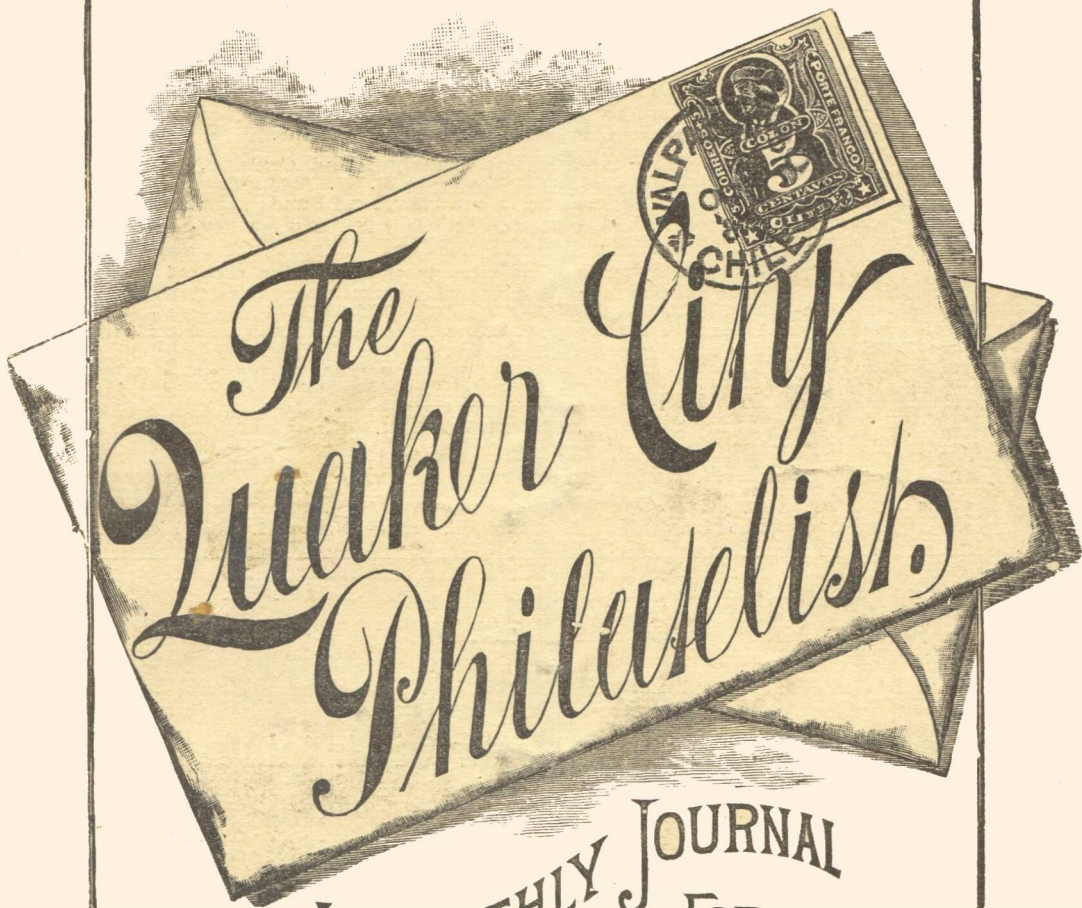


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## NEW ISSUES.

BY R. R. BOGERT.

**Austria.**—The 1 and 2 fl. have been surcharged 10 and 20 pi., respectively, for use in the Levant.

**Bahamas.**—Cards, 1d. and 1 1d., carmine on buff.

**Bolivia.**—We are convinced that the recently noted newspaper stamps are frauds.

**British North Borneo.**—Another. Red surcharge on 25c. blue, eight cents, in two lines.

**Chili.**—We hear of 15c., green; 25c., brown, old type, and 1 peso, dark brown, of new type, somewhat larger.

**Curacao.**—25c., unpaid, of new type, has been issued.

**Diego Suarez.**—Conforming to the custom, this colony has surcharged its name diagonally on the current stamps: 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 75c. and 1fr.; also the unpaid, 10, 15, 20, 30, 60 black, and 1fr., brown; cards, 10 and 10+10; letter cards, 15 and 25. This is wholesale.

**Egypt.**—The 3m. has changed in color to orange.

**Falkland.**—Cards, 1d. and 1+1d., are announced, carmine on buff.

**Fiji.**—The 2d. was surcharged 4d. It has been further increased in value by overprinting with 5d.

**French Colonies.**—St. Pierre and Miquelon, Martinique, Guadeloupe, Guiana, Senegal, Mayotto, Obock, French Congo, Reunion, Diego Suarez, Indo-China, Inde, New Caledonia, Oceania, Cochinchina, Angorian, Fr. Guinea and Ivory Coast—a brand new outfit for each one of the seventeen: 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 75c., 1fr., together with envelopes of 5 and 15c.; cards, 10 and 10+10c.; letter cards, 15 and 25c.

**French Congo.**—The unpaid 1fr., brown, has been surcharged "Congo Français—Timbre Poste—10c." in three lines.

**Gold Coast.**—Cards, 1d. and 1+1d., carmine on buff.

**Great Britain.**—We have not noted the new ½d. envelope. The stamp is from a die originally used for private postcards. Size 88 x 142 mm., carmine on white. The new 4½d. stamp has received the print, Govt. Parcels.

**Grenada.**—Now the 6d. violet has received the surcharge "Surcharge Postage" in two lines with 1d. or 2d. above.

**India.**—The 4a. and 8a., current issue, are overprinted "On H. M. S."

**Iceland.**—The 10+10a. card has inscription in Danish and French.

**Lagos.**—Cards, 1d. and 1+1d.

**Macao.**—It is said that the 300r. has been surcharged 30 reis in red.

**Mauritius.**—Two new stamps, value of 1c. and 15c. are reported.

**Morocco.**—The 25c. stamp, courier service between Mazagan and Morocco, has been surcharged 10c.

**New Zealand.**—6d., violet, O. P. S. O.

**Orange Free State.**—Awaiting the new 2½d. stamps, it is said the 3 and 4d. stamps have been surcharged 2½d.

**Philippine.**—*Der Philatelist* mentions a 6m. rose which we have omitted to chronicle.

**Portugal.**—75r., carmine, current type, has appeared.

**Roumania.**—A reply card, 5+5b., type of single 5b. card.

**Sarawak.**—We read of a new surcharge, 2c. on 8c.

**Selangor.**—8c., orange, tiger.

**St. Vincent.**—5d. on 4d. is reported.

**Surinam.**—Our correspondent writes: "Post stamps 1c. on 2½c. were never officially issued. Only of late it has been known in the colony that our late celebrated Governor had, to oblige a party, revalued a lot of the 2½c., and, it is presumed, made a present of the parcel. They are of not the least value, as they are not registered here, neither at Berne, and we expect that our government will have some correspondence with the Postal Union about this illegality."

**Switzerland.**—Reply cards, 5+5c. and 10+10c., of new type, have appeared.

**Tasmania.**—A number of compound envelopes have appeared.

**Timor.**—The 8or. is said to have been surcharged 2½, same as the 10 and 20r.

**Tobago.**—New cards, ½d., ½+½d., 1d., 1+1d.

**Tonga.**—A 6d., orange, is to be added to the set listed in November.

#### PHILATELIC PERAMBULATIONS.

(Written Expressly for *The Quaker City Philatelist*.)

[BY CANADENSIS.]

**T**HERE are several little errors made by American correspondents when writing to Canada, and as they appear to be getting more frequent it will be just as well to enumerate a few for the benefit of collectors especially.

First of all, we can't use your postal notes in Canada. They are not worth the paper they are printed on. Send a Post-office money order. Dealers and others when writing requesting answers to letters will either send a self-addressed stamped U. S. envelope or a printed addressed envelope with the stamp "nailed on with glue." For goodness' sake, don't you know U. S. stamps won't "go" here? Either send a Canadian 3c. stamp or a 3c. U. S. (not a 2c. one) and keep your self-directed envelope for a useful purpose.

The new 1c. + 1c. reply card is apparently a snare for some people. I have received two with the questions on the reply half, leaving me the card itself with the words "Detach annexed card for answer," on it. These will not "go" through the Canada mails. Our P. O. clerks are too sharp. A collector here recently had one sent to him, written, of course, on the wrong half. It was returned from the Dead Letter Office with the words, "Returned for postage," on it in big black letters. Aha, says he, the foolish clerks don't know that is a paid reply card. He wrote demanding an explanation. Here is the answer which flooded him:

"The enclosed card *is not* transmissible without payment as a letter. The reply half of American reply cards may be returned, but in this case you will see by the note in the lower left-hand corner of the card that you have written your message on the card itself."

At last the instigator of the bogus Canada notes in the *Era* has been discovered. He proves to be a *traitor* to the society he belongs to, and some very interesting developments are looked for. He tried to pass under the *nom-de-plume* of "Colonai-lus" as a resident of Montreal, but he is a boy living *not far* from London, Ont.

Both the *Philatelic Journal of Canada* and the *International Philatelist*, our new stamp papers, are a credit to philatelic journalism. The enterprising gentlemen at the head of these two papers are deserving of great praise in their worthy attempt to elevate our hobby from the amateurish squibs, now so common.

Mr. Ashcroft, in the last *P. J. of C.*, states that the boy who writes "Pokes" in the *Pennsylvania Philatelist* ought to have his head poked into a barrel of molasses. In this conclusion I heartily concur.

A collector here showed me a quotation from a San Francisco firm, offering lots of Samoa at twenty-eight cents per set of eight, last issue.

The "review mocking-bird" *Era* seems anxious to know why the P. S. of C. do not drop members for non-payment of dues. For its edification and the same writer in the *Canadian Philatelist* I may state that the last convention of the P. S. of C. decided that none would be erased from the list until January 1, and then they will not be "dropped" but "expelled."

A couple of curious errors were recently noted in two of our prominent dealers' advertisements. One of them quoted "Nova Scotia 3c. grilled and 90c. carmine," and the other advertised a "set of 100 varieties for \$100!"

Newfoundland stamps have advanced 25. per cent. during the last two months in the European market.

Sixty dollars is now asked for a perfect Nova Scotia shilling.

After traveling up and down all over this continent, to Europe and back again, the story of the counterfeit Nova Scotia 2c. stamp is resurrected twice by Editor-in-chief Jewett in the *Era*. Let it die!

Mr. W. Sabourin, publisher of the *Ottawa Philatelist*, is a clever musician as well as a talented amateur actor.

Stamp speculation seems to be quite a thing. The St. Vincent 5d. on 4d. and Argentine commemorative issue seem to have been bought up by postal officials and non-philatelists simply to sell to collectors at high prices.

A letter received here from one of the most prominent collectors of New York says that "if the publisher of the *Era* only gets rope enough he will hang himself yet." This is supplemented by one from one of the leading Western collectors who writes me: "What do you think of the editor of the *Philatelic Era*. It seems to me he is making a great big ass of himself and his *Era*. He is in marked contrast to the other New England publisher, Mr. F. H. Pinkham, who is running the best philatelic journal in the U. S. and sensible enough not to make much blow about it." Not having permission to do so, I cannot add the names of the writers, but the letters are preserved and can be seen.

Although only in its third number, the *International Philatelist* comes out with its December number on January 10 under a new management. Instead of an improvement, which was expected, the number is otherwise. They state that Albany, N. Y., saw the first philatelic paper ever published and the date 1864!!! President Tiffany might give them the right record, if applied to.

The *Ottawa (Can.) Philatelist* says: "We wish to congratulate Brother Spooner on the selection of the *Stamp* as the official organ of the P. S. of C. We don't pretend to be hoggish, like some others we know of, and must say the *Stamp* makes a satisfactory choice and is able to serve the members' interests just as well as if it were published in Canada.

The following interesting items are taken from the last issue of the *Bungtown Philatelic Bladder*:

TO EXCHANGES.—We will exchange six copies or none with all stampic papers; two copies to go to the editor-in-chief, one to the review editor, two for the Bungtown Philatelic Society, and one for our devil.

THANKS.—Our best thanks are due to the Transcontinental Stamp Co., for their present of a set of Samoa. We have put them in our counterfeit album.

OUR RIVAL.—Our "mocking-bird" contemporary of Portland had better look out.

If he thinks we are going to stand his abuse and say nothing he is mightily mistaken. There is nothing *small* about us. Their editor is simply a figure 9 with the tail cut off.

A GREAT FIND.—Jim Bremen and Dan Mark made a great haul the other day out of an ash barrel. They fished out several dozen 2c. red U. S. (slightly oxidized). There is, however, a dispute over the find, as an old woman, named Ann Gola, claims they are part of her collection stolen some time ago. The B. P. S. will settle the case at their next meeting.

#### NOTES FROM PARIS.

BY R. R. BOGERT.

The postal facilities are much better than at home. Besides the main P. O. there are 99 branches, all open till 9 P.M., and some all night. Letters can be registered, money orders issued and paid, and in fact all postal business transacted at any time. There are eight deliveries daily, including Sunday, the last about 8 P.M.

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I noticed our Postmaster General at home makes a serious misstatement in his report where he says 1d. in Great Britain only carries a half-ounce letter. It not only carries one ounce as in the U. S. but 2 oz. go for 1½d., 4 oz. for 2d. and every additional 2 oz. costs only ½d.

One exhibitor at the exposition here showed twenty-one 4 rappen of Zurich, and forty-one 6 rappen, besides a block of four of the 5+5c. Geneva and nine others mostly on letters.

This is not philately, but it may interest our readers to know that it has been so warm here, we have had mosquitoes within a week of Christmas.—*Philatelic Monthly*.

THE new Columbian postage stamps were vigorously attacked by Mr. Wolcott, of Colorado, in the U. S. Senate, who called up his joint resolution directing the discontinuance of those stamps. In a brief but decidedly breezy speech Mr. Wolcott ridiculed the Postmaster General's mercantile idea that a large profit might be made from their sale to stamp collectors—an idea, he said, that might suit some Central American State that was "a few thousand dollars shy." He was unwilling to have unloaded on stamp collectors "a cruel and unusual stamp," and rather approved of a physician's idea that it might be used as a "chest protector."

Senators enjoyed the speech and the joint resolution might have been passed instantly had not the Chairman of the Post-office Committee, Mr. Sawyer, interposed an objection which sent it to that committee.

#### REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF EXCHANGE OF W. P. U.

Since my last report, this office has received 94 sheets of stamps, valued at \$406.49. Allow me to suggest to members that in forwarding books they use as far as possible 6 and 15c. stamps, as there is always sale for them in quantities, and there will be a good demand for those denominations of the "Columbian" issue.

BREWSTER C. KENYON, *Superintendent*.

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THE majority of the members of the Los Angeles Branch, No. 2, W. P. U., place the following-named parties in nomination for general officers of the Western Philatelic Union, to be voted for April 15, 1893:

*President*—Lieutenant J. M. T. Partello, Toledo, O.

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*Secretary and Treasurer*—A. P. Hosmer, Chicago, Ill.

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In the above nominations, Chicago has certainly been given the lion's share, but we believe she deserves it, as no other branch can show a third as many members, and none could have filled their respective offices more acceptably than have Messrs. Hosmer, Ross, Stevens and Jerrems.

In naming Mr. Jerrems for Superintendent of Exchange, we have done so with the belief that he will be "the right man in the right place," and also that this important office should be located in a city where there is a large branch, so that the Superintendent can at any time call upon competent assistants when necessary.

We ask but one office for our own city and the Southwest, and in so doing, we have the honor to nominate Mr. M. H. Newmark, for Vice-President. This gentleman needs

no introduction to the California members, but for those who have not had the pleasure of meeting him, we would say that he is one of the well-known millionaires of our "Golden State," an ardent philatelist, and a gentleman, who as Vice-President will be an honor to the W. P. U.

NEW YORK, January 3, 1893.

MILLARD F. WALTON, Esq., Editor of THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIST:

Dear Sir:—I am just in receipt of the December number of THE QUAKER CITY PHILATELIST, in which I notice an article by "Canadensis," which I now learn is identical with a certain party under the name of John R. Hooper, of Ottawa, Canada, who probably has some reason to write under a *nom de plume*. As this article is injurious to my reputation and business as well, I trust you will allow me sufficient space to explain my side of the "story."

John R. H. says, "I bid \$3.50 on the lot numbered 53." I do not wish to say that this is a lie, but it is a *double* error. The bid I received was not \$3.50, but \$3.05, and not on lot 53, but on lot 58. I had another bid on the same lot from a New York collector of \$2, consequently I was bound to go above that price on account of Mr. J. R. H.'s bid and I secured the lot for \$2.05, *i. e.*, \$10.25 for the lot, knowing that Mr. Jno. R. H. (to use his own words) was not fool enough to pay over \$15 for the set, and I never supposed I would have been obliged to go as high as that. I was astonished to receive such a bid, but as probabilities are if somebody wants a stamp very badly, I receive very high bids. Why should it be different with such a lot? Mr. Jno. R. H., after receiving the stamps, refused to accept them, stating that he made a mistake. I explained to him that I am not responsible for his mistakes and did not intend to suffer a loss on account of his error. I have to pay the owner of the stamps sold at auction the full amount realized at the sale, less my regular commission of 20 per cent., which in this case would make the net price for the lot, deducting this commission, \$8.20. I informed Mr. Jno. R. H. that I certainly did not wish to take advantage of his mistake and that I was willing to deduct my profit on the set and let him have it for \$8.20. I also offered to buy the set for the price a dealer is able to pay for same, *i. e.*, \$5. I did this to convince Mr. Jno. R. H. that the set is worth more than \$5, and in case of his willingness to let it go for \$5, there would be a difference of \$3.20 to be covered by him. He apparently takes great pleasure in calling this a "fine." I considered my proposition a fair one and expected to receive an answer in a similar spirit. I am sorry to say, however, that Jno. R. H. used language which I could hardly reproduce publicly. I consequently gave Jno. R. H. time to consider his action, and after a lapse of time I was obliged to withdraw my offer and place the matter in the hands of a lawyer, and it is now for the courts to determine where the responsibility lies.

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