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NEW 10, 30, AND 90 CENT U. S. ENVELOPES.

The following is a complete list of all known varieties of the 1886-7 issue of above envelopes. U. S. watermark.

Issue of 1886.

10 cent size 2	White,	10 cent size 7	Amber Manila,
10 " " 2	Amber,	10 " " 9	Blue,
10 " " 3	White,	10 " " 9	Buff,
10 " " 3	Amber,	10 " " 11	White,
10 " " 3	Blue,	30 " " 3	Blue,
10 " " 3	Buff,	30 " " 3	Buff,
10 " " 3	Plain Manila,	30 " " 4½	Plain Manila,
10 " " 3	Amber Manila,	30 " " 4½	Amber Manila,
10 " " 4½	Blue,	30 " " 7	White,
10 " " 4½	Buff,	30 " " 7	Amber,
10 " " 4½	Plain Manila,	30 " " 7	Blue,
10 " " 4½	Amber Manila,	30 " " 7	Buff,
10 " " 5	Blue,	30 " " 7	Plain Manila,
10 " " 5	Buff,	30 " " 7	Amber Manila,
10 " " 5	Plain Manila,	90 " " 7	Plain Manila,
10 " " 5	Amber Manila,	90 " " 7	Amber Manila,
10 " " 7	White,	90 " " 9	Blue,
10 " " 7	Amber,	90 " " 9	Buff,
10 " " 7	Blue,	5 " " 5	Blue, } errors.
10 " " 7	Buff,	5 " " 5	Buff, }
10 " " 7	Plain Manila,		

Issue of 1887.

10 cent size 9 Buff Brown Impression, | 30 cent size 9 Blue Brown Impression.

THE BLANK ALBUM.

BY E. P. NEWCOMER.

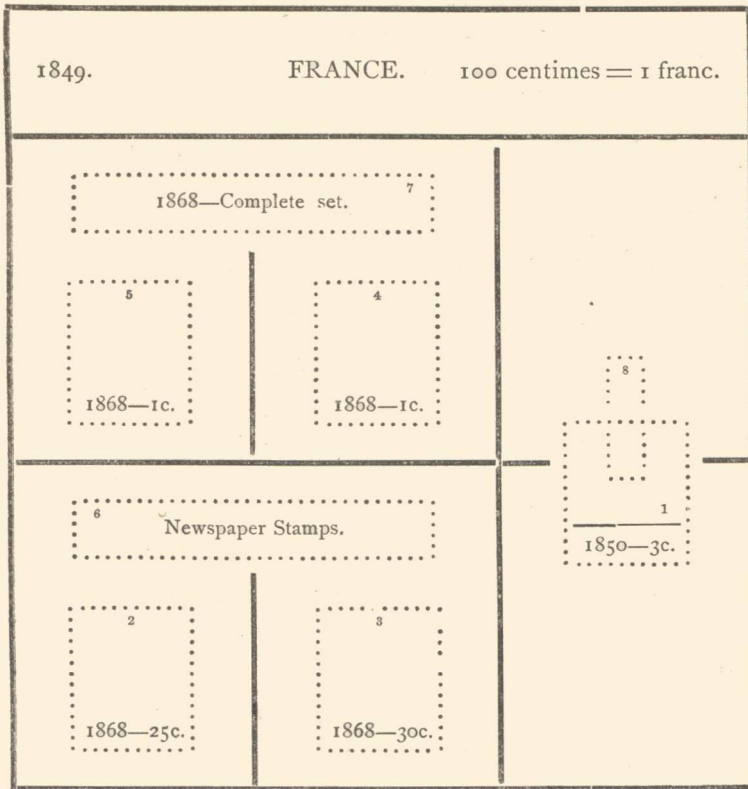
WE do not think that putting a collection of stamps in a printed album is the best mode of keeping a collection, and as there are improvements being made all the time in other albums we cannot see any reason why improvements are not made in stamp albums.

The majority of stamp collectors desire to model after "advanced collectors" in

every thing pertaining to philately, and as they have all adopted the blank album there is no reason why all should not advance in this matter also.

What is the best blank album? Many different opinions have been given regarding this question. Some use nothing but a handsome scrap book; others use stamp albums, the pages of which are blank except for the spaces which are already ruled. For the specialty collector the first mentioned is rather the best, while for the collector who gathers all things philatelic, except post-cards, there is no better album than the last named, for cheapness and utility. The majority of stamp collectors have come to the conclusion that the collection does not depend on the album that contains it. It is the stamps that one has that make the collection and not the album, as many think.

What is the *best* way to arrange stamps in blank albums? I presume that the majority of collectors reading this article collect everything in the philatelic line, and for this reason perhaps we had better relate how we saw the stamps arranged in a blank album recently.



The diagram represents the upper part of half a page of the album.

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5—stamps.

Nos. 6 and 7—slips of linen paper.

No. 8—Gummed Hinge.

The name of the country, first year stamps were issued and money of the country was written at the top of each page. Perhaps the better way is to write the heading as represented above on a neat slip of linen paper, which could be attached to the top of the page, the paper just to be gummed at each end, which would permit removal at any time. The year the stamp was issued with value at right-hand side, as represented

above, should be written on the back of each stamp opposite the top. The slips of paper attached above the newspaper stamps and complete sets, should be of linen paper and gummed at each end so as to permit easy removal.

The method of mounting stamps by gummed hinges as shown above is recognized as the best and handy for inserting stamps arranged in the way shown, as the stamps can be easily pulled down, allowing the year the stamp was issued and the value to be readily seen.

Stamps inserted in albums of this kind and arranged in this way show off to better advantage when exhibited to non-philatelists, and for this reason, if no other, blank albums should be used by all stamp collectors.

CASEY'S FOURTEENTH AUCTION SALE.

THIS was one of the most successful sales of stamps held in New York for years. The "Suffolk" collection was a generally fine one, and the prices realized up to and in some cases beyond catalogue prices. Here are some of the prices the stamps used:

Antigua, 6p. Rev., used postally, \$2.00; Bahamas, 4p. on 6p., two varieties, \$2.10; Buenos Ayres, steamship 3p., discolored, \$6.00; Canada, 6p. on envelope, \$1.45; Canada, 7½ pence, \$4.75; Canada, 12p., "specimen" proof, \$2.25; Canada, ½p., 3p., both perforated, \$2.10; Canada, 5c. and 10c. cut envelopes, \$2.10; Cape Good Hope, 1s., emerald green (triangular), \$1.05; 1p., wood-block, \$3.50; 4p., wood-block, \$3.50; Ceylon, 1s. 9p., \$3.00; Ceylon, 2s., \$2.25; the cut envelopes from \$1.20 to \$3.00 each; Cuba, (loops) Y1, 2v., \$2.50; Fernando Po., 20c., \$4.00; Great Britain, £5, \$4.00; one pound, \$2.50; 2s. brown, \$2.25; India "service" 2 an., \$3.00; Mexico, '68, 12c., brown (error), \$3.10; N. S. Wales, 1p., clouds, \$6.45; N. S. Wales, '51, 8p., \$2.10; U. S. revenues, 6c., proprietary, torn, \$6.90; postage, 5 and 10, '47, on one letter, \$1.80; postage, 5c. (imp.), \$1.76; postage, '57, 90c., unused, \$2.05; postage, '61, 5c., yellow-brown, \$2.00; postage, '69, 90c., \$2.70; postage, executive, unused set, \$7.30; N. Y. P. O., 5c., on letter, \$2.05; Providence, 5c., \$2.50; Hale & Co., red, \$1.80; Spain, '52, 2r., \$16.00; Spain, '53, 2r., \$9.50; Spain, '53, 1c., bronze, \$4.00; Spain, '59, 19c., \$5.25; Straits, 12c. on 4a., \$2.35; colonial stamp, ½p., \$20.00; Chicago match, proof, \$2.00; Pierce match, proof, \$3.50; the Reay set of "specimen" envelopes, \$47.90; the Reay war, 10c., No. 7, \$8.25.

THE following rulings of the Post-office Department will be found of interest, and modifies the construction previously placed upon the law.

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EDITORIAL.

BEHOLD! The *Empire State* is again in the field. Under a new name though. And the editor and proprietor is ashamed to put his name on the heading. However, any one reading the *Manhattan Journal* will not wonder at his action. Also, it has a promise, given for what it is worth, to appear fortnightly. That's English, you know, fortnightly, but even the English, you know, can hardly stand a semi-yearly appearance, or rather disappearance.

No apology is needed, so thinks the publisher, for the non-appearance of the *Empire State* for six months; indeed he seems astonished that the subscribers, if he has any, are not disposed to bear kindly with their loss, and he is affronted at their temerity in so informing him per Uncle Sam's mails.

The reason (?) given for the temporary withdrawal of the E. S. P., is that the publisher had a large job of printing on hand (there are no other printing establishments in New York, outside of the establishment of one Calvert, you know); said job was to get out about 12,000,000 election tickets and 8,000,000 stickers. Oh, yes, Mr. Calvert, we can figure, but can you? Our figuring shows an early ending of your latest effort in the philatelic paper line, and we count your astounding cheek as a large part of the assets.

We are indeed glad to learn that it "was something else" and not lack of cash that caused the delay in the issue of our e. c. Perhaps it was something really important. Could it have been ——— brains. It certainly was not cheek.

The sheet is the worst case of crib that ever came to our notice. Every article that has anything to do with stamps is taken from other papers, or, to suit Mr. C., journals, and the only original article in it has as much to do with stamp matters as the North Pole. It is good enough to put in a paper as spacing, or in the ads. at so much a line, and we would advise the author to try again and let the *Manhattan* alone if he has any literary aspirations. The publisher has made one mistake that we trust will be remedied in the next annual issue. The typographical part of the journal is good.

APPARENTLY the *Germantown Philatelist* has only been hibernating, as Von Utassy announces that it will re-appear under the name of the *Philadelphia Philatelist* and the management of Messrs. Von Utassy and Hoser. We can promise that it will present a typographical appearance that would not disgrace the oldest paper on the field and that it will be bright and original. It was in the *Germantown Philatelist* that the writer made his entry

in the philatelic press, and it consequently gives us great pleasure to chronicle its re-appearance under such favorable auspices.

CONGRESS has done one good thing at least. It has promptly passed the new bill removing certain disabilities as regards the writing and marking on third-class matter. There was no danger that the President would refuse to sign such a bill; indeed the business portion of the country was so strongly in favor of such legislation as to deter any politician, who is not done with politics, from opposition.

THE Comstock Association of Philatelist, at their annual election, held January 19th, re-elected H. W. Meeker, President, and L. C. Baker, Secretary. L. B. Culver was appointed Secretary of the North Granville Section.

PHILADELPHIA has the slowest post-office in the country with the single exception of political matters (there it lays out the mightiest in the land), but it has waked up enough to announce that the new three-cent stamp is on sale in any quantity desired.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

THROUGH the kindness of Mr. P. Chalmers, we are in receipt of a little book entitled "The Queen's Head," containing little sketches by employes of Her Majesty's Post-office. It is a very entertaining and valuable little book and should be in every philatelic library.

The *Stamp Collectors' Figaro* for December has come to hand brimful as usual. It is really a pleasure to welcome it to our sanctum.

We are in constant receipt of papers devoted to all kinds of collecting except philately, and wish to say that we are perfectly willing to exchange with every paper that has even the smallest corner devoted to stamps, but cannot see what good it will do us to exchange with papers in no way devoted to our hobby.

What has become of the *Collectors' Review*? We have seen nothing since the October number. We are missing very much this valuable little paper.

The *American Philatelist*, under the efficient management of the present Literary Board, is a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

We have received the following; publishers please accept thanks: Letter from Mr. Patrick Chalmers; "Western Philatelist," Vol. II, No. 9; "Internationaler Briefmarken-Anzeiger," No. 9; "Briefmarken Journal," No. 24; "Hawkeye State Collector," Vol. I, Nos. 1 and 2; "Eastern Philatelist," Vol. I, No. 1; "Witch City Philatelist," Nos. 6 and 7; "Plain Talk," No. 33; "Charleston Philatelist," No. 2; "Courier du Timbrophile," No. 10; "International Philatelic Advertiser," No. 12; "Stamp Collectors' Figaro," No. 10; "Philatelic World," Vol. VI, No. 1; "American Philatelist," No. 4; "National Philatelic Album;" "Report Wurttembergischer Philatelisten-Verein," 1886-87; "Mohawk Standard," Nos. 10 and 11; "Science Observer," Vol. I, Nos. 1 and 2; "Springfield Republican," December 24, 1887, and January 13, 1888, Articles on Stamps; "Philatelic Monthly," Vol. XIV, No. 1; "L'Union des Timbrophiles, No. 38; "Youths' Ledger," No. 26; "Agassiz Record," Vol. I, No. 1; "The Cyclone," No. 5; "Paris Poste;" "Common Sense," No. 9; "Badger State Philatelist," No. 2; "Curiosity World," Nos. 21 and 22; "The Collector," Nos. 6 and 7; "Toronto Philatelic Journal," No. 7; "Collectors' Illustrated Magazine," Vol. I, No. 1; "Monitor," Vol. II, No. 1; "Philatelic Journal of America," No. 36; "Illustrierte Briefmarken-Zeitung," Vol. I, No. 1; Catalogue Sterling Collection, Part II; "Stamp," No. 11; "Herdman's Miscellany," No. 8; "Philatelic Critic," No. 5; "City Press," London, December 28, 1887; "Philatelic Herald," No. 10; "International Collector," Vol. II, No. 1; "Empire State Philatelist," No. 6; "Manhattan Journal," Vol. IV, No. 1.

We have received from Mr. S. B. Bradt a copy of the "National Philatelic Album," designed for United States stamps only. It is printed on fine, heavy paper, nicely bound, and is just the thing for collectors of United States stamps. All should have one.

We have also received Mr. W. P. Brown's Catalogue of Stamps. It is very good and we find a great many good stamps catalogued very cheap.

QUAKER CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

MEETING OF JANUARY 7, 1888.

MEETING called to order at 8.30 P.M. President Henderson in the chair. Messrs. Chiles, Durborow, Henderson, MacCalla, Siddall, Lynde, Shaefer, Scarlett, Von Utassy, Watson, Miller and Warner present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Committees on Badge and Dinner made reports. Moved and seconded that the Society adopt the original designs ordered and that committee procure list of members who desire them. Carried.

Mr. Lynde tendered his resignation from Committee on Badge. Mr. Scarlett tendered his resignation from the Society. He consented to withhold it until after the yearly election.

Essay from Mr. Chiles.

Discussion on something to interest members at the meetings and secure a larger attendance.

Mr. Henderson read a clipping on cheap postage.

Adjourned 10.05 P.M.

JANUARY 19, 1888.

Meeting called to order at 8.20 P.M. President Henderson in chair. Messrs. Corfield, Henderson, MacCalla, Lynde, Von Utassy, Watson, Scarlett, McAllister, Siddall, Miller and Harvey present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Communications received from Messrs. S. M. Gans, L. W. Mott and C. J. Schaefer. Appropriate answers to be sent.

Committees on Dinner and Letter-head reported.

The nomination of officers for the ensuing year being in order, Mr. Harvey and Mr. Watson were appointed as tellers. The Society as a whole was nominated for all the offices.

Moved and seconded that the By-Laws be suspended and that we proceed to the election of officers. Seconded. Carried.

The following officers were elected:

President, E. R. Durborow; Vice-President, Wm. H. Corfield; Recording Secretary, F. E. P. Lynde; Treasurer, W. A. MacCalla; Corresponding Secretary, W. M. Watson; Librarian, George W. von Utassy.

Moved and seconded that we hold our third anniversary dinner at Dooner's Hotel, on Friday evening, February 17. Carried.

Mr. George C. Lubitz, Pittsburg, Pa., nominated for active membership. Executive Committee having reported favorably, he was elected.

Essays.—Mr. McAllister read an essay on a "Dealers' Protective Association;" Mr. Corfield, on the "Stamps of the Bahamas;" Mr. Miller, on "The Stamp Albums of the Present Day;" Mr. Warner, on the "Press Office;" Mr. Watson, "Envelopes of the United States;" Mr. Harvey, on "The Postal Card of the United States as Developed by Shakespeare;" Mr. Siddall, on "Recent Issues of Mexican Stamps."

Adjourned 10 P. M.

F. E. P. Lynde, *Secretary.*

INTERNATIONALER PHILATELISTEN VEREIN.

MEETING OF JANUARY 7, 1888.

THE regular meeting of the I. P. V., Philadelphia Section, was held at 1321 Arch street, on January 7, 1888, with President Lynde in the chair and the following members present: Messrs. Siddall, Lynde, Watson, MacCalla, Durborow and Von Utassy. The Secretary being absent, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was omitted. Mr. E. W. Voute, of Chicago, Ill., was nominated by Mr. George N. von Utassy and unanimously elected a corresponding member of the Philadelphia Section. The following officers were then elected to serve for the ensuing year: President, Mr. F. E. P. Lynde; Vice-President and Exchange Superintendent, Mr. Theo. Siddall; Secretary, Mr. G. N. von Utassy; Treasurer, Mr. E. R. Durborow.

Mr. Siddall, the Exchange Superintendent, then read the following report, which was accepted:

"That some time after the organization, the Section was required to prepare for our entering into the Stamp Exchange. These preparations completed, sheets were distributed to the members, and on November 1, the first lot, valued at *M.* 88.87, was turned in for transmission to the General Superintendent of Exchange at Leipzig. The entire amount turned in by the five members who contributed, up to November 23, when the sheets were forwarded, was *M.* 1144.93, or \$286.23. These sheets were sent too late to arrive in Leipzig before the book in return was sent to us. That book arrived on December 2, and contained *M.* 1007.89, or \$251.97. This book is still circulating among our members.

"The average amount contributed by our members is \$228.98. The average taken by our members from the book sent us (one who did not contribute included) is *M.* 44.45, the amount taken in all, so far, being *M.* 266.75.

"As the members were not provided with copies of the rules in English, some mistakes were made in filling up the sheets. However, these were overlooked by the General Superintendent on account of its being the first offence. These rules will be found in full in the next number of the *Vertrauliche Mittheilung*, which every member receives about the beginning of the year. Until these are received, members will please fill up sheets with postage stamps exclusively, their being special sheets for other stamps. Cards and envelopes entire must not be mounted on sheets.

"There are over 150 exchange sheets now on hand."

PHILADELPHIA, January 5, 1888.

Adjourned at 10.45 P.M.

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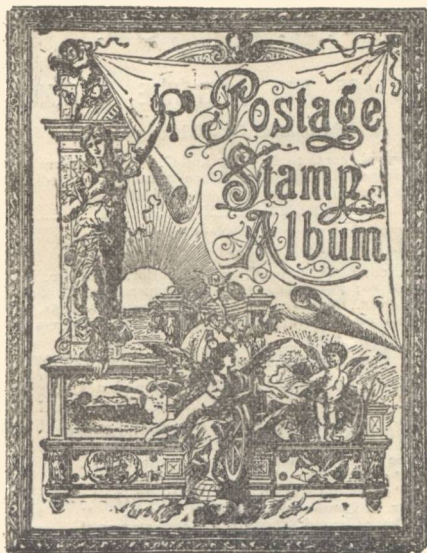
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