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OFFICIAL DEGREES.

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL, }
WASHINGTON, D. C., August 15, 1887.

ON or about the 12th of September, 1887, the following changes in the series of ordinary postage stamps will be made:

The color of the 2-cent stamp will be green instead of the present color—metallic red.

The color of the 3-cent stamp (issues of which are still made to some of the larger post-offices) will be vermilion instead of green.

About the same time the following changes will be made in the embossed stamps on stamped envelopes:

The 1-cent stamp will be printed from a new die of the head of Franklin, after the bust by Caracci.

The 2-cent stamp will be green instead of metallic red, and will contain the head of Washington, from a new die, after the statue by Houdon.

The 4-cent stamp will be carmine instead of green.

The 5-cent stamp will be dark blue instead of chocolate brown, and will contain the head of Grant instead of that of Garfield.

The 30-cent stamp will be brown instead of black.

The 90-cent stamp will be purple instead of carmine.

In addition to these changes, the border around the 1, 2, 4 and 5-cent embossed stamps will be somewhat different from the borders now used, the following being a description of the new design:

On the upper portion of an elliptical band, between two serrated lines, are the words "United States postage," in white letters; on the lower portion of the band are words, in the same style of lettering, indicating the denomination, which is also shown by an Arabic numeral in a shield at the bottom. The upper and lower portions of the band are separated by an eight-pointed rosette on each side of the stamp.

The stamped envelopes will be unchanged as to colors and qualities of paper, and as to denominations and prices.

Postmasters are instructed not to make requisitions for the new stamps and stamped envelopes until their present stock is about to become exhausted. They are also forbidden to make any exchanges of stamps and stamped envelopes except such as have been heretofore authorized.

H. R. HARRIS,

Third Assistant Postmaster-General.

NOTES ON U. S. STAMPS.

BY C.

OF late many collectors are being deceived by purchasing *odd colors* in U. S. postage and revenue stamps. Of these I can mention the 5c. yellow, 1861 issue, and 3c. *blue*, 1870 issue, postage, and the 70c. *blue*, Foreign Exchange, and \$3.00 *blue*, Charter Party, revenues, all of which have been changed from the original colors by acids.

There are genuine ones of the 5c. yellow, 1861 issue, but, without doubt, most of them so called are frauds.

Not long since I discovered a \$5.00 *green*, Probate of Will, in my collection. It had been colored, though by what means I am unable to say.

Even the P. O. Department envelope stamps have the paper bleached from amber, or canary to white, and are catalogued as great rarities by some of our principal dealers.

It may interest revenue collectors to hear that several sheets of the 10c. blue, Proprietary (first issue documents), have been found recently. They have been catalogued as high as two dollars and fifty cents, but have now become comparatively common.

I have long been under the impression that it was unlawful to produce cuts of any U. S. stamps, but only a few days ago I saw an illustration of the Thos. E. Wilson medicine stamp on the new price list of a prominent dealer in the "far West." Have I been under a wrong impression?

Not a few letters have been received at the P. O. here prepaid with a two-cent postage due stamp. This, with other reports elsewhere, goes to prove that it is not a very uncommon occurrence.

CURIOUS ADDRESSES.

IF I were given my choice of all the autograph collections in the city I think I should elect to own a little book carefully preserved in the archives of the New York Post-office.

Not that it is exactly a collection of autographs. But as an illustration of handwriting, of letters as they are written, the book is worth its weight merely as a curiosity. In addition to this it has a distinct mental and moral value as a significant illustration of the ingenuity and skill of post-office officials and of the conscientiousness with which, having undertaken to deliver letters, they deliver them.

First, as a curiosity. The book contains envelopes sent through the mail, covered, many of them, with hieroglyphics as undecipherable by the average eye as any Egyptian characters. It is amusing simply to suppose that any human being of any intelligence whatever should drop these letters in a post-office with any idea that they could ever be forwarded anywhere. Besides the curiosities of handwriting there are also the curiosities of address, even when the chirography is perfectly clear.

Besides the difficulty of reading bad writing, there is also the greater difficulty of interpreting writing apparently clear, but not intended to mean what it appears to mean. Thus one envelope is addressed with perfect clearness to

John Smith, National Bank, New York.

No John Smith being found at any national bank in New York, it is finally discovered that the "John Smith" can be made to read also "The Ninth," the letter being actually intended for the Ninth National Bank of New York. Another is plainly addressed to

1213 Moses, 52 Beaver St.

The number of the street giving a clue, it is found that 1213 was meant for the initials R. B., the two sides of each letter being widely separated.

It seems doubtful, for instance, whether any more pains could have been taken to

trace a misdirected document of state than must have been taken to deliver into the right hands a letter addressed as follows :

Mrs. E. Borozer,
New York,
Between 6th and 7th ave.,
Care of Mrs. Brocks.

P. S. The House sets back in the back yard.

When it is remembered that the numbers on both Sixth and Seventh avenue run over a thousand, and that more than fifty side streets run "between Sixth and Seventh avenue," one begins to appreciate the effort to find a house "set back in the back yard" on one of these side streets, occupied by a Mrs. Brocks, visited by a Mrs. Borozer. The lady was eventually found at the house of a Mrs. Brocks, in the rear of 478 Seventh avenue.

Experience, of course, counts heavily in deciphering odd handwriting or unraveling queer addresses. Mr. Stone, called "The Blind Reader," apparently because he is the very reverse of stone blind, has been for thirty years in the service, and an address that eludes his cleverness must be blind indeed. The memory of experience is, of course, invaluable in associating certain names and firms with special cities. A letter once addressed merely to "1926 Walnut St., America," reached its destination because, although nearly every city and town in the United States has a Walnut street, very few have the numbers running as high as the Walnut street in Philadelphia, and the first delivery was the right one. A letter from Paris was addressed to a gentleman at "Cap Morne, New York," "Cap" being evidently French, "Morne" was also translated into "Cod." The letter was thus sent in the Cape Cod mail, and the agent in the mailing car on the train remembered that a gentleman from New York of the name on the letter was spending the Summer at Osterville on the Cape, where the letter was put into his hands. One for "Lord and Flannel" is sent to Lord & Taylor on the chances, and proves to contain an order for flannel.

Miss Georgianna Ford, of Thompson street, gets her letter safely, though it is addressed to

Miss Jarcy Anner
ford New York
178 Tominson
street.

It was certainly a very bright man who found out that a letter for Mrs. MCGOWN 464 side St. New York, was to be delivered at 46 Forsyth street.

The sound helps very much in many doubtful addresses: "Signigical's Hotel," does not suggest much to the eye, but to the ear it soon means "St. Nicholas Hotel," while "Terradocca," pronounced two or three times, reveals itself as a much disguised "Saratoga." "Churman Concall" is, of course, for the German Consul, and "46 Pole & Green" is naturally for 46 Bowling Green. "Mr. Dick S. Phizzel" and "Mr. richard fichjals" are both identified in time as intended for Messrs. Dick & Fitzjerald, of 18 Ann street, while Curor Knives Nacaw St. becomes by ear for Currier & Ives, of Nassau street.

The most amusing of all of this class, perhaps, is one addressed

To
fealch Starch & Co.
Importers and dealers in tin plate and
sheet iron,
New York.

Say this over to yourself a few times, and you will see how easily it becomes the broad, low German pronunciation for Phelps, Dodge & Co.

A letter for

M. J. Benson, Esq.,
307-309-311 New York.

reached Mr. Benson on its first delivery, one of the assorters having suggested that one

firm in Canal Street occupied precisely those three numbers of the street, and Mr. Benson being found as a clerk in the employ of the firm of Whitfield, Powers & Co. Who craves the conundrum of starting out to find

Mrs. Annie Moon,
107 St. 2076
New York,

and who would have supposed her to be Miss Annie Mooney, of 2076 Second Avenue, corner of One-hundred-and-seventh street? But most puzzling of all, perhaps, was a letter for

Miss Isabella Morris,
No. 27th New York City.

For this there was indeed no hope but for each carrier in every district to take it in turn, and offer it at every number which had a 2 and 7 in it, in whatever combination. Miss Morris was eventually found at 47 West One-hundred-and-seventh street.

Such are some of the curiosities of the little book at the post-office, though the most curious defy any description but that of a camera.—*Julian Ralph, in Philadelphia Press.*

NATIONAL PHILATELICAL SOCIETY.

RESOLUTION offered by Dr. Wm. H. Mitchell :

WHEREAS, We, the members of the *National Philatelic Society*, of the City of New York, branch of the American Philatelic Association, are desirous of doing all that lies in our power to make the next Convention of the American Philatelic Association, to be held in Boston in August, 1888, one that will not only be interesting to Philatelists, but that will interest the public in Philately; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, members of the National Philatelic Society, being also a branch society of the American Philatelic Association, do believe that an exhibition of a Philatelic and postal nature would enhance the Convention.

Resolved, That the National Branch of the A. P. A. do petition the President of the A. P. A., with the consent of the Executive Board, to appoint from the branches and unattached members, as he may see fit, a suitable committee to take charge and bring to a successful termination such an exhibition.

Resolved, That this Society render to such committee, when appointed, all the aid that lies in our power to make the exhibition one that will reflect credit on American Philatelists.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the President of the A. P. A., and a copy to the QUAKER CITY PHILATELIST, *Philatelic Journal of America*, *Philatelic Gazette* and *Western Philatelist*, and that the Philatelic Societies be notified of this action on the part of the N. P. S., and be invited to co-operate.

WM. A. WARNER, *Secretary.*

New York, Sept. 8, 1887.

JOTTINGS.

BY F. E. P. LYNDE.

DURING the bustle of the Constitutional Centennial, we found that, though it generally upset stamps and Philately in general, we still had the pleasure of meeting several out-of-town Philatelists. Among the first to visit us was Mr. W. V. Nicholson, of Erie, all togged out in his regimentals. During the course of an hour's conversation we gleaned much information, and learned from one who was there of the magnificent way in which the delegates were treated by the Chicago fellows. In fact, his conversation told us of so many of the good things that our mouth watered, and we feasted on the plan of the Barmecides, and we must admit that at the

close of his call we certainly had nothing but kindly feelings towards the West, much more so than ever before the slight unpleasantness.

We notice that the committee which was appointed on Mr. Chalmers' claim in the A. P. A. Convention was entirely composed of Chalmers men. Rather a one-sided committee, we think.

We note it with conscious pride, and we do not think we can be blamed, at the tremendous advance in membership of the Dresden Society in America, for ourselves first spoke of it in our journal some time back, and laid its advantages before the Philatelic public, with very gratifying results. The writer was the first Philadelphia member, and the first American member outside of New York, and owing to his personal efforts ten out of the fourteen Philadelphians have joined.

We are also happy to speak of the first American Section, the Section Philadelphia, with fourteen charter members, which was organized on the 7th of July. Any member of the Dresden, within one hundred miles, is eligible to membership in the Section. For particulars write to Wm. H. Corfield, Secretary, S. W. corner Front and Noble streets, Philadelphia.

To any who wish to join we say, send us your name and occupation, and we will have a great deal of pleasure in sending it on.

Owing to circumstances which could not have been prevented, there was some little delay in the appointment of the Secretary of the Board of the A. P. A., but we understand that the first number of Vol. II will be mailed early this week. Bro. R. C. H. Brock is Chairman of Literary Board and we have no doubts but that under his efficient work it will become a shining light to philatelists all over this country.

NOTES FROM THE "LAKE CITY."

BY THE DRUGGING DRUMMER.

OUR trip to the Quaker City was pleasant, although we should like to have met Messrs. Siddall, McAllister and others. Mr. MacCalla entertained us, up to the Queen's taste, while we were in the "*Queer City*." Thanks, Bro. Mac.

Our first choice for Secretary of the A. P. A. is Bro. Bradt. Stay with us, boys, and we will keep him in the office.

Mr. Seagrave is our choice for Treasurer. He is the right man in the right place.

Our esteemed friend Capt. Lutje says, "Think I will have to join the A. P. A. They are a nice-looking lot of chaps any way."

Wm. Koehl, our six-foot book-binder, has a fine collection of stamps for a little fellow.

Bro. Brehm is not so slow, having about the largest collection of stamps in the city.

Bro. "Whiskers" Caughey had a good time in the "*Queer City*," and it's our opinion he dropped a few stamps there.

Little Jim Mortimer was also in the "*Queer City*," but we do not think he met the "White Elephant."

We believe our friend Reader did read-er, (The Sept. W. P.) all the way through. How is it, Will?

And as for the Russian duke, we notice he has secured three new applications to the A. P. A. since the convention.

THE new news bands, envelope and changed-color two-cent stamp are now out, and, excepting the latter, in no way improve on those which they replace. The two-cent stamp is a desirable change—anything would have been better than the previous dull red. The news bands and envelope stamps are very roughly executed, and, if possible, the colors are worse than before.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

DURING the festivities on the occasion of the Constitutional Centennial we had the pleasure of a call from the Nova Scotia man, A. B. Sidney De Wolf. Unfortunately the staff was all out, or we should have taken him to see a man. Call again, brother.

Mr. Geo. P. Bush, of Bellefonte, Pa., was also present in the city last week, and we had quite a talk with him. When he left we had to use a shoe horn to put on our hat. We also succeeded in demonstrating the benefit of joining the A. P. A., which he is going to do.

W. V. NICHOLSON, of Erie, Pa., was among the visitors to the Constitutional Celebration on the 15th ult., and it was our pleasure to meet him for the first time. We hope he enjoyed his brief visit and will come again. Some of the boys tried to make it pleasant for him, we understand, with the effect of making things so home-like that he claimed the Sub-Treasury and Custom House.

ON the second of this month our handsome editor-in-chief met Mr. R. R. Bogert and Mr. E. B. Hanes, of Providence, R. I., who were both looking fresh and blooming.

AMERICAN PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION. The two vacant offices in the A. P. A. should be filled at an early date, and we nominate Mr. Seagrave, of Ionia, Mich., for Secretary, and Mr. W. V. Nicholson, of Erie, Pa., for Treasurer.

Both of these gentlemen command the confidence of all the members, and we hope both will accept this nomination as being for the best interest of the Association.

We understand that Mr. Bradt refuses to be renominated for the Secretaryship.

MESSRS. R. S. HARRIS & Co., of Dubuque, Iowa, are among the most enterprising dealers in America, and judging by their advertisements, are second to no one in the whole Northwest. We understand that they have given up the approval sheet trade owing to the numerous swindlers. This prosperous and enterprising firm undoubtedly owe their present commanding position to persistent and judicious advertising.

MR. DURBIN's business will be carried on at the old stand on Library street until further arrangements are made. Mr. Rapleye, formerly his clerk, is now in charge, and can be seen at any time. We trust that the former patrons of his establishment will send orders as formerly.

DEALERS who wish to obtain the finest assortments of Foreign Stamps for the least money will do well to try Messrs. Geo. Calf & Co., Horsham, Sussex, England. We have known this firm for several years and invariably found their assortments of fine quality. We heartily recommend them to all American collectors and dealers.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

WE notice a marked improvement, both in the color and in the reading matter, of the *Old Curiosity Shop*. Go ahead, brother.

Bro. Aldrich, of the *Philatelic Fortnightly*, is a good editor, and his articles are always good, but he should certainly oversee his printer more, as some of the typographical errors alter the meaning entirely. Otherwise we have only words of praise for his plucky little paper.

We have also received from the Western Philatelic Publishing Company copies of President Tiffany's address, delivered before the Second Annual Convention of the A. P. A. We congratulate them on it most heartily, and would certainly advise no collector to be without it.

Our sturdy little visitor, the *Witch City Philatelist*, still visits us regularly, and we are always glad to see him, for, though small, he is good.

A good many of our exchanges have failed to visit us regularly, and as we go out regularly to them, we expect the same. A word to the wise is sufficient.

We have received the following; publishers please accept thanks: "American Philatelic Record," No. 2; "Curiosity World," Nos. 13 and 14; "Collectors' Review," No. 11; "Collectors' Aid," No. 6; "Stamp Collectors' Journal," Nos. 105 and 106; "Mohawk Standard," No. 6; "Halifax Philatelist," No. 8; "Old Curiosity Shop," Nos. 32 and 33; "Philatelic Fortnightly," Nos. 7, 8 and 9; "Philatelscher Boersen Courier," No. 8; "Wiener Briefmarken Zeitung," Nos. 6 and 7; "Philatelic Journal of America," No. 30; "Western Philatelist," No. 9; "Philatelic World," No. 9; "Le Courier du Timbrophile," No. 6; "Philatelic Century," No. 4; "Stamp," No. 7; "Mocking Bird," No. 12; "Collector," No. 3; "International Collector," No. 4; "Witch City Philatelist," No. 3; "Hitchman's Miscellany," No. 5; "Buckeye State Philatelist," No. 2; "Texas Philatelic Journal," No. 2; and "General Anzeiger für Philatelie," No. 7.

We have received a catalogue of the sale of the Mason Collection, which contains several gems. Some fine Buenos Ayres, many excellent Revenues and Local proofs, etc. We would advise collectors to procure one of these catalogues and attend, if possible, Bucken & Co., October 13th.

CORRESPONDENCE.

DETROIT, September 19, 1887.

DEAR SIR:—The collectors of this city are trying to form a society for the encouragement of stamp collecting, but experience a difficulty in the way of numbers (or members), only six or seven being ready. We are confident that there are a number of active collectors here we know nothing about. If you have had any dealing in this city, will you kindly send names and addresses on the enclosed card. Detroit is a large town (about 250,000), and we think a large society can be formed. If you know of none please send card and let us know. An early reply will oblige,

Yours truly,

W. P. CROSBY, *Secretary pro tem.*,

334 Sixth Street.

QUAKER CITY PHILATELIC SOCIETY MEETINGS.

MEETING, SEPTEMBER 10, 1887.

MEETING called to order at 8 P.M. President Henderson in chair. Messrs. Chiles, Corfield, Durborow, Henderson, MacCalla, Lynde, Scarlett, McAllister, Richards and Siddall present. Lady visitor. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

It was moved and seconded that in order that essays be more evenly divided, names of members be put in the hat and drawn.

Messrs. Corfield and MacCalla, essayists for next meeting. Auction was quite spirited.

Adjourned 9.40 P.M.

MEETING, SEPTEMBER 24, 1887.

Meeting called to order at 8.15 P.M. President Henderson in the chair. Messrs. Chiles, Corfield, Durborow, Henderson, MacCalla, Siddall, Lynde, Schaefer, Scarlett and McAllister, present. Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Mr. D. H. Miller was proposed for active membership. The Executive Committee having reported favorably, he was elected.

A communication was received from Wm. A. Warner, Secretary of the N. P. S., and resolutions of said Society in regard to the exhibition in connection with the next Convention of the A. P. S., in Boston.

Moved and seconded that the Q. C. P. S., as far as lays in their power, will do all to help it along. Carried.

Mr. MacCalla read an essay on the A. P. A., strongly urging members to join.

Messrs. Lynde and Siddall, essayists for next meeting.

Adjourned 10 P.M.

F. E. P. LYNDE, *Secretary.*

INTERNATIONALER PHILATELISTEN VEREIN.

SEPTEMBER 27, 1887.

THE regular meeting of Philadelphia Section was held September 10th, at 1321 Arch street, at 8.45 P.M., Mr. Lynde in the chair and Messrs. MacCalla, McAllister, Siddall, Durborow and Corfield present. It was resolved that in the death of L. W. Durbin we regret not only our own loss, but that to Philately in general. Mr. Siddall stated that he had received a letter from Herr Blauhuth, enclosing copies of the exchange rules, which he requested us to have translated if possible. Request was laid on the table until the next meeting. After the usual routine business, Section adjourned at 9.30 P.M.

W. H. CORFIELD, *Secretary.*

THE "Cyclopædia of Philately," which has just been issued and has met with great encouragement, is a neat 64pp. book, containing a list of the words and inscriptions found on stamps, words that differ in any manner from the English, together with the name of the country issuing stamps with such words and inscriptions. It is a most useful work for collectors, as those who have had difficulty in locating stamps can very well understand. No collector should be without one, be he advanced or just beginning. Styles of binding and prices will be found in another column.

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" 1881, 4 var.....	.73
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4 var.....	.28
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One column	3 30	7 92	14 95
One page	6 00	14 40	27 00

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