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OUR AMERICAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION TICKET.

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FOR TREASURER—Charles Gregory.
FOR SECRETARY—Millard F. Walton.
FOR INT. SECRETARY—Joseph Rechert.

WE believe all will agree that John K. Tiffany is the man to whom the success of our Association is due, and that he be continued as our President is the wish of all.

No man is better known than our nominee for Vice-President. We know that Mr. Corwin, if elected, will give his time and knowledge to our continued prosperity.

Our present Treasurer has proved a wise selection, guarding our finances and giving satisfaction to all interests.

For Secretary, Millard F. Walton, who, in the short time he has occupied his present position, has worked unceasingly to increase our numbers. We know from our own personal knowledge that Mr. Walton has solicited and brought into our ranks many collectors that otherwise would not have known of the American Philatelic Association. Mr. Walton's ambition is to make our Association rival our Dresden brethren, and if activity and persistence will accomplish this work our present Secretary will have the proud distinction of knowing that to him is due the increase in our Association, not only in numbers but in interest taken by the members. We know of no one complaining that any request or complaint which has been sent him has not had immediate attention. Mr. Walton makes it a point to answer all letters the day of receipt. Hence his work frequently runs into the small hours of the night.

Our International Secretary is the right man in the right place, and we would be very sorry to lose him. Mr. Rechert attends to all the foreign correspondence, and has been the means of giving members many new privileges, in exchange and purchasing, that otherwise we would not have possessed. We hope to see, as long as our Association exists, Joseph Rechert as its International Secretary.

COLLECT STAMPS BY SETS.

ONE of the best methods of adding to a collection of stamps is by purchasing sets. By sets is meant a certain issue of the stamps of a country, or all the stamps issued by one country during a certain year, and they may consist of two specimens or a hundred or more. In sets the designs on the stamps are generally alike, and the difference consists only in the different values they bear—as one-penny, two-penny or five-penny.

Sets are the cheapest way of purchasing in the end; that is, if you want to obtain anything like a complete collection of the stamps of a country. It is strange that more collectors do not purchase in this way, and if they would once try this method I have no doubt they would not go back to the old way.

Buying in packets you are sure to get only the commoner varieties of sets, and are

also certain of getting many duplicates of stamps you have. It is seldom you can purchase complete sets from approval sheets, and very often I have noticed three or four stamps of a certain set priced separately on approval sheets, the aggregate amount for the four exceeding the amount required to buy the complete set of seven varieties.

Then, again, a collector is not bothered by looking up and seeing what sets remain unfinished in his collection, but it is complete as far as he has gone, and it is worth considerable more than a collection consisting of the same number of specimens, and where the stamps have been added irrespective of sets. It is not necessary to add that a collection arranged by sets is more beautiful than one arranged by any other method.

Some collectors have adopted the "set" method, and we hope ere long that dealers will send sets on approval the same as they now send single stamps on sheets. Collect by sets. Try it. S.

NOTES.

A CORRESPONDENT in *The Stamp Advertiser*, writing on the subject of "collecting," among other things says: "All shades, varieties of watermark and perforations ought to be carefully collected and arranged, consequently a good collection of any country will probably require half a dozen specimens of each to show the varieties of shades, etc., properly. Proofs and essays when attainable, also, to my mind, add very largely to the interest of the stamps of any country. It is only by making a collection on these lines that one can tell what minor varieties are common or rare in shade, watermark or perforation. The stamps of our own country (England), for instance. How many collectors have a good collection of them? Very, very few, indeed; and yet England and her stamps, with the proofs and essays, one would have thought would at once have commended itself to a collector. To make a complete collection of English adhesives, unused, many may not believe it, is an exceedingly difficult thing indeed."

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MAURITIUS.—Owing to the stand taken by the Postmaster-General of this colony, no more "revenue-used-postally" stamps will appear. The order is to treat all letters bearing a revenue stamp, not otherwise prepaid by the proper postage stamps, as unpaid, and that care be taken not to cancel the revenue. The true philatelist should pass a vote of thanks to the Postmaster-General.

ONE of the French dealers has advertised a Mauritius *Post-office* 2d. blue on original letter, value \$1000. We doubt if any are to be found in this country, only one being known in England.

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UNITED STATES.—Any of our readers desiring the 90c. purple, can obtain them at the Philadelphia Post-Office. We will be happy to purchase it for those sending us 90c. and a stamped addressed envelope. This stamp will be quite rare in a very short time, and we would advise our readers to procure a copy at once.

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CONFEDERATE.—*The Metropolitan Philatelist* mentions a newly discovered variety—a small 10c. blue, 1863, printed on small *laid* paper. Mr. Corwin thinks it is the rarest of all government Confederates. Only four copies are known.

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GREAT BRITAIN.—The 1 and 2 pence were originally issued for internal use only, and for some years afterwards they were not received as postage on foreign letters.

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ST. HELENA.—Collectors should secure at once the 2 pence, as they will not be issued in future.

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WHEN we by chance refer to our old files we are struck with the change which has apparently come over the trade—a change which has been largely due to the formation of the American Philatelic Association, which resulted in bringing forward many collectors who had formerly been content to keep themselves and their treasures hidden under a (figurative) bushel. In consequence, the United States and America have risen considerably in the estimation of the world, and ordinary stamps are cheaper than ever before, while the really desirable ones are much more difficult to obtain.

MR. CORWIN'S VENTURE, *The Metropolitan Philatelist*, has appeared and is full of readable material and advertisements, but lacks an appropriate cover, which we have no doubt will soon be provided. The first issue is as highly creditable a sheet as could have been desired, and we hope the numerous editorial chairs will maintain their present standard of excellence. A rather curious feature is the initial signature of each writer which is attached to each article, no matter how long or short. This would seem to imply distrust or an unwillingness on the part of the several editors lest they individually be called on to father some unfortunate or ill-chosen article, and will, we think be abandoned later on.

WITH the World's Fair, Chicago will of course be the choice for '92, and naturally many A. P. A. members are wondering where the next Convention is to be held. Many favor Niagara as offering a good place for East and West, and with its natural advantages we think it highly desirable.

DISCOVERIES of old stamps still go on, another variety of the Baltimore having recently been unearthed.

MR. VOUTÉ'S TALK in *The Figaro* is certainly light in tone and heavily weighted with *scum* or glim, and lies, Gulps of Joy! etc., are not warranted by facts.

JOTTINGS.

MR. GIWELB calls Philadelphia the Capital of Philatelists in the United States. Probably our New York friends will object to this, as they think the world of philately consists of New York and vicinity. Philadelphia has a few magnificent collections. We doubt if the dealers could do without this quiet Quaker town. Mr. Giwelb says he can only compare Mr. Brock's collection with two collections held abroad.

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MR. E. B. STERLING has purchased the entire stock of the United States revenue proofs belonging to the Carpenter estate, for many years the engravers of the proprietary stamps.

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SYDNEY VIEWS.—All collectors desire to possess these rare and interesting stamps of New South Wales, and we would advise every one to read their history and description as published in *The American Philatelist* for February. This article is very concise and to the point.

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THE London correspondent of *The Metropolitan Philatelist* says that one of the so-called prominent dealers has a card printed somewhat as follows:

EDWIN ENGLAND,

DEALER IN FAKED STAMPS.

Quotations for Surcharges on Application.

Will our old Boston friend have to take a back seat?

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It is stated in one of the English Post-office Reports that if it were not for collectors there would have been a deficit in one of the British colonies. This is very nearly acknowledging that surcharges are for "revenue" only. As long as we demand surcharges we will get them. Would it not be a good idea for all collectors to boycott all surcharges?

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NEW JOURNALS.—Among the new arrivals is *The Metropolitan Philatelist*, built somewhat on the same plan as the old *National Philatelist* of many years ago. Under the able management of C. B. Corwin, this journal should be one of the most successful and interesting, judging from its initial number.

One of the neatest is *The Philatelist*, now edited by Gustav Aue, who knows how to get out an attractive paper.

The Universal Philatelic Advertiser, hailing from Frankford, Philadelphia, is mostly devoted to dealers' advertisements, and, to our mind, the collector takes as kindly to advertisements as to reading matter. Dealers from all parts of the world are represented in its columns.

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WE have been sent by a Western dealer a 1c. green Hawaii stamp, that was used on a drop letter in the San Francisco Post-office. Evidently the post-office officials were rushed with business or they are very careless. Collectors of oddities prize such as this very highly.

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"	'61 3c.		8
"	'68 3c.		12
"	'69 3c.		8
"	'72 15c.		18
"	'72 30c.		40
"	'72 90c.	I	20
"	'82 6c.		12
"	Second Issue. Postal Note.		15
"	'79 Seal, litho.	.....		9
"	Agriculture 1c.	.....		30
"	" 6c.	.....		22
"	Justice 2c.	.....		18
"	Navy 2c.	.....		18
"	" 6c.	.....		16
"	State 1c.	.....		22
"	" 3c.	.....		18
"	" 6c.	.....		17
"	" 15c.	.....		30
"	Treasury 1c.	.....		6
"	" 10c.	.....		8
"	War 1c.	.....		2
"	" 12c.	.....		3
"	'64 3c. env., entire, on white, note, Mekeel's No. 123.	.....		12
"	'70 7c. env., entire, on amber.	.....		35
"	'79 3c. on white commercial, star wmk., Mekeel's No. 503.	.....		15
"	2c. env. entire, on fawn, commercial, star wmk., Mekeel's No. 487.	.....		18
"	'82 1c. env., entire, on white, full letter, "82" wmk., Mekeel's No. 558.	.....		12
"	10c. env., entire, on amber, official "82" wmk., Mekeel's No. 601.	.....		75
"	Postal Service, blue on blue.	.....		10

FOREIGN.

Angola,	'70 5r.	.....		2
"	'86 5r.	.....		1½
Azores,	2r.	.....		1
"	2½r.	.....		1
Alsace,	7 var.	.....		14
Bolivia,	'67 5c.	.....		5
"	'71 100c.	.....		45
"	'71 5c. black.	.....		2½
British N. Borneo,	½c.	.....		1½
Brunswick,	1 gr.	.....		½
Congo,	'86 5c.	.....		2
Costa Rica,	½r.	.....		1½
Corea,	5m.	.....		6
"	10m.	.....		4
Faridkot,	½ a. (small).	.....		8

The above is a portion of a Clearance Sale list, just issued. If you are looking for bargains, now is your time to get them. Send for the list.

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