credit to the donors for all contributions, but it is manifestly impossible to do so, except in a general way, in the case of large lots of miscellaneous publications. Such lots are bulked until the close of the year, when they are assorted and properly classified at one operation. The duplicates then become available for exchange, and the "wants" are assembled with the incomplete files previously reported on hand. Due notice of such action will be given.

W. R. KELLER, Librarian.

Will Raths-Keller is a very good feller,

And a very good feller is he;
He works all his friends
To further his ends,
Improving our library.

REPORT OF AUCTION MANAGER, October 1, 1910.

At the meeting of the Club held on September 20th an impromptu auction of 156 lots was held, the gross price realized being \$81.99.

The bidding was spirited and general, twenty-six members having purchased, the exceptionally good quality of the stamps offered producing this gratifying result. This sale was on exhibition in the Club Room on the two Saturdays preceding the sale, from 1.00 to 3.00 P. M.

The sale for the meeting of October 18th will be equally interesting and will be on exhibition in the Club Room the same as the last sale.

A. F. Henkels, Auction Mgr.

MR. JOSEPH ALLISON STEINMETZ

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He has been a collector since he was eight years of age. The first stamp in his collection was the 80 r. Brazil, 1876, which was on a letter from Dom Pedro, Emperor of Brazil, addressed to a cousin of Mr. Steinmetz who was a civil engineer constructing a railroad in Brazil.

In co-operation with Philadelphia members he was active in starting the U. S. Revenue Society, which is a Quaker City conception, the first idea of such a Society being to the credit of Mr. Steinmetz.

As a member of the American Philatelic Society he has served as President of Branch 18. He is also a member of the Philadelphia Stamp Club, the Junior Philatelic Society of London and the International Philatelic Society of Dresden.

Besides his Philatelic interests he has been for ten years Secretary of the Red Cross Society for Pennsylvania and is now Chairman of the Philadelphia Branch. He is a member of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Society Sons of the Revolution, the Colonial Society of Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Commandery of the Naval and Military Order of the Spanish-American War, he having followed the army of occupation into Cuba in connection with the Red Cross relief work to alleviate the sufferings of reconcentrado orphans. He is also a member of the Welcome Society of Pennsylvania, being a descendant of Dr. Thomas Wynne who was ship's surgeon, arriving with Penn in 1682.

He is one of the organizers and for several years a member of the Naval Militia of Pennsylvania. He is a trustee of the Fairmount Park Art Association. He is also a member of the Order of

Runnymede, being a descendant of a signer of the Magna Charta of King John. As a member of the firm of Janney, Steinmetz & Company he is an active and progressive business man.

The genial disposition which is evidenced by Mr. Steinmetz on every occasion has gained him a host of friends. It is an honor to count him as one of us.

GOVERNMENT LOCKS.

A. F. Henkels.

The locks used by the U. S. Treasury Department for locking the compartments in Government storehouses, were invented by Mr. D. K. Miller of Philadelphia. They were manufactured by him personally for some time, but are now produced by the Miller Lock Co., of Frankford, Philadelphia, to whom he sold his patent rights. This is the only lock so far that has not been picked. A feature of it is the device requiring a seal to be placed in a recess in the lock, covering the keyhole so that when the lock is closed it is impossible to insert the key without puncturing the seal. To this device we are indebted for the very beautiful Lock Seals so much prized by collectors of U. S. Revenue Stamps. Mr. Miller is also the inventor of the pad-locks used on mail sacks. He is a man of strong personality and one of the most expert mechanics that our generation has produced.

Leidy-bug! Leidy-bug!
Fly away, quick!
And get some more hinges,
The kind that will stick.
They stick both your friends
And their stamps at one lick.
Leidy-bug! Leidy-bug!
Fly away, quick!

SIDE LINES OF PHILATELY.

James Whiteside.

Extraordinary announcement by wireless.

Stop, look and read.

A new fad on tap—Side lines of philately.

Have you any **posters** advertising a pig sale? If so—keep them. They are "side lines of philately."

Have you any **stickers** telling about Si Perkins of Plum Hollow's husking party? Keep them for exchange—they are "side lines of philately."

Did you get Solomon Wise—mann's latest **exhibition** labels showing the styles of shoes to be worn in 1999? Keep them—they are rare as "side lines of philately."

Did I hear that King George was going to exchange the **tags** on his coronation trousers for "side lines of philately"?

This new idea beats the man who got the crutches and joined the Hobblers' Club to a standstill.

Who said Billy Penn was slow? Wake up Father Knickerbocker and get on the "side line" car.

Ray! Ray! Ray!
Phil-lat-lay!
Side lines of phil-lat-lay!
Who said JUNK?

(Editor's note: Not understanding the above effusion from the pen of Mr. Whiteside, we are unable to edit it. The member sending in the best explanation will be rewarded with one green stamp as a prize.)

Whiteside's hunting Haytis rare,
Eoogy-heads with kinky hair.
He'll take a single or a pair—
Sunny Jimmie Whiteside.

He likes a stamp that's nice and clean,
The kind that no one else has seen,
Of any color so it's green—
Happy Jimmie Whiteside.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Our esteemed Vice President, Mr. John W. Haseltine, has been quite ill and confined to his home for ten days. He is about again and we trust will soon regain his accustomed good health.

P. M. Woisjeffer, President of the Chicago Philatelic Society, and Henry Ades Fowier, Esq., Secretary of the same society (both are members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club) recently called upon the President of the Philadelphia Stamp Club (who also happens to be a member of the Chicago Philatelic Society).

A "philatelic side line," until recently overlooked, is the collecting of sample pages from albums. We believe that Prof. Neufeld's collection of these is unique. The professor can explain the technical advantages and disadvantages of every album published.

Mr. E. A. Fleisher has recently returned from a visit to the European Stamp marts. The dealers over there, and Mr. Fleisher's collection, have both prospered in consequence.

One of our Junior members, C. B. Turner, is Art Editor of the Central High School Mirror.

Mr. A. F. Henkels, recently anonymously elected to the presidency of the Side Lines Society has tendered his resignation to the Society. He has accepted the resignation.

The nominations for officers of Philadelphia Branch No. 18 A. P. S. made at the last meeting of the Branch are for President, F. Hahman; Vice President, Chas. Beamish; Secretary and Treasurer, A. F. Henkels; Sales Manager, John W. Haseltine; this is the same Board of Officers as last year. They will be voted for at the meeting of the Branch to be held on October 18th at 7.30 P. M. in the room of the Philadelphia Stamp Club.

Collector's Column

Advertisements at five cents per line.

Exchange relations desired with fellow members. Good U. S. postage and revenues in exchange for Stamped Paper and Fair Tags. A. F. Henkels, 1417 N. Bouvier Street, Philadelphia.

U. S. cut square envelopes wanted. Good U. S. and Foreign to exchange for same. J. Homer Leidy, 2526 Turner Street, Philadelphia.

I wish to exchange postage stamps of all countries. Basis:—Scott's or Gibbons' catalogs. Reference:—the editor of this paper. James Whiteside, 2648 S. 17th Street, Philadelphia.

I have all kinds of stamps to exchange. I want good U. S. and Foreign postage, U. S. revenues of all kinds, early Philadelphia post-marks, railway and ship cancellations, express franks, etc. Edgar L. Green, 1415 Vine Street, Philadelphia.

THE NEEDS OF THE LIBRARY.

William R. Keller, Librarian.

The time will come sooner or later to every true stamp collector when he will feel the necessity of having a philatelic library, or at least of having access to one. By true stamp collector we do not mean one who is born over night, who boils over with enthusiasm for a period and then falls out of the ranks, but one who pursues his hobby in season and out of season in a quiet but persistent way; one who is thoroughly inoculated with the bacillus stampici collecti. We believe there is no known remedy to counteract an attack of this kind except a liberal supply of what the patient craves. Such a patient, in due time, needs a library.

Our library has come to stay and makes a fine showing in its second year of growth, but it has made only a beginning and still needs plenty of good nourishing food.

What do we want?

We want an additional bookcase to house it.

We want copies of all current stamp catalogs. A dozen different standard catalogs are issued in Eu-

rope that are not represented on our shelves.

We want copies of every philatelic paper published in the English language, supplemented with any published in German, French, Spanish, etc.

We want a copy of all works on special subjects. There are many such in the shape of handbooks and monographs, all of which are desirable and useful, and only a few of which are represented.

We want pictures and photographs bearing on philatelic subjects.

We want stamps for the club collection.

We want Jones' Check List of Philatelic Literature and Tiffany's Library Companion.

We want priced Auction Catalogs.

We want money to spend on the library.

We want to make our library a representative one and as nearly complete as possible, and to this end we want a copy of every stamp paper ever published. This is a pretty large order, but our only handicap is the fact that others started in the race long before we did. You will perhaps be surprised at the extent of philatelic journalism. It extends over a period of about sixty years and during that time probably no less than a thousand different publications have appeared. Quite a few of them died a-borning, but we want copies of them all the same. In 1901 there were 22 philatelic journals published in England; one weekly, one fortnightly, eighteen monthlies and two quarterlies. At present there are 30. We want all of them and we want you to help us get them.

This article is addressed to all the members of the club and to all others under whose eye these lines may fall.

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The Club Meets November Fifteenth.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held in the Club Rooms, Tuesday, November Fifteenth, at 8 o'clock in the evening. Visitors will be cordially welcomed.

See inside pages for Announcement of Entertainment.

PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

MR. EDWIN A. FLEISHER.



IN these days when we hear so much discussion about the relative values of stamps in the different grades of condition, the counsel of an unbiased collector is more to be considered than that of anyone interested in the sale of stamps.

Mr. Edwin A. Fleisher, who recently granted us an interview, is a connoisseur of condition as applied to stamps. He has had a wide experience, both at home and abroad, in the purchasing of rare stamps and is exceedingly well posted in the values and degrees of rarity, especially as regards the stamps of India and the Soudan, of which he has the finest collection on this side of the Atlantic.

Mr. Fleisher has been interested in all philatelic movements in Philadelphia for

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Advertisements are solicited. For rates consult the Business Manager.

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Editorial.

We wish to thank our members and others for the many kind expressions of appreciation which greeted the first number of the **Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin**.

The requests from every section of the country for copies and the offers of subscriptions which have poured in have not only astounded the Editor, but have given him much work that was not anticipated.

The reviews which have appeared in the various philatelic publications have been extremely liberal and kindly in their tone, and we failed to see a single adverse criticism. The progressive spirit shown by the Club was universally commended. We particularly thank **Redfield's Stamp Weekly** and the **Philadelphia Stamp News**.

In the December issue we will continue our series of articles upon Philadelphia's collectors and have decided upon a man known and esteemed by all. The Associate Editor will contribute some masterly criticism upon existing conditions. Mr. Klein has promised an original paper written in a scientific vein and the Editor hopes to have ready something of philatelic interest.

You will notice that we have changed the size of our envelope with this issue, so as to send the Bulletin without folding. When the project of a Club publication was first thought of, the intention was to print a small folder of four pages of uniform size (5x7 inches), with the Club's Year Book; but in order to embody all of the material sent in for publication we were obliged to increase the size to 6x9 inches, and the number of pages to twelve. Suggestions for improvement will be gladly received at all times.

There has been much speculation as to the identity of the "poet laureate" of the Club. His effusions were tendered anonymously and, as they were on odd scraps of paper, it would appear that the gentle muse seizes upon her victim in divers places and at times not always opportune. The knowledge of our weaknesses which is displayed by this parodist is most uncomfortable, and as he appears to have no respect for either persons or things we consider him a dangerous character and ask the aid of our readers in unmasking him.

By a glance at the membership report you will note that we have had our Fall housecleaning and that seven members have fallen by the wayside. This decreases our numerical strength, but as we have only separated the chaff from the wheat we have suffered no material damage. No man who will not live up to his obligations should join our Club, and the sooner he forfeits membership the better we should be pleased.

The Club is to be congratulated upon the class of men who are now offering themselves for membership, and it is our belief that the standing—financial, educational and professional—of our members, compares favorably with any other stamp club in the world.

Each one of us should help increase the membership, but remembering that quality is more desirable than quantity.

The last half of our fiscal year starts November 1st, and all members who owe dues for that period will please forward the correct amount direct to the treasurer without waiting for a notice from him. You can readily see whether you are "paid up" by examining the back of your membership card. Remember that dues are payable in advance and save the Club as much postage, and the treasurer as much trouble as you can.

Henkels had a little (?) book
Of checks of long ago,
And every place that Henkels went
Those checks were sure to go.

To treat the boys of Branch Eighteen
He brought them down one night,
But Steinmetz got the drop on him
And talked them out of sight.

AN EXCELLENT SUGGESTION.

Philadelphia, October 19th, 1910.
The Philadelphia Stamp Club,
Board of Governors.

Gentlemen:

Publicity helps enthusiasm and to stimulate collectors is to make prospective Club Members.

Go ahead and ask our membership to each enquire of his Book dealer to see a copy of W. Dwight Burrows' book on stamps, published by Frederick A. Stokes & Co., of New York, and entitled "The Wonderland of Stamps."

Recommend to your individual Book dealers, Department Stores, etc., to stock this book and get them to display a few in their windows for Christmas. Buy each a copy—give one to your friend for Christmas. PUSH.

The more we talk stamps—the greater our Club will grow in fame and membership.

Fraternally yours,
Joseph A. Steinmetz.

Our young friend Mann of great expectations,

Is open to our congratulations.

The dove is all right in some neighborhoods

But it takes the stork to deliver the goods.

TO NON-MEMBERS.

Many collectors, when asked to join the Club, have excused themselves by saying that they are only amateurs, do not have a large collection, know practically nothing about stamps, would feel out of place amongst experts, etc., etc., and they seem half-ashamed that their hobby has been discovered.

Never were there more mistaken impressions. The Club is just the thing that the beginner and the inexperienced need. The knowledge that is to be gained of how to collect, which stamps to avoid, which dealers to shun, information as to values, arrangement, mounting, albums, catalogs and many other items which are the results of the experiences of members—these are matters which cannot always be gleaned from books and will prove invaluable to the novice and even to the more advanced collector.

The majority of our members are of the common, or garden, variety of collector. Their hobby is an agreeable pastime to them and they delight in association with fellow collectors. There is a certain good-fellowship between stamp collectors which is to be found with no other class of hobbyists.

Of experts, we have some five or six who may be classed as such, but they are unobtrusive, giving information freely when asked, but otherwise they hide their lights under bushels.

Of dealers, we have a small sprinkling, as the Club is primarily for collectors; they do not show even the small interest they should. In other cities the main support of stamp clubs comes from the dealers, but with us this support is so insignificant as to be unappreciable. There are one or two exceptions.

Therefore do not hold back your application because you think you might be out of place. A single visit to our room will prove the contrary and will convince you that the hobby of stamp collecting is a more dignified pursuit, and is deeper rooted, than you have perhaps imagined.

If you wish to know the "material" benefits of membership write to the Librarian for a copy of our Year Book.

BLOOD'S PENNY POST.

By A. F. Henkels.

Of the various Local Posts doing a letter carrying business in Philadelphia the "Blood's City Despatch" affords the most interesting example of the postal conveniences afforded to the past generation. The conveniences offered at the present time and supposed to be the result of many years of postal experiences were anticipated by the Blood's Post. They had letter boxes on the street corners, rented private boxes in their office for the convenience of the business houses; they had three regular deliveries each day and it was possible to send a letter or package at any time by special messenger. Of course, all these conveniences applied only within the city limits, as under the U. S. Postal Laws they could not deliver out of town letters.

The stamps they issued we are all familiar with, but the interesting little tags that were attached to letters for advertising purposes are seldom seen by the present day collector. They are historical in value and serve to shed light on many points in relation to this post.

When the **Public Ledger** was located at the southwest corner of Third and Chestnut streets in 1845, a young man by the name of D. Otis Blood, who was related to William M. Swain, senior member of the firm of Swain, Abell and Simmons, owners

of the **Public Ledger**, conceived the idea of starting a private post. He engaged the services of several of the other employees of the paper and established his Post on Third street near Chestnut. The business was conducted at various times under the title of "Blood's Despatch," "Blood's City Despatch," and finally, when they reduced their rates of postage, as "Blood's Penny Post." They were also located at one time on Sixth street above Chestnut. Fire having destroyed this office they removed to "The Arcade" on Chestnut street below Seventh, and later they were located at 28 South Fifth street, at which office they had private letter boxes to rent for the convenience of their patrons. Their stamps and stamped envelopes were sold at hotels, drug stores and other public places.

As many as eight thousand letters were delivered in one day, outside of the thousands of circulars and newspapers that passed through their hands. This does not seem a large amount of business in our times, but it was considerable when we consider that the operations of the post were limited to the districts of Philadelphia and Southwark, the postal authorities not allowing them to deliver letters in the districts of Spring Garden and Kensington or outlying towns in which the Government had established Post Offices.

They maintained a carrier service by light wagons and had over five hundred stations and letter boxes in the city where letters could be posted. They provided three regular deliveries each day, from house to house, and special or hourly deliveries in the business section, as well as four deliveries to the Post Office for the purpose of forwarding out of town mail. Special messengers could be hired at from 5 cents upwards, at any time, for the delivery of packages, and valuable letters could be registered.

In 1851 the following notice appeared in the **Public Ledger Almanac**:

"Blood's Despatch."

"This establishment, once thought to be a doubtful experiment, has, by its faithfulness to the public interest, become such a necessary adjunct to the business of the city that banks, insurance companies, lawyers and business men generally would be unable to dispense with it. Its success in regular and prompt delivery of **Letters** throughout the city and districts three times, and to the Post Office four times, per pay at **One Cent** each letter is a triumph attending the placing of the facilities of business within the means of all, equalled only by the Penny Press of this country and the Penny Postage of England."

It would seem from this notice that 1851 was about the time that Blood's rate of postage was reduced from two cents to one cent per letter. It would also appear that they had opened a delivery of letters to all the districts, and this infraction of the Postal Laws no doubt prompted the Government to take steps to abolish the Post at a later date.

Mr. Charles Kochersperger came into control of the Post in 1855 upon the death of D. Otis Blood. He issued an announcement that Blood's Post would be operated thenceforth under the co-partnership title of **Chas. Kochersperger & Co.** He had been associated with Mr. Blood as manager since the Post was first established. He was succeeded by Elbert Kochersperger, his brother, who later turned the Post over to Hiram Miller and John M. Riley. They conducted the business until January 10, 1862, at which date the Post was absorbed by the United States Post Office Department through an act of Congress by which the streets of Philadelphia became Post Roads and it was a misdemeanor for any private Post to deliver mail matter over them.

The owners of **Blood's Post** are said to have spent in the neighborhood of seventy-five thousand dollars in protecting their rights against the

Government. The legal controversy was first commenced in 1845 and continued through the Tyler and Polk administrations and clear up to 1862.

I will now quote in full the little colored paper tags that were attached to the envelopes of letters passing through the **Blood's Post**. In the old times it was the custom to seal letters with various colored wafers and later the small gummed labels bearing mottoes were in vogue. The local Posts, taking advantage of this custom, caused to be printed small labels making various announcements which they attached usually over the flap of the envelope or the folds of the letter sheet. One of these little red labels reads: "**The mail postage on letters can be paid at the Box Stations of Blood's City Dispatch.**" This would imply that postage could have been paid at the "Box Stations" without attaching a stamp which would account for the envelopes we see occasionally bearing nothing but the cancellation mark with the words "Paid" or "Paid 2c." which have at times raised so much discussion. As a matter of fact, circulars and business cards could be delivered without stamp if deposited at the office in quantity. Wedding invitations could be delivered without either stamp or postmark.

Another tag reads: "**Remember that Blood's City Dispatch takes letters, papers and small parcels from one extremity of the city to the other, for two cents.**"

The following labels deal more with announcements:

"**The Sons of Temperance find Blood's City Dispatch a very convenient medium through which to send members notices of meetings, elections, fines, arrearages, etc.**"

"**Wholesale houses find Blood's Dispatch very convenient for taking notices of fresh good to retailers.**"

"**Lawyers, medical men and others throughout the country desiring their business cards or circulars of any kind or in any quantity distributed in**

Philadelphia, can have them attended to, with care and promptness, by addressing Blood's Despatch, 28 South Sixth Street."

Another label refers to the Government restrictions:

"Spring Garden and Kensington are excluded by Government from receiving letters through Blood's City Despatch. Boxes of Blood's City Post will be found at Sixth and Vine Streets, into which persons living in the district can deposit their letters."

Another label in which the gentle muse has exerted her influence, reads:

"If a good city paper to take you incline

And never can manage the carrier to catch,

Get the name of the publisher, tip him a line

And send it through Blood & Co.'s City Despatch."

Another interesting little label reads: "One of Blood's City Despatch Post Office stamps which costs but one cent by the dozen takes a letter to the Post Office rain or shine."

As a fitting finish to this article I will quote in full the official notice issued by the owners of the post at the time they were forced by the Government to retire from business: "To the Citizens of Philadelphia:

"The undersigned proprietors of Blood's Despatch, having been notified by the Post Office Department, through the Postmaster of this city, that the business carried on by them was in contravention of the law and having thoroughly investigated the subject they feel convinced that the laws of the United States regulating the postal affairs of the country do not recognize their right to carry letters or other mailable matter through the streets, lanes and alleys of the City of Philadelphia, and being de-

sirous of conforming to the laws of the country in every particular hereby give notice that on and after **Saturday next**, the 11th instant, they will cease to operate as a Despatch post, or to carry any letter or other matter through the City of Philadelphia as heretofore. The entire control of this business has been relinquished to the United States Post Office Department, represented by the Postmaster of this city.

"In making this public announcement, we feel it but just to assure our former patrons and the public generally that from the arrangements made by the Postmaster on behalf of the Department, the business will be carried on as much to the satisfaction of the community as though still under our control. Some of the gentlemen who have so long and successfully managed the business while in our hands have been employed in the same capacity by the Postmaster, which of itself is a sufficient guarantee that the service will be properly conducted. The entire arrangements have been made with especial regard to the public convenience and are as perfect as could be devised. The carriers selected by the Postmaster are both faithful and intelligent.

"In thus retiring from the Despatch we cannot but thank the public for their appreciation of our efforts to serve them and express the hope that they will favor the new regime with their patronage in future.

"(Signed) Hiram Miller and
John M. Riley,
"Proprietors.

"Philadelphia, Jan. 10, 1862."

Thus is recorded the passing, after seventeen years of active public service, of the most remarkable of any of the private posts of this country, and the death of Elbert Kochersperger which occurred in March, 1910, severs the last link with the original owners.

THE GRILLING DEVICE.

A. F. Henkels.

A number of years ago a gentleman who had been in the Patent Office at Washington gave out some facts in regard to the invention of the "grilling" device used on the 1867-70 issues of U. S. Stamps.

The original intention of the patent was that the stamps should be grilled from the back, which would leave little points of paper projecting on the front surface. There was a device also provided for in the said patent, somewhat like a carpenter's plane, which would pass over the surface of the envelope on which the stamps were attached and cut off these projecting points, thus effectually cancelling, or rather mutilating the stamp.

This device did not work satisfactorily, fortunately, and another use was found for the grille, that of breaking the fiber of the paper and allowing the cancelling ink to penetrate through the stamp.

There is a firm in our town,
Who are so wondrous wise,
They sold an "Alexandria"
For a tremendous price;
And when they found it sold so well,
With all their might and main,
They hunted up two other ones,
And turned the trick again.

The entire effects of Charles Steigewalt, of Lancaster, Pa., will soon be offered at public auction in Philadelphia. There will be included in the sale a lifetime's accumulation of bric-a-brac, coins, stamps, autographs and other articles of virtu.

Before patronizing any dealer, see if they have sufficient interest in the Club to advertise in the **P. S. C. Bulletin**.

If you have any stamps to sell or exchange, use the "Collector's Column." Every little bit helps. Put in your mite.

One of our members, a dealer in this city for many years, is desirous of disposing of his stock of stamps which has been accumulating for the past twenty years. For further particulars inquire of the managers of this paper.

There was a little man,
And he had a little book
Of stamps stuck down with gum, gum,
gum,
And when he went to sell,
The dealer said, "Oh,—well!"
Because they were on the bum, bum,
bum.

Mr. Chas. Beamish, contrary to rumor, has not severed his connection with the Philadelphia Stamp Company, neither does his present out-of-town position interfere with any of his other philatelic interests in Philadelphia.

Little boy Green,
As sure as you're born,
They're putting a stamp
On fodder and corn.
Where's the little boy
These treasures would keep?
Under his tax-pays,
Fast asleep.

Philadelphia Stamp Club

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For particulars of Advantages of Membership, Dues, etc., address the Editor of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

THE NOVEMBER MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held Tuesday, November 15th, in the Club Room. The meeting will commence promptly at 8 o'clock.

From 7 until 8 o'clock the members may purchase from the bourse sheets or examine the lots of stamps which will be offered at the auction.

At 8 o'clock the floor will be given to Mr. Edwin A. Fleisher, who will exhibit his collections of the stamps of the Native Indian States, and of the Sudan. The collection are undoubtedly the finest in America, and the opportunity to view them should be embraced by all.

The impromptu auction, of about 150 lots of desirable stamps, will commence at 9 o'clock. These lots will be on exhibition at the Club Room on the two Saturdays preceding the sale, from 1 to 3 P. M., and on the evening of the meeting from 7 to 8 P. M.

Visitors will be welcomed.

OUR OCTOBER MEETING.

On October 18th the members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club were treated to an exhibition of a portion of the original collection of Mr. Joseph A. Steinmetz. It was an occasion that those of our members who were not present will regret having missed as Mr. Steinmetz has solved the problem of making a stamp collection of interest to the non-collector as well as to the stamp enthusiast.

The portion of his collection that he displayed and explained covered the Local and Governmental issues of postage stamps, embracing the various experiments carried on by the Government to prevent the washing of stamps for the removal of cancellations. Many of the examples of trial printings which he placed before us are practically unobtainable through the ordinary channels of philatelic trading.

But the actual philatelic value of the collection was not the only feature; there was the grouping, with the stamps, of appropriate portraits, clippings, data, etc., which represented many years of research. A collection more engrossing than that of Mr. Steinmetz is beyond our imagination.

The impromptu auction was started by Mr. Henkels at 9 o'clock. One hundred and forty-two lots were sold and realized \$51.16.

There were thirty-eight members, and six visitors were present, as follows:

Members: Averell, Beck, Behrends, Green, Hand, Hahman, Haseltine, M. Harris, Henkels, Herr, Ingraham, Justi, Keller, Klein, Leidy, Neufeld, Pierce, Randolph, H. S. Rotzell, C. Rotzell, Scyces, Spaeter, Steinmetz, R. B. Smith, J. W. Taylor, J. D. Town, T. J. Town, Waream, Ward, Walters, Warner, Whiteside, C. Zindel, Sr.

Visitors: R. C. Boyd, Francis Rawle, L. W. Hirsch, Wm. J. Kuhlman, of Philadelphia; G. B. Woodward, of New York City; H. L. McIlvain, of Reading, Pa.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30.

MEMBERSHIP, NOVEMBER 1ST, 1910.

At the meeting of the Board of Governors, held October 14th, the following members were ordered dropped from the rolls:

For non-payment of dues:

No. 50—Palmer Bescherer (Junior).

No. 55—Leroy S. Bishop (Junior).

No. 24—Philip Dengler (Senior).

No. 19—Joseph A. Harris (Senior).

No. 70—Alfred L. Lewis, Esq. (Senior).

No. 88—Herbert D. Wiegand (Junior).

For failure to qualify:

No. 104—F. L. Reichert (Senior).

Admissions:

Two members were admitted November 1st, as follows:

No. 113—Hugh Smiley (Non resident), Mohonk Lake, N. Y. Proposed by W. R. Keller.

No. 114—R. Carlisle Boyd (Senior), 323 Walnut Street. Proposed by E. L. Green.

Membership Summary:

Members, October 1st, 1910..... 99
New Members..... 2

Total101
Dropped 7

Net total 94

FORREST P. HAND,
Secretary.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN OF PHILADELPHIA STAMP CLUB, OCTOBER 31, 1910.

Contributions of miscellaneous papers and pamphlets were received from Messrs. Whiteside, Henkels and Saulnier.

Mr. Steinmetz donated several pamphlets, including U. S. R. S. Year Book for 1908, Universal Postal Union Convention, Report of Third Assistant Postmaster General (1909), U. S. Postal Service, and five parts covering the Hill-Chalmers Controversy.

Through the courtesy of the publishers we are receiving all of the more important American philatelic periodicals and the best of those published in Great Britain. A detailed list and acknowledgment of these will be in the next number of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

William R. Keller,
Librarian.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PHILADELPHIA STAMP CLUB.

October 31st, 1910.

General Fund.

Receipts:

Dues -----\$16.00
Auctions ----- 5.65
Misc. ----- .50
Balance 9-30-10 ---- 51.81

Total -----\$73.96

Disbursements:

Rent -----\$20.84
Postage ----- .80

Total ----- 21.64

Balance 10-31-10 -----\$52.32

Reserve Fund.

Receipts:

Entrance Fees ---- \$3.00
Balance 9-30-10 ---- 27.69

Total ----- 30.69

Disbursements:

None -----

Balance 10-31-10 -----\$30.69

Insurance Fund.

Receipts:

None -----
Balance 9-30-10 ---- \$5.00

Total ----- 5.00

Disbursements:

None -----

Balance 10-31-10 ----- \$5.00

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. Neufeld,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF SALES MANAGER.

November 1st, 1910.

During the past month 20 new books have been added to the department. Six books have been retired. From these, 212 stamps were sold, valued at \$12.50.

I would like to have more members on the circuits and also some books entered with medium priced stamps in good condition, as I find these sell best. Members should mount and price their stamps neatly and refrain from including damaged stamps.

H. S. ROTZELL,
Sales Manager.

REPORT OF BOURSE MANAGER.

November 1st, 1910.

There have been 149 sheets of stamps, valued at \$145.61, entered in the Bourse to date.

Sales of stamps.....	\$17.50
Sales of Bourse sheets.....	2.60
Insurance10

Total

On account of several instances where purchases have been incorrectly reported, or not reported at all, I suggest that members patronizing the Bourse keep the account of their purchases on a slip of paper marking net price of each stamp and the number of sheet from which it is taken, this slip to be handed to me with remittance. Also be sure to write your name (not merely initials), in every space from which a stamp is removed.

The Bourse should be better patronized than it has been so far, and I would like to see a number of sheets of good medium-priced stamps entered for sale.

The members can purchase sheets for mounting their stamps for the Bourse, at one cent each. I will mail sheets to any member if postage (about one cent for every ten sheets), is sent with order.

WM. S. F. PIERCE,
Bourse Manager

A woman is at the bottom of all trouble,—look at Portugal.

JOE STEINMETZ.

The cranks on stamps were gathering
fast

As through the P. S. Club room
passed,

A youth who with his shirt-front
"iced"

Bore a package with a strap 'round
twice,

Joe Steinmetz!

Your treasures flashed upon our gaze,
Lunched in your original ways;

Cancelled with acid or with ink,
They've put our optics on the blink,

Joe Steinmetz!

The way you made those pages hum
Would put most albums on the bum.

Your line of talk was just the thing,
You have us all chained to a ring,

Joe Steinmetz!

At the meeting of Branch No. 18, A. P. S., held at the Club room on October 18th, the entire Board of Officers was re-elected, as follows: President, Frederick Hahman; vice-president, Charles Beamish; secretary and treasurer, A. F. Henkels; sales manager, John W. Haseltine.

The Sektion Philadelphia of the Internationaler Philatelisten Verein, of Dresden, met in the Club Room on Tuesday morning, November 1st. The following members were present: Haseltine, Klein, Proetz, Fleisher, Liebeck, MacCalla, Green and Neufeld. Mr. MacCalla exhibited his collection of Match and Medicine Stamps and the regular issues of U. S. Revenue Stamps. The meeting adjourned to the Manufacturers' Club at 10 P. M.

Saturday afternoon, October 29th, Mr. H. E. Jefferson called at the Club Room and favored us with a view of two volumes from his collection. Mr. Jefferson has unique ideas of arrangement and his collection, being out of the ordinary run, was all the more interesting. The countries are grouped geographically: the volumes shown embracing Northern Europe and Australasia. Being an exponent of stamps that have seen postal service, his collection contains only cancelled copies.

Collectors' Column

Advertisements at five cents per line.

Exchange relations desired with fellow members Good U. S. postage and revenues in exchange for Stamped Paper and Fair Tags. A. F. Henkels, 1417 N. Bouvier Street, Philadelphia.

U. S. cut square envelopes wanted. Good U. S. and Foreign to exchange for same. Victory Hinges, 8c per 1000. J. Homer Leidy, 2526 Turner Street, Philadelphia.

I wish to exchange postage stamps of all countries. Basis:—Scott's or Gibbons' catalogs. Reference:—the editor of this paper. James Whiteside, 2648 S. 17th Street, Philadelphia.

I have all kinds of stamps to exchange. I want good U. S. and Foreign postage, U. S. revenues of all kinds, early Philadelphia post-marks, railway and ship cancellations, express franks, etc. Edgar L. Green, 1415 Vine Street, Philadelphia.

Stamps and Coins bought, sold and exchanged. Coin books, 10 cents. Walters Coin Co., 1218 Filbert Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

MR. EDWIN A. FLEISHER
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many years. He early joined the American Philatelic Society, and served as vice-president of Phila. Branch No. 18. He is a charter member of the Phila. Stamp Club.

In business life, Mr. Fleisher is an active member of the firm of S. B. & B. W. Fleisher, one of the largest manufacturers of worsted and woolen yarns in America.

Having just returned from an European tour, he has been occupied arranging the treasures which he acquired abroad, and he has made some remarkable additions to his already magnificent collection. He has much to say about the esteem in which really fine stamps are held by European Collectors and dealers. We hope for something along this line from his pen at a future date.

In the course of conversation, Mr. Fleisher said:

"I began collecting about 1885 as a schoolboy. As is customary at those years, I only sought the common and cheap varieties of used stamps without preference for any one country. At that time, the exchanging of stamps was probably even more extensive than it is today; almost every youngster came to school with his du-

plicate collection ready to exchange with any of his playmates. Neither did condition enter largely into the transaction, so that about the only attraction of this class of stamps was that they served as space-fillers.

"During the years of 1895 to 1899 I went to Harvard University and gave my stamp collection no attention whatever. I saw the collection of one of my fellow-students who had specialized in fine unused U. S. stamps. I then realized that my collection was practically worthless, and when I graduated from college, began collecting anew. As quickly as possible I disposed of my used stamps and purchased with the proceeds only unused fine specimens.

"British Colonials were always my special 'hobby,' and today they represent the largest part of my collection. I take special care in buying stamps to see that the condition is fine, and am safe in making the statement that there are nothing but perfect stamps in my collection, most of them with original gum.

"Naturally after collecting so many years my collection reached a point where it required a large investment. The common varieties I had already secured, and the past few years has been devoted to securing the scarcer varieties. With the increase in the size of my collection I have also taken up other countries—such as German, French and American Colonials.

"The same motto applies to stamp collecting as to purchases of any other kind of merchandise—'the best is the cheapest.' Dealers may claim that stamps with full gum become more easily creased and curled, or that perfectly centered specimens are not procurable, yet my experience has been that it pays to invest only in perfect specimens, even if the cost be a trifle greater. Most of my rare stamps have been secured by me through 'auction sales,' and anyone who frequents these sales will see, at once, that the condition is what brings the price.

"In conclusion, let me say to my fellow philatelists, that it is no boast to have a large collection of stamps; better by far to boast of a small, but well selected collection."

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The Club Meets December Twentieth.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held in the Club Rooms, Tuesday, December Twentieth, at 8 o'clock in the evening. Visitors will be cordially welcomed.

See inside pages for Announcement of Entertainment.

PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

MR. FREDERICK HAHMAN.



We have the pleasure of presenting this month the likeness of our esteemed fellow-member, Mr. Frederick Hahman, a native of Philadelphia, of German parentage. Mr. Hahman is one of our conservative collectors, having been an ardent stamp collector since he was a school boy. Whilst he believes in enjoying the pleasures of stamp collecting upon every suitable opportunity he does not believe in making a labor of it, but rather a pleasant relaxation from the cares of business. The replacing of the undesirable stamps collected in his earlier experiences has gradually brought his collection to its present standard, which whilst not reflecting the work of an extremist as to condition is still a collection of good solid philatelic worth. British Colonial stamps have been chiefly attractive to him, but his

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Editorial.

The editorship of The Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin has passed into new hands. Mr. Edgar L. Green who for the past two issues has so ably performed this duty of love, has been compelled through the press of other business affairs to relinquish the active management. His successor, whilst not a new hand by any means, still feels a little rusty, and will crave the indulgence of our readers until such time as his very able associate editors can break him into harness.

This will be the last gratuitous copy of the Bulletin that you will receive unless you are a member of The Philadelphia Stamp Club. If you feel interested in this new kind of a philatelic paper, send **twenty-five cents** to the Business Manager as a subscription for the balance of Vol. No. 1. Do you remember the smiles that you have had in reading the two numbers? perhaps there are a couple in this. Of one thing you can rest assured and that is that we will provide you with the best quarter's worth of philatelic reading that you have had. It will be our aim to maintain the high standard set in our earlier numbers, both as to worth and mirth.

This paper is published not for profit, all the articles printed are gratuitously contributed. Its aim is to im-

prove the philatelic conditions in Philadelphia, and to further the interests of The Philadelphia Stamp Club.

The Christmas season is with us again, the second in the history of The Philadelphia Stamp Club. We well remember the pleasure experienced at the last Christmas meeting and it will be the aim of the Entertainment Committee to perpetuate these memories through another year. This is the season for the interment of "grouches" and for forgetting any little differences that we may have had with our fellow members. Let us extend the hand of fellowship to each other and work as brothers for the good of the Club and philately. We pass this way but once, let us continue as we have done in the past to wear a smile instead of a frown.

THOSE DRESDEN CIRCUITS.

In answer to many inquiries in regard to the hold up of the Circuits sent to the Philadelphia Branch of the Dresden Philatelic Society by the parent Society of Dresden, Germany, we will give a complete statement of the facts of the case. Mr. Klein, the Secretary of the Philadelphia Branch, in response to the usual request called at the revenue department of the Philadelphia Post Office to have five packages of Circuits opened in his presence, as they contained stamps, and as stamps are not dutiable, they should have been handed to him at once, but the inspector asked what they were valued at and when informed that the value was six hundred and odd dollars, he refused to deliver them to Mr. Klein, and stated that a ruling of the department required that all consignments of goods when valued at over one hundred dollars, must be regularly entered, that is, they must be accompanied by a schedule setting forth their value and sworn to before the United States Consul of the port from which they were mailed. This affidavit would cost \$2.50. Mr. Klein objected to this procedure and called at the Customs House, where he was informed that the release of the packages could be procured by giving bond to twice their value, and

that the matter could be arranged by a broker. One was called in and stated that his charge would be \$5.00 for his services, making a cost of \$7.50. Mr. Klein balked at this again, and wrote to the Secretary of the Treasury, and in response he received a note stating that the matter would be taken up. In the course of about three weeks he received another communication that called him again to the inspector's office, where he was informed that they had instructions from Washington to release the packages.

Mr. Klein then asked the Inspector to show him a copy of the ruling whereby they had retained the packages in the first place. The Inspector courteously handed him the ruling which stated in substance that any undutiable imports when valued at over one hundred dollars, should be brought through regular entry accompanied by a statement of value sworn to before the United States Consul of the port from which they were shipped.

The next clause read that such shipments from Great Britain, Germany, Sweden and several other countries were exempt from this provision. Mr. Klein called the Inspector's attention to this clause which released the Dresden Circuits, without all the foregoing red tape. The Inspector stated that perhaps there was a later ruling and when asked for it he could not find it.

Thus much of Mr. Klein's valuable time was wasted, and the affairs of the Philadelphia Branch held up for three weeks, when the matter was perfectly plain through the rulings of the Department.

Oh! Fleisher showed his postage stamps

Of India and Soudan.

(The other names I can't pronounce.)

But surely they were grand,

Jim Whiteside viewed these treasures

With a sad and envious look

And then went home and hunted up

And burned his little book.

Every cloud has a silver lining, but every Philatelic Club has not a Whiteside.

EXCHANGES.

Through the courtesy of the publishers the following exchanges were received up to November 30, 1910:

Alfred Smith & Sons' Monthly Circular, No. 429.

Canadian Philatelist, Complete file.

Collectors' Advocate, Complete file.

Empire Philatelist, Vol. 1, Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Everybody's Philatelist, Vol. 1, No. 10.

Ewen's Weekly Stamp News, No. 579.

Hobbyist, Vol. 2, Complete file.

Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, Nos. 1034 to 8.

Monthly Report of the Herts Philatelic Society, Nos. 25, 26.

New York Philatelist, Vol. 1, Nos. 8, 9.

Philatelic Gazette, Complete file.

Philadelphia Stamp News, Complete file.

Philatelic Telegram, Vol. 1, No. 4.

Philatelic Trader, Vol. 12, Whole Nos. 142-3.

Philatelic West, Vol. 49, No. 3.

Redfield's Stamp Weekly, Vol. 7, Complete file.

Roessler's Stamp News, Vol. 2, Nos. 6, 7, 8.

Stamp Collector, Vol. 2, No. 1.

Southern Philatelist, Vol. 2, Nos. 3 and 4.

Transcript, No. 71.

Vest Pocket Philatelist, Vol. 3, No. 4.

Victor Stamp News, No. 9.

The above-named publications will continue to receive the Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin without further request. Publishers of philatelic papers who do not respond, as a matter of course, cannot expect to receive the Bulletin regularly. The responses thus far have been quite representative and we take this opportunity of extending our thanks for the favors.

Many original articles of merit appear in the papers received and it would give us pleasure to review them, but it is manifestly impossible to do so in a monthly of the size of the Bulletin.

No Isabel, a minor variety is not necessarily a stamp under twenty-one years of age.

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 and Saturday afternoon.

For particulars of Advantages of
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THE DECEMBER MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the
 Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held
 Tuesday, December 20th, in the Club
 Room. The meeting will commence
 promptly at 8 o'clock.

From 7 until 8 o'clock the members
 may purchase from the Bourse sheets
 or examine the lots of stamps which
 will be offered at the auction.

At 8 o'clock there will be the usual
 short business session, after which
 one of those distinctive entertain-
 ments which this Club is noted for will
 be provided. A portion of this enter-
 tainment will be the Christmas Tree
 with its philatelic decorations and a
 souvenir of the occasion for each
 member and visitors present.

The impromptu auction, of about 150
 lots of desirable stamps will com-
 mence at 9 o'clock. These lots will be
 on exhibition at the Club Room on the
 two Saturdays preceding the sale from
 1 to 3 P. M., and on the evening of the
 meeting from 7 to 8 P. M. Visitors
 will be welcomed.

OUR NOVEMBER MEETING.

On the evening of November 15th,
 Mr. Edwin A. Fleisher exhibited a por-
 tion of his superb collection of
 stamps. The countries he selected
 were India and the Soudan which he
 has practically complete in unused con-
 dition, every stamp a gem. This does
 not sound much when you mention
 these two groups of stamp issuing
 countries, but when you think what it
 really means, British India, with the
 surcharges for the various native
 states, The Straits Settlements with
 the issues for the various states,
 The Confederated Malay States, Siam,
 Egypt, and the issues for Soudan prop-
 er, and as a finishing touch he in-
 cluded the stamps of Iceland complete.

Such was the display that our dis-
 tinguished fellow member placed be-
 fore us, and surely such a treat is
 seldom offered to the stamp loving
 public.

The impromptu auction was started
 at 9 o'clock, one hundred and fifty
 lots realized \$52.06.

There were thirty-six members and
 two visitors present as follows:

Members: Behrends, Boyd, Beck,
 Deacon, Fleisher, Green, Hahman,
 Hand, Harris, Haseltine, Henkels, Kel-
 ler, Klein, Leonhardt, Leupold, Lie-
 beck, Mann, Marsh, Neufeld, Pepper,
 Pierce, H. S. Rotzell, Samuel, Scypes,
 Smith, Spaeter, Steinmetz, J. W. Tay-
 lor, J. D. Town, Walters, Ward, War-
 ner, Whiteside, Wayne, C. Zindel and
 C. Zindel, Jr.

Visitors: E. R. Jones and C. E.
 Marsh.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15.

**MEMBERSHIP DECEMBER 1ST,
 1910.**

At the meeting of the Board of Gov-
 ernors, held November 25th, 1910, the
 following members were ordered drop-
 ped from the rolls, for non-payment of
 dues:

A. G. Hollis.
 G. N. Storch.
 J. R. Walter.

Summary.

Members November 1st, 1910.....	94
Dropped	3
Total	91

Forrest Hand, Secretary.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

The Librarian takes pleasure in acknowledging a very satisfactory increase during the month. Contributions of miscellaneous papers were received from Messrs. Steinmetz, Henkels, Neufeld and Mann.

Mr. Osborn contributed the New Jersey Philatelist for 1882—12 numbers. Also lot of old catalogues and papers.

Received from Mr. Klein—Lot of Gibbon's Weeklies, Redfield's Weeklies, Mekeel's Weeklies and Briefmarken Journals.

From Mr. Green—Lot of old catalogues, including Scott's, Mekeel's, Gremmel's and Gibbon's.

From Mr. Fleisher—Lot Japanese Counterfeits.

From Wm. S. Lincoln—Lincoln's Postage Stamp Catalogue—15th Ed.

From Mr. Samuel—77 Hamburg private local stamps.

From Mr. Wayne—Lot of Heligoland Reprints.

Five pamphlets relating to the origin of postage stamps were bound into one entitled, "Hill versus Chalmers."

An exchange of duplicate Mekeel's Weeklies as arranged with Mr. C. V. Webb, Librarian of the M. P. A.

Arrangements have been made to secure the current stamp catalogues, viz.: Scott's, Gibbon's, Senf's, Kohl's, Bright's A. B. C., Whitfield, King's and Yvert and Tellier's and these will appear on our reading table in due time.

We expect to print from time to time a list of wants of philatelic papers and will start off with Mekeel's Weekly.

We want the following, Whole Numbers—1 to 77, 79, 83, 89, 91, 93 to 111, 113 to 227, 229 to 232, 234, 247, 249, 272, 289, 297, 304, 310, 317, 435, 469, 497, 512, 514, and 522. Correspondence invited.

Respectfully submitted,
W. R. KELLER,
Librarian.

In presenting the monthly report of the Treasurer, the attention of our members is again called to the fact that the dues for the second half of

the fiscal year became payable on November first. All members in arrears are urged to forward their dues to the Treasurer as soon as possible and in doing so, to inclose their membership cards which serve as receipts for dues.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Philadelphia Stamp Club, Nov. 30, 1910
General Fund.

Receipts:
Dues\$17.00
Auction Commission .. 5.06
Auction Blanks sold.... 2.35
Balance 10-31-10 52.32
Total\$76.73
Disbursements:
Rent\$20.84
Printing Auction Blanks 5.50
Total 26.34
Balance 11-30-10 \$50.39
Reserve Fund.

Receipts:
Entrance Fees \$2.00
Cash Contribution for
Catalogues 5.10
Balance 10-31-10 30.69
Total 37.79
Disbursements:
Current Catalogues \$4.36
Library, Binding and
Postage 1.45
Total 5.81
Balance 11-30-10 \$31.98
Insurance Fund.

Receipts:
None.
Balance 10-31-10 \$5.00
Total 5.00

Disbursements:
None.
Balance 11-30-10 \$5.00

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. NEUFELD,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF SALES MANAGER.

Dec. 1, 1910.

During the month of Nov. there has been entered five new books valued at \$9.75. 15 books have been retired, from which 493 stamps have been sold, valued at \$13.04. Would request that those who receive circuits forward same promptly to the one next on the list.

Respy. submitted,
H. S. ROTZELL,
Sales Manager.

A SEIZURE AND WHAT CAME OF IT.

Our readers will be pleased to learn of the successful termination of the suit of our Vice-President, Captain John W. Haseltine, against the United States Government for recovery of Coins, "Pattern Pieces," seized in his hands.

Some extracts from the account published in *The Philadelphia Press*, Sunday edition, September 4th, 1910, will make the matter plainer:

"Early in this year, in the course of business Captain John W. Haseltine, Philadelphia's oldest coin dealer, and admittedly at the head of things numismatic in the United States, consigned to J. H. Manning, of Albany, N. Y., a lot of "pattern" coins twenty-four in number. These were pieces which were of moderate value and all bore dates previous to 1887. One month later the consignment was returned by express and the instant it was received and receipted for it was seized by agents of the Government, who had followed the expressman for the purpose, it being claimed that there was no authority for the sales of such pieces."

Mr. Haseltine required a receipt from the Government agents, and through his attorneys immediately claimed the return of the coins. In the brief in reply to the Government he cited many instances in which pattern coins had been sold to the public through the United States Mint, and he further produced various circulars and publications put out by the Mint authorities in which pattern pieces were offered for sale, instances were also cited of auction sales containing pattern pieces which were stopped through seizure and which the Government had been compelled to release through the fact that it had no claim upon the goods. The fact was also brought out that in a number of instances sets of pattern coins had been ordered from the Mint by the Secretary of the Treasury for the purpose of presentation.

The trouble was brought about through Dr. A. Platt Andrews, who became Director of the Mint about a year ago, and apparently not being

conversant with the matters pertaining to the personal possession of such coins, instituted suit for their recovery. Dr. Andrews has since been promoted to an Assistant Secretaryship in the Treasury Department, and his successor seeing that the Government had no claim to the coins ordered their return to Captain Haseltine, and a discontinuance of the suit. Thus the title to pattern pieces in the collections of every numismatist in the United States has been assured by the determined efforts of this veteran who not satisfied with having fought the battles for the preservation of his country, has so valiantly protected the right of his fellow numismatists.

So doth our venerable V. P.

Delight U. S. to fight,

And gather stamps the live-long day

And stick them in at night.

THE LINCOLN CATALOGUE

The Club has received as a compliment from the publisher a copy of Lincoln's Postage Stamp Catalogue—1911 Edition. This catalogue deserves to be better known on this side of the pond. It is attractively bound in red cloth with black lettering and is illustrated with over 4800 cuts of stamps. It is printed four columns to the page. Straight varieties only are catalogued, but following many of the issues are copious notes, which, together with historical notes relating to the countries themselves, give the catalogue an educational value not to be despised.

The arrangement of the countries is strictly alphabetical, thus rendering an index unnecessary. Another distinguishing feature is a set of sixteen maps covering every stamp issuing country in the world and showing some of the larger countries in considerable detail. The names of worthies whose portraits appear on stamps are supplied. A long list of Coats-of-Arms, Crests and Monograms is given, as well as of philatelic accessories and stamps in sets.

The wide-awake collector can not do better than to arm himself with a copy of this catalogue. It is supplied post free for 3 sh. 6 pence, by the publisher, Wm. S. Lincoln, 2 Holles St., Oxford St., London, England, and we bespeak courteous treatment by this old-established dealer.

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We take pleasure in announcing that a new stamp company is about to be launched in this city. The new venture will be known as "The Stamp Collectors Co."

At a Friday evening meeting—Treasurer, "Members in arrears may now pay their dues."

A Member—"Yes, give the devil his due."

A chap wrote me a letter
Which I've never understood,
For all that I could make of it
Was "sendadthinkdogood."

MR. FREDERICK HAHMAN.
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showing of United States, early German and other European issues are also very creditable.

Mr. Hahman is the President of Philadelphia Branch No. 18 A. P. S., having been elected in October of this year for the third consecutive term. He was president of the Branch at the time of the very successful Convention held at Atlantic City in 1909. He also served for three years as Secretary of the Branch, and at the present time is one of the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Stamp Club and for years has been one of the foremost spirits in everything philatelic in this city.

For many years he has been interested in the wholesale florist business, and at the present time owns one of the most important nurseries in this vicinity. He also enjoys the distinction of being an ex-President of the Florist Club of Philadelphia.

For the past twenty-nine years he has served as Secretary of the Bee Keepers' Association of Philadelphia, a society to encourage the cultivation of the honey-bee, and he laughingly remarked that this is not the only pursuit in which he has been "stung," but surely he has been able to "hive" some very good things in the philatelic way.

PHILATELIC LITERATURE.

The Club has just received from the publisher, Mr. E. B. Jones, of Sioux City, Iowa, a copy of Jones' Check List of Philatelic Literature. It is in two parts. The first part dealing with United States publications from 1864 to 1895, and the second part with British Colonial publications from 1864 to 1901.

To any one attempting to build up a philatelic library these lists are invaluable, since they clear up at one stroke, so to say, a maze of difficulty and uncertainty. In fact, they contain information that could to-day be obtained from very few sources indeed.

Our librarian considers them one of the greatest aids to efficiency at present in his possession.

Mr. Jones also has 600 duplicate volumes to trade. Our Club had better keep its weather eye open.

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French Congo-Gabon, 1910, Warrior, 1c to 10c (now obsolete)	\$.12	\$.10
Guatemala, 1886, surcharged, 50, 75 and 150c42	.10
Guatemala, 1902, Officials, 1, 2, 5 and 10c60	.15
Persia, 1902, 1 chahi to 5 krans, No. 242 to 250, used32	.15
Persia, 1908, 1 chahi to 1 kran, used39	.15
Yunnan Fou, 1908, 1c to 10c43	.10

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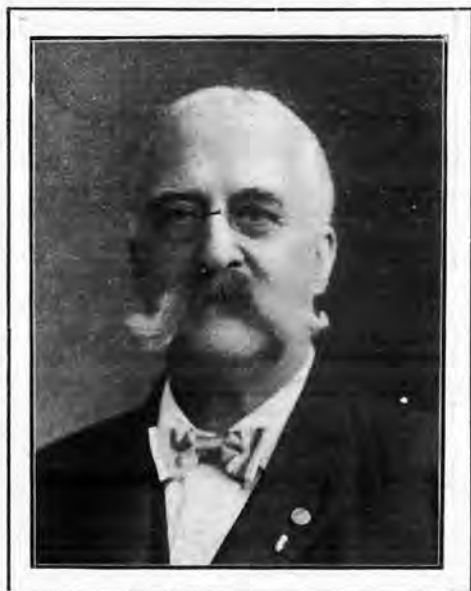
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PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

CAPT. JOHN W. Haseltine.



THE subject of our sketch this month is Capt. John W. Haseltine, Philadelphia's oldest stamp dealer, and the second oldest dealer in the United States.

Capt. Haseltine was born in Phila-

delphia Sept. 6th, 1838. He commenced collecting stamps and coins in 1867, and launched out as a dealer in 1868. Many are the discoveries in his chosen profession that are to be placed to his credit, among which may be mentioned the New Jersey, Washington Cent, the 500 and 1000 mil "Nova Constelatio" pieces, known to numismatists as the "mark" and "quint". The 1000 mil piece is unique, and but two of the 500 mil are known. His latest discovery was the two varieties of the \$50 gold pieces, known as "Unions". They are pattern pieces and were never issued. These two are all that are known to exist, and now rest in the cabinet of the Philadelphia Mint.

In 1895 he retired temporarily from the curio business to take charge of his brother's Art Gallery in New York City, but in 1897 he returned to his old line of business, since which time he has been one of Philadelphia's foremost dealers, and an ardent advocate of everything philatelic and numismatic.

Capt. Haseltine has also done somewhat in the publication line, having issued in 1888 "A Catalogue of the Postage Stamps of all Nations" in conjunction with the late L. W. Durbin,

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We wish to thank our many friends for the hearty support that we are receiving, both by kind expressions in the many letters that have reached us, and the substantial aid in the way of advertisements and subscriptions. It is indeed gratifying to the board of editors that their efforts are appreciated so well. We will not attempt a lengthy editorial but will content ourselves by extending the timeworn but ever welcome wish of A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

The Philadelphia Stamp Club feels deep appreciation of the courtesy of the Scott Stamp and Coin Co. in presenting to their library eight bound volumes of standard philatelic literature. Such voluntary acts of kindness tend to confirm the good feelings which our members entertain for this the leading firm in the American field of philately.

Our announcement of last month in regard to the new Stamp Co. about starting in this City whilst correct in the main was at error as to the title of the Company; the title is "Eugene Klein, Incorporated", as can be seen by their announcement in this paper. Mr. Klein does not need an introduction to the philatelic world as there are few better known votaries of our hobby than he. We wish the new firm every success. "May they live long and prosper."

OUR CHRISTMAS TREE

We had a bully Christmas Tree
The finest ever seen;
Jim Whiteside was the Santa Claus,
Of course the tree was green.
A souvenir for everyone
Tied with a ribbon bright,
Were dangling from it branches
Upon last meeting night.
There was charming Eddy Green
With sundry smiles upon his bean,
And happy Uncle Forry Hand
Just returned from Wonderland.
Ducky Neufeld, he was there
With his hair combed teddy bear,
Just imagine if you can
A finer sight than Percy Mann.
There came Rotzell in the door
With little Rotzells by the score.
Bookworm Keller beamed with joy,
He surely is the cunning boy.
Billy Pierce was swelled with pride
With his gripsack by his side,
Hahman cut the proper caper,
Had his picture in the paper.

ENVOI

The others I would like to name
But cannot do the job,
Because the Board of editors
Might light upon my knob,
And throw the copy in my face
And say you're taking too much
space.

P. S.

Say, the Bostons had a Christmas Tree.
They tried to do the same
As Philadelphia did last year
That surely was their game.
They set it in a bean pot
And dressed it up with pork.
You could not see a finer sight
In forty minutes walk.

THE WONDERLAND OF STAMPS

We beg to call attention to the advertisement of the Fred'k A. Stokes Co. in this edition of the Bulletin. This interesting work from the pen of Mr. W. Dwight Burroughs, that eminent philatelic journalist, puts before the young lover of stamps the many interesting points of his hobby, clothed in such a way with interesting incident that the information is absorbed unconsciously. The book is fully and properly illustrated and would be well worth reading by our older philatelists as well as our young friends. The Editors of the "Bulletin" will be pleased to receive orders for this publication.

CAPT. JOHN W. HASELTINE.

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and at a later date an illustrated type table of United States dollars, half dollars and quarter dollars. In 1859-61 he was engaged in business in New Orleans, but started north when Fort Sumpter was fired upon. After much trouble he succeeded in reaching Philadelphia, where he raised a company of cavalry and was mustered in as First Lieutenant, August 21, 1861. His company was assigned to the 2nd Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry. He served with the army of the Potomac, and was promoted to a Captaincy Oct. 1st, 1863.

Having fought in twenty-five battles of the Civil War he was wounded at Deep Bottom, August 1864, after having three horses killed under him.

He comes of good old Scotch stock, descended from Jock of Hazel Dean. The fighting proclivities of his ancestors are not only manifest through his war record, but through the fact that he was a member of the "Washington Grays of Philadelphia" for five years before the war. He also fought a duel in New Orleans as a young man, in which instance he "winged" his man through the ear, and the latest instance of his martial spirit is his signal success in his suit against the U. S. Government as set forth in the "Bulletin" last month. Capt. Haseltine is actively interested in the affairs of "The Grand Army of the Republic", and has been Chaplain for years of Gen'l Devon Cavalry Post No. 363. It was through his efforts that Confederate graves were first decorated in the North at the National Cemetery at Pittville, near Germantown, Phila., where several hundred Confederate dead are buried.

Capt. Haseltine joined the Masonic Order in 1872 and has served as Past Master of Concordia Lodge No. 67, Past High Priest of Temple Chapter 248, Past Commander of St. Albans Commandry and for several years he served as Chief Rabbon of Lu Lu Temple.

Oh, the Rabbon of the Lu-Lu
Tied his sash around his loins
And he said they'll meet their finish
If they 'Stamp' upon my "Coins".

The following lines, although written several years ago, are still worth reading over, as they have direct bearing upon our last "Portrait Gallery" series of stamps.

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A PURPLE print of JACKSON can be for three cents had.

EIGHT cents for MARTHA WASHINGTON in dark LILAC she's clad.

TEN cents for DANIEL WEBSTER in a light BROWN suit you see;

And a light BLUE boy on bicycle is a TEN cent print "S.D."*

The THIRTEEN cents buys HARRISON in a dark SLATE dress today;

FOR FIFTEEN cents, in OLIVE GREEN you purchase HENRY CLAY.

In ORANGE is printed JEFFERSON, and the price is FIFTY cents.

When FARRAGUT in BLACK is sold, one dollar's the expense.

Two dollars buys JAMES MADISON in STEEL BLUE dress arrayed;

For a dark GREEN bust of MARSHALL FIVE dollars must be paid.

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Are used by banks for packages, the rate Two cents per ounce.

The print that costs FIVE dollars, mostly used in foreign trade,

FIVE cents for half an ounce, the rate the Postal Union made.

SO Uncle Sam's monopoly in profit must be prime

As he can print a thousand at the cost of half a dime.

*Special Delivery.

Carlton Hughes.

From "Madden's Magazine," March, 1906.

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For particulars of Advantages of Membership, Dues, etc., address the Editor of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

OUR DECEMBER MEETING.

On the evening of December 20th, the Christmas meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club took place in the Club Room. After a short business session the meeting was turned over to the Entertainment Committee. There was a distribution of souvenirs from the beautifully dressed Christmas tree. Mr. James Whiteside, Chairman of the Committee, then treated the members to a screaming success in the form of a personally conducted stamp bazaar, which lasted just twelve minutes.

The impromptu auction realized \$45.33 for 160 lots.

There were thirty-nine members and eight visitors present as follows:

Members: Beck, Behrends, Clement, Dunham, Earley, Green, Hahman, Hand, M. H. Harris, Henkels, Ingraham, Keller, Klein, Leidy, Leonhardt, Leupold, Liebeck, Mann, Marsh, Neufeld, Pennock, Pepper, Pierce, Reeves, H. S. Rotzell, Cecil W. Rotzell, Percy Rotzell, Scypes, Spaeter, J. W. Taylor, Jos. D. Town, T. J. Town, Turner, Walters, Ward, Warner, Whiteside,

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Visitors, John C. Allen, A. E. Carpenter, Jackson J. Close, Wm. Duffy, Chas. E. Marsh, Dr. Alf. P. Lee, H. de la R. Wiegand, Earl E. Witmer.

The meeting adjourned at 11.15.

THE JANUARY MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held Tuesday, January 17th, in the Club Room. The meeting will commence promptly at 8 o'clock.

From 7 until 8 o'clock the members may purchase from the Bourse sheets or examine the lots of stamps which will be offered at the auction.

At 8 o'clock there will be the usual short business session. Captain John W. Haseltine will then favor us with a short talk, after which the Entertainment Committee will provide an entertainment until 9 o'clock.

The impromptu auction of about 150 lots of desirable stamps will commence at 9 o'clock. These lots will be on exhibition at the club room on the two Saturdays preceeding the meeting from 1 to 3 P. M., and on the evening of the meeting from 7.30 to 8 P. M. Visitors will be welcome.

Membership January 2nd, 1911

Admissions.—Four members were admitted January 2nd as follows:

No. 115, Leon V. Cass, 12 Seminary Ave., Binghamton, N. Y. Proposed by Edgar L. Green.

No. 116, Chas. Steigerwald, 130 E. King St., Lancaster, Pa. Proposed by A. F. Henkels.

No. 117, W. G. Ramsay, Wilmington, Del. Proposed by C. E. Osborn.

No. 118, John C. Allen, Beverly, N. J. Proposed by Wm. S. F. Pierce.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY:

Members, December 1st, 1910 . . . 91

New Members 4

Total 95

FORREST P. HAND.

Secretary.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

The following shows the operations of the month of December 1910.

Contributions.—By Mr. Green, Gibbons 1908 Catalogue, Part. I. Miscellaneous catalogues, papers and counterfeit stamps.—By Wm. S. Lincoln, "Stamp Collecting Notes".—By Rush C. Smith,

Scott's 1911 catalogue.—By Dr. Alf P. Lee: Lot of old catalogues and "Scott's Circular" complete.—By Mr. Steinmetz: Miscellaneous papers.—By Scott Stamp and Coin Co.: A. J. of P., vols. 10, 16, 17 and 18, "What Philately Teaches", (Luff) "Notes on U S. and Confederate States", (Toppan), Stamps of Panama", (Luff), "Nesbitt Die Varieties". (Bertholdt).

With these contributions we have a complete file bound of the A. J. of P. Purchases. Catalogues. — Whitfield King, Senf. Gibbon, parts 1 and II. Yvert & Tellier, Kohl, and Brights A. B. C.

Exchanges.—With C. V. Webb, Lib. M. P. A. "A. B. C. of Postage Stamps", 50 miscellaneous papers. Other exchanges pending.

Who can supply the following numbers of the weekly Philatelic Era? 1 to 249, 258 to 263, 266 to 280, 282-3-5, 287 to 295. 299 309, 310. 312, 313. 330, 457 and 468. Other papers to exchange. Correspondence solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
W. R. KELLER,
Librarian.

REPORT OF BOURSE MANAGER

Dec 31st, 1910.

The members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club should take advantage of the Stamp Bourse. The sheets can be seen at the Club Room on Friday evenings and Saturday afternoons as well as upon the evenings of the regular meetings. The stamps entered are the property of the members, and there are many desirable stamps priced very reasonably.

Number of sheets entered 166, valued at \$209 42.

Sales from same,	\$23.25
Sales of sheets	2.60
Insurance	.22
Commission	.10

Total, \$26.17

WM. S. F. PIERCE,
Bourse Manager.

REPORT OF SALES MANAGER

Dec. 31, 1910.

During the month of Dec. eleven books have been retired, from which 365 stamps have been sold, valued at \$9.87. One new book has been entered.

H. S. Rotzell, Sales Mgr.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PHILA. STAMP CLUB
DEC. 31, 1910.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts:—Dues	15.50
Auctions	4.41
Auction blanks	1.70
Donated Stamps	1.50
Souvenirs	5.51
Keys50
Balance, 11-30-10	50.39
Total	79.51
Disbursements:—Rent	20.84
Balance, 12-31-10	58.67

RESERVE FUND

Receipts:—None	
Balance, 11-30-10	31.98
Disbursements:—None	0.00
Balance, 12-31-10	31.98

INSURANCE FUND

Receipts:—None	
Balance, 11-30-10	5.00
Disbursements:—None	0.00
Balance . . . 12-31-10	5.00

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. Neufeld,
Treasurer.

EXCHANGES

Acknowledgment is made of the following exchanges received.
The Stamp Dealer
Vest Pocket Philatelist
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Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News
Redfield's Stamp Weekly
Ewen's Weekly Stamp News
Philadelphia Stamp News
Stamp Journal
Philatelic Gazette
Transcript, No. 71, 73
Southern Philatelist
A. Smith and Sons Monthly Circular
Philatelic Telegram
Hobbyist
Everybody's Philatelist, Complete file
Monthly Report of the Herts Philatelic Society
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Philatelic Exchange and Mart

CURRENT EVENTS.

By Percy McG. Mann.

It was a sad event for King Manuel, of Portugal, to lose his throne, but such changes in government are carefully noted by the open-eyed stamp collector, and stamp dealers are besieged for the stamps with Manuel's picture on. Portugal and Colonies stamps are in big demand at present, and they are only occasionally met with on approval sheets. The sad occurrence of the assassination of King Carlos and the Crown Prince Louise Philippe, which brought Manuel to the throne of Portugal, occasioned a demand for Portuguese stamps and now the stamps of Manuel are having a boom. The Republica del Portugal has overprinted the Manuel stamps with the word "Republica." This will prevent any remainders of Manuel stamps coming on the market.

The death of King Chulalongkorn, of Siam, brings this country's stamps to the fore. Siam's stamps have been in large demand since the pretty stamps of the past few years have been in use, and only recently a very handsome set was issued. And now comes the death of the king. This means a large demand by collectors for the Siamese stamps.

We are reminded that the new King George, of England, stamps will come upon us soon by many items in the daily press. The stamps of King Edward VII will never be scarce, except perhaps a few of the very latest printings and some of the high values.

A neglected field for stamp collectors are the stamp emissions of Belgium. Recently King Leopold died and left issues of stamps which cover many years behind him. After the 1st of the year King Leopold stamps will be things of the past. King Alfred came to the throne and his picture will grace the stamps of Belgium.

Hayti is at it again. A gun boat with many generals (?) aboard was recently blown up out of the water. This certainly must mean that a new set of stamps will slyly come forth from the island republic.

With revolutions in Honduras, Uruguay and perhaps Spain, what changes of the stamp issues of these countries may we not expect to see very soon.

Forrest P. Hand is alive!!

All bargains he surely will hive,

If you'd only drop in

On the resident djin

At the sign of the quadruple five.

PRICED CATALOGUES.

This article is addressed to auction dealers for the purpose of inducing them to send to the club priced auction catalogues on the following terms, to wit: We will review sales in the Bulletin thus giving what will virtually constitute a free "ad." and at the same time be of interest to our readers.

If the responses are sufficiently general, it is our intention to keep a complete list of stamps selling over, say, \$25 and to publish the same at the end of the season in the May or June numbers of the Bulletin.

It seems that such a list should be very interesting, and with proper support it can be made a feature of this paper.

We are not trying to get something for nothing, since the space devoted to a review will be worth more than the price of a priced catalogue.

Let auction dealers send us their priced catalogues and the ball will be started rolling in our next issue.

ODD COLLECTIONS.

Many are the odd collections that can be found not only amongst the specialists in stamps with the many "side lines" of both postal and revenue philately, but in almost all small things that are attractive, as well as unattractive to the average person. Stamps undoubtedly have the greatest number of votaries, and then comes coins, medals that commemorate historical events, books, china and numerous other articles such as old keys, door-knobs, knockers, etc.

Of course of stamps we all know the possibilities, of coins we are also fairly well acquainted, and of books we can well imagine the possibilities, as the results of some of the auctions recently held will show to what extent this hobby has been carried when we see pamphlets from the press of Benj. Franklin bring hundreds of dollars each, and then again there are book collectors who collect only first edi-

tions of prominent writings in the most elaborate bindings, and into the question of bindings enters the work of binders who through their adroitness have rendered themselves prominent in their craft.

The most interesting book collection that I have seen was an accumulation of old Missels, the handwork of Monks and Friars of the early ages, all hand illuminated and of the most curious work as to massive carved bindings.

China collectors are on the increase in this country of late years, and this hobby is subdivided according to the fancy of the collector. A Reverend gentleman, of Bethlehem, Pa., has a collection of over eight hundred pitchers of various makes and designs that have been mostly presented to him by his friends, although many of them he has personally collected during his travels, and one of the members of The Philadelphia Stamp Club has a collection of about 250 choice specimens of china pitchers. There is a New York lady who has over one thousand scarce china plates and platters. A few dollars would seem enough for a plate to be worth to the most of us, but I know of an instance in which an eighteen inch platter brought one hundred and fifty dollars. These plates seventy-five years ago were made to sell at 2 shillings and 6 pence each, what makes them scarce and valuable was not the fact of their being old, but on account of the historical pictures which they bore by way of decoration. They were produced in Staffordshire, England, for sale in the United States.

Another hobby is the collection of antique watches. A very fine collection of which can be found in the Museum in Memorial Hall, in Fairmount Park. In this same Museum among the very many interesting collections you will notice a case that contains a collection of glass, whiskey bottles, used during the various political campaigns in this country. They have some of the quaintest designs cast on their surfaces. Who would think that old glass bottles that had been consigned to the ash heap after they had served their term of usefulness, would become objects to be cherished by the collector, but such is a fact as can be

seen by those who will visit the Museum.

There are persons who will collect certain objects bearing upon a subject in which they are interested, either through business or sentiment. One of these sentimental collections were shown me some time ago, it consisted of about one hundred bone tooth picks, made by the inmates of the Eastern Penitentiary. A gentleman, who was interested in prison work, had permission to supply certain inmates with material upon which to wile away their time. He purchased broken tooth brush handles and other bone waste, and these poor fellows with excessive labor and patience carved very creditable folding tooth picks which this gentleman purchased from them.

Another collection associated with business interest is that of an Insurance broker of this city, who has made a collection of the various iron and brass plates used in old times to designate in which company a building was insured. You can see them occasionally on the fronts of old houses.

Thus could be recorded numerous instances of odd ideas of collecting, showing that the vast majority of the human family have a bent this way from the wealthiest to the poorest. That man is to be pitied who has no hobby.

In the fore part of December 1910 Dr. Jesse Cope Green of West Chester, Pa., celebrated his ninety-third birthday. He enjoys the distinction of being the oldest active stamp collector in the United States and perhaps the world.

The Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin intends to give liberal free notices to any and all reputable stamp interests. Several such will be found in the present number. Should any one ask us why we wish to advertise anybody else's business, we reply that the Bulletin is published in the interests of the Philadelphia Stamp Club and of philately in general. It is not published for profit, but for the good of the cause. Therefore, by liberal treatment, we believe we shall be gainers in the end, not in a financial sense, but in the advancement of the science of philately.

EVERYBODY'S PHILATELIST

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The editor has lately struck a popular chord by his article on "Philately for Shut-ins" which has been widely and favorably commented upon. As this article is to be printed in the medical

journals, where it will reach the non-philatelic eye, a vast amount of good may be expected to result in philately in general. An able staff of associate editors adds its guarantee to the stability of the paper, and insures articles of more than momentary interest for the coming year.

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PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

PROF. J. L. NEUFELD



Prof. Neufeld was born in Vienna, Austria, April 26th, 1872. He came to this city in 1882 and after passing through the Public Schools, graduated from the Central High School in 1891. He then entered Lehigh University and graduated from that institution with degree of E. E. in the class of 1894. He is one of the Faculty of the Central High School of Philadelphia, where he has taught in his special lines since the year of his graduation.

He has collected stamps since he was a boy of ten years of age, and through his boyhood and manhood has not allowed his love for our hobby to abate, with the result that he has a large general collection especially rich in old issues, formed along the German lines of collecting, which includes adhesives, envelopes, wrappers, and cards. His preference is for cancelled stamps when procurable.

Prof. Neufeld was elected Treasurer of the Philadelphia Stamp Club in April 1910, in which capacity he has faithfully served, and under his guardianship our treasury has always shown a very substantial balance over and above our needs; he is an ardent advocate of everything philatelic and is one of the charter members of our Club.

This month we are pleased to present to our readers the likeness of our popular fellow member Prof. J. L. Neufeld.

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The Philadelphia Stamp Club wishes to extend its thanks to Bright & Sons of England for the gift of vol. II. complete of the Philatelic Advertiser. The publication is now obsolete. It was edited by E. W. Wetherill A. R. C. S., F. G. S., and makes a valuable addition to our library. Our English cousins have been more than kind in their efforts to help along the good cause in Philadelphia.

The "unpicked missionaries"
Do not stand for in the least,
The eats that are left over
From a cannibalistic feast.

We note that the British South African Co. have issued a series of stamps bearing the likeness of the King and Queen of England, very like in design to the ½c of the Quebec issue. How would it do for the English Colonies to issue a set of stamps bearing the Queen's head for the use of ladies, and another set with the King's head for the use of gentlemen. They would double the sales to collectors in this way.

Oh Greenie had a fire,
And have you heard the news
It burnt the Soda Fountains
But never touched the booze.

Mr. Steinmetz suggests that a scrap-book be maintained for the purpose of preserving clippings on philatelic matters which may appear in the non-philatelic press.

The Librarian rises to say that he thinks it is a good idea and expects to provide a book for the purpose and requests members to send in any clippings they may come across.

Did you ever see anyone to beat our Librarian? When he has no money available to buy books he swaps for them, when he has nothing to swap he has them presented, and when he can't get them presented he—But never mind about that, he is "O. K." and a book-worm to be proud of.

Had Adam put a single cent
At interest and compound,
One million dollars now would be
Our portion all around.

POSTAL SAVINGS DEPOSITORIES

Mr. Joseph A. Steinmetz has presented for review a very interesting Government pamphlet entitled "Public" —No. 268, S. 5876. An Act, To establish postal savings depositories for depositing savings at interest with the security of the Government for repayment thereof and for other purposes." The pamphlet goes on to outline the scheme in legal terms. We take a few extracts from the matter that we think will give a fairly good idea of the intents and purposes.

The affairs of Postal Savings depositories are under the control of a board of trustees consisting of the Postmaster General, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Attorney General, severally acting ex officio. They are required to submit a full report to each regular session of Congress; said report to include a statement of the amount of extra-expense to the Post-Office Department for the transportation of free mail matter in the transaction of the necessary business.

The Postmaster-General is directed to prepare special official stamps of the necessary denominations to be used in the transmittal of free mail in the administration of the affairs of the Postal Savings Bank.

The 2c stamp has been shown to us by Mr. Steinmetz. It is embossed on the envelope and is of the same size and color as the current 2c envelope

stamp. In the center instead of the embossed head of Washington are the words "Official Matter". Above in a curved line within the oval are the words "U. S. Postal Savings" and below "Two 2 Cents". The watermark in the paper is the same as the current postal envelopes. The envelope before us is cancelled from "Washington, D. C., Jan. 4, 5.30 P. M." and no doubt will form a part of a page on the subject in Mr. Steinmetz's most interesting collection. A 2c adhesive stamp has also been prepared, printed in black, it has "Official Mail", in the centre "U. S. Postal Savings" at the top, and "2 Two Cents 2" at the bottom. It has the regulation 12 perforation. We also understand from Mr. Steinmetz that the current 50c and \$1.00 and the remainders of the \$2.00 and \$5.00 of the obsolete issue of 1902 postage stamps are to be surcharged in four lines "Postal Savings Official Mail". These high values will be used in the transmission of large packages of necessary supplies to the various Postal Savings Depositories.

Upon making a deposit at a Postal Savings depository the Postmaster will issue free of cost a pass book, but the Postmaster General has the right under the act to devise other means than this for giving the necessary receipt for deposits.

One dollar is the smallest amount upon which an account can be opened and it is not allowable for a person to have over one account. By this we mean that a person cannot open an account in one City, and then open another account in another City. No person is allowed to deposit more than one hundred dollar in one calendar month, or to have over five hundred dollars, exclusive of interest, on deposit at any time. There is provision so that a smaller amounts than one dollar can be accumulated for deposit. A card can be purchased for ten cents from any depository office, and to this card can be attached specially prepared Postal Savings stamps of the denomination of 10 cents each. When the stamps so attached amount to one dollar, or a larger sum in multiples thereof, including the ten cents Postal Savings card, the same may be presented as a deposit for the opening of an account. Additions may be made to any account by means of such card and stamps in amounts of one dollar or multiples thereof, and

when a card and stamps thereto attached are accepted as a deposit, the Postmaster shall immediately cancel the same.

These Postal Savings cards, and special stamps will be on sale at every Postal Savings depository. Interest at the rate of two per centum per annum will be allowed on all deposits and it is permissible to withdraw the whole or any part of an account upon demand.

The funds deposited with a Postal savings depository are to be redeposited in a State or National Bank of the State or Territory in which the Postal Savings depository is located, the rate of interest to be required is not less than two and one quarter per centum per annum.

It is also provided that a depositor can withdraw his deposit or any part of it, "in sums of twenty dollars, forty dollars, sixty dollars, eighty dollars, one hundred dollars and multiples of one hundred dollars, and five hundred dollars", and receive instead coupon or registered bonds of the denominations of twenty, forty, sixty, eighty, one hundred and five hundred dollars, bearing interest at the rate of two and one half per centum per annum, said "bonds to be redeemable at the pleasure of the United States, after one year from the date of their issue, and payable twenty years from such date. All profit derived from the scheme is to be put to the credit of the Post Office Department.

All the provisions of law for the punishment of the crime of counterfeiting Government securities, forms and stamps, are made applicable to the forms and stamps used by the Postal Savings depositories.

It seems that the intention of the Government is not to encourage the establishment of Postal Savings Banks in the large cities, but rather to use them for the purpose of providing savings mediums in the smaller communities where there are no Savings Fund Societies. Many Farmers have been in the habit of accumulating cash in their homes, not wishing to make a deposit in the National Banks in their neighboring towns until they had one hundred or more dollars in hand, thus running the risk of loss of life or money, or both, through theft. They can now make deposits of small amounts in Postal Savings Banks and feel that they have the United States Government as security.

Philadelphia Stamp Club

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Formal—Third Tuesday evening in each month.

Informal—Every Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.

For particulars of Advantages of Membership, Dues, etc., address the Editor of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

OUR JANUARY MEETING

On the evening of January 17th the regular Meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club took place in the Club Room. The absence through sickness, of the President and the Vice President, made necessary the election of a chairman of the meeting, which distinction was conferred on Mr. W. R. Keller by unanimous vote. After a short business session the meeting was turned over to the Entertainment Committee. Mr. Haseltine who was to address the meeting having been detained at home thro' sickness; Mr. Henkels made some remarks upon the intents and purposes of the Postal Savings scheme. Mr. Mann exhibited one of the Official stamped envelopes and gave a description of the official adhesive stamp that will be used. The impromptu auction realized \$38.52 for 153 lots. There were twenty-six members and one visitor present.

The meeting was adjourned at 11 P. M.

THE FEBRUARY MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held Tuesday, February 21st, in the Club Room. The meeting will be called to order promptly at 8 o'clock.

From 7 until 8 o'clock the members may purchase from the Bourse sheets or examine the lots of stamps that will be offered in the auction.

At 8 o'clock there will be the usual short business session, after which the meeting will be turned over to the Entertainment Committee.

The impromptu Auction of about 150 lots of desirable stamp will commence at 9 o'clock. These lots will be on exhibition at the Club Room on two Saturdays preceding the meeting from 1 to 3 P. M., and on the evening of the meeting from 7.30 to 8 P. M. Visitors will be welcome.

Membership Feb. 1st, 1911.

Admissions.—One member was admitted and one re-instated Feb. 1st as follows:

Admitted (Active) No. 119 - Chas. E. Marsh, 3754 Powelton Ave., Philadelphia. Proposed by W. C. Marsh.

Re-instated (Active) No. 84, John R. Wolter, 551 N. 52d St., Philadelphia.

Membership Summary

Members, January 2nd, 1911	95
New member	1
Re-instated	1

Total 97

Forrest P. Hand,
Secretary.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

for January 1911.

Contributions:—

Miscellaneous philatelic papers from Messrs. Leidy, Green, Steinmetz, Henkels, Lyons and Walters. From Messrs. Bright and Son a complete file of Vol. 2 of the Philatelic Adviser.

Exchanges:—

With Mr. Liebeck, 110 Nos. Ewen's Weekly Stamp News.

With L. G. Dorpat, 155 miscellaneous papers.

The above received in return for some of our duplicates.

Purchases:—

107 Weekly Philatelic Eras, The Wonderland of Stamps; Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal, 1904-1905, in

half-morocco; Vol. 3 to 17 of Gibbon's Monthly Journal.

Thus we have an increase of 18 bound volumes for the month.

Watch us grow! We want your help. Many have already helped. They will help again. For those who have not as yet helped we may suggest that it is not too late.

Wants:—

We want the following this month: Philatelic Chronicle, Vol. 1, Nos. 1, 3, 4; Vol. III, No. 5; Vol V, any subsequent to No. 2.

Offers:—

We offer the following Nos. of Gibbon's Monthly Journal: 108, 126 to 144, 169 to 178, 195 to 200.

10c apiece will bring them post-paid, or will trade. Submit offers Respectfully submitted,

W. R. Keller, Librarian.

REPORT OF SALES MANAGER

During January four books were retired from the circuits from which were sold stamps valued at \$5.97. At the last meeting of the board of Governors it was decided that a minimum commission of 25c per book on all books entered in the future be charged, also that the fine of 1c per day for books kept over the 3 days allowance, be rigidly enforced.

H. S. Rotzell,
Sales Mgr.

Report of Treasurer, Philadelphia Stamp Club.

GENERAL FUND

Receipts:—	Dues	\$16.60	
	Auctions	4.15	
	Sales Dep't	1.82	
	Keys75	
	Balance 12-31-10	58.67	
	Total		\$81.99
Disbursements:—	Rent	20.84	
	Postage	2.00	
	Sales Dep't Expenses	4.68	
	Total		27.52
	Balance 1-31-11	54.47	

RESERVE FUND

Receipts:—	Entrance Fees	4.00	
	Duplicate Pap's25	
	Balance 12-31-10	31.90	
	Total		36.23

Disbursements:— Books,
Catalogs, &c. 8.28

Balance 1-31-11 27.95

INSURANCE FUND

Receipts: Sales Dept. Ins. 1.36
Balance 12-31-11 5.00

Total 6.36

Disbursements:—None 0.00

Balance 1-31-11 6.36

Respectfully submitted

J. L. Neufeld,
Treas.

A CHANGE OF RULES

At the meeting of the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Stamp Club held on the evening of January 12th, the following change was made in the rules to govern the Sales Department at the request of the Sales Manager. Section 9, on page 19 of the year book now stands:—

“The commission changed for selling stamps through the Circuits shall be ten per cent of the marked net prices of the stamps sold, five per cent to be turned into the club treasury, and five per cent to be retained by the sales manager for his personal remuneration, the minimum charge to be twenty-five cents per book.”

The intent of this change was to endeavor to put the Sales Department upon a paying basis, and to encourage members to offer a better class of stamps through the Circuits. There has been considerable complaint of the poor condition of the stamps, hence the Board of Governors have taken this action to bring up the standard of the Circuits.

The Sales Manager has been instructed to strictly enforce the matter of fines as set forth in section 7, as many of the circuits have been held greatly over the three days allowed.

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EXCHANGES

The following exchanges have been received and we hereby tender our thanks to the publishers for their courtesy.

American Collector. Alfred Smith & Sons Monthly Circular. Canadian Philatelist. Charlicks Monthly Circular. Drummer. Ewen's Weekly Stamp News. Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News. Monthly Report, Herts Philatelic Society. Philatelic Gazette. Philadelphia Stamp News. Philatelic Trader. Redfield's Stamp Weekly. Roessler's Stamp News. Transcript. Vest Pocket Philatelist.

There has been considerable doing in the way of Stamp Companies in Philadelphia of late, the Philadelphia Stamp Co. has absorbed the United States Stamp Co. It is further stated that the earnings of the first named Company were thirty-six per cent for the past year.

We learn that the powers that be of the "Eugene Klein Incorporated" are, President, Edw. A. Fleisher, of the Star Braid Co., Phila.; Treasurer, Sam'l J. Gittleston, M. D., of Phila.; Secretary and Manager, Mr. Eugene Klein, of Phila. Among the stockholders can be mentioned David Werner Amram, Esq., Mr. Julius Levy, Chemist, and a number of other prominent collectors of this city and New York, whom we are not at liberty to mention at this writing.

The next series of U. S. Lock Seals will be printed in red ink. It is not stated in what color the control number will be. At least this is the information given out by the department.

The Philadelphia Stamp Club has on their reading table all the American and foreign catalogues dealing with all kinds and conditions of stamps. The catalogues are for the free use of members and visitors.

PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS

We now have on exhibition and sale a greatly enlarged stock of Postage stamps for collections, comprising a catalog valuation of over \$150,000.00. We have made attractive prices on everything, and we shall welcome all, whether buyers or sight seers. Come and see us.

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NOMINATIONS.

We would call the attention of the members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club to the fact that nominations for the various offices will soon be in order, as the annual meeting and election will take place April 18th. We quote section 8 of the statutes in full:—

“It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to nominate a candidate for each vacancy about to occur among the officers of the club and in the Board of Governors; such nominations shall be posted by the said committee upon the bulletin board of the club at least twenty days before said election. Any member may nominate other candidates for the same offices, but the names of all such candidates shall be posted upon the bulletin board at least ten days before said election, and no person shall be eligible to office unless he shall have been nominated and posted as aforesaid.”

A dentist once made a collection
Of teeth that had gone on the bum,
They were all more or less perforated
But none had original gum.

THE PHILATELIST IN LOVE

The normal young man is generally desirous of meeting a girl of the right stamp, yet the Figaro advertisement below wears the air of novelty:

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Collectors' Column

Advertisements at five cents per line.

Exchange relations desired with fellow members. Good U. S. postage and revenues in exchange for Stamped Paper and Fair Tags. A. F. Henkels, 1417 N. Bouvier Street, Philadelphia.

U. S. cut square envelopes wanted Good U. S. and Foreign to exchange for same. Victory Hinges, 8c per 1000. J. Homer Leidy, 2526 Turner Street, Philadelphia.

I have all kinds of stamps to exchange. I want good U. S. and Foreign postage, U. S. revenues of all kinds, early Philadelphia post-marks, railway and ship cancellations, express franks, etc. Edgar L. Green, 1415 Vine Street, Philadelphia.

Stamps and Coins bought, sold and exchanged. Coin books, 10 cents. Walters Coin Co., 1218 Filbert Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Be sure you see lots No. 25 to 50 in the Club Sale of February 21st.

Send to Raymond Scheerer, Pottsville, Pa. for a selection on approval and find out how to get 500 free.

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WM. R. KELLER



The subject of our sketch this month was born in 1867 at Heilmandale, Pa.

He comes of sturdy Pennsylvania German stock, his ancestors being among the first settlers in what is now Lebanon County. His early educational advantages were such as might be found in a country district in a German speaking community. He graduated from Lebanon Valley College in 1890. Afterwards he was for four years Principal of Schools at Johnstown, Pa. He came to Philadelphia in 1895, and in 1896 entered the Law Department of Temple University. Admission to the Philadelphia Bar and to the Bar of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania followed in due time. He was however never engaged in the active practice of the law, preferring to serve your Uncle Sam in an official capacity.

He is Secretary of the Hartsville Improvement Association, an organization for the advancement of the material interests of his home community.

Mr. Keller first began to collect stamps in 1896. His first interest in stamps, he says, always reminds him of "The Pied Piper of Hamlin". From this town in Hanover, Germany, came Fred. Meyer at that time a student at the Pennsylvania School of Industrial Art. He had a fine collection that was especially rich in the German issues.

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The editors will gladly welcome suggestions and questions along these lines that they may be incorporated in the various articles. It is not our intention to dissect the catalogues, but merely to apply our humble abilities in the untying of some philatelic knots.

"An inverted period period," what does that mean?

Please ask the question of President Green.

You might as well say with a knowing frown,

Turn the hole in that doughnut upside down,

We call attention to a new feature in this issue, the "Collectors' Exchange" column. It is intended for collectors who wish to exchange and still do not want their names to appear

as advertisers. A number will be assigned to each advertiser in this column and it will be the duty of the Associate Editor in charge to put the correspondents in touch with each other. We believe this feature will meet with appreciation as it affords a way to exchange without being annoyed with material you do not want.

It is said, the next meeting will likely provide,

Some humorous stories from Jimmie Whiteside.

For the month of St. Patrick is with us once more,
Caed-mille-falte, Erin-go-braugh.

Mr. Edgar L. Green, our worthy President has objected to the last two lines in the effusion from the pen of the "Bard of Drury Street" that appeared in our February number. The lines objected to are:

"It burnt the Soda Fountains

But it never touched the booze".

By way of correction and apology the Editor would say that Mr. Green does not keep his booze at his office, but at his home. This the Editor can vouch for from personal experience.

A FEW THINGS MADE PLAIN. PRINTING OF STAMPS.

We read in the philatelic papers very interesting accounts of the new processes used in producing the stamps of our times, this twentieth Century. But how many of our younger collectors have read of the processes used in the production of those superb examples of the early English and British Colonial issues, those stamps which retain the attractiveness amongst the riot of color and design of the stamps of our present day. Stamps engraved "tall-duce" are the best examples of the early issues. In this process the lines of engraving are sunk into the plate from which the stamps are to be printed. The ink is then applied with a roller, and wiped thoroughly from the surface leaving the ink deposited in the sunken lines of the plate only. Through the pressure applied by the press, the paper, which has been previously moistened, is forced into these sunken lines where it takes up the ink, producing the design in slightly raised lines of color on the surface. We often run across stamps

with a surface color to the paper, particularly in the early issues of United States postage and revenue stamps. This tint of the paper is due to careless printing, through the plates not having had the ink properly wiped from their surface, and the ink thus remaining being transmitted to the paper.

It might be of interest here to give a short description of the process used by Perkins, Bacon & Co. in producing the plates of the early English and British Colonial stamps. They used a system of producing from one "mother die" known as a matrix, or hub, as many transfers as were necessary to make up a plate. The die was first sunk [engraved] on steel, a soft cast was then made from it, this was attached to a steel roller and then hardened. With this roller impressions were rolled into a soft plate and repeated as often as required. The plate was then hardened in turn, the result being a complete plate of the required number of transfers, exact counterparts of each other. They did not always get the transfers spaced evenly, which accounts for the unequal spaces between stamps from the same sheet. Again sometimes after the impression was started from the roller, it was immediately discovered as slightly misplaced and shifted to the proper position, the result being a "shifted die", showing portions of both impressions. We often hear of "die proofs", and "plate proofs", the distinction between them is that the die proof is a trial impression from the first steel die from which the "mother die" is made and always has large margins. A plate proof is a trial impression from the completed plate, and only has margins of the same width as the finished stamps.

TYPOGRAPHY, or surface printing is the reverse to engraving. In this process the lines of the design to be printed are left standing in relief, whilst the balance of the surface of the plate is cut away, as in wood cuts. These raised lines on the plate receive the ink and under the pressure of printing are forced into the texture of the paper, thus leaving the impression sunken below the surface of the paper, as the printing on newspaper.

TYPE SET stamps are printed from ordinary type, such as are found in printing offices. The Confederate pro-

visionals are good examples of this class.

LITHOGRAPHY is a process in which the design is drawn or transferred from engraving to the lithographic stone with some greasy substance. The stone is then treated with acid which repels the ink excepting on the greasy lines. Another form of lithography is where the stone is covered with wax, and the design then drawn with an engraver's tool, removing the wax surface in the form of the design and leaving the stone bare in such places. The surface is then treated with strong acid which eats into it where exposed. The wax is then removed from the surface and the design is seen eaten into the stone where the acid has acted. The stone is then used in the same manner as an engraved plate.

EMBOSSING is done by the design being cut or sunk into a steel die. The printing is then done against a cushioned surface such as a pad of wash leather which forces the paper into the die and leaves the design raised in relief. It is generally done in part color by inking the surface of the die. The 1847-54 issues of Great Britain and United States envelope stamps are good examples of this class of work. We sometimes see an envelope stamp that is impressed colorless, which is known as an "Albino" and is occasioned by neglect in inking the die. Sometimes we see a partial albino, where a portion of the die has had the ink removed from it. Again we run across an envelope that has the color impressed on the back of the stamp as well as the face. This is occasioned by the die, after it has been inked, coming in contact with the leather pad upon which it deposits the ink. Then when the paper is laid upon the pad and the die is pressed down for the true impression, the ink from the pad is transferred to the paper.

In the foregoing talk I have tried to make a few things plain that will naturally occur to the collector, who has not had the necessary years of experience, or who has not enjoyed the privilege of access to the large Bank Note Companies. There are many special processes used which I have not tried to explain as they are all variations of the main subjects, but I think that what I have described will be sufficient to meet the requirements of the average collector.

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For particulars of Advantages of Membership, Dues, etc., address the Editor of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

OUR FEBRUARY MEETING

On the evening of February 21st, the regular meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club was held at the Club Room, 25 Drury Bldg. After a short business session Mr. Eugene Klein exhibited a unique Philadelphia Postmaster provisional stamp of the type of Scott No. 859, but with the letters "J. J." at bottom, an entirely new variety. Mr. Mann exhibited the new Lincoln postal card. There were some very interesting remarks on the "blue rag" varieties of the current issue of stamps. Messrs. Green, Ward and Henkels taking part in the discussion. Mr. Klein expressed the appreciation of the Boston Stamp Club in reply to our Clubs congratulations. The meeting then adjourned to the impromptu auction of 71 lots which realized \$46.08.

There were thirty one members present as follows: Messrs. Beck, Boyd, Behrends, Green, Hahman, Henkels, Ingraham, Klein, Leonhardt, Lyons, Liebeck, Leopold, Mann, Dr. Marsh, Marsh, Neufeld, Osborn, Pierce, Rotzell, Ramsay, Smith, Scypes, Spaeter, J. D. Town, Ward, Wolter, Walters, Waream, Whiteside, and Zindel. The meeting adjourned at 11 P. M.

OUR MARCH MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held Tuesday, March 21st, in the Club Room. The meeting will commence promptly at 8 o'clock.

From 7 until 8 o'clock the members may purchase from the Bourse sheets or examine the lots of stamps that will be offered at the auction.

At 8 o'clock there will be the usual short business session at which the nominating committee will report upon the question of nominations of officers for the ensuing year. The meeting will then be turned over to the Entertainment Committee.

The impromptu auction of about 150 lots of desirable stamps will commence at 9 o'clock. These lots will be on exhibition in the Club Room on the two Saturdays preceding the Sale from 1 to 3 P. M., and on the evening of the meeting from 7 to 8 P. M.

Visitors will be welcomed!

MEMBERSHIP MARCH 1st, 1911

Members February 1st 97

Applications pending:

Walter B. Bush, Jr., Wilmington,

Del. Proposed by W. S. F. Pierce.

R. G. Montgomery, Wm. Penn, P. O.

Pa. Proposed by Eugene Klein.

Forrest P. Hand, Secretary.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

for February, 1911.

The Librarian reports as follows:

Contributions from Mr. Osborn:—

22 Nos. of Boston Stamp Book.

Scott's 49", 52" and 53" catalogues.

125 miscellaneous papers and catalogues.

97 varieties Confederate

counterfeits. Der Philatelist, Jan.

1890 to July 1891. Bound.

Bindings:—

Der Philatelist 1 volume.

Stamp Collector 1 volume.

Stamp Journal 1 volume.

Hobbyist 1 volume.

New York Philatelist 1 volume.

Mekeels Weekly 1 volume

Redfield's Weekly 3 volumes.

Purchase:—

About 1700 miscellaneous papers, of which number about one half will be duplicates. They are in process of being checked up.

Sale:—

One hundred numbers of Mekeel's

Weekly (duplicates) were sold.

Wants:—

We want the following numbers of the Allegheny Philatelist.

Vols. I and II complete. Vol. III Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Vol. IV Nos. 1, 2, 3, Vol. V Nos. 1, 2. Vol. VI No. 1. Vol. VII No. 5, and any subsequent to VII, 7.

Offers:

We can offer:—Philatelic Californian Vol. I Nos. 10, 11, 12. Vol. II Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. Vol. III Nos. 10, 11. Many others.

Respectfully submitted,
W. R. Keller, Librarian.

REPORT OF SALES MANAGER

During the month of February three [3] Books were entered on the Circuits. Eleven Books were retired from which 454 stamps were sold, valued at \$15.55.

H. S. Rotzell,
Sales Manager.

**REPORT OF TREASURER OF
PHILA. STAMP CLUB
February 28th, 1911**

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts:—Dues	\$2.60	
Auctions	5.36	
Miscellaneous50	
Bal. 1-31-11	54.47	
	Total	\$62.93
Disbursements—		
Rent	20.84	
Auction Lots settled56	
Christmas Ent'm't Expenses	1.90	
	Total	23.30
Balance 2-28-11		39.63

RESERVE FUND.

Receipts:—Duplicate Pap's	35	
Balance 1-31-11	27.95	
	Total	28.30
Disbursements—None		0.00
Balance 2-28-11		28.30

INSURANCE FUND.

Receipts:—None	0.00	
Balance 1-31-11	6.36	
	Total	6.36
Disbursements:—None		0.00
Balance 2-28-11		6.36

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. Neufeld,
Treas.

CONTRIBUTION AUCTION.

At the Meeting of May 16th.

It is the intention of the Philadelphia Stamp Club to hold a **Contribution Auction** at its **May Meeting**, the entire proceeds to go to the **Furnishing Fund**. Therefore I am authorized to request our fellow members to be as liberal as possible in their contributions of duplicate stamps. It is through the liberal donations of our members to the two previous Contribution Auctions that we have been enabled to fit out our Library. There is much to be done in this line, as well as in other furnishing for the Club Room, which cannot be done from the general fund. All contributions should be sent to me not later than April 15th, and I will mount them on the official forms provided by the Club.

A. F. Henkels,
Auction Manager
1417 N. Bouvier Street.

EXCHANGES.

Receipt of the following exchanges is acknowledged.
American Collector, Canadian Philatelist, Collectors Review, Dauntless Monthly, Empire Philatelist, Everybody's Philatelist, Ewen's Weekly Stamp News, Grieberts Philatelic Notes, Hobbyist, LaRevue Postale, La Fac-Simile, Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, Monthly Rep. Herts Phil. Society, New York Philatelist, Philatelia, Philatelic Exchange and Mart, Philatelic Gazette, Philadelphia Stamp News, Roessler's Stamp News, Redfield's Stamp Weekly, Southern Philatelist, Stamp Journal, Transcript and Vest Pocket Philatelist.

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When the Bourse boss bosses the Bourse.

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Infectious microbes must have hovered around that collection. At any rate Mr. Keller at once fell an easy victim and has never recovered from that first attack. Since then he has pursued our hobby with varying degrees of intensity. About four years ago he sold a small but very fine collection, since which time he has collected in a small way only, but continues to take a keen interest in all that pertains to philately and is apprehensive of a violent outbreak in the not distant future. His predilection is for stamps in unused condition except where the circumstances of issue and use make used copies more desirable.

Mr. Keller was President of the Quaker City Philatelic Society from 1905 to 1909, and has been Librarian of the Philadelphia Stamp Club since its organization.

Our brother publication, "The Philadelphia Stamp News", has been publishing, as we all know, a series of articles

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and cuts of the various varieties of the 5c New York stamp. This is one of the most important articles that have appeared through the philatelic press for some time. Mr. O. S. Hart of Akron, Ohio, has well covered his subject, and has set the facts before his readers in a very brief and readable form. We understand that it is the intention of Mr. Mann, the publisher of the P. S. N. to issue the article in the form of a pamphlet, first giving the various types with their plate positions, illustrations, and full description, and finishing with a reproduction of a reconstructed plate. It will be a very acceptable addition to philatelic literature and a fitting tribute to the genius of the Author and Publisher.

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WOLSIEFFER'S EXHIBITION

Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer, our esteemed fellow member, will exhibit his next auction at our Club Room, Saturday, March 25th, from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. The sale contains a fine line of U. S. postage and revenue stamps, match and medicine proofs, and check stamps, and is well worth the attention of our members. The sale will be held in New York on the 30th and 31st instant.

COLLECTOR'S EXCHANGE.

Replies to the advertisements in this column should be addressed to the number printed in heavy faced type, care of the "PHILA. STAMP CLUB BULLETIN," and should state what stamps are offered in exchange and their condition. These replies will be forwarded by the "BULLETIN" to the advertiser and the two parties will be known only to each other, thus securing entire privacy.

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OFFERED FOR EXCHANGE.

Sarawak, *15, *18, *37, *39, *40, *41 *43; Senegal, *40, *41, *42; Siam, *5, 12, 15, 53, 54, 56, 58, 56, 60, 51; by **24**.

Sweden, 2, 38, *40, 157; Tahiti, *8, *9, *10, Togo, *7, *8, *9, *10, *11, *12; by **28**.

WANTED

Antigua 8, 10, France, 3, 19, 35, 93, 73, 75, 76, 115, 858, 861; Congo 29, 30; by **19**

French Oceanica, 14, 16, 17; German Empire, 10, 10, 11, 36; German China, 340; Gambia, 6; Gibraltar, 11; Guatemala, *256, Oldenburg, 1; by **13**.
*Unused

A PURCHASE.

The Librarian announces that he has purchased for the Club the entire stock of philatelic literature of Mr. J. C. Echols of Ardmore, Oklahoma, at a favorable figure. Among the papers acquired are many desirable numbers which fill up our files very appreciably. As a consequence of this purchase the Club has on hand a large new lot of duplicates which are available for sale or exchange. (See offer elsewhere.) Mr. Echols informs us of his intention to retire from the philatelic literature field.

Seychelles, 1903. 2 to 75c, single w/m	\$1.87	\$1.25
Canal Zone, 10 on 13, just out		.15
Belgium, Postal Packet, 15c, No. 217	.15	.08
French Congo, 1910, 1 to 10c	.12	.20
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Italy, 1910, Garibaldi, 5, 15c	.18	.12
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See inside pages for Announcement of Entertainment.

PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

EUGENE KLEIN



cation in Vienna, Austria. He has been interested in stamps since 1890, in which year he began to collect as a boy of 12 years of age. In 1894 he came to the United States, making his home in Philadelphia, where he entered for a course of Electrical Engineering in the Drexel Institute. After taking his diploma he removed to New York City, where, for a time, he engaged in the Cigar business. The "call of the wild" was too much for him and he returned to Philadelphia in 1907 to accept a position as manager of The Philadelphia Stamp Co. in which capacity he remained until January of this year, when he became manager of Philadelphia's new stamp company, the Eugene Klein, Incorporated. Mr. Klein is a member of the American Philatelic Society, and was chosen as Examiner of Sales Books from 1907 to 1910. In this capacity he was eminently capable, as he owns a very large reference collection of counterfeit stamps, which fills twelve large volumes. He is also a member of the Philadelphia Stamp Club The Philatelic Literature Society and New York Stamp Society. He served as Secretary of this body for three years, and was elected an honorary member. He is also a member of the New York Collectors Club. In

Mr. Eugene Klein is the subject of our sketch this month. Mr. Klein was born in Hungary and received his edu-

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talking over philately in general, Mr. Klein lately remarked: "I believe in specializing in a single country, or small group of countries, or even in a single issue, but am of the opinion that a general collection, in the first place, is the proper way to lead up to specializing. I also think that no better investment can be made by a collector than by subscribing to as many stamp journals as he can afford."

Mr. Klein is a gifted linguist and corresponds in a half dozen languages, which assists in his foreign correspondence. He has also been very fortunate of late in discovering an entirely new variety of the Philadelphia Carrier of the same type as Scott's No. 859 but with the letters "J. J." at base instead of the usual combination. This stamp is unique and is on the original cover.

Owing to the numerous Annual Reports in this months "Bulletin", it will be necessary to postpone the publication of the second article of "Some Things Made Plain", until the May Number.

The members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club received a most cordial invitation from the Trenton Philatelic Society to attend their reception on the evening of March 21st, and view the exhibit of the stamps of British Guiana from the collection of the Hon. Ernest R. Ackerman, President of the New Jersey State Senate, who was present and explained his magnificent accumulation of these most interesting postal issues. Owing to the fact that our meeting fell on the same date, we could not accept their invitation, much to our regret.

WILL KELLER

Who took the heckers up the state
And beat some learning in each pate
And tanned their pants for being late?
Will Keller.

To practice law and such flim flam
Who did not care-a tinkers dam
So took a job with Uncle Sam?
Will Keller.

Who with some papers, books and
trash,
A sort of Philatelic hash,
Built up our library, plus the cash?
Will Keller.

We now would have you lead our band,
Take off your brakes, throw out your
sand,
And make us foremost in the land,
Will Keller.

The following item appeared in the
"Kansas City Star" of recent date:

"High Mary, an Omaha squaw, seven feet tall, who wore no shoes, was a member of a band of ten Indians who passed through here on Wednesday. All wore bright shawls and paint. They were on their way to their reservation at Sioux City from a month's vacation in Ponca City, Okla. High Mary smoked a horn pipe."

What a very appropriate subject she would be for a special commemorative issue of stamps on the completion of the Indian statue in New York Harbor, or what a fine "side-line" could be made from her description as given by the "Star". We hope she is not a suffragette.

The unused Hanover remainders were sold in Berlin on December 9th, 1910, for £4500, or \$21,870. Stanley Gibbons, Limited, of London, purchased a goodly share.

OUR CLUB.

(Tune of "Auld Lang Syne")

For the occasion of the Annual Meeting,
April 17th, 1911.

Come all philatelists unite
In shouts of hearty cheer,
We usher in with votes to-night.
What will be our third year.

Chorus.

For Auld Lang Syne, my dear,
For Auld Lang Syne,
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
For days of Auld Lang Syne."

Come ALEXANDER, old in fame
And join us in our game.
We TAYLOR stamps to look like new
To place on album view.

Chorus.

The SMITHS are with us evermore
A DEACON too we score,
We'll root around the MARSHES gray
And find a BISHOP gay.

Chorus [Tremolo].

We'll PIERCE the BUSH and HAND
out REEDS,

The kind to record deeds.
We'll count the chink for bankers' gain
Per LEONHARDT-ed WAYNE.

Chorus.

We'll send the FOWLER after you
With gun and shot in too.
He'll PEPPER you till you get blues
Unless you pay your dues.

Chorus [Crescendo].

The LEIDY'S hinge is marked way
down,

He sells it round the TOWN,
He pulls our LEGG and looks so
SWEET.

We're fairly off our feet.

Chorus [Diminuendo].

O, ZINDELL, ROTZELL, HENKELL,
well

Ye make the auctions tell.
McP., McG., McGraw, McMANN,
He launched the P. S. N.

Chorus.

Comes BEHREND'S too, our deutscher
Freund,

Whene'er he's so in-KLEIN-ed;
He BECK-ons, yea I'll give "one
more",

His index points before.

Chorus [Staccatto].

WHITE GREENSIDES look your
very best,

Lest LYONS eat you sure.
You know the story of the den
Where they were fed with men.
Chorus [Pianissimo].

Kind friends we ask you to forbear,
We do not mean to hurt.
For better chaps are hard to find,
They are the A1 kind.

Chorus [Piano].

Then shout for P. S. C. right well
And strive to make us known
For we'll continue here to dwell,
How long I cannot tell.

Chorus [Furioso].

EXCHANGES

We thank the publishers for the following exchanges: A. Smith & Sons, Monthly Circular; British Guiana Philatelic Journal; Collectors' Review; Dauntless Monthly; Ewen's Weekly Stamp News; Everybody's Philatelist; Hobbyist; L'Annonce Timbrologique; Le Fac-Simile; Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News; Monthly Rep Herts Philatelic Society; Precancel Monthly; Philatelia; Philadelphia Stamp News; Pacific Stamp News; Philatelic Gazette; Roessler's Stamp News; Redfield's Stamp Weekly; Stamp Collector; Stamp Journal; Vest Pocket Philatelist; Western Collector; Young Knight.

It is not generally known that the first issue of Brazilian stamps was printed in sheets of 60, six wide by ten long, and consisted of the three values, 30r, 60r and 90r, in the one sheet. There were three rows of the 30r, (18 stamps,) four rows of 60r, (24 stamps,) and three rows of the 90r. Several combinations in pairs of the 30r and 60r were exhibited at the last meeting of the Boston Philatelic Society.

F. P. Adams gives R. R. Whiting credit for the following: "Rube went to the circus and stopped before the giraffe. For a few minutes he stood in silence gazing up at it. He spat. Then: 'Hell, there ain't no such animal.'"

This reminds us of the experts' opinion of the ribbed paper varieties of the 1870 issue of U. S. stamps

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Formal—Third Tuesday evening in each month.

Informal—Every Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.

For particulars of Advantages of Membership, Dues, etc., address the Editor of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

MARCH MEETING

The regular meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club was held at the Club room, March 21st. In the absence of Pres't Green, Mr. W. R. Keller was chosen Chairman of the meeting. After a short business session, Mr. W. T. Barnum, Secretary of the A. P. S., delivered a short address. The meeting was also favored with remarks by Jos. C. Heulings, Esq., and Mr. Chas. Steigerwalt.

Mr. Mann extended an invitation to the Club to be his guests at his home, at some future meeting to be decided upon later.

Mr. Henkels presented the invitation of the Trenton Philatelic Society to view the Senator Ackerman's collection at their meeting of this date. The Secretary was directed to extend a vote of thanks and regrets to the T. P. S.

Mr. Henry Chapman exhibited two very interesting collections, one of United States proofs and the other of the later issues of various foreign countries. Mr. Chapman was given a vote of thanks.

The nominating committee posted the following nominations for the ensuing year, as per Art. XIV, Section 8, of

the Statutes:—For President, W. R. Keller; Vice-President, Forrest P. Hand; Secretary, J. Homer Leidy; Treasurer, J. L. Neufeld; Librarian, A. F. Henkels; Auction Manager, Jas. Whiteside; Sales Manager, W. S. F. Pierce. Directors: Rush B. Smith, Edgar L. Green, F. B. Warner, Eugene Klein, Percy McG. Mann. Nominating Committee: J. Homer Leidy, P. H. Ward, Jr.

The auction of 174 lots realized \$36.67.

There were forty members and five visitors present as follows:

Members—Beck, Behrends, Boyd, Hahman, Hand, Harris, Haseltine, Henkels, Heulings, Ingraham, Keller, Klein, Leidy, Leonhardt, Leupold, Liebeck, Lyons, Mann, Dr. Marsh, Marsh, Neufeld, Osborn, Dr. Pennock, Pepper, Pierce, H. S. Rotzell, Smith, Spaeter, Steigerwalt, J. W. Taylor, J. D. Town, T. J. Town, Turner, Walters, Ward, Waream, Warner Whiteside and Wolter.

Visitors—W. H. Barnum, A. E. Carpenter, Henry Chapman, Mr. Greene and F. E. Conner.

The meeting adjourned at 11 P. M.

OUR APRIL MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held Tuesday, April 18th, promptly at 8 P. M. There will be the usual stamp Bourse and exhibition of Auction lots from 7 until 8 o'clock. This being the annual meeting, there will be an election of officers for the coming year and the transacting of such other business as may be brought before the meeting. The meeting will then be turned over to the Entertainment-Committee.

The impromptu Auction of about 150 lots of stamps will commence at 9 o'clock. These lots will be on exhibition in the Club Room on the two Saturdays preceeding the sale, from 1 to 3 P. M. and on the evening of the meeting from 7 to 8 P. M.

Visitors will be welcomed!

MEMBERSHIP APRIL 1st, 1911.

Admissions—three members were admitted.

No. 120 [Active] Walter D. Bush, Wilmington, Del.

No. 121 [Active] R. G. Montgomery, William Penn, Pa.

No. 122 [Active] Rev'd Andrew Weinstein, 3704 Spruce St., Phila.

Applications Pending :
 John Bancroft, Jr., Wilmington, Del.
 Proposed by Wm. G. Ramsay.
 J. Irwin Barnhurst, 239 Winona Ave.,
 Germantown, Phila. Proposed by A.
 F. Henkels.
 Lawrence Barnett, 26 S. 18th St.,
 Phila. Proposed by F. Liebeck.
 H. E. Jefferson, 25 N. 7th St., Phila.
 Proposed by Edgar L. Green.
 Membership March 1st, 97
 New members 3

100
 Forrest P. Hand,
 Secretary.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

As Secretary I wish to present the following report for 1910-11.
 The Club was organized two years ago with a membership of sixty and today we have one hundred. During the past year, twenty-six new members were admitted and thirteen were dropped through resignation and non-payment of dues, which leaves the membership April 1st, 1911, one hundred.
 During the year, twelve regular meetings were held, the attendance averaging thirty-eight.

Respectfully submitted,
 Forrest P. Hand,
 Secretary.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF
 TREASURER**

Philadelphia Stamp Club, March 31.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts :—
 Dues \$222.05
 Auctions 46.83
 Keys 1.75
 Sales Department 4.15
 Stamps sold 2.36
 Souvenirs 5.51
 Stationery 2.25
 Year Book Adv'ts 25.00
 Miscellaneous 4.19
 Transferred from Reserve Fund 25.00
 Balance 4-19-10 52.07

Total 391.16

Disbursements :—
 Rent (11 mo's) 229.24
 Postage 15.24

Printing 15.50
 Year Book 89.00
 Sales Department Expenses 4.68
 Refund of Auction Lot56
 Christmas Entertainment 1.90

Total 356.12
 Balance 4-31-11 35.04

RESERVE FUND

Receipts :—
 Entrance Fees 14.00
 Cash Contributions 12.18
 Contribution Auction Duplicate Papers and Catalogs 1.20
 Balance 3-19-10 13.88

Total 106.17

Disbursements :—
 Library Binding 45.56
 Philatelic Literature 22.14
 Transfer to Gen'l Fund 25.00
 Expenses Contribution Auction 4.17

Total 96.87
 Balance 3-31-11 9.30

INSURANCE FUND

Receipts :—
 Sales Department 3.42
 Balance 4-19-10 2.94

Total 6.36

Disbursements :—None 0.00

Balance 3-31-11 6.36

SUMMARY OF BALANCES

General Fund \$35.04
 Reserve Fund 9.30
 Insurance Fund 6.36

Grand Total \$50.70

Respectfully submitted,
 J. L. Neufeld,
 Treasurer.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

for March 1911.

Contributions of miscellaneous papers were received from Messrs. Henkels, Haseltine and Neufeld. Mr. Osborne contributed 300 counterfeits of U. S. locals. Mr. Klein contributed three volumes of "Handbuch der Postfreimarkenkunde" by Hugo Krottsch.

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ANNUAL REPORT.

In submitting the Annual Report it is not deemed necessary to go into any great detail, since detailed reports have appeared from time to time in the Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin. It is rather our purpose to give a summary which will show at a glance the progress that has been made within the year.

Bound Volumes	{	Contributed	23
		Purchased	29
		Bound by the Club	25

Total increase in bound volumes 77

During the same time 3000 papers and pamphlets were received. These will be checked up in a month or two, after which time probably 2000 duplicates will be available for exchange.

About 500 counterfeits were contributed to the Club's Counterfeit Collection. These have not been mounted.

Your librarian is a firm believer in the great value of the library as an adjunct to the Club, and strongly urges that the present liberal policy toward it be continued. Our library is still a comparatively small one, but that fact should only lead to increased enthusiasm toward placing it in the front rank. We can do it.

In conclusion he extends his heartiest thanks and best wishes to all who have

aided him in bringing our library to its present stage.

Respectfully submitted

W. R. KELLER

Librarian, P. S. C.

Annual Report of Sales Manager.

Philadelphia, April 1st, 1911.

The number of books entered in circuits during the year	66
Number of books retired	91
Number of stamps sold	2684
Valued at	\$112.49
Number of books outstanding 43	
Cash balance on hand April 19th, 1910	38.03
Received during the year	96.66
Total	\$134.69
Paid out during the year	113.04
Balance on hand	21.05

\$134.69

Club's Commission on balance \$1.08

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. Rotzell,

Sales Mgr.

Annual Report of Auction Manager

During the past year there have been held ten impromptu auctions, at which 1385 lots have been disposed of for \$407.46. The commissions amounted to \$40.83. The Contribution Auction at June 1910 meeting, comprising 244 lots, realized \$65.95 for the Furnishing Fund.

All commissions derived from sales, and all other money due the Club from whatever source, such as Contribution

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Auction, sale of official Auction Blanks etc., have from time to time been turned over to the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
A. F. Henkels,

April 18th, 1911. Auction Mgr.

Annual Report of Bourse Manager

April 1st, 1911.

The Bourse Manager would report that during the past year 17 1/2 sheets of stamps have been entered, valued at \$214.45 1/2. Sold from sheets to date \$24.96 1/2.

Retired 20 sheets valued at \$27.74, sold from same \$9.62. Insurance received 44.

Commission on sheets retired 95c. Sale of blank Bourse sheets \$2.70.

Respectfully submitted,
W. S. F. Pierce, Bourse Mgr.

COLLECTOR'S EXCHANGE.

Replies to the advertisements in this column should be addressed to the number printed in heavy faced type, care of the "PHILA. STAMP CLUB BULLETIN," and should state what stamps are offered in exchange and their condition. These replies will be forwarded by the "BULLETIN" to the advertiser and the two parties will be known only to each other, thus securing entire privacy.

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To mark the Jubilee of the birth of Philately, the Junior Philatelic Society will hold a stamp exhibition on a large scale in London in the spring of 1912. ***** An Executive Committee has already been appointed to carry out the preliminary arrangements and is composed of the following gentlemen: Chairman, Mr. Fred. J. Melville; Messrs. J. O. S. Mummery, Herbert F. Johnson, E. M. Gilbert-Lodge, Douglas Ellis, and D. B. Arrington. -From British Guiana Philatelic Journal.

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See inside pages for Announcement of Entertainment.

PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

WM. S. F. PIERCE



Our genial fellow member Mr. Wm. S. F. Pierce is the subject of our sketch this month. Mr. Pierce was

born in Camden, New Jersey, January 15, 1870. He was educated in the Public Schools of his native city and after graduating took a preliminary course in Civil Engineering. In 1889 he became Assistant Engineer of the Atlantic City Railroad. Later he was associated with the Chief Engineer of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad. In 1894 he launched in his present business, wholesale timber. His attention was attracted to stamps in 1895 by a small collection which came into his possession. The Philatelic seed had fallen on good ground, it took deep root, grew with his growth and strengthened with his strength, until in two years time he had a collection of stamps valued into the thousands of dollars. Mr. Pierce in his philatelic career has owned some very valuable stamps among which may be mentioned, a Franklin N. C. Postmasters Provisional, three Buchanan envelopes, two copies of the \$2½ third issue of United States revenues with inverted centres, three sets of the reissue of 1871, also twelve copies of the U. S. P. O. Despatch, both types of adhesives and envelopes. The most interesting find that he has made was in October 1898, when he discovered the only known

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sheet, part perforated, of the 8c Omaha stamp. Mr. Pierce was a member of the Philadelphia Collectors Club and the American Collectors Club, before their dissolution. He is at present a member of the Philadelphia Stamp Club, American Philatelic Society, Southern Philatelic Association, Philadelphia Branch No. 18, A. P. S., and the U. S. Revenue Society. He has just been elected for the second year as Bourse Manager of the Philadelphia Stamp Club.

Mr. Pierce is a most fastidious collector, the best that can be obtained is not too good for him as is evidenced by the superb condition of his stamps.



PIERCE'S STAMP EMPORIUM.

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILADELPHIA STAMP CLUB, MR. E. L. GREEN, BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE CLUB, HELD APRIL 18, 1911.

Two years ago, lacking two days, the meeting for the organization of the Philadelphia Stamp Club was held in the directors' room of the School of Industrial Arts. At that time, and before the next meeting in May, 1909, sixty members had been admitted. By the annual meeting in April, 1910, the membership had increased to eighty-six. At the present time the Secretary's report shows that the membership is an even hundred with four applications pending.

This increase, though small, is gratifying, for the reason that there have been brought into the Club a number of serious collectors,—men who have been philatelists for years, but have never before identified themselves with any philatelic society.

It has been necessary, during the year, to remove from the roll, for various reasons, the names of quite a few members. The Junior membership suffered the greatest loss, due, no doubt, to the sudden abatements of enthusiasm which are but natural with the younger collectors. I believe I may safely say that any of those who lost their membership during the year will be welcomed back should they wish to rejoin.

The Club is undoubtedly firmly founded, and from now should show a steady increase in membership.

Our stated monthly meetings have been well attended,—the average attendance being close to forty. The attendance is perceptibly increasing, and it will soon be necessary to look for other quarters, as there is every indication that we are outgrowing our present room.

If we cannot find a more commodious room than this, the rental of which will be within our means, I suggest that a small room be engaged in a building where a larger room can be had for our regular meetings. This is the most important matter that confronts the new administration and warrants prompt consideration.

The Treasurer's report shows that the finances of the Club are in very good shape. Although the sum total in the treasury is slightly less than at the close of the preceding fiscal year, the

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fact that \$89.00 was paid out for printing the Year Book, and that this is an expense which will not be again necessary, will no doubt convince everyone that we will be able, during the coming year, to assume greater burdens for rental, for Club room equipment and for the extension of the library.

By analyzing the reports of the Sales Department for the two years of its existence I have discovered the astonishing fact that the expenses of the department have been nearly double its earnings. A feature of the Club which should have been a source of substantial revenue has really been a drawback, financially. Something must be done to bring this department to where it will pay the Club to continue it, or to where it will at least be self-supporting. No blame can be attached to the management of this department, and I am convinced that Mr. Rotzell has accomplished all that could be expected with the means at his command. The censure rests on each member who has failed to make use of the department by either placing stamps for sale or by patronizing the circuits. The quality of the stamps offered has not been of the best, and the Sales Manager has perhaps been a trifle lax in not exercising his prerogative by returning unsatisfactory books to the owners; but the quality is improving, and I hope to see the Sales Department of this Club as successful as similar departments have proven in other local organizations.

Our Auction Department has, on the contrary, been most successful, and the commissions from this source have been increased from \$13.54 in 1910, to \$46.83 in 1911. Mr. Henkels is heartily congratulated for the skillful manner in which he has developed this branch of the Club's work, and he deserves our thanks for the painstaking care and cheerful manner with which he has carried on the department.

The Bourse has not as yet shown its full capabilities and requires but a little interest from the members to make it one of the most attractive features of our weekly and monthly meetings.

The Library, under the able supervision of Mr. Keller, has greatly outgrown its quarters and is beginning to spread over the room. Another bookcase is an absolute necessity for the proper arrangement and preservation of our books and papers. Mr. Keller's report shows that 77 bound numbers and over 3000

papers and pamphlets were added during the year.

The suggestion of the Librarian, that the liberal policy of the Club toward the library be continued, should receive ready endorsement.

The various standing committees have not been particularly active. The best work was done by the Publication Committee which gave us a very commendable Year Book comprising histories of the various societies which were amalgamated into the Philadelphia Stamp Club, the Statutes, the annual reports of the officers, a catalog of the library, a list of members, etc. The Statutes were also bound separately for the individual use of our members.

Before new committees are appointed, I believe a thorough canvass of the Club should be made in order to learn the preferences of the members for committee work.

The Statutes have been in operation for one year, and I can safely say that the change which was made from the old By-laws whereby the routine business of the Club is transacted by the Board of Governors instead of by a general meeting of the club, has proven an unqualified success. The fact that no changes have been suggested during the year shows that the Statutes were carefully drawn and meet with the approval of the membership.

Perhaps the most notable accomplishment of the year was the Publishing of the "Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin". This was started by your President in October 1910 and was personally edited and published by him for two months. The development of unexpected business matters made it necessary for him to discontinue personal supervision of the "Bulletin," but, at an enthusiastic meeting of the Board of Governors in November, it was decided to form a syndicate under the control of a committee from the Board to finance, edit and publish the monthly paper until volume one has been completed. This work has practically resolved itself upon three men: Messrs. Henkels, Neufeld and Keller. Mr. Henkels, as chairman of the committee, has proven himself an indefatigable worker and the real success of the last five numbers of the "Bulletin" must be attributed to him.

For the information of those members who are not familiar with the

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THE APRIL MEETING.

The Annual meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club was held at the Club Room, on the evening of April 21st. President Green in the chair. The following Board of Governors were unanimously elected for the ensuing year. President, Wm. R. Keller; Vice President, Forrest P. Hand; Secretary, J. Homer Leidy; Treasurer, Julius L. Neufeld; Librarian, A. F. Henkels; Sales Manager, Wm. S. F. Pierce; Auction Manager, Jas. Whiteside; Directors: Rush B. Smith, Edgar L. Green, F. B. Warner, Eugene Klein, Percy McG. Mann. Nominating Committee: P. C. Ingraham and P. H. Ward, Jr. Upon motion of Mr. Mann, a vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring Board.

Pres't Green delivered his annual address which he explained also comprised a report of the Board of Governors. Pres't Green appointed the following Auditing Committees: On Treasurer's accounts, Messrs. Mann and Henkels, on Sales Manager's accounts, Messrs. Spaeter and Zindel, on Bourse Manager's accounts, Messrs. Whiteside and Wolter.

The meeting was then adjourned to the impromptu Auction of 159 lots which realized \$35.30.

Thirty-two members and one visitor were present as follows. Members: Alexander, Boyd, Green, Hahman, Harris, Hand, Henkels, Ingraham, Keller, Klein, Leidy, Leonhardt, Leopold, Liebeck, Lyons, Mann, Dr. Marsh, Marsh, Neufeld, Osborn, Pierce, Rotzell, Smith, Spaeter, Taylor, J. D. Town, T. J. Town, Walters, Ward, Waream, Whiteside and Wolter. Visitor, Gibson Weber.

THE MAY MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held in the Club Room on the evening of May 16th at 8 o'clock.

The Bourse sheets will be open for examination; also the lots for the contribution auction.

After the usual short business session there will be addresses by the incoming Board of Governors.

The contribution auction will take place at 9 o'clock, the entire proceeds from which will be applied to the Furnishing Fund. Visitors will be welcomed.

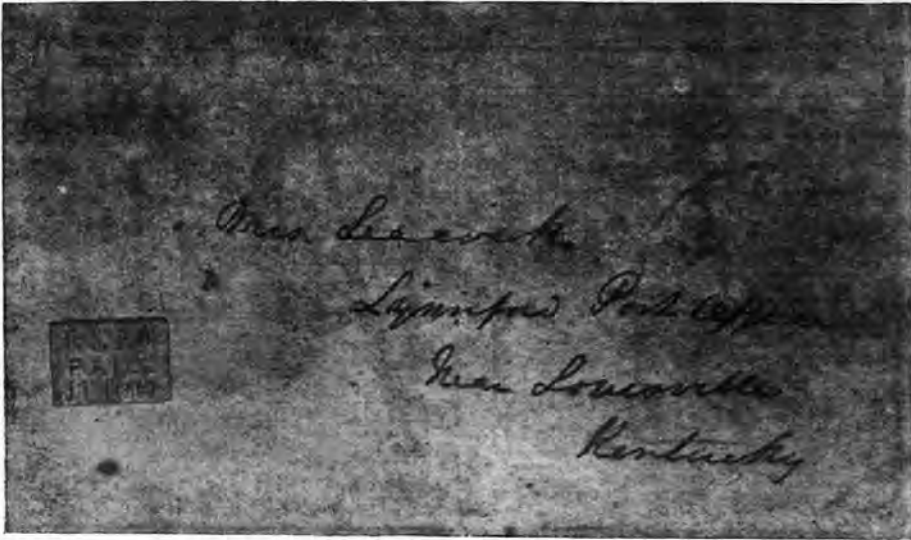
President's Report

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inner workings of the Club, I will say that there is one man among us on whom we cannot bestow enough honors. He may well be called the "Father of the Philadelphia Stamp Club." The idea of the Club originated with him; by his own efforts he made that idea a reality and brought this Club into existence and by his unceasing interest in its welfare he has made it a success, and within two years has built it up until it stands third in the list of local philatelic societies in the United States. That man is Alfred F. Henkels.

It is customary in a report of this character to refer exhaustively to the philatelic activities of the year. I will leave this to the presidents of the National Societies and mention only a few matters of local interest.

The dealers here all report a successful year. I recently called on every dealer except one. They seemed unanimously agreed that business is "very good." As the company I did not visit



The above represents a very important addition to the list of Philadelphia Carrier stamps, lately discovered and disposed of by the Eugene Klein, Inc. The essential print in which this stamp differs from the usual type, is in the letters at the base, which are "J. J." instead of the usual combination. It is in this respect an entirely new variety on rose paper.

Mr. Klein has sold this stamp for the

owner Rev. Al. Bacciochi, Rector of St. Mary's Church, New Road, La., to Mr. Geo. H. Worthington of Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Worthington is to be congratulated upon acquiring another gem for his magnificent collection, it being the only known copy.

The highly complimentary letter which we have seen from the Rev. Bacciochi, speaks well for Mr. Klein's business integrity.

President's Report.—Concluded.

has made the statement that their books showed a profit of about thirty-six percent. for the year, I thought it useless to interview them.

Early in the year one of the oldest established stamp concerns in this country, the Bogert & Durbin Company, changed its name to the United States Stamp Company and has since sunk its identity entirely in a back room at 1204 Chestnut Street.

The number of dealers has been brought up to normal by the formation of a new company, Eugene Klein, Inc., to which we extend our best wishes for success.

The "Philadelphia Stamp News," under the able editorship of our former president, Mr. Mann, has rounded out the first year of its existence and has started upon its second volume. This weekly deserves support from every collector and especially from those of this City.

What has been facetiously called "the blued scandal" which resulted in the dismissal and arrest of A. M. Travers, chief clerk of the Third Assistant Postmaster General, has assumed a local interest through the mention of the name of one of our fellow members in connection with the trouble. I believe I am voicing the sentiment of all by assuring that member that he has our every confidence and that all of us who know him personally are convinced of his innocence.

Before closing, I wish to thank most earnestly, every member who has helped us during the year and I bespeak the same, or better, support for the new administration.

Greenie said that Henkels
Is the Club's own popsie wopsie.
And then he plaited up his hair,
Until he looked like Topsy.

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SOME THINGS MADE PLAIN.

Separation of Stamps.

A stamp that has no means provided for separating it from its fellow stamps, is known as an imperforate, or imperforated. Henry Archer of London, in 1848, was the first person to attempt a means of separating stamps by weakening the texture of the paper between the impressions. His first attempt was by irregular incisions of varying lengths, and in 1849 by regular cuts uniform in length. In 1850 he evolved our present idea of perforation by regular punched holes, at given distances. The English Government authorized his experiments, and his various ideas were put to a practical test on stamps sold by the English Post Office. Examples of Archer's experiments are very rare.

Rouletted stamps are those separated by knife cuts. When stamps are printed from an electrotyped plate

a printers rule is frequently inserted between them in setting up the form from which they are printed, leaving the edge of said rule (which has been scored at equal distances) extend slightly above the surface of the plate. In the process of printing this rule is impressed deeply into the texture of the paper, thereby weakening it and almost cutting it through. These lines formed by the printers rule are, of course, inked at the same time as the rest of the form, thus producing the effect known as rouletted or colored lines. Good examples can be found in the issues 1886 of Thurn and Taxis, Germany.

Perforation is the process mostly used at the present time for separating stamps by a series of punched holes, generally at equal distances from each other, but in some instances the holes are not evenly spaced, thus producing what is known as a compound perforation, or in other words a perforation that can not be measured by any given gauge for the entire width or length of the stamp. Thus a perforation given as 12 to 14 means that it will measure 12 for a short distance and then 14 on any side of the stamp in question. When the gauge is given for instance as 12 X 14 it means that the perforation will measure 12 on two sides of the stamp and 14 on the other two sides.

The Fiscal Year Began May First.
Look at your Membership Card to see how far you are paid up.

OUR SECOND AUCTION

We beg to call attention to the very fine collection of Mr. James Vick which we will sell at auction on June 9, 10 and 12. This sale offers collectors and dealers an excellent opportunity to secure many rare stamps seldom offered that are difficult to obtain. The collection is especially rich in United States. The following are a few of the interesting stamps: New York 5-cent on pelure paper, also shifted die on cover. St. Louis 5-cent on greenish on cover. The 1847 issue includes a number of pairs of the 5-cent on covers, also a fine strip of three 10-cent on cover. The bisected stamps of all issues are especially worthy of mention: Scott's Nos. 36a, 73a, and 113c are all there properly postmarked on original covers. There are also a number of mint pairs and blocks of the 1894 and 1895 imperforate. The 1900 issue on bluish experimental paper are in blocks of four, and include all the values that were regularly sold at windows of postoffices. The regular issues are especially rich in unused and used shades, blocks of four and larger blocks, also a number of sheets. The departments are complete. Newspapers are especially worthy of mention, as the large stamps are complete, including shades, papers and rare re-issues. The collection includes a very fine set of cardboard proofs, and is particularly strong in revenues which are in fine condition. The New York State revenues include a number of unlisted varieties among others imperforate blocks of four and errors of surcharges, also two beautiful shades of the 4-cent brown of the first issue. We must call special attention to the telegraph stamps; these include companies which but few collectors have ever heard of before.

The foreign stamps include a number of interesting pieces, of which we only mention a few. Mulready envelopes and letter sheets in mint condition. Newfoundland early issues in complete sheets. Many fine New Republic, Madagascar, Argentine, Hawaii, Cape of Good Hope, etc., etc.

Catalog of this magnificent collection should be in the hands of every collector. It will be sent free upon receipt of request.

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We are in the market for RARE stamps of all countries. We especially want early U. S. in blocks, fine covers, and uncatalogued varieties. If you have anything **Really Fine** it will pay you to communicate with us. We make a specialty of selling stamps on commission. We have just sold for Mr. Bacciochi, the newly discovered Philadelphia Carrier stamp, lettered J. J.

The following is a copy of a letter received from him:

"Dear Sir:—

New Roads, La., April 10, 1911

Just received your check for \$255 for the J. J. carrier you sold for me. I must say that I am very grateful to you, as I was not expecting more than \$75, which price I wrote you I would accept. But selling it for \$300 and sending me a check for \$255 speaks volumes for your honesty, integrity and business ways.

Again accept my thanks.

Yours truly

Al. Bacciochi."

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At the Club Rooms, 25 Drury Building, 109 S. Juniper St. Visitors will be cordially welcomed.

See inside pages for Announcement of Entertainment.

PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

J. HOMER LEIDY.



Our new Secretary, J. Homer Leidy, was born in Soudertown, Pa., December 18th, 1878. He graduated from the

Lansdale High School in the class of 1896. His liking in a business way has always run towards electricity, as for ten years he was employed in the electric laboratory of Queen & Co. For two years past he has been in charge of the electric laboratory of the Keystone Electric Instrument Co.,

Mr. Leidy first collected stamps as a school boy and continued until 1894. His interest then lay dormant until 1907, when he started again, confining his efforts to United States stamps, making a specialty of stamped envelopes.

Being desirous of a medium through which to exchange stamps, Mr. Leidy was instrumental in forming "The Philatelic Exchange Society of Philadelphia", which, later became "The Philadelphia Branch of the National Philatelic Society", one of the societies that merged into the "Philadelphia Stamp Club. Mr. Leidy has held various important posts in philatelic organizations, having served as secretary of the Philatelic Exchange Society of Philadelphia in 1908, President of the Philadelphia Branch of the National Philatelic Society 1908-9 and he has been unanimously elected as Secretary of the Philadelphia Stamp Club for the present year.

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—In their advertisement in this month's "Bulletin", the Philadelphia Stamp Co. state that they have purchased the 19th Century collection of Commodore W. C. Eaton, U. S. N., and that they intend selling it at retail. This will be an exceptional opportunity for particular collectors to acquire stamps in particularly fine condition as we understand that Commodore Eaton was a most careful collector. His collection of Chinese Treaty Ports will be a revelation to most collectors, whilst his plated Japanese stamps afford an opportunity to straighten out our ideas of these little known issues.

—Mr. W. S. Lincoln of London has favored us with his likeness and information in reference to his latest publication "An Album for postage stamps issued during the Reign of King Edward VII." The album is printed on good paper and is very complete, having spaces provided for all varieties of watermarks and both the plain and chalky surfaced paper in detail. The price is \$1.80 to any part of the world. Mr. Lincoln needs no recommendation to the members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club as his many favors are still fresh in our minds. He is known as the "Father of London Philately" and is the oldest established stamp dealer in the world, having started in business in 1860. Mr. Lincoln will be well

pleased to welcome his Philadelphia friends at his place of business, 2, Holles Street, Oxford Street, London, W.

The chap who owns the P. S. News
Percy McG.—McGraw,
We hope these lines he will peruse
Percy McG. McGraw,
And when he does, why here's his
health,
We hope his paper brings him wealth.
We all cry Graw! Graw!
Percy McG. M'Graw.

To mark the Jubilee of the birth of Philately, the Junior Philatelic Society will hold a stamp exhibition on a large scale in London in the spring of 1912.

Bock signs as "side lines"
Would make a fine collection.
You'll see the geisbocks beaming face
In every old direction,
And so we give this little hint
For benefit to you, sir,
Take our advice and specialize
Milwaukee's fame producer.

EXCHANGES FOR APRIL AND MAY

American Collector, Briefmarken Offertenblatt, Canadian Philatelist, Charlats Advertiser, Collectors' Review, Der Philatelist, Dixie Philatelist, Ewens' Weekly Stamp News, Everybody's Philatelist, General-Anzeiger fuer Philatelie, Gibbon's Monthly Journal, Gibbon's Stamp Circular, Greiberts Philatelic Notes and Offers, Herts Philatelic Society Monthly Report, Hobbyist, Journal Philatelic Illustre, La Annonce Timbrologue, La Revue Postale, Le Fac Simile, Mekeel's Weekly, New York Philatelist, Nam-mack's Philatelic News Letter, Pacific Stamp News, Philatelic Chronicle and Advertiser, Philatelic Exchange and Mart, Philatelic Gazette, Philatelic Trader, Philatelic West, Philadelphia Stamp News, Precancel Monthly, Redfield's Stamp Weekly, Revista Sociedad Filatelica Argentina, Revue Philatelique Francaise, Roesslers Stamp News, Smith's Monthly Circular, Stamp Collector, Stamp Journal, Stempelmarkensammler, Southern Philatelist, Tarapaca Filatelica, Transcript, Vest Pocket Philatelist, Western Collector.

SOME THINGS MADE PLAIN.**Separation of Stamps.**

(Continued from last month)

The gauge used in measuring perforations and rouletting is governed by the French metric system, 20 mm. being the accepted length in which any given number of perforations shall be contained. For instance when we see that a stamp is perforated 12, it means that 12 holes of the perforation will come within 20 mm. of measurement. A perforation is not necessarily a round hole, it may be of any shape. As an instance note the square perforations on the 1865 issue of Queensland, or "hyphen hole" perforation of the 1900-1901 issue of United States revenue stamps. A better and more comprehensive means of expressing this last mentioned form would be by borrowing a term from our masonic friends and call it an "oblong square" perforation.

We see occasionally in the catalogues, stamps described as "perforated by rouletted", as in the 1867-72 issue of South Australia. This means that the stamps in question are perforated on two of their sides and rouletted on the other two. Pin perforated stamps are those in which no paper is removed in the process of perforation, merely a series of holes such as can be produced with any sharp pointed instrument. Note the early issues of Barbados and Trinidad. This form of perforation is very unsatisfactory and we note that many of the pin perforated stamps of the British Colonies are found with the perforations missing from one or more of their edges, which is occasioned by their having been cut apart by a knife or scissors. Perforated with small holes, as found in the 1870-74 issue of the Dutch Indies, means that the perforation measures as stated, but that the holes are smaller in diameter than those ordinarily used.

The following means for separating stamps should all be classed under the general heading of rouletting, as they are all separations by knife cuts and in no case is there any paper removed in the process. Perce-en-arc is a means of separation by small semi-circular cuts, slightly separated from each other. We find specimens of this form of rouletting in the 1868 issue of Tasmania.

Serpentine perforation or rouletting is also somewhat like perce-en-arc, the difference being that each alternate semi-circular cut is inverted, thus producing a serpentine effect. An example is found in the 1860-67 issue of Finland.

Sawtooth rouletting, or as it is sometimes called sawtooth perforation or perce-en-scie, is also similar to the perce-en-arc process, but the cuts are in the form of small open triangles instead of semi-circles. The 1861 issue of Bremen gives a good example.

Perforated in points resembles the sawtooth rouletting, but each projection, when the stamps are separated, tapers to a point like a cone instead of being shaped like a sawtooth. It is found on the St. Thomas and Lagaira issue of 1869.

In Lozenge perforation, the teeth of the roulette are diamond shaped and partly cut and partly punched small diamond shaped holes. See the 1884 issue of Postage Due stamps of Bulgaria.

Serrated perforation or rouletting resembles, when the stamps are separated, the rough indenture that is produced by tearing them apart with one of the old fashioned sawtooth rules. Examples are found in the 1854-58 issue of Victoria and the 1898-99 issue of Queensland.

Perforated in lines is the same as ordinary rouletting. There is a form of perforation or rouletting known as perforated by oblique parallel cuts, this term describes itself, the cuts on the unsevered stamps resemble one half of a herringbone and are found on the 1867 issue of Tasmania.

Did you ever notice to what a good old age stamp collectors live? Just look around and note. We call to mind the story of a family of collectors over in Jersey. A traveler saw a well preserved old gentleman taking the air on a porch and after an introductory conversation asked him how old he was.

"I am over seventy,"

"Well," said the visitor, you look as if you had a good many years to live yet. At what age did your father die?"

"Father dead?" said the old gentleman, looking surprised. "Father isn't dead; he's upstairs helping grandfather identify some stamps for his collection."

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THE MAY MEETING

The regular meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club was held in the Club Room on the evening of May 16th, at 8 o'clock. President Keller in the chair. There was the usual short business session after which the incoming officers were called upon for remarks, which request was heartily responded to. **President Keller called attention to the fact that the question of continuing the publication of the "Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin" would be brought up for discussion at the regular meeting of June 20th. All members are requested to be present.**

Mr. Whiteside conducted the Contribution Auction consisting of 112 lots which realized \$45.20 for the furnishing fund.

The following members were present: Alexander, Boyd, Bush, Green, Hand, Harris, Henkels, Ingraham, Keller, Klein, Leidy, Leonhardt, Leupold, Liebeck, Lyons, Mann, Neufeld, Pierce, H. S. Rotzeil, Smith, Von Westernhagen, Ward, Warner, Whiteside, Wolter and Zindel, Sr.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45.

THE JUNE MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held in the Club Room on the evening of June 20th, at 8 o'clock.

From 7 until 8 o'clock the members may buy from the Bourse sheets or examine the Auction lots.

At 8 o'clock there will be the usual business session at which will be brought up the question of continuing the publication of the Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin.

There will be an entertainment provided by the Entertainment Committee from 8.30 to 9.30 o'clock. The impromptu auction of about 150 lots will then be held. These lots will be on exhibition on the night of the meeting and in the Club Room on the two Saturdays preceding the meeting, from 1 to 3 P. M. Visitors will be welcomed.

A CORRECTION

In the list of membership of the Philadelphia Stamp Club issued with the May number of the "Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin", the address of J. Homer Leidy should be 2526 Turner St., instead of 1526 as it appears.

ENTERTAINMENTS

JUNE MEETING.

A member will exhibit a very fine specialized collection. This will be extremely interesting.

JULY MEETING.

A prize will be awarded for the best showing of the 1847 issue of United States. All members are requested to exhibit whatever they have in this issue and the competitive exhibit will thus be very attractive and interesting.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

Your Librarian would report, that with the sanction of the Board of Governors, he has appointed Mr. Franklin C. S. Leonhardt as his assistant. Mr. Leonhardt has rendered very valuable assistance to our Club in library work during the past year and through his efforts we hope soon to have our library and duplicates in proper shape. I would also report the following purchases and contributions for the past month.

PURCHASES.—A large three section walnut bookcase, with capacity for holding 400 volumes. This to be used in addition to the case we already have.

The Philatelic Journal of Great Britain vols. 1 to 7 inclusive, bound in half calf.

CONTRIBUTIONS.—From W. R. Keller vols. 1 to 8 inclusive, of the Post Office, bound in half morocco. From Prof. J. L. Neufeld, vol. 32 of Philatelic Record, unbound. From M. W. Harris, 191 pamphlets, among which is vol. 20 complete of the Philatelic Journal of America. From Chas. E. Osborn, 122 Magazines, 10 Auction Catalogues, etc., dating from 1877 to 1897. From A. F. Henkels, U. S. Internal Revenue Laws, 1867, and Tax-Payers Manual, (Boutwell), 1866, bound in cloth, also two pamphlets in reference to use of Tax Paid stamps, 1871.

I would also acknowledge the receipt of a number of pamphlets, price lists, and auction catalogues from other members.

Respectfully submitted

A. F. Henkels

EXTRACTS FROM THE ADDRESS OF THE INCOMING PRESIDENT MR. WILLIAM R. KELLER

Fellow Members:—

In entering upon the duties of the Presidency of the Philadelphia Stamp Club, I wish to make a few remarks touching upon the general welfare of the Club.

First I wish to thank you for the honor you have conferred on me in electing me to the highest position in the gift of the Club and I wish to assure you that I shall use my best endeavors for its advancement.

We are fortunately situated for the purposes of a philatelic club in that we are located in one of the great centers of population and consequently have a large field to draw from, and I see no reason why Philadelphia should not shortly become one of the great centers of philately.

Here we may ask ourselves the question: What is the use of a philatelic club? In its broad sense it is a means of disseminating knowledge of stamps as well as of procuring and disposing of them. But these are not the only benefits to be derived. We widen our acquaintance among collectors. Our wits are sharpened by rubbing up

against our fellow hobbyist. Matters seemingly too unimportant to appear in the stamp papers are discussed with profit. We unconsciously absorb stamp lore. In fact, a member is benefitted in innumerable small ways not necessarily in a financial way, but in such a manner that your fellow collector will be glad to see you because he knows you have the same habits of thought he has.

I do not wish, however, to dwell on generalities. There are several matters on which it seems desirable to say a few words.

First: The relation of the Board of Governors to the Club.


When the present statutes were formulated the idea of a Board of Governors was incorporated because of past experience and the practice of other large clubs in the management of their affairs. The difficulty of transacting business in a numerically strong club arises from the fact that it is not always discreet to apply strictly the principles of parliamentary practice, especially so in a young organization. A Board of Governors was expected to solve this difficulty. A small body can transact more routine business and in a more satisfactory manner than a large body. During the past year some misunderstanding arose as to the scope of the Board's duties. I think it may be safely said that this misunderstanding arose from the practice of reporting the action of the Board at each regular meeting of the Club and making it a leading feature of its business session. A little reflection, however, will show that uncertainty should not result, and to this end I shall offer my interpretation of the functions of the Board.

At the risk of being tedious I quote from the Statutes:

"The Board of Governors shall have general charge of the affairs, funds and property of the Club. They shall have full power, and it shall be their duty to carry out the purposes of the Club according to these Statutes."

The words "general charge of the affairs, funds and property" to my mind means the management and government of the Club under the statutes in all respects whatsoever, except determining questions of policy or questions of an unusual nature—as for instance the voting of money for extraneous purposes, acting on important communications of a non-philatelic

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nature, the institution of new philatelic enterprises, etc. On such questions I conceive the Board has no authority to take the initiative but may only act after having ascertained the consensus of opinion of the membership. This information is obtainable at the regular business meeting of the Club. At such meeting the Board may be authorized by motion to act on any unusual question. Occasions may also arise after a meeting of the Board and before the meeting of the Club demanding immediate action, when it would seem expedient not to wait for the next meeting of the Board. Questions of a doubtful nature may be referred to the Board or to the regular meeting in the judgment of the president. The relation of the Board to the Club then resolves itself to this:

The report of the Board to the regular meeting of the Club is for the purpose of information only, while the general discussion, and motions, during a regular meeting are for the information and instruction of the Board.

The question of the future of the Phila. Stamp Club Bulletin I believe should be discussed at a regular meeting for the guidance of the Board. As we all understand, the Bulletin is provided for, for a year. Beyond that period no arrangements have been made. I will therefore call on all members to come to the June meeting prepared to talk for or against its continuation, and if the decision be favorable, to suggest ways and means.

In the next place it may be proper to say a word concerning our relations to

dealers. My remarks are prompted by questions as to the propriety of dealers acting as officers of the Club. Personally I see no reason why a dealer should not be an officer, and I believe such opposition to be ill-advised. I believe that our attitude should be friendly to all dealers. I am speaking of ourselves as a Club. Individuals will exercise their preference in any event and I am not prescribing for them. It is an incontestable fact that the dealer is the backbone of philately. Take his advertisements out of the current philatelic papers and what would be the result? The papers would suspend publication within a month. Some of the dealers would close up shop and all would find their business diminished. And what would be the effect on you, Mr. Collector? You would find yourself more seriously handicapped than you perhaps imagine. As member of a live stamp club your case would not be as bad as that of the isolated collector. What of him? As a Club, therefore, we can not afford to antagonize dealers as a class. Lest the dealer should preen himself too much as a result of these words, I must tell him a fact also. Mr. Dealer, you can not afford to antagonize the Philadelphia Stamp Club. We have attained a man's stature and are liable to resent slights. If you don't treat Mr. Collector fairly, the fact will inevitably become known to our members. The result you may imagine especially if you are at a distance, necessitating the use of the mails. On the other hand if you treat him with fairness and courtesy you will just as

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certainly receive favorable comment. Our interests are interdependent. Let us recognize the fact.

A few don'ts:—

Don't talk about x y z when you pretend to talk about stamps.

Don't forget that the other fellow's opinion may be worth considering. Don't let the other fellow have all the bargains.

Don't indulge in horseplay.

Don't forget to attend the monthly meetings.

Don't think things must always come your way.

Don't forget to boom the Club.

Don't indulge in cheap wit.

About the other officers I shall say nothing at this time except to say that all departments are open for business, especially the Treasurer. These officials will have their own statements to make presently.

What of the future?

There is no such thing as standing still. So-called standing still involves a change in relation to things that do move, thus making a relative loss. The Philadelphia Stamp Club must move during the coming year and the motion must be forward. The past year was one of solid growth and if the present year can be made equally so, we shall have added measurably to our strength. The bulk of this work will fall on the membership committee, although it should not be so limited, since each member of the Club should be interested in securing new members.

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This is one of the live questions before the Club.

The problem of larger quarters is also being considered.

In conclusion, gentlemen, permit me to announce that I shall not be a candidate for re-election. I make this announcement thus early in order that a suitable candidate may be developed. In a club of the size of ours and including such a wide range of talents this ought to present no great difficulty.

And now let us get down to the year's work with each one putting a shoulder to the wheel.

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See inside pages for Announcement of Entertainment.

PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

FORREST POWELL HAND



This month we present the likeness of Mr. Forrest Powell Hand, our genial fellow member and all around favorite.

Mr. Hand was born in the old district of Southwark, of the City of Philadelphia. After attending the Friends and Public Schools, he graduated from a business course at Pierces College.

When a boy in his teens he accepted a clerkship in the General Office of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, where he is still employed.

His ancestors on his fathers side came from Kent County, England, in 1635 and landed at Salem, Mass. One branch of the family settled on the eastern end of Long Island in 1698 and founded the town of East Hampton, New York. Another branch went to the southern part of New Jersey and their progeny are the Hand family of South Jersey.

Mr. Hand takes considerable pride in the valuable assistance given by his ancestors to our country. His great grandfather fought in the Revolution and the war of 1812. His father entered the navy at the outbreak of the Civil War and served until its close. He received several prizes from the Government for the seizure of vessels and for bravery.

Very early in life Mr. Hand was presented with a few foreign stamps, by

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a gentleman friend and from that start up to the present time his love for our hobby has steadily increased, until he has become one of the best known stamp men in this locality. His interest has not only been in stamps, but in philatelic advancement in general. He is a member of the Philadelphia Stamp Club, American Philatelic Society and the International Philatelic Society of Dresden, Germany. He served as Secretary of the Quaker City Philatelic Society for a number of years and was active in the work of consolidating the various Philadelphia Societies. He has served for two years as Secretary of the Philadelphia Stamp Club and was unanimously elected in April as Vice-President of this progressive Club.

Forcible argument in favor of the establishment of the parcels post in this country is provided by an experience which George C. Krick, a Germantown musician, has just had. Mr. Krick became interested some time ago in a queer Russian instrument called the balalaika. It somewhat resembles the mandolin, but is three-cornered. A Russian orchestra that visited Philadelphia the past season first brought it to the attention here, and Mr. Krick decided to get balalaikas for himself and

two friends who wanted to experiment with them. They were ordered from Russia through a London house and were delivered to Mr. Krick several days ago. Shipment was made from London by parcels post, that being the common English method of forwarding small packages, and Mr. Krick received them at the Germantown post office. As the purchaser of one of the instruments lives in Brooklyn, Mr. Krick had to send it thither from Germantown. Of course, the United States mails were not available for this purpose, and it had to be forwarded by express. The cost of sending one instrument to Brooklyn by express was greater than the cost of sending all three of them across the ocean by parcels post.

Philadelphia Record.

A hop-toad sat on a railroad track
Singing wit, cheap wit! cheap wit!
Jokes with the frogs on the ties he'd
crack,
When an engine hit him a head-on
whack.
The joke's on him, but he can't get
back
With his wit, cheap wit! cheap wit!

An experience that the Editor has had with the Customs Department of the Philadelphia Post Office will be of special interest to collectors of Exhibition labels and other "side lines". About two months ago, in response to the usual notice, I sent a messenger to the Post Office to clear a package for me that was supposed to be dutiable. Upon opening the package the Customs Inspector refused to deliver it to my messenger and requested that I call personally. I called and found that the package contained a selection of Exhibition labels valued at 69 francs from a German correspondent. The inspector informed me that they being gummed labels were subject to an import duty of 35 per cent. I refused to receive them and ordered that they be returned to the sender. In about three weeks I received a letter from my German friend stating that his package had been returned to him and that he was also in receipt of my letter of explanation but that, as he thought the matter was an error on the part of the Customs inspector, he had re-mailed the package to me, as it was the only

instance in which such material of his sending had been objected to by U. S. Government inspectors. In the course of a few days I had another notice from the Post Office. I called with the same result as in the first instance, and ordered the package returned to the sender the second time. How they came to class these Exhibition labels as dutiable is beyond me. They are not applicable for any commercial purpose and as there was but one of a kind in the lot, in my opinion they came under the head of samples, which are not dutiable. It is a queer thing that if these same labels had been stuck on the backs of letters or postal cards and mailed to me, they would have been delivered without question, but the fact of their being on sheets and mailed to me in a package, made them subject to 35 per cent duty. I understand another of our members has had a similar experience, excepting that he was informed by the inspector that the labels mounted on sheets were classed as scrap books. — This is a "queer world, my masters".

THE PENNY BLACK V. R. OF GREAT BRITAIN.

The idea of having official stamps or special stamps for the use of the different Government Offices is as old as the idea of prepaying postage by means of stamps. Simultaneously with the perforation of the first stamp for issue to the public, a special stamp was prepared for official use, and is known as the V. R. For some reason or other, although actually printed, these were never put into use, and belong to the category of unissued varieties. However, a collection is not considered complete without them and occasional copies have passed through the post. Most of the postmarked specimens bear trial cancellations. The number which went through the post was infinitesimal and even they only did so by reason of being mistaken for the ordinary one penny black by the Post Office officials. — From paper by I. J. Bernstein, read before the Manchester Philatelic Society, March 9th. 1906.

A CONUNDRUM

He'd take a fellow member
And string him on a spit
And roast him over red hot coals
For getting off cheap wit.
Who is it?

AN OLD COLLECTION

Some time ago I had a look

At an old collector's treasure book,
His postage stamps were rather forlorn,
Some were dirty, others torn.
But the queerest things he had on tap,
Were the revenue stamps of this old chap.

Among his collection of curious stuff
He had the labels from cans of snuff.
Stamps from remedies for our ills

And also those that come on pills.
The seals that fasten Government locks
And a ribbon from off a tobacco box.

He had other things that are passing queer,

The bung hole sealers from kegs of beer;

The broadside stamps from barrels of rum

And foils in which tobacco come.
Cigar stamps too he had by yards,
As well as those from playing cards.

The stamps from "lucifers" too were there,

With those from perfumery and dye for hair.

The stamps from collars and cotton bags.

Shoe and sewing machine license tags.

These curious things he had to show
In his stamp collection of years ago.

Now I wonder whether this dear old chap

With his book of philatelic scrap,
Wherein each stamp its tale unfolds
And pleasant recollection holds,
Has not more fun in his quiet way
Than the philatelist of the present day.

Just before going to press we have been advised of the death of Mr. Jules Bernichon, of Paris, France. Mr. Bernichon was stricken down in full health. He had been to his printer reading proof when he was taken with a tingling sensation in his fingers, resulting in a total stroke of paralysis, culminating in apoplexy and his death. Philately in France has sustained a great loss in his passing away, as his establishment at 4, rue Rochambeau, was the headquarters for absolute and accurate philatelic expert information. We wish to add our tribute to that offered by his many admirers.

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For particulars of Advantages of Membership, Dues, etc., address the Editor of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

THE JUNE MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club was held in the Club Room on the evening of June 20th, at 8 o'clock. President Keller in the Chair. There was the usual business session at which the future of the "Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin" was discussed and a proposition was referred to a committee of three, composed of Messrs. Klein, Green and Henkels.

The Entertainment Committee provided a very interesting exhibition of British African stamps, exhibited by Mr. Eugene Klein.

Mr. Whiteside conducted the impromptu Auction of 127 lots which realized \$23.97.

Twenty-eight members and two visitors were present as follows:

Members—Alexander, Boyd, Barnett, Beck, Deacon, Green, Hahman, Hand, Henkels, Ingraham, Klein, Keller, Liebeck, Lyons, Leupold, Leonhardt, Leidy, Mann, Morris, Neufeld, Rotzell, Smith, Spaeter, Taylor, Waream, Ward, Whiteside, Walters.

Visitors—A. W. Brown and Lionel M. Homburger, D. D. S. The meeting adjourned at 10.45.

THE JULY MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held in the Club Room on the evening July 18th, at 8 o'clock.

From 7 until 8 o'clock the members may buy from the Bourse sheets or examine the Auction lots.

At 8 o'clock there will be the usual business session. There will be a competitive exhibition of the stamps of the 1847 issue of the United States, open to members and others. A blue ribbon of merit will be awarded to the successful exhibitor.

An impromptu auction of about 150 lots will then be held. These lots will be on exhibition on the night of the meeting and in the Club Room on the two Saturdays preceding the meeting, from 1 to 3 P. M. Visitors will be welcomed.

EXCHANGES.

The following exchanges have been received for the month of June: Briefmarken Offertenblatt, Collectors Review, Dauntless Monthly, Der Philatelist, Dixie Philatelist, Ewens Weekly, Empire Philatelist. Everybody's Philatelist, Gibbons, Stamp Circular, The Hobbyist, Monthly Report Herts Philatelic Society, International Collector, La Fac-Simile, La Revue Postale, L'Annonce Timbrologique, Mekeel's Weekly, Mekeel's Trade Circular, Metropolitan Philatelist, Madrid Filatelico, New York Philatelist, Philadelphia Stamp News, Philateli Trader, Pacific Stamp News, Philatelic Gazette, Precancel Monthly, Post Cardist, Redfields Weekly, Roesslers Stamp News, Revista de la Sociedad Filatelica Argentina, Revue Philatelique Francaise, Stamp News, Stamp Drummer, Stamp Dealer, Southern Philatelist, Tarapaca Filatelico, Vest Pocket Philatelist, Transcript, Western Collector, Young Knight, and the Official Catalogue of the British Guiana Philatelic Exhibition.

Do not forget the **COMPETITION EXHIBIT** of the '47 issue of U. S. stamps, to be held on July 18th at the Club Room. Bring what you have in this issue.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

During the month of June your Librarian has had eighteen volumes of philatelic literature bound for the library and has received as a contribution from our fellow member Mr. Lawrence Barnett, vols; 1 to 13 inclusive, of the American Journal of Philately, second series and The Philatelic Review, Vol. 2, 1880-1881. All bound in cloth.

There are several exchanges and sales of duplicates pending upon which I will report when they are consummated.

Mr. Leonhardt, our very able assistant Librarian, is fast getting matters in shape although the job has been decidedly uphill.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. Henkels, Librarian.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

General Fund	\$120.52
Disbursements	26.34

Balance 6-30-11	\$ 94.18
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Reserve Fund	\$ 45.70
Disbursements	5.48

Balance 6-30-11	\$ 40.22
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Insurance Fund

Balance 6-30-11	\$ 8.65
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Respectfully submitted,

J. L. Neufeld, Treas.

POSTAGE STAMP MACHINE.

A postage machine has recently been installed in a post office in London, England, which by automatic action, when a proper coin has been placed in the slot, separates a penny stamp from a roll inside and securely fixes it upon the envelope held in an aperture of the machine. The machine is about the size of an ordinary typewriter and stamps envelopes, newspapers, or circulates at the rate of four thousand an hour. The machine will hold fifty thousand stamps and as used, each stamp is automatically registered.

The coin to be received by this piece of mechanism must be of perfect size and shape, and genuine. It is claimed that it will return the silver piece inserted in the slot by error, but keeps without any recompense the fraudulent metal disk. It is reported that the machine is to be placed in every underground railway station and at all pillar boxes. — Inland Printer.

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH No. 18

A. P. S.

At the meeting of Philadelphia Branch No. 18 A. P. S. held on the evening of June 20th, it was decided that the branch would make no nominations or endorsements of Directors for the American Philatelic Society this year. The reappointment of Mr. Percival Parrish for Sales Superintendent was recommended to the incoming Board of Directors.

As a token of Mr. Parrish's appreciation of the action of the Branch, we append the following letter from him.
Dear Mr. Henkels:—

I hear upon my return after a short absence that Branch No. 18 has endorsed me as Sales Superintendent of the A. P. S. and I wish to state that this unsolicited action of the Branch is very highly appreciated by me. Whether I get the Sales Superintendency for another year or not, it will always be a great satisfaction to think of the endorsement of our local branch. I have always wished the club and the Branch the greatest success. I would be very glad if you would convey my appreciation to the Branch for its kindly action.

Sincerely yours,

Percival Parrish

COUNTING HIS CHICKENS.

Tonight he was particularly obstreperous so thought his uncle, as he tried to get absorbed in his evening paper. In a moment of weakness he had lent little Willie his stamp collection.

"Uncle—" began Willie.

"Only one question, my boy," warned his uncle.

In that case, Willie would come to the point at once. He did so, and asked for the collection.

"Certainly not!" snapped his uncle.

"But uncle—"

"If you promise to be good, Willie," said his uncle hastily. "I may leave it to you when I die."

Blessed quietude reigned for a space. But only for a very brief space. Unable to stand the strain of silence longer, Willie approached his uncle's hair and plucked his elbow.

"Uncle" he said anxiously "how long do s'bose you'r going to live?"

Philadelphia Inquirer

AUCTION RESULTS

1st auction sale held April 28, 1911, catalogued \$2800, realized \$1667, or 59 per cent. of catalogue.

2nd auction sale held June 9 and 10, 1911, catalogued \$7000, realized \$3167, or 45 per cent. of catalogue.

At each session there were present from 35 to 45 collectors. Mail bids were received from 126 collectors and dealers for the first sale and 159 for the second sale. These included unlimited or discretionary bids from 12 collectors. Owners have expressed their entire satisfaction with the result of the sales.

1911-12 Season

We have already booked four very important collections including one of United States and Colonies cataloguing about \$10,000.

We will accept the sale of a few more fine collections and urge you to make early application for dates.

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In the form of previous Official Ballots there were always blank spaces left for stockholders to fill in the names of some favorites in case they did not care to vote for the ticket presented, but in this year's Official Ballot there are ten names printed with no space for any additional names, thus

giving the voter but one option on the ten names. In other words it is nine to one in favor of the printed Official Ballot, or rather it is a request for an endorsement by the members of a ticket agreeable to the majority of the existing Board. A ticket of this kind may be good politics, but it is poor policy if we expect our Association to endure,

"Did you ever know," asked a post office official, "that there are only three persons in the United States who enjoy the privilege of receiving and sending letters without being obliged to use postage stamps? These three are the widows of former presidents—Mrs. Grover Cleveland, Mrs. Benjamin Harrison and Mrs. James A. Garfield. By a Congressional enactment these three women enjoy this privilege, so if you have occasion at any time to communicate with any one of them you need not attach any postage stamp to the letter."

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That much of the early Canadian mail passed through this country of ours is not generally known, but by looking into the purposes for which a number of the early Canadian stamps were issued, it appears to be an undeniable fact, as the purposes for which they were issued are clearly set forth in the Canadian Government records.

The 6 pence, 1851, was used for postage to the United States except Oregon and California.

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Replies to the advertisements in this column should be addressed to the number printed in heavy faced type, care of the "PHILA. STAMP CLUB BULLETIN", and should state what stamps are offered in exchange and their condition. These replies will be forwarded by the "BULLETIN" to the advertiser and the two parties will be known only to each other, thus securing entire privacy.

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If a cat free of fleas
You would like to exchange
For a brindle pup terrier
Minus the mange,
Just send us an ad
To put in this corner,
And leave all the rest
To Francis B. Warner.

Little Willie Keller went to the Cellar,
Looking for stamp papers ;
His hand made a dive; found a forty-
seven five ;
Danced he a few capers.

Member Francis Warner, sat in the
corner,
Chewing his fine moustache,
"The club I will run, we'll have lots of
fun!"
Some others said, "Oh, hash!"

(The above two verses were received anonymously. The editor has used all means in his power without success, to discover the perpetrator of the crime.)

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PHILADELPHIA COLLECTORS.

A. F. HENKELS.



The subject of our sketch this month, Mr. A. F. Henkels, hardly needs an introduction to our readers.

Mr. Henkels was born at 506 Pine St., Philadelphia and was educated at a private school in that city. In 1881 he entered the furniture business as clerk with his father, Geo. J. Henkels, and his brother, D. Geo. Henkels. Since 1885 he has been in the employ of The Fidelity Trust Company of Philadelphia.

His philatelic career has covered a rather wide field. He has written frequently for the philatelic press; the most important of his writings being a comparative list of the stamped paper of the United States, published in Mekeel's Weekly in 1909, he was also one of the owners and publishers of the Keystone State Philatelist, published in Philadelphia in 1885. He holds the record of having unearthed the greatest find of the stamps of Modena and Tuscany on original covers, many gems from which find, embellish the most important collections in the world.

Mr. Henkels was a charter member of the first Quaker City Philatelic Society, organized in 1883 and he served as Librarian in that Society. He was a charter member of the American Collectors' Society of Philadelphia, Sales Manager of the second Quaker

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City Philatelic Society and Chairman of the organization and first Vice President and Sales Manager of Branch No. 18, A. P. S. He was Chairman of the Organization Committee of the Philadelphia Stamp Club and has served as Auction Manager and Librarian of the Club. He also is a member of the American Philatelic Society and served as Resident Vice President in 1904-5. and as Secretary in 1906-7. Mr. Henkels is a Charter Member of the U. S. Revenue Society and served as Secretary in 1908 and Librarian for 1910-11, he is also a member of the Dresden Society.

Mr. Henkel's fancy for stamps has always been for those out of the beaten path: Match and Medicine Stamps and Stamped Paper being his particular hobbies. He is also a lover of antique china and is the owner of a collection of several hundred fine specimens of cream and water jugs.

Mr. Eugene Klein has shown us a brace of very interesting stamps, a 2c 1873 double impression with the second impression a full mm, below the first.

The stamp is well centered and lightly cancelled in red at the upper left corner. The second oddity is the 50c Life Insurance of the 1st issue of Revenue stamps, also a double impression as pronounced as the former.

Gibbons' Stamp Circular for July mentions that they have obtained some "deep carmine marone" 4c stamps of the 1898 issue of U. S. We think we know of this shade which we have noticed in going over large quantities of used copies, but this particular color in the unused stamp strikes us as a very good proposition. For those, who are partial to shading of colors, this 4c 1898 supplies a wide field.

Mr. Wm. S. Lincoln has favored us with $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 p. of the King George issue of English stamps. He calls our attention to the fact that this is "the first time that numerals have been used on the British stamps and that besides the King's portrait they bear pictures of a dolphin and a lion. Mr. Lincoln states that if any of our readers will send him the face value plus 2 cents for postage he will be pleased to send them good copies of these stamps. His address: 2 Holles St., Oxford St., London, England.

These stamps mark a new era in British issues, as they are printed by the firm of Harrison & Sons of St. Martins lane, Printers in Ordinary to His Majesty the King, and for many years printers of the "London Gazette". The printing is done at a special new factory which they have erected at Hayes, Middlesex.

EXCHANGES.

Briefmarken Offertenblatt, Collectors Review, Ewens Weekly, Germania-Berichte, Gibbons Stamp Collector, Gibraltar Post Card Ex, Le Fac Simile, La Revue Postale, Mekeel's Weekly, New Zealand Collectors Ex, Philadelphia Stamp News, Philatelic Journal of America, Philatelic Gazette, Philatelic West, Pacific Stamp News, Roessler's Stamp News, Redfields Stamp News, Smith & Sons Circular, Southern Philatelist, Stamp Drummer, Stamp Journal, Stamp Collector, Transcript, Vest Pocket Philatelist, Western Collector, Young Knight.

Lives of stamp men all remind us

We can make a bluff sublime,
And our children will not find us
Foodpads on the sands of time.

A BUSINESS PROPOSITION.

The following letter will be mailed to every Philatelic Society in the United States by the Philadelphia Stamp Club, we consider it an up to date proposition of immense importance to every Society or Club.

Gentlemen:—

Having had a years experience in the publication of a Journal devoted to the interest of the Philadelphia Stamp Club, and having noted the manifold benefits accruing to the Club from this publication, we feel it our duty to lay before our fellow societies of the United States a purely business proposition to advance the interest of our several Societies.

Since the action of the Post Office Department in forbidding special rates of subscriptions to Societies making certain publications their official journals, much injury has been done to philatelic organizations in this country. Hence the idea occurred to us a year ago to publish our own official journal and after mature thought we see no reason why Philatelic Societies of the various Cities should not publish an inter-society philatelic journal for their mutual benefit. A Journal of this description, representing the interests of the associated Societies, containing the minutes of the meeting, reports and other matters of local and general interest to each society, would be a great factor in the advancement of philately.

It would by its circulation amongst the active philatelists of the country, most of whom are members of at least one local society, command the very best class of advertising and we believe would be self sustaining.

In the event of this proposition meeting with favor from our fellow Societies our further proposition is that a delegate and alternate be selected by each Society, said delegates to meet in conclave at a city agreed upon to outline the policy of the paper for the ensuing year and to discuss such other matters of inter-club interest as may be brought before them. These delegates to select the next place of meeting, and the Club or Society of the City selected to have full charge of the publication of the Inter-Club Journal for the ensuing year.

The cost of such a journal can be figured pretty closely and various Societies are to bear the cost of publication pro rata. A number of Journals would

be sent each month to each Society equal to their membership with a liberal additional allowance for recruiting purposes.

Whilst we have found the publication of a Journal for our Club alone a rather expensive proposition, it can be readily seen that a number of Societies could publish a Journal jointly, at a very insignificant cost per member. A Journal published by a Society alone can only depend on the local advertisers, whereas a Journal published by a number of Societies would command a wide field beneficial to general philatelic advertisers, both of this country and abroad, and should prove a powerful stimulus toward securing new members for all local societies.

We wish to call attention to the Vertrauliches Korrespondenzblatt published in Germany which embodies all essentials of an inter society journal. A somewhat similar movement is afoot in England under the leadership of the Herts Philatelic Society. The monthly Report includes news of other societies and altogether is a very readable paper. We would therefore request that this letter be read before a meeting of your Society, and that your Secretary be empowered to enter into correspondence with us on the matter.

Very truly yours,

Eugene Klein,
Edger L. Green,
Alfred F. Henkels
Publication Committee.

Address all communications to
J. Homer Leidy,
Secretary, Philadelphia Stamp Club.
25 Drury Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Leidy-bug, Leidy-bug,
Fly a-way quick,
Send me some hinges
The kind that will stick.
I need them in biz,
Without them I stuck.
Be good to a feller
Lest he will beller
William R. Keller.

Even the gentle muse has cast her shadows over our readers as will be evidenced by the above answer to Mr. Leidy's advertisement.

The address of Treasurer, Prof. Julius L. Neufeld, will be Loyalsock, Pa. until September 1st.

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For particulars of Advantages of Membership, Dues, etc., address the Editor of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

THE JULY MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club was held in the Club Room on the evening of July 18th, at 8 o'clock. President Keller in the chair. There was the usual business session, after which the Entertainment Committee provided a competitive exhibition of the United States Stamps of the 1847 issue. There was a number of entries, among the most important were those of Messrs. Hahman, Hand, Mann and Ward. President Keller appointed Messrs. Klein & Smith judges. The prize of a blue ribbon suitably stamped in gold, was awarded to Mr. P. H. Ward.

Mr. Whiteside conducted the impromptu auction of 76 lots which realized \$12.87.

Twenty-four members and one visitor were present as follows:

Members—Barnett Green, Hahman, Hand, Jefferson, Keller, Klein, Leidy, Leonhardt, Leopold, Liebeck, Lyons, Mann, Morris, H. S. Rotzell, Cecil W. Rotzell, Percy Rotzell, Smith, Spaeter, Taylor, Turner, Ward, Waream and Whiteside. Visitor, Mr. S. F. Spangler.

THE AUGUST MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held in the Club Room on the evening of August 15th, at 8 o'clock.

From 7 until 8 o'clock the members may purchase from the Bourse Sheets or examine the auction lots.

At 8 o'clock there will be the usual business session, after which the evening will be devoted to the exhibition of "side line" collections until 9 o'clock. The impromptu auction will then be held. The auction lots will be on exhibition on the night of the meeting and in the Club Room on the two Saturdays preceding the meeting, from 1 to 3 P. M. Visitors will be welcomed.

The evening of August 15th at the Philadelphia Stamp Club, will be devoted to "Side Line" collections. Bring your's along.

Under date of February 28th we received a communication from Mr. Theodore Siddal of Manila Philippine Islands, an extract from which we herewith publish. It is not philatelic in nature, but perhaps it will be interesting to our readers who are collectors of the postal emissions of these Islands.

"We have been having some earthquakes here, which you may have read about; they were not half as bad as you might think; I don't suppose there were over twenty that one could feel, the rest being the kind that it takes an instrument to detect. But there was eruption of Taal Volcano that it didn't need any instrument to feel, it woke us up with a roar one morning about 2.15, and roared for an hour or more, with a big cloud of sand and mud and steam that must have been ten miles high, full of the most magnificent lightning I ever saw. The roar was like a whole flock of 12-inch guns going off about a mile away; the volcano is 50 miles off and a range of mountains is between us and it, so you might think it was loud close to the explosion place. The worst thing about it, from my own standpoint, is that I was up in the neighborhood of the volcano the afternoon before it exploded, for the purpose of seeing the eruption, which then was only a lot of steam, and did not wait till the morning train back to Manila because I was

afraid I couldn't get awake by 4 o'clock. The explosion came about 1, and a second one, the one we heard, at 2.15. But I suppose the magazines or papers have had a full or more than full account of it, which you may have read, so I needn't tell you all about it. This is the volcano I have been in the habit of visiting; have been down into the crater twice.

The eruption came on January 29, and on Feb. 2 I had to go away on the trip with the commanding general to the southern islands, and just got back on the 20th, so I missed some of the earthquakes, and since coming back we haven't had any. I forget how many hundred they said there were, but it really doesn't make any difference. This is the volcano the scientists said wouldn't ever go off again, because it was played out."

Sincerely yours,
Theodore Siddall

We take pleasure in printing the following letter received from Mr. W. H. Barnum, Secretary of the A. P. S. which is a reply to the editorial published in the July Bulletin in reference to the Ballot of the said Society. Mr. Barnum is greatly esteemed by the members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club and we feel that such error as was made was entirely accidental on his part as he states, and we think his explanations will make several things plain that have appeared hazy to us.

Philadelphia Stamp Club,
25 Drury Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa,

Gentlemen:

I have just read with, I may say, much surprise the warm criticism on both the form of the Official Ballot as well as the candidates named, or at least, their manner of selection, in the current number of your Bulletin.

Inasmuch as a majority of your members are not affiliated with this society, and therefore unfamiliar with its workings, I hasten to explain the necessity for certain actions criticised.

The present form of ballot was used in answer to a prayer of last year's Committee on Credentials. This committee, consisting of five members, devoted several hours to opening, unfolding (the old form having four folds) and sorting before any actual work

could be started. The present form is simply a humane effort to lighten this useless labor.

Your next criticism that forms be mailed "At least sixty days before" is one I fully expected from some thoughtless member, and, in an effort to get around which, I can blame the one error in the ballot. If the author had taken the trouble to continue through Article VI of our By-laws and from which he quotes, he would have come to Section 6, which reads, with reference to the entering of nominations, as follows:

"— Nominations — may be sent by any five members or any branch of the Society to the Secretary, and all such nominations received by him shall be published in the number of the Official Journal nearest to sixty days prior to the date for closing the polls"

With this exception, the manner and time of receiving nominations is ignored by the By-laws. Naturally, I put the only sensible construction on the above and held the nominations open until June 21st, or sixty days prior to the closing of the polls.

Obviously, if the nominations had arbitrarily been closed at an earlier date, we would have been in a most embarrassing position had additional nominations come in later and still prior to sixty days before the election.

By quoting Article V, Section 2, with reference to the Vice-Presidents, as follows: "They shall approve the form of ballot to be used at all elections", you simply strengthen my statement of the case. To make the above three by-laws agree would be an impossibility so I feel the course I followed was the right one, holding the nominations open until sixty days prior to the election, and then the Board of Vice-Presidents (who are 500 miles distance from me) and I, did some rapid fire work in an endeavor to comply as nearly as possible with the provision for mailing "At least sixty days before".

The Vice-presidents' approved form of ballot contains three blank spaces for those who preferred to vote for "some favorites" in place of the properly nominated candidates. The printer assured me that, in the space at our disposal we could insert but two of these blanks. I therefore took the responsibility, of changing the copy by

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dropping one of these spaces and left the proof reading to another A. P. S. member as I was called, on important business, to another part of the city. I mention this not to sidestep the responsibility of the omission but to emphasize the effort put forth to get the forms in the mails at eleven P. M. of the same day that the copy reached the printer.

The foregoing explanation is written as Secretary of the society. What follows I send as Clerk of Cleveland Branch No. 30.

This Branch will take in anything but a kindly spirit your decidedly uncalled for criticism of its candidates for Directors at the coming convention. The Selection was in no sense dictated by any members of the present Board, as you see fit to infer. Aside from some informal suggestions on my part, as a member of the Branch and not as Secretary of the A. P. S., I know of no interference on the part of any Director.

This criticism is peculiarly ill-timed as the Cleveland Branch was the un-

willing victim of circumstances, simply selecting and nominating a ticket at the last minute that the society might not be placed in the embarrassing position of having the nominations close with but two candidates for the nine vacancies, due to the absolute indifference of the various branches, including Philadelphia Branch No. 18.

It occurs to me that articles similar to this ill-advised editorial may do more injury to "our Association" than some of the fancied delinquencies of its officers. Very truly,

W. H. Barnum

We gather from Mr. Barnum's letter that under the existing circumstances it was impossible to stay within the provisions of the By-Laws. This being the case we think it would be well for the Chicago convention to appoint a Committee to revise the By-Laws and bring them up to date, thus obviating any possibility of a recurrence of such a ballot in the future. We maintain that there should have been no names printed on the ballot, as the By-Laws distinctly state that a "blank form of ballot" shall be mailed to the members. This would do away with the necessity of holding the ballot back until such time as a complete ticket was nominated. A separate list of such nominations as had been made might be mailed with the ballot, as a guide to members. It should also be explained that it was not obligatory to vote for the persons in nomination, but that a member had a right to vote for such other members as he saw fit.

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JAMES WHITESIDE



This month we take pleasure in presenting the portrait of our esteemed fellow-member Mr. James Whiteside.

Mr. Whiteside was born in Ulster, Ireland. When a boy he entered the grocery business, which he says he learned better than collecting stamps. By the way, this is when he became interested in the hobby through a young man that worked with him who had a fine collection especially rich in the stamps of Brazil. Mr. Whiteside later tried his hand at the wine business with a firm of wine merchants in the southern Capital of Ireland, where he still kept up his hobby. Being quite near Queentowns and seeing the steamers come and go to the United States, Mr. W. thought he would come across, which he did about twenty years ago and embarked successfully in the insurance business in which he still continues. His ready answers and charming personality have won him many friends and added materially to his business success.

Mr. Whiteside has travelled quite a little through the United States, Canada, England, Ireland and Scotland.

His collection, while it embraces quite a number of good stamps, has none of the great rarities. He is an enthusiastic advocate of our hobby, was one of the founders of the late

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Quaker City Philatelic Society, continuing as a member until it merged into the Philadelphia Stamp Club.

He was Vice-President of the Quaker City Philatelic Society, and now holds the office of Auction Manager of the Philadelphia Stamp Club.

Mr. Whiteside is a great exchanger, his correspondence in this respect reaches far and wide. He often gets a little "prod" in the way of a reminder by never seeing the stamps he has sent, or hearing of the would-be exchanger again, and he declares that he has been "bit" so often, that he will not send stamps first again. He has a fine collection of the stamps of Hayti, one of the best we have seen, in fact he seems kind of partial to the boys with "kinkey hair" and as for minor varieties of surcharges, he has them "too numerous to mention". Some of his fellow members of the Club collect side lines, for this form of collecting he has no love and showed his apathy at the Side Line Exhibition by exhibiting a lot of whiskey labels, cigarette cards, bread advertisements "and such like", as his side lines, trying in a nice way to make game of the side-line exhibitors. This is dangerous fire to play with and we judge his fingers have been burnt as we understand he has quite a large collection of Postal Permits.



There came to our shores a bright young lad from Erin,
The tails of his "Ulster" would trail on the floor.

With a chip on his shoulder, for "Boogy head" peering
And green stamps to mind him of Erin go brag.

AN EXPLANATION.

For some reason it was not possible to have the Bulletin printed on white paper this month. Four times we went to press with paper as white as snow but each time when the Bulletins came from the press they had taken the green tint that you see. As we did not feel warranted in expending more of the underwriters' funds, we were compelled to send it out as it is. The cause of the green tint may be fathomed by our readers, but as for ourselves we have no solution to give, although we might make a guess at it. We consider this statement necessary, so at the last moment we have dropped an article on "Sinn Fein" and other Irish provisional stamps that we might insert it.



We have heard of **Hand's** from Jersey and Massachusetts state, of **hands** that come in early and **hands** that come in late. We've heard of many kinds of **hands** in colors black and green, and often in the winter-time our own red **hands** were seen. We know there's **hands** upon the clock and on the ladies fair, we've also heard of **hand-me-outs** and **hand-me-downs** to wear, but of all the **hand-some handy hands** that ever we have seen, our smiling Forry Powell **Hand's** the very best we ween. There's **hand** towels for the Club Room all hanging in a row and there you'll also find a cake of **Hand Sapolio**. Last year **Hand** went to Cuba several weeks away he'd be and the by-word of us stay at homes was **Hands** across the sea. A chap once had three aces and a little pair of trays, this **hand** is called a full **hand** in the usual gaming phrase, but we do not wish to intimate or neither would we say that **Hand** was ever seen about affected in this way, I'd better stop this writing before I feel by heck, the **hands** of **hand-some handy Hand** encircling my neck.

EDITORIAL.

With this the twelfth number of the Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin, the Philadelphia Stamp Club will discontinue its publication. To Mr. Edgar L. Green, our Ex-President, our thanks and full credit are due as he, at his own expense published the first two numbers of the Bulletin. The underwriters have nobly fulfilled their promise to finish out Volume I and the thanks of their fellow members are due them for financing this feature, which has provided so much of interest to the Club members, and benefit to the Club.

The editors should also come in for their share of credit, but if they had not had the Bulletin on their hands, they would have been working up something else for the Club, so it is as broad as it is long. If a sufficient number of the other philatelic organizations of this country, are enterprising and progressive enough to co-operate with us in the publication of an inter-club journal, as proposed by the Philadelphia Stamp Club and outlined in our August Bulletin, we will feel that our efforts of the past year represent energy expended in the right direction.

To our advertisers who have supported us so liberally we wish to express our appreciation, as also to our subscribers and to our members who have borne with such uniform good nature, the "limericks" and thrusts of the "Bard of Drury St.", we wish to convey our appreciation of their tolerance.

To those philatelic publishers who have so kindly favored us with exchanges we wish to extend our thanks and state that if they wish to continue sending their publications to the Philadelphia Stamp Club, we will be pleased to place them on our reading table and preserve them in the Club Library.

We feel that the Bulletin has served its purpose, in cementing in fellowship one hundred earnest advocates of our hobby and we trust that in the event of the inter-club publication idea coming to naught, that our Club with increased resources, may find a way to reach its members, equal if not superior to the Philadelphia Stamp Club Bulletin.

"From Ulster came his dad,
His mother hailed from Clare,
He is the shrewd old lad"
When trading "kinkey hair".

THE SIDE LINE EXHIBITS.

The Side-line Exhibition at the Philadelphia Stamp Club meeting of Aug 15th attracted considerable attention from our members. Mr. Mann exhibited a general collection of fair tags from all countries beautifully mounted in a blank album, in his usual tasty style; Mr. Henkels showed a collection of six hundred tags from the United States only, beginning with the tags found on Blood's Despatch letters in 1842 and representing almost every fair and exhibition to date. But by far the most curious collection was that exhibited by Mr. Whiteside. It should be appreciated to be seen. Mr. Keller calls it a "White-side line collection". It is beyond description and we will not attempt it. Mr. Whiteside has his collection interspersed with pertinent and impertinent remarks which add greatly to its interest. He was undoubtedly the winner in the contest and will be presented with the green ribbon at the September meeting.



ON-THE HOG

Since Whiteside was born in Ireland, where was Osborn?

If an engine was slipping on her track, would Alexander?

If the Goddess Philatelia should visit our Club, would we Guy Herr? And if we knew she was coming would Francis B. Warner?

If a stamp was unperforated, would Wm. S. F. Pierce it?

If the ladies should stop wearing harem skirts, would C. E. Waream?

If Whiteside caused the tint of this paper, what made Edgar L. Green?

If our airship needed a pilot, would Percy Mann it?

(Hey Percy! we can do this too. Ed.)

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Formal—Third Tuesday evening in each month.

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For particulars of Advantages of Membership, Dues, etc., address the Editor of the P. S. C. Bulletin.

THE AUGUST MEETING

On the evening of August 15th, the regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club was held in the Club Room at 8 o'clock.

At the business session a contribution of \$25.00 was voted to the Philatelic Exhibition to be given in Chicago during the Convention of the American Philatelic Society.

The entertainment provided was an exhibition of "side-line" collections. Messrs. Mann, Whiteside and Henkels exhibiting.

At 9 o'clock the impromptu auction was held, at which 94 lots realized \$19.15.

There were twenty-four members and three visitors present as follows:

Members—Alexander, Barnett, Bush, Hand, Henkels, Ingraham, Keller, Klein, Leidy, Leopold, Liebeck, Lyons, Mann, Morris, Pierce, H. S. Rotzell, Smith, Speater, Taylor, Turner, Ward, Waream, Warner and Whiteside.

Visitors—Messrs. Boericke, Spangler and Washburn.

THE SEPTEMBER MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club will be held Tuesday, September 19th, in the Club Room. The meeting will commence promptly at 8 o'clock.

From 7 until 8 o'clock the members may purchase from the Bourse sheets or examine the lots of stamps which will be offered at the impromptu auction.

At 8 o'clock there will be the usual short business session, after which the Entertainment Committee will provide one of those distinctive entertainments for which this Club is noted.

The impromptu auction will commence at 9 o'clock. The auction lots will be on exhibition at the Club Room on the two Saturdays preceding the meeting from 1 to 3 P. M., and on the evening of the meeting from 7 to 8 P. M. Visitors will be welcomed.

There will be a special exhibition of green stamps at the September meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club. Bring whatever you have in stamps of this color.

MEMBERSHIP SEPT. 1st, 1911.

Four members have been admitted since April 1st, 1911.

No. 123. John Bancroft, Wilmington, Del.

No. 124. J. Irwin Barnhurst, 239 Winona Ave., Germantown, Philadelphia.

No. 125. Maurice Barnett, 26 S. 18th St., Philadelphia.

No. 126. H. E. Jefferson, 25 N. 7th St., Philadelphia.

RESIGNED.

No. 94. Theophile Saulnier.

No. 17. Herman Gerdau.

SUMMARY.

Membership April 1st, 1911,	100
New members	4
	104
Resigned	2
Membership Sept. 1st, 1911,	102
J. Homer Leidy, Secretary.	

In presenting the monthly report of the Treasurer, the attention of our members is again called to the fact that the dues for the present fiscal

year were payable May 1st. All members are urged to forward their dues to the Treasurer as soon as possible and in doing so, to enclose their membership cards which serve as receipts for dues.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Phila. Stamp Club, Aug. 31st, 1911.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts—Dues	\$10.50	
Auction Comm.	3.03	
Miscellaneous	.63	
Balance 7-31-11	87.84	
		Total
		102.00
Disbursements:—Rent	20.84	
Contrib. to Exhibition		
Fund	4.00	
Entertainm Comm.	1.00	
Postage (Bulletin)	2.00	
		Total
		27.84

Balance 8-31-11 74.16

RESERVE FUND

Receipts—None—Balance 7-31-11	31.57
Disbursements—Chairs for Club Room	20.75
	Balance 8-31-11
	10.82

INSURANCE FUND

No Receipts—No Disbursements	
Balance 8-31-11	8.55

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. Neufeld,
Treasurer.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

The Librarian would report the following exchanges received during August.

American Collector, British Guiana Phil. Soc. Journal, Collector's Review, Der Philatelist, Everybody's Philatelist, Ewen's Weekly, Germania Berichte, Gibbon's Stamp Circular, Le Fac Simile, Mekeel's Weekly, Mekeel's Trade Circular, Philadelphia Stamp News, Pacific Stamp News, Philatelic Gazette, (Aug. and Sept.), Phil. Journal of America, Redfield's Weekly, Stamp Collector, Stamp Journal, Vest Pocket, Western Collector, Smith's Monthly Circular, N. Zealand Collectors' Exchange, Revue Postale.

The Library is now in good shape and the Librarian would be pleased to ex-

change literature with collectors and clubs. Send your want lists and duplicate lists.

The Club can make use of back numbers of most of the current publications except weeklies.

68 Pamphlets were received from Mr. Henkels for which the Librarian wishes to express the thanks of the Club.

F. C. S. Leonhardt,
Librarian.

NOTICE.

There will be held a meeting of Philadelphia Branch No. 18, American Philatelic Society, in the Club Room of the Philadelphia Club on the evening of September 19th at 7.30 o'clock. Nominations for Branch Officers for 1911-12 will be in order. The annual meeting and election will be held October 17th, at the same place and hour.

A. F. Henkels,
Secretary.

The American Philatelic Society's Convention at Chicago is a thing of the past. The ticket as put in nomination was elected with the exception of Mr. Nast. Mr. Stone receiving thirty odd more votes than him. Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer has been appointed Sales Sup't by the Board of Directors. This action whilst it takes the office from one of our members located in Philadelphia, puts it in the hands of one of our fellow members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club, from Chicago, who through his past experience is eminently capable. Mr. R. E. Baldwin has been appointed Examiner of Sales Books. We trust that Mr. Wolsieffer will make the necessary arrangements to retain the local Sales Manager system as per recommendation of Branch No. 18. Mr. Eugene Klein, our esteemed fellow member has been appointed Counterfeit Detector and the A. P. S. is to be congratulated upon having chosen the "Philadelphia Stamp News" as official organ. From our knowledge of Mr. Mann we feel assured that he will give them faithful and satisfactory service. The exhibition was a great success and we understand that two of the medals will come to Philadelphia, to Messrs. Fleisher and Ward. The exhibits of Messrs. Worthington and Crocker were of course the premier attractions and Mr. Nelson's covers should not be forgotten.

AT AUCTION—THE HILLEKE COLLECTION

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D. O. Blood & Co., of Philadelphia, who from 1841 to 1858, issued so many different locals and operated a private post so successfully, were perhaps the originators of the idea of including the hour at which the letter was stamped, in the postmark. The postal authorities of the Government did not adopt this nice system of postmarking until long after Blood & Co. had set the pace. At least as early as 1851, the Blood postmark indicated the hour, even the half hour of stamping.

If the first two cuts of Blood & Co.'s locals of the "man stepping over houses" design are examined, indistinct letters and words are seen on the buildings. Chas. H. Coster in his work published a score of years ago, gives the following interesting explanation of the design of these striking stamps: "The general design is supposed to represent Blood & Co.'s messenger stepping over the Philadelphia Merchant's Exchange (the large building in the center with a cupola), in the basement of which building Blood's office was located at that time. The

edifice to the right was occupied by the SUN newspaper and the one just back of it by the Philadelphia LEDGER. T. Sinclairs, a lithographer, had his offices in the building towards which the forward foot is stepping."

The "Merchants Exchange" building referred to in the above paragraph is the present home of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, the building which they intend vacating when they move the Exchange to the proposed new quarters at 15th and Walnut streets.

The British new half-penny stamps
 Bear George's head in green.
 This was done do please the Irish
 And to curb their rising spleen.
 But the Stamps from Ireland Parlia-
 ment
 With portrait of O'Toole
 Will make them look like "side lines",
 When Ireland gets home-rule.

Greene was so careful of his philatelic knob, that we could'nt get his picture for our paper, so Jimmie who is willing to be always on the job, kindly offered to perform the proper caper. So we took him to a studio to get his photograph and sure he looked so solemn we never thought he'd laugh, but a "chicken" looked him in the face and put him on the blink, which made him give the camera a smiling rinkey dink. The smile upon his countenance then widened to a grin and they had to stretch the lenses to get his picture in.

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Our Treasurer, Prof. J. L. Neufeld, has returned from his summer outing at Loyalsock and has resumed business at the old stand, where he will be pleased to receive the dues of delinquent members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club, who, unless they pay up, will be posted on October 1st. GET BUSY!

Oh! Jimmie dear why did you hear
The news that's going around?
The're making lots of Haytis
With the Generals up-side down.
The cause of their inversion
As readily you can see
Is due to their insertion.
But don't talk of "X Y Z."

A million postage stamps weigh 64 pounds; joined together in one line their longest way, they would reach 15 miles 4³⁴ feet or cover an area of 5 00 square feet, stacked one on top of each other they would reach a height of 125 feet and dumped in one space they would fill a large dry goods box.

To count them would take one person 4 weeks, 3 days, 7 hours and 40 minutes, allowing one count each second and 10 hours work a day.

The New York World claims to have the rarest postage stamp in existence. It consists of a rough pen drawing of an Indian's head with numerals, and as it passed through the New York postoffice, franking a letter and receiving the proper postmarks, they consider that it is raised to the dignity of a provisional postage stamp, with an edition of one copy.

In certain parts of Sweden, where the most absolute confidence is reposed in the honesty of the people, a very informal postal system is in vogue. As the mail steamer reaches a landing place a man goes ashore with the letters, which he places in an unlocked box on the pier. Then the passer-by who expects a letter opens the box, turns over the letters and selects his own, unquestioned by anyone.

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