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OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

OFFICIAL DECREE.

AUSTRIAN FOREIGN OFFICES.

NOTICE, NO. 27,907.

After the 1st of September of the current year the Austrian postage stamps of 3 soldi shall be sold at the reduced price of 10 paras, from which they will only differ by inscription, 10 PARA 10, surcharged at the bottom of the stamp.

They shall serve only for the payment of all printed matter and samples of merchandise.

Constantinople, 30 August, 1886.

PARAGUAY.

Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

We announce that from this date the department has put in circulation a provisional issue of official stamps for the exclusive use of preparing official correspondence to foreign countries. These stamps are imperforate, with the word "Oficial" on the said stamps, with following colors and values :

- 1 centavo, orange.
- 2 " deep violet.
- 5 " red.
- 7 " green.
- 10 " chestnut.
- 15 " deep blue.
- 20 " carmine.

JOSÉ R. MAZO,
P. M. General.

Ascension, 20 August, 1886.

Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

We announce that from the 1st of September next the department shall put in circulation the permanent issue of official

stamps for the exclusive use of preparing official correspondence to foreign countries.

The said stamps are printed with word "Oficial" in the following colors and values :

- 1 centavo, green.
- 2 " crimson.
- 5 " blue.
- 7 " orange.
- 10 " carmine.
- 15 " chestnut.
- 20 " blue.

JOSÉ R. MAZO,
P. M. General.

Ascension, 28 August, 1886.

LIST OF STAMPS ISSUED IN 1886.

(Continued.)

LABUAN.

- 10c. olive-brown.
- 16c. light-blue.

LAGOS.

- ½d. green.

LIBERIA.

- 1c. rose.
- 2c. green.
- 3c. purple lilac.
- 4c. chocolate.
- 6c. gray.
- 8c. slate-blue.
- 16c. orange-yellow.
- 32c. dark-blue.

MACAO.

- 20 reis, rose.
- 40 " yellow.
- 5 " black.
- 10 " green.
- 20 " rose.
- 25 " lilac.
- 40 " brown.
- 50 " dark-blue.
- 80 " mouse.
- 100 " red-brown.
- 200 " gray.
- 300 " orange.

MADAGASCAR.

4d. red-brown, <i>postal packet</i> .
1d. black and red.
1½d. " "
2d. " "
1d. pink and black, <i>surg. in black</i> .
1½d. " "
2d. " "
3d. " "
4½d. " "
8d. " "
9d. " "
1d. pink and lilac.
2d. " "
3d. " "
1s. 6d. red-brown.
2s. " "

MAURITIUS.

50c. orange.

MEXICO.

1 centavo, green.
2 centavos, carmine.
3 " lilac.
4 " "
5 " blue.
6 " lilac.
10 " "
12 " "
20 " "
25 " "
50 " puce.
1 peso, carmine on buff.

NEWSBAND.

1 centavo, green and black.
2 centavos, red and black.

ENVELOPES.

5 centavos, blue.
10 " puce.
Surcharged Wells, Fargo & Co.
15 centavos, carmine and green.
25 " " "

Return Letter Stamp.

No value, brown.

MONACO.

5 centimes, blue env.
15 " rose "
1 " bistre band.
2 " lilac "

NATAL.

2d. gray, surcharged on 3d.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Surg. postage.

5 shillings, green and violet.
10 " red "
1 pound " "
1d. red service envelope.

NORTH BORNEO.

½ cent, violet.
1 " orange.
4 cents, rose.
8 " green.
10 " blue.
25 " "
50 " lilac.
100 " red.
200 " olive.
Prov. surcharged in black.
3 cents on 4c. rose.
5 " " 8c. green.
10 " " 50c. purple.

ORANGE FREE STATE.

Revenue used postally.
6d. on 8 shilling, black and yellow.

PARAGUAY.

Provisional, surcharged official, imperforate.

1 centavo, orange.
2 centavos, violet.
5 " red.
7 " green.
10 " brown.
15 " dark-blue.
20 " rose.
Surcharged official, perforated.
1 centavo, green.
2 centavos, scarlet.
5 " blue.
7 " orange.
10 " red.
15 " light-brown.
20 " blue.

PERSIA.

Surcharged official on 1882 issue.
6 sh. on 5 shahis, green.
10 sh. " 10 centimes, carmine.
12 sh. " 50 " orange.
18 sh. " 50 " "
18 sh. " 10 shahis, carmine.
1T " 5 francs, red and black.

PERU.

1 centavo, purple.
2 centavos, green.
5 " orange.
20 " blue.
50 " vermilion.
1 sol, light-brown.
Envelopes surcharged with hand stamp.
2 centavos, bronze-green.
10 " red.
20 " violet.
50 " carmine.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

½c. green.

PORTUGAL.

25 reis, red-brown.

ROUMANIA.

5 bani, green.
10 " red.
25 " blue.

SAINT CHRISTOPHER.

4d. surcharged on 6d. green.
1d. " " "

SANDWICH ISLANDS.

2 dollars, carmine.
5 " blue.

SHANGHAI.

40 cash, blue surch'd on 80 cash, salmon.
60 " " " 100 " yellow.
40 " brown.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

½d. violet, newsband.
½d. " o. s. "

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

3 cents on 5 cents, violet-brown.
8 " " 12 " blue.

PERAK.

1 cent on 2 cents, rose.
2 " " 4 " brown.

Several varieties exist of type used in Perak, Sungie Ujong, Selangor, Bangkok and Johore.

TASMANIA.

½ of a 2d. green used for 1d.

TIMOR.

5 reis, black.
10 " green.
20 " rose.
25 " lilac.
40 " brown.
50 " blue.
80 " gray.
100 " red-brown.
200 " gray.
300 " orange-yellow.

TOBAGO.

½d. on 6d., brown.
½d. " 2½, blue.
1d. carmine on buff,
½d. green.
1d. brown.
1d. rose.

TONGA.

1d. rose.
2d. lilac.
6d. blue.
1 shilling, green.

TURKEY.

5 paras, black.
5 " green.

2 piastres, blue and orange.
5 " green on green.
5 paras, lilac on pale lilac.
25 piastres, black on gray.
25 " brown on brown.
Provisional.
10 paras on ½ of 20pa. rose. Surg. in black.

U. S. DE COLOMBIA.

5 pesos, brown.

REPUBLIC,

5 centavos, blue.
10 " orange.

TOLIMA.

5 centavos, brown.
10 " blue.
50 " green.
1 peso, red.
2 centavos, blue.
2½ " brick-red.

REGISTERED.

5c. yellow.
10c. blue.
50c. red.

URUGUAY.

5 centesimos, lilac.

VICTORIA.

½d. lilac.
1d. green.
6d. blue.

ENVELOPES.

2d. violet on white paper.
2d. " " blue " "
1d. green " " " "
1d. " " white "

NEWS BANDS.

1d. green, surcharged stamp duty.
½ penny, lilac on white.
½ " " buff.
½ " " gray.
½ " carmine on blue.
1 " green " white.
1 " " buff.
1 " " green.



THE members of the Quaker City Philatelic Society are much surprised that any one should fail to see what they saw in the Society. It was freely expressed at the first meeting in February that no society offered anything like an equivalent to the benefits received by them from their own organization. If the gentleman from the Granite State would like to see, let him come here and attend a meeting.

SECOND ANNUAL DINNER

OF THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

Notwithstanding the unfavorable weather, fourteen members and a number of guests met at Dooner's café on the evening of the 18th ult., to celebrate the second anniversary of the Quaker City Philatelic Society.

The *menu* card designed by the committee and printed by Mr. Siddall, consisted of foreign postal cards with *menu* and toasts on the back and with each member's name and 2d Annual Banquet of the Quaker City Philatelic Society on the face. Each card had been stamped and postmarked (5.30 P.M., Feb. 18, '87) at the Philadelphia P. O., and were placed by each member's place at the table.

The dinner and service were excellent, and added largely to this enjoyable affair, which only needed the flowing bowl to have made it uproarious.

Mr. W. A. MacCalla had been appointed toast-master, and after the solids had been disposed of called upon Mr. Henderson for "Our Society," which Mr. Henderson replied to with some well-chosen remarks and advice to the members, and predicted a brilliantly successful future for it.

Mr. A. E. Hancock was then called upon for "Our Post-Office," which he ridiculed in his emphatic manner, and as the subject was one which admitted of many remarks upon Democratic simplicity, Mr. Harrity was severely and justly scored.

"Our Official Organ" (THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIST) was replied to by Mr. McAllister, who spoke of its great success and compared it with a fly-wheel, as being obliged to be moved by, or moving, the cranks.

"The Past and Future of Philately" was replied to by Mr. F. E. P. Lynde, who made a lengthy oration upon the past, but ventured no prediction as to the future.

"The Committee" was replied to by Mr. W. H. Corfield in a few felicitous words. "Grey Hairs" was answered by Mr. W. C. Chiles (the youngest member), whose remarks were highly appre-

ciated. "Old Stones and Things," was replied to by Mr. Osborne, who seemed to think them harder to obtain and more expensive than stamps. Many other toasts were called for and answered—the "Printer's Devil," by Mr. MacCalla, and "The Guests" by Mr. Randall, being most notable. The absence of Messrs. Harvey, Siddall, Schaeffer, Scarlett and others, was to be regretted, as their familiar faces were much missed, and it was intended to call on Mr. Harvey for "The injurious effects of fashion on the postal card," Mr. Siddall on "Crankism and United States stamps," and on Mr. Scarlett for "The inevitable Bill."

Regrets were received by the committee from Mr. John K. Tiffany, Mr. E. B. Sterling, Mr. W. A. Warner, of the National Society, J. W. Clark, and others. The members dispersed at a late hour after deciding to meet again next year.

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ABOUT COLLECTIONS.

It has always been my belief that to obtain the full value of interest and general knowledge which may be obtained by a collection of stamps, it is necessary that one should at least collect the adhesives of all countries. The knowledge so obtained of the small coins and money values of foreign countries has proved of great value to observing collectors when abroad.

But this and the geographical positions are as nothing when compared with the impressions which are made by the different stamps of the character and resources of the different peoples, and the effect which the proximity or trade between two countries has upon one or both. In this the *general* similarity between the stamps of Canada and the United States may be readily traced to the greater resources and energy of the latter country, combined with the short distance and large trade between the mercantile centres of the two countries.

The older races may be readily traced in their migrations and colonizations simply by the stamps of the various countries. The Philippines and Portuguese colonies remind us of the one-time

ness on the seas of the Spanish and Portuguese races, at later dates the ascendancy of the Dutch in the Indies, and still later the numerous possessions of England point to another era. I might occupy much space by these striking enumerations alone, but feel that with these as examples you may carry this out to the extent of your pleasure, as it is my intention to speak as far as possible of the advantages of general collections only. Long lists of new issues are not to be looked upon as causes for dismay (for, unless you are wealthy, hope of full sets had better be dispensed with before you begin), but rather as cause of congratulation, as the successive new issues give some evidence of the progress of a nation in art, science, or finance.

The specialty or limited collector can know nothing of this, as his limit or specialty is usually possible of attainment, and having completed his part he is more than likely to stop altogether, but the general collector can know no end, and may be sure of the possibility of continual addition to his interest and collection.

RETSILLA.

JOTTINGS.

BY F. E. P. L.

It has been my good fortune to have attended a stated meeting of the National Philatelic Society of New York, on the twenty-fourth of last month, and I was struck by the fact that the members then present were all men, not boys, as is so contemptuously slung at us by the ignorant. The meeting was earnest, and the debate was carried on with much vigor.

A question was there discussed which I am very much in favor of, its being well debated and decided now, and for good, namely, shall existing societies go into the A. P. A., as a branch, and thus sink their identity or not. The sense of the New York Society appeared to be yes, as they did so. Now, while I believe in the A. P. S., I do not believe, as I said before, in sinking the identity of an older society in a new one, however large. I say, let individuals belong to the A. P. A., and boom it to what it deserves,

let all join who wish, but keep your home society cock of the walk, if we may use slang.

On the 18th of February, the Quaker City Philatelic Society celebrated their 2d anniversary by a grand banquet, which was partaken of by some of the brightest lights in its bright galaxy.

THE Special Offers of rare stamps offered in our February number were awarded to the following subscribers:

1. Wm. Salen, Washington, D. C.
2. B. F. Renneisen, Philadelphia, Pa.
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7. P. F. O'Keefe, Putnam, Pa.
8. G. W. Kellough, Macomb, Ill.
9. W. Milby, Piedmont, Kan.
10. W. M. McKirgan, Newark, N. J.
11. Chas. Neill, Minneapolis, Minn.
12. A. A. Edwards, Dallas, Texas.
13. Park Mathewson, Jr., Detroit, Mich.

Sixty-nine new subscribers received in one month!

Who will be fortunate enough to obtain one of the rare stamps offered this month? Send in your subscription early and make sure that *you* will.

FRAUDS.—We have received information regarding Mr. S. E. Draves, who was published last month, which reverses our former decision. Mr. Baldwin E. Mott settled his account with the parties who complained, and his name has also been withdrawn from the Fraud list.

H. F. Schack, Middlebury, Vermont, is a deliberate and dangerous fraud.

Care should be *used* in sending stamps on approval to Fargo, Dakotah.

Peekskill Military Academy contains a fraud, NAME NOT GIVEN.

Holderness School, Plymouth, is a good place to lose sheets in.

MESSRS. Hancock & Hempstead, 1621 N. 15th street, have just issued a small (vest pocket) catalogue of U. S. Government Locals, Adhesives and Periodicals. It possesses some valuable information in the prices quoted for special rarities and is neatly printed and bound in cloth. Price 15 cts., paper cover 10 cts.

A TRIAL advertisement will do more to convince you of the value of this paper, than all the talk of the 19th century.

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Advertisements for No. 4 should be in by March 28th.
Subscriptions must begin with current number.

A STAMP worth 10 cts. will be given to each of the first 50 new subscribers who send 15 cents for THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIST, for one year. Our present subscribers will do their friends a favor by bringing this offer to their notice. This offer will not be withdrawn until all the stamps offered have been awarded.

PHILADELPHIA has taken a new start in philatelic journalism, and now boasts of at least five journals, with one or two promises yet to be heard from. In wishing them all success we would recommend to them persistent, patient and careful work as the only sure road to success. Boyish enthusiasm or spasmodic efforts are not sure footholds in this pathway, and it will be many months before confidence will be felt in these journals.

THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIST has kept steadily on, and is now the leading

journal in the East which is devoted solely to Philately. Owing to the large number of subscriptions which have been received it has been found necessary to increase our regular edition to fifteen hundred. No advance in our rates will be made before September 1st, when a moderate increase may be expected. In this matter a marked contrast may be observed between this and some other journals, and we leave it to your better judgment what a fair price for philatelic advertising is.

WE desire to correct the error which occurred in our notice (February No.) of *The Germantown Philatelist*, which is published by Messrs. Darrach & Von Utassy. From later information, we understand that it will be an eight-page monthly, and the subscription price will be fifteen cents per year.

Mr. L. W. Durbin's *Standard* catalogue for 1887 is out, and, as usual, takes the lead. For convenience and general reliability, this catalogue cannot be excelled. It is too well known to require comment, the style being in many respects similar to his catalogues of 10 years ago. We notice that he has accepted the cut rates.

We are at present investigating the operations of a Western dealer, who does not furnish what is *ordered*, and will not return the victim his cash.

Before you go any farther, turn to page 42 and read our *Special Offer*, as a few days may lose you the chance.

Now is the time, 15 cents a year!!!

Mr. C. J. Fuelscher says "my two inch advertisement in your paper has paid me better than any other two philatelic papers I have advertised in combined." Mr. Fuelscher is a large advertiser in many other journals, and has been a prominent dealer for many years. As an evidence of his belief, he has made a contract for our last page of cover.

Messrs. R. S. Harris & Co., of Dubuque, Iowa, who formerly occupied but an inch space, have increased their advertisement to a full page, and made a long contract.

What cannot be beaten? Our offer on page 42. THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIST one year, and a rare 10 c. stamp for 15c.

A. C. P. S. Meetings.

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 12, 1887.

After the reading of the minutes, Messrs. Chiles, Corfield, Henderson, MacCalla, Siddall, Lynde, Scarlett, McAllister, Good, Hancock, Hempstead, Pearce and Harvey responded at roll call.

The Executive Committee then made its annual report, showing that the condition of the Society is most satisfactory—the Treasurer's report showing a large balance, increasing receipts, and decreased expenses; that the membership has increased during the year, that the Society's collection and the official organ are also sources of satisfaction. They recommend: 1st. That the Society subscribe to a number of copies of the official organ; 2d. That the Secretary send reports of the meetings to all of the leading philatelic papers; 3d. That a portion of the surplus be expended at the Society's auctions, for the collection, and 4th, that a standing committee be appointed to devise entertainments for the meetings. They also advise the formation of a branch of the American Philatelic Association in the Society, for the exchange of stamps.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance in the treasury of \$26.66.

It was resolved to expend a portion of the surplus from time to time for stamps for the Society's collection, at the auctions of the society.

The Librarian was instructed to procure a scrap-book, in which to preserve philatelic items from the daily and weekly press.

A committee was appointed to examine and report upon the claims of Mr. Chalmers, to be the inventor of the adhesive postage stamp. The Chair appointed Messrs. McAllister, Lynde and Scarlett the Executive Committee for the ensuing year.

It was resolved that future meetings be called to order at 8.15 P.M., and that the debate for the next meeting be "Who was the inventor of the postal system?"

The Society adjourned in the midst of Mr. Harvey's essay on "The injurious effect of fashion on the use of the Postal Card."

MEETING FEBRUARY 26, 1887.

Mr. Alexander, of Philadelphia, and Postmaster General Vilas, were elected honorary members of the Society. It was resolved that the second annual banquet be regarded as a great success.

Votes of thanks were extended to Messrs. Durbin and Siddall for their cooperation in getting up the *menu* for the last banquet.

Mr. Lynde gave notice of a proposition to change the name of the society to Philatelic Society.

As a result of the debate, a committee was appointed to draw up unfavorable resolutions to the claims of Mr. Chalmers, as the inventor of the penny postage system.

Mr. Lynde offered as a subject for debate, "Why should not foreign local stamps be collected as well as those of the U. S.?"

Next meeting March 12, 8.15 P.M., 1321 Arch street.

THEODORE SIDDALL,
Secretary.

Chronicle.

EDITED BY L. W. DURBIN.

Barbadoes.—The 1½d. post card is now printed in lilac on buff.

British Honduras.—The color of the 1 shilling stamp has been changed to gray.

Danish West Indies.—The 3 cent card is now buff instead of white as before.

Gibraltar.—A half penny card has been issued, printed in green on buff.

Grenada.—Another provisional is reported: 1 penny on 1 shilling yellow. A couple more newspaper wrappers have been issued, viz: 1½d. brown, and 2d. blue.

Holland.—A 5 cent International post card has been issued.

Hong Kong.—Provisional cards have been made by surcharging the three cents brown, with the new value, "one cent" in black.

Lagos.—The following new stamps are posted: 2 shillings and 6 pence, dark blue; 5 shillings, blue; 10 shillings, brown.

New Republic.—Three other stamps than those already reported have been received from this Dutch Republic. They are 2 pence, lilac on gray; 3 pence, lilac on buff; 4 pence, lilac on buff.

Portugal.—The 5 reis is said to have been changed to green.

Samoa.—A new issue of postage stamps has been made in this much abused island. They have a large cocoanut tree in a circle, with "Samoa Postage" above.

South Australia.—The long used provisional 3 penny stamp has at last been superseded by a new type.

Trinidad.—A double 2 penny post card has been issued.

Correspondents' Column.

[This column is open to all, and we hope you will take the opportunity to express yourself on any philatelic question. Those who want any information should send in their queries, which will be published in the following number.]

Mr. C. S. Brown, Muncie, Ind.—Your letter is too long for publication, and some stamps you mention never were.

The U. S. 1851, 1857, 1861 and 1870 one-cent stamps, all have the head of Franklin.

The ten-cent brown and ten-cent chocolate of the 1870 issue are decidedly different.

Generally speaking, Confederate stamps are worth more used, but *pen marked*

postmarks rather detract than otherwise unless on *original* letter.

Wm. C. Bell.—There are three distinct varieties of the D. O. Blood & Co.'s mentioned. The earliest type being very roughly executed. The second type being similar to the first, but much better in execution, but has no inscription on it except "City Despatch Post," on the mail bags and "Paid" on the package under the left arm (*i. e.*, this type appears with "D. O. Blood & Co.'s" very neatly written across the top with pen).

The third type is exactly like the second, but has "D. O. Blood & Co.'s" printed or engraved on the upper half of the stamp.



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 1851 Issue, unperforated, 3 cents, .01; 10c., .25; 12c., .75.
 1857 Issue, perforated, 1c., .02; 3c., perfect die, .05; cut die, .01; 5c., perfect die, \$2.50; cut die, .50; 10c., .20; 12c., .25; 24c., .60; 30c., unused, \$1.00.
 1861, Issue, Plain backs, 1c., .02; 2c., .02; 3c., .01; 5c., yellow-brown, \$2.50; 5c., brown, .10; 10c., .05; 12c., .10; 15c., .12; 24c., .12; 30c., .25; 90c., .85.
 1868, Grilled backs, 1c., .03; 2c., .01; 3c., .01; 5c., .35; 10c., .10; 12c., .15; 15c., .10; 24c., \$1.00; 30c., \$1.00; 90c., unused, \$2.50.
 1869 Issue, 1c., .07; 2c., .03; 3c., .01; 6c., .10, unused, .18; 10c., .25; 12c., .20, unused, .35; 15c., without diamond, .75 with diamond, .35; 24c., .85; 30c., .75; 90c., \$3.00.
 1870 Issue, Grilled backs, 1c., .10; 2c., .03; 3c., .03.
 1870 Issue, Plain backs, 1, 2, 3, 6, 10, 15c., .01 each; 6c., carmine, .03; 7c., .12; 12c., .07; 24c., .30; 90c., .05.
 Postage Due, 1c., .01; 2c., .01; 3c., .01; 5c., .03; 10c., .03; 30c., .10.
 Agriculture, 1c., .25; 2c., .20; 3c., .05; 6c., .10; 10c., unused, .50; 15c., .75, unused, .80; 30c., unused, .75.
 Interior, 1c., .05; 2c., .01; 3c., .01; 6c., .03; 10c., .15, unused, .20; 12c., .05; 15c., .10; 24c., .08; 30c., .15; 90c., .25.
 Justice, 1c., .25; 2c., .20; 3c., .08; 6c., .10; 10c., .40.
 Navy, 1c., .20; 2c., .10; 3c., .03; 6c., .05; 7c., .75; 10c., .20; 12c., .12; 15c., .15; 24c., .25; 30c., .20; 90c., \$1.25.
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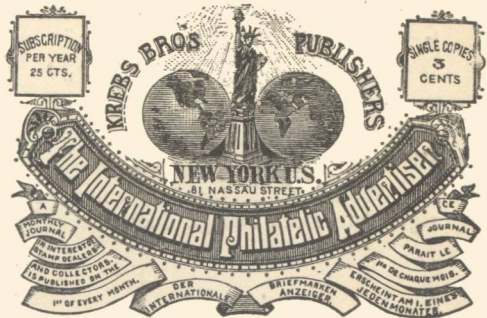
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