## The Quaker City Philatelist.

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY.
(For the Quaker City Philatelist.)
WANTED TO KNOW.
BY YUM-YUM.
Where! oh, where's the Collectors' Companion 9 Issued same months ago,
And who is the honest publisher? Does there anybody know?
Has he gone to St. Louis? Or , is he still in Chicago ?
Will I ever get back my quarter? Does there anybody know ?
What becomes of all the papers, Published one or two months or so ?
Is the advance money all stolen? Does there anybody know?
Gulled and honest subscribers, It's a shame to treat you so;
Will you ever cease to trust them? Does there anybody know?
And there are stamp dealers, Pure and spotless as driven snow ;
Where do they get " rare" surcharges? Does there anybody know ?
Oh, Philately! you're a blessing To all stamp rogues both high and low ;
When will you stop expanding? Does there anybody know?
In this glorious land of freedom, With its Hamburgs, booms and blow ;
Can there be anybody trusted ? Does there anybody know ?

## $\mathfrak{C b r o n i c l e}$.

## EDITED BY L. W. DURBIN.

Argentine. - The 2 centavo cards now bear stamps printed from the engraved die. The color of the card is also much lighter than before.
Austria.-Ten soldi letter-cards are said to have been issued for the offices in Turkey. The 3 soldi stamps have received the surcharge " 1 o paras" in black.
Bhopal.-The 4 annas, yellow, is now perforated.

Chamba State.-A half anna envelope and $I / 4$ anna postal card are said to have been issued.
Gabon.-This is another of the French colonies which has gone into the surcharging business. They use the stamps of the French colonies surcharged "Gab." or " Gabon," and new values as follows: 5,10 and 25 centimes on 200 . ; 50 and 75 centimes on 15 c.
Monaco. -Two letter cards, 15 and 25 centimes, have been issued.
New Caledonia.-Another 5c. provisional is out, made by surcharging the Ifr. French colonies.
North Borneo.-Several additional values are announced, as follows: $1 / 2$ cent, violet ; I cent, yellow; io cents, blue; 25 cents, blue; $\$ 2.00$, olive. They bear the name "British North Borneo."
South Australia.-The newspaper wrapper is now manilla paper.
Victoria.-With stamps of the new type we have the penny envelopes on white and blue, and a post card.

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meeting of october 9, 1886.
The meeting was called to order, with the President in the chair, and the following members in attendance: Bush, Chiles, Corfield, Durborow, Henderson, Jeanes, MacCalla, Siddall, Scarlett, McAllister, Hancock, Hempstead, Osborne and Harvey.

The bill for rent was received and ordered to be paid.

Resolved, that the Librarian be directed to make a list of the magazines, etc., contained in the library.

Mr. A. Harvey, Jr., was elected a new member.

A recess for the sale of stamps was taken advantage of by many who procured surprising bargains in stamps.

Returning again to business the subject of the admission into the American Philatelic Association of such people as Skinner, Bishop, etc., was brought up, and it was decided that the Secretary be directed to address Mr. Tiffany on the subject.

The President, who generally has a story to tell, favored the society with one.

MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 1886.
Meeting was called to order by the Vice-President, with twelve members present.

The rent bill was paid and then approved.

The Treasurer's report revealed the fact that the society was in good standing.

On account of the prolonged absence of the Librarian it was resolved that the Librarian be reminded of the fact that the dignity of his office should occasion his presence more frequently.

Mr. Walter Willard was elected a new member.

Resolved, that the Treasurer notify all delinquents as per Article VI, Section 5 of the Constitution.

During the recess Mr. Harvey favored the society with an interesting and humorous story.

The sale of stamps was, of course, continued until adjournment.

Wm. E. Scarlett, Secretary.

At a meeting of the Chicago Stamp Collectors' Union, held Friday, October 8th, it was decided to disband and organize a new society. Accordingly, constitution and by-laws, prepared by Messrs. Bradt and Mitchell, were adopted, and the following officers elected: S. B. Bradt, President ; M. P. Woelsiffer, Vice-President; C. R. Gadsden, Secretary ; T. J. Mitchell, Treasurer ; W. H. Shelton, Librarian. The new society is called the " Chicago Philatelic Society," and all communications for same should
be sent to C. R. Gadsden, Secretary, 308 W. Monroe street.

## Ebitors' Basket.

The Texas Stamp.-Not long since we had the pleasure of receiving an envelope, and way down in the S. W. corner we found the above paper. It is quite a neat little monthly, and evidently a great admirer of the Q.C. P., from whom it quotes quite frequently. Be original, my dear boys. We wish you success. We see that another will soon appear from the same town. Well, let it come ; there's always room for more.

The Collectors' Reviez is a new paper, and hails from Denver, Col. It is neatly printed, and speaks well for its publisher. We wish it long life and prosperity.

The Curiosity World looks well, and is very readable, having many good articles. We would suggest that our friend leave out some of the advertisements he has in it this month, and steer clear of such in the future.

The California Philatelist is at hand. It is the pink of perfection, and one of the most interesting of our exchanges. The only regret we have is that we do not see it oftener.

The Philatelic Journal of America deserves the thanks of the philatelic public for its full account of the proceedings of the American Philatelic Association. This magazine has made a mistake. Mr. Henderson is not our managing editor, but our business manager, which position he fills with credit.

We have received the following papers. Publishers please accept thanks:

The Stamp and Coin Gazette, Youths' Ledger, Philatelic World, Mohawk Standard, Carson Philatelist, Tag World, Capital City Philatelist, Empire State Philatelist, New York Weekly Press, Monthly Journal, Brief-Marken Zeitung, Young World, Chemung Review, Philatelic Herald, Philatelist, Cumberland Philatelist, W. E. Woodward's Catalogue of his sale of postage and revenue stamps.

We regret to see that some of our esteemed philatelic papers are publishing advertisements of dealers in vile pictures and such like traffic. It is a matter of great importance that we should use all fair means that lie in our power to expose such parties, for the youth of the present day have enough placed in their way to make them bad without having such advertisements brought under theineyes by philatelic publishers. We blush for the profession to think that such is the case. A paper that is published for the young should be pure in its advertisements as well as its reading matter.

Mr. Bogert's catalogue is out, but like all first things is anything but perfect. The chronological order in which the different countries are arranged is interesting, but very annoying when you wish to find one country and have to keep the index before you-possibly to find something which is located on the next page.

The Philatelist (Philadelphia) has (after much thought on the part of its numerous staff.) decided to depart from philately and take another path, but what sort of a path we are not informed. We hope it will be a pleasant and successful one.

Cadmus was the first postman. He brought letters to Greece. So! We thought the first male was left in the Garden of Eden.

Application blanks for membership in the American Philatelic Association are out, and can be had by addressing Mr. Bradt, Grand Crossing, Ills.

No complaints of counterfeit stamps are at hand yet. The time is near when our mail will be full of them, but we hope you won't be caught.

As we have said before let very cheap "Cape of Good Hope" alone. One good stamp, say a German to pf., is more valuable than a book of counterfeits.

We have received an advertisement of a party named Emery, hailing from Chicago, offering unheard-of bargainsCorrientes at 15 cents, etc., claiming that his large foreign correspondence enables him to sell cheaply should Boston be read for foreign.

Our advice to our readers is to steer clear of all such bargains, as they are rank counterfeits. We have seen some of his specimens, and know whereof we speak.

IF the recent decision of the Secretary of the Treasury is enforced, foreign stamps will take a rise very soon. It is a tariff for revenue only, unless Skinner, Taylor, Dresser, or other counterfeiters need protection.
W. W. Jewett has purchased The Capital City Philatelist, and will consolidate it with his own journal, The Philatelic Herald.

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We are so well satisfied with the result of our reduction that we shall continue our offer for another month to give you all a chance to subscribe. Our price is 15 cents per year of 12 numbers, which will appear promptly about the rst of each month.

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The owners of the Collectors' Compànion, of Chicago, are no better than common swindlers, having issued one exceptional number on their second year, and, having received many subscriptions, did not issue another copy, and did not return a single subscription or part of such.

Another bad custom now common is to consolidate two journals into one, which, while better than the other way, is not fair to subscribers, as it is not to be supposed that subscriptions would have been sent if it had been known that this would be done.

In this respect we also intend to keep faith with those who want this paper.

The price ( 15 c. ) is not excessive.
Last month we printed and circulated 2000 copies; but it seemed such a matter of course that we failed to mention it. Of course our advertisers felt it ; but it was due to them that some mention of this should be made.

In disclaiming all desire to get free advertising from Plain Talk we would call attention to the unparalleled success with which The Quaker City PhilateLIST has met, rendering such questionable advertising of no value to it.

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